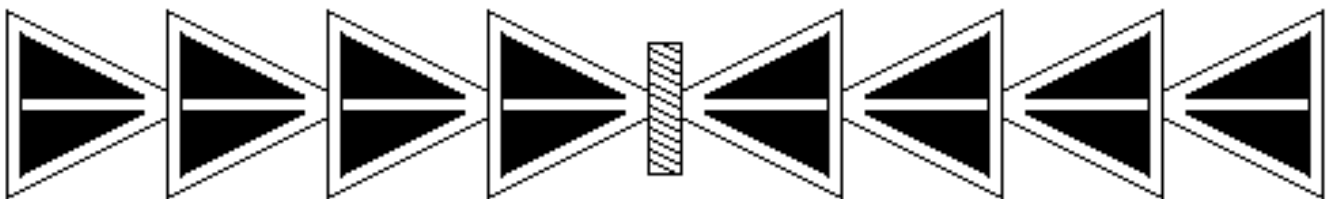




The Da'luk



It is with deep sadness and heavy hearts that the Wiyot Tribe Council and staff mourn the loss of our colleague and friend, George "Butch" Buckley, who passed away on July 28, 2024. Butch, a Wiyot Tribal Citizen, began work for the Wiyot Tribe on May 30th, 2000, he worked continuously for the Tribe for 24 years (into his late 70's) as the Tribes Water/Wastewater operator/distributor. Over the years he received numerous professional awards for his work by IHS and other professional organizations and trained too many water technicians to count. He has been a greatly valued member of our team. In Soulatluk there is a phrase, that we use to describe Butch's work ethic, Shvawi shvu'k gou'ts hou dagu'n (It's very hard work to take care of it well).



Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Youth Native American Mental Health

Free Virtual event. Especially valuable for educators, school administrators, Native American community members, and professionals working with Native American youth.

SEPTEMBER 25th 9am - 4pm
SEPTEMBER 26th 9am - 3pm

See the full conference agenda and register online:



Please join us to discover culturally relevant and science-based strategies to improve the mental health and wellness of Native American youth and families. Learn about up-to-date research and best practices on youth mental health & wellness. Discover ways to empower Native American Youth and Families to thrive during difficult times.

Topics Include:

- Understanding the Impact of Trauma, Neglect, and Abuse on the Developing Brain
- The Science of Mattering and Belonging to Youth Mental Health
- Exploring Indigenous Identity and Youth Wellness
- Addiction and Culture-Based Recovery Strategies for Native Youth
- Native Resilience and Giftedness
- The Power of Peer to Peer Relationships and Uplifting Native Youth Leadership

See the full conference agenda and register online:



LOCALLY & NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SPEAKERS:



Bruce D. Perry,
M.D., Ph.D.
Principle of
Neurosequential
Network



Judge Abby
Abinanti,
Chief Judge of
Yurok Tribe



Joseph P. Gone,
Ph.D.
Harvard University



Tommy Orange
Author, Wandering
Stars, There There



Issac Prilleltensky,
Ph. D.
University of Miami



Mneesha Gellman,
Ph.D.
Emerson College



Kishan Lara-Cooper,
Ph. D.
Cal Poly Humboldt



Adrienne Keene,
Ph.D.
Writer, Activist

Request for Absentee Ballots
must be received at the Tribal
Office 14 days before the elec-
tion, September 22, 2024



Wiyot Tribe
General Council Meeting
October 5, 2024
Polls open 10 am-1pm
Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Election:
 - A. Councilmember at Large 2024-2028
 - i. Leo James
2. Minutes
 - B. Approve April 2023 General Council Minutes
 - C. Approve October 2023 General Council Minutes
 - D. Approve April 2024 General Council Minutes
3. Reports:
 - E. Chairman's Report
 - F. Vice Chairman's Report
 - G. Secretary's Report
 - H. Treasurer Report
4. Adjournment

**Notice to Voters: On August 5, 2024 Marnie Atkins
withdrew her nomination for Tribal Chair.**

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



A public reception acknowledging and celebrating two meaningful contributions from LeeAnn Moore who purchased viewing scopes adapted with lenses for color blindness that will benefit all visitors especially those with limited mobility and Color Vision Deficiency in honor of her parents Melva & Don Duclo. The celebration was held at the at the Humboldt National Wildlife Refuge in Loleta, CA. on August 2nd, 2024.

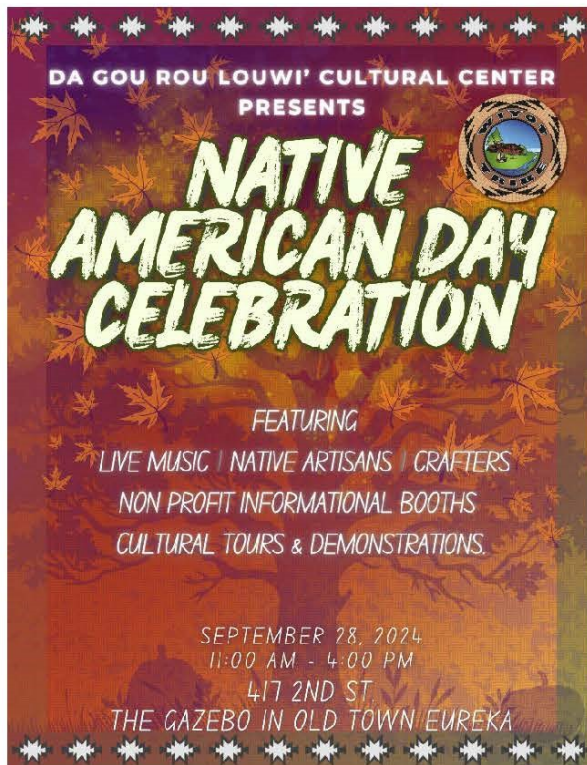


Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center

Ha'wa'lou Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center visitors!

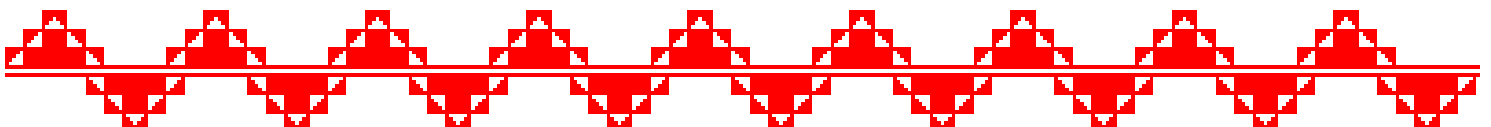
We hope that you have had a fantastic summer! We have some exciting events at the cultural center to begin in the fall season!

It's **Arts Alive!** here in Old Town on **Saturday Sept. 7th 6pm-9pm**. We are excited to be hosting Rebeca Cuevas Rosas as our featured artist! They will be tabling with variously sized paintings and prints. You can check out their art on Instagram @apatsicua.



We are also very excited to announce that we will be hosting our first annual **Native American Day Celebration** on **Saturday Sept. 28th from 11am-4pm** located here at **the cultural center and Old Town Gazebo!** The event will feature live Music, Native artisans and crafters, nonprofit informational booths, and cultural tours & demonstrations. If you are interested in tabling with your craft goods, please fill out a vendor application form found on the Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center page of the Wiyot Tribe's website. For any questions about the event, please contact the cultural center manager, Jazzmin Fontenot at jfontenot@wiyot.us or by phone at (707) 798-1949 x301.

For updates on all events and exhibits, please visit the DGRLLCC page and the calendar on the Wiyot Tribe's website. Hou'! (Thank you!)



Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

The Wiyot Tribe Homeowner Assistance Fund is now open!

Assists specific households that have had hardship because of and since the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic to pay for their mortgage, home or other insurance related to their home, property taxes, utility bills for their home, home repairs to ensure the habitability of the home, homeowner's association fees, and assistance in mortgage reduction.

Mortgage Payment Assistance
Mortgage Principal Reduction
Homeowner Insurance
Downpayment Assistance
Homeowners Utilities

Mortgage Reinstatement
Homeowner Internet Service
HOA fees or liens
Delinquent Property Taxes
Home Repairs

Ends 9/30/2026 or until funds are expended.

Must meet certain requirements. Find the application on the Tribe's website or **call the HHS Dept Social Work Advocate for more info at 707-733-5055.**



Tax Filing 2024

The New Year means a new opportunity to file your tax return!

Filing a tax return helps and your family receive funds from special federal and state stimulus programs, including COVID/pandemic stimulus monies. Incentives are held for those who did not yet file, including previous years.



You can even file late, even if you don't owe anything.

If you need support filing taxes, call the HHS Dept Social Work Advocate at 707-733-5055 so that they can find the right tax filing program for you.

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

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Health & Human Service Groups Table Bluff Reservation Community Center

CALL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPT AT 707-733-5055 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SIGNUPS.

PARENTING SKILLS & SUPPORT

- *Fatherhood is Sacred/Motherhood is Sacred* is a program designed to give parents the support, confidence, and skills to provide a loving home to their family—partner and children.



PRE-EMPLOYMENT COUNSELING

- *Workin' with Tradition* is a program to assist you into a job, especially if this is your first. The Social Work Advocate will work with you through a workbook to prepare for you success!



EXERCISE GROUP

- Yil da lal, gouts gou lalh ("I am walking, I feel good again")
Mon & Wed, 1–1:30 PM with Laqilh Haluni' staff.



Contact HHS Dept Social Work Advocate at (707) 733-5055 for more information about any of these activities and to sign-up.

Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Laqilh Haluni' (Valued Elders program) (Native American, age 55+)



- ♦ Lunch meal delivery, Monday through Friday (except holidays)
- ♦ Light chores at your home (vacuuming, sweeping, sanitizing)

Within our service area, 30-mile radius from Table Bluff Reservation.

For application or more information contact the Laqilh Haluni' Program at the Health & Human Services Department at 707-733-5055.

Gutswurrak 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 victims 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. A Social Work Advocate 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 the
HHS Department Social Work Advocate at 707-733-5055.**

Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts



Are you or a family member a Veteran, and looking for support services?

Contact the Health & Human Services Department so that a Social Work Advocate can assist at 707-733-5055.



HEALTH EDUCATION—Influenza (The Flu), COVID-19, RSV

Talk with your medical provider or local pharmacy about getting vaccines against the triple viruses this fall/winter —Influenza, RSV, & COVID.

- Know your health history & status. If immunocompromised:
 - 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 spaces.
 - Wash hands often.

For more information on COVID, please visit CDC at [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) or
contact the Social Work Advocate at 707-733-5055.



Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

September 2024 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)
	2	3	4	5	6	
	LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	Chicken Chili	Hamburger	Pulled Pork Sandwich	Turkey Spinach Quinoa Casserole	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	Tuna Casserole	Philly Cheesesteak	Split Pea Soup	Sloppy Jo	Spinach Strawberry Salad with Chicken	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	Meatloaf	Broccoli Cheese Soup with Grilled Ham and Cheese Sand- wich	Fish Taco	Zucchini Mush- room Chicken Stir Fry with Egg Roll in a Bowl	Pork Loin with Apple Cranberry	
	23	24	25	26	27	
	Pork Chop with Parme- san Garlic Cabbage	BBQ Chicken	Enchiladas	Salmon with Keto Cabbage Soup	NATIVE AMERICAN DAY HOLIDAY	
	30					
	Chef Salad					

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 the HHS Dept. for more information at (707) 733-5055.

FREE Toddler Sized Bike Helmets!

Summer is here and our kids will want to be outdoors on their bikes and scooters! Ensure they have a good time safely with a helmet.



11 toddler sized bicycle helmets are available from the Health & Human Services Department at Table Bluff Reservation.

Call 707-733-5055 for pick-up.



EVERYONE
can play a part in the



RECOVERY JOURNEY

September is National Recovery Month

Recovery is a journey we all walk individually and together as a family & community. Together, we can strive to be healthier and achieve our wellness goals.

If you are looking for tips and support to start your recovery journey, contact the Wiyot Tribe's Social Work Advocate at 707-733-5055.

Wigi (Humboldt Bay) Resources

Home Repairs

The Humboldt Handy

<https://lostcoastoutpost.com/contractors/>

USDA Single Family Housing Repair Loan & Grant program

Daniel Ferreira
Housing Loan Officer
USDA, Rural Development
3644 Avtech Parkway, Ste. A
Redding, CA 96002-9241
(530) 691-5850
Daniel.Ferreira@usda.gov

Wanda Thompson
Housing Loan Technician
USDA, Rural Development
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Auburn, CA 95603
(530) 217-6249
Wanda.thompson@usda.gov

Paula Galvan
Housing Loan Officer
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Davis, CA 95616-4169
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Rosie Jaurige Segura
Housing Loan Technician
USDA, Rural Development
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Davis, CA 95616-4169
(530) 792-5809
rosie.jaurige@usda.gov

Financial Literacy

Redwood Community Action Agency—Money! Search and Rescue

Steven Pera
(707) 269-2048
spera@rcaa.org

Sobriety

NCIDC Red Road Healing Circle (in-person & Zoom)

(707) 445-8451

Wiyot Tribe HHS Dept—Fentanyl Tests & Narcan

(707) 733-5055

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

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Wigi (Humboldt Bay) Resources

Teens & Young Adults

Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Center

433 M St
Eureka, CA 95501
(707) 476-4944

Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Center (Eureka)

<https://www.bgcredwoods.org/>
3015 J St
Eureka, CA 95501
(707) 444-1084

Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Court (Eureka)

939 Harris Street
Eureka, CA 95503
(707) 444-0153

Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Court (Fortuna)

1705 Gwin Road
McKinleyville, CA 95519
(707) 840-0304

Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Center (McKinleyville)

Gene Lucas Community Center
3000 Newburg Rd
Fortuna, CA 95540
(707) 617-8160

Looking for another resource not listed?

**Contact the Wiyot Tribe Health & Human Services Dept
for assistance and referrals at (707) 733-5055/**

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Zack Erickson

BLM GNA Grant Award and General Update

The WNRD has received an additional input of \$660,000 into the Good Neighbor Agreement (GNA) with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). This money will be utilized to support the continued restoration efforts occurring at the Headwaters Forest Reserve in partnership with the BLM. These efforts include placing large woody debris (LWD) into Hik-sha’ri (Elk River), restoration thinning of riparian corridors, and the thinning of upland forests. The WNRD will also be utilizing the funding to help build the department’s capacity to engage in enhancement and restoration projects. This includes the purchase of two trucks which will allow both the fisheries and forestry employees to access the remote portions of the headwater’s property.

With this new round of funding, the department looks forward to increasing the amount of work done to help restore the headwaters of Hik-sha’ri. This includes thinning the forest to enhance the growth of culturally important plants such as hazel and huckleberry. Training, materials, measurement tools, and chainsaws will allow the WNRD and employees to conduct an increasing amount of work themselves. This is useful in sensitive areas near the stream and around culturally important plants.

The WNRD is excited to start their first round of thinning starting this September. In-stream work and riparian thinning will also continue this winter with a focus on improving salmonid habitat while healing the legacy of industrial logging. The forestry crew continues to take measurements of the forest to identify priority areas and gain a better understanding of the understory vegetation in the upland forest.



Figure 1. Center flag for a plot in a dense forest within Headwaters Forest Reserve.



Wiya't (Eel River) in Vutsuwitk Da'l (Fortuna) with the California Coastal Conservancy



Wiyot Fisheries Specialist Marisa McGrew with Tribal Administrator Michelle Vassel and Coastal Conservancy Staff discuss the ecological and cultural importance of the stretch of the lower Wiya't (Eel River) near Vutsuwitk Da't (Fortuna), August 8, 2024-A. Canter

Ha'wa'lou from the Wiyot Natural Resources Department (WNRD), as we celebrate the last days of summer and begin the beautiful transition into fall, as the salmon and all that depend upon the river anticipate the rains to come, the rejuvenation and life that water brings. We were thankful for another wet winter this year, which has helped to keep freshwater harmful algal blooms (FHABs) to a minimum along our North Coast rivers this year, and hope for another wet season in the winter to come. This past month Wiyot staff met with government representatives to discuss conservation and restoration priorities on the lower Wiya't (Eel River), a part of the heartland of Wiyot country. While salmon, steelhead, lamprey, and sturgeon must pass thru the lower Eel River at least twice during their lifetime, this stretch of river remains one of the least protected and most vulnerable to resource impacts from anthropogenic (human) factors, including; water diversions from the dams of the Potter Valley Project near the headwaters, illegal agriculture and associated irrigation and groundwater



Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Adam Canter



pumping, dumping and pesticide run-off, introduced invasive species like Sacramento pikeminnow that prey on juvenile salmonids and impact the food web, invasive plant species like English ivy that choke out the rare riparian black cottonwood gallery forest canopy, and pampas grass that impacts river bar dynamics and hydrology, not to mention poaching of salmon as they wait fully exposed for the rains to come, in an area plighted by legacy cumulative impacts to the river from historic clearcut logging and the watershed impacts associated with such practices as seen through the devastation of the 1964 flood. The complex and dynamic nature of the lower Eel and the agricultural value of its fertile floodplains has contributed to a lack of ecological restoration along this section of the river, but the Wiyot Tribe are beginning to rally and plan for bringing back health to this piece of the river, recently meeting with federal representatives from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund (PCSRF) and the California Coastal Conservancy to lobby for future funding to begin addressing issues on this part of the river. If health and biodiversity can be brought back to the lower Eel, so can the cultural lifeways as well. Keeping an eye on the river is a part of protecting it and learning from Wiyot traditional ecological knowledge (TEK), like the story of the “Stolen Salmon” <https://www.wiyot.us/337/The-Stolen-Salmon> we can begin to re-apply the knowledge and wisdom of the river that was almost forgotten. While the lower Eel needs more attention, study, and dollars to support this work, we also understand that no river can be separated into parts, it is all connected as one watershed, which means we must work together with our friends and neighbors from the headwaters and tributaries in the coastal mountains to the sloughs and saltmarshes of the lower deltas, along with all the special places in between. If you want to learn more about the lower Wiya’t and lend a voice for its protection reach out to the WNRD! -Adam Canter, NRD Director, adam@wiyot.us



Soulatuk Hougougou' wurruwisugu'l "bringing the Wiyot language back to life"

Submitted By: Lynnika Butler

Soulatluk Hou Gou Gou'wurruwisuqu'l *its again coming to life*

Vushurouk Hulutgudaluqh, 2024

September ("the ninth month")

ANA SOULATLUK CURRICULUM AND LESSONS

In August, Lynnika & Nina and our contracted pedagogical consultants finalized a draft first-year (36-week) introductory curriculum which we will teach at Loleta Elementary School. The curriculum includes much of the material that we have been developing and piloting at Tsek Houdaqh since 2023 and at Loleta Elementary since January of this year; but we have added quite a bit of content and improved on our earlier work. Our first-year curriculum for the 2024-25 school year will include the following ten themed units:

1st Trimester

1. **Unit 1 Ha'wa'lou (About Me):** Students will learn to introduce themselves and to ask and answer where they are from and where they live. Students will learn basic classroom management vocabulary (look, listen, be quiet, etc.) and how to answer yes/no questions.
2. **Unit 2 Jechach (Animals):** Students will practice asking and answering questions about seeing different animals and people and will learn basic counting 1-5. Students will be able to read the Brown Bear book in Soulatluk.
3. **Unit 3 Douwa Vu Lali'yum? (Places):** Students will learn local place names and cardinal directions; students will learn to talk about where they are going and what they are going to do there.

2nd Trimester

1. **Unit 4 Miwi' (Foods):** Students will learn the names of culturally significant foods and how to talk about cooking and eating.
2. **Unit 5 Shouwa? (Cultural Items):** Students will learn to ask and answer the names of cultural items and what they are made of.
3. **Unit 6 Douwa Daqh? (Habitats):** Students will learn how to talk about where different animals live, including on the beach/in the ocean, in the forest, in/around the river, and in a house.
4. **Unit 7 Vutsuwitk Da'l (Fortuna Story):** Students will learn the Wiyot story about the origin of the Soulatluk name for Fortuna (Vutsuwitk Da'l = "where the ashes stay"), while reviewing and learning vocabulary related to people, food, and animals.

3rd Trimester

1. **Unit 8 Shou'r (Ocean):** Students will learn the names of plants and animals that live in the ocean and on the beach and will practice talking about what people do in and

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Submitted By: Lynnika Butler

near the ocean. Students will reinforce the concepts of the food chain and ecosystem balance with otters, kelp, and abalone from the core curriculum standards.

2. **Unit 9 Rrou Gou' wik (Family):** Students will learn to greet and introduce members of their family and friends, and to talk about what each of them likes to do.
3. **Unit 10 Hash, Gamurachiyit! (Sports and Activities):** Students will learn to talk about physical activities and learn words and phrases to use while playing games (such as go, catch it, try again).

For Wiyot youth who do not attend Loleta Elementary School, we will follow the same curriculum in our weekly lessons at Tsek Houdaqh. Because attendance varies and we meet just once a week, Tsek Houdaqh lessons have a slower pace than classes at Loleta Elementary; we encourage any children or teens interested in Soulatluk to join us!

BIA LANGUAGE VIDEO GRANT: Video Internships & Editing

During the month of August, two Wiyot youth interns filmed and edited new videos with Soulatluk words and phrases about the bay, the coast, native plants and animals, and more. We will be proud to feature both videos at the upcoming film festival in November!

VIRTUAL SOULATLUK LESSONS IN SEPTEMBER



Please join us **Wednesday, September 4 & Wednesday, September 18 from 4-5 p.m.** Please check the calendar at <http://www.wiyot.us/Calendar.aspx> (or scan the QR code at left) for the Zoom link.

DO YOU HAVE FAMILY PHOTOS OF SOULATLUK SPEAKERS?

Hou' to Tribal community members who have shared family photos of Soulatluk speakers!

It has been very helpful to show pictures of the elders (Dandy Bill, Weaver Denman, Della Prince & Nettie Rossig) whose voices we listen to in Soulatluk classes.

If you have a family photo of a Soulatluk speaker that you would like to share, we would love to scan it for use in language classes, events, & materials; we will be sure to credit you!

The speakers whose words or voices we have a record—but no photos—of are:

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|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| • Aleck Sam | • Elsie Barto | • Sarah McGuire |
| • Amos Riley | • Jane Searson | • Tom Brown |
| • Bill Brennard & wife | • Jerry James | • Warren Brainard |
| • Birdie James | • John Sherman | • Weaver Denman |
| • Cy Thomas | • Miranda Berry | |
| • Della Prince | • Nora Koonskin (Miller) | |

Please contact Lynnika if you have photos or any other information about these elder speakers that you would like to share!

Rra'dutwasuduk waw ('We respect/think highly of you all' = respectfully),

Lynnika Butler (Gutsviyaqhulilh / Linguist) lynnika@wiyot.us | (707) 798-1949 x302

Nina Lorence-Ganong (Curriculum Development & Language Data Specialist)

Tsek Houdagh “Where the Children Are At”

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez

Humboldt Bay Native Youth Community Project

Back To School Supplies Give Away

Date: September 10, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM– 6:00 PM (while supplies lasts)

Location: Wiyot Tribe Community Center

1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA

K-12 Wiyot students and Native American students attending partnering school districts in the Eel River Valley may be eligible to receive Back to School Supplies.

Eligible Students must have a current JOM application on file with the Wiyot Tribes Education Department and/or a completed 506 Form for Loleta Elementary Union School District or Fortuna Union High School District. JOM/506 Forms will be available on site. JOM/506 forms must be completed and signed by the students legal guardian/parent.

Back to School Supplies will be available on a first come first serve bases and until supplies lasts.

Back to school supplies will not be held for pick up.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Hernandez, at (707) 733-5055.

Humboldt Bay Native Youth Community Project

Calculator Loan Program

Scientific & Graphing Calculators available to Native American students to loan for the 2024/2025 school year.

Students must have current JOM form with the Wiyot Tribe and/or a 506 form with Loleta Union Elementary School District or Fortuna Union High School District.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Hernandez at (707)733-5055.



Tsek Houdagh “Where the Children Are At”

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez

Summer Youth Leadership

This summer, seven Native Youth in grades 8th to 11th participated in the Humboldt Bay Native Youth Community Project’s Summer Youth Leadership Development programming. During the course of six weeks, Native Youth dedicated their time to volunteer, plan and implement community-based-learning projects. Students were placed into cohorts with 1 or 2 of their peers. Each cohort was assigned a community-based topic, including food sovereignty, elder nutrition, early childhood education, and culture/ language revitalization. Each cohort was placed within a Wiyot tribal government department, including education, public works, health and human services, and culture.

Through mentoring and collaboration, students were able to develop community-based learning projects and implement them throughout their community. These projects included developing culturally responsive curriculum for the Tsek Houdagh Youth Center, building raised garden beds for our

community playground, and creating Soulatluk videos and media. To gain experience and hands-on training, students shadowed and worked with professionals in each field. Students also participated in professional development and obtained certification in food sanitation, health and safety, and filmmaking. Students also attended weekly leadership trainings through True North Organizing Network. At the end of the six-week programming, students created presentations and showcased their hard work to their families and community.



Youth Leaders receiving their program certificates!



Early Childhood Education Cohort implementing curriculum with Tsek Houdagh Participant. Curriculum activities included nutritional activities, physical education activities, cultural activities, and more!

Tsek Houdagh "Where the Children Are At"

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez



Culture & Language Revitalization Cohort participating in a filmmaking workshop and filming throughout our community!



Food Sovereignty/Elder Care Cohort building raised garden beds.



Tsek Houdagh "Where the Children Are At"

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez



Food Sovereignty & Elder Care Cohort Preparing Elder Meals!



Students Participating in Youth Leadership Trainings with True North Organizing Network!



Students presenting their community based learning projects with their families and community!



Tsek Houdaqh “Where the Children Are At”

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez

Native Youth Fitness Camp

This summer the Wiyot Tribe’s Education Department hosted a Native Youth Fitness Camp with Calisthenics Warrior’s Abram Benally. Abram Benally is a Navajo tribal member, who travels the country providing Native American youth with motivational speeches and confidence-building exercises. By sharing his experience in education, the Navy Reserves, and as a competitor on the hit television show Ninja Warrior, Abram aims to empower the next generation and encourage Native American youth to challenge themselves and persevere.

Over 3 days, Native Youth came together and participated in a calisthenics obstacle course. Students from grades 3rd to 11th challenged themselves to develop the skills and knowledge needed to successfully complete the course, including a warped

wall. The three-day fitness camp focused on supporting students' self-confidence, promoting mental and physical health, fostering positive relationships, and developing team-building skills.



Summer Youth Activity Program

The Tsek Houdaqh Summer Youth Activity Program celebrated a summer of fun by spending a day soaking up the sunshine on the Wiyot Reservation. With the help of 500 water balloons, water toys, and ice cream sundaes, the Summer Youth Activity Program sent summer off with a splash! After a successful summer of fun, the Tsek Houdaqh staff would like to thank our community volunteers for dedicating their time to supporting our program and youth.



WE ARE HIRING

Wanna join our team?

- Environmental Planner
- Child Care Teacher
- Cultural Youth Development Supervisor
- Eel River Valley high school site lead
- Eel River Valley Elementary Site lead.
- Eel River Valley Tutor
- Cultural Youth Docent



For application, job description and additional information contact Wiyot Tribe Human Resources at online at:

<https://www.wiyot.us/Jobs.aspx>
or email
humanresources@wiyot.us

Resume's and CV's are not accepted without a signed application

Positions are open until filled

September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Tribal Office Closed Labor Day	3 Enrollment Mtg 12 pm	4	5	6	7
8	9 BCM 4 pm	10	11 Patriot Day	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 First Day of Autumn Last Day request for Absentee Ballot	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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MEETING

Semi-Annual Meeting October 5th, 2024
Polls open 10 am-1pm
1000 Wiyot Dr. Loleta, CA 95551

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

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Wiyot Day 2024



All my Relation dance group



Calpulli Tonalehqueh (Aztecs)



Kmud Vendor



Wiyot Day 2024

Hou thank you to all who came out for Wiyot Goutsuwe'n, to the staff, council, volunteers, dancers, drummers, and vendors who make it happen. Save the date for Wiyot Goutsuwe'n August 23, 2025.



Brian Mead Sr. & Brian Mead Jr.



Tsek Houdagh cracking Acorns



Jai Kibby & Family



In honor of LGBT History Month, we're thrilled to spotlight the 2nd annual North Coast Two Spirit Conference ! 🌈🌟

This year's event is a powerful opportunity to celebrate and uplift Two Spirit voices and their essential role in our shared history and future. Whether you're a longtime advocate or new to the community, this is a chance to connect, learn, and grow together.

September 29th 10-4 at the Wharfinger building in Eureka. Register to reserve your spot today at <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSf.../viewform>



Two Feathers, Queer Humboldt and the Wigot Tribe are delighted to be cohosting the second annual North Coast Two Spirit conference!

Witness the amazing work being done locally, support 2S/LGBTQIA+ native youth and build community with us. This is an all ages event with free food and incentives for those who attend. To claim your spot, register using the QR code or go to: <https://tinyurl.com/bd68uzyr>

NORTH COAST

Two Spirit

CONFERENCE

September 29, 2024 10AM-4PM

Wharfinger Building
1 Marina Way
Eureka CA 95501

SCAN ME



If you have any questions, please contact Tai at (707)267-6438

Stop The Hate funding is provided by The California Department of Social Services, with support from The Center at Sierra Health Foundation as its administrative entity. Elevate Youth California supports this project through Proposition 64 funds. The California Department of Health Care Services contracts The Center at Sierra Health Foundation to support the implementation of this program.



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TABLE MOUNTAIN RANCHERIA

21st Annual

POW-WOW

Honoring The Language Keepers

\$50,000 in Cash Prizes!
Drum Contest
Dance Competition
Teen & Junior Categories (Dance Contest)

Master of Ceremonies:
Tom Phillips

POW WOW held at
Casino Resort
Pow Wow Grounds

2024
September 13th - 15th
FRIANT, CALIFORNIA

CENTRAL VALLEY'S LEADING POW-WOW!

Free Admission & Parking
Open to the Public
Please bring own chairs!
No Pets, Drugs, or Alcohol Allowed!

For more information call:
Office: 559.316.6399 Fax: 559.822.2693
Email: powwowcommittee@tmr.org

All Dancers & Drummers Welcome!
Arts & Craft Vendors Welcome!

35th Annual
SYCUAN POWWOW
SEPTEMBER 6, 7 & 8 2024

Head Staff
MCs - Reuben Little Head & Ral Christman
ARENA DIRECTOR - Clifton Goodwill
HEAD SINGING JUDGE - Rooster Top Sky
HEAD DANCE JUDGE - Yainee Baker
HEAD MAN - Xavier Little Head
HEAD WOMAN - Jonna Brady
HEAD YOUNG MAN - Brave Brown
HEAD YOUNG WOMAN - Faith Gates Gastelum
HOST DRUM - SHOWTIME

Dance Categories
GOLDEN AGE MEN 65+
Northern Traditional, Southern Straight, Grass, Fancy, Chicken
GOLDEN AGE WOMEN 65+
Northern Traditional Buckskin/Cloth, Southern Buckskin/Cloth, Jingle, Fancy
SENIOR ADULT MEN 50 - 64
Northern Traditional, Southern Straight, Grass, Fancy, Chicken
SENIOR ADULT WOMEN 50 - 64
Northern Traditional Buckskin/Cloth, Southern Buckskin/Cloth, Jingle, Fancy
ADULT MEN 34 - 49
Northern Traditional, Southern Straight, Grass, Fancy, Chicken
ADULT WOMEN 34 - 49
Northern Traditional Buckskin/Cloth, Southern Buckskin/Cloth, Jingle, Fancy
JUNIOR ADULT MEN 18 - 33
Northern Traditional, Southern Straight, Grass, Fancy, Chicken
JUNIOR ADULT WOMEN 18 - 33
Northern Traditional Buckskin/Cloth, Southern Buckskin/Cloth, Jingle, Fancy
1st \$1,000 2nd \$800 3rd \$599
TEEN BOYS 13 - 17
Northern Traditional, Southern Straight, Grass, Fancy
TEEN GIRLS 13 - 17
Northern Trad. (Combined), Southern Trad. (Combined), Jingle, Fancy
1st \$400 2nd \$300 3rd \$200
JUNIOR BOYS 6 - 12
Northern Trad. Southern Trad. (Combined), Grass, Fancy
JUNIOR GIRLS 6 - 12
Northern Trad. Southern Trad. (Combined), Jingle, Fancy
1st \$300 2nd \$200 3rd \$100

Singing Contest
1st - \$8,000
2nd - \$6,000
3rd - \$4,000
4th - \$2,000

Peon Games
Men 1st \$3,000 2nd \$2,000
Boys 17 Under 1st \$1,000 2nd \$800
Bird Singing & Dance Contest
Bird Singing Group
1st \$1,000 2nd \$700 3rd \$500
Men 50+ Women Bird Dance 50+
Men 36-49 Women Bird Dance 36-49
Men 18-35 Women Bird Dance 18-35
1st \$600 2nd \$500 3rd \$300
Teen Boys Bird Dance 13-17 Boys 7-12
Teen Girls Bird Dance 13-17 Girls 7-12
1st \$300 2nd \$200 3rd \$100

Bird Head Staff
MC - Jambakle Webb
Bird AD - Ryder Christman
Bird Coordinator - Jadeane LaBrake

PLEASE DO NOT TOUCH FEATHERS, BEADWORK, NATIVE REGALIA
PLEASE ASK BEFORE TAKING PHOTOS

MORONGO THUNDER & LIGHTNING POW WOW

SEPTEMBER 27-29,
2024

Save The Date

Stillwater Pow Wow



October 4th - 6th, 2024

Redding Rodeo Grounds
715 Auditorium Dr, Redding, CA 96001

Save the Date California Native American Day



Autumn Johnson
Class of 2024!



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Anderson, Jade
Arellano, Keri
Atwell, James
Berens, Alyssa
Bigelow, Gabriel J.
Black, Dawn
Black, Justin C. CPL
Boyd, River Xion
Brown, Ryah
Calderon-Stephenson, Maya K.
Crawford, Machel
Crawford, Niquel
Creech, Landen
Crellin, Daniel
Divis, Beverly
Duclo, Donnell
Evenson, Geneva
Evenson, Helen
Evenson-Foster, Nova-Aya
Fowler, Joshua
Garcia, Nikki
Gilchrist, Hunter J.
Gonzales, Xochilt
Greenberg, Tyler
Guyer, Jennifer
Hosp, James H.
Johnson, Heath
Johnson, Sherri
Jones, Joseph C.
Keller, Janet
Keller, Sonya
Kemp, Mona
Klingsporn, Angela
Lane, Susan
Lange, Terry
Lee, Ashley
Lopez Jr., Jorge
Mager, Maia
Mallett, Natalie
Mead, Conner

Moritz, Greta
Olson, Cassandra
Olson, Johnathon
Owen, Marion
Owen, Rickey
Owen-Mead, Betty Lynn
Rasco, Leland
Rivera, Andreas
Rossig Roth, Kaydence
Rossig, Vernon
Tarig, Mikael M.
Taylor, Sarah
Tipton Jr, Thomas K.
Tipton, Zakariya
Tompkins, Austin
Trehearne, Anita
Wolff, Melody
Woodhurst, Roy



Did you move and forget to change your address?

Address changes can be faxed (707) 733-5601 or

Emailed:

addresschange@wiyot.us

If your address isn't up to date you may not receive your quarterly Rou Wenoutwilh payments, newsletter and other important Tribal mail. Also, when changing your address make sure to include children who are part of your household.

Please note there is a \$25.00 charge for a stop payment to replace checks lost in the mail. This is a recovery fee for the bank charge to stop payment on the check. To avoid this fee keep your address up to date wait 90 days from the date the checks were mailed out to reissue another RSTF check.



Da Rou Gawok “Everyone working Together” Administration

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator
Vacant.....Administrative Analyst
Gary Markussen Jr.....Council Support
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant
Heather Blevins.....Administrative Assistant
Hazel Garcia.....Receptionist
Farzad ForouharFinance Manager
Jack Kennard.....
.....Accounts Payable Specialist

Gou’will da lalouluwuk “Taking care of People” Health And

Human Services Department

Robert Pitts Jr.....Social Work
Liz Edwards.....Laqilh Haluni (Elders Program)
Brian BoldenTransportation Driver
Vanessa Rios..... Laqilh Haluni (Elders Program)
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT

Dishgamu Community Land Trust

Vacant.....Director
Donna Wilson.....Property Manager
Vacant.....Project Manager
Vacant.....Advancement Manager

Lhatsik Houmoulul’l “Cultural Department

Ben Brown.....Da Gou louwi” Director
Dr. Lynnika ButlerLinguist
Nina Lorence.....Soulatluk curriculum/Data specialist

Ga’muluk Hagu’n Public Works Department

Ted Hernandez.....Public Works Director/THPO
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper
George Buckley.....Water Operator
Brian Mead.....Water Operator in Training/Maintenance

Tsek Houdagh Education Department

Elizabeth HernandezDirector
Melinda Ramirez.....Youth Program Assistant

Shawir Darrudaluduk “Natural Resources Department”

Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director
Vacant.....Fisheries Technician
Marissa McGrew.....Natural Resources Technician
Zack Erickson.....Forest Resources Specialist
Mariah Buckley....Intern Gardener
Vacant.....Nursery Manager

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Wiyot Tribal Council

VacantTribal Chairman (2025-2028)
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2023-2026)
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)
Michelle Hernandez.....Treasurer (2024-2027)
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member (2021-2025)
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2024-2027)
Leo JamesCouncil Member (2025-2028)



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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: () _____

Previous Names Used: _____

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

Signature: _____

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