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# Kykotsmovi Convenience Store is Finally Open

By: Carl Onsae  
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Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – Thursday, February 24, 2022  
The Hopi Mesas has only three gas stations seated in the boundaries of the Hopi mesas, and economic development is something that everyone talks about. Talking about economic development is something the Hopi people do all the time.

The Kykotsmovi Village has made progress in economic development in the past ten years, with talks about building a new convenience store on the corner of Highway 264 and Indian Route 2 finally coming to fruition. Tommy Canyon, Manager for the “Kiqotsmophuuyanki” or Kykotsmovi Village Store, took on a challenge that has been in the talks for many years.

With the help of the original store and Hopi money revolving into the store, Canyon managed the business in a manner which created enough funds to start the project. This project paved the way for economic development on the Hopi reservation and which benefited Hopi Tribal

members who reside on the reservation.

The project was groundbreaking and was funded solely through profits made through Kiqotsmophuuyanki and set precedents in ways to build a better local Hopi economy. Canyon stated, “This project was in talks almost ten years ago with the Village of Kykotsmovi, but it was all talk then.”

The store, built on the corner of Highway 264 and Indian route 2, was built on tribal lands taking up an acre or so. The new store was constructed with convenience in mind for the Hopi people and travelers alike, traveling through the Hopi mesas. Canyon stated that this store is not complete as he wants to put in a sandwich station, ice scream island, and more.

The soft opening was held on February 21, 2022, because the Hopi people wanted to start utilizing the store to buy gas and treats, and they couldn’t wait to see the newly built store.

With challenges like Covid restrictions and weather permitting, the store is now fully open after having been only open to patrons filling their gas tanks.

Canyon stated, “It’s been a real struggle to build this store and to take the risk and challenges, but we took them, and we are happy that we did. We didn’t give up; we just kept going.”

This project was to show the Hopi people that with sheer determination and the will to do something about economic development, the Hopi people can start a project without the help of the local government.

Canyon lastly stated, “I want to tell the Hopi Tribal Council, that they talk about economic development all the time and all they do is talk about it. Talking about it does nothing, action does something and taking the risk and moving forward is what counts.”

Hopefully we will see more economic development in the near future, and hopefully we can make more jobs and have sustaining funds for the Hopi people.

With the convenience of getting gas, and buying food or treats, the Kykotsmovi Convenience Store is something that all Hopi people can be proud of and benefit from.

## March is National “Nutrition Awareness Month”

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
Submitted by: Bernadean Kachinhongva, HSAPC Mentor

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - February 23, 2022, the HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center (HSAPC) would like to bring awareness to the month of March’s campaign, National Nutrition Awareness Month. Nutrition is a process of obtaining and taking in food necessary for health and growth. Good nutrition is essential for ourselves and future generations. Individuals with healthy eating and lifestyle patterns tend to live longer. Nutrition is crucial for a person’s development as well. When an individual improves their nutritional habits it can strengthen their immune system, lower the risk of non-communicable (diabetes, high blood pressure) diseases; safer pregnancy and childbirth, child and maternal health, and longevity.

In recent years health concerns for the Hopi people have increased with growing rates of diabetes, high blood pressure, cancer, and other health ailments. Good nutrition is very important to an individual’s health. Many of us learn about nutrition at a young age but the older we’ve become life sometimes keeps us from getting the proper nutrition we need. Once we recognize our body is lacking proper nutrition, we can take the steps towards getting what we need. There is a nutrition specialist who can also help an individual work on getting themselves back on a healthy path.

There are many factors that influence poor nutrition. Chronic stress can be a contributing factor and can raise the metabolism than use your nutrition more quickly. Substance use can lead to a lack of proper nutrition, either as a result of not eating or eating foods low in necessary nutrients. Stimulants may suppress

a person’s appetite and other substances can increase a person’s appetite causing weight gain. Once an individual recognizes the lack of a proper diet, they can take the necessary steps to improve their nutrition. An individual can eat meals with all the nutrients they need. They can abstain from using harmful substances, and alcohol. Individuals can also work on hobbies and physical activities to lower stress that can affect their nutrition. More preventive measures that can be useful are to have the structure of meals, breaks from technological devices, and counting your calorie intake.

The HSAPC mentors help individuals recognize how their lifestyle can affect their physical health. The mentors help individuals work on recognizing if they have the proper nutrition and the effects the lack of nutrition has on their health.

A nutritionist can possibly provide as-

sistance with Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) on nutrition education specific to a person’s needs. Some examples a nutritionist may help a person work towards are healing and nourishing the body damaged by alcohol and/or substance abuse, stabilizing mood and reducing stress, reducing cravings for substances and alcohol, addressing medical conditions that are co-occurring or have resulted from substance use, encourage self-care and a healthy lifestyle.

For general nutrition information, you may contact Hopi Health Care Center’s Registered Dietitian Shauna Parisien at 928-737-6201 or email Shauna.Parisien@ihs.gov. For individual or specific counseling, please contact your health care provider for a nutrition referral at 928-737-6049/6081. For services with HSAPC please contact us at 928-737-0300





# Hopi Tribal Council First Quarter Session December 1, 2021 AGENDA – AMENDMENT #1 Month of February 2022

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Possible Action – Letter dated July 30, 2021 Re: Request to rescind Executive Order #011-2021 and directs the Drought Task Team to reach out to Hopi ranchers and Navajo Accommodation Agreement signers to work on identifying alternatives for addressing drought issues on Hopi lands. / Letter dated August 16, 2021 Re: Executive Order #011-2021 Range Mitigation and Livestock Reduction – Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages –UNTIL MARCH 2022

2. Action Item #006-2022 – Approval to incorporate quarters #169 and #170 into the Moencopi Day School P.L. 100 - 297 Tribally Controlled School Grant – Author/David Talayumptewa – Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi - TABLED

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Action Item #007-2022 – Procure 2022 Insurance Policies for the Hopi Tribe – Author/Edgar Shupla, Director, Office of Facilities and Risk Management Services

2. Action Item #008-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

3. Action Item #009-2022 – Disapproval of Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

4. Action Item #010-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

5. Action Item #011-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

6. Action Item #012-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

7. Action Item #013-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

8. Action Item #014-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

9. Action Item #015-2022 – Disapproval of Enrollment application for Hopi Tribal Membership of Ronnie Martin Kaye – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

10. Action Item #016-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

11. Action Item #017-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Enrollment Office

12. Action Item #018-2022 – Approve completed Enrollment applications for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

13. Action Item #019-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

14. Action Item #020-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

15. Action Item #021-2022 - To place Village of Tewa's financial/accounting systems within the oversight of the Hopi Tribal Chairman until such time Village of Tewa Board of Directors deems the Village of Tewa accounting systems and personnel are reliable and trustworthy – Author/Deidra Honnyumptewa, Chairman, Board of Directors, Village of Tewa

16. Action Item #022-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

17. Action Item #023-2022 – Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment applications for Hopi Membership – Author/Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office

18. Action Item #024-2022 – To approve and authorize Red Plains Professional Inc., to provide Construction Management Services in connection with Project Agreement #A17AP00050, HIR 501(3) Bacavi Streets – Author/Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Department of Transportation

19. Action Item #025-2022 – To approve Print Service Agreement between the Hopi Tribe and the Arizona Daily Sun (sole source) – Author/Romalita Laban, Managing Editor, Hopi Tutuveni

20. Action Item #026-2022 – To approve and appoint the High School System Transition Team's nomination of candidate to the Interim Hopi Board of Education – Author/Dr. Darold Joseph, Chairperson, Hopi School System Transition Team – \*\*Time Certain – February 9, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

21. Action Item #027-2022 – To approve and accept the Model Agreement and Annual Funding Agreement, Contract number A22AV00175 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to become self-sustaining as a Public Law 93-638 entity – Author/Virgil Pinto, Chief, Hopi Law Enforcement Services

22. Action Item #028-2022 – To approve the FY 2022 Budget and Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language – Author/Wilfred Gaseoma, Chief of Staff, Office of the Vice Chairman – \*\*Time Certain – February 10-11, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

23. Action Item #029-2022 – To approve Hopi Representation regarding the Bears Ears National Monument – Author/Craig Andrews, Vice Chairman, The Hopi Tribe

24. Action Item #031-2022 – To approve resolution providing authority to Osborn Maledon to sign on the Tribe's behalf, a stipulation of 824 acre feet per year for livestock and wildlife – Author/Frederick Lomayesva, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel

25. Letter dated December 20, 201 from Ivan Sidney, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages; re: Hopi Law Enforcement documents pertaining to contract renewal – Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

26. Discussion – 1996 Act State Land Acquisition – Herman G. Honanie, Member, Land Commission - \*\*Time Certain – February 8, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

27. Presentation on Tuba City Dump closure matters and associated discussion by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

– \*\*Time Certain – February 9, 2022 – 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

28. Presentation/Update of Health Choice Arizona Medicaid health plan services and initiatives – Holly Figueroa, Tribal Liaison, Health Choice - \*\*Time Certain – February 24, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.

29. Discussion on working with Arizona Democrats 15/30 Team - Rachel Hood, Yavapai-Apache Nation, Deputy Political Director, Arizona Democratic Party -

\*\*Time Certain – February 24, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

30. Discussion with Hopi General Council and Lobbyist Josh Clause on the ARPA Funds for the Hopi Tribe – Herman G. Honanie, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi - \*\*Time Certain – February 7, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.

31. Letter dated January 10, 2022 from Marla Dacawyma Re: Mr. Issac Torivio (Deceased) – Referred to Law and Order Committee for review and action and report back to Hopi Tribal Council – Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi

32. Letter dated January 17, 2022 from Dale Siquah Re: Request that Health & Education Committee conduct an inquiry into changes to new construction plans at the Hopi Health Care center – Referred to Health & Education Committee - Dale Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages"

33. Letter dated January 18, 2022 from Harry Nutumya Re: Dual Grazing - Referred to Law and Order Committee and Land Commission for review and action and report back to Hopi Tribal Council - Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi

34. Letter dated January 24, 2022 from Ivan Sidney, Village Administrator, First Mesa Consolidated Villages, Re: Village of Tewa, to be a part of discussion of Action Item #021-2022 – Phillip Quochytewa, Sr., Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi

35. Letter dated January 21, 2022 from Dwayne Secakuku, Re: Letter of Interest for the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners – Interview –

\*\*Time Certain – February 23, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

36. Letter dated January 28, 2022 from Gene Kuwanquaftewa, Chairman, Hopi Tribe Economic Board of Directors (HTEDC), Re: Appointment of Ms. Nicole Johnson as HTEDC Board Member, for ratification and further research by the Office of Tribal Secretary on HTEDC Policies - Anita Bahnimptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi

37. Ratification of Sipaulovi Tribal Council Representatives to the Committees – Anita Bahnimptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi -

\*\*Time Certain – February 7, 2022 – 12:50 p.m.

38. Assistant Secretary Bryan Newland, Indian Affairs"



## Goodbye 100 Mile Club, Hello 100 Mile Summer Run/Walk Series 2022



All pictures provided by original sender

For The Hopi Tutuveni

Jessica Quamahongnewa,

Hopi Special Diabetes Program

Greetings! After 29 years, and with a bit of sadness, the Hopi Special Diabetes Program announces the name change of the 100 Mile Club. The 100 Mile Club name

has changed to the 100 Mile Summer Run/Walk Series.

The program name may have changed, but the goal to run/walk 100 miles in 12 weeks has not changed. As we move forward and begin preparing for the 2022 100 Mile Summer Run/Walk Series, we are anxious to get you into the flow of whether you are looking for ways to lower

your blood sugar readings, improve your high blood pressure readings, or you're simply in it to win it for overall good health, the Hopi Special Diabetes Program is anxious to get the themed run/walks underway! We have a gut feeling that this will be the strength and motivation our communities need to get back on track.

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# Village of Walpi Youth Program Announces Its Little Free Library

Press Release  
Submitted by: Lori Nuvayestewa,  
Walpi Senior Youth Program  
Coordinator

Walpi, Ariz. – Thursday, February. 24, 2022 Greetings! My name is Lori Nuvayestewa, and I am the Walpi Senior Youth Program Coordinator at the Village of Walpi. I am excited to announce that the Village of Walpi in partnership with the non-profit Little Free Library (LFL) will install a new book-sharing box at the Walpi Administrative Office to serve the public.

Do you remember the excitement as a child going to the library or going to the bookstore? Soon you can create those memories with your children and grandchildren. The new Little Free Library is part of the organization's Read in Color initiative and will be filled with books that amplify BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color), LGBTQ, and other diverse voices, with a focus on titles that explore experiences from the Indigenous and Native American Peoples. Bringing diverse books by Indigenous authors to underserved communities, like Hopi, will give youth a glimpse of themselves in these books. Along with bringing inclusive literature to Hopi, I want to empha-

size the importance of early learning and nurturing growing minds. This will create healthy development at a very young age and create a love of learning that will help them succeed through grade school, high school, college, and in life. The book sharing box will be open to everyone across Hopi. Visit the Little Free Library website at <https://littlefreelibrary.org/read-in-color/> to read more about the program.

During these unprecedented times, I also wanted to give back to the community by providing a free service where youth and adults can visit. While we are social distancing and taking all necessary precautions, having a safe place to go, and simply pick up a book creates excitement for both youth and adults.

Join the Walpi Youth Program at the grand opening on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Walpi Administrative building. A ribbon cutting ceremony and other activities will take place to celebrate the new Little Free Library. Everyone is welcome to join, and all safety measures will be in place.

To donate books or for more information about the Little Free Library project, you may contact Lori Nuvayestewa at 928-737-9556 or at [walpi.elderly.youth@gmail.com](mailto:walpi.elderly.youth@gmail.com).

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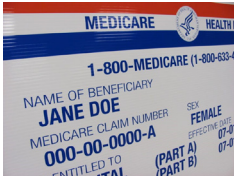
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# Hopi Tribe Department of Health and Human Services Covid-19 Emergency Response February 25, 2022 Report

KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – February 25, 2022

This data is updated on the Hopi Tribe's website "COVID-19 Response and Resources" page.

Hopi Health Care Center – Community COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Information

COVID-19 vaccines are available in the afternoons for the month of February for those 5 years and older. To schedule an appointment call

(928) 737-6148 or 737-6081. Appointments are required. For questions about COVID-19 vaccines please call (928) 737-6198 or 737-6197.

COVID-19 Testing Drive-up Testing schedule:

Monday– Friday from 8–9:30 AM AND 3–4 PM. Enter at the west entrance & drive around back. Mask must be worn by everyone in your vehicle. Please stay in your vehicle at all times. To schedule for testing or for more information please call (928) 737-6233.

A COVID-19 Hotline has been created by the Hopi Health Care Center to assist with all COVID-19 related questions and service requests. The hotline is open 7 days a week from 8 AM–5 PM. To contact the COVID-19 hotline please call (928) 737-6187.

Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation - Community COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Information

To all Moenkopi residents, Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation's COVID-19 vaccine drive-thru clinic is now located west of the Health Promotion & Diabetes Prevention Center building next to the helipad. The vaccine drive-thru clinic is available Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm with no appointment necessary.

On Sunday, March 6, there will be a vaccine clinic at the HPDP from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. There is also a mobile unit that hosts vaccine clinics at different locations. To see the mobile unit schedule please check [www.tchealth.org](http://www.tchealth.org).

Testing at the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation is still being held at the outdoor tent Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Rapid and CEPHEID tests can take approximately 3 hours. Send out tests can take 2-3 days. The address for Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation is 167 N. Main Street, Tuba City, AZ. For more information regarding Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation's COVID-19 vaccination clinic and testing, please call 1-866-976-5941.

As of January 28, 2022 the United States now has approximately 72.8 million confirmed positive cases with over 873,957 deaths reported. Over 1.8 million confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 34,605 are in Navajo and 39,877 are in Coconino Counties.

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS:

You can now order free at-home COVID-19 tests from the United States government at [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov). Only 4 tests come in an order and only one order per household. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. Please do not wait to order your tests when you have been exposed or become symptomatic as the tests will not arrive in enough time for you to be tested. So please order them now so that you and your loved ones can be prepared.

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PREVENTION:

Below is some information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, age recommendations, and boosters:

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"CDC is recommending that moderately or severely immunocompromised 5–11-year-olds receive an additional primary dose of vaccine 28 days after their second shot." Remember that the only vaccine that 5-17 year olds are eligible for is Pfizer.

SOURCE: Different COVID-19 Vaccines – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

SYMPTOMS, QUARANTINE, AND ISOLATION:

Watch for Symptoms - people with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus and can range from mild to severe. The following are COVID-19 symptoms that people may experience:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19. Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness."

Currently, the local health department and HHCC are implement the previously recommended CDC guidelines which is a 10 day isolation for those who test positive and a 14 day quarantine for those exposed to an infected individual.

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Be aware that when someone tests positive they became contagious 2 days before they developed symptoms, or if they are not experiencing symptoms 2 days before they tested positive not the day they received their results. If someone was less than 6 feet away from a potential positive case for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period they would be considered a close contact regardless of whether or not both parties were wearing masks. For example, Molly was within 6 feet of Craig on Thursday night for 10 minutes and on Friday morning for 5 minutes.

Craig developed symptoms Saturday evening, was tested for COVID on Monday, and received their results on Wednesday. Because Molly was within 6 feet of Craig for a total of 15 minutes over a 24 hour period within the 2 day timeframe she is now considered to be a close contact. If you have been identified as a close contact you may or may not need to quarantine depending on your vaccination status.

If an unvaccinated individual that is not positive is having to take care of someone that is infected, they will need to quarantine for 14 days beginning on the infected person's 10th day of isolation, with that day being Day 0 and the following day being Day 1. That means the caregiver could potentially be out of work for 24 days. If a vaccinated person that is not positive is having to take care of someone that is infected, they will not have to quarantine but will need to get tested 5 days from the 10th day of the infected person's isolation. If a vaccinated person develops symptoms while caring for an infected person they will need to get tested as soon as possible and remain at home until they receive their results.

Re-testing of COVID-19 Positive Employees. Per guidance and alignment with HHCC, CDC, state and local health departments, and OSHA workplace guidance for COVID-19 re-testing of positive or suspected COVID-19 employees before they return to work, nor providing letters to go back to work is not recommended.

The recommended reason for not re-testing is an individual may continue to test positive on a viral test long after they are recovered from COVID-19. These dead viral particles will turn viral tests positive even though they cannot cause disease in others. The Hopi Health Care Center strongly encourages employers to use the CDC's symptom and criteria below even if they continue to test positive. Once they meet the three criteria, they are no longer considered infectious to others. However, if the employee was severely ill (hospitalized) or in immunocompromised, plead advise them to visit their primary care provide before returning to work.

The "checklist" below has been updated as of the most recent COVID-19 guidelines from the CDC and will be used by employers to determine when an employee with confirmed COVID-19 may return to work safely. For additional questions, please call the Hopi Health Care Center COVID-19 hotline (928) 737-6188.

☐ It's been at last ten days since I first had symptoms or received my positive diagnosis if I've not had symptoms (please note date of first symptoms: \_\_\_\_\_)

☐ Overall my symptoms have improved and I am feeling better.

☐ It's been at least 72 hours since I last had a fever without using fever-reducing medicine.

If you checked all three boxes, you are no longer a considered at risk to infect others and can go back to work!

*Hopi Tribe Department of Health and Human Services Covid-19 Emergency Response February 25, 2022 Report, Cont.*

VACCINATION DATA AS OF FEBRUARY 17, 2022:

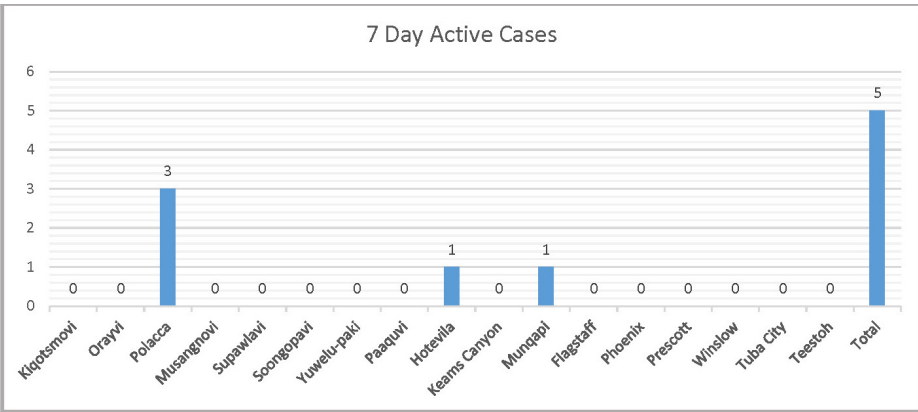
VILLAGE	POPULATION ESTIMATE	NUMBER VACCINATED*	PERCENT OF POPULATION VACCINATED	VACCINE RANKING (HIGHEST = 1)
Bacavi	364	250	68.68%	6
Hotevilla	830	672	80.96%	3
Kykotsmovi	552	658	119.20%	1
Mushongovi	731	377	51.57%	9
Moenkopi	1,191	846	71.03%	5
Orayvi	159	159	100.00%	2
Shungopavi	1,290	817	63.33%	8
Sipalwavi	400	256	64.00%	7
Polacca	2,005	1,443	71.97%	4
Total	7,522**	5,478	72.83%	

	Eligibility	Series	
Pfizer	5+ years old	2 doses given 21 days apart	Everyone ages 18 years and older should get a booster dose of either Pfizer or Moderna (COVID-19 vaccines) at least <b>5 months</b> after the last dose in their primary series.  Teens 16-17 years old may get a Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine booster at least <b>5 months</b> after after the last dose in their primary series.
Moderna	18+ years old	2 doses given 28 days apart	Everyone ages 18 years and older should get a booster dose of either Pfizer or Moderna (COVID-19 vaccines) at least <b>6 months</b> after the last dose in their primary series.
Johnson & Johnson	18+ years old	1 dose	Everyone ages 18 years and older should get a booster dose of either Pfizer or Moderna (mRNA COVID-19 vaccines) at least <b>2 months</b> after the first dose of J&J/Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

	COVID-19 Positives Last 14-Days	COVID-19 Positives Cumulative Total	Most Recent Case
Kiqötsmovi	2	284	February 17, 2022
Orayvi	0	36	February 10, 2022
Polacca (Walpi-Sitsom'ovi-Tewa)	10	621	February 24, 2022
Mishongnovi	0	191	February 2, 2022
Supawlavi	0	113	February 10, 2022
Songòopavi	1	387	February 18, 2022
Yuwelu-paki	0	12	January 13,2021
Bacavi	0	96	February 9, 2022
Hotevilla	1	320	February 24, 2022
Keams Canyon	5	205	February 15, 2022
Flagstaff	0	4	January 12, 2022
Munqapi	1	291	February 22, 2022
Phoenix	0	5	December 30, 2021
Winslow	0	12	December 6, 2021
Prescott	0	1	July 20, 2020
Tuba City	0	3	December 8, 2021
Teestoh	0	2	October 7, 2021
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GLOSSARY

Close Contact	Someone who was less than 6 feet away from an infected person (laboratory-confirmed or a clinical diagnosis) for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (for example, three individual 5-minute exposures for a total of 15 minutes). An infected person can spread COVID starting 2 days before they have any symptoms (or, for asymptomatic people, 2 days before the date the positive test was taken).
Contact Tracing	The process of identifying individuals that are considered close contacts to an infected person.
Isolation	<p>The procedure that individuals follow when they have received positive results.</p> <p>Isolation guidelines are if an individual test positive and is experiencing symptoms their 10 day isolation period will start the first day they developed symptoms. If an individual is not experiencing symptoms then their 10 day isolation starts the day they got tested, not the day they received their results. The day they were tested will be Day 0 and the following day will be Day 1. The first day an individual develops symptoms is considered Day 0. The following day will start Day 1.</p>
Quarantine	<p>The procedure that individuals follow when they have come in contact with someone who tested positive.</p> <p>Unvaccinated individuals, regardless of whether they are experiencing symptoms or not, need to quarantine for 14 days from the last day they were in contact with the infected person. As a reminder, the day an individual was in contact with an infected person is Day 0 and the day after will start Day 1. If an individual not experiencing symptoms that received negative results begins to experience symptoms after they received their results, they will need to get tested again.</p> <p>Vaccinated individuals do not need to quarantine if they are identified as a close contact UNLESS you are experiencing symptoms. Regardless if you end up having to quarantine vaccinated individuals need to get tested. For individuals that are experiencing symptoms and are vaccinated, they need to get tested as soon as possible and remain at home until they receive their results. For individuals that are NOT experiencing symptoms and are vaccinated, it is suggested that you wait 5 days from the last contact with the infected person to get tested.</p>



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3. Tukpu  
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6. Tso'omti  
7. Nuva  
9. Kiihu  
11. Sisvi  
13. Poyo  
14. Ööva  
16. Muki  
17. Tuwi  
18. Paati

**Down**

1. Moosa  
2. Yokva  
4. Mansaala  
8. Qöötsa  
10. Taavi  
11. Sipala  
12. Titapta  
14. Lolma  
15. Kwisto

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Find the English words for the Hopi words.

**Answers for February 2 issue**

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**HOPI WORDS**

**Tuhisa** - Ability

**Tuwi'yta** - Able

**Yuku** - Accomplish

**Hintsakpi** - Activity

**Awàmta** - Add to

**Yaapti** - Advance

**Nakwha** - Agree

**Teevep** - All day

**Qahinta** - All right

**Peep** - Almost

**Nana'waqta** - Alternate

**Qana'öna** - Ambitious

**Pupri** - Analyze

**Pa'angwa** - Assist

**Tuwanta** - Attempt

**Kwangyavi** - Bathroom

**Naat** - Before

**Tiyo** - Boy

**Anihoya** - Capable

**Paasi** - Care

**Àapiyta** - Carry on

**Paysok** - Casually

**Tuwi'va** - Catch on

**Qe'ti** - Cease

**Alöngta** - Change

**Kùpina** - Chatter Box

**Yuuyuyna** - Cheat

**Awpòota** - Check

**Hopi** - Civilized

**Nanap'oya** - Classify

**Suyan** - Clear

**Tayawna** - Complement

**Naawini** - Copy

**Taalö** - Day

**Yuki** - Decision

**Pö'a** - Defeat

**Haakta** - Delay

**Tunatya** - Desire/Hope

**Öqala** - Determined

**Lavàytutuveni** - Dictionary

**Sikis tutuqaywisa** - Friday

**Mana** - Girl

**Naälös tutuqaywisa** - Thursday

**TICK-TACK-TOE**

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## Larry's Corner

# Don't worry be Larry

Hopi culture is the root of all goodness in our hearts. But Hopi culture can be the downfall of our civilization as well. Let me explain, we still conduct our ceremonies as we did 1,000 years ago, but we are slowly changing the way we do our traditions from that 1,000 years ago. It's like cars; the concept remains the same. It has four tires, and it runs from point A to point B, but the car's design changes every year. Our culture is the same, we still have a purpose on why we do our culture, and it remains the same, but the way we do our ceremonies or culture is different from our original design.

The way I see it is that Hopis love to conduct ceremonies and are very social creatures. We have monthly ceremonies that we perform, and it's a medicine to our minds and hearts. But when this pandemic happened, we forgot that we needed our "cultural" therapy and made sure we put the sickness first.

I know, I know, we had to shut down our roads, our villages to keep our people safe from the virus. And I know we wanted to do that for the good of the people to save as many as we can. This sickness took a lot of people away, but that should not stop us from living our lives and continuing our goals for our culture. Yes, the virus is dangerous when it is "fresh." Yes, we didn't know the severity of the sickness, but who can we blame? Who can we point the finger at and say, "it was their fault?"

During this past month, the village of Hotevilla had its annual village dance. This dance was to renew our lives by feeding us the goodness of food and good company. These ceremonies are the medicine I was talking about to you. Hopis love to watch dances like the ceremony that Hotevilla conducted. People from all around the Hopi mesas witnessed the Hotevilla dance for just a day.

This type of medicine is what the people needed to renew their spirits and renew their sense of comfort, knowing that it will be ok.

For just one day, people forgot that sickness was going around. They forgot that we lost people to this sickness and that leaders were "only doing this to protect the people." The way that I see it is that this virus is here to stay like the common cold or flu virus. We can't fear this coronavirus; we must accept that it is here to stay, and we must respect that it exists, and when we do, we can finally be at peace with ourselves once again.

A wise man once told me, "Fear is what drives a man to forget what his purpose in life is, but fear is also what drives a man to seek purpose in life." So, you see, we are fearful of the unknown, and not knowing it can be a danger to our health. We can fear the unknown, but that's the beauty of it; when we fear it, we want to know, so we make it an adventure to keep finding out more about it. The destination is not what counts, just like knowing the unknown, but the journey to get to the answer is always the answer.

I guess I never realized fear can be something good even if it feels terrible.

So, my question to you is whether we should get back into our culture with all our cultural doings like annual dances, weddings, and birthday parties? Should we not follow the CDC guidelines anymore and just party like we used to in 2019? I guess the question still lies in limbo since we are still in a pandemic world but who's to say that we should only be in a pandemic world and not the Hopi world.

I know the question to the question; I see the question exists and that we must find an answer to it, but when we finally do, what's next? Are there more questions? Is there more to life than we expected? I don't know.

My advice is that I think we should slowly come to terms with this new reality, our old reality is gone with the wind, but we shouldn't cry over that. We should be happy that we are changing, maybe for the better but not the worst. When you go home from work tonight, remember the old music you used to listen to, remember the good times when the mall was still the best place to hang out or remember that burgers only cost \$.99 on the dollar menu. Life now is not horrible or tainted with sickness, and it is still good in this world. We must remember to see the goodness in this world like we used to.

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### Hopi Small Animal Control Program Services

The Small Animal Control Program (SACP) is pleased  
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cember 6, 2022. Mr. Seth Collateta is the new Deputy  
Animal Control Officer (ACO) and is the only staff on  
duty at this time.

The Deputy ACO has been making contact with out-  
side and local community organizations/administrations  
to build partnerships. The SACP can help with strays or  
unwanted animals but the public should understand this  
will take time because all surrounding animal shelters  
and rescue organizations are currently filled to capacity.

The SACP will hold pet registration events at several  
centralized locations across the Hopi reservation in late  
March 2022, once the Hopi Tribe Executive Order # 001-  
2022 is lifted. Several meet & greet events are also sched-  
uled to take place where you can meet the Mr. Collateta  
and get more information about the SAC program. Flyers  
advertising these events will be posted throughout the vil-  
lages & community.

The SACP encourages all Hopi community and village  
residents to be good pet owners. A pet owner within the  
boundaries of the Hopi reservation is a person over the  
age of eighteen who feeds, shelters, or cares for an ani-  
mal. When you are a pet owner, you are responsible for  
any trouble your pet may cause, especially if your pet  
bites and seriously hurts someone.

The SACPACO will begin enforcing tribal laws (Small  
Animal Control Ordinance #61) to ensure the health and  
safety of members in our communities and villages. If  
you are bitten by a dog and the bite tears or punctures the  
skin, make sure you are seen at Hopi Health Care Center  
or a health care facility close to you. For all encounters  
with vicious dogs, file a complaint with the SACP.

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# What now? Pandemic. Social unrest. And war

Mark Trahant  
Indian Country Today

The list goes on and on: The pandemic. George Floyd's murder and the growing call for racial justice. Pro-democracy protests in Hong Kong, and, at the same time, an orchestrated attempt to overturn a democratic election. Global protests over vaccines and masks. And now war. How does this make any sense?

"Could there be a symbiotic relationship between COVID-19 and conflict?" ask scholars Alexi Gugushvili and Martin McKee. In a paper written in October 2020 for the *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*.

"At the beginning of the pandemic, UN Secretary-General António Guterres appealed for an immediate global ceasefire to enable the world to confront 'a common enemy' but his plea went largely unheeded," the scholars wrote. "We argue that there is a bidirectional relationship between COVID-19 and conflicts: on the one hand, circumstances associated with wars may facilitate pandemic spread; on the other hand, COVID-19 has already heightened xenophobia and nationalism, which in turn can encourage armed confrontations."

Gugushvili is an associate professor of sociology at the University of Oslo. McKee is professor of European Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. He is also past president of The European Public Health Association and a health policy expert on the former Soviet Union.

"Wars and epidemics have a long and close history, going back at least to the well-documented Plague of Athens in the 5th century BCE," the scholars wrote. And a common thread is when the national economies are shrinking.

The link between war and plague is also a familiar story in Indigenous communities. Europeans brought with them dozens of infectious diseases along with their weapons of war. Smallpox, chickenpox, cholera and even, the common cold.

There is also a relationship between mass protests over such things as mask requirements and war. There were more

than 139,000 recorded protests in 2020, an increase of 68.5 percent from the previous year. More than 33,000 of those protests were directly related to COVID-19 and responses to the pandemic such as the trucker blockade in Canada and the convoy of trucks now headed to Washington, D.C.

"These protests are an obvious marker of public discontent that can easily be exploited by powerful forces. here, history again offers a warning," the scholars wrote. "Those German municipalities that suffered most in the 1918 influenza outbreak were the ones that saw the greatest electoral gains for the Nazi Party a decade later."

So what now? Will history repeat or even, as some say, rhyme? That question depends on the policy choices that are ahead.

The Economist says: "Over the past decade, intensifying geopolitical risk has become a feature of world politics, yet the world economy and financial markets have shrugged it off ... Russia's invasion of Ukraine is likely to break this pattern, because it will result in the isolation of the world's 11th-largest economy and one of its largest commodity producers."

That means higher oil and gas prices because Russia is one the world's largest producers, and it dominates the European market for natural gas. On Thursday the price of oil topped \$100 a barrel (a cost that will soon show up at gas stations) and Germany said it would no longer permit a pipeline project that is supposed to transport natural gas from Russia to Europe.

And while it's true that Russia views NATO as a threat; this invasion is also about natural resources, climate change, and shrinking economies.

"First, we know that it is only because of oil and gas that Russia is able to afford this military invasion," said Jade Begay, climate justice campaign director for NDN Collective. "This makes it clear that not only are oil and gas used to carry out war but are also a root cause for exponential climate change. Second, as an organizer who is actively working to shut down fossil fuel infrastructure, I am hyper aware that this conflict will potentially drive up domestic oil and gas develop-

ment, onshore and offshore gas leasing, and/or potentially roll back recent wins when it comes to fossil fuels, thus contributing to an increase in carbon emissions. Finally, I'd be remiss to not mention the impact that militaries have on the climate, when it comes to the U.S., our military is the single largest institutional polluter in the world, which creates more greenhouse emissions than 140 other countries."

The Economist predicted that Russia may deliberately create bottlenecks in order to raise prices.

Normally governments go out of their way to limit the impact of war (or any other disaster) on the price at the pump. Governments do not want people mad at them over higher prices. But what if this time is different? What if this is a proxy war for oil?

President Joe Biden has talked about climate change as an existential threat. So perhaps the smart play is to lean into the price increases and cut off Russia's ability to market oil and gas.

As the president said after the invasion: "President Putin has provided the world with an overwhelming incentive to move away from Russian gas and to other forms of energy."

Some fear that the White House won't make the hard call.

"First and foremost, our organization, the Indigenous Environmental Network, stands against any and all forms of imperialist expansionism, which we're seeing right now with Russia invading Ukraine. But we also saw that when they already invaded and annexed Crimea, which impacted Indigenous communities who live in Crimea, and now we're seeing potential violations of human rights in Ukraine at this very moment," said Dallas Goldtooth from the network. "It has to be stated that almost any and all conflicts in the world today implicate fossil fuels. Russia is the second largest producer of natural gas in the world behind the United States. And is the top supplier of gas to Europe. Our fear is that this conflict will only deepen the pockets of the oil and gas industry as any modern war does, but more, it will give the Biden administration further reason to delay action, to stop the expansion of fos-

sil fuels here in the United States."

But there is another alternative.

Begay is Diné and Tesuque Pueblo of New Mexico. "Over the last month," she said, "fossil fuels have been at the center of how nations are holding leverage against one another, point and case, the Nord Stream 2 Pipeline. This should be a clear signal to our leaders that we need a Just Transition & Green New Deal now, so that we are liberated from this toxic dependency on oil & gas."

"This is a moment to seize on the call and demand for a just transition away from fossil fuels," Goldtooth said. Too often the conflict over fossil fuels come at the detriment of Black, Brown, Indigenous and working class peoples. "Here's a moment for us to step up to the plate and say, 'Hey, we're not gonna be feeding the beast anymore. We're gonna stop the exports of oil and gas.' We can take an opportunity to set the path forward because the U.S. is the largest provider of natural gas on the planet. They can take, make a solid step in the right direction by stopping the expansion of that sector and investing in communities for a just transition."

A Russian-controlled Ukraine could add to the global warming matrix because it could expand oil and gas as well as uranium and other minerals that can be mined.

Then again Europe might be ready for a different energy.

"There's this narrative, this false narrative out there, that to step away from fossil fuels is impossible," he said. Goldtooth is Mdewakanton Dakota and Dine. "Countries are already doing it. Iceland's a great example. It's getting the vast majority of its energy from renewable sources. On a smaller scale, tribal nations and small communities are already set in the path forward on how to step away from oil and gas."

And so we just need to continue to invest in those local visions of how we wanna make a better future for our communities, for our people and for the ecosystems around us. So that the path forward is out there, we're just not elevating those uplifting those stories."