



# HOPI TUTUVENI

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**NASANMUYA**  
**SEPTEMBER**  
*The Feasting Moon*

**CALENDAR**  
Kyaamuya- December  
Paamuya- January  
Powamuya- February  
Osomuya- March  
Kwiyamuya- April  
Hakitonmuya- May  
Woko'uyis- June  
Talangva- July  
Talapaamuya- August  
Nasanmuya- September  
Toho'osmuya- October  
Kelmuya- November

## This Month In Hopi History

- September 7, 1906, Split at Orayvi.
- Hernando Cortes conquers Aztec Empire, A.D. 1519
- Court "Opinion": District #6 ruled to be exclusively Hopi; but parts of Hopi Reservation established in 1882 became a Joint Use Area (about 500,000 acres lost)

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- 9/13: 20th Annual Special Needs Activity Day  
9a-3p HVMC 734-3412
- 9/14: Food Handler's Trng Keams Canyon Elem School  
1-3pm 928-737-6281
- 9/15: Veterans Day Poster and Theme Contest Deadline. 928-734-3461
- 9/27: Buckle Up for Life Vehicle Safety Class  
9-10:30am Wellness Ctr

## A Message from Hopi Resource Enforcement Services

*As the Fall and Winter months approach and with ceremonies in the villages, Holidays near, and schools back in session, the Hopi Resource Enforcement Service will proactively enforce traffic, seatbelt, and DUI Laws.*

*To ensure all travelers on the roadway remain safe, HRES Officers will be patrolling the highways throughout the Hopi Reservation, and will take a zero tolerance approach towards highway safety. Expect Officers to be highly visible on the highways and issuing citations.*

*Safety checkpoints will be conducted from September 1, through December, 2016 throughout the Hopi Reservation.*

**Don't Drink and Drive !**  
*Sgt. M. Yowyetewa*

## Make an Investment in Love and Kindness (MILK) donates backpacks to local schools



Hopi Jr. High students receive backpacks from M.I.L.K.  
Photos Courtesy of Office of Vice Chairman



Mike Puhuyesva, Office of the Vice Chairman; Chairman Herman G. Honanie; MILK Founder Anthony Gleich; Anna Saufkie-Selestewa Exec. Secretary Vice Chairman's office and Barbara Scott

By: Anna Saufkie-Selestewa  
Office of the Vice Chairman

Anthony Gleich, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Make an Investment in Love and Kindness (M.I.L.K.), and Barbara Scott, M.I.L.K. Chief Finance Officer visited the Office of Hopi Vice Chairman Alfred Lomahquahu, Jr. on Aug. 18 and delivered over 300 backpacks full of school supplies for local Hopi Schools. Gleich and Scott were able to personally deliver backpacks to Second Mesa

Day School and First Mesa Elementary School on that day. Anna Saufkie-Selestewa, Executive Secretary II, Office of the Vice Chairman (OVC) and Berdella Nasingoetewa, Clerical Assistant, Office of the Tribal Secretary, distributed 25 backpacks to Hopi Day School on Aug. 19. Selestewa and Dawn Keevama, OVC Receptionist, completed the backpack distribution to Keams Canyon Elementary School, Hopi Junior High

School (Grades 7 & 8), Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School and Moencopi Day School on Aug. 20. M.I.L.K. also distributed backpacks to all local elementary schools in 2015. This year the organization had enough donations to include All Hopi Junior High school students as well as the Special Education (SPED) programs at the local elementary schools. The M.I.L.K. Organization is based out of Chandler, Arizona

and in the past, has worked with Eva Sekayumptewa, Social Services Clinical Supervisor to donate household needs, hygiene items, etc., needed by Foster Homes. The Office of the Vice Chairman thanks M.I.L.K. for the backpack donations. It was a joy to see students happy and full of smiles as they received their backpacks. Staff at the Hopi Junior High were also thankful they were included in this year's distribution.

## Hopi Travel Center Receives Renovation to Facility



Crystal Dee  
Hopi Tutuveni

The Hopi Tribe purchased the Hopi Travel Center in 2001 and is managed by the Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation (HTEDC) as

well as other properties owned by the Hopi Tribe. The Hopi Travel Center features a café, a convenience store, showers for truck drivers and opening soon is a gift shop that will feature Hopi arts and

crafts. Currently, there are three vendors renting space at the Travel Center: Burger King, a Knife Shop and Navajo Gift Shop. The Convenience Store is open 24 hours.  
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## Second Mesa Day School Earns Continuing NCA CASI Accreditation

Second Mesa, Arizona – September 1, 2016 - Principal Marie R. Morales announced today that Second Mesa Day School earned continuing accreditation from the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), an accreditation division of AdvancED. This action was taken at the AdvancED Accreditation Commission meeting held in Tempe, Ar-

izona on June 22, 2016. Second Mesa Day School has been accredited since June 30, 2016. NCA CASI provides nationally-recognized accreditation, the purpose of which is continuous school improvement focused on increasing student performance. To earn accreditation, schools must meet NCA CASI's high standards, be evaluated by a team of professionals from

outside the school and implement a continuous process of school improvement. Accreditation is granted on a five-year term. "Accreditation demonstrates to our students, parents and community that we are focused on raising student achievement, providing a safe and enriching learning environment, and maintaining an efficient and effective operation staffed by highly qualified educators," stated

## Indigenous Pride Health Worker program celebrates 16 years at HHCC



By: Lisa Lomavaya  
Hopi Health Care Center

June 6, 2016 marked the start to a jam packed, fun filled professional learning experience for 9 local youth who were selected for an 8 week intense program that focuses on strengthening the passion and motivation for our youth on the Hopi reservation to pursue education and careers in health care. This challenging academic program is designed to introduce young people to careers in the health field by exploring health profes-

sions hands-on and developing the confidence and skills to become successful in their educational and professional endeavors. The Indigenous Pride Health Worker (IPHW) Program includes mentorship from several departments within the Hopi Health Care Center, various professional development training sessions, leadership development, public speaking and experience in conducting research on a health disparity that currently affects the Hopi and Tewa community.  
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Principal Morales. NCAI CASI accreditation is recognized across state lines, which not only eases the transfer process as students move from accredited school to accredited school but also assures parents that the school is meeting nationally accepted standards for quality and successful professional practice. Dr. Mark Elgart, President/CEO of AdvancED, the parent organization of NCA

CASI, stated, "NCA CASI Accreditation is a rigorous process that focuses the entire school on the primary goal of creating lifelong learners. Second Mesa Day School is to be commended for engaging in this process and demonstrating a commitment to continuous improvement." Parents and interested community members can learn more about accreditation at [www.advance-ed.org](http://www.advance-ed.org).



# HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL

## Fourt Quarter Session September 1, 2016 AGENDA

- I. Call To Order**  
**II. Certification of Tribal Council Representatives**  
**III. Roll Call**  
**IV. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**  
**V. Announcements**  
**VI. Correspondence**  
**VII. Calendar Planning**  
**VIII. Approval of Minutes**  
**IX. Approval of Agenda**  
**X. Unfinished Business**
1. **Action Item 007-2016** – To adopt the Hopi Human Resources Policy Manual with an effective date of (Approval Date by Tribal Council) – Author/Lisa Pawwinnee, Director, Office of Human Resources – **TABLED**
2. **Action Item 096-2016** – To approve amendment to Ordinance 37 – Hopi Labor Code – TERO Fee – Author/Brant Honahnie, Director, TERO - **TABLED**
3. **Action Item 105-2016** – To approve Kykotsmovi Streets Project – Tribal Headquarters Parking Lots 1 & 2 – Author/Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Department of Transportation - **TABLED**
- XI. NEW BUSINESS**
- XII. REPORTS** - (1 hr. time allotted) \*Required 4th Quarterly Reports will be scheduled for December 2016.
1. **Office of the Chairman \***
2. **Office of the Vice Chairman \*** - **COMPLETE** – Written Report
3. **Office of Tribal Secretary \***
4. **Office of the Treasurer \***
5. **General Counsel \***
6. **Office of the Executive Director \***
7. **Land Commission \*** -
8. **Water/Energy Committee \***
9. **Transportation Committee \***
10. **Law Enforcement Committee \***
11. **Office of Revenue Commission \***
12. **Gaming Task Team \*** - Final Report - 9/8/16 @ 3:30 p.m.
13. **Investment Committee \***
14. **Health/Education Committee \***
15. **Budget Oversight Team -**
- XIII. APPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**
1. **Audit Team**
2. **Fire Designee (2)**
3. **Election Board** – Alternate (1) vacancy - Memo OTS 7/23/15
4. **Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation** – Board of Directors (2 positions for Hopi/Tewa Tribal Members)
5. **General Counsel**

6. **Deputy Revenue Commissioner (1) vacancy** – Interviews - 9/6/16 @ 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- XIV. OTHER**
1. **Introduction of Miss Hopi 2016-17 Cianna Sakeva** - 9/6/16, 9:30 a.m.
2. **Presentation on Quiet Title re: LCR Litigation** –Michael Goodstein, Tribal Attorney and Joe Mentor, Tribal Attorney, Thayne Lowe, Tribal Attorney - 9/6/16@ 9:45 a.m.
3. **Discussion re: Clarification on Supervisory authority over Sergeant-at-Arms** – Vernita Selestewa, Tribal Secretary - 9/7/16 @ 9:30 a.m.
- XV. ADJOURNMENT**
- COMPLETED ITEMS**
- ACTION ITEM**
1. **Action Item 099-2015** – To approve funding for School Tuition – Author Marilyn M. Michael, Village of Shungopavi – **WITHDRAWN**
2. **Action Item #076-2016** – To enact Donation Guidelines Policy and Donation Request Form – Author/Alfred Lomahquahu, Jr. Vice Chairman - **WITHDRAWN**
3. **Action Item #106-2016** – To approve a contract with SixKiller Consulting, LLC to provide lobbying services for the Hopi Tribe – Author/Dwayne Secakuku, Chief of Staff, Office of the Vice Chairman –9/1//16 @ 9:30 a.m. - **APPROVED**
4. **Action Item 107-2016** – To approve Sole Source contract with Red Plains to provide construction management services for HIR 603 (1) Sand Clan Streets Project in Polacca, AZ – Author/Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Department of Transportation - 9/1/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - **APPROVED**
5. **Action Item 108-2016** – To establish a Hopi Cultural Property Committee with delegated task of planning and recommending action on the issue of cultural property theft in all forums, both foreign and domestic – Author/Troy Honahnie, Jr., Staff Assistant, Office of the Chairman - 9/1/16 @ 1:30 p.m. – **DISAPPROVED**
6. **Action Item 109-2016** – To approve Special Attorney Contracts with Arnold & Porter, LLP concerning 1882 and Miscellaneous Matters – Author/Karen Pennington, Deputy General Counsel - 9/1/16 - **APPROVED**
- OTHER**
1. **Presentation of Recommended Budgets per H-073-2011** – Budget Oversight Team - 9/1/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – **COMPLETE**
2. **Discussion re: Clarification on Catherine Wright’s termination notice** - 9/1/16 - **COMPLETE**
3. **Discussion re: Attorney Contracts** – 9/1/16 - **COMPLETE**

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## Third Quarter Session June 1, 2016 AGENDA

### June 30 - Amendment #2

- I. Call To Order**  
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**III. Roll Call**  
**IV. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**  
**V. Announcements**  
**VI. Correspondence**  
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August 3, 4, 5, 6, 18, 24, 25, 26, 2015 - **APPROVED**  
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3. **Action Item #076-2016** – To enact Donation Guidelines Policy and Donation Request Form – Author/Alfred Lomahquahu, Jr. Vice Chairman –8/22/16 @ 1:30 p.m. - **TABLED**
4. **Action Item 096-2016** – To approve amendment to Ordinance 37 – Hopi Labor Code – TERO Fee – Author/Brant Honahnie, Director, TERO - 8/24/16 @ 2:30 p.m. - **TABLED**
5. **Action Item 105-2016** – To approve Kykotsmovi Streets Project – Tribal Headquarters Parking Lots 1 & 2 – Author/Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Department of Transportation - 8/24/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - **TABLED**
- XI. New Business**
- XII. Reports** (1 hr. time allotted) \*Required Quarterly Reports.
1. **Office of the Chairman \*** - 8/2/16 @ 1:30 p.m. - **COMPLETE**
2. **Office of the Vice Chairman \*** - 8/24/16 @ 1:30pm TO BE RESCHEDULED
3. **Office of Tribal Secretary \*** - **COMPLETE**
4. **Office of the Treasurer \*** - 6/7/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - **COMPLETE**
5. **General Counsel \*** - 6/7/16 @ 2:30 p.m. – **COMPLETE**
6. **Office of the Executive Director \*** - 7/7/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - **COMPLETE**
7. **Land Commission \*** - 6/8/16 - @ 9:30 a.m. – **COMPLETE**
8. **Water/Energy Committee \*** - 6/8/16 - @ 10:30 a.m. – **COMPLETE**
9. **Transportation Committee \*** - 6/22/16 - @ 1:30 p.m. – **COMPLETE**
10. **Law Enforcement Committee \*** - 6/8/16 - @ 2:30 p.m. – **COMPLETE**
11. **Office of Revenue Commission \*** – 7/6/16 @ 9:30 a.m. - **COMPLETE**
12. **Gaming Task Team \*** - Final Report - 8/25/16 @ 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. – **TO BE RESCHEDULED**
13. **Investment Committee \*** - 6/6/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – **COMPLETE**
14. **Health/Education Committee \*** - 6/9/16 @ 10:30 a.m. – **COMPLETE**
15. **Budget Oversight Team** – 6/6/16 @10:30 a.m. – **COMPLETE**
- XIII. APPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**
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5. **General Counsel**
6. **Tribal Secretary Interviews** - 7/5/16 - 9:30am -11:00am **COMPLETE**
- XIV. OTHER**
1. **Video Presentation on Hopi Springs Project** – Joel Nicholas, Archaeologist I, Heather Provencio, Kaibab Forest Supervisor and Michael Lyndon/Kaibab Forest Service - 8/22/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – **TO BE RESCHEDULED**
- XV. ADJOURNMENT**

### COMPLETED ACTION ITEMS

1. **Action Item 045-2016** – To obtain Tribal Council approval as required by HTEDC By-Laws for a multi-year contract and a bonus/incentive plan for the current HTEDC CEO – Author/Lamar Keevama, Interim HTEDC Board Chair – 6/9/16 @ 3:00 p.m. – **APPROVED**
2. **Action Item 046-2016** – To obtain approval to reduce the annual interest rate on the current Long Term Loan to Walpi Housing from 6.5% to 3% - Author/Lamar Keevama, Interim HTEDC Board Chair – 6/9/16 @ 4:00 p.m. – **APPROVED**

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Third Quarter Session June 1, 2016 AGENDA Cont’d  
COMPLETED ACTION ITEMS Cont’d

26. **Action Item 092-2016** – To approve completed Enrollment Applications for Hopi Tribal Membership – Author/Mary L. Polacca - 7/26/16 @ 2:30 p.m. – APPROVED
27. **Action Item 093-2016** – To approve Consulting Agreement with David J. McIntyre, PH.D., ABPP – Author/Laverne Dallas, Director, Behavioral Health Services - 8/3/16 @ 2:30 p.m. - APPROVED
28. **Action Item 094-2016** – To approve appointments and employment contracts for three Pro Tem Appellate Court Justices – Author/Troy Honahnie, Jr., Staff Assistant, Office of the Chairman - 7/28/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – APPROVED
29. **Action Item 095-2016** – To authorize the Chairman to negotiate and sign a contract to employ bankruptcy counsel for the Hopi Tribe in the Peabody Western Coal Company bankruptcy case – Author/Karen Pennington - 7/28/16 @ 10:30 a.m. – APPROVED
30. **Action Item 097-2016** – To establish a contract with Tara Houska, effective from April 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 to engage in legal matters on behalf of the Hopi Tribe – Author/Norman Honanie - 7/28/16 – APPROVED
31. **Action Item 098-2016** – To approve the 2016 Hopi Deer and Elk Hunting Regulations and 2016 Hunt Application – Author/Darren Talayumptewa, Director, Hopi Wildlife & Ecosystems Management Program - 8/3/16 @ 3:30 p.m. - APPROVED
32. **Action Item 099-2016** – To approve merger of P.L. 93-638 contracts for Land Operations HPL and Range Water Fence Maintenance Program into one program – Author/Priscilla Pavatea, Director, Office of Range Management - 8/4/16 @ 2:30 p.m. - APPROVED
33. **Action Item 100-2016** – To accept FY 2015 Section 5311 (c) Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Apportionment – Author/Donovan Gomez, Transit Administrator, Hopi Senom Transit – 8/4/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - APPROVED
34. **Action Item 101-2016** – To approve Sub-Award Agreement from the Hopi Tribe to Hawkes & Mehnert LLP using funds from the Department of Justice Hopi Family Wellness Court grant – Author/Craig Wallace, Acting Chief Judge - 7/28/16 – APPROVED
35. **Action Item 103-2016** – To rescind H-082-2015 to move forward with permitting of District Six – Author/Priscilla Pavatea, Director Office of Range Management - 8/23/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – APPROVED
36. **Action Item 104-2016** – To approve ROW for HIR 603 (1) Sand Clan Streets Project – Polacca, AZ – Author/Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Department of Transportation - 8/24/16 @ 9:30 a.m. - APPROV

COMPLETED REPORTS

1. Report – Status on LCR (continuing report) – Norman Honanie – 6/6/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
2. Report – Budget Oversight Team activities – Alfred Lomahquahu, BOT - 6/6/16 @ 10:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
3. Report on Resolution H-057-2016 – Waiver of five day notice of sale under Ordinance 43 of livestock previously impounded and redeemed and then intentionally returned to the range; Snow Bowl case; Paris Auction; Peabody bankruptcy Chapter 11- Karen Pennington,6/7/16 COMPLETE
4. Report on Arizona American Indian Oral Health Initiative – Lynette Shupla, Chairwoman, AAIOHI Statewide Executive Committee - 6/7/16 - COMPLETE
5. Update Report – Paris Auction - COMPLETE
6. Report on TERO processes and selections of individuals to refer to contractors and employers – Brant Honahnie, TERO 6/21/16 @ 3:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
7. Report by Bureau of Reclamation on Cooperator’s draft NGS KMC EIS – Kevin Black, Sr., Peabody - 6/22/16 @ 3:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
8. Report on information re: Inmate Health Care Services by Tuba City Health Care Corporation CEO L. Bonar and Board of Directors President, C. Curley - 6/23/16 @ 10:30 a.m. - COMPLETE
9. Report on services Navajo Tribal Utility Authority can provide to Hopi in regards to water and energy – Walter Haase, General Manager, NTUA - 6/21/16 @ 10:30 a.m. COMPLETE
10. Report by James Cruice, Superintendent, Hopi Jr./Sr. High School re: Activities at Hopi Jr./Sr. High School – 6/21/16 @ 1:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
11. Report by Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners re: BOC activities - 6/23/16, 9:30 am COMPLETE
12. Report – Peabody’s bankruptcy Filing – Karen Pennington - 6/23/16 – COMPLETE
13. Report – Update on Tawa’ovi Project – Tawa’ovi Committee - 7/5/16 @ 3:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
14. Report on Energy Development and Land Settlement Funds per H-048-2016 – Shirley Wesaw & Robert Sumatzkuku - 7/7/16 @

- 9:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
15. Report by Hopi Jr./Sr. High School Governing Board re: Governing Board activities – 7/27/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – COMPLETE
16. Report on Snow Bowl/LCR – Water Energy Committee - Norman Honanie –(continued from 7/6/16-ONRR and HAMP – completed) 7/26/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – COMPLETE
17. Report on Pierre Ciric and Cultural Patrimony of the Hopi Tribe – Karen Pennington - 7/25/16 @ 3:30pm COMPLETE
18. Report – Update on Lomayesva vs. Talayumptewa Court Case– Norberto Cisneros 8/1/16 @ 1:30-3:30PM COMPLETE
19. Report on Executive Director’s Evaluation – Chairman Honanie – 8/2/16 @ 10:30 a.m. -- COMPLETE
20. Report on Hopi Tribe vs. US Trust Case Settlement – Martin Clare - 8/2/16 @ 3:30 p.m. - Discussion: Village CSA’s concerns regarding village audits, disapproval of TIGER Grant – Village CSAs – (continued from 7/6/16 – Overpayment to villages - completed) 8/1/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon – COMPLETE
21. Update Report on Amber Alert Planning and Implementation Activities on the Hopi Reservation – Valura Imus, Office of Justice Services, Gus Paidousis, National Amber Alert; and Roger Tungovia, Department of Public Safety & Emergency Services - 8/25/16 @ 3:30 p.m. – CANCELLED
22. Report on HAMP and Snowbowl Case– Lionel Puhuyesva Director, Water Resources Program COMPLETE

OTHER

1. Discussion - Tribal Secretary – HTC/Maxine Wadsworth - 6/6/16 @ 2:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
2. Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation’s Annual Shareholder meeting - 6/9/16 @ 1:30-3pm COMPLETE
3. Discussion on matter re: Lobby Firms – Catherine Wright, Deputy General Counsel- 6/9/16 COMPLETE
4. Presentation on First Things First Program – Candida Hunter - 6/20/16 @ 10:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
5. Introduction of Acting BIE Director Ann Marie Bledsoe Downes and Presentation on the Tribal Education Grant and BIE’s efforts in supporting Hopi Schools – Carlene Tenakhongva/Ann Bledsoe Downes - 6/21/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
6. Introduction of students in the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Apprenticeship Program – Chester Carl, Director, HTHA - 6/23/16 @ 1pm COMPLETE
7. Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Work Session with Hopi Tribal Council – Chester Carl, Director, HTHA - 6/23/16 @ 1:30 p.m. – COMPLETE
8. Presentation of check from the Albin Estate – John Phillips - 7/25/16 - 9:15 a.m. - COMPLETE
9. Introduction of Laurence de Bure and discussion of The Hopi Raincatchers Organization – Troy Honahnie, Jr./Laurence de Bure - 7/27/16 @ 9:30 a.m. - COMPLETE
10. Training/Education on Title VI Program by Southwest Office of Native American Programs – Andrea Dunyon, - 7/27/16 @ 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. - COMPLETE
11. Discussion – Deputy General Counsel Catherine Wright – 7/25/16 – COMPLETE
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13. Introduction of Tracy Van Buskirk, US Attorney (AZ) Tribal Liaison to the Hopi Tribe – Troy Honahnie, Jr. - 8/2/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
14. Discussion with U.S. Government re: proposed settlement of the trust case – Anthony Hoang, US Attorney - 8/3/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. – COMPLETE
15. Budget Oversight Team to review the financial plan and to obtain formal direction from Tribal Council regarding the budget process for FY 2017 per the Fiscal Policies and Procedures – Alfred Lomahquahu, BOT, - 8/4/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – COMPLETE
16. Presentation on recent decision by Judge Mark Moran on Snowbowl case – Michael Goodstein, Hopi Tribal Attorney– 8/22/16, 9:30am to 12noon COMPLETE
17. Discussion re: Catherine Wright, Deputy General Counsel – LeRoy Shingoitewa/Wallace Youvella, Sr., Tribal Council Representatives-8/23/16 @ 9:30am COMPLETE
18. Presentation and discussion of plan for Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation – Chris Bavasi, Executive Director, ONHIR - 8/23/16 @ 10:30am COMPLETE
19. Public Input Session re: recent decision by Judge Mark Moran on Snowbowl Case – Norman Honanie, Tribal Council Representative - 8/22/16 @ 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon – COMPLETE
20. Discussion re: Request to have Election Board assist with Mishongnovi Village Elections – Karen Pennington, Deputy General Counsel - 8/24/16 - COMPLETE
21. Discussion on Cellular One and Guardian Air Leases – Ivan Sidney, Sr., FMCV Administrator 8/24/16, 3:30pm COMPLETE
22. Discussion re: Request from Hopi Judicial Branch to appoint

Lawsuit by the Hopi Tribe against City of Flagstaff dismissed by Coconino County Superior Court Judge

Louella Nahsonhoya  
Hopi Tutuveni  
Coconino County Superior Court Judge Mark Moran recently issued a ruling to dismiss the lawsuit filed by the Hopi Tribe against the city of Flagstaff to halt artificial snowmaking using relaimed wastewater on the San Francisco Peaks.  
In a report to the Tribal Council, Hopi Tribe Attorney Michael Goodstein said the Judge’s rulings were based on the premises that the Hopi Tribe failed to

show evidence of any special injuries they suffered from the artificial snowmaking and how it was a public nuisance.  
The Tribal Council discussed the Judge’s ruling and talked about specific locations on the San Francisco Peaks and how the artificial snowmaking has, and will have, significant negative impacts on the environment. They also discussed how it alters the way they will proceed with pilgrimages to the sacred sites.

Members of the audience were allowed to speak and give their testimonials. After hearing from the practitioners and interested parties, the Tribal Council chose to discuss the matter further in Executive Session on how to proceed with the Judge’s ruling (due to the sensitivity and legalities surrounding the lawsuit).  
No information was available as of press time on how Council plans to move forward with the Judge’s ruling.

Mishongnovi Village not represented on Tribal Council

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni  
  
The village of Mishongnovi currently does not have Representatives seated on Council at this time due to their terms expiring in July, according to the Hopi Tribal Secretary.  
An election date has not been determined at this time, therefore it is not known when the seats will be filled.  
The village is operated under an elected Board of

Directors which consists of seven members; however there is no established board at this time due to the Elected Board becoming defunct last September.  
At that time the BOD had four members, but was left with three members after the Board Secretary resigned from her position.  
If the elected BOD was still in place, their terms would have ended in June.

U.S. Parole Commission denies parole for John Boone

U.S. Department of Justice  
United States Parole Commission

The United States Parole Commission recently issued notice through the Victim Notification System (VNS) regarding John Boone’s request for Parole (Register Number: 20525-008).  
The Commission’s decision was made after the mandatory parole hearing on July 25. The results of the hearing were: **Deny mandatory parole. Continue to expiration.**  
Any questions or concerns

regarding the offender’s status, may be directed to:  
J. Patricia Wilson Smoot  
Acting Chairman  
United States Parole Commission  
Attention Victim/Witness Unit  
90 K Street NE  
Washington, DC 20530  
By telephone at 1-888-585-9103 or by email at USPC.VictimAdv@usdoj.gov.

2016 Hopi High School Fall Sports Schedule

CROSS COUNTRY

9/9 Window Rock Invite @ Window Rock H.S. 10 am  
9/17 Four Corners Invite @ Flagstaff Buffalo Park 9 am  
9/24 Doug Conley Invite @ Tempe Shalimar Golf Course 7 am  
9/30 Nike Desert Twilight @ Casa Grande Francisco Grande Golf Course 4pm  
10/7 Alchesay Invite @ Whiteriver Apache Fairgrounds 2pm  
10/21 Holbrook Invite @ Holbrook Hidden Cove Golf Course 1pm  
10/28 Sectional Meet @ Holbrook Hidden Cove Golf Course TBD  
11/5 Division IV State Meet @ Phoenix Cave Creek Golf Course 9am

VOLLEYBALL

9/7 Rock Point @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm / V 6pm  
9/9-10 Spartan Invite @ Ash Fork H.S. – TBD  
9/13 Chinle @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm/ 6pm  
9/20 Winslow @ Winslow H.S. –JV 5pm/ V 6pm  
9/23-24 Kayenta Township Invite @ Monument Valley H.S. –TBD  
9/27\* Alchesay @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm/ V 6pm  
10/1 \*Valley Sanders @ Valley H.S. –JV 11am / V 12pm  
10/4\* Pinon @ Pinon H.S. –JV 4pm / V 5pm  
10/6\* St. Johns @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm / V 6pm  
10/7-8 Joseph City Invite @ Joseph City H.S. –TBD  
10/11\* Many Farms @ Many Farms H.S. – JV 4:30pm / V 5:30pm  
10/13\* Round Valley @ Round Valley H.S. –JV 4:30pm / V 5:30pm  
10/15\* Round Valley @ Hopi H.S. –JV 12pm / V 1pm  
10/18\* Valley Sanders @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm / V 6pm  
10/20\* Alchesay @ Alchesay H.S. –JV 4pm / V 5pm  
10/22\* St. Johns @ St. Johns H.S. –JV 12pm / V 1pm  
10/25\* Many Farms @ Hopi H.S. –JV 5pm / V 6pm  
10/27\* Pinon @ Hopi H.S. (Senior Night) –JV 5pm / V 6pm  
10/29 2A State Play-In Game @ TBD – Time TBD  
11/4 2A State Playoffs @ Central High School –Time TBD  
11/5 2A State Playoffs @ Central & North H.S. –Time TBD  
\*Denotes a 2A North Region Contest. Note: All times is Arizona Standard Time (No Daylight Savings).

FOOTBALL

9/8 Monument Valley @ Hopi –JV 6pm  
9/9 Monument Valley @ Kayenta –V 6pm  
9/15 Alchesay\* @ Alchesay –JV 6pm  
9/16 Alchesay\* @ Hopi –V 7pm  
9/23 Rock Point\* @ Hopi –V 7pm  
9/29 Round Valley (freshman) @ Round Valley –JV 4pm  
9/30 Zuni @ Hopi (Homecoming) –V 6pm  
10/6 Blue Ridge (freshman) @ Hopi –JV 6pm  
10/7 Many Farms\* @ Many Farms –V 6pm  
10/13 Payson (freshman) @ Payson –JV 6pm  
10/14 Valley Sanders\* @ Sanders –V 6pm  
10/21 Red Mesa\* @ Hopi (Senior Night) –V 7pm  
10/26 Chino Valley @ Chino Valley –JV 6pm  
10/28 Pinon\* @ Pinon –V 6pm  
11/5 2A State Playoffs –1<sup>st</sup> Round High Seed 6pm  
11/12 2A State Playoffs - Quarterfinals High Seed 6pm  
11/19 2A State Playoffs - Semifinals @ Fountain Hills TBD  
11/26 2A State Playoffs - Championship TBD 2pm  
\*Designates a 2A North Region Contest. Note: All times is Arizona Standard Time (No Daylight Savings).

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# Home Improvement Programs repairs traditional Hopi homes

Crystal Dee  
Hopi Tutuveni



The Hopi Tribal Housing Authority (HTHA) has two home improvement programs to help Hopi homeowners rehabilitate their homes or make improvements to their homes to meet the standards in health and safety.

The Home Rehabilitation Program is funded under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) and was recently amended by the Hopi Housing Board of Commissioners to increase the assistance for each family from \$30k to \$70k.

Eligibility requirements for the Home Rehabilitation Program: The applicant/ Head of Household must be an enrolled member of the Hopi Tribe; Reside within the service area which includes the Hopi Reservation, Winslow, Holbrook, Page and Grand Canyon; Must be the owner of the home and provide a notarized proof of ownership; Meet the low-income family eligibility requirements; Home needing rehabilitation must be the primary residence and must be the primary residence five years after rehabilitation; Not be delinquent on any HTHA accounts (no applicant will be eligible until delinquency is paid in full); Any applicant who has been evicted from HTHA housing or whose lease has been terminated for breach of the lease is ineligible for this program.

After the application process is completed, HTHA does an assessment of the home for improvements after which applicants are put on a waiting list until funds become available and/or availability of contractor and other delays.

Chester Carl, Executive Director of HTHA said there is a waiting list of about 200 people and is no longer accepting applications for the Home Rehabilitation Program.

Due to the amount of people on the waiting list, Carl said they are looking into using private contractors to help with construction. HTHA has three in-house construction crews rehabilitating homes

There are currently three homes being rehabilitated; one in Polacca and two in Hotevilla, and three mobile homes have been replaced.

Carl said mobile homes are eligible for rehabilitation and is determined during assessment whether they can be rehabilitated or replaced.

“Most mobile homes cannot be rehabilitated,” said Carl. “If a mobile home needs to be replaced, we will spend up to \$70k for a new one”

There are many challenges to rehabilitating homes on the Hopi reservation because they are not built according to standard building codes; 95% of these homes have issues with their roofs



and homes are over capacity meaning more than two families living under the same roof.

“It’s a challenge when we are rehabilitating a home within the villages because the homes are built so close to one another we try not to disturb the other homes,” said Stanley Pahe, Program Development Director. “We also try to maintain the traditional integrity of the homes by keeping some of the traditional masonry.”

The Cultural Preservation Office (CPO) is involved with some of the projects within the villages to make



sure HTHA does not violate cultural and traditional value of the home.

“We try to preserve the cultural stone and restore them properly because we want to maintain the cultural and traditional make of the home,” said Pahe. “Maintaining the traditional stones is made possible by hiring and training local Hopi men.”

HTHA hired workers through its apprenticeship program and has been very successful. This is the second year of the program.

Carl said the rehabilitation program is made possible by NAHASDA; it wouldn’t have been possible to rehabilitate the traditional homes under the old Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program.

The other program is the Home Improvement Program (HIP) administered through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Eligible applicants must be a member of a federally recognized American Indian tribe; live in an approved tribal service area; have an income that does not exceed 125% of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services poverty guideline; must not have other resource for housing assistance for repairs, renovations, replacement or housing; or down payment assistance; and current house must have not been acquired through a federally sponsored housing program that includes housing assistance.

Jolene Bergen, Residential Service Director said the BIA Southwest Region Office makes the selection for HIP. “Applicants are selected through a point system from one to 100 points with top contenders nationwide,” said Bergen. “The higher points you have, the higher you are on the eligibility system.”

The Home Improvement Program has a waiting list and seven clients have been identified to receive improvements. Last year, two homes were demolished and rebuilt.

Carl said families are very happy. Their homes are better insulated; energy efficient homes and meets the current standards. “Our goal is to make a safe and sound home for the homeowners and their families,” said Carl.

# Ghouls Night Out scheduled for October 26

Crystal Dee  
Hopi Tutuveni

The Hopi Cancer Support Services is hosting its annual event for women enrolled in the Women’s Health Program in hopes of getting more women enrolled into the program and bringing awareness to the importance of the Well Women’s Clinic.

The event, which is typically called “Girls Night Out”, will be “Ghouls Night Out” held on Oct. 26 at the Hopi Veterans Memorial Center (HVMC).

Aleemah Jones, Screening Coordinator said the event will be a night of fun with featured guest speakers, entertainment, games and food.

Guest speakers are Amber Perry, Physician’s Assistant

at the Hopi Health Care Center; Virginia Warren and Emily Wozniak, Arizona Department of Health and Human Services; and Madeline Sahneyah, client of the Women’s Health Program.

Women enrolled in the program must RSVP by Oct. 14 by calling the office. Each participant is allowed to bring a female guest ages 13 years and older, preferably someone who is not currently enrolled in the program.

“We hope to have each of the guest enrolled into the program before the end of the night,” said Jones.

New enrollees must be females 21 years and older and live on or near the Hopi reservation. Jones said the

program is not specifically for Hopi women and anyone can enroll in the program.

The event will be held from 5pm to 9pm; dinner included. Each guest is expected to dress in a Halloween costume as there will be a costume contest for the scariest, funniest and most creative which will be judged through audience applause.

There will also be a dessert contest, apple bobbing, photo booth, door prizes and a live DJ.

Jones said there is currently a little over 1400 women enrolled in the Women’s Health Program and every year the event hosts 400 women and half of those are new enrollees. She hopes to have the same

outcome at this year’s event and have over 200 women enroll in the program.


Their goal is to increase education on women’s health, spread awareness on the various types of cancer and prevention; and increase screening rates for breast and cervical cancer.

“We send out reminders to women enrolled in our program,” said Jones. “If they receive their health services at the Hopi Health Care Center, we will schedule their Well Women’s appointment for them and their mammograms.”

For more information on the event or to enroll in the Well Women’s Program contact Aleemah Jones at 928 734-1151.


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# Hopi Boys and Girls Cross Country show their best at Invitational



Stan Bindell  
Hopi Tutuveni

POLACCA, ARIZ.--- The Hopi High boys and girls cross country teams had their best showing in several years at the Hopi Invite Aug. 30 at Bruin Stadium. The boys finished second while the girls claimed third place.

Page High School, a much larger school than Hopi, took first in both races. Ganado, another larger school, took second place in the girls race. Hopi High finished higher than all the schools in its division.

Page won the girls race with 41 points, Ganado grabbed second with 64 points and Hopi High took third with 69 points. Window Rock was fourth with 96 points in the 10 team race.

Jaeda Honanie led Hopi with a ninth place finish. The rest of the Lady Bruin runners were Jennaya Day, 14<sup>th</sup>, LeAnn Lomatska, 15<sup>th</sup>, Lauryn Honwynewa, 16<sup>th</sup>, Latifah Huma, 20<sup>th</sup>; Veronica Casuse, 43<sup>rd</sup> and Yoiwmana Pooyouma, 55<sup>th</sup>.

Eighty-six runners competed in the girls race.

Page won the boys race with 58 points, Hopi claimed second with 91 points, Tuba City finished third with 108 and Chinle was fourth with 109 in the 12 team race.

Diome Talaswaima topped Hopi with a sixth place finish and teammate Andre Lucas grabbed tenth. The other Bruin runners were Andre Dennis, 24<sup>th</sup>, Trey Lomayestewa, 26<sup>th</sup>, Steven Baker, 28<sup>th</sup>, Jihad Nodman, 30<sup>th</sup>; and DeWayne Laban, 51<sup>st</sup>. There were 109 runners in the boys race.

Hopi High Coach Rick “The Legend” Baker coaches both boys and girls cross country after girls coach



Laverne Lomakema left after last year.

“This is the best we placed in three years and it indicates how we stack up against the other teams,” Coach Baker said. “But we still have a lot of work to do.”

Coach Baker said the team goals are to get in shape and approach one meet at a time. He said most of the boys ran during the summer, but many of the girls didn’t because they didn’t know whom their coach would be.

He said the weather for the Hopi Invite was warm, but not hot “so the runners could handle it.”

Coach Baker said the boys already know their system and believe in it, now it’s a matter of getting the girls to know the system and believe in it.

“The girls just have to believe in themselves,” he said.

Coach Baker said the runners can improve by coming to every practice, training everyday, being smart and ready for every meet. He said the main competition for the boys this year will be Many Farms, Pinon and Alchesay. He said the main competition for the girls will be Valley-Sanders, Northland Prep and Scottsdale Prep.

Coach Baker said he likes the Hopi High course because there are no major hills so it’s a fast course.

Coach Baker noted that the girls were only five points off from the second place team.

“We’re the top team in our conference, but we need to keep improving from week to week,” he said. “We need to get everybody on the same page. I told the girls they would train just like the guys. They responded well and we do hard workouts everyday.”

# Local Hopi Schools begin Fall Semester with new Administrators, Staff and students

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

Hopi schools are now in session for the 2016-17 school year with new staff and students.

## Moenkopi Day School (MDS), Moenkopi, AZ / 928-283-5361

Moenkopi Day School, home of the Panthers began school on Aug. 1, majority staffed, with a few new hires at the beginning of the school year. MDS has a current enrollment of 153 students from the village of Moenkopi and surrounding area.

Chief School Administrator (CSA): Aaron Hornbuckle.

School Board Members: Alden R. Seweyestewa, President; Evvy Trujillo, Vice President; Melvin Pooyouma, Sr. and Delmar Polacca, both members.

## Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School (HBCS), Hotevilla, AZ / 928-734-2262

Hotevilla Bacavi Community School, home of the Wildcats started school on Aug. 15 with a current enrollment of 94.

Chief School Administrator: Lorie Harding. School Board members are: Leora Honawa-Coin, President; Todd Honyaoma, Sr., Vice-President; Ardell Nachie and Alverna Kinale, Members.

## Hopi Day School (HDS), Kykotsmovi, AZ / 928-734-2467

Hopi Day School, home of the Hawks returned to school on Aug. 8. According to the Chief School Administrator, Diana Wallace, HDS is short two teachers and they are using substitute teachers until the positions are filled.

Hopi Day School does not have

an assistant Principal, but Wallace relies on Teacher Supervisor, Sonja Dawavendewa.

Current enrollment is at 149 students andWallace said there is a waiting list for all grades except third and fifth grades.

School Board Members are: George Silas, President; Jack Harding, Vice President; Uberta Mowa, Secretary; Leon Polehaptewa and Gloria Grover, Member.

## Second Mesa Day School (SMDS) Second Mesa, AZ / 928-737-2571

Second Mesa Day School, home of the Bobcats started school on Aug. 8 with two classes for each grade level. All but two grades did not have teachers, but one was filled using a substitute teacher until a Teacher is hired.

There are a total of 314 students currently enrolled.

Chief School Administrator: Marie Morales; Assistant Principal: Corrina Charley.

Board members are: Anjanette Sangster, President; Jennie Talahongva, Owen Poleyestewa and Veronica James, Members.

## First Mesa Elementary School (FMES), Polacca, AZ / 928-737-2581

First Mesa Elementary School, home of the Indians started on Aug. 8. Current enrollment is at 127 students. School began without a second grade teacher; however, the Gifted and Talented teacher is filling the position until a teacher is hired.

Positions currently open is the Second Grade Teacher, Computer Teacher and Teacher Aide.

Chief School Administrator is

Alma Siquah. School Governing Board: Lucille Sidney, President; Priscilla Pavatea, Vice President; Judy Talawyma, Angeline Joseph and Jeremy Naha, Members. Contact number: (928) 737-2581.

## Keams Canyon Elementary School (KCES) / 928-738-2385

Keams Canyon Elementary students, home of the Eagles began on Aug. 1 with a full staff. Current enrollment is 114 students.

Chief School Administrator is Gary Polacca. Governing School Board: Wilfred Gaseoma, President; Donald Dawasevaya, Vice-President; Roselyn Dempsey-Jim, Ramona Lomavaya and Harvey Tewanema, Members.

## Hopi Jr./Sr. High School (HJSHS) Keams Canyon, AZ 928-738-5111

The Hopi Junior and Senior high school students, home of the Mighty Bruins began school on Aug. 8. The school year did not start with a full staff, but are slowing filling the positions. Current enrollment is estimated to be over 500 students. Positions not filled include the Superintendent and High School Principal; however Alban Naha is the Interim Superintendent.

Lucille Sidney, Lead Teacher for Junior High School is awaiting her Principal Certification to fulfill the position of Junior High Principal.

Governing Board members are: Edgar Shupla, President; Valerie Kooyaquaptewa, Vice President; Steven Bahnimptewa, Clerk; Ivan Sidney, Sr. and Romalita Laban, Members.

# First Things First applauds grandparents who are raising Arizona’s next generation

**Kykotsmovi** (August 30) – The first Sunday after Labor Day is recognized as Grandparents’ Day in the United States. This year, the day falls on Sept. 11. As the nation celebrates Grandparents’ Day, First Things First applauds those grandparents who are parenting a second time around.

Earlier this year, the Arizona Legislature proclaimed September as Grandfamily/Kinship Care Month, a time to recognize grandparents and other family members raising children who cannot be cared for by their own parents. State Senator Debbie Lesko sponsored the bill.

In Arizona, 14 percent of Arizona children ages 0 to 5 live with grandparents, compared to 12 percent nationally. Of those 14 percent, 30 percent of these households have no parent of the child present, meaning **grandparents** are responsible for most of the basic needs of children living with them.

For many grandparents, it can be challenging when it has been decades since they cared for young children. So much has been learned about brain development and the impact of early experiences. Now we know that about 90 percent of a child’s brain develops before age 5. More and more evidence shows quality early interactions are crucial for a young child’s success in school and later in life.

FTF provides funding for various programs that are having positive impacts on grandparents and Arizona’s children, including two statewide resources that can provide advice and support to grandparents raising their grandkids.

The Birth to 5 Helpline (1-877-705-KIDS) is a free program and open to all Arizona families, with young children ages birth to 5, looking for the latest child development information from experts in the field.

Then there’s the Arizona

Parent Kit, which is given to families of newborns when they leave the hospital or available for check-out at many libraries, each kit includes: DVDs on everything from challenging behaviors to choosing child care, a book to encourage daily reading with infants and a list of community resources.

Supporting grandparents in their efforts to raise the next generation will help create a strong foundation of learning, growth and success for all children.

“For grandparents raising their grandchildren, don’t feel alone and don’t feel intimidated by what others have to say,” said Beatrice Norton, Program Manager with the Hopi Office of Aging and Adult Services in Kykotsmovi, which offers the Caregiver Program that includes grandparent support. First Things First-funded programs partner with the Caregiver program for resources for families with young chil-

dren ages birth to 5.

“All families face some challenges with their own children – I know. I have been there and I know the challenges, and I know the rewards,” Norton said. “As Hopi, we have been taught that it is our role to do what you can and be an asset to your family and clan. These children are important and sometimes it’s not by choice that they end up in these situations and grandparents often have to step in. So we have programs that can assist with legal paperwork or even just to talk and share their worries.” ###

**About First Things First** – First Things First is a voter-created, statewide organization that funds early education and health programs to help kids be successful once they enter kindergarten. Decisions about how those funds are spent are made by local councils staffed by community volunteers. To learn more, visit [FirstThingsFirst.org](#).

# First Things First: Audit was rigorous and beneficial

PHOENIX (August 29, 2016) – Arizona’s Auditor General has released an 83-page audit that describes First Things First as a high-performing organization while still identifying two specific findings and recommendations for improvement.

The audit was authorized by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee at the behest of the Senate President last fall and included everything from the organization’s revenues, spending, financial controls, grant-making processes and performance monitoring to First Things First’s methods for research and evaluation of programs, efforts to avoid duplication with other early childhood programs or initiatives, and the purpose of parent and public awareness strategies.

The audit – which was performed over 10 months and involved an audit team assigned full time to the organization – included no findings and no recommendations in five of the seven areas audited. The audit pointed to several areas of strength for the organization, highlighting that First Things First:

- Has taken proactive steps to manage declining revenues and strategically plan for its future;
- Spends the vast majority of funds on grants for early childhood development and health programs and effectively utilizes best practices in overseeing those grants;
- Has appropriate financial controls in place;
- Has implemented a research and evaluation plan informed by national experts to assess progress, as well

as ongoing studies and reports that demonstrate the impact of programs; and

- Fosters collaboration and coordination of early childhood programs, which helps ensure that duplicative or unnecessary services are not funded.

First Things First CEO Sam Leyvas noted the audit was an extremely rigorous process.

“I don’t think there was any part of the organization the audit didn’t scrutinize. We spent more than 2,500 staff hours in the audit’s research and investigative phases, and working with auditors on comparing our work to both legal requirements and best practices,” Leyvas said. “In the end, that level of rigor proved quite beneficial.”

He said First Things First agreed with the improvements recommended by the Auditor General, some of which already have been implemented.

“As part of our commitment to continuous quality improvement, we embraced the audit as an opportunity to learn about areas where we could improve. We appreciate the OAG’s professionalism and diligence in completing a thorough assessment of First Things First,” Leyvas said. “We look forward to sharing our progress in implementing the Auditor General’s recommendations – as well as areas of strength identified in the audit report– with policymakers, community leaders, and other stakeholders.”

For more information, see the [Auditor General’s report summary](#) and [First Things First’s response](#). Annual audits for fiscal years 2007 through 2015 are also available through FTF’s online [Data Center](#). ###



# Hopi Wellness Court receives approval to begin services

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

When the Hopi Tribal Court went through an evaluation last February, Chief Judge Eric Mehnert of the Penobscot Nation, an evaluator, presented the evaluation report to the Hopi Tribal Council. It was during that time, Tribal Council expressed they didn't want a process driven court, but a court that would help individuals with addiction.

Judge Mehnert suggested a Wellness Court as a solution and explained the process to implement one.

Acting Chief Judge Craig Wallace informed Council there was money to implement a Wellness Court through funds that was awarded to the Hopi Tribal Court in 2011.

The Hopi Tribal Court applied for the Coordination Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) grant through the U.S. Department of Justice Services (DOJ) and was awarded \$741K to help with the tribe's criminal justice system.

According to Wallace, the funds had not been used since being awarded because the funds were not accessible due to the Hopi Tribe's audit issues.

When Wallace was appointed Acting Chief Judge last August, he applied for a "one year no cost extension" and was approved with the expectations of having a Wellness Court established by the end of September 2016

"Just last week we were approved for another one year extension to September 2017," said Wallace.

With the new extension, it will give the tribal court some time to lay the foundation for a Wellness Court for adults by the end of September.

"We were able to hire Judge Mehnert and his team to get the Wellness Court started," said Wallace. "Judge Mehnert is experienced and well respected for his knowledge on Wellness Court systems."

Judge Mehnert's staff include: Donna Brown, Wellness Court Case Manager; Garth Grandchamp, Project Director; and Judge Edwards of the Osage Nation who will work to develop foundational documents. Their first assignment was to work on the grants budget modifications which helped to bring them on board to begin working on the foundation for the Wellness Court.

"A Wellness Court provides an opportunity for each Native American community to address the devastation of alcohol or other drug abuse by establishing more structure and a higher level of accountability for these cases through a system of comprehensive supervision, drug testing, treatment services, immediate sanctions and incentives, team based case management, and community support." (National Drug Court Resource Center)

Wallace said the Wellness Court will ultimately need village involvement because healing chronic substance abusers change their lives involves culture, tradition and community involvement.

"This program is designed to help chronic substance abusers change their lives instead of going to jail where they are left to dry out and get pushed back into the same cycle," said Wallace.

Judge Mehnert agreed with Wallace stating the Wellness Court will need support from leadership at the Tribal Council level and within the villages in order for it see progress and work.

"If there isn't support, it becomes a real challenge for those individuals," said Judge Mehnert. "We found that individuals often become distanced and shunned by their communities because their behaviors are problematic."

Judge Mehnert said there is a lot of success in Wellness Court systems and hopes to find that cultural bridge to make the Wellness Court work on Hopi.

Part of laying the foundation for the Wellness Court is identifying the Wellness Team, Steering Committee and Wellness Treatment Team. The Wellness Team will consist of service providers within the community, community leaders, spiritual advisors, substance abuse counselors, individual and family counselors, Hopi Prosecutors Office, Public Defenders Office, Wellness Case Manager and the Wellness Court Judge. The Wellness Team will meet two times a week to go over an individual's treatment plan and their successes and challenges.

Steering committee will include village leaders; village administration; service providers and directors, village elders and non-profits.

The Wellness Court is a four phase program that will be 18-24 months long and very intensive.

First phase: participants must identify the reasons why they are in the program which includes detox and expectations. They will meet with the Case Manager three times a week and give random urinalysis; attend Wellness Court where the Judge will inquire about their successes and challenges.

Second phase: participants must accept personal responsibility and recognize they have a problem and how it affects their family and community recognizing they can change it. Participants will explore what led them to abusing drugs or alcohol. They will continue to meet with the Case Manager three times a week with random urinalysis, continue attending Wellness Court.

Third phase: Cooperation and accountability. Participants will continue to follow treatment and work with others to encourage them, understand what hurts them and how they can fix it. Continue meeting with weekly random urinalysis, meet with Case Manager and attend Wellness Court.

Fourth phase: Plan for the future with growth and wellness to lead a life without drugs and/or alcohol. Look into vocational training, educational opportunities, job opportunities and housing needs. Urinalysis will be taken once a week, continue meeting with Case Manager and attend Wellness Court.

Judge Mehnert said there will be times when a participant gives a dirty urinalysis and there will be consequences for that. Because the Wellness Court is an positive reinforcement program, some of the consequences may require participants to write a three page essay explaining what made them use and how the Wellness Team can help them; sit in Wellness Court for eight hours; or community service.

"The last sanction you want to use is jail, but if it comes down to that jail sentences are three to five days," said Judge Mehnert.

One of the challenges for the Wellness Court is finding and developing opportunities for individuals as they make changes in their lives; this includes housing.

"Because of their past criminal charges they get excluded from programs," said Judge Mehnert.

Judge Mehnert said some of the Council members suggested opportunities at the 3 Canyon Ranches and clean up within the villages.

"Although they are meaningful suggestions, we need to look at long term sustainability to keep the Wellness Court successful," said Judge Mehnert.

Judge Mehnert and his team will be working to lay the foundation for the next five months; during that time they will train Court staff to replace them.

"I'm excited to be a part of this opportunity with the Hopi community to help individuals change and deal with substance abuse in a positive way," said Judge Mehnert. "The need for a Wellness Court is imperative to get individuals treatment as soon as possible."

# Former Police Officer sentenced for sexual abuse of a minor

PHOENIX – This week, Nolan Sulu, 36, of Polacca, Ariz., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge G. Murray Snow to 55 months of imprisonment, in addition to 23 months of imprisonment that Sulu has already served on a related prosecution in the Hopi Tribal Court. Sulu had previously pleaded guilty to sexual abuse of a minor.

In September and October 2014, Sulu, who is a member of the Hopi Tribe, sexually abused a 12-year old child on three separate occasions. The abuse occurred on

the Hopi Indian Reservation, where Sulu was a police officer at the time.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Rachel Stoddard and Alexander Samuels, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

CASE NUMBER: CR-15-8007-PCT-GMS  
RELEASE NO: 2016-071\_Sulu  
For more information on the U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Arizona, visit <http://www.justice.gov/usao/>

# Office of Special Trustees “Whereabouts Unknown List”

Below is a list of Hopi people (some may not be tribal members) on the “Whereabouts Unknown List.” If anyone is on the list and wants to update their info, please call 1-888-678-6836. For more information, you may also contact the Hopi Agency Superintendent at 928-738-2228 or the Tribal Operations Office at 928-734-3127 or 3126.

ANTONE, FRANKLIN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
BAKURZA SR, CLAUDE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
BALDWIN, MARLENE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
BROKESHOULDER, BRENT T HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
BROKESHOULDER, NICK T HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
CARL, SHARON R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
CHAPIN, GLORIA H HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
COIN, MELANIE G HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
COOKA, CONSTANCE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
COOKA, TOM C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
CORDERO, LENORA JEAN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
DALLAS, HERNAL G HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
DUWYENIE, VAUGHN L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
FRITZ, KENDRICK HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GEORGE, GREGORY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GEORGE, VAUGHN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GEORGE, VINCENT HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GORMAN, BRENDA L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GORMAN, CRISTINE M HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GORMAN, TINA N HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
GREEN, ELIZABETH HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HARVEY SR, CALTON J HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HAWEE, FERMIN L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HAWEE, TERRANCE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HOLMES, JAMIE W HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HOLMES, JOSEPH E HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HOLMES, VIAN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
HOLMES-CLARK, DOROTHY L HOPI INDIANS  
ISUFUKU, WESLEY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
JENKINS, ARNOLD R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
JENKINS, MICHAEL D HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
JENKINS, ROYCE M HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
JOHNSON, RONALD R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
JOSHEVAMA, PAULETTA A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KAYE, CHARLES B HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KAYE, LEROY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KAYE, THOMAS A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KAYE, TINA M HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KEWANWYMA, JUDY E HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KINALE, JENNIFER L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KOIYAQUAPTEWA, MICHAEL H HOPI INDIANS  
KOIYAQUAPTEWA, BUDDY R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KOOYAQUAPTEWA, MARLINDA A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
KOOYAQUAPTEWA, SHELLY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LAGUNES, PAULINE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LOMAINTEWA, FRANCIS HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LOMAINTEWA, LUKE C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LOMAINTEWA, MARK D HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LOMATEWAMA, BRIAN C HOPI INDIANS, AZ

LOMATEWAMA, KATHERINE M HOPI INDIANS  
LOMATEWAMA, REBECCA I HOPI INDIANS,  
LOMAY, LUCINDA A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LOPEZ, MARLAINA C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
LUCAS, FREDDIE F HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MARQUEZ, ELIZABETH HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MARQUEZ, HULDA A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MASAQUAPTEWA, MARGARET M HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MEDINA, LORI J HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MOFSIE, MELVIN ROY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MONDRAGON JR, ORLANDO R HOPI INDIANS,  
MOOYA, JOAN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
MYRON, BRADLEY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NAHA, MARY A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NAMOKI, ROBERT G HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NATSEWAY, BERNARD A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NAVAJO, JOLYNN A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NEHOITEWA, BRYANT N HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
NEVAYAKTEWA, ANDREW A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
OUTIE, TIMOTHY A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PATCH, JANICE R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PAVINYAMA, LEWIS R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PAVINYAMA, REYNALDA H HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PAVINYAMA, SPENCER T HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PETERSON, TERRI L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PETTIGREW, FLORENE G HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PIESTEWA, JOHN KARL HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
PORTILLO, N B HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SAHMIE, ETHEL HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SANDERSON, TERRENCE DEWIGHT HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SATALA, FRED LEWIS HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SATALA, ROBERT HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SEKAYUMPTTEWA, LOREN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SERNA, JOSEPH C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SERNA, RUSSELL HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SETALLA, EDWARD B HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SEUMPTTEWA, DOROTHY S HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SEUMPTTEWA, RYAN C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SEUMPTTEWA, VAUGHN C HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SHEBOLA, GERALDINE R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SHELTON, JENNIFER L HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
SHELTON, PAUL WESLEY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TALAS, BARBARA JEAN HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TALASHOMA, ROBERT HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TALAYUMPTTEWA, CHANIN M HOPI INDIANS,  
TODDY, REYCITA HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TSAWATEWA, THOMAS HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TUCHAWENA, JUDITH HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TUNGOVIA, KLARANCE J HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TUNGOVIA, LANCE HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TUNGOVIA, SHEREE K HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
TUNGOVIA JR, LOWERY HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
VALDEZ, LUIS A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
WADSWORTH, CHERYLDIANE HOPI INDIANS  
WALKER, LISA A HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
YAZZIE, JANICE S HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
YOWYTEWA, PORTIA R HOPI INDIANS, AZ  
ZEENA, VELMA J HOPI INDIANS, AZ

## Hopi Travel Plaza Cont'd from P1

Chuck Thompson, CEO of HTEDC said within the last five or six years, the appearance and business of the Travel Center had gone down, but they are in working to bring it back up.

A little over a year ago, Kelly Jarvis was hired as the Hopi Travel Center's General Manager and within the last 16 months has worked hard to upgrade the Travel Center.

"The upgrade began with the renovation of a new roof on the facility, installing new HVAC units and painting the exterior of the building," said Thompson. "We also paved the parking lot which makes the facility look presentable."

Since the upgrades, Jarvis said the truckers are slowly coming back to the Travel Center and have been averaging a total of 125 truckers staying overnight.

There are showers available for truckers as well fax machines; they also get free coffee and trucker's specials in the café that start from \$1.99. The convenience store also has a full line of trucker supplies and Jarvis said he plans to add more services for the truckers.

Thompson said the Travel Center has always kept their gas prices competitive with other travel plazas along the I-40 and truckers have taken note of that.

The Travel Center is a Conoco dealer and Thompson said using Conoco guarantees a certain level of service to their customers.

"Conoco has a secret shopper that shops at the Travel Center once a month and they rate us," said Thompson. "They check to see if the pumps are working, cleanliness of the restrooms and customer service."

Jarvis said in the last four months they have not scored below 96%, which is a huge improvement.

Convenience Store:  
The convenience store has improved in the area of sales. They now have a huge selection of items for sale. Previously, the shelves were nearly empty and looked as though they were going out of business.

One of the new features Jarvis is proud of is the Freestyle Coke machine which offers over 80 flavors of soda.

"We are one of the first Travel Centers in the state of Arizona to have a Freestyle Coke Machine," said Jarvis. "In addition to the Coke machine, we recently incorporated the EBT (Electronic Benefits Transfer) card or Food Stamp card to be used at the Travel Center."

Whether the improvements had anything to do with the sales, July was the biggest month in sales for the convenience store.

Café: The café has daily lunch specials and trucker's specials. Chef Robbie prepares home cooked meals at a reasonable price.

Jarvis recommends the "Robbie Burger" which comes with French fries.

Improvements in the Café are on the list of things to do, but at the moment is not a priority. Jarvis said the café needs some tender, loving, care and plans on upgrading the interior and the furnishings.

"When we start making improvements, I plan to keep the murals," said Jarvis.

Goals, challenges and future: With all properties under HTEDC, Thompson said he would like to keep employment open to Hopi people who need jobs. The Travel Center has around

24-29 employees, of those only a few are Hopi.

In addition to finding Hopi workers, other challenges are finding qualified maintenance workers.

"We would like to hire individuals who will go above and beyond to be the best employee," said Jarvis. "We have an Employee of the Month program with a second and third place category."

With the new Hopi Gift Shop opening soon, Jarvis said he is looking to hire three Hopi's who are knowledgeable in the arts and crafts and someone that can explain the significance or meaning behind a design or piece of art.

"We envision the Hopi Travel Center as the eastern gateway to the Hopi reservation and we want to let travelers know about Hopi," said Thompson. "We keep Hopi in mind when we improve in the facility."

Thompson and Jarvis said they hope to have events held at the Travel Center; events that feature Hopi culture, artist demonstrations and events that will interest everyone.

Jarvis said he would like individuals who are interested in taking part as an artist demonstrator or entertainment; he can be reached at (928) 524-6243.

The Hopi Travel Center offers discounts to Hopi tribal members who show their enrollment identification. Tribal members receive a 20% discount in the café and 10% in the convenience store on everything except gas and cigarettes.

"Working at the Hopi Travel Center is a Happy Hopi Place," said Jarvis. "This is a great place to work and we are looking to hire more people."

VETERANS DAY

“SAVE THE DATE”

November 11, 2016

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Hopi Veterans Memorial Center

Kykotsmovi, Arizona



IN THE HOPI TRIBAL COURT  
KEAMS CANYON, ARIZONA

In Re the Application of: **Wildalyn Smith, Petitioner**  
**No. 2015-CV-0009 NOTICE TO VILLAGE**  
**Application for Certification of a Village Decision**

**TO: Hotevilla Village, Interested Parties**

Pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe, Article III, Section 2(b) and (c), the Village of Hotevilla has exclusive authority to adjust family disputes and hear such matters as inheritance on the Hopi Reservation.

On or about August 23, 2014, the Village of Hotevilla asserted their authority and decided to hear a matter regarding ownership of a house located near the entrance to the plaza. The person of interest at this open meeting was the Petitioner , Wildalyn Smith. Other interested parties include Lorna Quamahongnewa and Ella Mary Humetewa.

YOU are hereby notified that the Petitioner has filed an application for the Court to approve and certify the Village decision of August 23, 2014.

If you have any objections to said hearing or wish to participate in the hearing regarding this matter, the hearing is scheduled on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Hopi Tribal Court. Otherwise you may waive your participation in this hearing if you wish not to appear in court on said date and time.

Date: August 30, 2016  
/s/ Belena Harvey  
Clerk of the Hopi Tribal Court

In the Hopi Children’s Court, Hopi Jurisdiction  
KEAMS CANYON, ARIZONA

In the Matter of: **ARAGON, H.K** dob: 3/17/2008;  
**ARAGON, A.T.** dob: 9/11/2006 **Minor children,**

The Hopi Tribe and Hopi Tribe Social Services Program,  
**Petitioners, AND CONCERNING: Raejeanne Hon-**  
**wynewa and Austin Aragon, Parents/Respondents.**  
Case No. 2014-CC-0013 NOTICE OF HEARING BY  
PUBLICATION

**THE HOPI TRIBE TO: RAEJEANNE HONWYN-**  
**EWA AND AUSTIN ARAGON, biological parents of**  
**the minor children named herein:**

**PETITIONERS** named herein have filed a Petition for Permanent Guardianship in the Hopi Children’s Court, bearing Case No. 2014-CC-0013.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Initial Appearance Permanent Guardianship Hearing concerning the Petition is scheduled on the **29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, at 08:30 A.M.** in the Hopi Children’s Courtroom II, Hopi Jurisdiction, P.O. Box 156, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034. If the parents contest the Petition for Permanent Guardianship they shall file a response to the Petition with the Hopi Children’s Court within twenty (20) calendar days from first date of publication. Your response must be filed with the Clerk of the Hopi Tribal Court at the address provided herein and a copy of your response provided or mailed to the Office of the Prosecutor/Presenting Officer at the address provided. A copy of the Petition for Permanent Guardianship may be obtained by submitting a written request to: The Office of the Hopi Prosecutor, P.O. Box 306, Keams, Canyon, Arizona 86034.

**FAILURE TO APPEAR** will result in the Court rendering judgment for what the Petition demands. This means that the parents’ right to legal and physical custody of the minor children may be vested with Petitioner.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016.

HOPI CHILDREN’S COURT,  
Imalene Polingyumptewa, Court Clerk

Home of the Keams Canyon Eagles  
KEAMS CANYON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
P.O. BOX 397  
KEAMS CANYON, ARIZONA 86034  
PHONE# 928-738-2385  
FAX# 928-738-5519

2016-2017 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES  
OPENING DATE: August 08, 2016  
CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled

POSITION: Business Technician  
SALARY: Based on education & experience.  
CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled  
QUALIFICATIONS: High School Degree + 2 year exp. in Business or more  
For more information or an application, please call @ (928) 728-2385  
ALL APPLICANTS ARE SUBJECT TO A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION  
NATIVE AMERICAN PREFERENCE

IN THE HOPI TRIALCOURT  
KEAMS CANYON, AZ

In the Matter of the  
Change of Name of: No  
Name Tessay to Milson  
Marley Tessay

Case No. 2016-CV-0154  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
OF CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that Carmen Nasevaema has petitioned the court for the change of name, from:  
No Name Tessay to Milson Marley Tessay.

Any party seeking to intervene in said proceeding must file an appropriate pleading with the Hopi Trial Court no later than twenty (20) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 29th Day of July, 2016.  
/s/ Margene Namoki,  
Clerk of the Court

IN THE HOPI TRIAL COURT  
KEAMS CANYON, AZ

In the Matter of the Change  
of Name of: Baby Boy  
Poocha to Teigon Lejynd  
Riley Poocha

Case No. 2016-CV-0137  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
OF CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that Tashina Poocha has petitioned the court for the change of name, from:  
Baby Boy Poocha to Tei-  
gon Lejynd Riley Poocha.

Any party seeking to intervene in said proceeding must file an appropriate pleading with the Hopi Trial Court no later than twenty (20) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 26th Day of May, 2016.  
/s/ Margene Namoki,  
Clerk of the Court

IN THE HOPI TRIAL COURT  
KEAMS CANYON, AZ

In the Matter of the Change  
of Name of: Betty Jo Pattea  
to Betty Jo Talahoinema




Case No. 2016-CV-0159  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
OF CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that Betty Jo Pattea has petitioned the court for the change of name, from:  
Betty Jo Pattea to Betty  
Jo Talahoinema.

Any party seeking to intervene in said proceeding must file an appropriate pleading with the Hopi Trial Court no later than twenty (20) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 15th Day of August, 2016.  
/s/ Margene Namoki,  
Clerk of the Court

*Hopi Tutuveni*  
*P.O Box 123*  
*Kykotsmovi, AZ*



**CEDAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25**  
**JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Administrative	Closing Date
<b>Certified</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher	OUF
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher	OUF
<b>Classified</b>	
Parent Educator/Community Outreach	OUF
Paraprofessional (residence on Hopi preferred)	OUF

**OUF – OPEN UNTIL FILLED**  

Qualified applicants may obtain a job description or an application from:  
Cedar Unified School District No. 25, Superintendent’s Office  
Mile Post 408, Highway 264 / P.O. Box 367  
Keams Canyon, AZ 86034  
(928) 738-2366 [www.cedarusd.org](http://www.cedarusd.org) or e-mail: [ykooyaquaptewa@cusd25.k12.az.us](mailto:ykooyaquaptewa@cusd25.k12.az.us)  
Cedar Unified School District No. 25 is an EEO/Native American/Veteran Preference Employer



**SECOND MESA DAY SCHOOL**  
**P.O. Box 98 Second Mesa, Arizona 86043**  
**Ph: 928-737-2571 Fax: 928-737-2565**

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Certified**  
1. **Art Teacher**  
2. **ESS Teacher (Special Education)**  
3. **Elementary Education Teacher**  
4. **Substitute Teacher**  
5. **Gifted & Talented Teacher**  
6. **Computer Teacher**  
7. **Reading Coach**

**Classified**  
1. **Teacher Assistant**  
2. **Substitute Teacher**  
3. **Procurement Technician**  
4. **Administrative Assistant**  
5. **Facilities Manager**  
6. **Facilities Maintenance Technician**

**Requirements for Certified Positions**  
1. Arizona State Teaching Certification 2. Valid Arizona Driver’s License  
3. Fingerprint Clearance issued by Department of Public Safety 4. Must pass an intensive background investigation 5. Hopi/Native Indian Preference

**All positions are required to undergo an intensive background check.**

Full-time positions will receive full benefits to include employee paid Medical, Dental, Vision & 401 (k). To obtain employment application and position description log on to [www.smds.k12.az.us](http://www.smds.k12.az.us). Questions or inquiries please contact:  
Janet Lamson, Human Resource Technician (928) 737-2571 ext.4212  
Concurred by: Marie Morales, Principal

Fall Carnival

October 21, 2016

5:00P.M. - 10:00P.M.

Hopi Veteran's Memorial Center

Kykotsmovi, AZ HWY 264, Mile Post 375.5

\$30 Game Booth/\$50 Food Booth

Booth Space: 10'x12' Includes 1 Table & 2 Chairs

Food Handler's Card and Peddler's Permit Required

GAMES, FOOD AND FUN FOR ALL AGES

For More Information, call (928) 734-3432

**HOPI WELLNESS CENTER SEPTEMBER GROUP FITNESS CLASSES**  
For More Information Call (928) 734-3432 Highway 264, Mile Post 375.5, Northeast of Kykotsmovi

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
			1 HOPI WELLNESS CENTER CLOSED
5 CLOSED LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	6 911 FITNESS OUTDOOR 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.	7 NO CLASS 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. ZUMBA PARTY	8 911 FITNESS 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.
12 ZUMBA Fitness 12:10 p.m./5:30 p.m.	13 911 FITNESS OUTDOOR 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.	14 ZUMBA Fitness 12:10 p.m./5:30 p.m.	15 911 FITNESS HVMC GYM 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.
19 ZUMBA Fitness 12:10 p.m./5:30 p.m.	20 911 FITNESS OUTDOOR 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.	21 ZUMBA Fitness 12:10 p.m./5:30 p.m.	22 911 FITNESS HVMC GYM 12 p.m./5:30 p.m.
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**FITNESS CENTER HOURS**  
Monday—Thursday  
6:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.  
Friday 6:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.  
  
**CLOSED ALL DAY**  
September 1  
September 5  
  
**EARLY CLOSURE**  
September 7 @ 3:00 p.m.  
Zumba Fitness Party  
5:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.  
  
**911 FITNESS CLASS**  

- ♦ Baseline fitness testing on 9/6 & 9/8.
- ♦ Midpoint & final fitness test taken.
- ♦ TANITA body composition scale reading.
- ♦ Moderate to high intensity workouts.
- ♦ Modifications provided as needed.
- ♦ Participants must be committed and maintain consistent class attendance to see progress.
- ♦ Classes are held indoors & outdoors.

**KIDS KORNER**  
AGES: 1 to 7 years old  
**HOURS**  
Monday-Friday  
12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Registration Required.

Request for Proposal for  
Financial Audit Service

**The Hopi Education Endowment Fund (HEEF)** is accepting proposals for a multi-year engagement from qualified and independent Certified Public Accountants to perform annual financial and compliance audits for the purpose of expressing an opinion on financial statements.

The multi-year engagement shall cover 2016 - 2018 with annual audits to cover calendar year January 1 to December 31 for each year. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with standards applicable to financial audits contained in the U.S.’ generally accepted auditing standards.

The Hopi Education Endowment Fund is a non-profit, tribal government organization qualified under section 7871(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, located on the Hopi Reservation in NE Arizona.

All proposals must include, at minimum, a breakdown of all costs associated with compiling and completing each annual audit. Completed and sealed bid proposals must be received by the HEEF or postmarked by 5:00 P.M. Friday, September 9, 2016. Contact Oneita Tootsie, Office Manager, at (928) 734-2275 or at [oneitat@hopieducationfund.org](mailto:oneitat@hopieducationfund.org).





Executive Summary:

The Hopi Tribe is a federally recognized sovereign tribe located on more than 1.5 million rural acres in the northeast part of Arizona. The reservation consists of 11 quasi-independent villages. In 2014 there were approximately 7,000 people living on Hopi while others live nearby in local towns and other metropolitan areas primarily for education and job opportunities. The Hopi Health Care Center (HHCC), a critical access hospital which provides primary care in an outpatient setting, short stay as well as emergency services to the Hopi-Tewa and Navajo tribal members. The Hopi Tribal health programs offer ancillary services, whose primary purpose is to provide our patients with prevention and education services. This report provides a summary of the outcomes of the 2016 Health Summit that was held at the Veteran’s Memorial Center on January 28, 2016. The health summit was held to provide an opportunity for input from the community and as well as updating the Strategic plans for the Hopi Health Care Center and the Hopi Tribal Programs.

In October 2015, the Hopi Health Care Center and Hopi Tribe partnered in order to comprehend the current health care needs and priorities of the Hopi/Tewa people, through a community assessment and Health Summit. Previously, there had been strategic planning sessions, and health summits that took place in the Hopi-Tewa community prior findings helped to shape and prioritize local health issues, discussion of outcomes, and recommendations that have helped give direction to the health care of the Native American population that we serve.

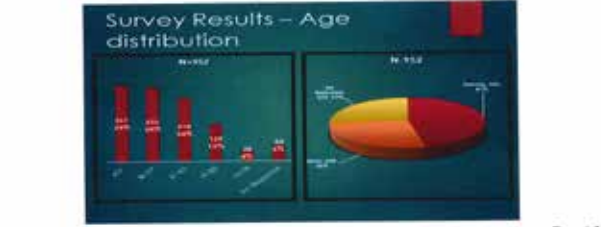
In 2003, the HHCC as a newly established service unit recognized that it was necessary to communicate with the Tribal members to ensure that the scope of services we were providing as a new healthcare facility were adequate. A team was established in collaboration with the community service administrators from each community, and tribal programs, to conduct an assessment of its current health care services to better understand the needs of the community. Five (5) focus areas: Diabetes, Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Contract Health Services, Access to Services, and Elderly Care, Clinic, and Abuse were identified through a community assessment based on the 140 questionnaires that were completed. As a result of this health summit, the information was utilized to enhance services that were recommended through the focus group discussion.

In 2007 a second health summit was held with 624 surveys completed by community members, there were 5 health concerns identified as top health concerns which included Cancer, Elderly Abuse, Domestic Violence, Teen Pregnancy and Child Abuse. The 2007 summit focused on these health topics that resulted in community input and recommendation subsequent to the completion of action plans to work toward meeting the goals set forth during the health summit and forming several programs such as the Hopi-Tewa Women’s Coalition and Hopi Cancer program.

Survey Findings & Interpretation of Data

In October 2015, eight (8) years following the last health summit, a committee was formed that involved the HHCC, the Hopi Tribe, the Hopi Foundation and interested community members, to conduct a third community wide assessment to evaluate the communities perspective on the current rural health care trends affecting our community. Co-chairs were identified to steer the overall process of survey development, collection, analysis to identify the health priorities. The surveys were disseminated at public events, places of employment, schools, in an effort to reach a diverse population in which nine hundred fifty-two (952) surveys were collected. The survey process took place from November 3, 2015 – December 11, 2015, the survey data was quantified for evaluative purposes in the following areas: demographics, health care services, effectiveness, as well as the top health concerns - *Diabetes, Alcoholism, Cancer, and Obesity*. Additionally, community members had the opportunity to write down their concerns based on what was working with current delivery of health care, what is working, what can be improved.

Of the survey respondents, there were 248 male respondents, 445 female respondents with 259 that did not identify themselves as either male or female. A majority of the responders were 31 years of age and older.



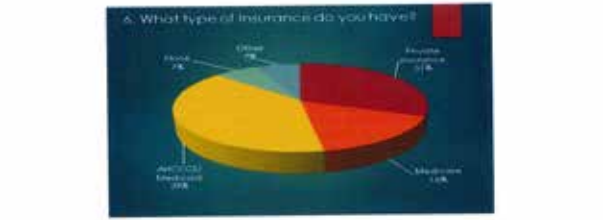
had the highest response rate followed by Kykotsmovi and Hotevilla residence both at twelve percent (12%). Although the survey identified these three places at the top residents who completed the survey, the survey distribution appears to be widely distributed.



Forty-eight percent 48%=471 indicated they received their health care services at the HHCC while twenty-six percent 26%=256 received their primary care at the Tuba City Regional Health Care Center, a 638 facility that is own and operated by the Navajo Tribe.



One area the committee felt was important to ask on the survey was regarding third party resources specifically, the Affordable Care Act which was enacted in March 10, 2010. Although Native Americans are exempt from obtaining health insurance, the team wanted to know if individuals were enrolled under a health insurance plan. Based on the data collected, thirty-one percent (31%) had private insurance and Thirty-nine percent were enrolled in Medicaid followed by sixteen percent (16%) who were enrolled in Medicare.



# HOPI HEALTH SUMMIT REPORT

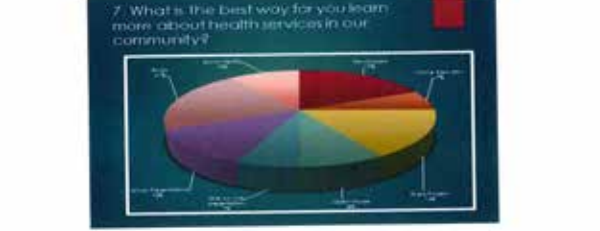
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The survey also provided information on the top health care concerns. Individuals were allowed to pick as many choices as they wished with regard to the question and/or list their own health concern if it was not already a part of the choices listed for the question. Diabetes was the number one concern with 557 listing it as a top health concern. This was followed by Cancer (485), Alcoholism (465) and Obesity (444). While there were other health concerns, these four were primarily addressed during the health summit. It is important to note that other priorities that were identified will need to be addressed in the future as it applies to department specific health programs on Hopi (i.e. Behavioral Health Services- counseling, social service programs, and rehabilitative services).

When asked what health service would be most useful to an individual. The response of 538 community members felt that the Hopi wellness program was most beneficial subsequent to this was the diabetes program, and transportation program. It is important to note that only Tribal program services were listed as an option, thereby leaving services out that are provided by the Hopi Health Care Center.



With regard to learning more about health care services the survey showed that people learned by listening to the radio and reading the newspaper. Sixteen percent (16%) felt that posters/flyers were other ways they learned about health care services.



Overall, the assessment provided insight to the current delivery of health services, the need for more patient education, prevention, improving the quality of services and access to care. The team identified common themes based on the qualitative data interpretation and responses from community members. When asked *do you feel that current services address your health concerns? If not what more would you recommend?* With the large number of responses from the community we reviewed each response and categorized their responses according to a common theme:

1. Patient Care
  - a) Access to Care
  - b) Providers
  - c) Specialty Services
2. Transportation services
3. Education
4. Wait times for appointments

Regarding *Patient Care* many of the responses were in reference to the *specialty care* services that we offer to our patients such as; podiatry services, ear nose and throat (ENT) services, and rheumatology. The coordination of care is provided through a partnership with Tuba City Regional Healthcare Corporation and Phoenix Indian Medical Center. These specialty services are offered at the HHCC to eliminate the need for travel, according to the 2010 Census 56.6% of our patient population lives below the Health and Human services poverty level. The HHCC has been struggling to retain and recruit permanent *Medical Providers*, our patient population would like to see permanent providers on staff as opposed to contractors. With recent matters concerning contracting services the HHCC has had to cut back on some of its specialty services therefore many of the referrals for these certain specialty services have been referred to off reservation healthcare organizations. Some individuals based on their third party resources and or health benefit coverage qualify for the *transportation* component which allows for the patient to be transported to their appointments, others have to rely on their own transportation but do not have the means if it requires an overnight stay, some don’t want to travel to Tuba City and would prefer to see a provider locally. With the inability to recruit and retain permanent medical providers and the lack of specialty services this has impacted the availability of appointments. It makes it very difficult to schedule patients with the specialty services when the providers are at HHCC twice a month, and there is a back log of patients *waiting for a specialty appointment*. In regard to the *Education* many of the responses asked for more patient education and wanted to focus on prevention, ways of managing their diabetes, they also expressed the need for more classes on healthy food preparation. Finally, the last question that provided additional qualitative insight was handled in the same manner as described above. The question asked *what services would be most helpful?* and it provided the individual an opportunity to describe why. The following is a summation and identification of themes identified based on the comments received:

Services:

Many of the responses were surrounding the quality of services provided by the Hopi Health Care Center. Comments focused on recommending “better quality service”, “use to go to the HHCC before but service wasn’t too good so started going to Tuba City” and “unreliable services” were mentioned.

Wait time:

There were 34 comments regarding the wait time for services at the HHCC. It was stated that the wait time could use improvement, and that the wait to be seen by a provider was too long. Other comments suggested that there was a long wait for pharmacy and lab. Most comments focused on wanting to be seen in a timely manner and suggested that providers stick to their scheduled appointment times. There were four comments that focused on slow response times by the Hopi Emergency Medical Services.

Customer Service:

The replies focused primarily on staff attitude or customer service at the HHCC. While there were only seven comments, it is important to note that people expect good customer service and want to be treated with respect. They also want employee’s to help them navigate through the system. One comment touched on “more trained staff to explain things to elderly patients” and “go beyond the services in helping people.”

Providers:

This area of concern carried the most comments (76 comments) from the surveyors. Some common responses included wanting experienced doctors verses seeing a Physician Assistant, intern, or Nurse Practitioners. Many also specified their preference in establishing a primary care provider with someone who is a permanent staff member so that they could see the same provider when they returned for subsequent visits. There was also a common theme of HHCC making a better selection of contract providers and well trained doctors. Responses also referred to misdiagnosis in some instances and the lack of trust in providers thereby seeking services elsewhere. People would like a better explanation of their health care when they are seen by a provider and for providers to listen to their concern. Lastly, many people felt that they were being prescribed too much medication.

Transportation:

The comments regarding transportation were primarily focusing on the need for transport service to and from a health care center and the need for efficiency when transportation is provided.

Hospital vs clinic:

While this did not seem to be a huge concern, comments were based around the need for a hospital not a clinic. One comment also focused on the need for a bigger hospital with a full spectrum of specialty services being offered at the HHCC

Service improvement:

With the second highest amount of responses regarding services provided through by the HHCC and the Hopi Tribe. Several comments focused on the referral process, and would rather have these services available at the HHCC as opposed to being referred to another facility to receive specialty services. There were several comments that focused on utilization of the Tuba City Regional Health Care because of the lack of specialty services or because services were just not available at the HHCC. There were several other responses regarding improving the appointment processes and the necessity for additional services for the dental and optometry services. There were also comments that reflected on good services such as “I’m sure that programs are trying their best and I thank you for that” or “I feel that good services are being provided.”

Specialty Services:

Individuals want more specialty services also mentioning specifically in the area of pediatrics, orthopedic care, cardiology, and podiatry repeated throughout the comments. Individuals also felt that the referral system for specialty care needs to happen sooner rather than later and it needs to be offered on site. There were comments that mentioned having a men’s and women’s program to address specific issues for each gender. Obstetric services are another area that people felt it necessary to provide services at HHCC rather than having to be sent elsewhere.

Staff:

Most of the responses expressed that more training is necessary for staff in customer services, by hiring qualified staff (Specialty Providers) and providing more job opportunities. Case management was a concern; many felt that there was a need for more case managers to follow our patients who are referred off reservation. There were issues raised around the lack of confidentiality and concern of what is being said about their health care.

Behavioral Health/Social Services:

Many felt that there needs to be a psychiatrist hired for behavioral health and request for additional group therapy classes. Themes focused around children and teen services regarding drugs and alcohol, mental health therapy, suicide and depression.

Tribal programs:

There was mention of the need for improving the Community Health Representative (CHR) program; follow up on care and services and hiring reliable CHR staff. People felt that the wellness center was too far to travel and would like to see later hours and an expansion of the wellness center on the east side of the reservation. However, many expressed positive comments on customer service and staff being helpful. Several comments touched on more tribal services such as for youth, prevention, and programs that address healthy behaviors. A few comments focused on the need for a local elderly home rather than sending elders off the reservation.

Education:

For education, many would like personal contact in the community, and would like programs to be more visible in the communities. Many felt that public outreach should be held within the villages or closer to the villages and programs need to teach community what services they have to offer.

These common subjects have also appeared in the two previous surveys that were conducted, recognizing that these are concerns of the community and are recurring; each entity must work to address them into their strategic plans.

Focus Group Methodology

Once the survey was evaluated and summarized, the team began planning for a Health summit that occurred on January 28, 2016 at the Hopi Veteran’s Memorial Center focusing on the four top health concerns of *Diabetes, Cancer Obesity and Alcoholism*. The overall goal of the Health Summit was to engage the community through a focus group discussion to allow for feedback and recommendations from the community to strengthen services in each of the four health component areas. Through a facilitated process each group had a facilitator, a note taker, and a Hopi interpreter to support in translation of the questions and enhance the understanding for the dialogue. Subject matter experts were also available to address any specific questions regarding the health issues. Facilitators were trained to ask open ended questions to promote participation in both Hopi and English and to enhance the understanding of the health topics. Information was then captured using a methodology of green light, red light, yellow light to capture thoughts, ideas and recommendations from the community. Green light highlighted items captured what the community felt was working well for the community and should continue. Red light highlighted areas of concern that need to be addressed and the Yellow light captured recommendations of services that were not being met and could be strengthened. Through collaboration and teamwork the Health Summit was proven to be a huge success with 214 community members who participated in the day’s events. The morning began with opening remarks from the Chief Executive Officer of HHCC Daryl Melvin and the Executive Director of the Hopi Tribe Wayne Taylor, in support of the efforts to update the HHCC and The Hopi Tribes strategic plans, followed by a summary of the survey outcomes, and an update by our subject matter experts included current statistics of the 4 focus areas affecting our community.

The format of the agenda allowed for 2 opportunities for participants to attend the break-out sessions of their choice this allowed for active participation in the focus group discussions, to provide their input. A healthy lunch was provided by the Behavioral Health Program as were refreshments and a continental breakfast. Following the second break out session the Chief Medical Officer Dr. Darren Vicenti of the HHCC addressed the community as a whole and shared his concept on “embracing prevention and practicing what we already know as Hopi people.” The day’s event was summarized and each focus group shared the passion and determination that the participants expressed in playing an active role within their personal lives, their families and their communities. The following is information was captured during each focus group session:

Diabetes focus group session:

There were three basic themes that participants felt worked within the area of diabetes and they were: the continuation of the 100 mile club many felt that this was a good way to promote exercise and with scheduled events in each community motivated many community members. The program has been active and successful for the past 24 years. Positive stories were shared within the groups about the 100 mile club and personal outcomes of the program. Another successful component of the tribal programs mentioned was the Hopi Wellness Center many stated that the planned activities are very beneficial to individuals who utilize the wellness center. Lastly, many participants overall expressed how grateful they were for the services that were provided by the wellness center. The recommendation was to continue with what the programs were doing in this area.

Comments that centered around the “yellow light” was an indicator of what services programs should continue and much emphasis needed by way of improving the current services. Comments focused around the collaboration and partnership between the HHCC, Hopi Tribe and non-profit organizations with like services. Participants felt that this was occurring however better partnership and collaboration would provide the opportunity for better services around diabetes. Many felt that local stores should sell healthier foods and provide healthier food choices. It was also recommended that while education is provided to individuals regarding



## IPHW Program Cont'd from P1

The program kicked off its first week by providing the students with a learning excursion held at Northern Arizona University. Students took on various feats at the NAU Ropes Course, completed several team building exercises, toured the NAU campus and learned about degree programs offered in the health field by NAU and U of A. Each participant also received First Aid/CPR certification by the Northern Arizona Health Education Center a part of North Country Health Care.

There are three major components to the IPHW program that each student must participate in to successfully complete the program:

- Mentorship at the Hopi Health Care Center - Participants were placed in various departments throughout the Hopi Health Care Center to gain hands-on experience, mentored by a health professional. Each student abides by all policies and procedures, and is involved with the facility and the department's goals and objectives.
- Student Research Project -Participants are asked to conduct research on a

health topic relevant to the local community. As part of the research project students are required to:

- Write a research paper
- Make a poster presentation for their research topic
- Use media/technology to present information to the community
- Present their research at a Health Fair
- Community Service Project –IPHW students served as “Camp Leaders” during the 2016 Be Hopi, Be Healthy Summer camps sponsored by the Hopi Special Diabetes Project/Hopi Wellness Center. Each student also created and provided a presentation session at one of the 8 camps that were held throughout the month of July.

The Indigenous Pride Health Worker Program also provides students with practical training opportunities to develop group facilitation, professional customer service, peer-teaching, presentation and leadership skills all while gaining daily hands-on exposure to direct patient care. All mentorship activities and classes for IPHW students took

place at the Hopi Health Care Center in Polacca, Arizona.

The students closed out the program by planning and facilitating their own community health fair where they each created an educational display booth to share their research projects. Each student held the role of a public health educator for the day. This year's IPHW Health Fair was a great success and offered each student valuable social interaction and presentation skills.

In addition to the three major components each participant obtained valuable training and education on customer service, public speaking, resume writing, personal grooming & hygiene, STI's/teen pregnancy prevention, Non-Violent Crisis Intervention training, teen dating violence & healthy relationships, and self-worth & healthy personal coping methods.

When asked to comment about his overall experience with the IPHW Program, Ty Figueroa, 2016 IPHW student from Misognovi Village stated, “Overall I really enjoyed it and I learned a lot because not many health care centers allow youth workers to receive actual hands on ex-

perience with patient care. It gave me somewhat of a real outlook on what working in the medical field is really like.”

CiAnna Sakeva, IPHW Student Leader/Intern, has worked with IPHW for the past 4 years. When asked to comment about the IPHW Program, she stated, “My experience with the IPHW Program was incredible! From being a student myself then a Student Leader, I got to watch as each student grows with the program, just like I did when I was an IPHW student. The IPHW Program got me into the field of Public Health because of how much community involvement the program provides. IPHW students gain more self-confidence and they do things and experience things that they never would have imagined doing! Especially talking to complete strangers and gaining knowledge about health issues that affect our community. The IPHW Program is an opportunity to gain knowledge and experience in the health care field, and find out whether they truly want to pursue a health career.”

The IPHW Program is a program under the HHCC Volunteer Program. Lisa Lomavaya, IPHW/Volunteer Program Coordinator works very closely with

collaborating partners, Northern Arizona Health Education Center, Northern Arizona University, and the Hopi Special Diabetes Program – Be Hopi Be Healthy Program. 2016 marked the 16<sup>th</sup> year of the Indigenous Pride Health Worker Program which has become recognized by various hospitals and volunteer programs throughout Indian country.

Lomavaya stated, “This is a very intense and jam packed program. Every year I give much respect to the youth who are chosen to be a part of the IPHW Program; they work very hard and each student receives so much training and information. I definitely try to make it fun as well, sometimes I don't think they even realize that while they are having fun they are actually learning something. Even simple conversations are a lesson in strengthening interpersonal communication skills. These students are given so much responsibility and they accomplish so much in the short 8 weeks they are with the IPHW Program. I am so proud of these students and I know each will go on to do great things for our Hopi and Tewa community!”

Daryl Melvin, Chief Executive Officer of Hopi Health Care Center stated,

“These youth bring energy, curiosity and a desire to learn to HHCC, which rekindles that same passion in all of us.”

Please send your well wishes and encouragement to the students of the 2016 Indigenous Pride Health Worker Program as they embark on their continued educational goals! The IPHW Program started on June 6 and concluded on July 28!

The 2016 IPHW Students are:

- Tara Benally – Hotevilla Village
- Elise Pawwinnee– Misognovi Village
- Brenda Dacawyma – Kykotsomovi Village
- Juwan Tawyesva – Tewa Village
- Ty Figueroa – Misognovi Village
- McKenna Nachie – Bacavi Village
- Shantel Kaye – Sitso-movi Village
- Selena Polivema – Shungopavi Village
- CiAnna Sakeva – Sitso-movi Village (Student Intern/Student Leader)

The IPHW Program sends a BIG heartfelt THANK YOU to all who contributed to the program! The IPHW Program would not be such a great success without the help of all its partners!

## Hopi Health Summit Report Cont'd from P8

nutrition and diabetes, there needs to be more emphasis on educating care givers and families who have a family member diagnosed with diabetes. Many felt that there should be more of an emphasis on diabetes education it was also suggested that the providers could provide educational opportunities to their patients during their routine health visits. Lastly, the participants emphasized working within the communities with the Community Service Administrators to provide plan and coordinate various types of preventive education presentations for their own communities bringing people together to encourage one another and offer support and motivation.

Participants expressed that they wanted to focus campaigns within the communities that are no longer taking place such as, the “stop the pop” campaign that most of the local schools and public venues were a part of. This includes any type of sweet drinks and to teach young people about sugar intake at an early age. Participants were very adamant about the importance in the continuity of care with a permanent provider and that the HHCC place special emphasis in the recruitment of permanent providers that are committed to stay for a long period of time in order to build and establish a relationship specifically with those patients who are dealing with diabetes.

Recurring comments were those focused on quality of care, the lack of having one primary care provider, and the lack of specialty services and getting the “run around.” Many felt that they were constantly repeating their health history to a new provider during every visit many felt that seeing the same doctor would eliminate having to repeat their history during each visit.

### Cancer

The participants of the cancer focus group provided some great input and recommendations for Cancer. Some of the noteworthy accomplishments for the Cancer support services and programs on Hopi mentioned were; community presentations, fun run/walks with emphasis on various types of cancer, men's education, preventive screening that is provided through the HOPI Cancer Support Services, support groups and resources that are made available to the community. In addition, many were knowledgeable about the program support and the services that were provided and should continue.

Areas that are currently working but need some improvement were also noted. Education that is provided on healthy eating, and traditional foods needs to be emphasized. Collaboration among programs and the Hopi Health Care center is occurring however, there was emphasis on strengthening the partnership to better serve the community. Having support groups were requested, many found that the support groups worked however, recently this service has not been available. Additionally, there was an emphasis on more village support of cancer patients in the communities. Several comments focused around the idea of promoting men's cancer screening and felt that while this has been initiated but there needs to be more of a push to reach out to the male population. Comments also focused around the continued need for preventive education within the community and placing special emphasis on the elder population. Many participants expressed the phone calls by HHCC to remind them of their appointments the day before. Something that was very appreciated were the reminders for their annual exams and it is a practice they would like to continue. Counseling is area that is limited for our cancer patients; there is still an immediate need to enhance this service. Lastly, when the group discussed alternatives for healthy eating many spoke about the importance of gardening and providing education on proper nutrition was a recurring issue during the focus group discussion.

When participants were asked what was not working or what they would like to see many of the concerns were regarding the lack of patient/provider relationship. Participants felt providers need to be better trained on the diagnosis of cancer and perhaps some patient education so that we are catching cancer at the earlier stages rather than at a later stage. Contributors encouraged health care providers to become more proactive in the education, treatment, and care of the patients who are seen for various type of cancer screening or diagnosis. There was also discussion that focused on the environmental health impacts in relations to cancer, many discussed the arsenic in water and wanted to know if there was a correlation between the two. Participants also wanted to learn more about the Radiation compensation Program and felt this was an important program for the Hopi community. Several expressed the need for specialized care and perhaps considering a cancer branch at the Hopi Health Care Center that focuses on cancer. What was of utter importance was consideration for services that included an oncologist on staff, or opportunity to provide contracted services, the ability to provide this type of treatment on Hopi, and the need for a palliative care program.

### Obesity

The obesity focus group session gave kudos to the 100 mile club program in its 24 years of existence, another notable program was the adventures for Hopi, and the be Healthy be Hopi

activities that provided the community with considerable prevention education in obesity and encouraged this programs to continue. Participants felt that school exercise programs and family exercise programs should continue along with health education presentations on wellness. The farmer's market and food co-op was another important activity to the community which encouraged programs to continue providing this service. Lastly, many felt that although cultural participation is evident through the community, they recommend sticking to the basics that will help combat obesity these include traditional running, planting, gardening and social dancing.

Participants also discussed issues of importance one in which they felt was pertinent and many wanted us to continue was the incorporating Hopi teachings, the Hopi ways of life and how it is beneficial to our health but needs to be improved upon. For example many felt that the employee wellness was a great opportunity, however similar programs should be taken into other organizations throughout the Hopi-Tewa community. The youth summer camp provided by the Hopi Wellness center was another program that participants felt worked and encouraged it to continue throughout the summer. The wellness center provides a fitness center to be used by the community, it was expressed that there is a need for a wellness center on the east side of the Hopi reservation. Another area of concern was the availability of healthy food selections in local stores; many stated that they would like to see a wider variety of fresh produce with healthier food choices. Additionally, there was a recommendation to tax junk food as the Navajo nation successfully implemented throughout their reservation, as mentioned by several participants. In order to overcome obesity, many recommended that schools incorporate an enhanced P.E. program and many felt that a youth summit on obesity should be addressed on the reservation through the HOYI program with their upcoming summit. While greenhouses exist on Hopi, many feel that this could be expanded to families through education and understanding how to construct and maintain a green house.

Participants in both focus groups took personal accountability for their wellness and had a common understanding that this topic is important and needs to be addressed within the homes and with families. While this is the case, there are several important areas that individuals would like to address through a family approach. These include more daily activities outside of the home rather than staying inside, make time for exercise and eliminate excuses, purchase health foods rather than unhealthy foods and consider doing away with the junk food. An area that people felt was also an important matter to address is not going overboard with food prepared during cultural ceremonies and avoid providing unhealthy or junk food during ceremonies.

### Alcoholism

The format of this focus group was a bit different than the other group discussions many of the participants wanted to share their personal stories of the changes they made in their own lives but also made recommendations as to what was working in terms of address alcoholism on Hopi. Many felt the talking circles, culturally based healing services, and mentoring programs were positive for sobriety. There was mention of a community member who put together sober running group to support individuals impacted by alcoholism and participants felt this was a positive movement on the Hopi reservation. Participants shared their experience in attending AA meetings and felt this was a positive way to support one another. While there are community based programs, the community would like to increase programs and have community members take on this initiative.

There are several areas that were notably making an impact throughout the reservation but need to be emphasized. For example, a local rehabilitation center that incorporates Hopi values and language would be useful, having group session on weekends, providing saunas or traditional sweat lodges, having trainers train others on what alcoholism is, using a mentorship approach, and having talking circles in every village. There was also discussion on the need for prevention classes, physical wellness with emphasis on the youth and elders. While support systems are available on Hopi, discussion focused around the need to incorporate a support system for grandparents and to increase parental involvement. Participants felt that job capacity and employment resources could make a difference for those who face alcoholism. Many felt that using local people and those who experience alcoholism in their life was a good way to teach the community about alcoholism. Much emphasis was placed on the development of an aftercare program for those who returned from treatment. Education should also include presentations on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), sexual abuse, depression, historical trauma and grief in order to provide individuals with tools in their healing.

Things that people focused on that they felt were necessary to address that was not evident on Hopi was the need for the people to become involved to address the issue by placing blame on others, allowing new programs to be built on the lands and in order to be role models to our children. Bootlegging was another important area of discussion there needs to be a better

traditional sweat lodges, having trainers train others on what alcoholism is, using a mentorship approach, and having talking circles in every village. There was also discussion on the need for prevention classes, physical wellness with emphasis on the youth and elders. While support systems are available on Hopi, discussion focused around the need to incorporate a support system for grandparents and to increase parental involvement. Participants felt that job capacity and employment resources could make a difference for those who face alcoholism. Many felt that using local people and those who experience alcoholism in their life was a good way to teach the community about alcoholism. Much emphasis was placed on the development of an aftercare program for those who returned from treatment. Education should also include presentations on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), sexual abuse, depression, historical trauma and grief in order to provide individuals with tools in their healing.

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### Strategic Direction

The information gathered from the surveys and Health Summit discussion, the team recommends the following:

1. The committee meets to discuss the opportunity to develop a strategic plan that will address the concerns from the health summit.
2. Provide continual information on the Health Summit outcomes through various media to keep the community informed of goals met that were developed as a result of the Health Summit.
3. Submit a final report to the HHCC CEO, Hopi Tribal Chairman, Vice Chairman and
4. Both Agencies, Hopi Tribe and Hopi Health Care Center, meet periodically to discuss opportunities, work in collaboration for the benefit of the patients that we serve, and to continually work to enhance services for the community.

### Conclusion:

Through concerted effort the HHCC and the Hopi Tribe will work to meet the needs of the community, with the hopes of developing a committee that will develop goals and objectives to address health care services based on the information gathered from the survey and Health Summit. The team will consist of members from the Hopi Health Care Center, the Hopi Tribe, Villages, Hopi Foundation and any identified community members who have a desire to work toward improvements of the overall health care system. This opportunity will allow members to promote, address, and educate the community through various means of delivery that include presentations, media, airwaves and social media. The team will implement an evaluation methodology to ensure that goals are met accordingly.



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# 12th Annual Climb the Mesa to Conquer Cancer Fundraiser

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

The Hopi Cancer Support Services will be hosting its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Climb the Mesa to Conquer Cancer fundraiser on Oct. 1 to benefit community members dealing with cancer through the Hopi Cancer Assistance Fund (HCAF).

The six mile course starts at the Sunlight Mission road off of Highway 264 up the dirt road which meets up with Indian Route 17 through the village of Mishongnovi and ends at the Hopi Cultural Center parking lot.

Registration begins at 7 am with an event fee of \$20 per person; participants must be 8 years and older. It is also recommended that there be no strollers, bikes or pets on the course because of the terrain.

Dana Russell, Director of the Hopi Cancer Support Services said the walk/run is non-competitive, but will be a great experience for participants.

“The course for this event is very beautiful,” said Russell. “The fee for the run will offset the cost of the event and the remaining balance will go to HCAF.”

HCAF is a program under the Hopi Cancer Support Services that provides financial assistance to individuals with cancer who reside on the Hopi reservation and nearby Navajo communities to help cover the cost when traveling off reservation for treatment.

Russell said they serve Navajo patients from Hard Rock, Ganado, Blue Gap, Jeddito, Winslow, Chinle, White Cone and Tuba City.

“We try to help those in the immediate area surrounding the Hopi reservation,” said Russell.

There are no income eligibility criteria to receive assistance from HCAF for gas, food and lodging which is dependent on the patients’ needs.

The HCAF was initiated in 2005 by a former cancer patient who experienced

# Hopi Veterans Services begin planning for Veterans Day festivities

Crystal Dee, Hopi Tutuveni

The Hopi Veterans Services began planning for Veteran’s Day 2016 which will be held on Nov. 11 at the Hopi Veterans Memorial Center. The event is to honor all Native American Veterans on the Hopi reservation and surrounding Navajo communities.

The planning committee held its second planning meeting on Sept. 2 at the Hopi Cancer Support Services conference room; they will be meeting every two weeks until the event.

Eugene Talas, Manager of the Hopi Veterans Services said they are soliciting for volunteers and donations for the event.

“We are asking the public to come up with a theme and poster design for the event,” said Talas. “Winners will receive a small gift if their theme or poster is chosen.”

Every year the event is made possible with donations, volunteers and in-kind services from various individuals, programs and businesses.

This year the planning committee hopes to liven up the ceremony with entertainment and is seeking dance groups, drum groups and chorus groups.

Talas is helping to raise funds for the Veterans Day event through a 100 mile pledge run and has earned almost \$300. The next two weeks he will for Hopi Code Talkers and all Women Veterans; he invites everyone to join him run every Tuesday at the Hopi Veterans Memorial Center.

The next planning meeting will be held on Sept. 14 from 10am to noon. For more information on the event or to donate you may contact Talas at (928) 734-3461 or [etalas@hopi.nsn.us](mailto:etalas@hopi.nsn.us).

# Upcoming Hopi Farmer’s Markets scheduled for September 18 and October 16



Valerie Nuvayestewa  
Special Diabetes Program

Sitting at my desk, watching the clouds gather on a cool Friday evening, watching people pulling into the parking lot with their vehicles loaded down with their goods to sell at the Farmer’s Market; I notice the Masayesva brothers, outside our office windows, warming up their bodies, their legs, as they prepared themselves for the fun run/walk that opens up every market. I thought to myself, wow, to be that young again, to have the energy to just get up and run, not even thinking about the distance, or time. The energy they gave off and that of the people gathering around the Hopi Veteran’s Memorial Center (HVMC) was amazing. You could feel the excitement in the air; the kids running around knowing they were safe within this circle, they were laughing, playing, not a care in the world, like all kids should be. I leave my darkened office to join the families who had gathered around, waiting for the run to begin. After running a few errands for vendors inside the HVMC, I run to my spot on the course, just in time to see the twins running by so effortlessly, breathing easy; an older man keeping up with them. Usquali! Great job! I yell encouragement and find myself

smiling and wishing I was running with them. More participants pass my way, young, old, they have all come out to support the Farmer’s Market, and maybe not, maybe some come for their own health and to support the ones they love. I continue yelling words of encouragement and can hear our staff on the course, doing the same, motivating people, especially the little ones who thrive on attention. I hurriedly switch gears and make my way inside to the vendors and find that they are barely keeping up with the demand, people are there, looking for fresh, healthy foods. This is what the market is about, creating a venue for farmers, gardeners to trade and sell their goods and creating access to healthy and what pahanas call “organically” grown foods to our Hopi/Tewa community. This is what is needed to help combat childhood obesity, to improve the health of our people. Young and old. We need to remind ourselves our ancestors left us with an overabundance of knowledge in how to live our lives the way our creator intended. Our creator provided us with all the necessary resources so the human race can achieve a happy, healthy, self-sustaining life; taking part in our ceremonies, planting and caring for the land for it will nurture us in return. Our health, our bodies and our minds. This is what is need-

ed in order for our people’s health to return. Our own foods, our own way of life. Always we have to find that balance so that we do not forget our blessings. It is the little things that matter, words of encouragement from a beloved community member, Ramona Ami, who takes my hand and tells me to keep on doing what I am doing, keep writing, she says. I enjoy your articles very much. Tears of appreciation form in my eyes as I hug her and tell her that I am happy that she made it. She laughs and confesses that she is just here visiting with everyone. I hug her again and realize that the most important thing just happened, knowing that I am but a small part of a wonderful group of individuals whose vision is to create a self-sustaining community once again, and in the journey to get there, we unknowingly brought some joy and happiness into another person’s world! For me, my friends, that is what is meant by the true meaning of life!

**“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed it is the only thing that ever has!”-Margaret Mead**

For more information on the upcoming September 18<sup>th</sup> and October 16<sup>th</sup> Farmer’s Market, you may contact Lilian Hill at (928) 225-7738.

10th Annual

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Trail Run

FREE HALF MARATHON , 10K & 8K EVENT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016

Hopi Veterans Memorial Center

Highway 264, Mile Post 375.5, Northeast of Kykotsmovi Village

HALF MARATHON

AGES: 13 years & older

All participants must be able to complete the challenging 13.1 mile course in 4 hours

LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS ON

Saturday, October 1

Hopi Cultural Center 7am-12pm

10K & 8K EVENT

AGES: 9 years & older

All participants must be able to complete the challenging courses in 2 hours.

REGISTRATION OPEN DAY OF EVENT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

HALF MARATHON START TIME 7:00 AM

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