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KYAAMUYA

Month of Respect

HOPI CALENDAR

KYAAMUYA- December
 PAAMUYA- January
 POWAMUYA- February
 OSOMUYAW- March
 KWIYAMUYAW- April
 HAKITONMUYAW- May
 WOKO'UYIS- June
 TALANGVA- July
 TALAPAAMUYA- August
 NASAN'MUYAW- Sept.
 TOHO'OSMUYAW- Oct.
 KELMUYA- November

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Dec. 02, 2014
 Christmas Bazaar at the Moenkopi Legacy Inn 5pm – 10pm.
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Dec. 06, 2014
 Kykotsmovi Village 12th Annual Holiday Parade 10am – 2pm
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Dec. 13, 2014
 First Mesa Baptist Church Christmas Parade & Bazaar 8am Line-up @ FMCV 10am Parade Starts FMCV 1pm Bazaar Starts @ Baptist Church
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Dec. 13-14, 2014
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 2014 Christmas Men's & Co-ed Tournament Hopi Veterans Memorial Center
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Hopi High School Junior ROTC cadets

By Student Jere Antone
 Hopi High School Bruin Times Staff

Hopi High Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Sgt. Joe DeLeon said that JROTC cadets did an outstanding job at the Winslow Parade as everybody was loud, motivated and all in step.

DeLeon said they wouldn't know if the cadets will get any awards. The Winslow Chamber of Commerce selects the awards.

DeLeon said the crowd response to the cadets was full of enthusiasm. They were proud of all the cadets, they were pleased and supportive.

The Hopi High JROTC program led the parade. DeLeon said the JROTC set the pace, and they did their best.

DeLeon said it is important for the JROTC program to participate in the Winslow Parade to let the community, the families and the schools know what the JROTC program does in the classroom. It gives them the opportunity to expand their skills that they learned and show off those skills.

DeLeon said the weather was great. It was better than they expected and it was better than last year, so everybody had a blast.

Louella Nahsonhoya
 Hopi Tutuveni

The annual Christmas parade in Winslow has been a "must attend" event for everyone, including Hopi tribal members. This year was no different as nearly 11,000 attended the parade to kick off the holiday season.

The 68th Annual Christmas Parade – themed *Christmas Caroling Clan* began at 1pm on Nov. 22. Lined up along the streets of downtown Winslow, AZ Hopi families with children, young adults, moms & dads and grandmas and grandpas excitedly cheered as Hopi floats and parade participants passed by.

Some of the Hopi parade participants this year included: the Hopi High School Jr. ROTC, Miss Hopi Royalty, Royalties from local Hopi schools, Sichomovi Village Elderly group and a few Hopi dance groups.

There were also several Hopi vendors who set up shop along the sidewalks to sell their arts & crafts and food. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day as they visited with friends and snacked on hot fry bread and cracked their pinons.

Hopi Tribe participates in 68th Annual Christmas Parade



2014 Miss Hopi Royalty



Miss Hopi Jr. High School Princess Lucy Nahsonhoya

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CORRECTION

In the Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Park story published in the Nov. 18 of the Tutuveni, it is clarified and corrected that the National Parks Foundation provided Funding for the Ticket to Ride Program and WNP worked with the Hubbell Trading Post on the Project.

OPINION

If you have an opinion or idea for an editorial you would like to share with Tutuveni readership, please submit it to us at: lnahsonhoya@hopi.nsn.us

Please limit submission to 500 words or less. If your idea for submission is beyond this word count, please call to arrange space so we can accommodate accordingly. Phone numbers are listed in the mast head on Page 2.

We encourage correspondence from our readership in terms of opinions and concerns they have.

BIA Police Officer Recruit charged with sexual misconduct with a minor

Crystal Dee
 Hopi Tutuveni

On Oct. 17, Nolan Sulu of First Mesa and a former employee with the Hopi Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Police Department was arrested on allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor. He has three cases each holding 3-4 charges. Charges were not available upon press time.

On Oct. 20, Sulu appeared before Judge Craig Wallace for his first arraignment hearing and pled guilty to all the charges against him. During the arraignment he was advised that each of the charges were dangerous offenses in the Hopi Code and he could receive up to 9 years with a \$15,000 fine.

Judge Wallace said there are three cases against Sulu and was advised of each one which took between 45 minutes to an hour.

At that time Sulu was given advisement of his rights and the consecutive sentences the charges carry under the Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA).

On Nov. 18, during the second arraignment, Judge Wallace said, "I had not made clear what the maximum punishment was under the new Hopi Code."

Since the Hopi Tribe adopted the Tribal Law and Order Act, the Hopi Courts has the ability to impose higher sentences of up to nine years.

Sulu was appointed a Public Defender for the purpose of withdrawing his plea, but not to work on his defense.

Greg Shearer, Sulu's Public Defender asked that Sulu be allowed to withdraw his plea because he didn't understand the seriousness of his charges.

"It was appropriate to have advised him that the sentences were punishable by nine years," said Mr. Shearer.

Judge Wallace said he had fully advised Sulu of his rights and asked him multiple times if he wanted council to explain sentencing and to

review elements of offenses and the associated terms.

Mr. Shearer cited the Federal Rule of Criminal Process that the Hopi Code adopted, but does not have any provisions that pertains to withdraw.

The Public Defenders and the Hopi Tribal Prosecutor Olofunmike "Fumi" Owoso, have listened to the recordings of the first arraignment hearing to see if the defendant has a fair and just reason to withdraw plea.

"Defendants who come through here are not highly educated or trained in law; Sulu was alert and aware of what was going on," said Judge Wallace.

Mr. Shearer stated that the focus is one primary issue and that was not advising Sulu that sentence could be up to nine years.

"Sentencing was not explained to him," said Mr. Shearer. "The math of sentencing was not done for him."

"The court has no obligation to do so," said Owoso. "He was given a clear explanation of the sentencing procedure and never asserted he was innocent and repeatedly said he understood."

Prosecutor Owoso said Sulu had given more admission than what the tribe had and should not be allowed to withdraw his plea.

Each of the parties were given a chance to argue and cited from other cases.

Judge Wallace said he will vacate the sentencing hearing scheduled for 11/20/2014 to allow counsel to research and submit report by 11/21/2014 at 5pm.

Judge Wallace did not set a hearing date and made no ruling.

Sulu began employment with the Federal BIA Law Enforcement on March 23, 2014 and was on his way to becoming a federal police officer with the BIA Hopi Agency when he was arrested. He had been assisting the Hopi Police Department with administrative duties.

Sulu's plea was not allowed to be withdrawn and is currently being held without bail.

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL

**THE HOPI
TUTUVENI**

All Pueblo Council of Governors pass Resolution opposing Grand Canyon Escalade development project

All Pueblo Council of Governors

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RESOLUTION

ALL PUEBLO COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
RESOLUTION NO. APCG 2014-14

“Grand Canyon Escalade”

- Acoma
- Cochiti
- Isleta
- Jemez
- Laguna
- Nambe
- Ohkay Owingeh
- Picuris
- Pojoaque
- Sandia
- San Felipe
- San Ildefonso
- Santa Ana
- Santa Clara
- Santo Domingo
- Taos
- Tesuque
- Ysleta Del Sur
- Zia
- Zuni

WHEREAS, the All Pueblo Council of Governors (“APCG”) is comprised of the Pueblos of Acoma, Cochiti, Isleta, Jemez, Laguna, Nambe, Ohkay Owingeh, Picuris, Pojoaque, San Felipe, San Ildefonso, Sandia, Santa Ana, Santa Clara, Santo Domingo, Taos, Tesuque, Zia and Zuni, and one pueblo in Texas, Ysleta del Sur, each having the sovereign authority to govern their own affairs;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the All Pueblo Council of Governors is to advocate, foster, protect, and encourage the social, cultural & traditional well-being of the Pueblo Nations; and

WHEREAS, through their inherent & sovereign rights, the All Pueblo Council of Governors will promote the language, health, economic, and educational advancement of all Pueblo people; and

WHEREAS, Pueblo people have historically come together to join forces against threats to their land, culture and traditional ways of life; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Canyon is a traditionally, culturally and spiritually significant to all Native American people, including the Hopi and Zuni Pueblo people; and

WHEREAS, an organization called the “Confluence Partners, LLC” has proposed a commercial development project called the “Grand Canyon Escalade” which will include a resort and tramway, located at the confluence of the Little Colorado River and the Colorado River deep in the Grand Canyon, and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Hopi religious leaders and the Hopi Tribal Council strongly opposed the “Grand Canyon Escalade” by passing Tribal Council Resolution H-113-2012 that states “*Ongtupqa* (the Grand Canyon) and its contributing Hopi cultural elements is a time honored, revered, respected and important place to the Hopi people”; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2014, the Zuni Pueblo enacted Resolution No. M70-2014-Q066, asserting aboriginal and ancestral ties to the Grand Canyon, their relationship with the Canyon through sacred sites, shrines, springs and pilgrimages to the canyon and strong opposition to the “Grand Canyon Escalade” that states “the proposed development will forever compromise the tranquility and sacredness of the areas in and around the Grand Canyon which includes the original place of the Zuni and resting place of ancestors,” and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2014, the Chairman of the Hopi Tribe and Governors of Zuni, Acoma and Laguna Pueblos met in Zuni Pueblo to oppose the “Grand Canyon Escalade” and to protect the confluence of the Colorado River and the Little Colorado River; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2014, the Zuni Pueblo and Hopi Tribe requested that the All Pueblo Council of Governors support the Hopi Tribe, Zuni, Acoma and Laguna Pueblos in their efforts to protect the Grand Canyon against any commercial development and wrongful exploitation that threatens the Traditional Cultural Properties shared by all tribes who have direct religious connections to the Grand Canyon; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the All Pueblo Council of Governors hereby opposes any proposed development or commercial initiative called “Grand Canyon Escalade.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT, the All Pueblo Council of Governors hereby supports the Hopi Tribe, and Zuni, Acoma and Laguna Pueblos in all avenues, including legal actions and sponsorship of legislation at the state and national levels, to oppose and prevent the “Grand Canyon Escalade” and all other exploitive commercial development of the Grand Canyon.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned officials of the All Pueblo Council of Governors hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. APCG 2014-14 was considered and adopted at a duly called council meeting held on the 29 day of SEP 2014, and at which time a quorum was present and the same was approved by a vote of 16 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

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L-R: Director of Hopi Cultural Preservation Office Leigh Kuwanwisiwma; and Grand Canyon National Park Service Chief Deputy of Natural Resource Mgmt. Jan Balsom, Park Superintendent David Uberuaga, and Deputy Park Superintendent Diane Chalfant

Hopi Tribal leaders and Grand Canyon National Park Officials meet to discuss priority issues

The Hopi Tribe supports the National Park Service's objections to the proposed (GC Escalade) development project and adamantly opposes any development in the area

Louella Nahsonhoya, Hopi Tutuveni

In a Government to Government relations Meeting, Hopi tribal leaders and three officials from the Grand Canyon National Park Service met on Nov. 21 in the Hopi Tribal Council chamber to update and talk about on-going projects and discuss common issues. One of the issues they talked about was the highly controversial Grand Canyon Escalade Project; which both the Hopi Tribe and the National Park Service strongly oppose.

David Uberuaga, Superintendent of the National Park Service was accompanied by Deputy Superintendent Diane Chalfant and Deputy Chief of Resource Management Jan Balsom.

Hopi Chairman Herman Honanie opened the meeting and expressed his appreciation for coming together to update and address priority issues. Park officials spoke of their visions and goals for the Grand Canyon.

The priority agenda item for both the Park Officials and the Hopi Tribe was the proposed Grand Canyon Escalade project. During the meeting, they agreed that discussions on the Project need to be elevated along with awareness.

The highly controversial Grand Canyon Escalade Project was initiated by AZ State House of Representative Albert Hale and the Confluence Partners, LLC, with support from Navajo Nation leaders. The Project proposes to construct a gondola tramway that will descend from the canyon rim down to the canyon floor to an area known as the Confluence; where the Colorado River meets the Little Colorado River. This proposed tourist attraction also includes an elevated walkway, a restaurant and an amphitheater.

This area has been revered as a place of beauty and sanctity by many tribes. The Hopi Tribe and many other tribal communities continue to have strong ties to this area and make yearly pilgrimages to the area.

Leigh Kuwanwisiwma, Director of the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, said the Hopi Tribe and Navajo Nation entered into an Intergovernmental Compact on November 3, 2006 "to establish and protect the rights of their members to engage in traditional religious practices where those practices involve access to and use of the other party's lands. The parties also wish to provide for the maintenance and protection of religious sites on their land for the use and benefit of their members now and in the future."

During negotiations of the Intergovernmental Compact, the Hopi Tribe secured a list of Navajo sacred sites on the Hopi reservation and agreed to work with the Navajo Nation to give its members access to those sites. The Hopi Tribe also provided a list of their sacred sites. One of the areas listed as a sacred site for Hopi, is the confluence. The confluence is a part of their initial property claim. The Hopi Salt Trail is a central part of Hopi religious beliefs and the confluence is significant because that is where the Salt Trail enters the bigger Canyon and is part of the pilgrimages. To proceed with the development may be a willful violation of the Compact.

"In the meantime, Albert Hale of Confluence Partners was arrested for DUI and other charges on Sunday, Nov. 23 and booked into the Navajo County Jail, said Kuwanwisiwma. "What effect his role in promoting the Grand Canyon Escalade Resort remains to be seen. Another partner, Larmar Witmer was also charged in the recent Fiesta Bowl misuse of funds scandal several years ago."

Uberuaga said awareness of the impacts of the Grand Canyon Escalade Project has been increased after an Interview with the New York Times was publicized. This awareness has prompted much opposition to the development. There has been an overwhelming global response with over 100 media calls received opposing the Escalade Project and also inquiries of how they could help. There have also been over five thousand comments opposing uranium and also mentions opposing the Escalade Project.

Arizona Legislators, Senator Flake and Senator McCain area among those who care concerned and oppose the project. The Grand Canyon Trust organization also opposes the project and partner with the "Save the Confluence" coalition to oppose the development. Several Tribes, including members of the Navajo Nation also oppose the development. Tribal Resolutions opposing the Grand Canyon Escalade Project has been approved and passed by the Zuni Tribe, the All Pueblo Council of Governors and the Hopi Tribe.

As far back as May 6, 1903, then United States President Theodore Roosevelt stated: "In the Grand Canyon, Arizona has a natural wonder which is in kind absolutely unparalleled throughout the rest of the world. I want to ask you to keep this great wonder of nature as it now is. I hope you will not have a building of any kind, not a summer cottage, a hotel or anything else, to mar the wonderful grandeur, the sublimity, the great loneliness and beauty of the canyon. Leave it as it is. You cannot improve on it. The ages have been at work on it, and man can only mar it."

In their discussion of jurisdictional issues, Village of Mishongnovi Council Representative Arthur Batala asked Superintendent Uberuaga "what jurisdiction does the Park have as far as the confluence area is concerned? If the confluence is within the Grand Canyon Park area, then all activity is exclusive federal jurisdiction."

Superintendent Uberuaga said the confluence escalade is on National Park land. This includes areas near where the Colorado River and Little Colorado Rivers meet. This would then give the National Park Service exclusive land use rights over the area. The Grand Canyon National Park Service has not yet issued a formal position statement but, Superintendent Uberuaga said the National Park Service will soon have a formal position statement opposing the Grand Canyon Escalade Project; in-line with Tribal resolutions passed by the Hopi Tribe, the Zuni Tribe and recently the All Pueblo of Council of Governors.

Uberuaga said Grand Canyon is a world heritage site and the United States is a leading Country. Policy within the treaty states a federal decision that could negatively impact a world heritage site could go through another level of scrutiny. The Park Service is currently in legal discussion with the Department of Justice regarding the surrounding areas.

In other project updates, Superintendent Uberuaga said they have had a longstanding good relationship with the Hopi Tribe and expounded on on-going projects.

Most recently, the Repatriation/NAGPRA Project (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation), repatriated 17 skeletal remains and were formally returned to the Hopi Tribe. Skeletal remains are now pending burial.

Another project includes the Hopi Tribal Council authorizing Leigh Kuwanwisiwma, Director of the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, to enter MOU's (memorandum of understanding) for Research, restoration and preservation projects with the three Forest Service organizations, including the Grand Canyon area. A successful summer-youth Spring Restoration Project was just completed where Hopi elders partnered with managers of the Kaibab National Forest to mentor Hopi youth, and all worked together to restore two natural springs on the North Kaibab Ranger District. The concept of a shared stewardship between the Forest Service and the Hopi Tribe, will expand over time.

In 2007 the Tribe also entered into a Research Project with the Grand Canyon Park Service through River rafting Trips. The River Trip research projects have been highly successful through adaptive work management projects as well as educational experiences through storytelling and visiting the sacred and ancient ruins. Officials at the Park continue to explore ideas and ways to connect and reconnect youth and elderly of all Tribes, to their place of respect – the Grand Canyon.

A new project; the Desert View Watchtower project is currently in progress. The plan is to revamp and revitalize the Desert View for a more unique tribal focus: connect with Tribes to tell their stories, more native employment, education and youth development. The project plan also includes restoring the Tower, to what it should be, through cultural preservation.

An Inter-Tribal Advisory Council is being formed, in conjunction with the Desert View Project, to work cooperatively on issues with the Grand Canyon National Park. All Tribes have unique perspectives and can offer constructive contributions on how Grand Canyon National Park develops its management plans and implements their goals and tasks. All Tribes have an interest in seeing Grand Canyon National Park retain the qualities that make it important in their respective cultures.

Park officials and Hopi Tribal leaders agreed that a "one to one" visit is extremely important and this type of government-to-government relations meeting was long overdue and must continue. The Hopi Tribe supports the National Park Service's objections to the proposed development and adamantly opposes any development in the area.

"The Grand Canyon Park Service will continue to oppose the (Escalade) development in any way" said Uberuaga. "A formal position statement will be forthcoming."

Grand Canyon Escalade Timelines of Significance

Nov. 3, 2006, the Hopi Tribe and the Navajo Nation enter into the Intergovernmental Compact to establish and protect the rights of their members to engage in traditional religious practices

February 21, 2012, President Shelly, Navajo Nation, signs Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding with Confluence Partners, LLL (alleged).

March, 2012, Grand Canyon Escalade (CGE) Development Plans Unveiled.

Sept. 26, 2012, the Hopi Tribal Council by motion and unanimous vote approve Resolution H-113-2012. By passage of the Resolution, the Hopi Tribal Council strongly opposed development of commercial initiatives called the "GC".

Feb. 4, 2014, a letter was sent to President Ben Shelly, Navajo Nation from Hopi Chairman Herman Honanie requesting consultations on the proposed GCE.

June 12, 2014, another letter was sent to President Ben Shelly, Navajo Nation from Chairman Herman Honanie requesting consultations on the Master Agreement for the GCE.

June 13, 2014 Chairman Honanie, Tribal Council Members and Cultural Preservation Staff attend Naa'bik'iyati. Chairman Honanie speaks and addresses the concerns the CGE project poses to the Hopi Tribe.

Aug. 18, 2014, the Hopi Tribe, Zuni Pueblo, Laguna Pueblo, and Acoma Pueblo gather in opposition to the GCE project at Zuni Pueblo.

On Sept. 29, 2014, the All Pueblo Council of Governors (Hopi Tribe, Zuni, Laguna and Acoma Pueblos) enact APAGC 2014-14 Grand Canyon Escalade, for all legal actions and sponsorship of legislation at the state and national levels, to oppose and prevent the Grand Canyon Escalade.

Nov. 21, 2014, Grand Canyon Park Superintendent D. Uberuaga meets with Hopi Tribal leaders to support opposition of Grand Canyon Escalade.

ADS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Bacavi Council Representatives Lamar Keevama and Gail Poley



Kykotsmovi Council Representatives Norman Honie and Miona Kaping

New Hopi Tribal Council Representatives take Oath of Office

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

The Hopi Tribal Council began their First Quarter Session on Dec. 01 by swearing in new Council Representatives.

Lamar Keevama and Gail Poley from the Village of Bacavi and Norman Honie and Miona Kaping from the Village of Kykotsmovi were sworn in as newly elected Tribal Council Representatives for their respective villages. According to Moenkopi's by-laws, their council representatives must be sworn in every year. Moenkopi Representatives are Michael Elmer, Danny Humetewa, Jonathan Phillips and Leroy Sumatzkuku.

Each of the council representatives will serve a two-year term starting Dec. 01, 2014 thru Nov. 30, 2016.



CANDYLAND CHRISTMAS

Kykotsmovi Village 12th Annual Holiday Parade
December 6, 2014
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Parade Begins at 12 noon
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ADS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hopi Tribal Council requires additional time to approve 2015 Operating Budget. Approves Continuing Resolution authorizing tribal programs and villages to operate using 2014 approved budgets

Louella Nahsonhoya, Hopi Tutuveni

On November 26, by motion and majority vote, the Hopi Tribal Council approved Resolution H-067-2014, authorizing tribal programs and Villages to continue their operations in 2015 using their original FY 2014 approved budgets.

The deadline for approving the Hopi Tribes FY 2015 General Fund Budget will expire at midnight on Dec. 31 and the Tribal Council is in the process of implementing changes to the tribal government organizational structure and functions. The Council, therefore, finds it requires additional time to complete the proposed 2015 General Fund Budget. The Continuing Resolution (CR) will ensure that Hopi Tribal Governmental services and operations continue without interruption, pending completion and approval of the 2015 Budget.

The CR is effective Jan. 1, 2015 and will automatically expire when the Hopi Tribal Council formally adopts, by Resolution, the final negotiated FY 2015 General Fund Budget and related Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language.

The Resolution was passed by a vote of 14 in favor, 3 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Letter to the Editor

Editor: 20 November 2014

When I was elected to be a Council Representative from my village of Kykotsmovi two years ago, my main concern was the millions of dollars the Tribal Council was spending on Attorneys and consultants. I did not stop this spending because one representative cannot win when the majority wants to approve the spending which continues today despite the fact that hardly any income is coming in from Court cases.

Let me explain: On Sept. 3, 2014, BOT made a report to the council. They proposed that the budget for 2015 be cut by 10 percent because our revenue projection will be short by 4.5 million dollars. If the Council approves this next week, some programs will be eliminated and some personnel will be laid off.

However, at the same time, the Council have approved resolutions to pay all past invoices from previous Attorneys and consultants regardless whether they had a valid Tribal contract or not. These payments will be out of our investment funds and are not included in any Tribal budget for 2014 or 2015. These amounts are above the amount which will be authorized from H-13 funds for 2015.

On April 10, 2014, Council approved H- 17 which authorized 1.2 million dollars from H-13 (APS) fund to be paid for fees to Lawyers and consultants. On August 7, 2014 council approved H041, 20,000 dollars from H-13 (APS) fund. Action Item 059-2014 was approved by Council and authorized payments of 824,000 dollars from the Peabody settlement fund for legal fees, costs and expenses. The total amount allocated is more than 2 million dollars for Attorney invoices from the past and consultant fees to include payments to attorneys who worked without a contract. One attorney submitted an invoice for work from January to March 2014. The attorney had no contract with the Tribe but the General Counsel recommended that the Tribe honor this invoice for 82,429.65 dollars. I objected to this, but the Council ignored my objection.

My objection was based on the Tribe's Constitutional provision specified in By-Laws, Section 5 "The Treasurer shall make payments only when authorized by a resolution of the Council and in the manner authorized." In the past, this meant a Resolution and a contract. But in the past Administration, the Chairman signed letter agreements.

Finally, the bottom line is that unless the Council representatives are changed and First Mesa Representatives are allowed to take their seats on Council, this will not change. Right now, the Council is controlled by the Representatives of Mishongnovi and Sipaulovi and one representative from Bakabi.

Sincerely,
Caleb Johnson
For Rep. Kykotsmovi

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Stop the use of re-claimed sewage for snow making at the Snow Bowl

Leigh Kuwanwisiwma, Director Hopi Cultural Preservation Office

The Hopi Cultural Preservation Office is conducting interviews on Nuvatukya'ovi (the San Francisco Peaks) to assist in the Hopi Tribe's lawsuit against the City of Flagstaff. This lawsuit seeks to stop the use of re-claimed sewage for snow making at the Snow Bowl.

We need your support. If you are interested in assisting with an interview, please call Stewart Koyiyumptewa at 928-734-3618 or Lee Wayne Lomayestewa at 734-3616.

The interviews will take place during December 15th through the 19th

In the Hopi Children's Court, Hopi Jurisdiction, Keams Canyon, Arizona

In the Matter of E.T., DOB: 07/18/2004, Minor Child.
Case No 2010-CC-0023 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE HOPI TRIBE TO: BIOLOGICAL FATHER (NAME UNKNOWN) OF THE MINOR CHILD; AND/OR ANY INTERESTED FAMILY/RELATIVES OF MINOR:

Petitioners, ELTON TEWAYGUNA and DORIS AMI, have filed a Petition for Adoption in the Hopi Children's Court, bearing Case No. 2010-CC-0023.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the biological father (name unknown) and any interested persons (family or relatives of minor) who contests the Petition for Adoption shall file a response to the Petition with the Hopi Children's Court within twenty (20) calendar days from date of this notice. Your response must be filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Hopi Tribal Court, Post Office Box 156, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034; and a copy of your response mailed to the Office of the Prosecutor at the address provided below.

A copy of the Petition for Adoption may be obtained by submitting a request to: Mr. Samuel R. Crowfoot, Chief Prosecutor, Office of the Hopi Prosecutor, P.O. Box 306, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034.

Failure to respond will result in the Court rendering judgment for what the Petition demands. This means that the parent's rights to legal and physical custody of the minor child may be vested with Petitioners.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 19th day of November, 2014.

HOPI CHILDREN'S COURT
/s/ Margene Namoki, Court Clerk
P.O. Box 156
Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034
Telephone: (928) 738-5171

In the Hopi Tribal Court, Keams Canyon, AZ

In the Matter of Guardianship of: Reanna Renee Sanchez,
Date of Birth: 04-11-1996, an Adult Person,
And Concerning: Monica Fred, Petitioners
Case No. 2014-CV-0103, 20-Day Civil Summons

SERVICE BY PUBLICATION TO: ANY INTERESTED PERSON(S)

1. A Petition/Complaint has been filed demanding for: *Verified Petition for Appointment of Legal Guardianship of an Adult Person.* A copy of the Petition is available with the Clerk of the Court.

2. You are given 20 days from 1st date of the publication to file a written answer. You can prepare a written answer on your own and file it with the court within this time period provided or you can hire legal counsel to help you prepare a written answer. Service shall be complete 20 days after the 1st publication.

3. If you deny the claim and want the court to hear your side of the case, you must file a written answer and file it with the Office of the Clerk of the Hopi Tribal Court. P.O. Box 156, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 and a copy mailed to the Petitioner at: Monica Fred, Post office Box 268, Second Mesa, Arizona 86043

4. If you do nothing, the Court may give judgment for what the petition demands.
Dated: August 20, 2014
/s/ Martina Honie, Clerk of the Court

HOPI TRIBAL HOUSING AUTHORITY Position Classification and Description



Opening date: November 19, 2014
Closing date: Friday December 5, 2014 @ 3:00 p.m.

Position Title: Procurement Officer
Supervisor: Finance Manager

Position Summary:
Coordinate and facilitate the acquisition of goods and services for the HTHA Departments. Exercise considerable independent judgment in making purchasing decisions in accordance with current policies and procedures and ensure the ongoing delivery of material and equipment for the overall effective functioning of the Warehouse.

Position Title: Development Officer (2)
Supervisor: Construction Development Manager

Position Summary:
Responsible for planning, administering and monitoring of new housing development projects related to construction activities of housing units in accordance with the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), other governing regulations, laws and standard building codes. Throughout the development process maintains constant coordination with the involved tribal departments, state and federal entities through extensive oral and written communication.

Position Title: Custodian
Supervisor: Executive Assistant

Position Summary:
This position is responsible for routine custodial cleaning of offices/building in support of the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority. The incumbent performs duties of average difficulty requiring knowledge and skill in the proper handling of chemicals, cleaning tools and power equipment.

Position Descriptions and applications can be located on our website at www.htha.org or you may contact us at (928) 737-2800.

HOPI TRIBAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

P.O. BOX 906 POLACCA ARIZONA 86042 PHONE: (928)737-2800



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Construct Subsurface Drainage System

Through the authority of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) [25 U.S.C. §4101] the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority (HTHA), in a Grant Agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), is responsible to provide the Hopi tribal people with safe, decent, sanitary, and quality housing under federal regulations of the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) at 24 CFR §1000. et seq. apply.

The Hopi Tribal Housing Authority (OWNER) is soliciting qualified firms to complete subsurface drainage system to be installed at the existing First Mesa Youth Center located in Polacca, Arizona, within the boundaries of the Hopi Indian Reservation. The selected firm will enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the HTHA to perform services requested. The awarded firm will be responsible for the fee proposal which shall also include the Hopi Office of Revenue Commission (ORC) required business license fee to conduct business on the Hopi Reservation and the applicable 0.5% Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) fee.

Scope of Work

Provide all services necessary for the successful completion of subsurface drainage system:

- Hold an initial pre-proposal meeting by request with the owner to review available information and construction design plan sheets or request by email the construction design sheets. (SD-1, and SD-2)
- Perform the work in accordance with Sheet SD-1 which provides a description of the project, general construction notes, and material requirements for the construction of subsurface drainage system.
- Perform the work in accordance with Sheet SD-2 which provides proposed locations of the subsurface drainage system, a proposed profile for the perforated and solid sections of the drainage system and several construction details.
- As an additional scope of work, review, assess the existing street leading to the Youth Center and provide an estimate for construction and re-paving of the street to assist with the drainage.
- Provide construction management services, including progress inspections, track and review progress payment requests and approvals to HTHA, final construction inspections, assist in preparation of relevant reports to funding agencies.
- Provide all warranties associated with construction of sub-surface drainage system.
- Delivery of a hard copy final report, (1) bound, and (1) unbound, and electronic copy of estimates, picture and project report.

Indian Preference

The work to be performed under this contract is subject to Section 7(b) of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 (e)). Section 7(b) requires to the greatest extent feasible:

- Preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to American Indians and Alaska Natives.
- Preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to American Indian/Alaska Native-owned enterprises as defined in section 3 of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 [25 U.S.C. 1452]

Local News



FIRST THINGS FIRST

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Holiday Traditions Build Skills in Young Children

GRAND CANYON (November 26, 2014) – Holiday traditions offer more than fun during this festive season; for young kids, they are a chance to develop skills that will make them successful in kindergarten and beyond.

“Research shows that so-called ‘soft skills’ – the ability to communicate, get along well with others, control oneself and delay gratification, among other things – impact various outcomes for kids, including test scores and high school graduation,” said Ginger Sandweg, First Things First Senior Director for Early Learning. “Holiday traditions offer many opportunities to help toddlers and preschoolers develop those skills.” For example:

- Religious services – in addition to teaching children values, they give kids the opportunity to learn the importance of getting along well with others, to pay attention, and to control themselves.
- Family gatherings and cultural traditions – especially having a specific role or responsibility in the celebration (setting the table for a family dinner, for example) – give children a sense of security and help them to build self-esteem.
- Charitable contributions or events – teach children how to consider the needs and feelings of others.

Because they are still learning and may have a shorter attention span, Sandweg said young kids need a little extra support from adults to enjoy holiday traditions.

“The best way to prepare kids for holiday events is to talk with them beforehand – several times over a few days, if possible – about what is expected of them. Be sure to let them know that you are there to help if they don’t understand what’s going on,” Sandweg said. “During the actual event, check in often; ask kids questions about what’s going on around them; and, listen patiently to their answers. When praising positive behavior, be as specific as possible.”

Sandweg said the holiday season also offers many opportunities to teach or reinforce academic skills with young children.

“Holiday decorating, baking or singing along to festive music are all ways that children are building knowledge,” Sandweg said. “Helping to count or measure ingredients, talking about the colors and shapes of decorations, listening to stories about where cultural traditions come from and learning new words to songs – all of these help children develop vocabulary and learn about important concepts like number value, shape and texture.”

By making young kids part of our holiday traditions, she said, families are doing more than passing on holiday rituals and practices; they are giving infants, toddlers and preschoolers the skills that will be crucial to their success in school and beyond!



Making your own toys and being creative help kids learn and are a great way to spend family time over the holidays

Memories Should Last Forever

By Beatrice Norton
Program Manager Office of Aging and Adult Services

October was designated as Alzheimer Awareness Month and in collaboration with the Moencopi Economic Development Corporation (MDC) Executive Director Wendi Lewis, the Hopi Tribe’s Office of Aging & Adult Services (OAAS) participated in the first annual Alzheimer Awareness Walk at the Legacy Inn on November 6, 2014. The afternoon, started out with OAAS displaying program information.

Purple ribbons were distributed to participants.

Amidst, the crowd of people gathering for the walk I noticed family members of Alice Begaye, wearing purple T-Shirts with the slogan “**Memories Should Last Forever**” and below it read, “**In memory of Grandma Alice Begaye**” This caught my attention, knowing it was also **Arizona Family Care Giver Month**, my light bulb quickly lit up. Without hesitation, I approached the family and learned that their mother, Alice Begaye was afflicted with Alzheimer’s and had recently passed. I explained who I was, and proposed the idea of being interviewed by the Hopi Tutuvehni to share their story. I felt their story fit perfectly into the designation of

the Family Care Giver Month and it is a story that others share and can relate to the challenges of caring for loved ones. Lastly, as a family they worked together to care for their mother which certainly added to her quality of life. I want to extend my deepest appreciation to the Begaye family for accepting & agreeing to share their story. The memories of loved ones are forever held in our hearts. I honor the bravery of the Begaye family in taking this courageous step. This is one more step on your healing path. Asquali.

The evening ended with a walk, candle light vigil and a presentation by Nicole Lomay, Banner Health Foundation on the basics of Alzheimer’s. For more information on services offered by the Office of Aging & Adult Services, please contact Beatrice Norton, Program Manager at (928) 734-3551. The evening ended with a walk, candle light vigil and a presentation by on the basics of Alzheimer’s.

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Wind Turbine installed at Hopi Day School

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

Since the idea of a wind turbine was introduced, it took three years to finally get it installed. Hopi Day School held a dedication ceremony for their new Pika wind turbine that will be used for research and lower the schools electrical use.

Westwind Solar of Flagstaff installed the wind turbine that is 55ft. high. The wind turbine has a rating of 1.8kw (1800 watts) as the peak rating.

“When its high it picks up continuous wind and it produces the watts to make electricity and lowers your electric bill,” said Daniel Snyder, President of Westwind Solar. “It is American made in Maine.”

The wind turbine is mixed in with the schools electrical grid and creates renewable energy.

The base of the turbine is filled with concrete 9ft. wide and 4ft. deep. It took some time for the concrete to cure before they put up the wind turbine.

This is to show the kids that there is an alternative to burning coal to have electricity. The turbine doesn’t make any emissions or smoke and is not battery operated.

“We have four separate electric bills that we pay monthly with an estimate total of over a \$1000 each month,” said Diana Wallace, HDS Chief School Administrator.

The turbine will lower the bill of the modular classroom it is hooked up to. The bill for that modular was estimated over \$100, but since it has been hooked up to the turbine, the bill has lowered by \$60.

“This is a demonstration for renewable energy at the school,” said Snyder. “It also helps to lower the bill, but that is not the reason; it’s the kids.”

“We want to use this as a cost analysis over the long term,” said Kevin Loughran, Gifted and Talented Education teacher at Hopi Day School.

“Our schools don’t have this type of curriculum for this kind of technology and we want to introduce it to the kids,” said Kendrick Lomayestewa, Director of Hopi Renewable Energy Office. “We want to spark their imaginations and hopefully inspire them to pursue a career in these kinds of technology.”

The Grand Canyon Trust Renewable Energy Investment Fund helped with the cost of the wind turbine. The wind turbine cost approximately \$17,000, but cost the school \$2,000.

The Grand Canyon Trust is an environmentally based organization out of Flagstaff.

“They are the reason everything happened and we have renewable energy in our backyard,” said Loughran.

Everyone who was involved in helping with project was very excited that it was finally up and ready for use. There were some challenges that were out of their control, but were worth it as they saw it come to fruition.

Snyder said it looks great in the town and it has become an icon for the school.

Lomayestewa said he has been approached by several people asking what the turbine is and does.

“They ask if they could get one for their homes,” said Lomayestewa.

After the Renewable Energy Investment Fund depleted, Lomayestewa said he was approached by several schools after seeing Hopi Day School’s wind turbine.

“The interest is there,” said Lomayestewa. “We just didn’t approach the right people when we should have spoken to the teachers instead regarding these projects.”

Hopi Day School is the only school on the Hopi reservation that has a renewable energy project.

Loughran said he would like to give credit to Steve Lomadafkie, Greenhouse Mgr/Teacher of Moencopi Day School who did all the research and found grants for these kinds of projects while trying to get a wind turbine for his greenhouse.

Lomadafkie is still waiting to get a wind turbine for Meoncopi Day School too.

The Hopi Tribes Renewable Energy Office, Office of Range Management, Hopi Day School GATE Program and the Grand Canyon Trust all made this project possible and Hopi Day School would like to thank all who were involved.

The Grand Canyon Trust Renewable Energy Investment Fund helped to fund projects on Hopi such as the wind turbine at Hopi Day School, the Naatwanhoyum Farm Project: Solar water pump system, couple off grid solar system projects in Hotevilla and a new project called the Sheep Dip Well north of Kykotsmovi Village. Westwind Solar also had a hand in these projects.

“We enjoy working with the Hopi people,” said Snyder.

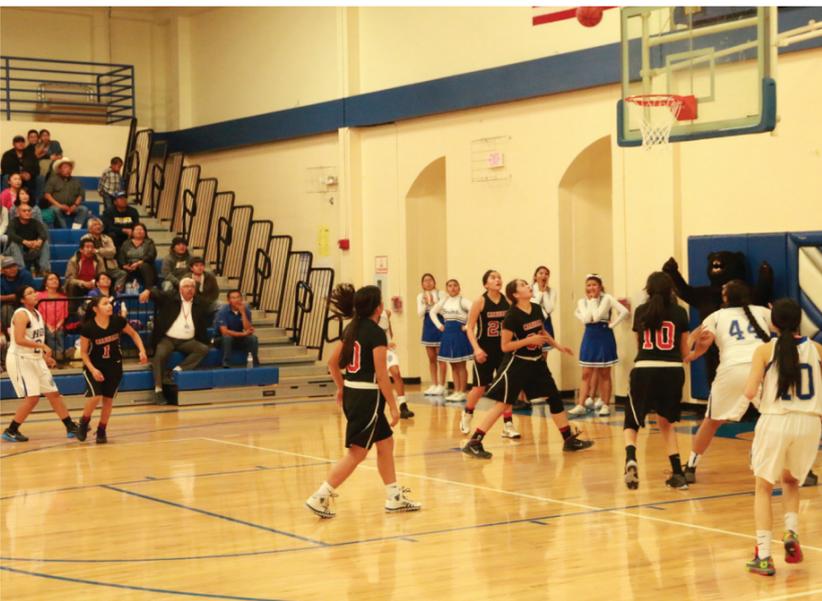
Snyder will maintain the wind turbine for two years and then the school will be able to maintain it themselves after.

Anyone can go online and see how much watts the turbine is putting out. The link was not available at press time.



L-R: Cruz Kennedy-Silas Windmill Tech; Dianna Wallace HDS CSA; Hale Kahe, Renewable Energy Tech; Richard Secakuyva Sr. Windmill Tech; Kevin Loughran HDS GATE Teacher; Daniel Snyder, President Westwind Solar and Kendrick Lomayestewa, Dir. Hopi Renewable Energy. Front L-R: Tate Yoiwma Sr., Windmill Tech and Craig Andrews, Windmill Tech

Hopi High School Bruins beat St. Michaels Cardinals in Home Opener



Ryesa Howato makes a three pointer from the outside. Lady Bruins beat the Lady Cardinals 59-44.



Wyatt Howard puts the Bruins up two points with a shot underneath the basket. Bruins upset the Cardinals with a win 91-57.

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

The Lady Bruins beat the Lady Cardinals 59-44 at home in their first basketball game on Tues., Nov. 25 at the Bruin Den.

The Lady Bruins started the game with a strong lead when Ryesa Howato (24) scored the first points with an additional 4 points from Hopi to create a strong lead.

The Lady Cardinals couldn't get a handle on the ball as they made several turnovers giving Hopi an advantage.

At the start of the second quarter, Hopi was up 20 - 6 St. Michael's.

Lady Cardinals got back into the game in the 2nd quarter and caught up with Hopi when Lady Cardinal Hunter Begaye (33) led her team back into the game scoring six points

At halftime the Bruins led by one point 28 - 27.

Lady Bruins Head Coach Wallace Youvella said his team came out fast and created a tempo, but they got a little too comfortable and let St. Michael's back into the game. After the half, Lady Bruins recovered themselves and created a lead to end of the game.

Youvella said they have a lot of work to do, but improved from last year.

"Our team this year is a lot younger," said Youvella. "Our goal is to get to the top of our section as we have been sitting at the bottom."

There are seven sophomores on the team, with three seniors and a couple juniors.

The next game is against Tuba City who is also their rivals. This will be Tuba's first game of the season and Youvella expects this to be a "rowdy" game that is expected between rival teams.

"It's always a great atmosphere when we play against Tuba City whether it's at home or away and I'm sure they will be ready for us and we need to be ready for them," said Youvella.

Whether they win or lose, Youvella expects his team to execute to the best of their ability. During Thanksgiving break, Youvella plans to prepare the girls by working on man to man defense, pressure defense, shooting, ball movement and protecting the ball.

The Lady Bruins overall goal for this season is to make it to state.

"It's a lofty goal, but it can be done," said Youvella. "The last time the team went to state was six years ago. We have to get better at every game and practice."

Ronald Laban (24) led the Hopi Bruins to a 91-57 victory against the Cardinals. Laban averaged a total score of 41 points.

The Bruins had a slow start in the first quarter as the Cardinals gained a 14 point lead until the Bruins full court press started picking up and started attacking the basket and

tying the game at the second quarter.

At the half, Bruins led the game by 10 points, 41-31. Hopi Bruins Coach Baker said it took the guys a while defensively to get into the game

"We struggle with what we were trying to do until we got the right five in there and that's when we started to play better," said Baker.

Before today's game, Baker said they had one day of practice on Monday and went over plays they would run defensively.

"They caught us by surprise," said Baker. "We're lucky we got away with a win."

Baker's goal for the team is to find right five that will play together and then work the other guys in, and win the games they are supposed to win. He said there will be some games that will be challenging.

"We want to be somewhere in the top 24 to get a chance at going to state," said Baker. "We have a tough schedule because we play a lot of Division III teams which are the former 3A North teams."

Coach said they still need a lot of work. He said they were out of position a lot and the ball man beat them down.

"We need more execution on offense," said Baker. "Tuba is a team that likes to play ball and shoot and that's what we need to work on for the next two days."

The Bruins Basketball team will play the Tuba City Warriors on Tue., Dec. 2 at Tuba City. Both coaches expect this to be rowdy game which one can expect from tow rival teams. This will be Tuba City's first game of the season.

Hopi High school is now a part of the Division III, Section I and will play against the bigger schools such as Chinle, Page and Window Rock to name a few.

Hopi Resource Enforcement delivers turkey baskets to needy families



HRES Officer Darren Talawepi and Officer Andrea Larios deliver a turkey basket to a home in Kykotsmovi Village.

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

For the last two years the Hopi Resource Enforcement Service (HRES) Department has delivered turkey baskets to families in need on the Hopi reservation.

HRES began their food drive on Halloween. They had a haunted house at their office and the entry fee was a can of non-perishable food item. They received approximately 100 canned goods and non-perishable items and over \$20 dollars.

They also received donations from Hopi Telecommunication Inc., Chairman Honanie and his wife, and all the staff, who donated funds and/or time.

HRES gave out a total of ten baskets; two were given to the Hopi Domestic Violence program for two families they serve. The rest were given to families in Spider Mound, Polacca, Mishongnovi, Shungopavi (2), Kykotsmovi, Moencopi and Tuba City.

"It was an emotional day for the staff as the recipients were shocked and then grateful for the gift," said LaVaun Dyer, HRES Police Administrator. "Some of the families had lost a loved one, were missing someone or just needed the help."

There were a couple of recipients who cried, but happy they received the turkey basket. One recipient stated that he was surprised and very thankful because he was having a hard time.

He said, "You only see law enforcement when something bad happens so this is a welcoming sight. This is a good thing you all are doing."

Dyer said it was also encouraging for the Officers to hear positive statements and being thanked for their service.

HRES is extremely grateful to those who came to their food drive event on Halloween and brought more than one item to donate.

Hopi Veteran's Memorial Center

Upcoming Events

HWY 264 Milepost 375.5, Kykotsmovi, AZ

Christmas Bazaar

December 13-14, 2014

Booths \$30.00 1 Day/\$50.00 2 Days

Must have Food Handlers and Peddlers Permit

2014 Christmas Men's & Co-Ed Tournament

December 26-28, 2014

\$150.00 Entry Fee; Co-Ed: 8 Player (4 Men, 4 Women)

\$80.00 Deposit Is Required To Reserve A Spot

Must Be 18 Years Old And Out Of High School
To Play In The Basketball Tournaments

Check Or Money Order Only Payments Made At The Wellness Center

Cash Payments Must Be Made At The Tribal Treasurer's Office

For Information On All The Above Call (928) 734-3432

Local News

VETERANS CORNER



(L to R) Major Benjamin "Dingo" Lindsay, Post #80 Princess, Miss Hopi, and Major Bailyn "Bull" Beck.

(L to R) Post #80 Princess, Master Sergeant Nathan La Rue, Sergeant Knight, and Miss Hopi.

Miss Hopi and Lori Piestewa Post #80 Princess Visits Luke Air Force Base

Don't be surprised one day if you see two F-16 fighter jets flying high in the clear blue skies above the Hopi mesas. On November 14, 2014, reigning Miss Hopi, Lexie James, and Lori Piestewa Post #80 Princess, Brenda Dacawyma, were invited to attend the Native American Heritage Luncheon at Luke Air Force Base (AFB), near Phoenix, AZ. Rounding out the Hopi contingent for the visit was Ms. Jacqueline James, grandmother of Ms. James; Brendon and Gina Dacawyma, parents of Ms. Dacawyma; Mr. and Mrs. Clark Tenakhongva and Ms. Diana Lucero.

Prior to the luncheon both royalties were treated to a special tour by visiting the 56th Training Squadron's F-16 flight simulator that trains fighter pilots from across the globe. Providing a short briefing on the flight simulator's purpose was Major Bailyn "Bull" Beck and accompanying him was Major Benjamin "Dingo" Lindsay, both instructor pilots at the flight simulator facility. A slide presentation was conducted for safety and orientation before the honored guests were put into the flight simulator. As Major Beck explained, the simulator was basically a \$6 million dollar "x-box" video game.

After the briefing was conducted, both Ms. James and Ms. Dacawyma were escorted and assigned their flight simulator resembling the cockpit of an F-16 fighter jet. Because of base security, photos were not allowed. Ms. James was given call sign "Viper 1", while Ms. Dacawyma was given call sign "Viper 2". The simulator flights lasted 45 minutes and both royalties were given instructions by an instructor in another room communicating and monitoring them by actual use of pilot headsets on take-off; basic flying skills using the flight controls; use of guns and missiles; and finally landing the jet. While the royalty were flying, the rest of the Hopi group sat in an area where they observed on a big screen monitor both aircraft flying and listening to the instructor and royalty communicate with each other. As the group watched the monitor it took some time for the young "trainee pilots" to get familiar with the flight controls, but within a few minutes they were able to master the controls. They were given several scenarios to use their armament (guns and missiles) to shoot down an enemy bomber and both successfully hit their aerial target. The monitors were realistic in showing both aircraft flying it's assigned routes and even displayed them flying through the Grand Canyon from the pilots perspective. After flying their respective simulators, now it was time to return to base and safely land their jets. Both "Viper 1" and "Viper 2" made several attempts to land, but crashed just short or wide of the runway. After learning their mistakes, both royalties landed their jets successfully and thereby earned their "wings". Judging from the smiles on Ms. James and Ms. Dacawyma, they both enjoyed the flight simulator and wanted to fly again. However the next stop was the luncheon and the group slowly made their way to the banquet location.

Each year the Department of Defense and all branches of the Armed Forces observes Native American Heritage Month in November and this year Luke AFB selected as their theme "Native Pride and Spirit: Yesterday, Today and Forever". The luncheon began with the posting of colors by the elite Luke AFB Honor Guard; opening prayer by the base chaplain and then lunch was served. During the meal, the audience watched a slide show on the ten Hopi Code Talkers which also recognized other Native American Code Talkers who served during World Wars I and II. After everyone was finished eating, Lori Piestewa Post #80 Princess provided short opening comments and followed by Miss Hopi who also spoke briefly before introducing the main guest speaker, Mr. Tenakhongva, to the stage. Both Royalties expressed to the audience their appreciation for attending the luncheon and receiving the royal treatment from the base personnel. They also thanked the men and women in uniform for their honorable service in the military as they protect and defend our nation. The Royalty also paid special recognition to the spouses and children for their sacrifice as they accompany their military family members stationed across the globe.

During his performance, Mr. Tenakhongva sang several Hopi songs and in-between the songs talked about Hopi cultural and the role of Native Americans serving in the military. He highlighted that since most Native Americans attended strict military-style Indian boarding schools most were able to adapt to military life when they served during World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War, and later eras. Mr. Tenakhongva also emphasized native languages need to be learned by our young people at home and in school, since this was the legacy of the Native American Code Talkers who helped win the war during World War II.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Miss Hopi Committee and Lori Piestewa Post #80 for allowing their royalty to attend the function at Luke AFB. Most importantly I extend my sincere appreciation to Master Sergeant Nathan La Rue for spearheading and inviting the Hopi group to the luncheon. To Ms. Alma de Garriz (Awl-mana) for her gracious help in escorting and arranging the flight simulator tour for the group. Lastly to Brigadier General Scott Pleus, Wing Commander, for allowing us to visit the base and the warm hospitality we received from the men and women stationed at Luke AFB. So if you ever see a pair of F-16 flying above Hopi Land, it may be our two royalty logging flight time as they soar high into the "Wild Blue Yonder".

* For information on requesting or inviting the two royalties for your events please contact:

- Ms. Carey Onsaet at (928) 380-2119 for Miss Hopi and her Royalty.
- Geno Talas at (928) 734-2550 for Lori Piestewa Post #80 Princess and her Attendant.

HJSHS Early Release Dec. 3, 1pm

Hopi Jr/Sr High School will hold an early release professional development day on Dec. 3. Teachers will be in-serviced on the NWEA Map Data Analysis. This day has been changed from a regular day schedule. Students will be released at 1 p.m.

For more information, telephone HJSHS at 738-5111.

HHS Bruin Winter Sports Schedule

12/2/14---HS Basketball Hopi @ Tuba City 3, 4:30, 6 & 7:30 pm.

12/4/14---JH Basketball @ Tuba City Brdg. 4, 5, 6 & 7 pm.

12/4-6/14---HS Girls Basketball @ NGS Tourney (Page)

12/5-6/14---JH Basketball (JV) @ Kayenta Tourney.

12/5-6/14---HS Wrestling @ Pat Kenny Invite (Holbrook)

12/6/14---JH Basketball (V) @ THT Tourney in Ft. Defiance.

12/6/14---JH Wrestling @ Greasewood Multi.

12/8/14---HS Basketball HOPI vs. Rough Rock 4:30, 6 & 7:30 pm

12/9/14---HS Basketball Hopi @ Red Mesa 3, 4:30, 6 & 7:30 pm.

12/10/14---HS Wrestling @ Tuba City Multi

12/11/14---HS Basketball HOPI vs. Pinon 12, 1:30, 3, 4:30, 6, & 7:30 pm

12/11/14---JH Basketball Hopi @ KDLO (JV only) 4 & 5 pm.

12/12/14---JH Basketball HOPI vs. Red Mesa 3, 4, 5 & 6 pm.

12/12-13/14---HS Boys Basketball @ Window Rock Tourney

12/12-13/14---HS Wrestling @ Peabody Invite (Kayenta)
12/12-13/14---JH Wrestling @ Peabody Invite (Kayenta)

12/15/14---HS Basketball Hopi @ Greyhills 12, 1:30, 3, 4:30, 6, & 7:30 pm

12/15/14---JH Basketball HOPI vs. Chinle 4, 5, 6 & 7 pm.

12/16/14---HS Wrestling @ Northland Prep Multi (Flagstaff)

12/18/14---JH Basketball HOPI vs. Ganado 4, 5, 6, & 7 pm.

12/18-20/14---HS Girls Basketball @ Winslow Winter Classic

12/19-20/14---JH Basketball (V) @ KMS Tourney (Kayenta)

12/19-20/14---HS Wrestling @ Window Rock Invite (Ft. Defiance)

12/20/14---JH Wrestling @ THT Joe Droll (Ft. Defiance)

12/26-29/14---HS Basketball (B & G) @ Tournament of Champions

First Rounds at Ganado or Kayenta, Finals at Ft. Defiance

Shungopavi Village - December 2014						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Washing @8a	5 Bazaar @10a-6p	6
7	8	9 Shopping @8a	10 Bazaar @10a-6p	11	12	13 STAND Leadership for Teens @ HVMC @10a-2p
14	15 SISTER Prj @8:30a	16 SISTER Prj @8:30a	17	18	19 House Decorating Entry Forms due 12 noon OFFICE CLOSED 2-5p	20 Toys for Tots @1p @ Hopi Day School
21	22 KidCrafts @10a-3p TeenSkills @1:30p	23 KidCrafts @10a-3p Bazaar @ 10a-6p House Decorating Contest Judging - 6p	24 Ginger Bread House Entry Forms due 12 noon	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27
28	29 KidActivity @9a-noon TeenSkills @1:30p	30 After Holiday Program 6:30p-9p Ginger Bread House Judging - 8p	31 KidActivity @1p-4p Teen Pregnancy @10a			

Regular - Shungopavi Residents ONLY Shungopavi Village Admin will determine availability of space for public events.

First Mesa Village Christmas Parade and Bazaar



Dec. 13

Parade 10am
Bazaar 12 noon

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Local News

Alzheimer's disease affects Hopi Family

Crystal Dee Hopi Tutuveni

Alice Fern Begay, Cherokee from Baron, OK. Begay was born on July 04, 1933. She came to the Hopi reservation right out of Nursing School and met Nathan Begay, Hopi/Navajo. They married on Nov. 27, 1954 and lived on the Hopi reservation for 61 years. They have four children; Geri Talayumptewa, Gail Begay and two sons who lost their lives in a car accident.

"She always wanted two boys and two girls," said Talayumptewa.

Alice has ten grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Alice was 81 years old when she passed away on Sept. 06 due to a long term illness of Alzheimer and Dementia.

"We noticed the sign of Alzheimer's when she began losing interest in her hobbies and couldn't do simple things," said Geri.

Alice had a garden and used to sew a lot. It got to a point where she couldn't complete a recipe and ask her daughters to finish it for her.

She began putting things that belonged in the refrigerator in the cabinets and vice versa. She also began layering her clothes, wearing more than one pant and shirt at a time.

"Without us knowing, she would take off out the door," said Geri. "On one occasion, someone had come to Gail's work to tell her that our mother was walking by the APS substation."

Alice would wonder off without anyone knowing and she would tell her daughters that she was going home to Oklahoma.

"She would find stuffed animals and line them up on the back of her couch," said Gail. "She would carry a lot of coins in her pocket and began to hoard and hide things."

As the Alzheimer's progressed, Alice lost her speech and began to babble. She also showed no signs of pain.

Then she didn't recognize her family members anymore.

Alice had shown signs of Alzheimer's five years until she was diagnosed by a medical doctor.

"Our father could not accept that our mother had Alzheimer's," said Geri. "He would get frustrated and it became hard on him. He hoped she would snap out of it and be normal again."

He began to blame himself for her sickness saying she was doing those things because she was mad at him.

"We kept telling him she wasn't going to change and it wasn't because of him," said Gail. "It was hard for us because we in the middle of the two of them."

Alice remembered everything from her childhood and for her daughters, it seemed like she was going back to the mindset of a child.

Both Gail and Geri went to trainings on Alzheimer's to help them understand what their mother was going through.

The trainings taught them how to deal with the illness and recommended they show her photo albums, magazines and pictures. And for activities they would have her fix children's puzzles. It also helped them to recognize signs and symptoms.

"We would also read articles related to Alzheimer to educate ourselves," said Geri.

At the trainings they found that there is a short term and long term Alzheimer's.

"In our case, it gave us a longer time to be with her," said Geri. "But the progress and length of it was not easy to deal with. We did the best we could to help our mother."

In August 2011, Alice had hip replacement surgery that left her unable to walk again because she couldn't comprehend the physical therapy. It was during this time they found out their mother didn't have any medical benefits at all. They had missed the deadline for her to apply for Medicare.

She could no longer stay at home and was placed in a home called, Ponderosa which



Gerri Talayumptewa and Gail Begay hold a picture of their mother Alice Begay. Begay suffered from long term Alzheimer's Dementia.

is now Haven of Flagstaff. Not long after their mother was placed at Ponderosa, their father suffered a massive stroke and passed away in December of that year.

Before their mother went into a nursing home, they both helped their father with taking care of their mother. It was easy for them because they lived a few steps away from their parent's home.

"After a while we had to hire a care taker to come into their home and help with giving her a bath and dressing her because she didn't want our father to touch her," said Gail.

There were days when she would get mad at her daughters and try to hit them. They would get discouraged but the classes they attended had helped them to remember it was a part of the disease.

Alice stayed in Flagstaff for three years until she passed away. Towards the end she was moved into hospice because she had stopped eating and within three days she passed.

Geri and Gail said they believe their mother suffered from depression after their brothers passed away. Their mom never got over the fact that she had lost her boys and didn't seek counseling. Both said that it may have triggered Alzheimer's.

They both recommend to others that they know what kind of benefits their parents have.

Geri became the Power of Attorney for her parents. She handled all the paperwork and learned to be patient. Even though she was the Power of Attorney, she talked with Gail regarding important decisions.

The late Ellen Honyouti and others were very helpful when they were trying to establish a nursing home for their mother. They would like to thank Dr. Vicente, Linda Luke, Rhonda Talaswaima and Johanna Vargas of the Hopi Health Care Center.

"Talk with your family members," said Gail. "Your mother and father are your parents no matter what they go through; they can't be replaced."

Beatrice Norton, Manager of the Office of Aging and Adult Services approached Gail and Geri at an event on Alzheimer's and asked if they would be willing to share their story being that was the Arizona Family Care Giving Month in November.

"Personal stories like this will help others become aware of the challenges & rewards family face when they provide care for aging parents and may inspire those who are in those situations that they are not alone," said Norton.

Parade pictures



Hopi Day School Royalty



Hopi Dance Group



Second Mesa Day School Royalty



Sichomovi Elderly sing christmas songs in Hopi



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Navajo County Community College
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Second Mesa Day School Introduces new Teachers

Rafiq Hawkins

1. I am coming from a suburb of San Diego, California, called Carlsbad.
2. I have been involved in elementary education since 2007, when my first child entered Kindergarten. I have worked as a classroom Volunteer, school Site Supervisor/Yard Duty, Art Docent, Academic Tutor, Student Teacher, Substitute Teacher, Special Education Instructional Assistant, and now as a 2nd Grade Teacher!
3. My educational philosophy is to honor the "whole" child. I believe all children have a strength that needs to be challenged. The key as an educator is teaching to each child's strength, once their needs have been addressed. Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs states that each child can learn, and learn well, once their basic needs are attended to. That takes the efforts of both the parents/guardians and teacher working together. With the support of the community, as a whole, a student can achieve their academic dream.
4. Something I would like the public to know about me is that I am a life-long learner with a current goal of earning a Master's degree in Education.

Lucy Ann Lomakema

My name is Lucy Ann Lomakema. I am from Polacca Arizona. I have been an educator for over fifteen years. My educational philosophy is that I believe each child had the potential to bring something unique and special to their home, community and the world. My role as a teacher is to give children the tools to sustain their own grounds of knowledge, to be successful every day, to believe in themselves, and to be good to others. I enjoy doing things I have never experienced and I like to go to places I have never seen.

Vee Browne

I reside in Cottonwood/Tselani and I have been an educator for most of my life. My educational philosophy is to study hard and read a lot. Learning is fun! Many careers comprise of Science, Math and Language Arts. Education does not stop after you graduate, graduation is only the beginning. I have been a professional student most of my life. Lastly, I have been selected by "Highlights for Children" as an Artist/Author. I really enjoy teaching and working with our children to broaden their horizons.

Loretta Jenkins

Loretta (Secakuku-Maiden name) Jenkins

Lived in Tucson, Arizona, prior to returning to her Hopi homeland and she is from the Village of Shungopavi on Second Mesa.

She has worked as Special Education Teacher in public schools for 30 years.

Her philosophy is that parents, teachers and their communities help children to develop to their utmost potential by believing in them as capable individuals.

Loretta Jenkins is looking forward to the opportunity to work with school staff and to teach and learn with Hopi children, she is also looking forward to spending more time with her four grandchildren.

Annabelle Lopez

Although Annabelle Lopez was only a member of the Bobcat team for a short while we appreciate all of her hard work and effort and wish her well in everything she does. She is from Newcomb, New Mexico. She has been an educator for ten years. Her philosophy is to make positive changes for better results. She likes to create things (Crafts, Cooking, etc.); and on a personal note she is interested in learning more about her Tewa side.



DRILLER & SHOOTER TRAINEE

Peabody Western Coal Company has positions open for a Driller & Shooter Trainee. The position will provide drilling and shooting experience to work and train for a designated time (6 month minimum) to ensure their ability to become a qualified individual to work as a Driller & Shooter at a Surface Coal Mine. This position will enable incumbent to be exposed to all aspects of drilling and shooting to accomplish proper fragmentation to meet stripping and haulage needs, as well as the applicable law and codes. Training will provide incumbent with basic knowledge to prepare them for a final Driller & Shooter test.

Training will require incumbent to operate any given overburden, parting and coal drill competently, including being able to add and remove multiple steels on drills; set up and drill various angles; change bits; determine set up and drill various patterns on offsets; tram drill; and understand and maintain proper pressures and settings on all controls. Incumbent will also be trained to operate overburden, parting and coal powder trucks competently. This includes but is not limited to being able to understand and maintain proper pressures, calibrations and settings on all controls on any given powder truck; load all types of patterns and depth including cast, overburden, partings and coal; operate various stemming tractors; and operate dewatering pumps when necessary.

High school graduate, G.E.D. equivalent, or comparable education and experience is required; additional technical training preferred. A minimum of three (3) years of drilling and shooting experience is required, preferably in a mining operation. The position requires the ability to read, perform basic math calculations and write legibly in English. The successful candidate must pass a job related test to establish the aptitude and ability to perform the requirements related to this training position. If previously employed, must have a good personal work record. Interpersonal and communication skills are required for effective professional interaction with mine management and operations personnel.

The individual must be extremely safety conscious and a self-motivated team player with a desire to enhance department efficiency. Vacancies are on second shift (4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.), and the incumbent must be able to work different shifts an overtime as required.

This is a hourly, non-exempt position. The incumbent will typically be scheduled to work a 40 to 48 hour workweek at a current wage rate of Grade 2C, \$27.985 per hour. The benefit package for this position includes a pension plan, 401(k), plus medical and vision.

To apply for this challenging and rewarding position please send a cover letter and resume to:

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P. O. Box 650
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Resumes will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2014.

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Free Do-It-Yourself Home Weatherization Workshop

Red Feather Development Group will be hosting a weatherization workshop for community members December 5-7, 2014. Students will begin in the classroom learning the basics of home energy efficiency and maintenance techniques. This will be followed by hand-on-practice investigating local homes for air leaks and installing weatherization materials. All participants will receive a weatherization kit that includes items such as a hot water blanket, carbon monoxide detector, weather-stripping and insulation materials. **No experience necessary.** Participants must attend all sessions to graduate.

Space is limited! For details or to RSVP your attendance please call Joe Seidenberg, at 928-266-1610 or email joe@redfeather.org

Class Times:

Friday: 5:30-8:30pm

Saturday and Sunday: 8am-4pm

Location:

Moencopi Lower Community Center



Building Homes – Building Futures grant helps adults get GED®, learn construction

Disadvantaged youth and adults in Navajo and Apache counties will receive training as nationally certified construction workers and prepare for their GED® under an \$84,474 Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training (I-BEST) grant from the Arizona Department of Education awarded to Northland Pioneer College, in collaboration with the Navajo and Apache County Workforce Partnership (WIOA).

The Navajo County Community College District Governing Board accepted the **Building Homes – Building Futures** grant at their regular monthly meeting on Nov. 18. The board also recognized three retiring long-time employees; approved the review and updating of five policies; adopted the budget development calendar for 2015-16; and reviewed enrollment figures for the fall semester.

Building Homes – Building Futures integrates academic preparation and career skills training to prepare youth, 16-years-old and above, and adults with below-college-level skills in math, reading and writing with a fast track to employment in the construction trades. NPC's construction and Adult Basic Education faculty will work together to develop a series of fully-integrated courses, as well as an I-BEST model for team teaching academic and career skills to be used by other NPC Career and Technical Education departments.

The grant provides funding for up to 30 students to participate in the project. Students qualifying under the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) may be eligible for transportation, housing and other assistance during the three-semester project.

Skills acquired in the classroom will be used in constructing an energy-efficient house, using green building materials and techniques, on donated land in Holbrook. NPC will partner with the regional office of Housing and Urban Development on the sale of the house. The proceeds will be the seed money for subsequent house building, thus continuing the initial project.

Those completing the project will earn their GED®, stackable OSHA-10 and National Career Readiness Certification (NCRC) credentials and two National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) credentials in Core Curriculum and Construction Technology.

"Building Homes – Building Futures is modeled on the highly successful pilot Holbrook Community Garden project this past summer," Mark Vest, vice president for Learning and Student Services, told the board. "It brings together a collaboration of community involvement – the donation of land for the project; a strong relationship with the Navajo and Apache County Workforce Partnership (WIOA); and integrated college involvement across multiple departments."

All six of the summer Community Garden project completers are enrolled in fall NPC classes and five are employed in the construction trades. NPC's partner WIOA assisted with recruitment and identification of project participants, provided student supplies and instructional materials, helped completers in planning for and enrolling in post-secondary education and provided assistance in finding jobs in the construction industry.

Screening and recruiting for the **Building Homes – Building Futures** project will begin early in 2015, with classes ramping up during the summer months.

The retirements of NPC employees Susan Olsen, Loyelin Aceves and Emma Hillend highlight nearly six decades of service to NPC students. Olsen served as adjunct faculty and a campus or center manager at several locations during her 27+ years with the college. Aceves is retiring after 21 years, including service at the Snowflake campus before directing the college's noncredit community education department, including the successful Kids College program. Hillend served 11+ years at the Snowflake campus. Each received a crystal eagle marking their years of service.

The governing board reviewed and updated policies covering their self-evaluation, conflict of interest, regular meetings and executive sessions and college accreditation.

Blaine Hatch, NPC's vice president for Administrative Services, highlighted some of the legislative conditions that may impact the college's budget for next fiscal year while presenting the proposed budget development calendar. He presented a state budget update from the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC), the importance of maintaining state equalization aid, and the looming expenditure limitations resulting from reduced enrollments.

The board will be asked to set budget assumptions and guidelines during the Dec. 16 regular meeting. Those recommendations will be tied to the strategic plan and will impact departmental budgets and the overall college budget.

Reviewing the fall enrollment report, Vest stressed it reflects only a portion of NPC's enrollment. "This report only counts students actually enrolled and attending class on the 45th day of the semester, Oct. 1. If a short-term class ended before that date, those students are not counted in this report. If students are enrolled in 9-week classes that began Oct. 6, they are not counted in this report. Those short-term students will be picked up in the annual report to the state."

Yet the report shows a 5.4 percent increase over the previous year. "In short-term enrollment, last year we had 199 sections. This year, 268 sections are being offered the last nine weeks of the semester," Vest noted. "These concentrated classes are working better for our students, but they also shift our enrollment out of the traditional model." He expects the headcount to be up around 4 percent by the end of the semester.

While most of the state's other community colleges are reporting declining enrollment, "NPC tends to be a leading indicator on enrollment due to our higher than statewide average unemployment, poverty levels and the dependence on financial aid to attend classes," Vest continued.

"A number of small things are working for students, especially more scholarship opportunities," said Vest. The Finish Line Scholarship, which allows qualifying students to complete the last 12 credits required for their degree tuition free, combined with mandatory academic advising checks, has resulted in 700 new degree plans and higher retention rates. NPC's high school programs advisers are working more closely with NAVIT and dual-enrollment students to take advantage of College Bound and Fast Track scholarships which expand the number of college classes high school students can take tuition free.

Board member Prescott Winslow praised efforts by college employees to be engaged in their communities and raising awareness of the quality value of an NPC education.

The next regularly-scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 16, beginning at 10 a.m., in the Tiponi Community Center on the Holbrook – Painted Desert Campus, 2251 E. Navajo Blvd. Copies of the agenda are posted at least 24 hours in advance at www.npc.edu/about-npc/public-notices/dgb-meeting-agendaminutesrecordings.

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