



THE DA'LUK

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A Message from Chairman Ted Hernandez

Ha'wa'lou,

I would like to wish all of our Tribal Citizens a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 2015 was a very busy year. This last year, we hired some new staff in the Tribal Office who are doing an excellent job in helping with the growth of our Tribe. Each department has provided programs to help with the development of our youth by way of culture, professionalism, science and service. Looking towards the future of our efforts, the Wiyot Tribe will be going into renegotiation with the State of California for our gaming compact.

The Christmas party was a success again this year thanks to our Health and Human Social Service Department and Santa Claus. The children had a great time visiting with Santa. Seeing all the smiling faces and laughter from all the children and even the adults, made this Chairman a happy Wiyot. All of our children had excellent behavior this year in their homes and at school, none of our children received coal.

I would also like to give a shout out to all of our citizens that had birthdays this month, Happy Birthday Everyone! I would also like to congratulate our Fortuna Huskies for going 12-1 in the division 4 football season. Two of our young Wiyot men, Dakota James and Mathew Hernandez, played for the varsity team. Congratulations!

These two young men are strong Wiyot warriors, as are the members on the Fortuna Varsity Football Team. We are very proud of all of you.

Now that we are coming into the new year of 2016 I would like to encourage everyone to remember how important it is to engage with the Wiyot Tribe. I cannot stress how important it is for you to attend our General Council meetings on April 2nd, 2016 at 10 AM and in October 2016. It is important for you, as Wiyot Tribal Citizens to participate and be informed on what is happening within your community and your Tribal Government.

*MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE MAY
NEXT YEAR BE TRULY BLESSED,*

Ted Hernandez
Wiyot Chairman



Chairman Hernandez with Santa.



Dakota James and Matthew Hernandez



A Message from Council Support

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Happy Holidays Wiyot Tribal Citizens,

I hope you enjoyed the holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. There are important dates coming up in the New Year and I am excited to see more involvement from Tribal Citizens. Attendance is critical for both General Annual Meetings and also for the bi-monthly Business Council Meetings.

Announcements:

- 1) The Annual General Council Meeting will happen on Saturday APRIL 2, 2016 at 10 AM at the Table Bluff Community Center. There are 3 Council Positions that are open. The open Council Positions are:
 - Chairman
 - Secretary
 - General Council Member
- 2) If you are interested in the running for a Tribal Council position, please remember that the **Nominations forms are due JANUARY 15, 2016.**
- 3) If there items you wish to see on the General Council Meeting agenda, items have to be received by the 2nd of March.
- 4) Just as a reminder, there are Business Council Meetings to be held on January 11th and January 25th. Please attend these meetings as your questions and concerns are important to the Wiyot Tribal Council.
- 5) Future Agenda items include:
 - Revenue Sharing Trust Fund (RSTF) Economic Development
- 6) There is also an Economic Development Meeting to be held on January 11, 2016 at 10 AM at the Table Bluff Community Center. This meeting is for Tribal Members only.

As mentioned, attendance is critical at all meetings and we want to promote greater participation, if you have any ideas please let us know. Some ideas that have been review include web-based meetings and potentially implementing absentee ballots. These are issues that need to be voted on by Tribal Citizens to be in effect. If you have any questions or concerns, please call at (707) 733-5055 or email madisonf@wiyot.us.

With Gratitude,

Madison Flynn
Council Support



Wóškate Anpétu Wašté ~ Happy Holidays!

It is my hope and wish that each of you have a most wonderful holiday season! The Tribal staff continues to focus and refine the day to day operations of the Wiyot Tribe and ensure the needs of the Wiyot Citizens are met in a timely and gracious way. We are looking forward to the New Year with excitement and with a determined focus on enterprise opportunities. The negotiations with the City of Eureka continue for the return of Indian Island, as well as investigating opportunities for the Wiyot Tribe to have a definitive presence on the Eureka Waterfront. Preparations are beginning for the General Council Meeting which is scheduled for Saturday April 2nd, 2016. Tribal Members will receive an announcement for open Tribal Council positions and the process for nominations. I urge all Wiyot Citizens to attend the bi-monthly Tribal Business Council Meetings and the General Council Meetings. Council nomination forms can be obtained and submitted at the Tribal Office between January 1st -15th, 2016. If you are interested in submitting an agenda item(s) for the April 2016 General Council Meeting ~ please submit prior to March 2nd, 2016 ~ and direct those submissions to Madison Flynn (Council Support) at: madisonf@wiyot.us.

The Tribe's new Office Manager Ms. Sarah Caligiuri has been working diligently on updating the Wiyot Tribe's website! In the next few months ~ you will note a number of changes including the option to purchase Tribal merchandise on-line ~ in addition to the opportunity to download and submit various Tribal forms. It is our hope that these new features will allow for greater and easier access to information.

It is an honor and privilege to serve the Wiyot People and this sentiment is shared amongst all Tribal staff. I am grateful for everyone's' patience as we continue to develop as a team and again become more formalized in a number of Tribal operation areas.

It is my sincerest wish and hope that you all have a most wonderful holiday season and may the New Year bring with it ~ All that you each hope for.....

Pilamuye' ~ Grateful ~

Jacquelyn Bolman
Tribal Administrator

Table Bluff Library

Ha' wa'lou:

The Table Bluff Library is now open between the hours of 8-4 Monday thru Friday. Tribal Members can access the internet, type personal documents and resumes in half hour increments on a first come first serve basis. Please feel free to check out books, movies and use the computer. We look forward to seeing you.

Jouwakhsh!



Health and Human Services Department

Gou'wil da lalouluwuk "Taking Care of People"

Tsek Houdaqh "Where the Children are at"



The Wiyot Youth Program has a number of exciting events happening in January. The youth program will be starting a Girl Scout troop. The new troop will kick off a recruitment event in January with a 4 week session of Girls Go Tech. This program is a locally designed Girl Scouts curriculum that consists of hands-on science, technology, and environmental learning designed to get girls interested and inspired in the sciences. In addition, we may add modules focused on Financial Literacy, Self Esteem, and other relevant curriculum to girls in your programs. The goals for the program are to develop girls' technical skills, increase interest in science and technology careers, and increase self-confidence. In addition to the program, GSNorCal will engage families of participants by showcasing the participants activities and provide an avenue in which girls may continue the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. GSNorCal will host a parent meeting for family engagement at a date to be determined.

Girls interested in joining can complete the attached forms.

Another exciting series coming this spring is a joint project with Dell'arte International in collaboration with Mad River Alliance, Playhouse Arts, and other civic organizations to create common ground for a series of celebrations that will feature the Baduwa't (Mad) and Wiya't (Eel) Rivers in Humboldt County. The Wiyot Tribe has a unique relationship to these landscapes, these landscapes have given a voice through Native traditional arts for millennia. Dell'Arte is the pioneer of "Theatre of Place" where communities and the environs inspire, inform, and shape original works of performing art. Dell'Arte professionals will be working with tribal youth to create original performances based on current experiences with the river.



Pilar Bear Grass Braiding

Our after school program operates from 3 pm to 5:30 pm and includes an after school snack, tutoring, crafts, games, cultural activities, Wiyot language a Girl Scout Troop and a 4 H club amongst other things. For more information please contact Fawn at (707) 733-5055 ext 117 or email her at fawn@wiyot.us.

Toddler Time



Are you a parent of a young child? Would you like to introduce your child

to other children in his/her age group? Would you like to help prepare your child for preschool and kindergarten by beginning to identify numbers and letters? Young children aged 0-5 and their parents are invited to drop into the Table Bluff Reservation Monday-Thursday 11-2 pm for Toddler Time. Toddler Time activities have been constructed to increase letter and number recognition, and enhance reading appreciation as well as prepare toddlers for entry into preschool. If you have any questions about Toddler Time, please contact Michelle or Fawn at (707) 733-5055.

Smoking Cessation

United Indian Health Services has a tobacco cessation program that

can help you learn how to create a quit plan, build a personal support network and master the first few days of quitting. If you would like to quit smoking or even if you are thinking about quitting contact the "Second Wind" Cessation Program at United Indian Health Services (707) 825-5070.

LIHEAP

Low income energy assistance funds are still available. This funding is designed to provide assistance to low-income households in meeting their home energy costs, particularly those with the lowest incomes and highest energy costs. Low income households are encouraged to apply to receive assistance with gas, electric or wood. This funding is limited and will end on September 30th, 2016 or when funds run out. Interested persons are encouraged to apply now before the funding runs out.

School Scholarship

If you are interested in attending a college, university, trade or vocational school this fall and if you need money to do it, make an appointment with the Social Service Director to talk about financial aid. Financial aid includes all types of money, loans, and work-study programs offered to a student to help pay tuition costs and living expenses. The Health and Human Service Director can help you with some financial aid basics like filing your FAFSA, and applying for a BOGFW, EOP or EOPS.

The Wiyot Tribe has two types of scholarships available to college students. The Bureau of Indian Affairs scholarship is available once per semester to college students in

good standing. The BIA scholarship requires completion of an application and statement of financial need from the colleges' financial aid office.

The Wiyot scholarship is competitive and the application process includes a form, personal statement, letters of recommendation, and college transcripts. If you are interested in one of these scholarships please make an appointment with Michelle (707) 733-5055 or download the forms from the Wiyot Tribe's website. Now is the time to get your FAFSA in. In order to be eligible for federal and state programs the California FAFSA deadline is March 2, 2015. Cal Grant also requires submission of a school certified GPA by March 2, 2015. Applicants are encouraged to obtain proof of mailing their GPA and to retain a copy of their GPA form. For additional community college Cal Grants - September 2, 2015 – date postmarked. If you are a non-citizen holding a Social Security card issued through Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) or for some other work authorization, you should fill out the California Dream Act Application found at www.caldreamact.org. Do NOT fill out a FAFSA. Contact the California Student Aid Commission (www.csac.ca.gov) or your financial aid administrator for more information.

College Deadline

Check with the college(s) you are interested in attending. You may also want to ask your college about its definition of an application deadline - whether it is the date the college receives your FAFSA, or the date your FAFSA is processed.

Fostering Community

Foster families are a resource that provides support and stability for children. They take the time and effort to participate in fun and exciting activities with children like: going to the park, planning a picnic at the beach or reading a story. These special activities create unique memories for a child. Many Wiyot children require out-of-home care. Foster care is a program designed to provide out-of-home care and supervision for children removed from their own home. These children may have been removed due to abuse or neglect. Children need families who are committed to keeping them anchored in their own schools, neighborhoods, communities, and Tribe. There are a variety of ways you can be a resource for children in our community.

Our children are the Tribe's future. Keeping Wiyot children in Wiyot homes is a Tribal priority. Preserving a child's cultural and familial connections helps shape their identity and helps ensure their life-long sense of well-being and belonging. Keeping Indian children connected to their extended family and Tribal communities helps ease the transition to foster care and permanency, when needed.

Many families already take in extended family in times of need. Becoming a certified foster home in advance of need increases the Tribes ability to place the child into an extended family home quickly. Certification of an extended family home is upwards of 10 days. Becoming a certified foster home also helps extended family members to receive state aid while caring for extended family members.



If you would like more information on how you can become a resource family for a child in our community there are several agencies available to contact:

Humboldt County DHHS (Public Foster Care Agency)

Social Services Branch Foster Care Recruitment

Development and Support

929 Koster Street,

Eureka, CA 95501

(707) 441-5013

Recruiting Rural Parents for Indian Children (non-profit support agency)

PO Box 1097

Willow Creek, CA 95573

(530) 629-4242

teodecki@pcweb.net

Remi Vista (Private Foster Care Agency)

3960 Walnut Dr.

Eureka, CA 95503

(707) 268-8722

Environmental Alternatives (Private Foster Care Agency)

2928 E St.

Eureka, CA 95501

(707) 443-7370

SSI/SSP Recipients and Quarterly payments



SSI/SSP recipients are required to claim all RSTF quarterly payments. This income counts against the SSI/SSP resulting in a reduced income the month following the disbursement. Failure to report the income can result in an accrued overpayment which may cause a long-term reduction in income in the form of a period of suspension or reduction of monthly income through a payment plan. There is a way

to avoid this reduction in income and make this income benefit SSI/SSP recipient. The tribe operates a Fixed Utility payment program that allows the tribe to pay non-essential utilities such as gas, cell phone, cable and or satellite bills on the tribal members behalf. This payment does not count against the SSI/SSP recipient and allows the RSTF funds to benefit the tribal member. If you or your loved one is interested in signing up for these programs contact the tribal office and request a RSTF fixed Utility program form prior to the next RSTF distribution.

RSTF Change of Address Reminder:

If you are moving or changing your P.O. Box please submit a Change of Address form to the Tribal Office as soon as possible. If the quarterly checks are disbursed to an outdated address and results in a lost RSTF Check, a new check may need to be reissued. A \$25.00 fee will be removed from the reissued RSTF check. This fee is to cover the "Stop Payment Fee" charged from the bank to the Wiyot Tribe in order to stop the payment of the original check. We appreciate everyone's patience with the quarterly disbursements.



Elders Lunch and Bingo

Elders please join us every Wednesday from 12-1 pm for lunch and Bingo.

Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Jan 6	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27
Mexican tacos	Clam Chowder	Teriyaki Chicken	Pulled Pork
Salsa	Crackers	Fried Rice	Salad
Parfait	Pudding Pie	Monkey Bread	Rice Crispy Treats

Table Bluff Reservation Transportation Schedule

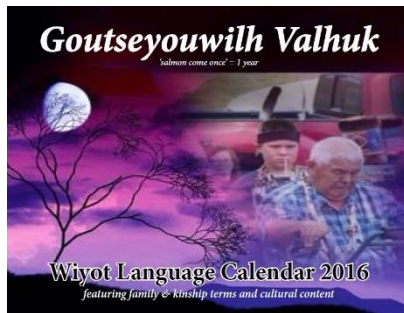
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 st Week		Fortuna UIHS 1 PM	Clothing Closet 1 pm -4 pm	Fortuna UIHS 10 am	No Appointments
2 nd Week		Fortuna UIHS 1 PM	2 nd Week Dental Potawot 10-11 am	Fortuna UIHS 10 am	No Appointments
3 rd Week		Fortuna UIHS 1 PM	WIC Appointments Fortuna	Fortuna UIHS 10 am	No Appointments
4 th Week		Fortuna UIHS 1 PM	4 th Week Dental Potawot 10-11 am	Fortuna UIHS 10 am Loleta Food Pantry 2:30 pm	No Appointments

*When making a Dental Appointment at Potawot or Medical Appointments at the Fortuna UIHS clinic you must let them know that you are receiving tribal transportation to get the appropriate time. We are partnering with Potawot to be able to serve higher number of clients. Please respect UIHS and Wiyot Tribal Transportation by canceling appointments 24 hours or more in advance, failure to do so will result in loss of service.

*** In order to receive Transportation services you must be an enrolled Tribal member, Spouse, Child or Authorized Representative (attending with Tribal Member) and live on or within 5 miles of Table Bluff.

Soulatluk Houdawik (Wiyot Language News)

Lynnika Butler
Language Program Manager



2016 Wiyot Language Calendar:

Free copies of the 2016 Wiyot Language Calendar have been mailed to all enrolled tribal members!

As a reminder, anyone else who would like a calendar for themselves or to give as a gift can buy a copy for \$10 by contacting me at lynnika@wiyot.us.

Wiyot Story: Alton Bluffs

The following story was told by Della Prince to the linguist Karl Teeter in 1957, and tells how some Humboldt Bay people living at the South Jetty moved to Alton and built the Alton Bluffs to avoid persecution by "people from the north" (it is not clear whether this refers to the Yurok, or perhaps Mad River Wiyot people or another group entirely).

(This version of the story has been shortened and edited slightly for clarity; please contact me if you would like a full copy of the story in Wiyot and English.)

Alton Bluffs

The people of **Wigi** (Humboldt Bay) were terribly abused by the people from **rrak vou'r** (the north). The people from **rrak hishvuri** (the

south = the Humboldt Bay people) started to leave because they were so badly abused. They had **voul** (houses) built. It might have been at **Bi'murr** (South Jetty) where they were so terribly abused. [The northerners] poured **hou'l** (water) down the **kasuni'** (smokeholes) of their houses, so their fires all went out.

Later on they said, "We're not going to stay here any longer," because they had been abused so very badly. They all went **rrak hishvuri** (south). There [at Alton] a **qus** (hill) was made. They thought, "**Rradughu'n** (the north wind) won't touch us anymore." They didn't want the people from **rrak vou'r** (the north) to know [where they were].

Ever since then a **qus** (hill) runs along there. They made it because they were worried that **rradughu'n** (the north wind) might touch them again, and they felt so bad about those who had abused them so terribly.

Wiyot Language Survey: I am preparing a grant proposal to the Administration for Native Americans which I hope will fund a large-scale Wiyot language project for the next 1-3 years. If we are

awarded this highly competitive grant, I will be looking for tribal members who are interested in participating in the project to help me develop a set of language learning materials based on topics of interest and importance to you and your families.

In order to prepare the grant proposal, I have created a short questionnaire for tribal members who have an interest in the Wiyot language. You can participate by filling out the survey on paper

(see next page) and mailing it to me at:

Lynnika Butler
Language Program Manager
Wiyot Tribe
1000 Wiyot Dr.
Loleta, CA 95551

Or take the survey online at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9MYST56>.

Every enrolled tribal member who participates in the survey and provides their contact information **by January 29, 2016** will be entered into a raffle to win a **\$500 gift card**, so please take a few minutes to provide this important feedback!

Wiyot Language Survey

1. What is your age? (please circle one):

- a. Under 18
- b. 18-29
- c. 30-44
- d. 45-59
- e. 60+

2. Where do you live? (city and state)

3. Did you grow up hearing Wiyot spoken by your relatives/elders?

Yes / No

4. How many Wiyot words or phrases do you know? (If more than 0, please list some examples in Wiyot or English.)

- a. 0
- b. 1-5
- c. 6-10
- d. 11-20
- e. More than 20

Examples: _____

5. Are you interested in learning the Wiyot language?

- a. Yes, to connect with Wiyot culture.
- b. Yes, to use in ceremonies, prayers, etc.
- c. Yes, to use at home.
- d. Yes, to teach my children.
- e. No, I'm not interested.
- f. Other (please specify):

6. Have you participated in a Wiyot language class or event in the past?

Yes / No

7. Have you requested or received Wiyot language learning materials in the past?

- a. Yes (print materials such as flash cards, word lists, translations, etc.)
- b. Yes (audio materials)
- c. Yes (video materials)
- d. No
- e. Other (please specify):

8. Are you interested in meeting with other tribal members and the Language Program Manager to develop new Wiyot language learning materials?

Yes / No / Not sure

9. Can you attend regular language meetings at Table Bluff?

- a. Yes
- b. No, but I could attend occasional meetings elsewhere (please indicate your preferred location):

- c. I am not able to attend meetings regardless of location

10. Your contact information (please fill out if you would like to be entered to win a \$500 gift card):

Name: _____

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Date _____

Want to Quit Smoking in the New Year, 2016?!



Try our Second Wind Cessation Course!

We are offering a 6-week class to teach ways you can quit smoking. Please join us for snacks, conversation, support and useful techniques to help you quit.

At this first session, we will help you set a "quit date."

Starting:

Wednesday, December 30, 2015

Time:

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Where:

UIHS Elk Valley Office

2298 Norris Ave.

Crescent City, CA 95531

Kitchen Area in the Back

Contact:

Nick Corcovelos

(707) 464-2919 ext. 5722

United Indian Health Services, Inc.

Call to
reserve a
spot!



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Tobacco
Project**



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Starting:

Wednesday, December 30, 2015

Time:

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Where:

Potawot Health Village

1600 Weeot Way

Arcata, CA 95521

Community Services Conference Room

Contact:

Shantelle Hayden or Stone Wallace

(707) 825-5070 ext. 4156 or 4124

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Girl Scouts of Northern California

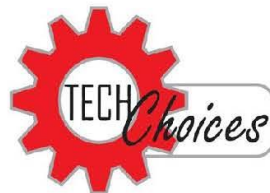
Presents

Civil Engineering

Career Exploration

in collaboration with

The Wiyot Tribe



Girls will have the opportunity to:

- explore the force of gravity
- explore the strength of materials
- learn about Girl Scout traditions
- learn about careers
- build a shelter
- make friends
- explore the strength of structures
- build bridges
- earn a participation patch!

We encourage parents to volunteer with our program! Information will be available at the first meeting!

Girl Scouts Meets on Tuesdays from January 19th-February 9th, 2016

Who: Girls in K-5th grades

Date: Tuesdays

Where: (TBD)

Time: 4:00-5:30pm

Cost: This is a grant funded project.

Parent Meeting: February 9th at 5:00pm

Please fill out the pre-registration form to register your daughter for this program.

Return registration to: Michelle Vassel at 1000 Wiyot Drive (707)733-5055

Questions? Contact: Kathy Johanson at 707-443-6641 ext. 3010 OR kjohanson@GirlScoutsNorCal.org

Tech Choices Girl Registration Form

Kathy Johanson

Girl's First Name		Girl's Last Name		Girl's Middle Initial	
Address		City	State	Zip	
Home Telephone	Age	Grade	Date of Birth	School	

We encourage you voluntarily to provide the following information on racial background and ethnicity. This information will only be used by Girl Scouts of Northern California to help improve outreach efforts and advance the Girl Scout Movement.

The girl's racial background is: (check all that apply)

☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Hawaiian or Pacific Islander ☐ White ☐ Other (specify _____)

The girl's ethnic background is: (please check one) ☐ Hispanic or Latina ☐ Not Hispanic or Latina

I give permission for my child to join Girl Scouts by participating in this event. I give permission for my child to receive emergency medical treatment if needed. NOTE TO PARENTS: In accordance with Girl Scout Safety Standards, this activity will be supervised by trained consultants to ensure a safe and secure environment for your child.

☐ Girl Scouts of Northern California has my permission to use photographs in which my child appears for Girl Scout publicity.

Parent/Guardian Name	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	Emergency Telephone
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Change of Address Request Form

This is to confirm that my new mailing address is as follows:


Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

Telephone# _____ Tribal # _____

Previous Names Used: _____

Spouse  and/or children who will be affected: (list legal name and date of birth)

Signature _____



Wiyot Tribe

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