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# *The Da'luk*

## *Dishgamu Humboldt Community Land Trust "Love Humboldt"*

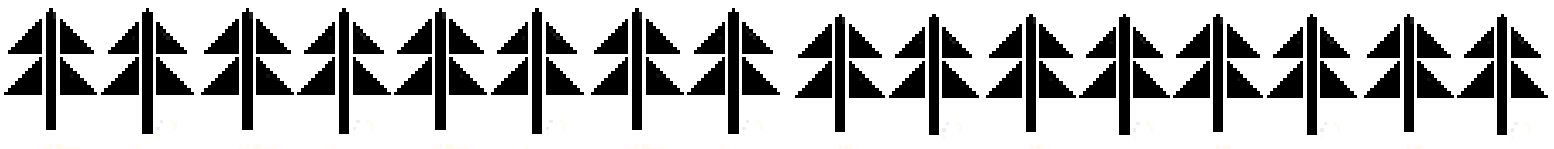
The Dishgamu Humboldt Community Land Trust works to heal intergenerational trauma through the protection, preservation, cultural and environmental restoration of Wiyot Land. We focus on returning land to the Tribe, as well as developing affordable housing projects that will prioritize allowing Wiyot people to remain (or return) in their homelands.

We are currently in the process of conducting title searches and appropriate environmental due diligence work on three different properties that are all located in Wiyot ancestral territory. It is our hope and expectation that this land will be back in Wiyot stewardship by the time you read your next Newsletter!

We are also working with uxo architects to create a community engagement plan for resilient, affordable housing. We are proud to share that uxo is the only worker-owned architecture firm in the state of California, and our relationship reflects our understanding that access to safe, affordable, and culturally appropriate housing should be treated as a Human Right. We will be using deep green practices when we build.

I look forward to serving the Tribe.

Respectfully,  
David Cobb



# Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Bill Matsubu

## *WNRD Expands Pikeminnow Suppression Efforts to Recover Salmon and Lamprey Populations*

To restore populations of native fishes to their historical abundances, the Wiyot Tribe Natural Resources Department (WNRD) is continuing to fight the battle against the invasive Sacramento pikeminnow. The introduction of pikeminnow to the Eel River watershed is having major consequences on the native fishes in the Eel River. Numerous studies indicate that pikeminnow compete with, prey on, or alter the behavior of juvenile salmonids, and lampreys. The widespread distribution and the high abundance of this predatory fish is preventing the recovery of salmonids and lamprey. Since 2019 the WNRD has been implementing its invasive species suppression program to aid in the recovery of native salmonids and lamprey in the Eel River.

The WNRD is expanding its suppression and research of pikeminnow with previous and new funding sources. Previous awards for these efforts have been from the US Fish and Wildlife Tribal Wildlife Grant and the NOAA’s Pacific Coast Salmon Restoration Fund. As part

of the recent Infrastructure Bill for “Ecosystem Restoration and Resilience” the WNRD is partnering with BLM for “Eel River Climate Resilience Refugia Protection”. This funding will go towards purchasing essential supplies, and gear to expand its current suppression efforts, including electrofishing and seining, and adding gillnetting and spearfishing to its arsenal. Furthermore, in 2023 the WNRD plans to put a weir in the South Fork Eel River that will protect valuable habitat from pikeminnow. Funded by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Proposition 1 and collaborating with scientists at California Trout, this weir will span the entire river (Figure 3) and prevent pikeminnow from moving past its location. This will prevent pikeminnow from moving into prime salmon and lamprey habitats.

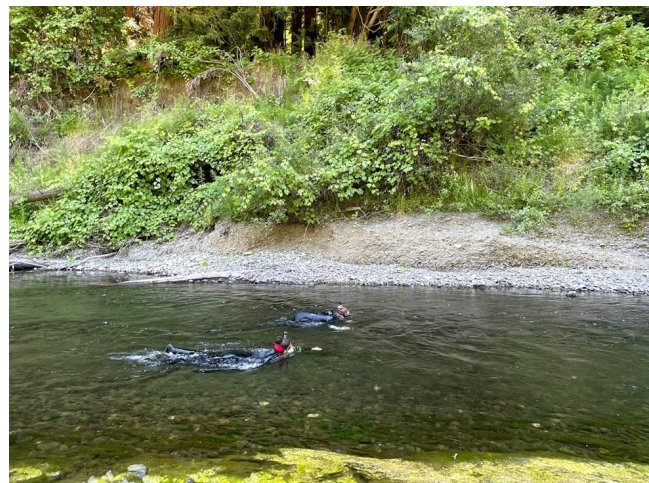


Figure 1. WNRD staff conducting a snorkel survey to count pikeminnow. Photo by Hilanea Wilkinson

## *WNRD Expands Pikeminnow Suppression Efforts to Recover Salmon and Lamprey Populations*

Like previous years, the WNRD will approximate the population size of pikeminnow in the South Fork Eel River and continue to refine techniques to suppress their population. To measure the impact of pikeminnow on native fishes and the success of suppression activities, the WNRD has been estimating the population size by counting pikeminnow during snorkel surveys since 2018. To reduce the population size, we will continue to implement and improve our electrofishing, seining, and trapping efforts. Also, due to recent permitting restrictions being lifted, we will be testing the effectiveness of gillnetting and spearfishing for the first time. To assist in these efforts, the WNRD is excited to be hiring new staff, including fisheries technicians and interns. Tribal members and friends are welcome to volunteer in these efforts. Please direct questions to WNRD Fisheries Biologist Bill Matsubu at [wmatsubu@wiyot.us](mailto:wmatsubu@wiyot.us).



Figure 2. Seining in the South Fork Eel River for Sacramento Pikeminnow during the Summer of 2021. Photo by WNRD Staff Bri



Figure 3. Example of a river spanning weir similar to what will be used to prevent pikeminnow from accessing high-quality habitat. Photo by napaimut.org



# Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted by: Adam Canter

## Wiyot Country in Spring’s Bounty: Update from Shawir Darrudaluduk

Enjoy the Green while it lasts! I think speaking for everyone, we were blessed to get some late season rains to give at least some temporary relief to out-migrating salmonids and the historic drought we find ourselves in, during these historic times. It’s always a joy to see the return of our plant relatives each spring, which reminds us of the special place we live in Wiyot country, and to be thankful for the circle of life.

It’s been an exciting month as the WNRD got out and about stewarding the Tribe’s resources around ancestral territory. We made it out to the Ma-l’el village for a work day in the Indian potato garden with our friends at the Blue Lake Rancheria Environmental Department, where we removed non-native invasive annual grasses and inspected winter restoration work in the Indian rice-root (*Fritillaria affinis*) patch. Deer populations have become more abundant in the dunes over the last few years and browsing of mature flowers proved to be a major impact this year, with about half of 40 observed flowers showing signs of herbivory. We continue to monitor this important Wiyot ethnobotanical site and hope to get back out there this summer.

The WNRD also had the privilege this past month to visit Koukuchw (Kneeland Prairie), which is a botanical hotspot. As a Tribe that is locked away from most of its ancestral lands, we find it important to take advantage of outreach from community members that want to engage with the WNRD to learn more about how to protect and honor the land stewardship history and legacy of the Wiyot. Ethnographer Llewellyn L. Loud noted that “both the Wiyot and the Whilkut made use of the (Koukuchw) prairie for hunting and for

gathering vegetable products, though they sometimes came into conflict in doing so” (page 255). Upon cresting the prairie and visiting a private property at the headwaters of Lawrence Creek, we were amazed to see some of the largest camas (*Camassia quamash* ssp. *breviflora*) beds that remain on the North Coast (see photo below), along with other native tended bulbs like the blue dicks (*Dipterostemon capitatus*), and soaproot (*Chlorogalum pomeridianum*). Drainage gullies off the prairie were rimmed with stately Oregon white oaks (*Quercus garryana*) cloaked in lichens with scattered pepperwoods (*Umbellularia californica*), and oceanspray (*Holodiscus discolor*), to name some of the culturally important plants we observed, it seemed as if we were in nature’s grocery store. We also noted that much of the prairie is also invaded by non-native pasture grasses and Erodiums. Intact habitats and private properties such as this provide potential opportunities for partnerships and co-management in the future or to enter into cultural easements to allow for Wiyot gathering and eco-cultural restoration. The Tribe should be compensated when consulted for its expertise in natural resources and Wiyot traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) only shared where appropriate and not to be exploited.



Camas flowers (*Camassia quamash* ssp. *breviflora*), an important native tended bulb or bouduroush (Indian potato) growing in a large patch on Koukuchw (Kneeland Prairie), with Tsakiyuwit (Bear River Ridge) in the background. May 19, 2022, Adam Canter

# Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted by: Adam Canter

We’ve heard stories from local historian Jerry Rohde that in the past some colonialist ranchers were known to rip up camas beds once they were told they were important to local tribes, so the few populations that remain in Wiyot country today should be protected for future generations and as legacies of the Wiyot’s land stewardship and ethnobotany.

Botanical odyssey’s continued when we were also invited by local botanist Steven Darington of Eureka to see his live specimen of Hitchcock’s blue-eyed grass (*Sisyrinchium hitchcockii*), an exceptionally rare member of the iris family, known only in California from Tsakiyuwit (Bear River Ridge) and Cape Ridge, on the southern border of Wiyot Country, highlighting the biodiversity protections that the Wiyot fought for when the Tribe blocked the proposed Terra Gen industrial wind farm development on the ridge in 2019. In other news, Natural Resources Technician Hilanea Wilkinson has been busy helping to bring natural resources to the Table Bluff Reservation and residents. In late April she assisted in obtaining fresh elk meat for the Tribe by retrieving and processing an elk from the lower Mad River that was euthanized by the California of Fish and Wildlife due to Elk hoof disease, or Treponeme-associated hoof disease (TAHD), which is a relatively new, poorly understood, and generally untreatable disease affecting elk in western North America. TAHD is not transmissible to humans, although humans may unknowingly spread TAHD when contaminated soil is transferred to new areas on vehicle tires or shoes. Vehicle tires and shoes should be cleaned of all soil before leaving a contaminated area to help minimize the spread

of TAHD. Hilanea also worked with G&B Organics to secure a donation of two full pallets of premium garden soil for the TBR community garden and citizens personal gardening needs. We want to thank G&B for their kindness and Hilanea for making this all happen and keeping the TBR water system on track!

The WNRD continue to progress on the launch of our two Ocean Protection Council (OPC) grants to begin Phase 1 of the Wiyot Climate Adaptation Plan and purchase 48 acres of prime coastal forest and wetlands at the cultural site of Mouralherwaqh. Be on the lookout for upcoming announcements about how to participate in these exciting upcoming projects, including visiting important Wiyot sites vulnerable to sea level rise and associated with our OPC work adaptation planning.

Please reach out to the WNRD anytime to find out more about our current work and how you can participate and contribute as Tribal citizens as well as to tag along on field work. Watch the Tribe’s website for information on our monthly Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings, which is a great venue to learn about and suggest environmental projects, voice concerns about the environment, and share Wiyot traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) to inform the success of the WNRD. Rra’dutwas.

# Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Submitted By: Ted Hernandez

Our culture is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. Our culture is essential to our community; it is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. We must continue to teach our youth the traditional ways and learn the stories from our elders. An example of one of our stories as told by the elders and an important one is *"That the Wiyot People have never given up our rights to fishing, hunting, gathering, and practicing our ceremonies in our ancestral territory. We have been practicing these since time and memorial That we should always know this and never let any government official tell us that we did."*

The Cultural department Continues to work with our local Tribal THPOS, Local cities, and Federal and County Governments on consultation projects, Section 106, Native Americans: California Environmental Quality Act (AB52), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and timber harvest plans (THP). During May, this department has received and commented on 33 projects. This department has monitored 1 project for May in Wiyot Ancestral Territory.

This department is still focusing on removing the Potter Valley Dam in Potter Valley. This power station is not producing any electricity whatsoever due to one of its transformers being nonoperative. But yet they still want to take our water and send it to the Russian River. These dams are killing our sacred Eel River, causing our salmon to either get sick or die. Our Eel (Wiy'ot) river needs to restore its water to return to health for our salmon, eels, and every other creature that relies on its waterways. We are reaching out to our members if you have any old photos, stories, or articles of your families fishing on the Eel in early 1900 before the Dams went up if you would like to share them with this department. We are putting together evidence that shows we never gave up our rights to our rivers to any government or landowners.

Our department has continued assisting local agencies, schools, and organizations with Traditional Land Acknowledgement language when they bring it to us for review before they post it in their facilities. We are very excited that communities in Wiyot ancestral territory recognize that they live and work on Wiyot land. The goal of our department is to have Wiyot Language all over Wiyot ancestral Territory.

**Our culture is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. Our generation must carry on with the traditional ways and stories from our elders and ancestors.**





# **Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"**

Submitted By: Ted Hernandez



## **The 2022 Dugout Project**

We have been getting materials ready to start on these canoes. We were hoping to begin in May and go through July, but we encountered some difficulties such as illness, scheduling, and other minor setbacks. We hope that June will be a better month to work on these boats. We are looking at working on these canoes during the weekends. We are looking to start at 9 am on Saturdays and end Sunday evenings at Richardson Grove State Park. Please look on the tribal Facebook page for updates if the schedule changes. Please bring your families out to join us while doing this construction work.

If you are interested in volunteering, there will be waivers to sign at the site. We ask that you be 15 years of age or older to work on the canoes. Each canoe will have a team assigned to its boat. The team will have a crew of no more than five dedicated men during the construction of the canoes.

If you are under 18, you will also need a consent form from a parent or guardian, and at least one parent or guardian must be with you during this event because there will be dangerous equipment in use during this project. The teams need to focus on the construction of these canoes.

If families are coming out to watch, there are other things to do. There will be a river next to the project site if you want to take a quick swim. We may also have some dugouts and kayaks out there so families can try them out. We are working on this now, but we cannot guarantee they will be there. These are just one of the activities we are trying to arrange. There will also be some storytelling going on as well. All three tribes ask that you come with good spirits, medicine, and thoughts to these events. Also, remember that since our project is grant-funded, we will also have to follow the rules and regulations of this fund. This event will be an alcohol and drug-free event and a safe place to work and share stories.



# **Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center**

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Our Cultural Center is located at **417 Second Street, Suite 101, Eureka.**  
Watch our monthly Newsletter for ongoing updates!

We are open to tribal members **by appointment!** Group numbers are limited to 24 people in the space at one time. Please contact **Marnie Atkins** at [matkins@wiyot.us](mailto:matkins@wiyot.us) or **(707) 798-1949** to schedule a time to visit. Covid protocols are expected to be followed by all visitors, so please wear a mask and social distance as best you can.

During the month of June, the Soulatluk learning program and the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center will partner on presenting a virtual Soulatluk learning demonstration on **June 9 and June 23 from 4pm-5pm (Pacific time zone).** The link to the virtual presentation is: <https://bit.ly/3qnbAIB>.

On June 14, the DGRLCC will hold a virtual workshop for interested Tribal Citizens. Subject matter to be determined. The workshop will be held on **Tuesday, June 14 from 4pm-5pm (Pacific time zone).** The link to the virtual presentation is: <https://bit.ly/3Jz71m0>. Check the Tribe's Events Calendar for updates.

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**Da gou rou louwi' "the ongoing return of all" (lit. 'continuous again all the returning')**

When naming our new Cultural Center, Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center, we wanted a name that described that this place would house the ongoing return of all thoughts, items, ideas, and initiatives that are important to Wiyot people. This includes sacred and ceremonial practices, Soulatluk (the Wiyot language), lifeways, cultural traditions, traditional forms of community building, healthy land, water, air, plants, and animals, the return of our Ancestors from museums so they can be laid to rest, a voice in our collective history, and a stronger, more cohesive Wiyot Community. Da gou rou louwi' encompasses these ideas and goals.

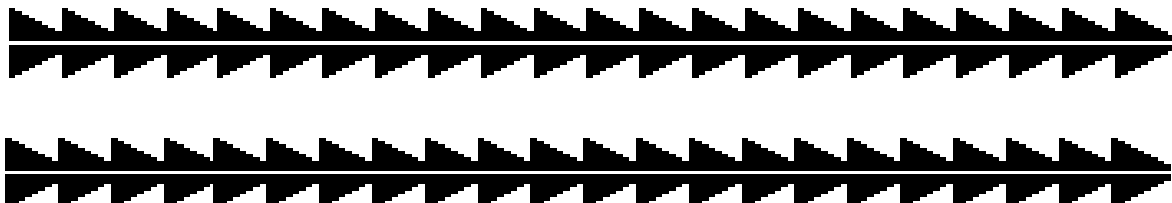
If you have questions about our Cultural Center or would like more information beyond the information provided in our Newsletter, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at [matkins@wiyot.us](mailto:matkins@wiyot.us) or **(707) 798-1949**.



# Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center Activities Schedule June 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Virtual Soulatluk Class 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (PST)	10	11
12	13	14 Virtual Workshop 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (PST) <a href="https://bit.ly/3Jz7lm0">https://bit.ly/3Jz7lm0</a>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Virtual Soulatluk Class 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (PST)	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
All classes, workshops, presentations, etc. will be held virtually, unless indicated otherwise. When events are offered in-person, masks, temperature checks, and social distancing measures will be in effect. Showing proof of vaccination status is encouraged. Please be safe and stay healthy during these difficult times.  **Watch the Tribe's online calendar for updates.**						



# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## **Health & Human Service Groups at Table Bluff Reservation Community Center with Mental Health Advocate, Jennifer Boak**

Held with COVID-19 precautions, no more than 10 persons in the Conference Room at one time, with masking, and 6-feet social distancing. CALL PEGGY AT THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPT AT 707-733-5055 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SIGNUPS.

### **GROUP COUNSELING**

- Motherhood is Sacred/Fatherhood is Sacred—  
Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 PM
- Women's Talking Circle—Wednesday, 5 to 6 PM
- Talking Circle at the Tsek Houdaah program— Avail. M—F, 3:30-4:30 PM



Contact Peggy at HHS Dept at (707) 733-5055 for more information and to sign-up.

### **EXERCISE GROUP**

- Yil da lah, gouts gou lah ("I am walking, I feel good again")  
Fridays, 1 –1:30 PM, With community garbage pick-up every  
3rd Friday.



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## **Tribal Citizen Services**

HHS Department offers a variety of services to Wiyot Citizens:

1. Burial Assistance up to \$500.00 (Tribal Citizens)
2. Hunting/ Fishing license reimbursement (one per Wiyot household or for an Wiyot Elder, every 12 months)
3. RSTF loan up to \$200.00 (Tribal Citizens, one every 12 months)
4. Large garbage dump reimbursement (outside Table Bluff Reservation Tribal Citizens, once every 12 months)
5. Chimney Cleaning reimbursement (one per Wiyot household every 12 months)
6. Elders/Disabled wood: Elders/disabled Citizens get one cord per year from Men's Camp

**For info please call Peggy at the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055  
All Applications can be found at [www.wiyot.us](http://www.wiyot.us)**

# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## **Higher Education and Vocational Training Scholarships**



### **Important Dates:**

FAFSA deadline for 2020-21 School Year: **June 30, 2022**

Wiyot Tribe Scholarship: **August 1, 2022**

BIA Higher Education Scholarship: **2022 Open**

BIA Job Training Program Scholarship: **2022 Open**

**Note:** You can all application forms on the Tribe's website at [www.wiyot.us](http://www.wiyot.us), or for more information, contact Social Work Advocate, Peggy Orcutt, at the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055.

## **Gutswurak da rou da'louy ("There Are a Lot of People Gathered There and They Are Talking") Domestic Violence Advisory Board**



We are looking for interested Wiyot Citizens to be a part of a DV Advisory Board. The goal of the committee is to bring forth ideas and solutions to the Health & Human Services Department to increase and improve safety for victim's of domestic violence in your communities

Meetings will be held at the Community Center at Table Bluff Reservation, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551 once a month on a Thursday from 5 PM to 6 PM. Counseling Intern, Jennifer Boak, will be overseeing the meetings. The first meeting date will be determined by interest.

Interested participants will go through an application and background check to ensure the intent of the board and safety of the members.

For more information and to apply, call Robert at the HHS Department at 707-733-5055.





### **COVID-19 Vaccination Incentive Program**

The vaccine for COVID-19 has been deemed effective and vital to protect ourselves and our communities from this virus, and to end the pandemic.

To support the health of the Wiyot Tribe, we would like to thank you for getting your vaccination against COVID-19. Enrolled Citizens of the Tribe are eligible to receive up-to \$300 for getting vaccinated. See the incentive schedule below.

The Federal government continues to make vaccinations free of cost to everyone, and most health clinics and pharmacies are making it available. If you have any questions or concerns about the vaccination or the vaccination booster, consult your primary care physician or the Department of Public Health. Please follow the guidelines of the vaccinations and vaccination booster given to you by the health professional.

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ This is a new mailing address, please update my enrollment record.

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- REQUESTING: ☐ Single-dose Vaccination - \$200 total
- ☐ Double-dose Vaccination - \$100 each; \$200 total
- ☐ 1st Dose
- ☐ 2nd Dose
- ☐ 1st Booster - \$100

Submit application and copy of vaccination record to Health & Human Services, Peggy Orcutt, by fax to (707) 733-5601, email to [porcutt@wiyot.us](mailto:porcutt@wiyot.us), or by mail to 1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551

By signing, I agree to the terms of this program:

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COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED

Applicant (age 18+) or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED

Enrollment Verified by: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## **Wiyot Tribe Emergency Rental Assistance Program—CLOSED**

Thanks to the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Grant from the US Treasury Department, the Wiyot Tribe was able to help 39 Wiyot households with apartment rental support, new apartment rental support, and temporary hotel stay while making housing arrangements for themselves.

We are looking for additional funding during the pandemic so that we may help more of our families as the pandemic continues.

Please know that Social Work Advocate, Peggy Orcutt, can be reached at 707-733-5055 or [porcutt@wiyot.us](mailto:porcutt@wiyot.us) to assist you with referrals to services you need to get you back on your feet.

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## **HEALTH EDUCATION—Influenza (The Flu)**

Influenza (the Flu) season is here. Talk with your medical provider or local pharmacy about getting your flu vaccine.

## **COVID Information**

COVID testing and vaccines are still being provided by UIHS at the Community Center parking lot at 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta CA 95551, every other Tuesday.

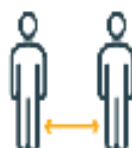
- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

For more information on COVID, please visit CDC at [cdc.gov/covid19](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19)

CASES ARE RISING.  
**ACT NOW!**



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



AVOID CROWDS

# Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk *'Taking Care of People'*

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## June 2022 Elder Meal Menu

Dagagawi' (Sunday)	Dagoushipga'w (Monday)	Darritvewi'gurr (Tuesday)	Darrikvewi'gurr (Wednesday)	Darra'vewi'gurr (Thursday)	We'sagh dahuluwewi'gurr (Friday)	Dagaseghurr (Saturday)
			1—Veggie Lasagna	2—Meatloaf	3—Pulled Pork	
						
	6—Baked Chicken	7— Spaghetti	8—Chef Salad	9—Chickn Chili	10— Hamburger	
						
	13— Enchiladas	14—Beef Stew	15—Pork Chop	16—BBQ Chicken	17—Spinach & Strawber-	
						
	20—Chili	21—Sweet & Sour Ckn	22—Denver Omelet	23—Fish Taco	24—Soup & Egg Salad	
						
	27—Frito Pie	28—Soup & Sandwich	29—Chkn Casserole	30—Pork Loin		
						

Laqilh Haluni' "Valued Elders (age 55+)" Meal Program (enrolled Native Americans)

For a Monday through Friday meal delivery within 25 miles from Table Bluff Reservation, please call Alicia at the HHS Dept. for more information at 707-733-5055.



## **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

### **OPENINGS AT TSEK HOUDAQH (Where the Children Are At)**

Youth Program Manager, Jennifer Oakley and Assistant, Margaret Card, look forward to providing a healthy, engaging and fun after-school club for your children.



- Tutoring with Margaret Card
- Computer lab for students to check-in with their classwork and teachers
- 2 meals a day, and snacks, offered each day
- Arts and crafts, and physical fitness/sports fun

**Club members** are enrolled Wiyot Children, children of enrolled Wiyot Citizens, children residing at or within 5-miles of Table Bluff Reservation, and children of Wiyot Tribe employees. And must have an active, annual application on file.

1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551, from 3:30 to 6 PM

Contact Tsek Houdaqh staff at (707) 733-5055 and ask for a club member agreement.



## **Tsek Houdaqh Summer Camp**

Join us this summer for fun and games,  
cultural activities, outings, and special guests!



**START: Monday June 13th**

**LAST DAY: August 18th**

**Summer Hours: 8am-  
6pm Weekdays**

*Contact Jennifer Oakley at Tsek Houdaqh to  
enroll today!*

*email: [Jennifer@wiyot.us](mailto:Jennifer@wiyot.us)*

*Call: (707) 733-5055 ext. 117*

*Or stop by in-person at Tsek Houdaqh!*



# New Table Bluff Reservation community playground opening

**June 3rd, 2022 @ 5 PM**



See the progression...

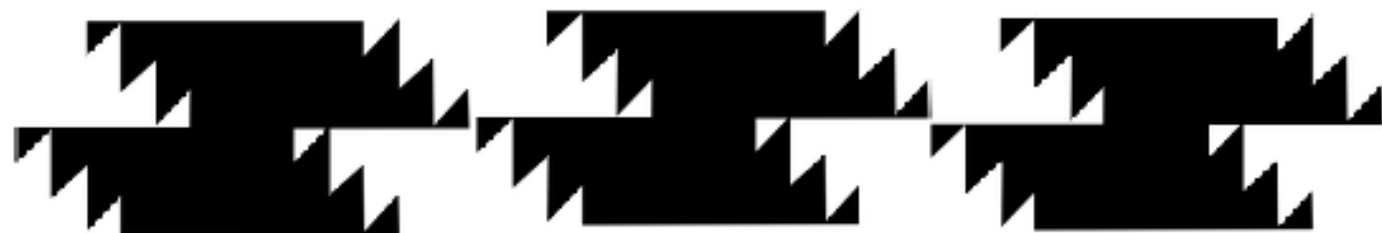


# Chromebooks available for school-aged children & college/vocational students



Quantities are now limited. Applicants must not have already received a Chromebook from the Tribe. This is a first-come, first-serve offering; and the program cannot hold on to them.

College/vocational students must provide proof of enrollment with their application.



For more information and application contact Peggy Orcutt, Social Work Advocate, at [porcutt@wiyot.us](mailto:porcutt@wiyot.us) or call (707) 733-5055.



# **Gock Wuck “Knowledge”**

Submitted By: Vanessa Rios

## **COVID-19 Vaccination and Boosters Clinics Humboldt County**

**UIHS is offering COVID-19 Vaccinations and Boosters  
to all community members 12 years and over,  
including non-UIHS clients**

**Every Friday in May and June at  
Potawot Health Village in the Boardrooms  
from**

**9:00am - 12:30pm**

**Except Friday, May 27, 2022**





## **Wiyot Tribal Council Meetings**



**2nd Monday of the month at 4 pm Pacific time**

**Any Tribal Member can attend live from wherever you are**

**To receive the link to register email: [councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:councilsupport@wiyot.us) by Monday @ 12 pm.**

**All meeting minutes and videos are available to watch on the Wiyot Tribe's website: <http://www.wiyot.us/AgendaCenter>. A recap of the meeting is available in every newsletter.**

**Tribal Citizens are welcome to submit public comments: You can request to be on the agenda to speak during the public comment section of the agenda by emailing [councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:councilsupport@wiyot.us) by Monday @ 12 pm. Tribal Members can submit public comments of any length to Tribal Council in writing by mail Attn: Tribal Council, 1000 Wiyot Dr, Loleta, CA 95551 or by email to [Councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:Councilsupport@wiyot.us). We love to hear from you.**



# **Gock Wuck “Knowledge”**

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



**Council present:** Ted Hernandez, Marnie Atkins, Brian Mead Vanessa Rios and Hazel Garcia

**Staff Present:** Michelle Vassel, Fawn Lopez, Ted Hernandez, Adam Canter and Robert Pitts Jr.

- The agenda was approved
- The consent calendar was approved
- Va Rou’nirilh (Guest Speaker) Margaret Jacobs & Kevin Abourezk
- **Rou Da'louy-PUBLIC FORUM:** Fawn Lopez and Hazel Garcia
- Council approved Resolution 22-10 MOU between the Tribe and NCIDC for Community Services Block Grant
- Council approved to appoint Margaret Card, Jennifer Boak, Lisa Stephenson & Rosario Hernandez for Tsek Houdagh Parent Committee
- Council approved Resolution 22-09 Natural Resources Department to submit a U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) Tribal Wildlife Grant (TWG) for Pacific Lamprey Monitoring
- Council approved enter a good Neighbor Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management to accept funds for Eel River Climate Resilience Refugia Protection
- Council approved Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 Grant Agreement P01-4-07 for the Wiyot Tribe Acquisition of Coastal Property for Cultural and Water Quality Protection and adopt budget
- Council approved Ocean Protection Council Prop 68 Grant Agreement C0875005 for the Wiyot Climate Change Adaptation Plan Phase 1 and adopt budget.
- Council approved business License Mead Enterprise
- Council approved staff travel Tribal Administrator & Dishgamu Director to attend CalCORE June 15-17, 2022, Fall 2022 and Spring 2023
- Council approved Wiyot Tribe to join the Coalition to Stand with California Tribes





# June 2022

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

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5	6	7 Enrollment mtg 10am Held by zoom/ phone	8	9	10	11
12	13 BCM Meeting @ 4pm Held by zoom/ phone	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18
19 Happy Father's Day	20 Tribal Office closed Ob- servance June teeth	21 Summer begins	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Anderson, Celeste  
Anderson, Holley  
Atwell, Boden  
Atwell, Riley  
Bainbridge, Anthony  
Bainbridge, Emberlie L  
Berens, Janyce  
Bigelow, Bruce  
Bruner, Dean  
Butler, Elaine  
Claus, Carol  
Conley, Mark  
Duncan, Teresa  
Evans, Stacie  
Evenson, Harry  
Friend, Jonathan  
Hefte, Kiley  
Hosp, James D.  
James, Forrest  
James, Re'lee  
Johnson, Brandon  
Johnson, Derick  
Johnson, Raven  
Johnson, Tina  
Jones, William  
Kelso, Maelena



Leady, Macey  
Lytle, Janice  
Mager, John  
Matthews, Princess Anita  
McGowan, Samantha  
Mendez, Jorge  
Owen, Michael  
Perrando, Gabriel  
Pessoa, Jackie  
Reyes, Evander  
Rodriguez, Esmae  
Rodriguez, Jadacia  
Sedeno, Reyna  
Seidner, Cheryl  
Shumard, Parker  
Sinigiani, Leanne  
Sovereign, Brandon  
Sundberg, Emma  
Terry, Tamra  
Tompkins, Tommy  
Vargas, Jonah  
Vinson, Claire  
Whisman, Johnathan A.  
Wilson, Donna  
Winkler, Hayden

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## Wiyot Tribal Council

Ted Hernandez .....Tribal Chairman (2020-2024)  
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2022-2026)  
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)  
rrawuraghu'miyuk Linda Lange.....Treasurer (2019-2023)  
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member ( 2021-2025)  
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2019-2023)  
Aaron Stephenson .....Council Member (2020-2024)

## **Gock Wuck “Knowledge”**

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

### Da Rou Gawok “Everyone working Together”

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator  
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant to TA/Council Clerk  
Lisa Stephenson.....Enrollment Clerk  
Vanessa Rios.....Receptionist  
Heather Blevins.....Emergency Operator  
Aaron Stephenson...Maintenance Technician  
Melvin “Junior” Farmer...Maintenance Assistant  
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper

### Hiwechk “Money”

Farzad Forouhar .....Fiscal Technician  
Jack Kennard.....Fiscal Technician

### Gou'will da lalouluwuk “Taking care of People”

Robert Pitts Jr.....Health & Human Service Director  
Alicia Morgan..Laqilh Haluni Assistant  
Gary Markussen Sr.....ICWA Advocate  
Vacant.....Transportation Driver  
Peggy Orcutt.....Social Work Advocate  
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT  
Jennifer Boak.....Counseling Mental Heath

### Lhatsik Houmoulul “House of Tradition”

Ted Hernandez.....Cultural Director  
Hazel Garcia.....Cultural Assistant  
Dr. Lynnika Butler .....Linguist  
Vacant.....Language Specialist  
Marnie Atkins.....Cultural Museum Manager

### Tsek Houdagh “Where the Children are”

Jennifer Oakley .....Youth Program Manager  
Margaret Card.....Johnson O'Malley Coordinator  
Grant Bryant.....Youth Program Assistant

### Shawir Darrudaluduk “We belong to the Wilderness”

Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director  
Dr. Bill Matsubu.....Fisheries Biologist  
Vacant.....Natural Resources Technician  
Hilanea Wilkinson...Natural Resources Technician  
George Buckley.....Water Operator



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Previous Names Used: \_\_\_\_\_

Children who will be effected (legal name and Date of Birth:

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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