

2024 Festival Edition



59th Annual Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival



Our Language is our Identity



**Miss Shoshone-Bannock
Develynn Hall
2023-2024**



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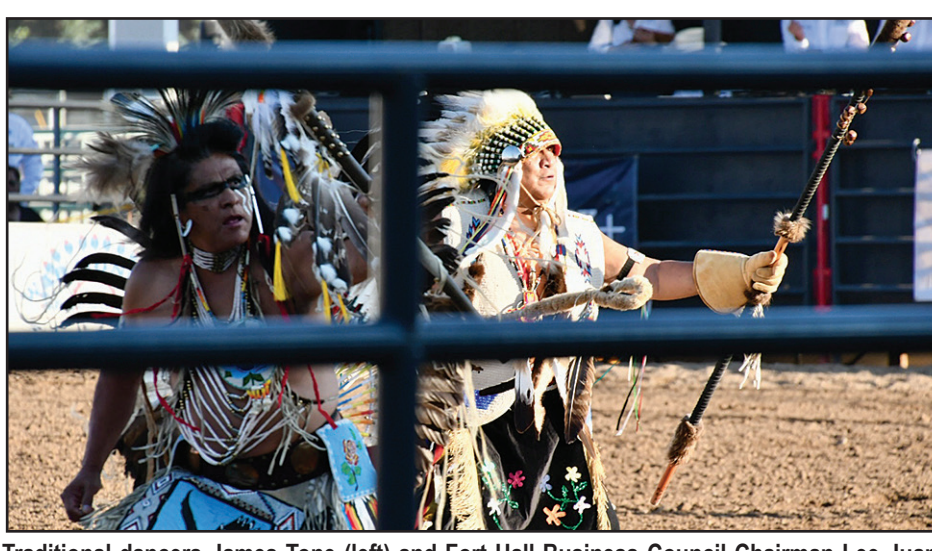


NEWE PUI TU War Bonnet Round Up Idaho Falls

(THROUGH TRIBAL EYES)



Shoshone-Bannock dancers pictured with Ghost Canyon drum group, Casino Hotel marketing staff and others. (Joseph Wadsworth photos)



Traditional dancers James Tone (left) and Fort Hall Business Council Chairman Lee Juan Tyler Tendoy at the War Bonnet Round Up in Idaho Falls.



Ghost Canyon Singers.



Above Andre Graves grass dances. At right: Susan Avila Dixey dances traditional prior to the rodeo start.



Keylii Tsosie dances traditional at the Warbonnet Round Up.

ON BEHALF OF THE FORT HALL BUSINESS COUNCIL

Welcome to our homelands!



FORT HALL BUSINESS COUNCIL, 2024

The Fort Hall Reservation is the largest reservation in Idaho and we are proud to host our cultural gathering with you all!



For more information on the Tribes visit: www.sbtribes.com
For a list of daily Festival activities visit: www.shobanfestival.com

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



LOCAL
Wildland
Fire engine
dispatched



EDUCATION
Sho-Ban Debate
Team does well at
National Tournament



SPORTS
Cutler wins
Lost Creek junior
dragster race

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Telling the stories that honor our past,
define our present & shape our future...

First Sho-Ban Youth Warrior Challenge takes place



Shoshone-Bannock Youth Warrior Challenge winners pose with Fort Hall Rodeo Queen Arianna Seymour after the competition on July 30. (Lori Edmo photo)

By LORI EDMO & ROSELYNN YAZZIE
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL – Teens demonstrated their endurance and athleticism in the first ever Shoshone-Bannock Youth Warrior Challenge on Tuesday, July 30.

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Language & Culture Preservation Department and Fort Hall Recreation sponsored the event.

The route of the Youth Warrior Challenge was 2.5 miles and began at the Sho-Ban track where competitors ran one lap and continued to race to Chief Taghee Elementary Academy where they jumped on bikes. From that point, they rode to the Fort Hall Rodeo Grounds where they would get on a horse and race once around the track to determine the winner.

Challengers competed for prizes including: cash; a bike and a jacket to the first-place winner; hoodies; and T-shirts. There was also a best Traditional Dress Award for a team with the prize being \$150.

Fort Hall Business Council Chairman Lee Juan Tyler Tendoy started the event with a prayer.

Two age categories competed.

The first heat began at 8 a.m. and was for boys and girls 9 to 13-years-old, participants included Gator Boyd, Dayton Tendore, Dallas Cerino, Syan Hooper, and Zaiden Beasley.

They were followed by the 9 a.m. heat for those 14 to 17-years-old, including Osei Burns, Teland Brunette, Annika Gonzalez, and Alaiya Beasley.

Teland Brunette said he was competing to have fun and to challenge fellow competitor Osei Burns. He prepared for the race by working out and is a relay rider for the Teton Team.

Osei Burns was up for the challenge against Brunette. He's also seen his dad compete in the Bannock Warrior Challenge and take third place, so he thought he could try it.

Alaiya Beasley said her dad, Trevor Beasley, signed her up to participate and he was also a Bannock Warrior Chal-



14 to 17-years-old contestants start race. (Roselynn Yazzie photo)

lenge competitor, so she thought she could do it too.

Annika Gonzalez was signed up by her mom, Danita Arriwite. She was looking forward to the bike portion of the race.

Juan Rodriguez, Fort Hall Recreation manager said ever since they announced the event they've had more youth participation and training on the track. He's seen them in the weight room running to get ready and riding.

"For me, it's kind of an eye-opener, I think traditionally we think of, oh, if you want to get in shape you have to do these activities, but these types of events kind of spark that interest for the kids to want to be active and get in better shape," said Rodriguez.

Gator Boyd, 9 to 13 winner said he's been training for two months. He had to train his roping horse how to ride bareback on it. "It's awesome I have to thank God for my talent and stuff," he said. He thanked his mom and dad along with his brothers and sisters who helped him. Gator also thanked his grandparents in Arizona who prayed for him prior to the race, in addition to Fort Hall Business Council Chairman Lee Juan Tyler Tendoy who prayed for all the Warrior participants. Around the final turn his horse turned right rather than go forward so he went off when his knee popped, but popped back into place when he jumped back on. He was able to jump back on and narrowly win over Dayton Tendore.

The results of the race are as follows:

9 to 13: First:

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Teland Brunette jumps off bike. (Jeremy Shay photos)



14 to 17 Best Traditional Dressed Team went to Alaiya Beasley.



9 to 13 team with Zaiden Beasley gets on his horse.

Dystnee Rope is only Miss Sho-Ban contestant



Miss Shoshone-Bannock contestant Dystnee Rope. (Roselynn Yazzie photo)

Rope's platform will be to promote drug awareness

By ROSELYNN YAZZIE
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL – One contestant is vying for the title of Miss Shoshone-Bannock and that's 23-year-old Dystnee Rope.

Dystnee is the daughter of Darcey Martin and Adrian Rope and she resides in the Gibson District.

Her Indian name is Ban Zu gu, meaning Otter and she is a jingle dress dancer.

Her platform as Miss Shoshone-Bannock will be drug awareness.

Dystnee said overcoming shyness has helped in her growth as a young lady.

"Coming out of my shell I found myself being more confident, knowledgeable, encouraging, and positive," she said. "After seeing our former royalties I hope I can live up to the expectations and be the role model that people can look up to."

Her message to youth is to enjoy life. "Enjoy being a kid while you're young. Don't let anyone or anybody try to bring you down," she said.

She encourages learning from elders and not taking them for granted because they're the ones who teach the culture, the language, and history.

Dystnee counts her special achievements as being the first attendant to Miss Blackfoot High School in 2018-2019 and later crowned Miss BHS in 2019. She took part in the Fort Hall Youth Council and was a president. She was also crowned the Graffiti Queen at Moun-

tain View Middle School and has spoken to Fort Hall Elementary students about Child Abuse Awareness Month.

Dystnee has been actively involved with the Gibson District community since 2019 and participates in activities they host, such as clean-up.

Her hobbies include traveling to powwows, powwow dancing, sewing, beading, writing, reading, working out, working, traveling to places, and spending time with her family.

Dystnee works at the Donzia Gift Shop and is considering furthering her education by attending college at the Institute of American Indian Arts. To major in creative writing then transferring to Colorado State University to major in agriculture business.

For her traditional dish, Dystnee will present her knowledge of herbal tea and root medicines. She learned this dish from her mother, who learned from her elders.

Her traditional talent will be demonstrating how to bead using sequins. She calls the practice a long lost beading technique not many use today. This skill was also passed down from her mother. She learned to bead with sequins at 13-years-old and plans to pass it on to the next generation.

Miss Shoshone-Bannock will be expected to represent at all times she's called upon.

The new Miss Shoshone-Bannock will be crowned on Friday, August 9 after grand entry.



RESERVATION BRIEFS

St. Kateri Catholic Church services

St. Kateri Catholic Church Sunday services are at 8 a.m. on Sheepskin and D Street in Fort Hall.

Veterans Administration representative

Veterans Administration representative is at the IHS/Community Health Services every third Tuesday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Can be seen by appointment or walk-ins welcome.

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 August 15 at 3 p.m. at the old casino 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 Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Vehicles must be unloaded five minutes prior to scheduled closure. Bannock Creek and Lincoln Creek Monday, Wednesday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All vehicles must have the stickers and they're free to resident tribal elders. Pick them up at Solid Waste. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Bannock & Shoshone language classes

Shoshone and Bannock classes are canceled for the summer and will resume in late August. 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. The lobby opens at 5 a.m. Any questions or concerns contact 208-478-3797.

Marlan Jose Uribe

FORT HALL—Marlan Jose Uribe, 57, passed away Tuesday, July 30, 2024 due to injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident.

Marlan was born April 11, 1967 in Blackfoot, Idaho, the son of Sam Uribe and Edith George Uribe.

Marlan grew up in Fort Hall and attended Fort Hall Elementary. He went on to Blackfoot schools



and Intermountain Boarding School in Utah.

He worked as a firefighter in Fort Hall. He enjoyed listening to music and watching sports on TV. He enjoyed spending time with friends and family.

Marlan is survived by his father, Sam Uribe; his siblings, Ernestine Ellsworth, Lee Miller, Mervin Uribe, and Reynelda Uribe, all of Fort Hall. Carl Uribe, Sandy Tricon, and Rose First of Nevada. Nephews: Paulino Broncho, Lloyd Preacher Jr.,

Lawrence Dale Wadsworth Jr.

FORT HALL — Our beloved Lawrence Dale Wadsworth Jr. (Larry) passed away on July 26, 2024 at his residence in Fort Hall, Idaho.

Larry loved life and loved being surrounded by his family, friends and coworkers. He grew up on the Fort Hall Reservation and lived in the Gibson and Fort Hall Districts. He enjoyed going hunting and fishing with his cousins and loved cruising the reservation in his big orange and white Ford pickup truck that had a high lift kit. Larry attended schools in Blackfoot and graduated from Blackfoot High School in 1982. He played on both the varsity football and wrestling teams.

On February 26, 1983, he married the love of his life, Sonya (Wildcat) Wadsworth in Blackfoot, Idaho, they made a home in Fort Hall where they began their perfect life together. They raised two wonderful sons, Joseph (Spirit) Wadsworth and Leland

D. Wadsworth, sons that Larry was very proud of. Later, he was blessed with two beautiful granddaughters Tenaya and Kylaila, who he adored and loved dearly.

Larry is big brother to three younger sisters, Susie Moss, Stephanie Moss and Debbie (Dave) Langston and one younger brother, Matt (Toni) Dixey. Larry was raised by his stepfather, Blaine Dixey. Larry had many nieces and nephews that he enjoyed visiting with. Fun fact: Larry know all the birthdates of his family and their families, especially the little children, he could always be asked what is so and so birthdate?

He was preceded in death by his twin children, father, Lawrence Dale Wadsworth, Sr., Larry being born after his father passed; his loving and carrying Mother, Julia Moss; his paternal grandparents, Bill (Chief) Wadsworth, Louida Osborne and his maternal

WALKING ON

Marcus Ellsworth, Kyle Borjas, Freeland Larkin, Colton Teton, Brisco Teton. Nieces: Natalie Uribe, Melanie Ellsworth, Marlo Uribe. Grandkids: Deion Uribe, Caleb Preacher, Alora Brunette, Treyence Brunette, Kesan Brunette, Takias Ponzo, Maliah Uribe, Naitairi Uribe, Awren Ellsworth, David Ellsworth, Samuel Mosho all of Fort Hall. Hailey Jo Teton, Carlin Teton of Ne-

vada, and Trey Neil Teton of Montana. Numerous cousins and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Edith G. Uribe. Aunts, Freda George Batt, and Delores Choo and Sandy Barba of California, and sister, Daliah Teton.

Prayer services were at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 3, 2024 at Hawker Funeral Home, in Blackfoot. Traditional burial followed at Gibson Cemetery.

grandparents Fred and Rita Hernandez.

Some of Larry's most cherished times was spending every summer in Salmon with his family, Where they loved salmon fishing together making many great memories, fishing, hunting, camping, laughing and enjoying their salmon harvest. He always looked forward to attending his sons sport-

ing events and participating in horse shoe tournaments with his family. Larry was very skilled at horse shoes and had many ringers and placed most of the time. He always had on his "game face" when competing then sport a smile if he done well. On the microphone he would later announce the games, winners and be commentary to the spectators always speaking with a little chuckle because of his shyness. He always had a positive spirit when he was with family and always joking and making

us all smile.

Larry was a dedicated iron worker and member of the Iron Workers Union No. 732 and worked for over 30 years. Everyone knew him as a very hard worker who rarely complained, getting with all his crew. Larry enjoyed working with iron working buddies and enjoyed spending after hours with them. They could be a rowdy bunch, enjoying each others company to pass the time until they can be back home with their families.

Larry is also proceeded in death by one of his closest iron working buddies, Teddy Dunbar. Larry was beyond proud, that his younger son, Leland Wadsworth has followed in his footsteps as an Iron Worker. Larry and Leland worked on many jobs together, traveling to many locations both near and far building many good memories that always brought smiles and laughter.

This man has left all of us with a lot of good memories. He suffered a long time, hardly every complaining and continuing to making people feel good.

He will be greatly missed, but we can find comfort in knowing he is free now and enjoying all the loved ones that have gone before us.

Or maybe he is sitting by the river, enjoying a hot cup of coffee, watching the water go by or maybe he is watching an eagle fly by with its catch of the day in its mouth or watching a buck climbing to the top of a mountain peak.

Larry's memorial service was July 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Hawker Funeral Home in Blackfoot, Idaho. He was laid to rest at the Cedars Cemetery at 2 p.m. July 30 where a traditional prayer service took place.

Beadwork & Beyond Arts & Craft Show
August 9, 10 & 11, 2024
10 AM – 6 PM
Shoshone-Bannock Hotel & Events Center
WELCOME & ENJOY THE 2024 SHOSHONE-BANNOCK FESTIVAL!

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
WAAPI KANI: MENTAL WELLNESS & RECOVERY SERVICES
59TH Annual Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival
Walk/Run
"Our Language is Our Identity"

DATE: FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH, 2024
Time: 8:30 A.M
PLACE: WAAPI KANI OUTPATIENT BUILDING

Registration begins at 8:00 am at the Waapi Kani building located at Building 85 B on Agency Road.

The first 300 participants registered will receive a t-shirt. Everyone is invited to participate in the fun walk, free of charge. Snacks and water provided.

Contact information Recovery Coaches, 208-478-4043, Elmarie Snipe 208-236-1007, Kyla Mosho 208 478-4026

Shoshone Bannock Tribes Tribal Health and Human Services
Waapi Kani MWRC



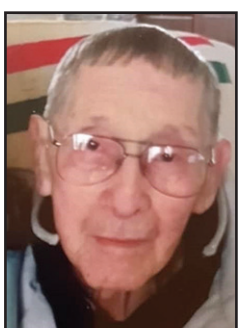
Kenneth Todd Sr.

FORT HALL — Kenneth Gerald Todd Sr., 80, passed away on Friday, July 26, 2024 in Pocatello, Idaho.

He was born on November 12, 1943 to Abner and Elizabeth Todd in Poplar, Montana.

He was a member of the Fort Peck Tribes, Assiniboine-Sioux and attended schools on and near the Fort Peck Reservation. He graduated high school and shortly after enlisted in the US Army. He served in the Army from 1961 to 1964. After leaving the Army Kenneth worked as a welder working in Washington, Montana, California, Nevada and Idaho.

Kenneth had 9 siblings and 8 children, four sons and two daughters and a step-son and step-daughter. His travels led him to meet Sandra Osborne, who he married in 1984 at the Candlelight Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Together they traveled from Nevada and Idaho for their various jobs finally settling down in Fort



Hall, Idaho on the Fort Hall Reservation. There they built their home and it was the place he called home until his death.

Kenneth was known by many as Ken or Kenny, Dad, Brother, Uncle and most importantly Grandpa. Kenny had 22 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

He was what others would call a home body. He didn't go many places, but enjoyed his time outdoors and sporting events. He and Sandra has a long list of pets whom they loved and cared for, most notable was their red-lored Amazon parrot, Poncho and beloved toy poodle, Poo-do. He took pride in his lawn would often be seen on his riding lawn mower. He was also a supportive fan of the Sho-Ban Chiefs basketball teams and would attend their games

regularly, until his health would no longer allow him to attend.

Kenny was preceded in death by his parents, 8 siblings, son, Kenneth Todd Jr and grandson, David Todd and his wife, Saundra Todd.

He is survived by children and stepchildren, Lawrence Bradford, Donna Raya, Leroy Todd, Suellen Angel (Alberto) Vera, Richard Todd, Rosella St. Clair and Chester St. Clair Jr. He is grandpa to 21 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, not to forget the extended family who also called him grandpa.

Kenny was a simple man who did not like the 'fuss' of a big ceremony, therefore, per his wishes a funeral service was conducted with cremation to follow. Funeral services are under the direction of Cornelison Funeral Home, Pocatello, Idaho. Services and military rights were Saturday, August 3, 2024, viewing and visitation was from 2 to 3 p.m. and service was at 3 p.m.

WALKING ON

Kniffin enjoys new role at Solid Waste

By **JOSEPH WADSWORTH**
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Shoshone-Bannock tribal member Eddy Kniffin said he loves his job as Solid Waste sanitation truck driver because it allows him to spend more time with his significant other Lisa Honena.

"I love it, it is different but I work four days a week and have weekends off," he said.

Kniffin got hired as a sanitation truck driver in October 2023 because the Solid Waste department said they knew his worth.

When asked if it took time to learn how to drive on the right side of the truck Kniffin's response was yes. Driving the left-handed truck on the right side of the road was different and then you got to keep an eye out for certain things such as needles because of the meth problem on the reservation. He just jams out to music while driving.

Kniffin said when he decided he was leaving Recreation he was disappointed that he didn't get the main man job, but everyone told him change is good. Change is also good for the Recreation department where he devoted 33 years of his life to the kids — his weekends were always busy with basketball tournaments, baseball and football games.

Now he has weekends free and learned he is more valuable than he thought he was. Aleena Hernandez-



Eddy Kniffin in the sanitation truck. (Submitted photo)

Beasley worked with Eddy previously. She is the Solid Waste Office Manager and Jim Cutler is the Solid Waste Program Manager, they offered Eddy the job as the sanitation truck driver since he already had a CDL license. They told him he is a valuable commodity. "No one has ever told me that — we know your valuable to the kids and to the community, we know you show up for work and that's what we want."

It was a big change for Eddy and he still worries about the gym but for him personally, it was a huge turn around. He talked about how kids he still come up to talk with him and same with parents when they see him out in the community. They tell him things just don't

feel the same since he has been gone. Everyone still misses him and Tadrascchel "Sister" Murray who now is the Billing Clerk/O.A. at Fire and EMS station.

Eddy said he's been to the coast twice, attended concerts and has continued with more of his woodcrafting. He has more time for all the things he wants to do. "Recreation will go on because parents do need that childcare during the summertime" he said. "I have appreciated over the years all the volunteers because without them helping we would be nothing."



Wildland Fire engine dispatched to Cascade

FORT HALL — Shoshone-Bannock Wildland Fire dispatched engine 0441 to Cascade to two fires — Boulder and the Wolf Creek July 31.

Derrick Tinno, engine boss, along with Lee Broncho and Kyle Nipwater are on the fires.

Engine 0463 returned from the Bench Lake Fire in Stanley. Spencer Washakie was the engine boss. Brandon Hamilton and Michael Eldridge were also on the fire.



From left: Kyle Nipwater, Lee Broncho & Derrick Tinno.



Fort Hall Community



CHILD FIND

FOR CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 5 YEARS OLD

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

8:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

At: ECP/Head Start

APPOINTMENTS ARE NEEDED



Do you have concerns about your preschool child's development?

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 208-239-4500 or 208-239-4503.

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YOUTH, continued

Gator Boyd, second Dayton Tendore, third Zaiden Beasley. Syan Hooper was fourth and Dallas Cerino also participated.

Fourteen to 17 years of age: First: Teland Brunette; second Alaiya Beasley, third Osei Burns. Annika Gonzalez finished in fourth place.

Traditional dress winners were: Gator Boyd team in the 9 to 13 age group who wore their Dixey team Indian Relay colors. Alaiya Beasley team won the 14 to 17 age group, also wearing Indian Relay colors and traditional regalia.



Fort Hall Business Council Chairman Lee Juan Tyler Tendoy speaks to youth before the event. (Roselynn Yazzie photo)



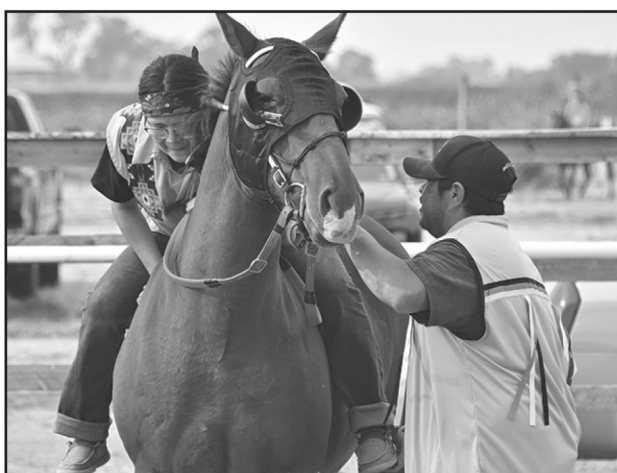
14 to 17-year-old contestant Syan Hooper and her dad, Silas. (Jeremy Shay photo)



Dayton Tendore got second place in the 9 to 13 category.



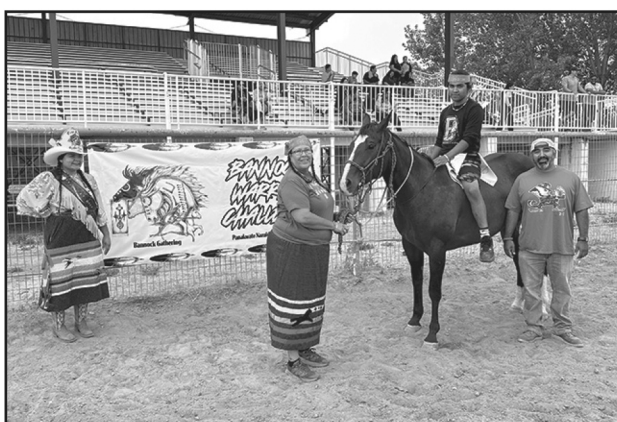
Gator Boyd races on his bike.



Annika Gonzalez mounts her horse.



Alaiya Beasley rides her horse.



Osei Burns team.

Letter to the editor

Festival Coordinator welcome

Buh'nah (Greetings) & welcome to this year's 59th Annual Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival.

Neh nahnne Spirit Wadsworth, I would like to welcome and extend a heartfelt greeting to each and every one of the visitors/participants and guests from across turtle island and mother earth. For over 50 years the Shoshone-Bannock Festival has been a long-standing staple in our community from its humble beginnings back when it was held as a Field Day celebration in August of 1964 next to Timbee Hall gymnasium.

It was said that former recreation director Reeves Nahwooksy, a Comanche, planned the year end celebration after a successful summer of recreation activities. Many tribal elders who are old enough to remember the first gathering can tell you that it was a day event and with many dances along with the very first Miss Shoshone-Bannock Belma (Truchot) Colter being crowned.

Another big draw to the Annual Festival is our Indian Relays. Fort Hall is the home of Indian Relays that brings in many Indian Relay teams and families across Indian country.

For the Festival this year our many committees

have worked very hard to make it the very best experience from Powwow, Relays, Rodeo, Arts show to Handgames, Parade, Feast, Royalty and Sports. Also, tribal departments Public Works & Facilities who work behind the scenes to make sure the grounds and structures are well kept and safe for the many volunteers, committees, dancers, participants and guests.

We do have a curfew set in place for minors upon the Fort Hall Reservation or in any place then his/her normal place of residence or employment between the hours of 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, and between the hours of 12 midnight to 6 a.m., Friday through Saturday. Also the Fort Hall Police Department is located on the Festival grounds as well as Fort Hall Fire & EMS.

Enjoy yourselves but please respect our laws and on behalf of the Shoshone-Bannock Festival, I hope you all enjoy our annual event and partake in the exciting events and delicious food.

Sincerely
Spirit Wadsworth
Shoshone-Bannock
Festival Coordinator 2024

NIJII website information

Dear Editor,
We would like to share information about the new National Indigenous Justice Information Inclusion (NIJII) website <https://www.nijii.org/>.

The NIJII.org website initially launched in conjunction with the Taking a Stand Against Elder Abuse conference in May 2024. NIJII commissioned a beautiful tribute song, in honor of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD), which can be found on the web pages at Indigenous Song: It's Time to Protect the Elders

All Indigenous people deserve to live a life free from hatred, violence, discrimination, neglect, exploitation, appropriation, and abuse. Individuals should be respected and valued and have the resources and opportunity to live a full and safe life in their selected community. The resources provided on the website will help improve the culturally

appropriate responses of professionals, caregivers, and other providers. Together we will:

- Share best practices, and useful responses to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
- Raise awareness of Indigenous needs through research, conversations, workshops, trainings, presentations, and publications.
- Impact policy through Tribal coalition building and coordinating efforts in partnership with other elder justice coalitions and their advocates.
- Expand awareness of alternatives to the dominant justice model, such as Positive Peace and Restorative Justice models.

We look forward to having you visit our website and utilize the resources. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out.

Join Us in Making a Difference: #NIJIIFriend: Facebook-@NIJII23

Fort Hall man dies in Arbon Valley Road vehicle wreck

ARBON VALLEY – The Fort Hall Police report on July 30 at about 10:51 a.m., the Fort Hall Police Department got a call of an automobile accident on Arbon Valley Road north of Ramsey Road involving two vehicles.

One vehicle had five occupants. One of the occupants Marlin Uribe died on scene and the four other occupants were transported by flight and

ground ambulance to Portneuf Medical Center for treatment. The occupant of the second vehicle did not sustain any injuries.

Fort Hall Fire Department, American Falls Fire, Idaho State Police, Power County Sheriff and FHPD were all on the scene.

FHPD Chief Pat Teton said investigation.

The opinions expressed in the letters to the editor are not those of the newspaper staff unless otherwise stated. The Sho-Ban News welcomes readers to express their views in the Opinion page. Letters should be typed, kept as brief as possible (500 words maximum) and are subject to editing. No personal attacks on individuals will be published. All letters will continue to be edited for libel. Each letter must be signed by the writer or it will not be published. No anonymous letters will be printed. Guest opinions will be printed, but only as space allows. Letters sent via email must include contact information so it can be verified. Thank you.

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Fire off Frasure Road burns wood shed



Fort Hall Firefighters put out hot spots near a burned structure. (Lori Ann Edmo photos)

FORT HALL – At 3:30 p.m. July 29 a fire was reported on the Fort Hall Reservation near the Buckskin Subdivision off of Frasure Road.

Fort Hall Fire Department and North Bannock Fire Department out of Chubbuck responded. According to Fire Chief Eric King approximately two acres burned. The fire was contained at 4:30 p.m. and was fully controlled the same day.

There was one minor civilian injury reported because of either heat exhaustion or smoke inhalation and that individual was treated on scene and



A Fort Hall firefighter sprays the burned area.

released. There were no reports of any animal injuries. One out building was damaged, and one

wood shed was a total loss. The cause of the fire is unknown pending investigation.

FHPD arrest & offense report July 14 to July 20

FORT HALL – The following arrest and offense reports were made by the Fort Hall Police Department from July 14 to July 20, 2024 on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

All persons arrested or cited are presumed innocent until convicted in Tribal Court.

Michael L. Pongah – 07/14/24, 23 E Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: AAGG Assault, Aggravated; WOF Weapons Offense; WOF Weapons Offense.

Darrell Penn – 07/16/24, 56 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: FTA Failure to Appear.

Emily G. Buckskin – 07/16/24, 56 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: FTA Failure to Appear.

Richard F. Matsaw – 07/16/24, 56 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: RECK Reckless Driving, VAND Destruct/Damage/Vandalize Prop.

Vincent J. Chavez – 07/18/24, 56 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: FTA Failure to Appear.

Marcel J. Diggie – 07/18/24, 41 N Mission Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: FTA Failure to Appear.

Kevyn J. Broncho – 07/18/24, 61 Faulkner Loop #7, GIBSON – POLICE. Offense: CSPP Cont Subs, Possess, Paraphrnla; INTP Intoxicated Person.

Allison J. Farmer – 07/19/24, 56 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: DUI DUI Alcohol or Drugs.

Isiah J. Apodaca – 07/19/24, US-91/Monument, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: CONC Contempt of Court.

Fredrick R. Pongah – 07/19/24, 364 Philbin Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: CONC Contempt of Court.

Harold A. Crazyhunder – 07/20/24, 41 N Mission Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: INTP Intoxicated Person.

Bryan L. Plentywounds – 07/20/24, 29 W Agency Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: ASIM Assault, Simple; DCON Disorderly Conduct; DMVS Domestic Violence – Simpl Aslt; DMVS Domes-

tic Violence – Simpl Aslt; INTP Intoxicated Person; OBST Obstructing Officer; VAND Destruct/Damage/Vandalize Prop.

Hunter L. Broncho – 07/20/24, N Treaty Hwy & 1st St, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: CSPP Cont Subs, Possess, Paraphrnla; CSPP Cont Subs, Possess, Paraphrnla.

Jessyka K. Goodrider – 07/20/24, 24 W Sheepskin Rd, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: CONC Contempt of Court; CSPM Cont Subs, Possess, Marijuana; CSPP Cont Subs, Possess, Paraphrnla; INTP Intoxicated Person.

Luke J. Ponzonzo – 07/20/24, 777 Bannock Trail Rd, FORT HALL CASINO. Offense: PROB Probation or Parole Violation.

David S. Preacher – 07/20/24, 1566 B Ave #2, FORT HALL – POLICE. Offense: CONC Contempt of Court; DMVS Domestic Violence – Simpl Aslt; ENDA Endangering Welfare of Minor.



FHBC resolution transmittal

July 09, 2021

In accordance with those stipulations, regarding resolutions and ordinances, as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, please find listed below those resolutions as enacted by the Business Council of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes during the FHBC Special Meeting of July 09, 2024:

FINC-2024-0477

Tribal members' KF and KE are approved for sponsorship funds in the amount of \$500 each to attend the 4th Annual EPIC HOOPS Youth Basketball Tournament in Centralia, Washington, during the dates of July 26-28, 2024. Funds for this expenditure will be made available from the Council Directed Specific line item No. 10000-01-913.

CTRT-2024-0478 Land Use – Solid Waste Program is approved and authorized to accept the 2024 Supplemental Environmental Project Agreement for the "Solid Waste & Recycle Infrastructure Upgrade Project", between the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and the U.S. Department of Energy Idaho Operations Office for the Solid Waste & Recycle Infrastructure Upgrade Project to purchase waste containers, covers, and shipping.

CTRT-2024-0479

Tribes BIA 638 Single Agreement program's with Contracts & Grants approved for operational expenditures for project period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2027.

CTRT-2024-0480

Tribes 638 Self Determina-

tion Tribal Shares Program with Contracts & Grants are approved for operational, supplies, some travel expenditures to support oversight of Tribal BIA 93-638 contracts and the Geographic Information System (GIS) for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for project period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2027.

CTRT-2024-0481 Land Use – Environmental Waste Management Program is authorized to accept grant award No. 00J82806 Mod 2 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Eastern Michaud Flats FMC Operable Unit (OU) extending contract for 2 years for project performance period through November 1, 2022 through September 30, 2026.

CTRT-2024-0482 Independent Contract Agreement No. CORRECTIONS-ICA-24-007 Modification No. 3 between the Tribal Corrections Department and Industrial Systems, Inc., located at 12119 Northeast, Suite 2090, Vancouver, Washington 98682 is approved for additional services and deliverables and a time extension to continue to provide professional services with a new termination date of November 8, 2024.

CTRT-2024-0483

Independent Contractor Agreement No. SBTGC-ICA-24-128 between the Tribal Gaming Commission and Carolyn J. Abeita, partner at VanAmberg, Rogers, Yepa, Abeita, Gomez & Wilkinson, LLP, located at P.O. Box 1447, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 is approved for professional service

with a termination date of July 01, 2025.

CTRT-2024-0484 AIA Document No. AI33-2019 and A201-2017 between the Tribal Construction Services Department and CM Company, Inc., located at 431 West McGregor Drive, Boise, Idaho 83705 is approved for professional services.

LGMT-2024-0485

Tribal members' DD and DD are approved for legal representation with Idaho Legal Aid, 109 N. Arthur Ave., STE302, Pocatello, ID 83204 to assist with their landlord/tenant matter as set forth.

FHBC-2024-0486

Lynette Dixey, Program Manager for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Title IV-D Child Support Services Program is approved to serve a two-year term on the National Tribal Child Support Association from June 2024 to July 2026.

FHBC-2024-0487

Tribal Land Use Department – Broadband Project Manager is approved to utilize Fort Hall Business Council's Tribal General Fund - Travel Line Item No. 10000-01-607 for purposes as described.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

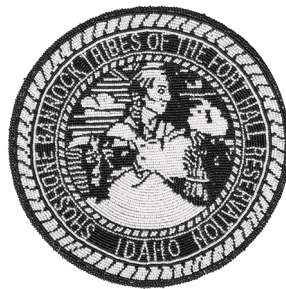
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Beaded Shoshone-Bannock Tribes logo featured



FORT HALL – Delcia Dann Adakai beaded the Shoshone-Bannock tribal logo in size 13 cutbeads that is featured in the Festival Edition.

She is a descendant of Minnie Burton who was a member of the 1904 Fort Shaw women's basketball team that played at the World's Fair in St. Louis, Missouri that same year.

The Shoshone-

Bannock Tribes logo evolved in 1937. According to Fort Hall Business Council minutes of August 10, 1937, a committee of three including R.W. Dixey, George P. Lavatta and Adolph S. Pahvitse was created to craft a logo. They presented a tentative design on August 24 and on September 14, it

was adopted that featured an Indian head in the center, the head of the steer on the left side and a sheaf of grain on the right side. During that time period many tribal members were ranchers and farmers thus the inclusion of a steer head and a sheaf of grain.

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Apache Christ icon controversy sparks debate over Indigenous Catholic faith practices

MESCALERO, New Mexico (AP) — Anne Marie Brillante never imagined she would have to choose between being Apache and being Catholic.

To her, and many others in the Mescalero Apache tribe in New Mexico who are members of St. Joseph Apache Mission, their Indigenous culture had always been intertwined with faith. Both are sacred.

"Hearing we had to choose, that was a shock," said a tearful Brillante, a member of the mission's parish council.

The focus of this tense, unresolved episode is the 8-foot Apache Christ painting. For this close-knit community, it is a revered icon created by Franciscan friar Robert Lentz in 1989. It depicts Christ as a Mescalero medicine man, and has hung behind the church's altar for 35 years under a crucifix as a reminder of the holy union of their culture and faith.

On June 26, the church's then-priest, Peter Chudy Sixtus Simeon-Aguinam, removed the icon and a smaller painting depicting a sacred Indigenous dancer. Also taken were ceramic chalices and baskets given by the Pueblo community for use during the Eucharist.

Brillante said the priest took them away while the region was reeling from wildfires that claimed two lives and burned more than 1,000 homes.

The Diocese of Las Cruces, which oversees the mission, did not respond to several emails, phone calls and an in-person visit by The Associated Press.

Parishioners, shocked to see the blank wall behind the altar when they arrived for Catechism class, initially believed the art objects had been stolen. But Brillante was informed by a diocesan

official that the icon's removal occurred under the authority of Bishop Peter Baldacchino and in the presence of a diocesan risk manager.

The diocese has returned the icons and other objects after the community's outrage was covered by various media outlets, and the bishop replaced Simeon-Aguinam with another priest. But Brillante and others say it's insufficient to heal the spiritual abuse they have endured.

Brillante said their former priest opened old wounds with his recent actions, suggesting he sought to cleanse them of their "pagan" ways, and it has derailed the reconciliation process initiated by Pope Francis in 2022. That year, Francis gave a historic apology for the Catholic Church's role in Indigenous residential schools, forcing Native people to assimilate into Christian society, destroying their cultures and separating families.

A spokesperson for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops declined comment on the Mescalero case. But last month, the conference overwhelmingly approved a pastoral framework for Indigenous ministry, which pointed to a "false choice" many Indigenous Catholics are faced with — to be Indigenous or Catholic.

"We assure you, as the Catholic bishops of the United States, that you do not have to be one or the other. You are both."

Several of the mission's former priests understood this, but Brillante believes Simeon-Aguinam's recent demand to make that "false choice" violated the bishops' new guidelines.

Larry Gosselin, a Franciscan who served St. Joseph from 1984 to 1996 and again from 2001 to 2003, said he sought the

approval of 15 Mescalero leaders before Lentz began the painting that took three months to complete.

"He poured all of himself into that painting," said Gosselin, explaining that Lentz sprinkled gold dust on himself and skipped showering, using his body oils to adhere the gold to the canvas. Then he gave the painting to the humble church.

Albert Braun, the priest who helped construct the church building in the 1920s, respected Mescalero Apache traditions in his ministry and was so beloved that he is buried inside the church, near the altar.

Church elders Glenda and Larry Brusuelas said to right this wrong and to repair this damage, the bishop must issue a public apology.

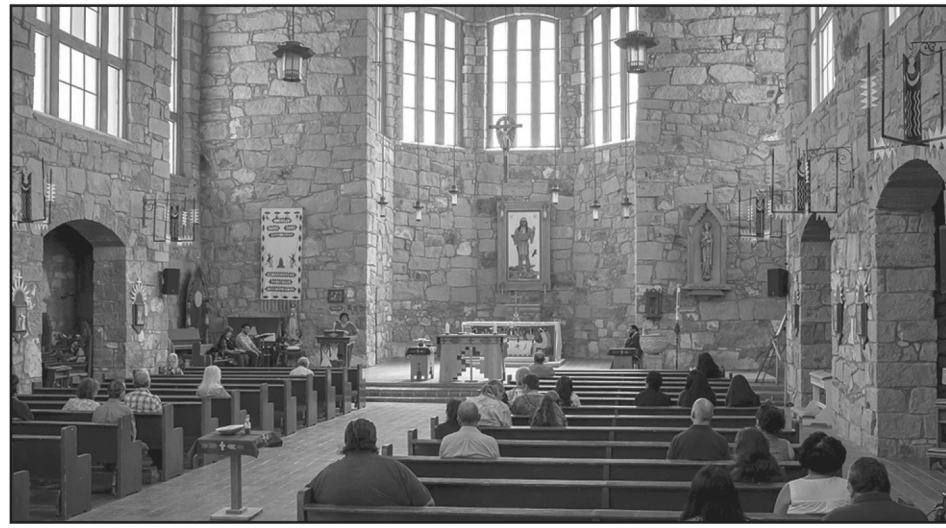
"You don't call or send a letter," Larry Brusuelas said. "You face the people you have offended and offer some guarantee that this is not going to happen again. That's the Apache way."

While Bishop Baldacchino held a two-hour meeting with the parish council in Mescalero after the items were returned, Brillante said he seemed more concerned about the icon being "hastily" reinstalled rather than acknowledging the harm or offering an apology.

Still, some are hopeful. Parish council member Pamela Cordova, said she views the bishop appointing a new priest who was more familiar with the Apache community as a positive step.

"We need to give the bishop a chance to prove himself and let us know he is sincere and wants to make things right," she said.

The concept of "inculturation," the notion of people expressing their faith through their culture, has been encouraged by the Catholic Church since the Second Vatican Council in the early 1960s, said Chris Vecsey, professor of religion and Native American studies



Mescalero Apaches attend church. (AP photo)

at Colgate University in Hamilton, New York.

"It's rather shocking to see a priest who has been assigned a parish with Native people acting in such a disrespectful way in 2024," he said. "But it does reflect a long history of concern that blending these symbols might weaken, threaten or pollute the purity of the faith."

Deacon Steven Morello, the Archdiocese of Detroit's missionary to the American Indians, said the goal of the U.S. bishops' new framework is to correct the ills of the past. He said Indigenous spirituality and Catholic faith have much in common, such as the burning of sage in Native American ceremonies and incense in a Catholic church.

"Both are meant to cleanse the heart and mind of all distractions," he said. "The smoke goes up to God."

Morello said Pope Francis' encyclical on caring for the Earth and the environment titled "Laudato Si" addresses the sacredness of all creation — a core principle Indigenous people have lived by for millennia.

"There is no conflict, only commonality, between Indigenous and Catholic spirituality," he said.

There are over 340 Native American parishes in the United States and many use Indigenous symbols and sacred objects in church. In every

corner of the Mescalero church, Apache motifs seamlessly blend in with Catholic imagery.

The Apache Christ painting hangs as the focal point of the century-old Romanesque church whose rock walls soar as high as 90 feet. Artwork of teepees adorns the lectern. A mural at the altar shows the Last Supper with Christ and his apostles depicted as Apache men. Tall crowns worn by mountain dancers known as "gahe" in Apache, hang over small paintings showing Christ's crucifixion and resurrection.

For parishioner Sarah Kazhe, the Apache Christ painting conveys how Jesus appears to the people of Mescalero.

"Jesus meets you where you are and he appears to us in a way we understand," she said. "Living my Apache way of life is no different than attending church. ... The mindless, thoughtless act of removing a sacred icon sent a message that we didn't matter."

Parishioners believe the Creator in Apache lore is the same as their Christian God. On a recent Saturday night, community members gathered to bless two girls who had come of age. Kazhe and Donalyn Torres, one of the church elders who authorized Lentz to paint the Apache Christ, sat in lawn chairs with more than 100 others, watching crown dancers bring blessings on

them.

Under a half-moon, the men wore body paint and tall crowns, dancing to drumbeats and song around a large fire. The women, including the two girls donning buckskin and jewelry, formed the outer circle, moving their feet in a quick, shuffling motion.

In the morning, many from the group attended Mass at their church, the Apache Christ restored to its place of honor.

The painting shows Christ as a Mescalero holy man, standing on the sacred Sierra Blanca, greeting the sun. A sun symbol is painted on his left palm; he holds a deer hoof rattle in his right hand. The inscription at the bottom is Apache for "giver of life," one of their names for the Creator. Greek letters in the upper corners are abbreviations for "Jesus Christ."

Gosselin, the mission's former priest, said he was struck by the level of detail Lentz captured in that painting, particularly the eyes — which focus on a distance just as Apache people would when talking about spirituality. He believes the painting was "divinely inspired" because the people who received it feel a holy connection.

"This has resonated in the spirit and their hearts," he said. "Now, 35 years later, the Apache people are fighting for it."

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Investigation finds at least 973 Native American children died in U.S. government boarding schools

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — At least 973 Native American children died in the U.S. government's abusive boarding school system, according to the results of an investigation released Tuesday by officials who called on the government to apologize for the schools.

The investigation commissioned by Interior Sec. Deb Haaland found marked and unmarked graves at 65 of the more than 400 U.S. boarding schools that were established to forcibly assimilate Native American children into white society. The findings don't specify how each child died, but the causes of death included sickness and abuse during a 150-year period that ended in 1969, officials said.

Additional children may have died after becoming sick at school and being sent home, officials said.

The findings follow a series of listening sessions held throughout the U.S. over the past two years in

which dozens of former students recounted the harsh and often degrading treatment they endured while separated from their families.

"The federal government took deliberate and strategic action through boarding school policies to isolate children from their families, deny them their identities, and steal from them the languages, cultures, and connections that are foundational to Native people," Haaland, a member of the Laguna Pueblo tribe in New Mexico and the country's first Native American Cabinet secretary, said in a Tuesday call with reporters.

"Make no mistake," she added, "This was a concerted attempt to eradicate the quote, 'Indian problem,' to either assimilate or destroy native peoples all together."

In an initial report released in 2022, officials estimated that more than 500 children died at the schools. The federal government passed laws and policies in 1819 to support the schools, the last of

which were still operating in the 1960s.

The schools gave Native American kids English names, put them through military drills and forced them to perform manual labor, such as farming, brick-making and working on the railroad, officials said.

Former students shared tearful recollections of their experience during listening sessions in Oklahoma, South Dakota, Michigan, Arizona, Alaska and other states. They talked about being punished for speaking their native language, getting locked in basements, and having their hair cut to stamp out their identities. They were sometimes subjected to solitary confinement, beatings and the withholding of food. Many left the schools with only basic vocational skills that gave them few job prospects.

Donovan Archambault, 85, the former chairman of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation in Montana, said beginning at age 11 he

was sent away to boarding schools where he was mistreated, forced to cut his hair and prevented from speaking his native language. He said the experience led him to drink alcohol heavily before he turned his life around more than two decades later. He never talked about his school days with his children until he wrote a book about the experience several years ago.

"An apology is needed. They should apologize," Archambault told The Associated Press by phone Tuesday. "But there also needs to be a broader education about what happened to us. To me, it's part of a forgotten history."

Haaland said she was personally "sorry beyond words," but she suggested a formal apology should come from the federal government. She didn't say if she would push President Joe Biden to issue one.

Interior Department officials also recommended that the government

invest in programs that could help Native American communities heal from the traumas caused by boarding schools. That includes money for education, violence prevention and the revitalization of indigenous languages. Spending on those efforts should be on a scale proportional to spending on the schools, agency officials said.

The schools, similar institutions and related assimilation programs were funded by \$23.3 billion in inflation-adjusted federal spending, officials determined. Religious and private institutions that ran many of the institutions received federal money as partners in the campaign to "civilize" Indigenous students, according to the new report.

By 1926, more than 80% of Indigenous school-age children — some 60,000 children — were attending boarding schools that were run either by the federal government or religious organizations, according to the National Native American Boarding

School Healing Coalition.

The Minnesota-based group has tallied more than 100 additional schools not on the government list that were run by churches and with no evidence of federal support.

U.S. Catholic bishops in June apologized for the church's role in trauma the children experienced. And in 2023, Pope Francis apologized for the Catholic Church's cooperation with boarding schools in Canada. He said the forced assimilation of Native peoples into Christian society destroyed their cultures, severed families and marginalized generations.

Legislation pending before Congress would establish a "Truth and Healing Commission" to document and acknowledge past injustices related to boarding schools. The measure is sponsored in the Senate by Democrat Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts and backed by Republican Lisa Murkowski of Alaska.

U.S. promises \$240 million to improve fish hatcheries, protect tribal rights in Pacific Northwest

BOISE (AP) — The U.S. government will invest \$240 million in salmon and steelhead hatcheries in the Pacific Northwest to boost declining fish populations and support the treaty-protected fishing rights of Native American tribes, officials announced Thursday.

The departments of Commerce and the Interior said there will be an initial \$54 million for hatchery maintenance and modernization made available to 27 tribes in the region, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska.

The hatcheries "produce the salmon that tribes need to live," said Jennifer Quan, the regional administrator for NOAA Fisheries West Coast Region. "We are talking about food for the tribes and supporting their culture and their spirituality."

Some of the facilities are on the brink of failure, Quan said, with a backlog of deferred maintenance that has a cost estimated at more than \$1 billion.

"For instance, the roof of the Makah Tribe's Stony Creek facility is literally a tarp. The Lummi Nation Skookum Hatchery is the only hatchery that raises spring Chinook salmon native to the recovery of our Puget Sound Chinook Salmon," and it is falling down, Quan said.

Lisa Wilson, secretary of the Lummi Indian Business Council, said salmon are as important as the air they breathe, their health and their way of life. She thanked everyone involved in securing "this historic funding."

"Hatchery fish are Treaty fish and play a vital role in the survival of our

natural-origin populations while also providing salmon for our subsistence and ceremonies," she said in a statement. "If it weren't for the hatcheries and the Tribes, nobody would be fishing."

The Columbia River Basin was once the world's greatest salmon-producing river system, with at least 16 stocks of salmon and steelhead. Today, four are extinct and seven are listed under the Endangered Species Act. Salmon are a key part of the ecosystem, and another endangered Northwest species, a population of killer whales, depend on Chinook salmon for food.

Salmon are born in rivers and migrate long distances downstream to the ocean, where they spend most of their adult lives. They then make the difficult trip back upstream to their birthplace to spawn and die.

Columbia Basin dams have played a major part in devastating the wild fish runs, cutting off access to upstream habitat, slowing the water and sometimes allowing it to warm to temperatures that are fatal for fish.

For decades, state, federal and tribal governments have tried to supplement declining fish populations by building hatcheries to breed and hatch salmon that are later released into the wild. But multiple studies have shown that hatchery programs frequently have negative impacts on wild fish, in part by reducing genetic diversity and by increasing competition for food.

Quan acknowledged the hatcheries "come with risks" but said they can be managed to produce

additional fish for harvest and even to help restore populations while minimizing risks to wild fish.

"Hatcheries have been around for a long time, and we've seen the damage that they can do," Quan said.

Still the programs have gone through a course correction in recent years, following genetic management plans and the principles established by scientific review groups, she said. "We are in a different place now."

It will take habitat restoration, improved water quality, adjustments to harvest and other steps if salmon are going to recover, but so far society has not been willing to make the needed changes for that to happen, she said. Add in the impacts of climate change, and the calculus of bad and good hatchery impacts changes further.

"We need to start having a conversation about hatcheries and how they are going to be an important adaptation tool for us moving forward," Quan said.

Greg Ruggerone, a salmon research scientist with Natural Resources Consultants Inc. in Seattle, said the key is to determine how to better harvest hatchery salmon from rivers without harming the wild salmon that are making the same trek to spawning grounds. Robust harvests of hatchery fish

will help ensure that the federal government is meeting its treaty obligations to the tribes, while reducing competition for wild fish, Ruggerone said.

"A big purpose of the hatcheries in the Pacific Northwest is to provide for harvest — especially harvest for the tribes — so there is a big opportunity if we can figure out how to harvest without harming wild salmon," Ruggerone said.

Every hatchery in the Columbia River basin was built to mitigate the effects of the hydropower dams built in the region, said Becky Johnson, the production division director for the Nez Perce Tribe's Department of Fisheries Resource Management.

Most were built in the 1960s, 1970s or earlier, she said.

"I'm super excited about this opportunity. Tribal and non-tribal

people benefit from them — more salmon coming back to the basin means more salmon for everyone," Johnson said. "It's critical that we have fish and that the tribal people have food. Tribal members will tell you they're fighting hard to continue to hang on to fish, and they're never going to stop that fight."

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Museums closed Native American exhibits 6 months ago have yet to return items back to tribes

NEW YORK (AP) — Tucked within the expansive Native American halls of the American Museum of Natural History is a diminutive wooden doll that holds a sacred place among the tribes whose territories once included Manhattan.

For more than six months now, the ceremonial Ohtas, or Doll Being, has been hidden from view after the museum and others nationally took dramatic steps to board up or paper over exhibits in response to new federal rules requiring institutions to return sacred or culturally significant items to tribes — or at least to obtain consent to display or study them.

Museum officials are reviewing more than 1,800 items as they work to comply with the requirements while also eyeing a broader overhaul of the more than half-century-old exhibits.

But some tribal leaders remain skeptical, saying museums have not acted swiftly enough. The new rules, after all, were prompted by years of complaints from tribes that hundreds of thousands of items that should have been returned under the federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 still remain in museum custody.

“If things move slowly, then address that,” said Joe Baker, a Manhattan resident and member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, descendants of the Lenape peoples European traders encountered more than 400 years ago. “The collections, they’re part of our story, part of our family. We need them home. We need them close.”

Sean Decatur, the New York museum’s president, promised tribes will hear from officials soon. He said staff these past few months have been reexamining the displayed objects in order to begin contacting tribal communities.

Museum officials envision a total overhaul of the closed Eastern Woodlands and Great Plains halls — akin to the

five-year, \$19 million renovation of its Northwest Coast Hall, completed in 2022 in close collaboration with tribes, Decatur added.

“The ultimate aim is to make sure we’re getting the stories right,” he said.

Discussions with tribal representatives over the Ohtas began in 2021 and will continue, museum officials said, even though the doll does actually not fall under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act because it is associated with a tribe outside the U.S., the Munsee-Delaware Nation in Ontario, Canada.

The museum also plans to open a small exhibit in the fall incorporating Native American voices and explaining the history of the closed halls, why changes are being made and what the future holds, he said.

Lance Gumbs, vice chairman of the Shinnecock Indian Nation, a federally recognized tribe in New York’s Hamptons, said he worries about the loss of representation of local tribes in public institutions, with exhibit closures likely stretching into years.

The American Museum of Natural History, he noted, is one of New York’s major tourism draws and also a mainstay for generations of area students learning about the region’s tribes.

He suggests museums use replicas made by Native peoples so that sensitive cultural items aren’t physically on display.

“I don’t think tribes want to have our history written out of museums,” Gumbs said. “There’s got to be a better way than using artifacts that literally were stolen out of gravesites.”

Gordon Yellowman, who heads the department of language and culture for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes,

said museums should look to create more digital and virtual exhibits.

He said the tribes, in Oklahoma, will be seeking from the New York museum a sketchbook by the Cheyenne warrior Little Finger Nail that contains his drawings and illustrations from battle.

The book, which is in storage and not on display, was plucked from his body after he and other tribe members were killed by U.S. soldiers in Nebraska in 1879.

“These drawings weren’t just made because they were beautiful,” Yellowman said. “They were made to show the actual history of the Cheyenne and Arapaho people.”

Institutions elsewhere are taking other approaches.

In Chicago, the Field Museum has established a Center for Repatriation after covering up several cases in its halls dedicated to ancient America and the peoples of the coastal Northwest and Arctic.

The museum has also since returned four items to tribes, with three others pending, through efforts that were underway before the new regulations, according to spokesperson Bridgette Russell.

At the Cleveland Museum in Ohio, a case displaying artifacts from the Tlingit people in Alaska has been reopened after their leadership gave consent, according to Todd Meseck, the museum’s spokesperson. But two other displays remain covered up, with one containing funerary objects from the ancient Southwest to be redone with a different topic and materials.

And at Harvard, the Peabody Museum’s North American Indian hall reopened in February after about 15% of its roughly 350 items were removed from displays, university spokesperson Nicole Rura said.

Chuck Hoskin, chief of the Cherokee Nation, said he believes many institutions now understand they can no longer treat Indigenous items as “museum curiosities” from “peoples that no longer exist.”

The leader of the tribe in Oklahoma said he visited the Peabody this year after the university reached out about returning hair clippings collected in the early 1930s from hundreds of Indigenous children, including Cherokees, forced to assimilate in the notorious Indian boarding schools.

“The fact that we’re in a position to sit down with Harvard and have a really meaningful conversation, that’s progress for the country,” he said.

As for Baker, he wants the Ohtas returned to its tribe. He said the ceremonial doll should never have been on display, especially arranged as it was among wooden bowls, spoons and other everyday items.

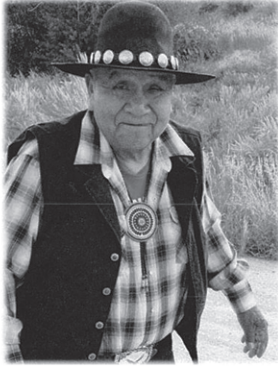
“It has a spirit. It’s a living being,” Baker said. “So if you think about it being hung on a wall all these years in a static case, suffocating for lack of air, it’s just horrific, really.”

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-Meet at Sacajawea Center
-High clearance vehicles only
5:00 PM
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6:00 PM
PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION
at Learning Center by LCPD
7:00 PM
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12:00 PM
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4:00 PM
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SBHS Debate team members make history qualifying for National Speech & Debate Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa

By **ROSELYNN YAZZIE**
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL – Three students representing Shoshone-Bannock Jr./Sr. High School made history as the first qualifiers from an all-Indigenous school in Idaho to participate in the 2024 National Speech & Debate Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa in June.

Students included freshman Seth Stacey; sophomore Aiyana Eschief; and sophomore Lu Matsaw. The debate team is instructed by Speech teacher Abigail Vaughn.

Eschief competed in the categories of Poetry and Expository, which is an informative speech on a specific topic of choice. Her poetry topic was friendship and her expository was on residential schools. She received a score of five in three of her rounds.

Matsaw competed in Expository and Storytelling. His expository was on video games and storytelling was

on the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Creation story, in which he acted out for the audience.

Stacey did an Informative Speech on Missing Murdered Indigenous Women and scored a one on one of his rounds, which was extremely good for a middle school student said Vaughn. He also got a five in two other rounds.

Vaughn said, “Every single one of the students got extremely positive feedback and they were told that they had very impactful and persuasive topics.”

As their teacher Vaughn said she’s extremely proud of them.

“Throughout this entire journey, they’ve shown that they’re extremely dedicated, and they are dedicated not only to improvement and excellence but to wanting to make history by being the first students from an all-Indigenous school in Idaho

to go to Nationals. They have shown extreme passion for their topics and I’m so excited to see them grow, as not only competitors but as students, and as part of the Speech & Debate community,” said Vaughn.

Vaughn encourages all students to take part in Speech & Debate at Sho-Ban this upcoming school year.

While at Nationals, one other Indigenous School represented, which was the Navajo Preparatory School. The Sho-Ban Speech & Debate team is hoping to visit them in October and compete in an Indigenous-led and centered debate tournament in New Mexico.



Shoshone-Bannock High School students Lu Matsaw, Seth Stacey, Aiyana Eschief and Speech teacher Abigail Vaughn. (Submitted photo)

TYEP summer youth visit ISU, attend resource fair



TYEP Fort Hall Summer Youth Program participants attending ISU campus tour and resource fair. (Submitted photo)

POCATELLO—The TYEP Fort Hall Summer Youth Program visited Idaho State University for a campus tour and participate in a resource fair on Monday, July 29.

Youth visited the new automotive complex and participated in learning activities in the biology labs.

The resource fair offered students information about the programs offered at ISU.




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Managing Back to School Stress

As summer winds down and the school year starts, it’s normal to start feeling anxious. Here are some quick and easy tips to follow to help families manage back-to-school stress.

Smart Snacking

Healthy habits also mean making sure you and your family are eating right and that includes lunches too! Get your kids involved in making smart choices by having them help you make and pack their own lunch bags.

Streamline Your Routines

Finally, make your mornings as stress free as possible by finishing basic tasks like making your lunch, packing your briefcase or backpack, and selecting your wardrobe the night before. Have everything you need for the day in a set location, so they are easy to find and grab as you head out the door.



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Zoo Idaho partners with Trumpeter Swan Society on restoration project



Trumpeter Swans awaiting to be released Saturday, June 29, at the Summer Lake Wildlife Area. Goal is to help improve trumpeter swans populations in Oregon. (Submitted photo)

POCATELLO – Zoo Idaho has partnered with the Trumpeter Swan Society, Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, and multiple zoos from the Association of Zoos & Aquariums from across the US on the Oregon Restoration Project.

The goal is to help improve trumpeter swan populations in Oregon. Zoo Idaho housed 19 Trumpeter Swans in the wetland area over the past winter before relocating them to the Summer Lake Wildlife Area, Oregon.

On the morning of June 28, the 19 swans at Zoo Idaho

with an additional six swans from the Wyoming Wetland Society were transported to Summer Lake Wildlife Area where they were processed, collared, and released Saturday, June 29.

The Oregon Restoration Project is ongoing. Zoo Idaho will receive 20 new swans starting at the end of October 2024 that will stay until the end of June 2025, when they will be released at the Summer Lake Wildlife Area. The goal of the project is to create a self-sustaining flock saturating the area of Summer Lake, with the hope

that the swans will expand to other wetlands across eastern Oregon.

“We are so proud to be part of this program,” said Peter Pruett, Zoo Manager. “Zoo Idaho is now forever linked to the efforts of creating a sustainable Trumpeter Swan population for the state of Oregon. This is a great accomplishment.”

Zoo Idaho currently has one of the largest wetland facilities found in the United States. The facility can house up to 20 baby swans, also known as cygnets, as a soft site.

YNP officials reach decision on future bison management

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS, Wyo. – On July 24, the National Park Service (NPS) announced a decision about the future management of bison at Yellowstone National Park. The Record of Decision, a culmination of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and National Environmental Policy Act process that began in 2022, will allow the NPS to manage bison based on new scientific information and circumstances that have changed since the previous EIS, completed in 2000.

The NPS is implementing this decision because of new scientific information about bison and brucellosis transmission and changed circumstances that include fewer cattle near the park, brucellosis regulations, and Tribal hunting. The NPS was also under court oversight to complete this decision due to litigation in 2018 and 2019 that challenged the adequacy of the original Interagency Bison Management Plan (IBMP) 2000 decision.

The decision describes



Steam rises off bison near Horse Butte outside of West Yellowstone. (Lori Ann Edmo photo)

the actions the NPS will take to manage bison within Yellowstone. It also sets conditions over how the NPS will support its partners in their efforts outside of Yellowstone as multiple federal, state, and Tribal entities have some authority over managing bison as they migrate out of the park.

The decision continues the original purpose of the IBMP to maintain a wild, free ranging bison population and reduce the risk of brucellosis transmission from bison to cattle. It also solidifies the significant progress made over the past two decades by the IBMP partners.

Through the decision, the NPS will prioritize working with American Indian Tribes to transfer brucellosis-free bison to Tribal lands and use harvests to control bison numbers to the extent feasible.

The NPS will continue to support a bison population range that has allowed the park to successfully maintain spatial and temporal separation between bison and cattle outside the park, resulting in zero brucellosis transmissions over the last two decades. The population range protects the genetic integrity of the species and the important role bison play in the ecological balance of the park. It also preserves an ecologically sustainable population of wild, migratory bison.

The decision considers the limited summer and winter habitat outside the park and acknowledges the NPS does not have jurisdiction or control over actions such as hunting or tolerance for bison beyond the park boundary.

Finally, the decision boosts economic spending in surrounding Montana communities and improves visitor experiences since bison are one of the most popular animals for visitors to view in the park.

“We have come a very long way since the last bison management plan was signed in 2000,” said Superintendent Cam Sholly. “This new plan solidifies much of the progress made over the past two decades and

provides a foundation for future decision making. We appreciate the significant engagement on this plan by our affiliated Tribes, partners, and the general public.”

Yellowstone National Park will implement this decision (Alternative 2, the preferred alternative in the EIS) in the following ways:

- Bison will be managed within a population range of about 3,500 and 6,000 after calving and average about 5,000, consistent with the 10-year average.

- The NPS will work with IBMP partners to control bison population numbers using:

- Bison Conservation Transfer Program (BCTP) to restore bison to Tribal lands.

- Tribal Food Transfer Program* (TFTP) to provide meat and hides to Tribes.

- Tribal and state harvests outside the park.

The NPS will prioritize the BCTP and place bison in the BCTP when bison migrate to the park boundary and there is space in the facility.

- The NPS will establish a population assurance threshold of 5,200 bison. This action was not in the original IBMP.

- When the population reaches this threshold, the NPS will begin to manage for a declining bison population by relying primarily on Tribal and state harvests.

- If harvests do not reduce numbers, the NPS will remove additional bison through the TFTP.

- When the population is below 5,200, the NPS will only place bison in the BCTP and use the TFTP to remove brucellosis-positive bison that are identified when animals are selected for the BCTP.

- If the late-winter population nears 3,000 animals, the NPS will protect the population inside the park and encourage partners to reduce hunting outside the park.

Public feedback played a key role in the decision. During the 2023 public comment period, more than 27,000 comments were received on the draft EIS. Yellowstone National Park will begin to implement the decision immediately.

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Indian Day Brave Thomas Eagle. (Jeremy Shay photos)



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Youth dancers in grand entry.

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Alexander Akoneto dances with his sons.



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Women dancers in grand entry at the Kids Day Powwow on July 30. (Jeremy Shay photos)



Jingle dress dancer with red paint on her face.



Tiny tot jingle dress dancer.



Tanner Countryman.



Teen girls traditional dancer.

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Enrollment Technician III
August 9, 2024
Enrollment

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English Teacher
August 9, 2024

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Shoshone-Bannock Casino Hotel
JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS
Week of August 5, 2024

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Closing Date August 9, 2024:

Bingo Caller

Bingo Floor Worker

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Closing Date August 9, 2024:

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Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Enterprises & Agribusiness Corporations
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Business Development Executive

Closing Date: UNTIL FILLED

The Business Development Executive is responsible for supporting the Corporation's core businesses by assisting in implementation of business opportunities that will ensure a positive revenue stream, create employment opportunities for tribal members, and strengthen the portfolios of both the SBABC (Shoshone Bannock Agri Business Corporation) and SBTEC (Shoshone Bannock Tribal Enterprises Corporation) Businesses.

The Executive will be responsible for research, screening, analysis, and recommendation of implementation of new and existing business initiatives. This will include developing strategic, business and feasibility plans, implementing these plans working cooperatively with tribal government operations, feasibility studies, cost/benefit analysis, business case development and financing to implement projects.

Interested individuals should submit a complete application, resume, and supporting certificates, licenses, degrees and other documentation to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Enterprises & Agri-Business Personnel Department.

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Enterprise Personnel office located at 95 West Agency Road in Fort Hall, Idaho 83203.

For more information please contact (208) 235-2077 or jcotton@sho-ban.com

Shoshone-Bannock tribal offices will be closed on Friday, August 9 for Sho-Ban Indian Festival Day, tribal offices reopen on Monday, August 12.

REMEMBER: The next Sho-Ban News edition will be out on Thursday, August 15.

Have a safe and happy festival weekend from the SBN staff!

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBAL COURT
Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho
Civil Division

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
HARRY LEE CHEE
DOD: 03/05/2024
INDIAN DECEDENT
CASE NO: 2024-CV-PB-0117
NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND UNNAMED HEIRS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

1. Reana Yazzie, 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 22nd Day of July, 2024.

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 22nd Day of July, 2024.
Reana Yazzie
ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR



EASTERN SHOSHONE ELECTION ABSENTEE VOTING

The Eastern Shoshone Election Judges will have an absentee ballot request booth at the 2024 Shoshonean Reunion in Fort Hall, Idaho.

August 6th, 7th, 8th — 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Location: Sho Ban High School

This will better accommodate out of state tribal members over 18 years and older.

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NOTICE TO DEFAULT LEASE LOANS

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Credit Department has given notice to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) that loans of the individuals listed in this notice are now over thirty (30) days delinquent and in default. Therefore, the BIA is providing notice to those individuals via this public notice of its intent to place restriction on their IIM accounts per 25 CFR 115.602(c). This notice will be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks beginning **August 5, 2024**. The restriction will be placed on their IIM accounts **five (5) days after the date of the fourth publication** of this notice. Those individuals wishing to request a hearing to challenge the BIA's decision to restrict their IIM account can contact the Fort Hall Agency BIA Superintendent, PO Box 220, Fort Hall, ID 83203 or by phone at (208) 238-2301 for further information and instructions on how to request a hearing. You can also contact Maggie Martinez, at the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration (aka IIM), at (208) 252-2322 and/or the above address for more information. Your opportunity to request a hearing to challenge the BIA's decision will expire **thirty (30) days after the date of the fourth (4th) publication** of this notice.

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CASE NO: 2024-CV-TG-0109
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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 5th day of September, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
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SPORTS



Blossom Rodeo, Native rough stock contractor, credits SB Festival INFR Tour Rodeo for helping business grow

23 Indian Relay teams to compete for Sho-Ban Festival FHIRA championship



Blossom Rodeo Ranch's bucking horses graze on the Duck Valley Indian Reservation in Owyhee, Nev. (Submitted photo)

FORT HALL — A total of 23 Indian Relay horse racing teams are competing in the Shoshone-Bannock Festival Indian Relay Races August 9 to 11 at the Fort Hall Racetrack.

They include Appenay Relay; Bad Rock Warriors; Beegup Relay; Birdinground; Boogie Boyz; Carlson; Cedar Ridge; Coby; Farmer Creek; Little Badger; Little Mountain; Mountain Crow; Mountain Timber; Old Sun; Red Bone; Red Man; River Road; Starr School; Teton Team; Tis-sidimit; War Chiefs; Yokoyama Relay and Young Money.

In the Ladies Relay the teams are Amyotte, Iron Eyes, Old Sun, Shield Woman Express, Tillman and Wild Rose.

Junior Relay includes: Blazing Racing, Carlson Jr., JB Relay, Rough Riders, Sun Rise T and Tendore Relay.

There are seven in the Chief Race, three in the Youth Straight race, seven in the Lil Chief Race, four in the teen girls race, five in the Warrior Race and seven in the Ladies Race.

The family of Keno "Yambasi" Coby is giving a jockey award.

Races are at noon each day. Friday the Chief Race, Youth Straight, Youth Relay, Ladies Relay and Indian Relay will be run. Saturday: Youth Relay, Teen Girls Race, Warrior Race, Youth Warrior, Ladies Race and Indian Relay. On Sunday is the Lil Chief Race, Ladies Relay, Consolation and Championship races.

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



By LORI ANN EDMO
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Blossom Rodeo credits the Shoshone-Bannock Festival INFR Tour Rodeo for helping them grow.

The rodeo stock contractor hails from Owyhee, Nev. where Wally and Teola Blossom raise their herd of bucking horses. They said the expansiveness of the Duck Valley Indian



From left, Teola and Wally Blossom working on the ranch. (Lori Ann Edmo photos)

Reservation open range, clean, fresh water and the natural feed also helps.

They've been the bucking horse contractor for the Shoshone-Bannock INFR Tour Rodeo for four years.

Wally said they were able to get the connection to buck horses at the

Indian National Finals Rodeo (INFR) through Louise Dixey who is on the local Legends Rodeo committee. "And we never would have gotten there if we didn't do Fort Hall and go to the Indian Finals for two years in a row. That's pretty much how it got started," Wally



Wally Blossom herds horses on an ATV.



Blossom Rodeo's bucking horses.

said. They also had bucking horses at the Riverton INFR Tour Rodeo this year. Teola said it was an honor to be asked to go to Riverton. They saw a lot of people from the INFR at the event.

In December when they go to the National Finals Rodeo (NFR), all the same people are there too at the horse sale – buyers and contractors. That's how a lot of exchanges of



A belt buckle that Blossom's bucking horse won at the 2023 INFR.

stud horses are done and connections made.
See BLOSSOM, page B3

New Fort Hall Rodeo and Jr. Rodeo queens crowned

FORT HALL — Arianna Seymour was named the Fort Hall Rodeo Queen and Alaiya Beasley won the Fort Hall Junior Rodeo Queen title July 27 at the Fort Hall Indoor Arena.

Seymour, 20, is a member of the Colville Confederated Tribes. She said in her biography she is part of a great family of horse, ranch and rodeo people. She has a lifelong passion for equine sports. She's been involved in 4-H, horse racing and rodeo.

Her hobbies are riding horses, tending to her farm animals, swimming, beading, fishing, hunting, huckleberry picking, painting, drawing, gardening, hiking, biking and sewing. She's won awards in 4-H showmanship, rodeo and parades.

She wanted to be the Fort Hall Rodeo Queen
See QUEEN, page B3



New Fort Hall Rodeo Queen Arianna Seymour (right) with outgoing queen Pauline Allen. (Olivia Yokoyama photos)



At right: New Fort Hall Junior Rodeo Queen Alaiya Beasley (right) with outgoing queen Pauline Allen.

Tessa Cutler takes on junior drag racing at age 14



Tessa Cutler and her family at the Lost Creek junior drag racing competition on July 21 in Anaconda, Mont. (Submitted photo)

By LORI ANN EDMO
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — Tessa Cutler, 14, won the Lost Creek junior dragster race July 21 at Lost Creek Raceway in Anaconda, Mont.

Tessa's mom Chris said her daughter's been drag racing for two years and expressed an interest in racing after watching Disney movies, TikTok and

YouTube videos. "She wouldn't let it go," Chris said, so they bought her a dragster out of Butte, Mont. but she outgrew it.

The car she is currently driving is out of Blackfoot. They rebuilt it and she's found success.

She drives upwards of 84 miles per hour down the drag strip and averages and eighth of a mile in seven seconds.

See RACING, page B3

Local families ready awards for Fort Hall Legends INFR Tour Rodeo 2024



The Fort Hall Legends INFR Tour Rodeo team roping championship award is spurs sponsored by Louise Dixey in memory of the late Clyde "Duke" Dixey Sr. (Lori Ann Edmo photos)



Fort Hall Legends INFR Tour Rodeo 2024 All-Around event championship belt buckles.

By LORI ANN EDMO
Sho-Ban News

FORT HALL — The Fort Hall Legends Indian National Finals (INFR) Tour Rodeo is August 10 and 11 featuring numerous awards donated by local families.

Louise Dixey is sponsoring spurs to the winning team in the team roping in memory of Clyde "Duke" Dixey Sr. Duke was a team roper and rancher. He put on a lot of jackpot roping's at the Fort Hall Indoor

Arena. He was Rocky Mountain Indian Rodeo Association (RMIRA) president for five years. He and Alvin Smith of Navajo Nation advocated for breakaway roping at the INFR — in 1990 it was accepted.

Families of Jack Edmo Jr. and Shelly McDonald are sponsoring a belt buckle in memory of their father Jack Edmo Sr. They are also donating a white shirt that has significance. Jack Edmo Sr. was inducted into the athlete

category of the 2024 North American Indigenous Athletics Hall of Fame. He passed away July 17, 2023, he was a visionary, gifted horseman and cowboy. He won over 170 belt buckles in his lifetime. He rode saddle bronc, bareback, bulls, was a calf roper and team roper.

Lamar Farmer is giving special awards in the steer wrestling in memory of his father Larry Farmer. Larry worked at the Simplot mine in Fort Hall for over 20 years. He then

worked at Bannock Paving and the Shoshone-Bannock Casino as security manager. Simplot used to have jackpot roping's for their employees where he won buckles. He qualified for the INFR in steer wrestling while in the RMIRA. Larry was president of the Fort Hall Rodeo Club for several years. He found a roping partner in Darrell Shay and they roped for several years. He got Lamar and Kidd into junior rodeos — Lamar in breakaway and Kidd in bull riding.

Lamar said he and

Gene Edmo would enter junior rodeos when they won at Fort Hall getting gift certificates. They won at the rodeo in Wyoming. Larry helped Lamar teach horses how to run out of the roping chute and get them ready for rodeos. Lamar and Larry rodeoed in the RMIRA for a couple of years. Kidd kept riding bulls in high school, "My dad loved to help him when he rode," Lamar said. He would ride bulls in Darlington, Idaho. Larry also built them a roping arena where they practiced almost every weekend. He also helped his grandkids in their 4-H projects when they had horses. When his granddaughter Dominique Farmer learned how to ride, they would go ride when he had free time. Larry loved all his grandkids — Kamryn Farmer, Kimberli Farmer and Kyler Farmer, and also his great-grandkids.

Lamar is giving a Pendleton jacket to the steer wrestling champion, a headstall and rein, along with adding \$500 to the purse in Larry's memory.

The Legends rodeo stock slack is August 10 at 8 a.m. Performances are Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday, August 11 at 2 p.m.

Entries include three bareback riders; 25 bull riders, 30 barrel racers,



Jack Edmo Sr. saddle bronc buckle award sponsored by the families of Jack Edmo Jr. and Shelly McDonald.

27 calf ropers, 51 ladies breakaway ropers, 23 steer wrestlers, 33 senior men's breakaway ropers, 12 saddle bronc riders, 10 junior bull riders, 16 junior breakaway ropers, 14 junior barrel racers, 30 senior team roping teams and 71 team roping teams.

Dixey said there are some tough competitors such as Erich Rodgers in team roping, Hiyo Yazzie in steer wrestling in the Saturday morning slack and calf roping. Wawa and Brendon Ben in the team roping. Bailey Bates in the ladies breakaway roping, along with several other world champion competitors such as John Boyd Jr.

Blossom Rodeo and Bert Jones are the stock contractors. Riley Dodging Horse and Tyler Yazzie are the bullfighters. Darrell Wright is the announcer. It's free admission.

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BLOSSOM, continued

The two have a love for the rodeo business, "If you don't have that, you don't have no sense in doing it," he continued "Because you're not going to get rich. I enjoy what we do — sometimes it's stressful and sometimes it's joyful so you're going to have both sides of it."

Wally started at the Owyhee rodeo when he was 13 — every year they'd gather horses about two weeks before the rodeo. His mentor was George Walker who took him under his wing at a very young age. "He got my interest started here in Owyhee at our local rodeos. From the horse gather, two weeks before, to picking up during the rodeo and working through to the finish."

Then he started being a pick up man (assisting cowboys off their mounts) at rodeos in Idaho when he was 18 or 19. Next he went to doing pro rodeos and prior to that he was pick up man at Idaho Cowboys Association where he was ICA Pickup Man of the Year for two years in 86 and 87. He had lots of good horses he rode to do that. "You're just a pilot sitting there," he described it.

After that he figured he'd start doing bucking horses and said initially, he was just buying "chicken feed horses," and did that for ten years or longer. He'd buy eight head of bucking horses and maybe keep two, "That's how my herd increased." He started from scratch comparing it to making a cake from scratch. Then he eventually got into a few better stud horses — they were bred to buck. He now has quite a few horses, he said. "When you're down to a hundred colts in the spring that pretty much tells you how many you have."

They raise their own horses. They start out as two-year-olds, used in horse roping's. Teola said the horses have to get used to the noise and being in the bucking



Horses run at Blossom Rodeo Ranch in Owyhee, Nev. (Lori Ann Edmo photo)

chutes. When they first go to Jordan Valley, it's the first time in a truck and the rodeo atmosphere. After getting used to it, when in the chute they're physically ready, they know. Traveling is hard on them sometimes get car sick. Their horses are valuable so they take care of them.

They have their horses in different pastures, raise their own grass hay but also have to purchase about 100 tons of hay every year to assure their horses make it through the winter. Winters can get bad recalling one year they had four foot drifts of snow and had to dig out their trucks.

They do about 15 events a year including horse roping's, ranch rodeos, Indian rodeos and open rodeos such as ICA. "And that's plenty," Wally said. They start in January through October.

Teola names the horses the way they act, how they look and sometimes how they perform. They had one who was always getting out so they called him Escape Artist but the guys at the rodeo named him Houdini. The bronc riders help name horses too.

Teola said Wally knows each and every bucking horse. There's a couple she might not trust because they might run over her but for the most part they're pretty easy to handle because they start working with them when they're young. The horses know them. He rounds them up on an ATV and the horses know where to

go — which pastures.

She enjoys being in the business, "And I love the horses. And I love being behind the chutes because that's my comfort zone." The hard part is she gets emotionally attached to the horses.

Teola retired from her administrative job 15 years ago so when she started going to rodeos full time — it was the best of all worlds for her. "You get to be with the horses and you're excited to see what they're going to do. You get to visit with the cowboys and meet them." She likes to pray with them as some don't know how.

They each have their duties once they get to a rodeo. They have to sort the horses if they're for bareback or saddle bronc. She has to check their numbers if there's a draw making sure the horses are in the right pens. If there's no draw they chute run and whatever horse runs in is the luck of the draw. Wally is in the back pulling the flank straps when it's time for the horses to buck.

At times they have to figure out what may have happened when a horse doesn't buck or stalls in a chute but once they realize it, they fix it. Things have to be done a certain way or the horse will turn off.

Teola does all of the book work and traveling arrangements.

They have two semi-trucks they utilize and a

pickup and trailer for transport. Nothing fancy, "We're just common people — as long as we get there and back it's the main thing," Wally said. He also mechanics on the rigs when needed.

Family is important. They help when they brand and cut their studs. Local ranchers also come and help. Wally's sisters are amazing cooks, Teola said, they put a big meal together and make Indian tacos.

He said he plans to keep being a rodeo contractor as long as his legs hold out and when the pleasure's gone, it's time to quit. "When you're not enjoying it anymore."

They both were happy when one of their bareback horses was named champion in the third round 2023 at the INFR. They received a belt buckle for it.

It's a good life for them but physically it can be hard. "But it's all worth it," Teola said.

QUEEN, continued

Queen to share the spirit of rodeo, foster community connections, empower others to embrace their passion for the western way of life while proudly representing the Fort Hall Rodeo, legacy, horse people.

Beasley is Shoshone-Bannock. Alaiya is 14 and will be a freshman at Blackfoot High School. She helped with the Native American Club at Mountain View Middle School. Her goals are to attend college to obtain a degree. She plays volleyball, basketball, boxing, softball and enjoys riding horse. She is a former mutton buster and has raced in Indian relay races. She wants to represent her family, her tribal people

and her culture.

Each won a saddle, beaded crown, belt buckles, leather sash and various horse supplies.

They were judged on appearance, personality and horsemanship. Each had to give a speech and do an interview with the judges.

Sponsors include Dave Bollinger and family — rodeo queen saddle; Fort Hall Rodeo Queen crown — Fort Hall Rodeo Committee. It was made by Delano Yazzie from Ariz. Dustin Quagigant and family sponsored the Junior Rodeo Queen saddle. Reba Coby sponsored the Junior Rodeo Queen beaded crown that Geraldine Martinez created from Fort Hall.



Above and below: Awards gifted to both the new Fort Hall Rodeo & Junior Rodeo queens. (Reba Coby photos)



RACING, continued

It's a risky sport. Chris said Tessa asked her what she's doing when she goes down the track and she replied she prays.

Tessa is licensed to drive competitively with the NHRA (National Hot Rod Association).

In 2023, she raced once in Idaho Falls, four or five times in Montana and once over in Boise.

This year, she's had three races in Montana and one in Boise. Chris said she has four more in Boise with the season

ending in October. They may go to Vegas during Thanksgiving.

In addition to Lost Creek, she's made money at other races and Chris believes she may be in the top six in the junior bracket. There's a total of 16 junior dragster racers.

Tessa is part of "Rez Racing" that consists of Broncho Racing, Blu Hayball Racing, along with Brett and Punch McCrary.

"There's a whole group of us that go, we travel together, park together and support each other, Chris said.



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Friday 12:50 pm
Fort Hall Field (2)
Bear Claw

Friday 6:40 pm
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Tribes

Saturday 7:50 pm
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Winner

Saturday 10:10 pm
Fort Hall Field (11)

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Loser's Bracket

L2

Saturday 10:30 am
Fort Hall Field (5)

L3

L7

Saturday 5:30 pm
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L1

Saturday 11:40 am
Fort Hall Field (6)

L4

Saturday 3:10 pm
Fort Hall Field (8)



2023 Champs

At right: 2023 Sho-Ban Festival All-Indian Men's champions Echo Hawk Law. (Submitted photo)



Shoshone - Bannock Festival All-Indian Women's Softball Tournament



Winner's Bracket

Softball Sisters

Friday 2:00 pm
Fort Hall Field (1)
Free Agents

Saturday 12:50 pm
Fort Hall Field (3)

Playmakers

Friday 4:20 pm
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Extreme Heat

Saturday 6:40 pm
Fort Hall Field (6)

Winner

Saturday 9:00 pm
Fort Hall Field (7)

Winner

(Loser 6 if 1st Lost)

Loser's Bracket

L3

L1

Saturday 4:20 pm
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L2

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2023 Sho-Ban Festival All-Indian Women's champions Real Ugly. (Submitted photo)



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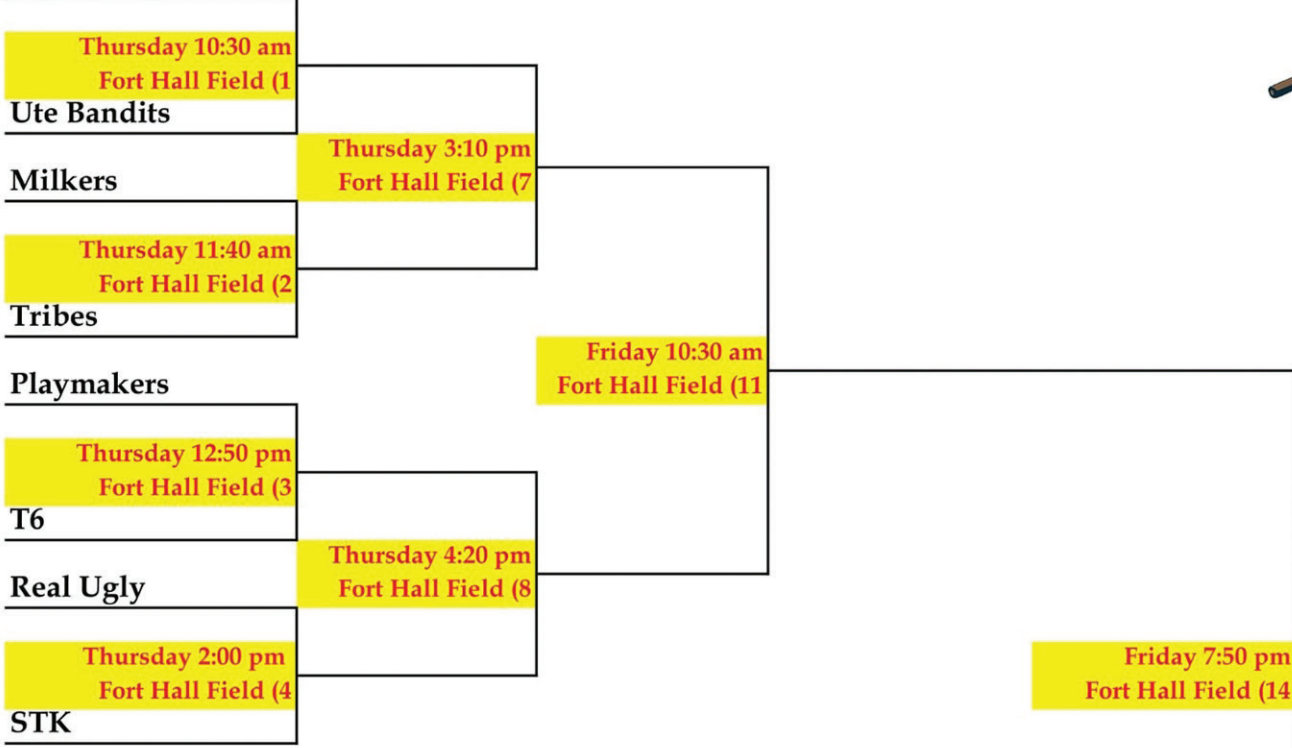
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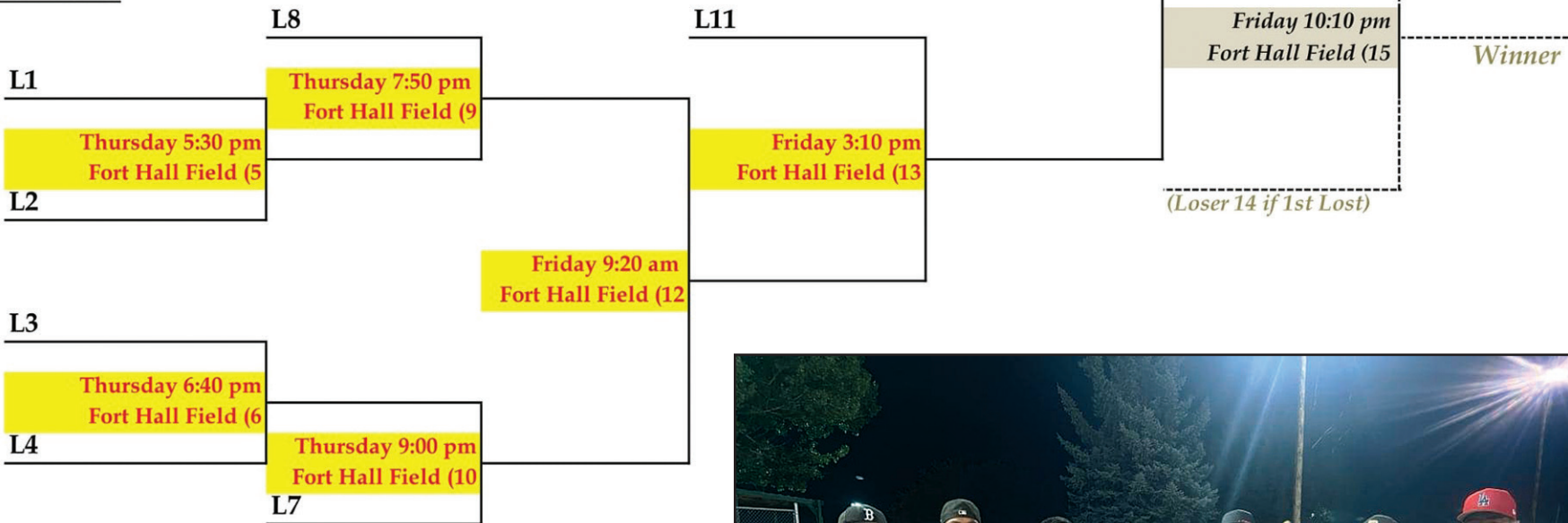
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Rip & Grip



Loser's Bracket



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At right: 2023 Sho-Ban Festival All-Indian Coed champions Real Ugly. (Submitted photo)



Youth Warrior Challenge scenes



Warrior Challenge teen competitor Annika Gonzalez finishes the bike portion of the July 30 event. (Jeremy Shay photos)



Warrior challenge competitor Osei Burns jumps off his bike.

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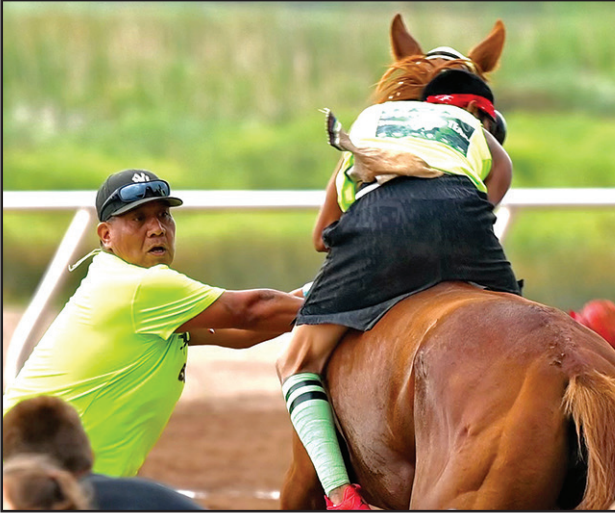
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Fort Hall teams compete in Celebration of Native American Heritage Horse Nations Tour of Champions Indian Relay races



Boogie Boys relay team during an exchange in Evanston, Wyo. — the team won the Consolation race on July 28. (Tahnee Galloway photos)

EVANSTON, Wyo. — Three Fort Hall Indian Relay horse racing teams competed in the Celebration of Native American Heritage Horse Nations Tour of Champions Indian Relay races July 27 and 28 at Wyoming Downs.

The Teton Team, Yokoyama Relay and Boogie Boys all raced. Boogie Boyz and rider Frankie Gould won the Consolation Race July 28. Second was War Chiefs with rider Donte Gambler and third was Lone Dog Relay with Caydyn Lone Dog riding.



Teton team with rider Miaus Teton (front center) in Evanston, Wyo.

Both the Teton Team and Yokoyama Relay were in the Championship race. Lakota War Path won first with Michael Callie riding. Teton Team with Miaus Teton riding was second and Yokoyama Relay with Dallon Yokoyama riding was third. David Tuttle riding for Rising Sun was fourth.

On July 27, Rising Sun and rider David Tuttle won the first heat. Second was Dallon Yokoyama riding for Yokoyama Relay. Third was Michael Callie riding for Lakota War Path. War Chiefs with



Dallon Yokoyama jumps on during an exchange for Yokoyama Relay team.

rider Donte Gambler were disqualified.

The Teton Team won the second heat with rider Miaus Teton. Second

was Lone Dog Relay with Cadyn Lone Dog riding. Boogie Boys with Frankie Gould riding were disqualified.

Jami Moss' dog Oreo named Fort Hall's Top Rez Dog



Fort Hall's Top Rez Dog Oreo with owner Jami Moss. (Olivia Yokoyama photo)

FORT HALL — Fort Hall Recreation's annual Rez Dog contest was July 26 at the softball field where Jami Moss' dog Oreo was named the top Rez Dog.

He was awarded a big bag of dog food, a collar, along with a water and food bowls. He appeared to be smiling as he posed for the photo.

Smartest category — Danielle Johnson's dog Sally won first for the tricks she could do. Jesse Tone's Pablo was second and Prairie Caldwell's dog Tater was third.

In the Ugliest category, Mike's Tank was first, Shelby's Monkey was second and Susanna's CC was third.

Biggest category — Dosa's white dog with brown spots Gozer was first. Mike's Rottweiler Chico was second while another white dog Atlas owned by Kyky was third.

Sariah's ootsie dog Prince was named the smallest. Lilly's Mr. Boss was second. Honesty's Cloe was third.

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Cedar Ridge wins Malad FHIRA Indian Relay



Cedar Ridge with rider Jorge Galloway wins the FHIRA Indian Relay race at the Oneida County Fairgrounds on July 27. (Danita Arriwite photo)

MALAD — Cedar Ridge with Jorge Galloway riding won the Fort Hall Indian Relay Association Indian Relay at Oneida County Fairgrounds in Malad on Saturday, July 27 winning \$1,050.

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Wevaha'a used for security & protection; getting health screenings can save lives

By **ANN JIM, BS,**
Health Education

FORT HALL — Health screenings can be a very scary thought, but confiding in someone that has gone through the process can be helpful and comforting.

With that, I would like to share some words about how precious our women are and hope you can find this tradition I'm going to speak about comforting.

Do you know why our Shoshone-Bannock women covered their heads with the scarf? Which in our language is called, "Wevaha'a." The Wevaha'a, is what our women covered their heads with for security and protection or also known for elderly status.

If you look at any old photo, you will see that

the women covered their heads with the Weveha. As a woman, we go through a lot of changes as we age and with those changes come more health screenings in this modern day of medicine. I wanted to include the tradition of the scarf because I feel like the meaning is so powerful and wanted to share this knowledge to empower you.

Moreover, I want to encourage women to get their screenings that can save lives. I want our women to know that they are the glue that keeps our community and families together, and for sure makeup a strong tribe. As women we will often confide in friends or family to guide us through complex processes. One of those could be getting a

screening for your mammogram. A mammogram is important and is specifically designed to look for breast diseases and can find cancers up to three years before they can be felt. Early detection helps successful treatment. It can track changes in the breast tissue over time and help guide treatment when cancer is present. A mammogram is an X-ray image of your breasts. It can be used either for breast cancer screening or for diagnostic purposes, such as to investigate symptoms or unusual findings on another imaging test.

Who needs a mammogram? If you are between the age of 40 to 49 years old, talk to your doctor or health care provider about this, such as

when to start and how often to get a mammogram. Tribal Health and Human Services (THHS), Community Health Services and Health Education have support staff who can guide you through the process. Be brave and take charge of your tomorrow by taking steps to get screened.

Once you have finished your mammogram screening, you will be provided a paper, which is the Release of Medical Information and signed by you and the radiologist. Bring the signed release form with you to receive a \$25 gas card and a beautiful "wevaha'a" scarf to remind you how important and strong you are. Remember our traditions of the Wevaha'a as they are as sacred as you and



Indian Health Service & Tribal Health employees wearing wevaha'a (scarf) on their heads. (Submitted photo)

you are never alone in this process. It will be given out by the Health Education Program, located at the Not-tsoo Gah-nee, Indian Health Clinic at Tribal Community Health. You may contact Ann Jim, Health Education

Coordinator for questions at (208) 478-3906. If you want to know more about screenings feel free to call our patient navigator, Nancy Wahtomy at (208) 238-5456. www.cdc.gov/ *native elder*

NEWE PUI TU (THROUGH TRIBAL EYES)

THHS Kid's Day - Our Culture, Our Life



Children were able to get prizes at a booth. (Joseph Wadsworth photos)



Children get ready to play a game during the Tribal Health & Human Services Kid's Day activities on the HRDC lawn.



Children were able to play a bowling game during the Kid's Day activities. Many booths were set up.



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