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# Hall: Integrity, honesty, humility important Martin wants to see youth thrive, enjoy life

By ROSELYNN YAZZIE  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL – Develynn Hall is a contestant for Miss Shoshone-Bannock. She's always wanted to run for the title and feels now is the time she's ready for it.

When asked what it takes to be a good representative for Miss Shoshone-Bannock, she said it's to have integrity, honesty, humility, and being open when it comes to learning.

She feels her background working for the tribes at the Sho-Ban Casino Hotel front desk for two years and working with youth at the Boys & Girls Club, as well as being in the Army National Guard and her work with the Fort Hall Veterans Organization have prepared her for this important role.

Develynn is 21-years-old and a resident of the Gibson District. Her Indian name is Dazseem Yhp meaning "Star Woman." Her parents are Bryce Hall and Helena Jack.

If selected as Miss Shoshone-Bannock her platform will be to fight to empower the youth. Her involvement with the Fort Hall Youth Council has shown her the importance of what youth can do in uplifting their community.

Enlisting in the Idaho Army National Guard has been a huge contributor to her growth by giving her more confidence, discipline and motivation.

"It allowed me to open up more freely within myself," she said.

Her military occupation is a 74D; Chemical, Biological, Radiological & Nuclear Specialist (CBRN). She attends drill at the Blackfoot Armory. She falls under the 1-116th



MSB candidate Develynn Hall. (Roselynn Yazzie photo)

Calvary Brigade Combat Team, specifically the 1-148th Field Artillery Regiment, Alpha Battery. Her job consists of conducting CBRN training for her unit, managing the CBRN room with various equipment, and advising the Commander on how to navigate CBRN situations and environments.

Her message to youth is to be involved within their community and to be supportive and encouraging of their peers.

Her honors include being a Private First Class in the Idaho Army National Guard. She's a commanding officer of the Fort Hall Veteran's Organization. She's CPR/First Aid certified, Hazmat certified. She's the Boys & Girls Club Youth Development Professional and a UNITY advisor.

She's served her community by taking part in the color guard at powwows and

events; being a tribal youth advisor; student travel chaperone for UNITY; teacher for Boys & Girls Club members; Idaho Out of School STEM Lab trainer.

Her hobbies include writing short stories and poems, spending time with her family and friends, traveling locally and out of state, and karaoke singing in the car with her friends.

Her educational goals are to go to Idaho State University and participate in the ROTC program.

Develynn late aunt, Tara Hall, has made a huge impact in her life and showed her how to be playful and interact with others, especially kids.

"At the end of the day we are big influences on how they are brought up and so I kind of strive to be like her," she said.

Develynn is a traditional. See HALL, page A8

FORT HALL – Sophia Martin, 20, is a Miss Shoshone-Bannock candidate.

She is the daughter of Lebyron and Amanda Martin. She resides in the Fort Hall District. Her Indian name is Standing with Horse.

Her platform as Miss Shoshone-Bannock will be to stand up to abuse, rape and sex trafficking. She wants people to know there are people who are willing to stand up for victims of it, to help them out of that kind of predicament. "Everyone matters I want them to know they can better themselves and turn their life around and not be scared to ask for help," she said in her application.

She attended the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy where she became certified in blood pressure checks and drawing blood. She was able to graduate early and focus on herself to learn independence and entering adulthood.

Her message for youth is she wants them to know the world is bigger than the reservation. "I want to see them thrive, go out and enjoy your life but always remember there is a consequence to your actions." She said if you got a chance take it. "Don't ever let anyone belittle you, no matter what you do someone is always going to say something but it is your life go make something of yourself."

Sofia's involvement in the community is every



MSB candidate Sophia Martin. (Roselynn Yazzie photo)

year she volunteers to help pick up trash. She also volunteered to help at a shelter/thrift store where she helped give out food and necessities to those in need.

Her hobbies include going to powwows, hand gaming, rafting, paddle boarding, going on walks, being around horses, four wheeling, swimming, beading, attending relays and rodeos.

Sophia is looking into attending Central Wyoming College in Riverton to become a certified nurse's assistant.

Sophia's style of dance is traditional. She recently made both of her traditional dresses with her

bahu Megan Pabawena. "It means a lot to me because we both learned as we went." Her grandma Tracy Martin did a set of her beadwork and Pabawena helped her on another set. Her hutsi Armina Martin helped her make her high top leggings that was also a learning experience. She noted traditional is an old style dress - it's been around before jingle and fancy style was brought up. She said old style traditional was danced when our people would get ready to go into war with the colonizers and other tribes.

Her traditional dish is making ash bread and See MARTIN, page A8

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*We hope you enjoy your stay and join us again next year!*

For more information on the Tribes, visit [www.sbtribes.com](http://www.sbtribes.com)  
For a list of daily Festival activities, visit [www.shobanfestival.com](http://www.shobanfestival.com)



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**LOCAL**  
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**EDUCATION**  
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County Fair 4H  
results



**SPORTS**  
New Fort Hall  
Rodeo royalty  
named



## Youth learn about careers during Grand Teton visit

By JAMES HILL  
Sho-Ban News

KELLY, Wyo. — Tribal Youth Employment Program participants had the chance to go camping in Grand Teton National Park for a week in cabins provided by Teton Science School (TSS).

Participants got to learn about conservation careers in ethnobotany, and explored different internships National Park Service (NPS) has to offer. The group explored surrounding areas and took part in various activities including white water rafting, hiking, and swimming.

Participants ate lunch with the very first Native American Director of the NPS Chuck Sams, an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation located in Northeast Oregon.

Sams is also a veteran of the U.S. Navy, after his service he obtained his bachelor's degree in business administration and a Master's degree in legal studies specializing in Indigenous People's law.

Tribal member Bobette Haskett spoke about the tribes culture and history sharing dried chokecherries and showing the group her personal collection of artifacts. Her daughter Taylor Haskett, spoke about archaeology and about her job at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) and experiences with her internship at the NPS.

Tribal Education Program Manager Jessica James said, "This was all possible through an agreement with the tribes and the Grand Teton National Park to share conservation careers with our students and what better way to do it than with our summer youth employees."

A total of 16 youth



Tribal youth swim with the Tetons in the background. (James Hill photos)



Native American Director of the NPS Chuck Sams, on right, speaks to kids.



Bobette Haskett gives a cultural presentation to youth.

were present during the trip with three of them returning from last year and said they already look forward to next year's adventures here.

## Coordinators ready for Festival



Festival Coordinator  
Joseph Spirit Wadsworth



Powwow Coordinator  
Dustina Abrahamson

By ROSELYNN YAZZIE  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL – Final preparations for the 58th annual Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival are underway through the collaboration and efforts of many.

First time Festival Coordinator, Joseph Spirit Wadsworth, said he's excited to see how everything will come together during the event and hopes everyone enjoys themselves.

Due to the short amount of time they had to plan there are no major improvements, however, they've done upkeep on what they could, such as repainting the Arts & Crafts and emcee booths. In addition to maintaining the grass and grounds. Important reminder for campers, because of the dry conditions fires are not allowed.

Showers are available at Timbee Hall from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the Festival Grounds Shower facility, hours will be posted.

Wadsworth is hoping with early planning for next year's event they can do more to upgrade the arbor, rodeo grounds and possibly build a new Handgame area, if funding allows.

All vendor spots at the Festival Grounds are sold out and they have over 90 vendors. Vendors at the

Rodeo Grounds are full too.

Attendees need to be cautious of the construction on Interstate 15 at Exit 80, which will have a new interchange design with building set for 2024. Girder placement is anticipated on August 7, 9, 14 and 16 and will occur from 9:30 p.m. to 7 a.m. During this time I-15 will have full lane closures northbound and southbound. All traffic will be rerouted over the ramps on the closed lanes.

The Fort Hall Veterans Association is welcoming all veterans to the Veterans Awning, located on the south east side of the Festival Arbor. The group will have a flag raising at the Delbert Farmer Arbor at 10:45 a.m. on August 10 and brunch at 11 a.m. That same night they will host a Junior Boys 7-12 Grass and Teen Girls 13-17 Jingle special. They will have a Veteran's Feast on August 11 and 12, and a brunch on August 13 at 11 a.m.

The All-Indian Men's, Women's and Co-ed softball tournaments are being run by the Johnson and Thompson families. It will take place August 11 and 12. Brackets are in the Sports section of the Sho-Ban News.

On Sunday, August 13 Good Shepherd Episcopal Church will host a

See Festival, page A7

## FHBC councilman Matsaw represents Sho-Ban Tribes at RMTLC meeting

By ECHO MARSHALL  
Tribal Public Affairs

BILLINGS, Mont. – The Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council (RMTLC) quarterly board/alliance meeting titled "Sovereignty Under Attack" was in Billings, Montana July 26-27.

Fort Hall Business Councilman Sammy Matsaw Jr. attended on behalf of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes. Sammy is the delegated liaison from the FHBC to the RMTLC.

Several agenda topics were discussed including an update from Montana Sen. John Tester (D-Mont.) who provided information on his efforts for Indian country since 2019, a presentation on Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS), a report from the RMTLC Health Subcommittee, a CMR Refuge buffalo update, the Zero



FHBC Councilman Sammy Matsaw Jr., Chairman Lee Juan Tyler and others with the Amber Alert Toolkit. (Echo Marshall photos)

Suicide grant project, National Training Center for Indian Social Workers (NTCISS), and MMIP Search and Rescue.

A Regional Healing Center (RHC) is being proposed in Montana. A presentation on the

preliminary findings were presented by Terra Branson from Clause Law, P.L.L.C. who is conducting the initial project study with One Fire and Associates, LLC. The RHC would be a substance abuse and mental health



FHBC councilman Sammy Matsaw Jr.

facility accessible to all RMTLC tribes. A location has not yet been deter-

mined, however options were provided based off data in the initial study.

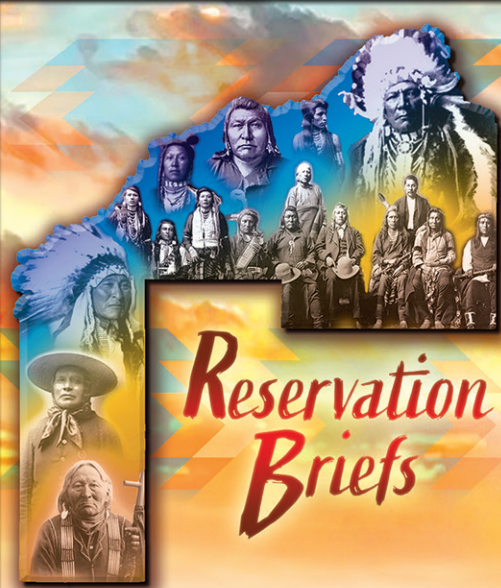
Other questions still to be answered include who will own the facility, how the facility will be governed and how the facility will be operated.

The meeting concluded with an Amber Alert Toolkit distribution to tribes by Valerie Briebecas and Janell Rasmussen from the Amber Alert in Indian Country Program. The toolkit contained items needed in the event of an Amber Alert including a camera, scanner/printer, tablet, and other technology related items necessary to properly responding to a missing persons incident. The toolkit was provided to the Fort Hall Police Department.

The mission of the AMBER Alert in Indian Country Initiative (AIIC), is to assist tribal communities in developing

See RMTLC, page A7





## Reservation Briefs

### Waapi Kani Recovery Garden

Waapi Kani (Cedar House) has a Recovery Garden where people are welcome to help out or meditate in a calm setting. For more information call 208-478-4043.

### Fort Hall Veterans meetings

Fort Hall Veterans organization meetings are every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Tribal Business Center Council Chambers. Topics include goals, Bylaws and Constitution, membership and incentives. Light food and beverage provided.

### Waapi Kani meeting information

Waapi Kani (Cedar House) Mental Wellness & Recovery Services (Former Four Directions) invites you to join them and bring your lunch for our Brown Baggers all addictions support group at noon Monday to Friday. They also invite the community to join them for virtual community prayer every Tuesday at 4 p.m. on Zoom. Meeting ID: 842 7837 9599 Passcode: 721376.

### Women's Support Group

Women's Support Group is every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Victims Assistance Program building 115. Discussions include domestic violence, rape, stalking and sexual assault. Attendees learn signs of domestic violence and safety planning. If you have a friend or relative who could benefit from the group contact the VAP at 208-478-3992 or 4037.

### Law enforcement misconduct complaints

Complaints of misconduct of Tribal Law enforcement officers may be submitted to the Tribal Citizen Review Board, Tribal Justice Center. Complaint forms are at the Bulletin Board across from the Tribal Attorney's Office, Tribal Business Center and the reception area of the Fort Hall Police Department, Tribal Justice Center. Anyone with a viable complaint may submit a notarized complaint at the Tribal Administration in house mail or at the Fort Hall Police Department reception desk or mail to Citizen Review Board, P. O. Box 306, Fort Hall, Idaho 83203.

### Idaho Food Bank distribution

Idaho Food Bank distribution is Thursday, August 17 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the old casino or until food boxes are gone. Enter southeast entryway to the parking lot and follow signs. First come, first serve. Organizers include Idaho Foodbank, SB Tribes 477 program, THHS Diabetes project, TOEM, Tribal Planning and Housing Opportunities program.

### Fort Hall Transfer Station hours

Fort Hall Transfer Station hours are Monday to Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vehicles must be unloaded five minutes prior to scheduled closure. All vehicles must have the green stickers and they're free to resident tribal elders. Pick them up at Land Use Department or Solid Waste.

### Bannock & Shoshone language classes

Shoshone and Bannock class is one day a week with Shoshone class Tuesday at noon and Bannock class on Monday at noon. Regular class schedule will resume August 21. Contact Theresa Bache at 208-236-1187 for further information.

### Assembly of God Food Bank

The Fort Hall Assembly of God Foodbank is the second Tuesday of the month from 9 a.m. until noon at the church.

### Post office hours

Fort Hall Post Office window service is from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Saturday hours are from 10 a.m. to noon. Box fees due can be paid with check or money order made out to Postal Services so please include your box number in the memo line and make it for the correct amount. The lobby opens at 5 a.m. Any questions or concerns contact 208-478-3797.

## Shoshone-Bannock dancers at the War Bonnet Round Up



Stormie Perdash, jingle dancer, at the opening ceremony August 3. (Rylee Ortiz photos)



Fancy shawl dancer SallyAnne Jack dances at the War Bonnet Round Up opening August 3 in Idaho Falls.



## Dennis E. Chandler

IDAHO FALLS —Dennis E. Chandler, 68, of Idaho Falls, passed away Friday, July 28, 2023, at Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center.

Dennis was born December 18, 1954, to Ross Chandler and LaFay Fallis Chandler in Blackfoot, Idaho. He grew up in Pingree, Basalt, Firth, and Lincoln Creek, Idaho. He attended and graduated from Firth High School. In 1973, he married Bernita Teton, and they were later divorced in 2000.

Dennis worked at Idaho Supreme and at various fabrication shops throughout Idaho, California, and Alaska. He also worked in ranching and farming from 1975-2000. He lived in Wapello, Idaho from 1954 to 1974, then moved to Lincoln Creek, Idaho until 2000, and has

lived in Idaho Falls for the past twenty-three years.

Dennis enjoyed Fishing, camping, hunting, cattle roundups, and his motorcycle. He was a very hard worker.

Dennis is survived by his daughters: Candace L. Chandler (Allden Mosho) of Gibson, Idaho. Angela (Casey) Murillo of Pocatello, Idaho, and Lisa Ignace of Lincoln Creek, Idaho; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Andrea L. Chandler; his parents: Ross Chandler and LaFay Chandler; his brother, Boyd Chandler; his sisters: Cynthia Chandler, Marilyn Waters, and Donna Walters.

The family received friends from 6 to 8 p.m., on August 2, 2023, at Coltrin Mortuary. Cremation is under the care of Coltrin Mortuary, Idaho Falls.



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## Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Government "Health Resource Fair"

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Government is having a community "Health Resource Fair" to help membership **avoid** a loss or gap in their Medicaid/CHIP/SNAPP coverage.

Idaho Medicaid is reviewing your eligibility. Redetermination deadline: 08/31/2023

**Documents to bring to redetermine your coverage:**

1. State / Tribal ID and CIB
2. Social Security card
3. Bank statement (most recent 30 days)
4. Most recent taxes
5. Most recent Pay stub
6. Child support documents (if applicable)
7. Copy of household expenses (mortgage, utilities, rent, etc.)

Boxed lunches, door prizes, and \$50.00 gas vouchers for redetermination participation.

### Location:

Shoshone-Bannock Chiefs Event Center

### Dates and times:

- Thursday, 8/3/23 10am-5:30pm
- Wednesday, 8/16/23 10am-5:30pm
- Thursday, 8/24/23 10am-5:30pm

### Event questions and concerns

Tribal Health Admin Office:

Polly Hevewah  
208-478-3921

Polly.Hevewah@sb-thhs.com





# Mike "Sak" Sakelaris & Velda Racehorse honored as Festival Parade grand marshals

By **LORI ANN EDMO**  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Shoshone-Bannock Festival Parade grand marshals are Mike "Sak" Sakelaris for the Children's Parade August 10 and Velda Racehorse for the Festival Parade on August 12.

Sakelaris is the former Fort Hall Recreation director who recently retired in February after 55 years of employment.

Sak said when he replied to the request to serve, "I said it would be great – my last appearance." He asked Eddy Kniffin and Tadrashell Sister Murray if they would ride with him and they said okay, "so it will be the three of us in the parade, "We all ran the Recreation program and I could not have done it without them."

He retired February 3. When he walked into the Recreation Office that day with a reusable grocery bag to gather his belongings, he answered a few telephone calls, attended a celebration party in his honor and was done. Sak didn't need a bigger container for his things because he has lots of memories.

Sak just turned 79 noting he was supposed to retire at age 70 but because things changed he decided it was time. "I'm set in my ways and I've had a hard time with some of the decisions made out here (recently) and I



Mike "Sak" Sakelaris



Velda Racehorse

would rather retire, stay at home and have peace of mind than have hassles."

People asked if he had a hobby but he said he needed rest. He noted life expectancy is 78 to 79 years but he believes he has ten more good years. "You never know." "I'm retiring at a good age, I can still walk around and my wife's retired."

He had a plan in place with his wife Rube to go to the Pocatello Senior Center for lunch with the "old people" and get in on the pinochle games there but he hasn't made it yet because of too many chores.

Racehorse, an archivist at the Tribes Language and Culture Preservation Department, said she was

surprised to be asked to be the Festival Parade Marshal. "It is a great honor to be able to participate in such an event and am humbled," she said. "Bless everyone that participated in all the various events being held during this Festival and enjoy meeting with old and new friends including family members that are returning to Fort Hall to visit."

She has worked for the Tribes for 66 years and has worked as the Tribal Archivist for 16 years and prior to that was Tribal Enrollment Director.

As archivist she interviews tribal members regarding knowledge of traditions, culture and family history. She maintains a records management system involving family trees, death records, census cards, name changes, etc. She collects historical documents. She documents community events and oral histories.

Over the years she has administered several tribal programs, assisted in the establishment of Chief Tahgee Elementary Academy, served on several tribal committees, was a member of the Fort Hall Business Council, a Tax Commission member, Tribal Associate Judge, a Law and Order Commission member and is a member of the Tribal Bar Association. She is a featured elder in the Festival Magazine.

# Local dancers perform at War Bonnet Round Up opening ceremony

By **RYLEE ORTIZ**  
For the Sho-Ban News

IDAHO FALLS — Some Shoshone-Bannock Tribal dancers and other community members did a dance performance at the opening ceremony of the War Bonnet Round Up August 3.

The Spring Creek Singers sang for the dancers at what is referred to as Idaho's Oldest Rodeo — the 112th year of the event at Sandy Downs. Every year the Shoshone Bannock Tribes participates in the opening ceremony. The event continues through August 5 at 7 p.m. The event is on the Professional Rodeo Circuit Association and the Shoshone Bannock



Local dancers at War Bonnet Round Up. On right, Seymour Eagle Speaker. (Rylee Ortiz photo)

Casino Hotel is a sponsor. Shelby Woolstenhulme, a War Bonnet Round Up representative said, "We take a lot of pride in the relationship

we have from the beginning of this rodeo back in 112 years ago. It all started with the warbonnet and tribal members, so we really wanted to try to

establish a better connection between what we can provide here in Idaho Falls as a city event and make that connection with the Tribe."



Dancers include: Perdash, Seymour Eagle Speaker, Paizlee Furniss, Enika Mae Whelan and Paisley Buckskin. Syan Hooper, Lillian Eagle Speaker, Lethaniel Loley, Cambri Buckskin, Sallianne Buckskin, Stormie

# Fort Hall Community

# CHILD FIND

**FOR CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 5 YEARS OLD**

## Friday, August 25, 2023

## 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## At: ECP/Head Start

**APPOINTMENTS ARE NEEDED**

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If your child has difficulty walking, talking, learning or displays behaviors that are concerning, this opportunity will provide screenings for motor, cognitive, and language abilities for your child.

For a screening appointment call  
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# Arizona mom never stopped looking for daughter who appeared 4 years later in Montana

HAVRE, Mont. (AP) — When Alicia Navarro disappeared in 2019 from her home in a Phoenix suburb days before her 15th birthday, she left a signed note for her family promising she would return.

"I will be back. I swear," the note read. "I'm sorry."

Believing she would keep her promise, Jessica Nunez never stopped searching for her daughter.

She paid for a billboard ad in Mexico that featured a photo of her daughter for a year. She bought 10 more ads in Las Vegas. She spoke at events and gave media interviews to raise awareness. She left flyers all around Glendale — at salons, truck stops, parks.

Nunez's yearslong search came to an end July 23 when her daughter, now 18, walked into a small-town Montana police station near the Canadian border and identified herself as the missing teenager.

Police said Navarro told them she hadn't been harmed, wasn't being held, and could come and go as she pleased. She does not face any criminal charges, they added.

Investigators are now trying to determine what happened to Navarro after she disappeared and how she ended up in Havre, Montana, more than 1,300 miles (2,090 kilometers) from her home.

A spokesperson for the Glendale police said Friday that no one has been taken into custody in Navarro's disappearance. Officer Gina Winn declined to say whether investigators know how long Navarro was in Montana.

Glendale police Lt. Scott Waite said at a news conference July 26 they were looking into all the possible scenarios that could have led to Navarro's disappearance, including kidnapping.

Over the years, Nunez had raised concerns that Navarro, who was diagnosed with autism, may have been lured away by someone she met online.

In Havre — a town

of about 9,200 people surrounded by farmland and north of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation — Navarro's story had residents buzzing even though most had never seen or heard of her. It also piqued interest when a team of heavily armed law enforcement officers entered an apartment and took a man into custody just a few blocks from the Havre police station Wednesday night, witnesses told The Associated Press.

As many as 10 uniformed and undercover officers showed up at about 8 p.m. and took him away in handcuffs. The man had been living in the apartment, said Rick Lieberg, who lives across the street.

A young woman later emerged from the apartment — one of six units in an aging building in a residential neighborhood — who Lieberg said he had not previously seen. The woman resembled a photograph of Navarro that was released by police, he said.

Jonathan Michaelson, who lives next door, said he was questioned Wednesday night by a plainclothes police officer from Arizona who asked whether he had ever seen a girl at the apartment next door. He said he had not.

"If she was in that apartment, I'm surprised I never saw her," Michaelson said.

A person who works at the Dollar Tree in Havre, Jeff Hummert, said he saw a young woman resembling a photograph of Navarro last year in a city park just up the street from the apartment raided by police Wednesday. She was walking alone and carrying a plastic Walmart bag, Hummert said.

Theories about how Navarro came to be in Montana topped the conversation among the regulars at a coffee shop inside Gary & Leo's IGA, a grocery store in downtown Havre. With scant details from authorities, most of the talk — about Navarro's possible destination and whether she was being coerced — was conjecture, said former county Coro-

ner Steve Sapp, who joined the discussion.

"When you're in law enforcement, all these different stories about what happened make it hard to tell which story is really true," Sapp said. "I would really like to know more."

Nunez declined an interview request. But for years, she had documented her efforts to find her daughter on a Facebook page titled "Finding Alicia" and an audio podcast. In an emotional video viewed more than 200,000 times since it was posted Wednesday, Nunez told her tens of thousands of followers: "For everyone who has missing loved ones, I want you to use this case as an example. Miracles do exist. Never lose hope and always fight."

Nunez had amassed a loyal following on social media throughout the years while sharing inspirational quotes, photos of Navarro as a young child and posts addressed directly to her daughter.

"Alicia I know you will fulfill what you promised," Nunez wrote in one post. "You will be back."

People across the U.S. reached out to the Arizona mother to ask how they could help, creating an informal network of volunteers. They shared photos and information through the Facebook page.

Glendale police said this week that they received thousands of tips over the years.

In a short video clip that Glendale police said was taken shortly after Navarro arrived at the Montana police station, she can be heard telling authorities, "No one hurt me." In another short video, Navarro thanked the police.

"Thank you for offering help to me," she said.

# Letter to the editor

## Cancer Warrior Honoring / Women's Fancy Shawl Special

2023 Shoshone-Bannock Festival  
Cancer Warrior Honoring / Women's Fancy Shawl Dance

Sponsored by American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN)  
Sunday, August 13th

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) collaborated with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Patient Navigator to strengthen the connection with our Tribal community to fight cancer together.

This year's theme for the Festival is: Honoring the strength & resilience of our ancestors.

We are celebrating this year's theme by honoring our Cancer Warriors who are currently fighting the disease and to

remember those that have passed on.

Honoring Cancer Warriors during the Festival has never been done before. ACS CAN is the first organization to do this.

This will be a truly memorable experience to honor our cancer warriors.

We will honor the Cancer Warriors through a Women's Fancy Shawl Dance.

Before the dance, we will place illuminated Lights of Hope Bags in the arena.

These bags will be sold at our vendor booth during the Festival.

Respectfully,  
Nancy Wahtomy  
Patient Navigator  
Shoshone Bannock Community Health Services

## Elders for Justice to host informative meeting

Letter to the Editor,  
The Elders for Justice is pleased to announce upcoming Community members informative meeting regarding Tribal Court paperwork such as motions, writing temporary custody of family member's children or

child, response to upcoming hearing, Self-help on Individual Wills is another subject we will do how, what, and items needed to do a will, and any other issues individuals need assistance with court paperwork and wills.

We will let the com-

munity members know by Sho-Ban Newspaper, face book, and flyers regarding date, time, and location.

Sincerely,  
Elders for Justice-The Last Generation

## Tyler appreciates Buffalo Lodge Daguwenne support

Good Morning  
Tsagu Beachuku,  
Peshayu Awuwas

I would like to take time to acknowledge our Buffalo Lodge Daguwenne, Committee along with all the helpers this year!

Was outstanding we appreciate all our helpers in all various aspects!

From us singing at the grounds from July 6th, 13th, 22nd then standing on Thursday night the 27th then going into our Sacred Lodge Friday to Monday!

The individuals going after our lodge poles, cross poles, shade trees, the main pole our sacred Hoopeta' Bavee etc!

Everything that took place with all our sacred gifts of life we follow to the best of our ability the

teaching from our elders passed to us that shown us like the medicinal plant elements that we use as our people provided as well!

Our many relatives, families Nanewene', who came to the sunrises or to the dance throughout the weekend! People donating dekup along with the ladies who cooked as well!

The singers of course that endured the extreme heat during the day and cool stillness perhaps of the evenings; the backup ladies singing, very beautifully as well!

Everything throughout our ceremony was a huge successful blessing. We appreciate everyone from our whole heart in a great way.

Ose Tsai  
Yes along with Alfee

Watomy as well being out Dagwagape! Everyone that said prayers throughout the ceremony; Lloyd Yupe for nanishundehi, for the Holy Poha Pa'a;

Clinton Houtz, Pete Broncho, for coordinating in many aspects, so humbled and many others to the respect for their hard work! This goes out to everyone who helped out and our to Shoshone-Bannock people, for another year accomplished it's an awesome way of life!

I just wanted to share this great opportunity! The prayers over our sacred water of life thank you. What more can I say all the dancers until another day we shall continue Ose dem no'

Memevaiganduse!  
Lee Juan Tyler

## FHBC enrollment resolution transmittal of July 19, 2023

In accordance with those stipulations, regarding resolutions and ordinances, as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, provided herein is a description of resolutions enacted by the Business Council of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, during the special meeting of July 19, 2023:

ENRL-2023-0057 Enrollment applicant, CJB approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0058 Enrollment applicant, CLBS approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0059 Enrollment applicant, CJC approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0060 Enrollment applicant, LRD approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0061 Enrollment applicant, ZAE approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0062 Enrollment applicant, TCH approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0063 Enrollment applicant, MKI approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0064 Enrollment applicant, OXLP approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0065 Enrollment of applicant, RRM approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0066 Enrollment of applicant, KAN approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0067 Enrollment of applicant, ARP approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0068 Enrollment of applicant, DCMOQ approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0070 Enrollment of applicant, WTT approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0071 Enrollment of applicant, ORT approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0072 Enrollment of applicant CJNW approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0073 Applicant, WLB denied for enrollment with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0074 Applicant, IKL denied for enrollment with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0075 Applicant, DML denied for enrollment with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0076 Applicant, SPM denied for enrollment with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0077 Enrollment of applicant, AXP approved and accepted as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0078 Approved a voluntary relinquishment of KAH, as an enrolled member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

ENRL-2023-0498 Special Counsel Jeanette Wolfley, the Tribal Enrollment Committee and Department directed to work cooperatively to address issues pertaining to conflicting provisions defined in the Tribes' 2007 and 2021 Enrollment Ordinances.

Should there be any questions and/or comments regarding any part of this transmittal, please feel free to contact myself, Tribal Secretary Claudia J. Washakie or Chairman Lee Juan Tyler.

Respectfully submitted,  
FORT HALL BUSINESS COUNCIL  
Billie A. Appenay  
Tribal Administrative Secretary



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**FESTIVAL, continued**

Worship Service at the Festival Arbor at 10 a.m.

Handgame Tournament will take place in a tent at its usual location.

Wadsworth said the various committees he's been working with have been the best at being accountable and timely.

He encourages people to volunteer next year to take part in the learning process, especially the younger generation.

"To volunteer is to show you support your events that happen in your area," he said. "If you support your events, you support your people and your own family."

He thanked the Fort Hall Business Council members for stepping in to help with the Festival.

They're hosting a feast on Sunday, August 13 at 4 p.m. They will have salmon and buffalo prepared by the Shoshone-Bannock Casino Hotel.

He also thanked Public Affairs Manager Echo Marshall for her help in doing outreach and seeking sponsors.

Powwow Coordinator, Dustina Abrahamson, said the committee is excited the celebration will "Honor the strength & resilience of our ancestors."

"When we recognize our past I guess it empowers us to know who we are and where we go forward into the future," she said.

She said the event puts pride back into the people.

She commended

Wadsworth for doing an awesome job and being very positive and supportive of all the committees making it possible for things to run smoothly. She's looking forward to the improvements they can make next year as there's always room for to make something better. She expressed her appreciation to all the volunteers, who donated their time.

"This is for the people. It's about the people," she said.

She wants to do her best to make a good presentation, but also an enjoyable powwow for the visitors.

"We want people to see the beauty of our people on the Shoshone-Bannock Indian Reservation," said Abrahamson.

**Galloway new Technical Assistance Specialist for IAC NW region**

FORT HALL — Lorrie Galloway is a new Technical Assistance Specialist with the Intertribal Agriculture Council Northwest Region.

She is an enrolled Shoshone-Bannock tribal member and her base of operation is in Fort Hall.

She will provide direct assistance with USDA program access to tribal producers, tribal entities, tribal governments regarding outreach, eligibility and program application support in Idaho and Oregon. Other assistance includes agriculture and natural resource management planning, project development support, partnership leveraging, government to government relations, planning and supplemental resources identification.

Lorrie said in an IAC press release she is a producer following in the foot-



**Lorrie Galloway**

steps of her grandmother and great grandfather. "In my free time, which is few and far between, I enjoy spending time with my children, exercising our Treaty rights to hunt, fish and gather for subsistence."

She said she's excited to join the IAC team and looks forward to providing technical assistance to Native producers.

Her first eight to ten weeks she will be in training according to IAC officials.

**RMTLC, continued**

programs to safely recover missing, endangered, exploited or abducted children through the coordinated efforts of the tribes and their local, state and federal partners by using training and technology to enhance response capacities, capabilities and increase public participation in protecting children. For more information on AMBER Alert in Indian Country visit <https://www.amberadvocate.org/amber-alert-in-indian-country/>.

Upon conclusion of the meeting Councilman Matsaw recommended topics on education and energy be included on the next meeting agenda. "It would be great to hear discussions on hydropower and other nuclear energy initiatives that other tribes are working on", he said. "It is good that we have a seat at the table during these important discussions that affect not only the tribes represented by the RMTLC, but all of Indian Country. I look forward to returning with specific updates from the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and recommended agenda topics that are currently not being discussed."

A tribal leader from the Confederated Salish Kootenai Tribe made a special comment recognizing Fort Hall's Taking a Stand Against Elder Abuse Conference

that was held in May. He recommended all tribal leaders and others should attend to learn about elder abuse and what is happening.

The RMTLC is governed by the Tribal Leaders Council, which is representative of the following Tribes: Blackfeet Tribe, Chippewa Cree Tribe of Rocky Boy, Fort Belknap Indian Community, Fort Peck Tribes Assiniboine-Sioux, Crow Tribe, Little Shell Tribe of Montana, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, Eastern Shoshone Tribal Council, Northern Arapaho Tribal Council, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and Piikani Nation.

The mission of the RMTLC is to preserve our homelands, defend rights of the Indian Treaties with the United States, speak in a unified voice, offer support for our people, offer a forum in which to consult each other and enlighten each other about our peoples, and to otherwise promote the common welfare of all of the Indian Peoples of Montana, Wyoming and Idaho. The goal is to create an environment conducive to change within our communities by cultivating positive collaborative efforts with a sense of purpose by building strong, healthy societies where respect and honor is a way of life. For more information visit [www.rmtlc.org](http://www.rmtlc.org).

**FHBC resolution transmittal for July 25, 2023**

In accordance with those stipulations, regarding resolutions and ordinances, as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, provided herein is a description of resolutions enacted by the Business Council of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, during the special meeting of July 25, 2023:

CTRT-2023-0531 Approved Independent Contractor Agreement No. F&W-ICA-23-125 with the Fish and Wildlife Department and Watershed Solutions, Inc.

CTRT-2023-0532 Approved Independent Contractor Agreement No. THHS-ICA-23-120 Modification No. 1 with the Tribal Health and Human Services Department and Sunflicker, LLC.

CTRT-2023-0533 Approved Service Order Document No. DOC-0001233001 between the Information Technology Services and CenturyLink dba Lumen Technologies, to provide continued monthly professional services.

CTRT-2023-0534 The Finance Department authorized to transfer funds from the Wells Fargo Advisors Gaming Distribution Account to Wells Fargo General Fund Checking Account.

FHBC-2023-0535 Matthew West approved to receive a Pendleton blanket, for his years of service as a Tribal employee within the Tribal Courts/THHS/VAP Program.

CTRT-2023-0536 The Early Childhood Program deemed compliant with the Head Start Act Sec. 648A Staff Qualifications and Development (g)(3), by enforcing corrective action.

LAND-2023-0537 Approved Pahsimeroi Capital, Inc., to purchase property located in Bannock County, Idaho, within the boundaries of the Reservation, defined as Swore Farms Parcel 3 owned by Tribal member, Gary Woonsook.

LAND-2023-0538 Approved Pahsimeroi Capital, Inc., to purchase property located in Bingham County,

Idaho, within the boundaries of the Reservation, owned by Colter and Christa Lake. A portion of the property where the home located shall be surveyed and published for sale to the Tribal membership within a period of one-year.

LGMT-2023-0539 The Office of Tribal Attorneys approved to bring a civil action against Greg Hoskins, d.b.a. UBC Precast for all claims the Tribes have against him related to breach of his agreement with the Tribes and failure to comply with TERO.

FHBC/CRTS-2023-0540 Confidential involving a minor child.

Should there be any questions and/or comments regarding any part of this transmittal, please feel free to contact myself, Tribal Secretary Claudia J. Washakie or Chairman Nathan Small.

Respectfully submitted,  
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# Cordova committed to public service & helping others

By LORI ANN EDMO  
Sho-Ban News

WASHINGTON D.C. — Lauren Cordova, a Shoshone-Bannock tribal descendant, believes everyone has a purpose in life and hers is to serve as she's committed to public service and helping others.

In her work as a Udall Foundation Program Associate she sees a lot of young people who are passionate about making change in their communities. "These young people are smart and talented. The world remains a tough place in which to live and survive, but our ancestors did it, and we are here because of them." "I think all of us can benefit from helping each other in whatever ways that we can," she said.

Lauren has a primary role facilitating the Native American Congressional Internship Program and she works with the John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution in its Native American and Alaska Native Service Area. She also supports the Education Programs team with the Udall Undergraduate Scholarship as well as the Morris K. Udall and John S. McCain III Native American Graduate Fellowship in Tribal Policy.

Previously she worked as a bar manager, admissions contractor and many other positions. She also serves on the Board of Trustees for Appel Farm Music and Arts Camp in Elmer, New Jersey.

Born in Albuquerque, N.M. she moved to northern Virginia when she was three years old because her parents Lorraine P. Edmo and Jerry Cordova worked for the federal government and in the nonprofit sector for 25 years. Lauren



Lauren Cordova with Shoshone-Bannock tribal flag in the Department of Interior in Washington D.C. (Submitted photo)

attended school in Annandale, Virginia, and graduated from Annandale High School. She attended Northern Virginia Community College and later American University as a part of the Washington Internship for Native Students (WINS) program. "I worked in different jobs in the District of Columbia area as well as in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and New Jersey."

She was taught by family on both sides — especially from her mom and grandmother Maxine Edmo to care for people and help them out. "I carry that with me today everywhere I go. I also cherish the times that I get to spend with my family because family is important. We as Native people are never just out here in the world individually, we rely on the prayers of our family and communities to propel us forward. I couldn't do anything that I do without my family and my ancestors keeping me

strong."

Lauren said she learned from her Taos Pueblo side the importance of community roles. "Everyone pitches in, everyone works hard. I work hard because I was always taught to do so by both sides," she continued. "From my Edmo side I learned to be strong and not be scared of anything. I also learned to be proud of who we come from, as well as the importance of education. I think about my ancestors and my grandparents all the time and pray for their guidance when times get tough. I am proud to work in a role that connects others to experiential learning and other forms of education because that was always a value on both sides of my family."

Although she doesn't yet have children, when she does, she wants to pass on all the teachings she's learned as well as the importance of languages. "I'll probably use my mean

Auntie voice on them, too, like I learned from my mom and aunts."

Regarding her family history, Lauren said she's grateful to come from strong leaders on both sides. "On my Mom's side, I am descended from Chief Racehorse, Chief Arimo, my Grandpa, Kesley Edmo Sr., and others. On my Dad's side, I come from a long line of Kiva leaders and governors including my grandpa Onesimo Cordova, my great grandpa Manuel Cordova, and my dad Jerry Cordova."

Special moments in her life that stand out includes her initiation at Taos Pueblo as well as all the times spent going up in the mountains with her Edmo family. "I also remember being a kid and sitting at the table listening to my uncles talk about politics and government at Taos and Fort Hall and wanting to know what it was all about," she said. "It feels good to have grown up in those conversations and now be working on some of the topics of discussion. I'm grateful to all of my family for making me who I am today, especially all of my aunts and uncles."

Her inspiration growing up are her parents. "My Mom is my biggest inspiration. She works hard and shows up for everyone — that's what I aspire to do in my life." Also, her dad. "He is so smart and taught me almost everything I know about sovereignty, philosophy, and the inner workings of bureaucracy. If I make it to be half as knowledgeable as he is, I'll be set for life."

In her spare time she loves to go fishing and travel. She likes to try new things and new types of food because she likes to cook. She also is trying to be better about reading more books.

Regarding the impact of her work she believes



Jerry Cordova & Lorraine Edmo.

the biggest impact her work has on people is the opportunity to learn by doing. The participants in the Udall Foundation Native American Congressional Internship Program have access to a number of networking opportunities, and they are fortunate to have a great alumni network that allows them to set up enrichment activities where interns can meet with influential leaders in Indian Country.

"Some highlights so far from my Udall Foundation work include helping plan a powwow for the interns, meeting Secretary Deb Haaland

at the U.S. Department of the Interior and being invited to attend the Fourth of July celebration on the rooftop of the Interior building and meeting former Rep. Xochitl Torres Small ahead of her confirmation as Deputy Secretary of Agriculture," she said.

Her advice to youth is even though she is in her current position and a very positive point in her life, she's been through a lot of hard times. "I used to struggle with alcohol, and I have had anxiety and depression most of my life." Lauren has had very low points and felt very alone and "like I was no good." But what helped her was to reconnect with family and community.

"If any of you ever feel like you can't do something, remember that your ancestors made it through so much and that you are here for a reason. When you feel alone, remember they are always with you. Be strong. You can do so many things if you work hard and ask for help when you need it. Be brave," she concluded.

HALL, continued from A2

tional dancer. Her regalia was made by her great, great grandmother, Dolly Waterhouse Ponso, it's an old style dress learned from her mother.

During the competition, for her traditional dish, she will be making two types

of traditional Indian tea. She learned how to prepare the tea by her grandmother Ilene Ballard Williams.

For her traditional talent presentation she'll be deboning the hindquarters of a deer, which was a skill she learned from her father.

MARTIN, continued from A2

dried deer meat with spring water. Her hutsi Armina and her uppah Lebron Martin Jr. are who sat her down, made her watch and learn.

Her traditional talent will be scraping and tanning a hide. She will show how her family scrapes and tans a hide.

Sophia said an experi-

ence that helped her grow as a young lady is learning from her mistakes she's done wrong such as in school and trying to figure out her life. "We all do things we regret doing but it is up to you if you want to learn from it."

She was first attendant to Miss Shoshone-Bannock 2022-23 Kaycee Dixey.

The Miss Shoshone-Bannock Royalty Committee has extended the deadline for Miss Shoshone-Bannock applications to August 7 at 1 p.m. We printed those submitted as of press deadline.

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## As work begins on the largest U.S. dam removal project, tribes look to a future of growth

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The largest dam removal project in United States history is underway along the California-Oregon border — a process that won't conclude until the end of next year with the help of heavy machinery and explosives.

But in some ways, removing the dams is the easy part. The hard part will come over the next decade as workers, partnering with Native American tribes, plant and monitor nearly 17 billion seeds as they try to restore the Klamath River and the surrounding land to what it looked like before the dams started to go up more than a century ago.

The demolition is part of a national movement to return the natural flow of the nation's rivers and restore habitat for fish and the ecosystems that sustain other wildlife. More than 2,000 dams have been removed in the U.S. as of February, with the bulk of those having come down within the last 25 years, according to the advocacy group American Rivers.

When demolition is completed by the end of next year, more than 400 miles (644 kilometers) of river will have opened for threatened species of fish and other wildlife. By comparison, the 65 dams removed in the U.S. last year combined to reconnect 430 miles (692 kilometers) of river.

Along the Klamath, the dam removals won't be a major hit to the power supply; they produced less than 2% of power company PacifiCorp's energy

generation when they were running at full capacity — enough to power about 70,000 homes. Though the hydroelectric power produced by dams is considered a clean, renewable source of energy, many larger dams in the U.S. West have become a target for environmental groups and tribes because of the harm they cause to fish and river ecosystems.

The project will empty three reservoirs over about 3.5 square miles (9 square kilometers) near the California-Oregon border, exposing soil to sunlight in some places for the first time in more than a century.

For the past five years, Native American tribes have gathered seeds by hand and sent them to nurseries with plans to sow the seeds along the banks of the newly wild river. Helicopters will bring in hundreds of thousands of trees and shrubs to plant along the banks, including wads of tree roots to create habitat for fish.

This growth usually takes decades to happen naturally. But officials are pressing nature's fast-forward button because they hope to repel an invasion of foreign plants, such as starthistle, which dominate the landscape at the expense of native plants.

"Why not just let nature take its course? Well, nature didn't take its course when dams got put in. We can't pretend this gigantic change in the landscape has not happened and we can't just ignore the fact that invasive species are a big problem in

the west and in California," said Dave Meurer, director of community affairs for Resource Environmental Solutions, the company leading the restoration project.

PacifiCorp built the dams starting in 1918 to generate electricity. The dams halted the natural flow of the river and disrupted the lifecycle of salmon, a fish that spends most of its life in the Pacific Ocean but returns to the chilly mountain streams to lay eggs. The fish are culturally and spiritually significant to a number of Native American tribes, who historically survived by fishing the massive runs of salmon that would come back to the rivers each year.

A combination of low water levels and warm temperatures in 2002 led to a bacterial outbreak that killed more than 34,000 fish, mostly Chinook salmon. The loss jumpstarted decades of advocacy from Native American tribes and environmental groups, culminating last year when federal regulators approved a plan to remove the dams.

"The river is our church, the salmon is our cross. That's how it relates to the people. So it's very sacred to us," said Kenneth Brink, vice chairman of the Karuk Tribe. "The river is not just a place we go to swim. It's life. It creates everything for our people."

The project will cost \$500 million, paid for by taxpayers and PacifiCorp's ratepayers. Crews have mostly removed

the smallest of the four dams, known as Copco No. 2. The other three dams are expected to come down next year. That will leave some homeowners in the area without the picturesque lake they have lived on for years.

The Siskiyou County Water Users Association, which formed about a decade ago to stop the dam removal project, filed a federal lawsuit. But so far they have been unable to stop the demolition.

"Unfortunately it's a mistake you can't turn back from," association President Richard Marshall said.

The water level in the lakes will drop between 3 feet and 5 feet (1 meter to 1.5 meters) per day over the first few months of next year. Crews will follow that water line, taking advantage of the moisture in the soil to plant seeds from more than 98 native plant species including wooly sunflower, Idaho fescue and Blue bunch wheat grass.

Tribes have been invested in the process from the start. Resource Environmental Solutions hired tribal members to gather seeds from native plants by hand. The Yurok Tribe even hired a restoration botanist.

Each species has a role to play. Some, like lupine, grow quickly and prepare the soil for other plants. Others, like oak trees, take years to fully mature and provide shade for other plants.

"It's a wonderful marriage of tribal traditional ecological knowledge and western science,"

said Mark Bransom, CEO of the Klamath River Renewal Corporation, the nonprofit entity created to oversee the project.

The previous largest dam removal project was on Washington state's Elwha River, which flows out of Olympic National Park into the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Congress in 1992 approved the demolition of the two dams on the river constructed in the early 1900s. After two decades of planning, workers finished removing them in 2014, opening about 70 miles (113 kilometers) of habitat for salmon and steelhead.

Biologists say it will take at least a generation for the river to recover, but within months of the dams being removed, salmon were already recolonizing sections of the river they had not accessed in more than a century. The Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, which has been closely involved in restoration work, is opening a limited subsistence fishery this fall for coho salmon, its first since the dams came down.

Brink, the Karuk Tribe vice chair, hopes similar success will happen on the Klamath River. Multiple times per year, Brink and other tribal members participate in ceremonial salmon fishing using handheld nets. In many years, there have been no fish to catch, he said.

"When the river gets to flow freely again, the people can also begin to worship freely again," he said.

## Oklahoma tribes will keep tobacco deals as lawmakers override governor's veto

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Native American tribes in Oklahoma will get to keep their existing agreements on how they share money from tobacco sales with the state.

The Oklahoma House voted on Monday to override Gov. Kevin Stitt's veto of a bill that extends agreements on selling tobacco for another year. In a bipartisan vote during a special session, the Republican-controlled House met the two-thirds vote needed to override. The Senate overrode the governor's veto last week.

As a result, any tribe with an existing agreement on tobacco sales can opt to extend the terms of that agreement until Dec. 31, 2024. Leaders from several of the state's most powerful tribes were in the gallery for Monday's vote.

The override is the latest development in an ongoing dispute between the Republican governor and several Oklahoma-based tribes. Stitt, himself a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, has said he wants to adjust the compact language to make sure tribes don't expand where they sell tobacco as a result of a landmark 2020 U.S. Supreme Court decision that determined the Muscogee (Creek) Nation's historical reservation still existed.

Since that decision, lower courts have determined the reserva-

tions of several other Native American tribes, including the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw and Seminole, are still intact.

"I do not believe Oklahomans want eastern Oklahoma to be turned into a reservation," Stitt said. "I will fight as long as I'm governor to make sure that we're one state with one set of rules."

The current tobacco compacts, which allow the state and tribes to evenly split the tax revenue on the sale of tobacco on tribal land, generate tens of millions of dollars each year in revenue for both the state and tribes.

Senate President Pro Tempore Greg Treat said last week he wants to give the governor more time to renegotiate the terms of the deal and has been openly critical of Stitt's disputes with the tribes. Treat, a Republican, also said he would consider changing state law to give the Legislature a greater role in compact negotiations if the governor doesn't negotiate in good faith.

Stitt also announced Monday that his office has filed a lawsuit against Treat and House Speaker Charles McCall in the Oklahoma Supreme Court seeking clarification on who has the authority to negotiate compacts with the tribes.

## Oklahoma attorney general joins lawsuit over tribal gambling agreements

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma's new Republican attorney general accused Gov. Kevin Stitt on Tuesday of failing to follow state law and said he's stepping into a long running legal dispute over tribal gambling agreements Stitt signed in 2020.

In a letter and personal phone call to the fellow Republican, Attorney General Gentner Drummond said he notified Stitt that he's joining the lawsuit to represent the state's interest at the request of House Speaker Charles McCall and Senate President Pro Tempore Greg Treat.

"As you should fully understand, this long running and costly litigation is a direct result of your refusal to follow Oklahoma law," Drummond wrote. "The four tribal gaming compacts you signed were invalid from the start because you did not have the approval or authorization from the Oklahoma Legisla-

ture to enter the gaming compacts."

Stitt's office did not immediately respond to a request for comment on Drummond's action.

The Cherokee, Chickasaw, Citizen Potawatomi and Choctaw nations filed a federal lawsuit in federal district court in Washington over the governor's gambling compacts with four other tribes: the Comanche Nation, the Otoe-Missouria, the Kialegee Tribal Town and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians. Private law firms hired by Stitt to defend the compacts have already racked up nearly \$600,000 in legal fees, Drummond said.

Stitt entered into those agreements after his failed attempt in 2019 to renegotiate the gambling compacts with all of the Oklahoma-based tribes, seeking a greater share of revenue for the state and arguing that the compacts approved by voters in 2004 had expired. A

federal judge ultimately sided with the tribes and said the compacts automatically renewed.

Since then, Stitt's relationship with tribal leaders has continued to worsen, prompting criticism from fellow Republicans about his hostile approach to tribal negotiations. Treat, the Republican leader of the state Senate, said this week lawmakers may consider taking control of negotiating tribal compacts away from the governor.

Casino gambling is a booming industry in Oklahoma, with more than 130 casinos dotting the state, ranging from gas station annexes to resort-style hotel casinos, many of them in border communities, since voters approved a gambling expansion in 2004. The fees the tribes paid to the state for the exclusive right to casino-style gambling totaled nearly \$200 million last year, most of which was earmarked for public schools.

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# USDA publishes free & reduced-price meal income guidelines

BOISE - Families in Idaho can now view the 2023-2024 income guidelines and apply for free and reduced-price meals for the upcoming school year.

Each year, the Idaho State Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs announces the income guidelines for free and reduced-price meals for students in schools operating the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, and for free milk in schools operating the Special Milk Program. In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability.

Free and reduced-price meals are available for eligible students, and qualifying schools may offer the Special Milk Program. Eligibility is determined by household size and income, and categorically eligible children qualify for free meal benefits. Qualifying students receive meals or milk without charge, or may pay a reduced price of no more than 40 cents for lunch and 30 cents for breakfast.

Children from households whose income is at or below the following levels are eligible for free

or reduced-price meals or special milk program if meals are not offered:

Children in households receiving Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance to Families in Idaho (TAFI), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) are eligible for free meals and may submit applications for these children with abbreviated information. Additionally, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) participants may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. In August, households receiving SNAP or TAFI benefits will be directly certified to receive free meal or milk benefits by a letter from their school advising them of their eligibility for free meal or milk benefits. No other application or verification of eligibility is required for students directly certified.

When identified, the household will be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals if the individual child is receiving educational support through migrant, homeless or runaway education, Head Start, or is in court-ordered foster care. Households notified

of their children's eligibility must contact the school if the household chooses to decline the free meal benefits. The household will be notified by the district if the school is operating a Special Provision Option, such as Provision 2 or CEP, which provides free breakfasts and/or lunches to all students.

Households not receiving notification of eligibility for free or reduced priced meals may apply for benefits by completing a confidential application for free or reduced-price meals or free milk. An official at the school will review the confidential application and determine eligibility. Children in eligible households may receive meal benefits regardless of immigration status, and applications may be submitted anytime during the school year as circumstances change.

Parents or guardians who become unemployed may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals or for free milk during the period of unemployment, provided that the loss of income causes the household income during the period of unemployment to be within the eligibility criteria. Information provided on an application may be verified at any time during the school year. An application cannot be ap-

Reduced Price Meals					
Participants may qualify for reduced price meals if the household income falls at or below the limits on this chart					
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	26,973	2,248	1,124	1,038	519
2	36,482	3,041	1,521	1,404	702
3	45,991	3,833	1,917	1,769	885
4	55,500	4,625	2,313	2,135	1,068
5	65,009	5,418	2,709	2,501	1,251
6	74,518	6,210	3,105	2,867	1,434
7	84,027	7,003	3,502	3,232	1,616
8	93,536	7,795	3,898	3,598	1,799
For each additional family member add	9,509	793	397	366	183

Free Meals					
Participants may qualify for free meals if the household income falls at or below the limits on this chart					
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	18,954	1,580	790	729	365
2	25,636	2,137	1,069	986	493
3	32,318	2,694	1,347	1,243	622
4	39,000	3,250	1,625	1,500	750
5	45,682	3,807	1,904	1,757	879
6	52,364	4,364	2,182	2,014	1,007
7	59,046	4,921	2,461	2,271	1,136
8	65,728	5,478	2,739	2,528	1,264
For each additional family member add	6,682	557	279	257	129

proved unless it contains the following information:

A Food Stamp, SNAP, or TAFI case number (not Medicaid) for each child or an indication that the household is receiving FDPIR and the signature of an adult household member.

OR  
The names of all household members, the amount and source of income received by each household member in the prior month, the

signature of an adult household member, the actual number of household members, and the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application (or an indication that the signor has no social security number).

The information on the application may be verified at any time during the school year. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling

of the school official who determines eligibility may discuss the decision with the official. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal may make a written or oral request to the school's food service hearing officer (contact the school food service office for the name, address, and phone number of the officer) for a hearing on the decision.

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Fort Hall Boys & Girls Club member holds up coat while three youth sport their new coats. (Roselynn Yazzie photos)



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## Doctor who led Navajo COVID-19 response now in Maine

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — A doctor who led the successful COVID-19 response in the Navajo Nation in Arizona is returning to Maine to serve as director of the state Center for Disease Control and Prevention, officials said Thursday.

Dr. Puthiery Va earned her medical degree at the University of New England in Maine. She has extensive experience in primary clinical care, epidemiology and public health emergency response, making her well-equipped to deal with Maine's public health challenges, said Jeanne Lambrew, commissioner of the Maine Department of Health and Human Services.

Va is currently of director of public health at the Indian Health Service's Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility in Arizona. There she exhibited "exceptional leadership and tireless dedication" in working with the Navajo community during the pandemic and became a source of "unwavering hope and healing," said Roselyn Tso, director of the Indian Health Service.

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# Fort Hall 4-H enters over 400 projects in Bingham County Fair

FORT HALL – Over 400 Fort Hall 4-H projects were entered in the Bingham County 4-H Fair this year. All Fort Hall Projects received first place, blue ribbons. These projects will be entered into the Eastern Idaho State Fair in September.

Dustin Coby received a Judges Choice Rosette for his Macrame Project.

Clover Bud projects (ages 5-8) received a multicolored ribbon.

According to Nola Cates, from Fort Hall Ag Extension, the fair itself is a wonderful educational activity and a showcase for all the hard work and dedication that 4-H members have shown to their projects and clubs throughout the year.

Awards are as follows:

**Vegetables:** Reginald Haggard, Leandro Yupe, Riggin Haggard, Devin Pebeashy, Brayven Coby, Talyia Ish, Anna Bella Perry, Acacia Mendez, Skyla Skunkcap, Dustin Coby, June Graves-Chavez, Taylei Taggart, Taetyn Taggart, Ryan Moose,

Janene Taggart, Kayson Longhat, Martel Moose, Arianna Ariwite, Javery Yupe.

**Ag in the Classroom -** Pinto Beans: Paizlee Arellano, Izak Taryole, Presley Buckskin, Avery DeGarmo, Ginnet Morales,

Lyncia Denny-Jay, Ana Beasley, Brayven Coby, Talyia Ish, Leandro Yupe, Reginald Haggard, Riggin Haggard, Acacia Mendez, Skyla Skunkcap, Draiden Buckskin, Devin Pebeashy, Javery Yupe.

**Ag in the Classroom -**

Tomatoes: Kayson Longhat, Ryan Moose, Janene Taggart, Taylei Taggart, Martel Moose,

Arianna Ariwite, Dustin Coby, Taetyn Taggart, Draiden Buckskin, Lincoln Perry, Javery Yupe, Devin Pebeashy, Brayven Coby, Skyla Skunkcap, Leandro Yupe, Anna Bella Perry, Reginald Haggard, Ava Matsaw, Ana Beasley, Emma Matsaw, Paizlee Arellano, Sydney Farmer, Avery DeGarmo, Presley Buckskin, Taysaum Yazzie, Chloe Thomas, Tyus Yazzie, Izak Taryole, Syan Hooper, Leandro Big Bow.

**Macrame:** Syan Hooper, Taysaum Yazzie, Paizlee Arellano, Avery DeGarmo, Kiara Farmer, Tyus Yazzie, Lyncia Denny-Jay,

Izak Taryole, Eliseahna Evening, Ana Beasley, Emma Matsaw, Sydney Farmer, Ava Matsaw, Presley Buckskin,

Ginnet Morales, Jaylon Reed, Dustin Coby, Taylei Taggart, Taetyn Taggart, Arianna Ariwite, Leandro Big Bow,

Ryan Moose, Martel Moose, Janene Taggart, Kree Beasley.

**Evergreen/Christmas**

Trees: Arianna Ariwite, Kayson Longhat, Taetyn Taggart, Draiden Buckskin, Riggin Haggard, Leandro Yupe, Brayven Coby, Devin Pebeashy, Reginald Haggard, Tyus Yazzie, Izak Taryole, Emma Matsaw, Sydney Farmer, Wegus Coby-Yazzie, Chloe Thomas, Ana Beasley, Taysaum Yazzie, Ava Matsaw.

**Raspberries:** Janene Taggart, Kayson Longhat, Dustin Coby, Taetyn Taggart, Eliseahna Evening, Arianna Ariwite,

Leandro Big Bow, Skyla Skunkcap, Talyia Ish, Brayven Coby, Anna Bell Perry, Leandro Yupe, Acacia Mendez,

Draiden Buckskin, Lincoln Perry, Chloe Thomas, Sydney Farmer, Ana Beasley, Avery DeGarmo, Lyncia Denny-Jay,

Kiara Farmer, Presley Buckskin, Emma Matsaw, Ava Matsaw, Tyus Yazzie, Izak Taryole.

**Winter-Snow:** Taetyn Taggart, Dustin Coby, Arianna Ariwite, Janene Taggart, Taylei Taggart, Martel Moose,

Ryan Moose, Eliseahna Evening, Acacia Mendez, Skyla Skunkcap, Leandro Yupe, Lincoln Perry, Draiden Buckskin,

Anna Bella Perry, Brayven Coby, Reginald Haggard, Devin Pebeashy, Riggin Haggard, Kiara Farmer, Presley Buckskin,

Lyncia Denny-Jay, Sydney Farmer, Emma Matsaw, Taysaum Yazzie, Ava Matsaw, Avery DeGarmo, Izak Taryole,

Ana Beasley, Tyus Yazzie. **Colorful Fruits:** Izak Taryole, Lyncia Denny-Jay, Ava Matsaw, Emma Matsaw, Kiara Farmer, Tyus Yazzie, Chloe



Fort Hall 4-H group take photo at Bingham County Fair in Blackfoot. (Submitted photos)

Thomas, Syan Hooper, Avery DeGarmo, Taysaum Yazzie, Sydney Farmer, Javery Yupe, Lincoln Perry, Draiden Buckskin,

Devin Pebeashy, Talyia Ish, Reginald Haggard, Brayven Coby, Riggin Haggard, Leandro Yupe, Skyla Skunk-

cap, Acacia Mendez, Ana Bella Perry, Martel Moose, Leandro Big Bow, Taetyn Taggart, Ollie Heminokkeky, Ryan Moose, Taylei Taggart, Dustin Coby, Kayson Longhat, Ana Beasley, Presley Buckskin.

**Growing Vegetables:** Devin Pebeashy, Leandro Big Bow, Javery Yupe, Perilous

Hill, Taylei Taggart, Taetyn Taggart,

Dustin Coby, Kayson Longhat, Leandro Yupe, Ryan Moose, Eliseahna Evening, Martel Moose, Izak Taryole, Ava Matsaw,

Emma Matsaw, Presley Buckskin, Sydney Farmer,

See 4-H, page A12



Youth showing off his sheep.

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Fort Hall 4-H girls displaying their sheep off during the Bingham County Fair in Blackfoot, Idaho. (Submitted photos)

**4-H continued**

Chloe Thomas, Lillie Rose Manning, Kiara Farmer, Ana Beasley,

Taysaum Yazzie, Avery DeGarmo, Tyus Yazzie.

Canvas Painting - Flowers: Izak Taryole, Presley Buckskin, Tyus Yazzie, Chloe Thomas, Emma Matsaw, Syan Hooper,

Ava Matsaw, Avery DeGarmo, Sydney Farmer, Kiara Farmer, Lyncia Denny-Jay.

Camp - Teen Counselors: Paizlee Furniss, Chloe Weed, Bam Sequence, Colton Whitehead, Neitiri DeGarmo, Bealeah Farmer, Wegus

Coby-Yazzie.

**Clover Buds**

Vegetables: DeMarcus Pebeashy, Morning Mosho, Anthony Ish, Perilous Hill, Delilah Haggard, Zendaya Yupe,

Lincoln Perry, Jonni Buckskin, Devan Perry, Draid-en Buckskin, Zeme Soldier, Tiva Graves-Chavez, Cyril Moose, Ollie Heminokky, Rose Pahvitse.

Ag in the Classroom - Pinto Beans: Damen Taryole, Jak Buckskin, Traestan Beasley, Kiara Farmer, Tyler Benally,

Lilly St Clair, Nathan

Pokibro, Lillie Rose Manning, Jaylon Reed, Anthony Ish, Morning Mosho, DeMarcus Pebeashy,

Perilous Hill, Jonni Buckskin, Zendaya Yupe, Devan Perry, Delilah Haggard.

Ag in the Classroom - Tomatoes: Zeme Soldier, Ollie Heminokky, Cyril Moose,

Rose Pahvitse, Devan Perry, Zendaya Yupe, Jonni Buckskin, Perilous Hill, Delilah Haggard, Paisley Pokibro, Tyler Benally, Kiara Farmer, Nathan Pokibro,

Tyler Holiday, Jesse Foster, Jak Buckskin, Traestan Beasley, Lillie Rose Manning,



Gator Boyd proudly showing off his sheep and ribbon in front of the Bingham County Fair banner.

Lilly St Clair, Connor Thomas, Daman Taryole.

Macrame: Franklin Gould, Paisley Pokibro, Damen Taryole, Nathan Pokibro, Traestan Beasley, Lilly St Clair,

Tyler Benally, Jak Buckskin, Jesse Foster, Lillie Rose Manning, Tyler Holiday, Keanon Tinno,

Evergreen/Christmas

Trees: Ollie Heminokky, Zeme Soldier, Delilah Haggard, Zendaya Yupe, Jonni Buckskin, Perilous Hill, DeMarcus Pebeashy, Jesus Castaneda, Connor Thomas, Traestan Beasley, Damen Taryole.

Raspberries: Perilous Hill, Zeme Soldier, Ollie Heminokky, Rose Pahvitse, Jonni Buckskin, Zendaya Yupe, Morning Mosho, Anthony Ish, Devon Perry, Daymen Taryole, Nathan Pokibro, Conner Thomas, Jesse Foster, Paisley Pokibro, Tyler Benally, Keanon Tinno, Jak Buckskin.

Winter-Snow: Ollie

Heminokky, Zeme Soldier, Cyril Moose, Rose Pahvitse, Zendaya Yupe, Jonni Buckskin, Devan Perry,

DeMarcus Pebeashy, Perilous Hill, Delilah Haggard, Nathan Pokibro, Jesse Foster, Tyler Holiday, Traestan Beasley, Damen Taryole, Jak Buckskin.

Colorful Fruit: Connor Thomas, Lillie Rose Manning, Jesse Foster, Lilly St Clair, Nathan Pokibro, Damen Taryole,

Jak Buckskin, Tyler Holiday, Tyler Benally, Traestan Beasley, Morning Mosho, Zendaya Yupe, Anthony Ish, Jonni Buckskin,

Devan Perry, Perilous Hill, Demarcus Pebeashy, Delilah Haggard, Lavonte Dugger, Cyril Moose, Zeme Soldier,

Growing Vegetables: Perilous Hill, Anthony Ish, Zendaya Yupe, DeMarcus Pebeashy, Morning Mosho,

Devan Perry,

Lavonte Dugger, Ollie Heminokky, Zeme Soldier, Rose Pahvitse, Cyril Moose, Jak Buckskin, Jesse Foster, Conner Thomas, Damen Taryole, Traestan Beasley.

Canvas Painting-Flow-

ers: Jesse Foster, Lilly St Clair, Jak Buckskin, Connor Thomas, Tyler Benally, Tyler Holiday.

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Market Sheep - Fitting and Showing: All received Blue Ribbons

Paizlee Furniss, Chloe Weed, Dayton Tendore, Kirstyn Farmer, Kiara Farmer, Kalenna Edmo, Kaylana Edmo, Sholee Atcity, Cali Tinno, Thomas Eagle, Susan Avila-Dixey, and Gator Boyd.

Dayton qualified in the top 4 in the Junior Division showing his sheep. Gator, Paizlee, Chloe, and Susan qualified in the top 4 in the Intermediate Division showing their sheep.

Market Sheep - Quality: All received Blue Ribbons

Paizlee Furniss, Chloe Weed, Dayton Tendore, Kirstyn Farmer, Kiara Farmer, Kaylana Edmo, Kaylanna Edmo, Sholee Atcity, Cali Tinno, Thomas Eagle, Susan Avila-Dixey, and Gator Boyd. Gator received a Red Rosette placing him second place in the Intermediate Division, which qualified him for the Championship round.

Market Goat - Fitting and Showing: All received Blue Ribbons - Paizlee Furniss, Chloe Weed, and Dayton Tendore.

Paizlee and Chloe competed for Top Showman in the Intermediate Division.

Market Goat - Quality: All received Blue Ribbons - Paizlee Furniss, Chloe Weed, and Dayton Tendore.

Paizlee and Chloe placed in the top 4 in the Intermediate Division

Dairy Heifer - Fitting and Showing: Tessa Cutler took first place in Fitting and Showing in the Intermediate Division and Reserve Grand Champion in Quality.

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Tessa Cutler with her dairy heifer.

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# School supplies, coats distributed at Back 2 School Bash

By ROSELYNN YAZZIE  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL - It's that time of year again and winding down to the last days of summer students are getting ready to head back to school. The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Back 2 School Bash was on August 1 and 2 at Timbee Hall.

At the event, school clothing applications for Shoshone-Bannock youth were available for parents to fill out and turn in. Applications will be taken until funds are depleted.

Over 400 packs of school supplies were distributed to students in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Pocatello Indian Parent Committee contributed over 200 backpacks, which they got from funding from Title IV and JOM.



Parents sign up their students.

They ran out on the first day by 1 p.m.

Operation Warm was on hand to give out over 450 winter coats with assistance from the Fort Hall Youth Council. They were funded by Marathon Petroleum.

Michael Andrews, senior partnership development manager for Operation

Warm, said, "Our mission is to provide brand new winter coats and shoes to children living in need. We do it in all 50 states and parts of Canada. This last year we gifted our 5.5 millionth coat. We'll do about 300,000 pairs of shoes this year as well."

Operation Warm works with Title 1 schools, head



Fort Hall Boys Girls club hand out coats. (Roselynn Yazzie photos)

starts, Boys & Girls Clubs and other non-profit organizations that serve children living in need. They manufacture their own line of coats and shoes, which come in 15 different colors and styles.

This is their third event in Fort Hall.

Tribal Youth Education Manager, Dana Hernandez, said, "It's really important we do these events and try to include as many people as we

can for back to school because back to school is a big deal. It's probably one of our top events."

## Plans for Highland High School students to return for 2023-2024 school year

POCATELLO - According to the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District 25, plans are on schedule to return to school at Highland High School for the 2023-2024 school year.

School begins for all PCSD 25 schools on Wednesday, August 23. Since a fire partially destroyed Highland High School on April 21, the district has been working diligently to meet the goal to return learners and staff home to Highland High School with a traditional schedule for the new school year. The fire was ruled accidental and is a covered loss by the district's insurance carrier.

All classroom and instructional spaces that were not impacted by the fire are intact, clean, and ready to welcome learners and staff. The district has completed work to restore all major utilities to the site, including power, water, and gas. The evaluation phase of the insurance investigation is also completed and demolition of the impacted areas began on August 2. The demolition site will be fully secured to prioritize the safety of learners and staff and any unauthorized access is prohibited. The district will also complete environmental quality inspections prior to returning learners and staff to the building.

Working together with Highland's administration, the district has finalized plans for all displaced instructional, co-curricular, and extracurricular programs that will need to be temporarily relocated in alternate facilities, which include:

Highland High School Commons Area - Breakfast and lunch food service.

Calvary Chapel Church (1633 Olympus Drive): Band, choir and dance.

Vacated Princeton LDS Church Building (42 Princeton Avenue): Cheer, wrestling, storage.

Gateway Learning Center (located behind Highland High School near the Highland municipal golf course): Weight room, select PE/activity classes,

food service preparation.

Idaho State University, College of Technology: Welding.

Bannock County Fairgrounds South Parking Lot (Adjacent to stadium): Temporary parking solution.

Highland High School Small Gym: Anticipated to be completed early fall 2023.

Plans also include the use of the Mountain View Event Center and other district gyms to accommodate extracurricular activities, including games and practices, for volleyball,

boys and girls basketball, and other needs.

The generosity of the community has ranged from waiving or reducing rental fees and graciously sharing school facilities to instrument donations and financial contributions. One local church even paused the sale of its building to benefit the Highland school community.

"The community's support has been tremendous as we work to return Highland High School learners and staff back home with as little

disruption and inconvenience as possible," said Dr. Douglas Howell, Superintendent in a press release. "We've seen the community live the district's motto to 'Be more together in a way that will have a profound and lasting impact.'"

The district is also excited to welcome learners to the first day of classes held at the new Portneuf Valley Technical Education and Career Campus. PV-TEC is located at the former Allstate building located at 4200 Hawthorne Road. PV-TEC will host classes for the

following programs: Business Applications; Animal Science Vet Tech; Law; Certified Nurse Assistant; and Business, Computer and Cybersecurity.

Middle school and high school schedule pick-up is scheduled on August 9 and 10 from 8 a.m. to noon and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Learners may attend schedule pick-up at their regular school locations. PV-TEC will host Highland's schedule pick-up.

Highland High School will host a back-to-school night on Monday, August 21

at 7 p.m. Families are encouraged to attend the event with their learner(s).

For more back-to-school information, please visit [sd25.us/backtoschool](https://sd25.us/backtoschool).

See the HHS restoration progress: [https://youtu.be/-O\\_W5r9wSiA](https://youtu.be/-O_W5r9wSiA) or bookmark <https://highland.sd25.us/connect/fire-updates> for the most current updates on Highland High School.

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# Museum in New York state returns remains of 19 Native Americans to Oneida Indian Nation

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — A museum in Rochester, New York, returned ancestral remains of 19 Native Americans and funerary artifacts to the Oneida Indian Nation on Wednesday, striving for a “small step in the service of justice.”

The remains of Oneida ancestors include those of five men, three women and two adolescent girls who lived sometime between 200 to 3,000 years ago. A mix of pottery and other items traditionally buried with the dead were also returned, as required by federal law.

Hillary Olson, the president of the Rochester Museum and Science Center, apologized for the museum’s acquisition of the remains.

“We have perpetuated harmful practices including the excavation, collection, study, and display of Native American ancestors and their belongings,” she said during a repatriation ceremony in Rochester. “This repatriation does not change the past. But we hope that it is a small step in the service of justice.”

In 2000, the museum returned the ancestral remains of 25 Native Americans to the Oneidas.

The remains returned Wednesday were dug up from at least six burial sites throughout the state some time between 1928 and 1979. The remains were acquired during the museum’s excavations, or were donated to or purchased by the museum, where they had been housed ever since.

“Events like this allow us to move past these failures with a chance for cultural institutions to take accountability and make amends,” Ray Halbritter, who represents the tribe, said at the ceremony. “Repatriation is more than the simple return of remains and cultural artifacts.”

A growing number of museums, universities, and insti-

tutions throughout the nation have been grappling with how best to handle Native American remains and artifacts in their collections.

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, a federal law passed in 1990, requires museums and universities to disclose to the federal government the Native American items in their possessions, complete item-by-item inventories, and notify or transfer those items to affiliated tribes or descendants.

In February, Cornell University returned ancestral remains to the Oneida Indian Nation that were unintentionally dug up in 1964 and stored for decades in a school archive.

The Tennessee Valley Authority said in March that it intended to repatriate the remains of nearly 5,000 Native Americans.

In 2022, Colgate University returned more than 1,500

funerary objects including pendants, pots, and bells to the Oneidas. Those objects, which were buried with ancestral remains, were purchased in 1959 from the family of an amateur archaeologist who collected them from sites in upstate New York.

Despite these repatriations, efforts to return Native American artifacts still lag behind.

In 2022, an estimated 870,000 Native American artifacts, including remains that should be returned to tribes under federal law are still in possession of colleges, museums, and other institutions across the country, according to The Associated Press.

Olson, the president of the Rochester Museum and Science Center, said the museum currently has additional Native American objects in its collections, and that they are actively working to comply with the federal law.

## Blackfoot tribe declares emergency over Medicaid scam

BROWNING, Mont. (AP) — A widespread Medicaid scam that left an unknown number of Native Americans homeless in metro Phoenix is being declared a public health state of emergency by the Blackfoot Nation of Montana after the Navajo Nation took similar action in June.

The scam left an unknown number of Native Americans without shelter in the greater Phoenix area after Arizona’s Medicaid program suspended scores of programs suspected of fraud. The declarations allow the tribes to get staffing and other resources to help people hurt by the scam.

Those affected are from numerous tribes around the West, including the Blackfoot Nation. They were lured to the Phoenix area with promises of addiction treatment that was never delivered, then pushed into the streets when the facilities abruptly closed.

The emergency declaration was drawn up last month on behalf of the Blackfoot Tribal Business Council, the tribe’s governing body. Because several council members were traveling, it took several weeks to round up the necessary signatures before the document became public this week.

The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment system, which manages Medicaid payments for the state, in June announced changes aimed at stopping stop payments to deceptive orga-

nizations that have billed for services never provided.

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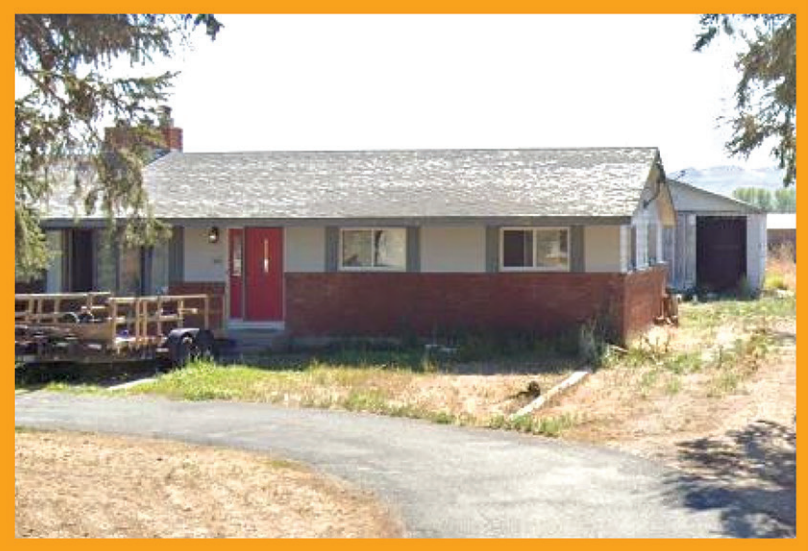
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**JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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August 11, 2023  
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August 11, 2023  
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**Anadromous Fish Biologist**  
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Anadromous Fish Program

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August 11, 2023  
Elderly Nutrition

**Refuse Transport Driver IV**  
August 11, 2023  
Land Use — Solid Waste

**Transit Dispatcher**  
August 11, 2023  
Transportation

**Enrollment Technician I**  
August 11, 2023  
Enrollment

**Head Start Teacher Assistant/Aide – Bus Driver (4)**  
August 11, 2023  
Early Childhood Program — Head Start

**Head Start Teacher/Bus Driver (3)**  
August 11, 2023  
Early Childhood Program — Head Start

**Environmental Scientist – Mining**  
August 11, 2023  
Land Use — EWMP

**TERO Director**  
August 18, 2023  
Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance

**Program Assistant II**  
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Tribal Credit

**Surveillance Officer (4)**  
UNTIL FILLED  
Gaming Commission

**CCDF Certificate Program Liaison**  
UNTIL FILLED  
Early Childhood Program — Child Care

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UNTIL FILLED

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UNTIL FILLED

**-SB Tribes continued-  
TRIBAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**THHS Director**  
August 11, 2023  
Tribal Health & Human Services

**Program Assistant**  
August 11, 2023  
Behavioral Health

**Mental Health Clinical Supervisor**  
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Behavioral Health

**Nurse Supervisor – Registered Nurse**  
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Public Health

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August 18, 2023

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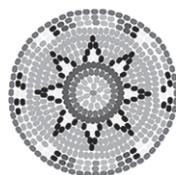
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**SHOSHONE-BANNOCK CASINO HOTEL**

**Shoshone-Bannock Casino Hotel**  
**JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
Week of July 31, 2023

**CASINO POSITIONS**

**Bingo Floor Worker**

**Bingo Inventory Supervisor**

**Bingo Inventory Clerk**

**Cage Supervisor**

**Cage Main Banker**

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**Food & Beverage Host**

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The next Sho-Ban News edition will be out on Thursday, August 17, 2023. Have a safe Festival weekend from the SBN staff!

**SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT FORT HALL RESERVATION, IDAHO PROBATE DIVISION**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: HARRIET SAWYER DOUBLE RUNNER  
DOD: 06/07/2023; CASE NO.: 2023-CV-PB-0145; 2023-CV-PB-0148  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND UNNAMED HEIRS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:  
1. Sandra Plentywounds, of Fort Hall, Idaho was appointed as Administrator of the above-named Estate by order of the Court. True and correct copies of said Order of Appointment were posted, mailed and published according to law on the 19th day of July 2023.  
2. That, any and all creditors and heirs not named in the original petition and other persons who may have a claim against decedent's estate have thirty (30) days from the said date of posting, mailing and publication of said Order of Appointment to present their claims to the Court at the office of the Clerk thereof; only those claims so presented will be considered by the Court and all presented thereafter will be forever barred.  
3. That this NOTICE is given in accordance to § 17-1-27 of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Law and Order Code ("LOC").  
4. THAT ANY PERSON HAVING IN HIS POSSESSION A LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DECEDENT SHALL HAVE THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE TO SUBMIT THAT WILL TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT FOR PROBATE CONSIDERATION.  
DATED this 19th Day of July, 2023.  
Sandra Plentywounds / ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR

**SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT FORT HALL RESERVATION, IDAHO PROBATE DIVISION**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ANTHONY DOUBLE RUNNER JR.  
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**SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT FORT HALL RESERVATION, IDAHO CIVIL DIVISION**  
IN THE MATTER OF: S.B. DOB: 04/27/2007; D.B. DOB: 01/04/2011 A MINOR CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE  
CASE NO: 2022-CV-CP-0051/0052  
CIVIL SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING  
THE SHOSHONE BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT: BRITTANY BEGAY  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a Petition/Complaint has been filed against you in the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Court by the above-named Plaintiff; and YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED, to answer to the said Petition/Complaint within Twenty (20) days of service of this summons; and YOU ARE ALSO NOTIFIED this matter is set for hearing on the 25th day of AUGUST, 2023 at 11:00 AM. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that if you fail to appear and plead to the Petition/Complaint within the time herein specified, the Plaintiff may take judgment against you by DEFAULT without further notice as prayed in the Petition/Complaint, and as allowed by Tribal law. WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Shoshone Bannock Tribal Court on this 24th day of July, 2023.  
Allison Evening / Assistant Court Clerk

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IN THE MATTER OF: S.Y. DOB: 04/10/2009  
A MINOR CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE  
CASE NO: 2023-CV-CP-0128  
CIVIL SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING  
THE SHOSHONE BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT: NATASHA YNOSTROSA  
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# SHO-BAN NEWS SPORTS



## Pauline Allen crowned Fort Hall Rodeo Queen, Ryan Roybal earns Jr. rodeo queen title

## 24 teams to compete in Festival Indian Relay races



Fort Hall Jr. Rodeo Queen Ryan Roybal (left) and FH Rodeo Queen Pauline "Madi" Allen with prizes. (James Hill photos)

By JAMES HILL  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Pauline "Madi" Allen, 19, was selected Fort Hall Rodeo Queen July 22 at the Fort Hall Indoor Arena while Ryan Roybal was named Junior Rodeo Queen.

Madi's parents are Sunie and Jared Allen. Her grandparents are David Bollinger and Kathy Nielsen, Stan Miller, Donna Thompson and Lagrand Coby, Carrie Climer and Brent Allen.

She is attending the Northwest college in

Powell, Wyo. and will be a sophomore this year. She is working towards her degree in psychology and she's planning on graduating in 2026.

She is a member of Eastern Shoshone tribe of Fort Washakie, Wyoming but was raised in Howe, Idaho.

The horse she rode in the pageant was named "Afroman". She is the second oldest of five kids. Madi owns 2 dogs a red heeler and a redbone hound dog. She loves hunting with her dad and

she loves sweets except dark chocolate.



Former Fort Hall Rodeo Queen Sammie Neaman crowns 2023-24 Fort Hall Rodeo Queen Pauline "Madi" Allen on Saturday, July 22.

she loves sweets except dark chocolate.

**Ryan Roybal**

Ryan Celeste Roybal, 13, is a daughter of Charley Pongah and a granddaughter of Tonya Galloway and David Baker.

She is attending Sho-Ban Jr./Sr. High School. She loves participating in Indian Relay and training

horses. Her career goals are to become a veterinarian. She is excited and has wanted to become a rodeo queen.

Ryan said former Rodeo Queen Sammie Neaman was her inspiration to become one. She is excited to learn and try new things and to represent the tribe.



Jr. Rodeo Queen Ryan Roybal with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes flag.



From left, the Fort Hall Rodeo Queen and Fort Hall Jr. Rodeo Queen each received a beaded crown, silver crown, saddles, sashes, jackets and other prizes.



## Farmer team wins FHIRA Appreciation Indian Relay

FORT HALL — The Farmer team with rider Jon Marc Skunkcap won the Fort Hall Indian Relay Association Appreciation Indian Relay race July 22 and \$2,000.

Taking second was the Coby team and rider EJ Enos earning \$1,200. Third was Beegup Relay with rider Didier Tendoy winning \$800. Fourth was Redman Relay and rider John Redman while fifth was Yokoyama team Dallon Yokoyama each receiving \$200.

Chief Race: Azeri Coby won the Chief Race for Rock Star Made winning \$750. Keinan Tissidimit was second riding for Lance Tissidimit earning \$450. Third was Hernan Tendoy riding for Beegup Relay winning \$300.

Warrior Race: Hernan Tendoy also won the Warrior Race riding for Beegup Relay and \$650. Second was Didier Tendoy also riding for Beegup earning \$390. Third was Teland Brunette riding for Putnam Relay winning \$260.

Ladies Race: Brailey Tissidimit won the Ladies Race and \$650 riding for Lance Tissidimit. Second was Heaven Brady riding for John Redman earning



Farmer relay team wins the FHIRA Appreciation Indian Relay race on Saturday, July 22. (Joseph Wadsworth photo)



Youth Warrior racers jump on their horses at the start of the race. (James Hill photo)

\$390 and third was Ryan Roybal riding for Beegup Relay winning \$260.

Mile Race: Adrien Honena won the Mile Race riding for Lance Tissidimit winning \$650. Second was Azeri Coby earning \$390 riding for Rock Starr Made. Third was John Redman win-

ning \$260.

Youth Straight Race: Caydon Carmona won the Youth Straight Race riding for Nephew Nation winning \$300. Second was Kyson Brunette riding for Nephew Nation earning \$180 and third was Brooklyn Burns winning \$120.

Youth Warrior Race:

Kyson Brunette won the Youth Warrior Race riding for Nephew Nation winning \$300. Second was Sky Cree Medicine earning \$165 for Rough Riders and third was Ryan C. Roybal winning \$110 also riding for Rough Riders.



Azeri Coby riding for Rock Star wins the Chief Race. (Brenda Appenay photo)

FORT HALL — Fort Hall Indian Relay Association Festival Relay races are August 11 to 13 at noon at the Fort Hall racetrack.

Friday is the Chief Race, Youth Straight, Youth Relay, Ladies Relay and Indian Relay. Saturday is the Youth Warrior, Mile Race, Ladies Race and Indian Relay. Sunday is the Lil Chief Race, Warrior Race, Ladies Relay, Relay Consolation and Relay Championship.

Following are the entries in each race.

Chief Race: Rock Star Made, Teton, Lead Strong Horses, Double Ought, Cedar Ridge, Farmer Creek and Counting Coup.

Mile Race: Rock Star Made, Starr School and Beegup Relay.

Warrior Race: Counting Coup, War Chiefs and Honena Express.

Ladies Race: Wild Rose, Old Sun, Enos Relay, Tissidimit, Mountain Timber, Rock Star Made, and River Road.

Lil Chief: Lead Strong Horses, Enos Relay, Starr School, Rock Star Made, Teton, Beegup Relay and Honena Express.

Youth Straight: White-tail Express, Lead Strong Horses, Rough Riders, Brooklyn Burns, Boogie Boys (2) and Nephew Nation.

Youth Warrior: White-tail Express. Lead Strong Horses, Brooklyn Burns, Rough Riders (2), Nephew Nation and Cayden Carmona.

Youth Relay: Lead Strong Horses, Nephew Nation, Rough Riders, War Chiefs and Whitetail Express.

Ladies Relay: Amyotte, Iron Eyes, Old Sun, Shield Women Express and Young Money.

Indian Relay: Beegup Relay, Birdinground, Blackrock Relay, Blanket Bull, Carlson, Boogie Boys, Cedar Ridge, Coby, Counting Coup, Enos Relay, Farmer Relay, Hisbadhorse, Long Feather, Mountain Crow, Mountain Timber, Putnam Relay, Redbone, Redman Relay, River Road, Tissidimit, Two Medicine, Whitetail Express, Yokoyama Relay and Young Money.

Admission is \$10, students 12 to 17 \$7, children 11 and under \$5. Elders 65+ are free.

### Recreation news

#### Little League Football

There are two Fort Hall football teams this year – fourth and fifth graders are the Braves team while sixth and seventh graders are the Warriors team. The same coaches as last year are coaching again, along with other volunteers. Football practice is at the Fort Hall football field at 5:30 to 7 p.m. Practice starts Monday, August 7, 2023. Bring a water bottle, wear athletic clothing and have a positive attitude. Fort Hall football was established in 1969.

#### Timbee Hall hours

Timbee Hall is open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Weight room is open at this time too.



# NEWE PUI TU (THROUGH TRIBAL EYES) Fort Hall Indian Relay Association Appreciation Races



Farmer team with relay rider JonMarc Skunkcap wins the FHIRA Appreciation Indian Relay race on Saturday, July 22. (Brenda Appenay photo)



Ladies Race riders Heaven Brady (left) and Brailey Tissidimit at the start of the race. (Brenda Appenay photo)



Adrien Honena wins the Mile Race. (James Hill photo)



Youth Straight racers in action. (James Hill photo)



Warrior Race riders jump on. (Brenda Appenay photo)



Fort Hall youth enjoy themselves during the foot races on the racetrack. (James Hill photo)

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# NEWE PUI TU Tribal Youth visit Grand Teton National Park

(THROUGH TRIBAL EYES)



Tribal Youth Employment Program participants meet with Grand Teton National Park Service employees during the week-long trip on August 1. (James Hill photos)



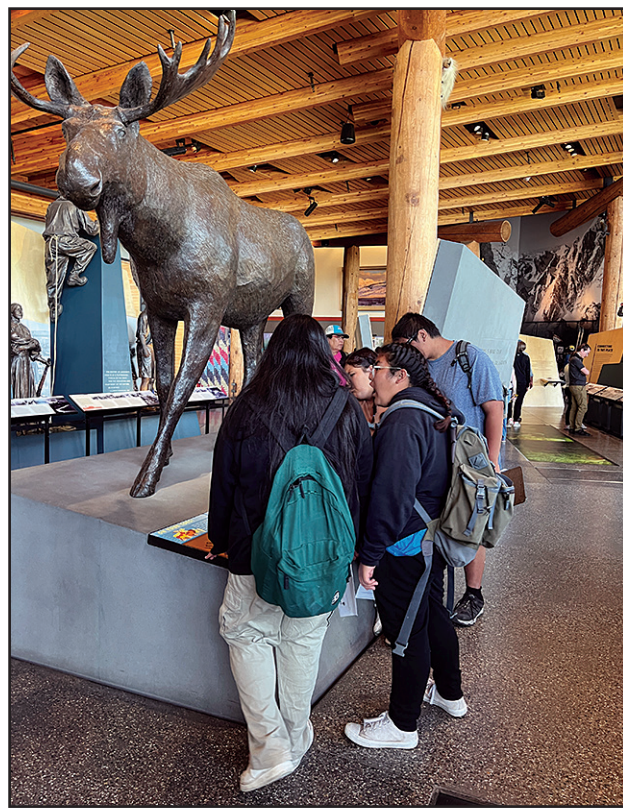
Youth were treated to views of Jackson Lake with the Grand Teton mountain skyline in the distance.



Youth take a closer look at baskets and other items.



National Park Service rangers take youth on a tour.



Youth look at statues of animals at the visitor center.



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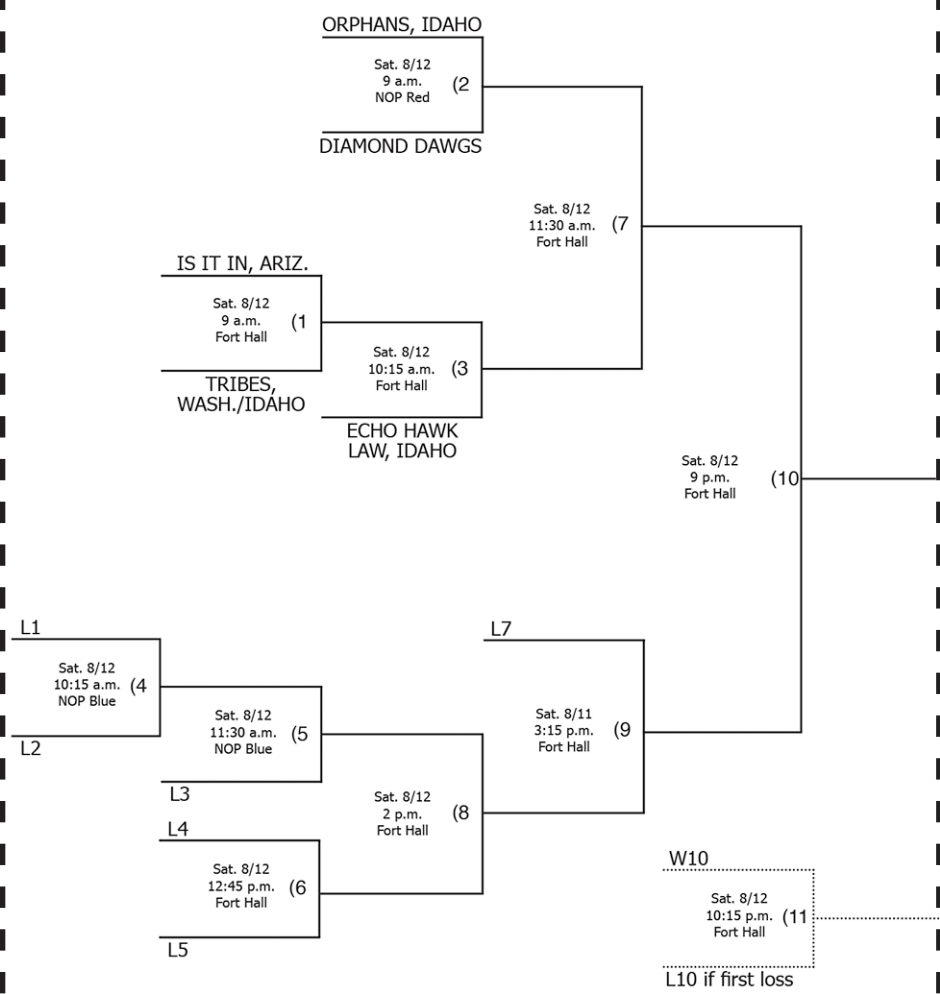
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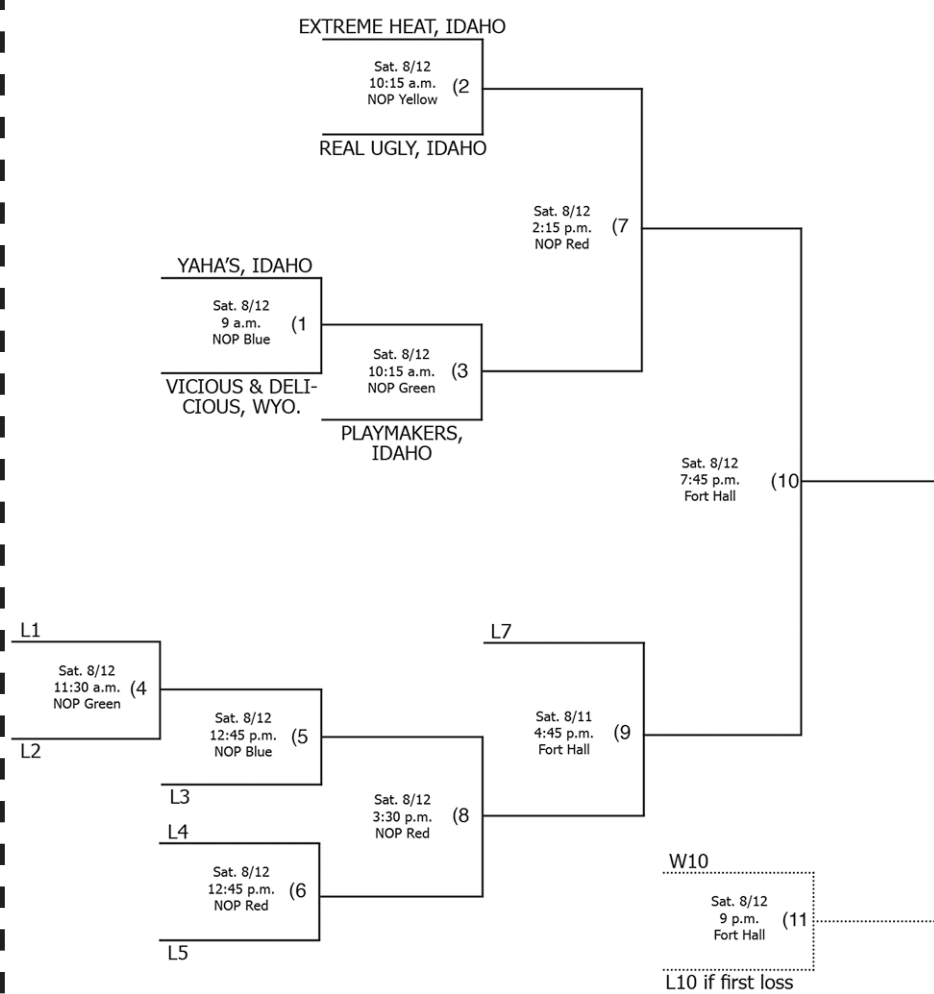


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### Tesla ramps efforts to build showrooms on tribal lands

**By SUSAN HAIGH**  
**Associated Press**

Tesla is ramping up efforts to open showrooms on tribal lands where it can sell directly to consumers, circumventing laws in states that bar vehicle manufacturers from also being retailers in favor of the dealership model.

Mohegan Sun, a casino and entertainment complex in Connecticut owned by the federally recognized Mohegan Tribe, announced this week that the California-based electric automaker will open a showroom with a sales and delivery center this fall on its sovereign property where the state's law doesn't apply.

The news comes after another new Tesla showroom was announced in June, set to open in 2025 on lands of the Oneida Indian Nation in upstate New York.

"I think it was a move that made complete sense," said Lori Brown, executive director of the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters, which has lobbied for years to change Connecticut's law.

"It is just surprising that it took this long, because Tesla had really tried, along with Lucid and Rivian," she said, referring to two other electric carmakers. "Anything that puts more electric vehicles on the road is a good thing for the public."

Brown noted that lawmakers with car dealerships that are active in their districts, no matter their political affiliation, have traditionally opposed bills allowing direct-to-consumer sales.

The Connecticut Automotive Retail Association, which has opposed such bills for years, says there needs to be a balance between respecting tribal sovereignty and "maintaining a level playing field" for all car dealerships in the state.

"We respect the Mohegan Tribe's sovereignty and the unique circumstance in which they operate their businesses on Tribal land but we strongly believe that this does not change the discussion about Tesla and other EV manufacturers with direct-to-consumer sales, and we continue to oppose that model," Hayden Reynolds, the association's chairperson, said in a statement.

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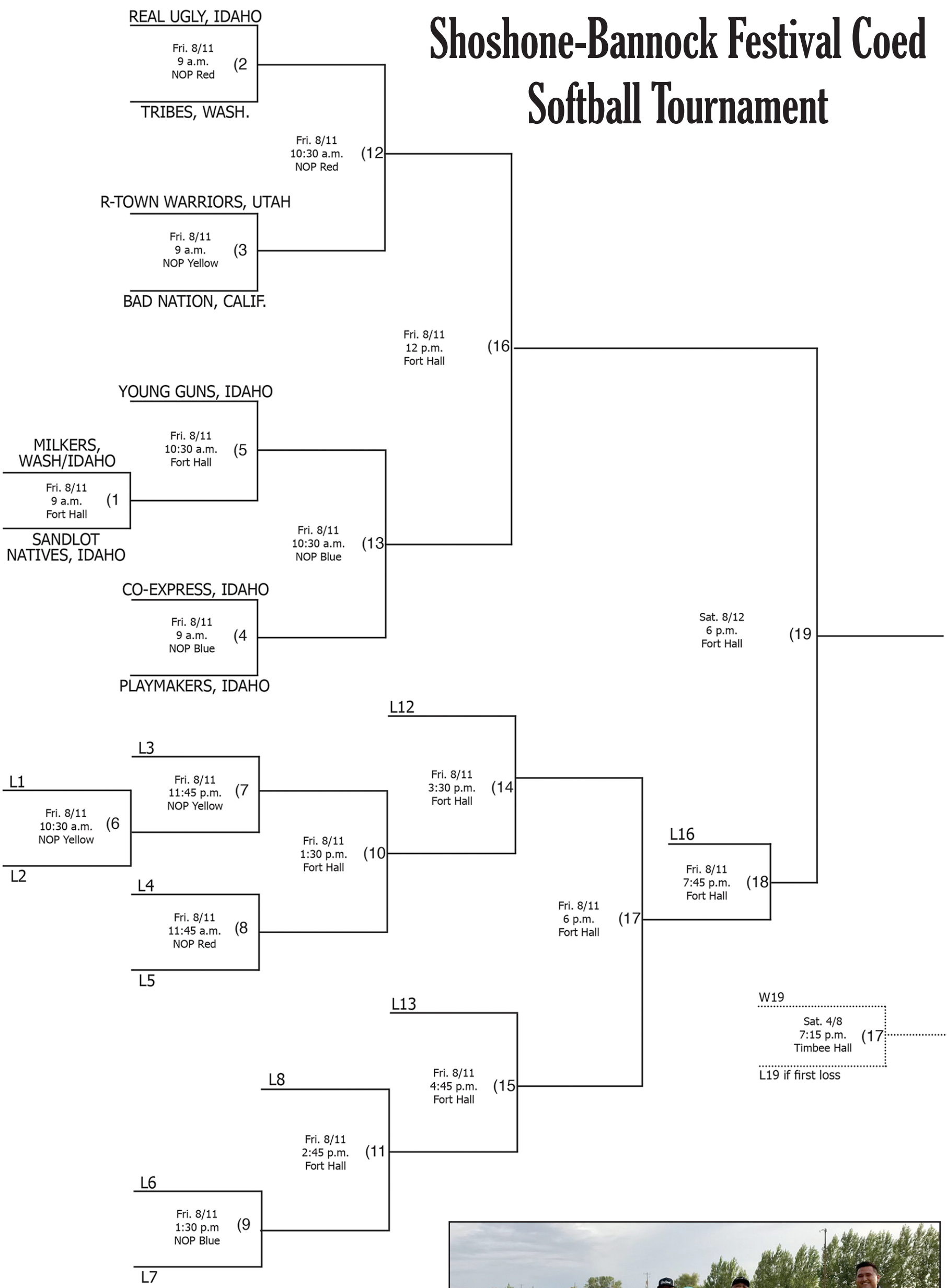
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**Best wishes for a joyful 2023 Shoshone-Bannock Festival.**

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# Shoshone-Bannock Festival Coed Softball Tournament



2022 Festival Coed tourney MVP Eli Martin receives prizes.



2022 Shoshone-Bannock Festival Coed tournament champions: AZ-NSL. (Submitted photos)

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## Nancy Wahtomy selected for Comprehensive Cancer Alliance for Idaho board of directors

FORT HALL — Nancy Wahtomy has been selected to serve on the Board of Directors for the Comprehensive Cancer Alliance for Idaho (CCAI).

She currently works as the Patient Navigator for the Shoshone Bannock Tribes Community Health Services. Her top priority is working with cancer patients in the tribal community. She helps to connect them to resources that will make their cancer journey a little easier.

It was through her search for resources and creating professional relationships with other cancer care advocates across the state, that led to her nomination for the Board of Directors.

She will be the first Native American to serve on the board. She



CHS Patient Navigator Nancy Wahtomy

looks forward to serving and being an inclusive voice.

Nancy will work with CCAI on their Vision, Values, Mission, and

Goals. For more information visit: [www.ccaidaho.org/idaho-cancerplan](http://www.ccaidaho.org/idaho-cancerplan) or call Patient Navigation 208-238-5456.

## THHS reorganizes Public Health programs

Health Education, Community Health Representatives, Diabetes & field nursing point of contacts listed

FORT HALL — The Tribal Health & Human Services Department has reorganized the following programs: Health Education, Community Health Representatives (CHR's), Diabetes and field nursing.

These programs are now considered as the Public Health programs.

The CHR's have moved to the Indian Health Service Clinic and have the following new numbers:

Angelea Mendez Public Health Manager: 208-238-5418

Tula Galloway (CHR-CNA): 208-238-5497

Kayla Marshall-Dann (CHR-Generalist): 208-238-5419

Tia Buckskin (CHR-CAN): 208-238-5484

Evan Hardy (CHR-Generalist): 208-238-5480

They apologize for the delay in getting these numbers out to the community. These are temporary numbers so if they change we will let you know ASAP.

## Health Education hosts Kid's Day Candyland



Fort Hall Police guides a throw ball game at the Kid's Day Candyland event on August 4. (Joseph Wadsworth photos)

By JOSEPH WADSWORTH  
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Tribal Health Education Department hosted a Kids Day event with a Candyland theme on Friday, August 4 at the HRDC lawn.

Health Education Coordinator Elizabeth Ann Jim said they had many booths ranging from Tribal Health programs and other tribal departments.

Many of the booths gave out goodies bags and or had children play games for a sweet treat. Other activities were kids could decorate their own



Early Childhood Program youth enjoy the event.

white T-shirts. It is an annual event for the children and families.

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A boy wins an ice pop at a game at Kid's Day.

# ECHO HAWK ATTORNEYS

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*Scenes from Kid's Day Candyland*



THHS staff serves cotton candy to youth at the Kid's Day Candyland event on August 4. (Joseph Wadsworth photos)



Youth paint T-shirts at the event.



A girl gets a glitter butterfly design on her forehead.



Youth choose books at Kid's Day.

**More scenes from the Tribal Youth Employment Program Grand Teton National Park tour**



Summer youth participants in the Tribal Youth Employment Program tour the visitor center at Grand Teton National Park during the week-long trip on Tuesday, August 1. (James Hill photos)



Youth participant reads a geological model of the park.



Tribal youth listen to a National Park ranger.



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Contact information: Eleena Eldridge 208-236-1012, Ranelda Stone 208-478-3867  
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