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## COMMUNITIES CONNECTING FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION



The Pyramid Lake Suicide Prevention Taskforce held the 1st Annual "Walk in Memory, Walk for Hope" on



Saturday September 12, 2009. The walk is held annually the same day and time all over Nevada in each city/town that chooses to participate. Pyramid Lake is the first tribal community to participate. Other locations were Elko, Douglas County, Hawthorne, Las Vegas, Reno, and Winnemucca. The goal of the event is to increase awareness of the devastating effects suicide has on our tribes, nation and state, and to remember those who have been lost to suicide.



The event was sponsored by the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic and the Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention.

The event began in Nixon at the Pyramid Lake Tribal Chambers with a Paiute Prayer given by Ralph Burns of Nixon. He was followed by Margaret Jackson, of Hungry Valley who shared her experience as a Survivor of suicide loss. She was then followed by Cassandra Darrough with some thoughts of hope. There were words spoken by survivor's families and the sentiment of loss was felt by all in attendance as well as a sense of connectedness and healing. There were 60 people who attended this event from several different communities.

The group then moved and assembled outside the tribal chambers, hands held together to form a circle; there Cassandra

and Margaret each sang a song about Life. The memorial walk was then led by Margaret and Ima Scott. The group walked to the Nixon Bridge, where the people said prayers, reminisced and released their flowers & sage into the Truckee River, letting the waters guide those thoughts and prayers to the Creator. Many photos were taken and the group returned to the tribal chambers to share a meal together.

The Pyramid Lake Suicide Prevention Taskforce would like to thank the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Tribal Council for their support of this event, the Tribal Health Clinic and Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention for the food, t-shirts and flowers, to the Office of Suicide Prevention and to our Pyramid Lake Tribal Police and Rangers for the barrier and traffic control for the safety of all of the Walkers. A Special "Thank You" goes out to Ralph Burns and Margaret Jackson for their participation and support.



For more information on suicide prevention, including information on learning the signs of suicidal behavior go to <http://dhhs.nv.gov/SuicidePrevention.htm> or contact Cassandra Darrough-Preserving Life Program Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator @ (775) 688-2964 ext.249

If you or someone you know is in crisis, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).



## FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE DO YOU OWE FOR CHILD CARE?

Little Warriors Learning Center is once again asking that the following families please contact Cheryl Ewing Child Care Director. We are trying to collect outstanding balances of \$50.00 or more due for services rendered. You may contact us @ 575-2774 or 571-1031 to make a payment arrangement. We are willing to work with all of the families to make arrangements acceptable in your budget range.

Vennisa Crutcher	Sheri Nakai
Shirley Wise	Erica Smith
Jennie Burns	Shannel Davis
Tash Sander	Kelly Harry
Tonya Henry	Dave Matson
Jonathan Yarrow	Moxie Zermero
Jason Davis	Larisa Joe
Marci Skenandor	Carolyn Harry
Shannon Rambeau	Lessert Moore
Marc Lowery Sr	Minda Fels
Donald Mashburn	Keri Jackson
Waylon/Jessica Nish	Shasta Juarez-
Deshonna Ballew	Kaylea Dunn
Melinda Brazzanovich	DaNelle Smith
Summer Phillips	Eddie Smith
Shawnee Sander	Rebecca Dodd
Amanda Juliot	

Above delinquent account will be turned over to the Courts as of 11/1/09. A \$25.00 court filing fee will be added to your outstanding balance.  
Thank-you

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Have a Safe Halloween

**Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe**  
P.O. Box 256

Nixon, Nevada 89424  
Telephone: (775) 574-1000  
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is currently recruiting for one (1) vacancy on the

### WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

If you are interested in serving on this Committee, please complete a Committee/Board Participation application form and return it to the following address:

PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE  
ATTN: Tribal Secretary  
P.O. Box 256  
Nixon, NV 89424

**CLOSES**

**Thursday, October 8, 2009  
at 4:30 p.m.**

Re-Posted: 09.14.2009

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P.O. Box 256

Nixon, Nevada 89424  
Telephone: (775) 574-1000  
FAX (775) 574-1008

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is currently recruiting for one (1) adult member and one (1) teen (15-17 years of age) to serve on the

### PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

If you are interested in serving on the Parks & Recreation Committee, please complete a Committee/Board Participation application form and return it to the:

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ATTN: Tribal Secretary  
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Posted: 09.21.2009

## PYRAMID LAKE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The new construction project known as 'NV4-16' is progressing smoothly. The preliminary planning started in 2004 by identifying development dollars within the Indian Housing Plan (IHP). Each year, through 2008, funds have been set aside for new construction. In FY06, the environmental assessment was started. Contact was made with the various federal agencies, I.H.S., BIA, and our own tribal government for their comments, regarding the building of these new homes. Sierra Pacific Power and Southwest Gas were also involved during the preliminary timeframe. The Board approved a site in each community, Wadsworth, Nixon, and Sutcliffe, as potential construction sites to build on. Poggemeyer Design Group, in April '07, was hired to provide civil engineering services for the three sites. Both Wadsworth and Nixon sites were approved; the Sutcliffe site did not pass the soils test and was therefore deleted from the project as a site area to build on.

The Board of Commissioners (BOC) designated Wadsworth area for the new construction since the last project, NV4-15 (10 units) were all built in Nixon. The Wadsworth site will have 15 home sites developed. Actual construction will consist of 10 units with the potential to build an additional 5 units depending on the construction cost.

The Dube' Group Architecture was hired by the BOC in August '09 to provide professional services for the schematic design, bidding, construction, and warranty phases of the project.

Dube' reports the architectural plans for all the standard units are 100% complete, including floor plans, exterior elevations, building sections, foundation plans, floor framing plans and roof framing plans for each model. The structural detailing is

currently being completed for each of the four models. The electrical and mechanical design/build plans for all standard units are 100% complete. The accessible unit design for three models to comply with federal accessibility requirement is currently being worked on. Work is on-going on the boilerplate and technical specifications.

The NV4-16 Potential Homebuyers have been approved by the BOC based on the Homeownership Waiting List (HWL). The established eligibility criteria to participate in the homebuyer program is the head of household is an enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, a family composition of 2 or more, income eligible, and with no tribal debts, i.e. housing, PUD, daycare. Participant meetings have been on-going and will continue up to the move-in date.

We are pleased to announce that the tribe received \$70,000 under the FY09 BIA Housing Improvement Program (HIP). Homeowners Loretta Bonta and Flora Greene each have been approved for a \$35,000 grant for home repairs and renovations. The Development Department is in the process of completing the cost analysis, scope of work, and will eventually advertise for a contractor.

The FY10 Indian Housing Plan (IHP) is being developed. Activities include the continued administration of the '37 units (units currently under

management – homeownership and low rental), renovation projects, site improvement projects, and new construction. There will be community meetings held to discuss Housing's future plans. Your participation is welcomed.



### *Lorraine Dick Wadsworth*

September 5, 1936-August 8, 2009

Lorraine's family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and kind thoughts during this difficult time. Lorraine was known to her grandchildren as "Granny" and "Hoo-be" to her four great-grandchildren. She is going to be missed by all those who knew her.

A special thank you to Father Eric Heidecker for the service, the drum group who performed the honor songs, Ralph and Yvonne Dunn, Iggy and JP, all the ladies who helped with the food service and to everyone who brought food and drinks. Thank you to the Pyramid Lake Veterans group for the special honor that was given to Granny for contributing her time and effort to the Veterans.

Again, we would like to say thank you.

Gina and Wayne Wadsworth      Elena Sanchez and Frankie      Jose' Sanchez  
Leticia & Wayne Burke and kids      Steven and TR Wadsworth

## The Pyramid Lake Triathlon Draws Gives Back to Community



The 2009 Pyramid Lake Triathlon was held on Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup> near the Marina in Sutcliffe. This year's triathlon drew a record number, 260 participants. The race course included a ½ mile swim course in the lake near the Marina, a 14 mile bike ride on SR 445 from Sutcliffe north to Warrior Point and back, and a 3 mile run from the Marina area south along the old railroad bed and back.

For the past five years the Reno Area Triathletes have been the race directors for this event and it is very rare to see a triathlon club putting on a race.

The other rare feature with this triathlon is the Reno Area Triathletes give

all the proceeds back to the community; nearly \$50,000 has been given to local charities over the past five years. This year Reno Area Triathletes are proud to announce that they are giving away \$13,000 to local non-profit groups. The proceeds are given to the volunteer groups that come out to the race and help run the event. Jobs range from packet stuffing, registration, parking, aide stations, set up and clean up. This year the Pyramid Lake Veterans & Warriors Organization, the Emergency Response and the Rangers programs all benefitted from donations from the Pyramid Lake Triathlon.



## 2nd Annual Veteran's Day Gathering November 11, 2009



### Tentative Program

Starting @ 6:00 am

Nixon Gym

- ◆ Color Guard to assemble at the Nixon Gym to walk to the Nixon Cemetery (5:30-6:00 am)
- ◆ Sunrise Flag Ceremony
- ◆ Return to the Nixon Gym
- ◆ Welcoming
- ◆ Honoring Current Active Military Personnel
- ◆ Breakfast - Potluck
- ◆ Color Guard Presentation

The Pyramid Lake Veterans and Warriors Organization is planning the **2nd Annual Veteran's Day Gathering**, but needs your help with the following:

- ◆ Cooks and Servers Volunteers  
*Volunteer Sign-ups with JP at 574-0147.*
- ◆ Current Pyramid Lake Active In-Service Military Personnel

#### - Names and Address

Personnel Information to:  
Ralph Burns at 574-0156  
Bobbie Burns at 574-0127 or  
James Plympton at 574-0147

#### - Pictures

Lela Christensen at 574-1050 ext 23

The organization is planning to send Gift/Care Packages to all Military Personnel in active duty overseas, so it is important for families of these men and women to get this information to JP, Ralph or Bobbie **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Lela is continually updating the Veteran's PowerPoint, so please get her a picture of your loved one who is in now or has serviced in the Armed Forces, so they can be added to the presentation.

Any questions, please contact James Plympton at 574-0147

#### Military Information needed:

- Name & Title
- Current Address\*\*
- Branch of Service
- War Served
- Years of Service
- Enlisted/Discharged Date

\*\*For active service—please provide the APO/FPO address (see example)

SSGT John Doe  
Unit 0000 Box 0000  
APO AP 99999-9999

## PL HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

HR Staff:  
 Billie Jean Guerrero, HR Manager, ext. 120  
**Cloria "CJ" Barnes, HR Assistant, ext. 119**  
 Angelique Helton, Investigative Asst, 574-1047 ext.11

Do you need a job?

The Human Resources office is currently recruiting for the following:

Clinical Registered Nurse	Closes: Open until Filled
Licensed Practical Nurse	Closes: Open until Filled
Police Officer	Closes: Open until Filled
Custodial Worker	Closes: 10/06/09
Cook/Nutritionist	Closes: 09/30/09

**TO APPLY:** Applications may be obtained from the Human Resources Office at the Tribal Administrative Building in Nixon, Nevada; by writing to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe at P.O. Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424; or by calling the Human Resources Office at (775) 574-1000/1001, extension #119/120.

Job announcements are posted locally at the following places: The Pyramid Lake Tribal Administration Building, the post offices in Nixon and Wadsworth, Pyramid Lake housing Authority, Tribal Health Clinic, I-80 Smoke shop, Nixon Store and the Fisheries.

Best of Luck to James Plympton and Lawrence Mandell who retired this year!!! You will be **missed!! Don't have too much fun.....**

We would like to congratulate all of the newly hired employees and wish them luck in their new positions.

Judy Martin , Criminal Justice Liaison  
 Valda Kaye, Bus Driver II  
 Jesus Zamudio, Teachers Assistant  
 Myrna Dunn, Custodial Worker

Again Congratulations to all!!!!

We would also like to take a moment and wish everyone who will be celebrating a birthday this month a very Happy Birthday!



### September

James Plympton  
 Susan Albright  
 Vernelda Frazier  
 Jeffery Christensen  
 Scott Carey

Joseph Esposito  
 Sharon Keever  
 Karen Adamson  
 Shealyn Dick  
 Cheryl Ewing

### October

Loren Decker  
 Russell Cook  
 Sharon Stasiowski  
 Donna Noel  
 Kimberly Dunn  
 Melvin Gentry  
 Janet Davis  
 Imogene Scott  
 Jolene Henry  
 Shannon Stockton

Eric Ingraham  
 Billie Jean Guerrero  
 Jenny Cortez  
 Brandon Harrison  
 CJ Barnes  
 Della John  
 Dorothy Ely  
 Jeanette Allen  
 Andrew Smith  
 Dallas Stephens  
 Karole McQueen

## SEPTEMBER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

Continuing to work on the Economic Development plan and staff is currently in the outreach portion of the planning process. For the past several weeks staff has been meeting with Tribal Council Members, Program Directors, Advisory Committees, and Tribal Members to solicit ideas that create jobs and wealth for Tribal Members on the reservation. Staff hosted public open houses Nixon on September 17<sup>th</sup> and in Wadsworth on October 1<sup>st</sup> and received ideas from Tribal Members on how to create jobs and wealth on the reservation. The information and ideas gathered during these public open houses and throughout the public outreach process will be what is incorporated into the strategic plan of the Economic Development Plan. Included in this part of the plan are six elements that the Tribe will focus its efforts to create jobs and wealth, these elements are; Recreation/Fishing, Tribal Enterprises, Industrial/Commercial Development, Renewable Energy, Agriculture & Ranching and Good

Governance/Education. Staff has also be completed its outreach with Tribal Council Members, Program Directors, Advisory Committees, and Tribal Members at the end of September. Staff writing a first draft of the goals and policy portions of the plan from the ideas and input gathered during the public outreach.

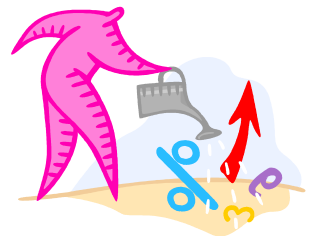
Another issue of interest concerning the Economic Development Plan is the status of Tribal Resolution PL-76-09 which was passed by the Tribal Council on July 17<sup>th</sup>. As the Tribal Members may be aware this resolution urged the Interior Solicitors Office to issue a legal determination on whether or not 100% per-captia distribution is an allowed "Tribal Economic Development" use under the conditions set forth in PL-101-618. In recent years the Tribe has taken several efforts to distribute the interest amount of the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund from PL-101-618 at 100% per-captia amongst Tribal Members. But the Tribe has never received an official

determination from the Federal Government that the Tribe can or cannot distribute the interest money at a 100% per-captia basis. Since this adoption of the resolution a copy of PL-76-09 has been sent out to the appropriate Federal agencies for a response. At this point in time staff has not received a response or have been given the requested legal determination from the Interior Solicitors Office.

If any Tribal Members have any questions on the Economic Development Plan you can contact me or stop by my office which is located next door to the Enrollment Office in the Tribal Administration Building.

Thank You,

Scott H. Carey  
 Tribal Planner  
 775-574-1000  
[scarey@plpt.nsn.us](mailto:scarey@plpt.nsn.us)



## UCLA School of Law - Law Fellows Program

The Law Fellows Program provides early academic development to high-potential undergraduate students and college graduates. To be eligible to participate, applicants must have at least a 3.3 cumulative undergraduate GPA from a four-year institution. **The program focuses on participants' academic development**, with the objective of increasing their academic competitiveness for admission to law school. Our initiative is committed to ensuring equity, access, and excellence in legal education both in California and nationally. A strong preference is granted to applicants whose experiences reflect limited familial exposure to post-collegiate education, career opportunities, mentoring, and social support systems. Additional consideration is also given to applicants who have overcome economic and/or educational hardships and challenges, or come from, or have demonstrated leadership experience in, economically or educationally underserved communities.

Law Fellows attend a series of Saturday Academies held at UCLA School of Law in the winter and spring, where they are provided with mentoring, academic enrichment, and career development activities designed to de-mystify law school and the legal profession, and to present these objectives as viable options. The program prepares participants to successfully enter and succeed in top law programs and legal careers by affording Fellows

access to a variety of events, programs and services, including:

- Professional-Level Instruction by Law School Faculty
- Personalized Juris Doctorate (Law School) Action Plan
- Mentoring by Current UCLA Law Students
- Full Scholarship for one LSAT Preparation Course
- Presentations by Practicing Attorneys and Leaders in the Law Community
- Admissions, Financial Aid, LSAT, and Public Interest Law Workshops
- Legal Research Primer by Law Library Staff
- Follow-Up Activities and Counseling until Law School Matriculation

Forward all materials to:  
 UCLA School of Law  
 Academic Outreach Resource Center  
 Box 951476, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1476

Application available at the  
 Tribal Offices or Higher Education:  
 Deadline: October 15, 2009

*We Tell Stories*

Through our music, dance, food, and crafts we build who we are. Help celebrate our American Indian culture during Native American Heritage Month by attending the 2nd Annual "We Tell Stories" reception.

*November 6, 2009* **N** *5:00pm-8:00pm*

*University of Nevada, Reno*  
*Joe Crowley Student Union Ballroom*

*Purchase A Ticket Today!*

**\$35.00 per person**

*Ticket includes:*  
Entry into the program, catered salmon dinner, entertainment, signing, flute playing, and silent auction.

*Sponsored by University of Nevada, Reno's :*  
The Center for Student Cultural Diversity  
Native American Student Organization  
Native American Alumni Chapter  
Nevada Indian Commission



To purchase tickets contact:  
Kari Emm or Kathleen Wright-Bryan at 775-784-4936

**Proceeds go toward the UNR, Spring Powwow May 1-2, 2010.**

**SHELBY AUTUMN SMITH**

12 year old, PLPT Tribal member, Shelby Autumn Smith, is on the Churchill County Jr. High School 7th grade Girls Basketball Team, in Fallon, Nevada. Shelby is a starter and recently scored 9 points against the Fernley Falcons on Sept. 15th in Fernley. Fallon won 34 to 7. Shelby is the daughter of Craig and Maureen Smith. Her family is very proud of her academic and athletic accomplishments! Great job, Shelby!



Coach Dalager giving instruction during a time out against the Fernley Falcons.



Team photo right after the game:  
(Back row L-R) McKenzie Lunger; Josie Moore; Kieran LeBlanc; **Shelby Smith**;  
(Front row L-R) Emily Johnson, Manager; Alexandria Tedford; Evan Matheson; Tiffany Lewis; and Janelica Galera. (Not pictured Teona Nevers)

**City of Fallon**

**Regional Youth Tournament**

EC Best Elementary School  
**October 16-18, 2009**  
Elementary & Jr. High Divisions

**\$125 Elementary Teams**  
**\$150 Jr. High Teams**



**Jr. Bighorn 2009 Basketball Championships Registration**



Team Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
...Checks payable to Churchill County  
Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_  
Team age group \_\_\_\_\_

**Register at:**  
**[www.renobighorns.com](http://www.renobighorns.com)**

## PL ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

John Mosley, Environmental Director  
 PO Box 256 • Nixon, NV 89424 • Phone: (775) 574-0101 Ext. 13 • Fax: (775) 574-1025  
 Email: jmosley@plpt.nsn.us

### 2009 Solid Waste Survey Report

Here are the results of the customer survey that was sent out for the solid waste program. The percentages and data gathered were based on responses to the survey questions. A total of 42 completed surveys were received, and we'd like to thank all who participated. Your feedback will help guide the solid waste program.

#### 1. Which solid waste service do you currently use?

Curbside	60%
Transfer Sites	15%
Both	23%
A Different Company	2%

#### 2. In the last 6 months, how many times have you used the tribal transfer stations to dispose of bulky items, or items that won't fit in the curbside bins?

Always	2%
Less than 10	10%
Less than 5	17%
Once or twice	33%
Never	38%

#### 3. How often do you recycle household wastes like plastic bottles, aluminum cans, plastic bags, etc?

Always	14%
Very Often	33%
Not Very Often	7%
Sometimes	29%
Never	17%

#### 4. If the Tribe started a curbside recycling program, how likely are you to participate?

Very Likely	75%
Somewhat Likely	12%
Not Sure	9%
Not Very Likely	2%
Not At All	2%

#### 5. Overall, how satisfied are you with the Tribe's curbside service?

Very Satisfied	45%
Somewhat	7%
Satisfied	36%
Not Very	0%
Not At All	0%
No Answer	12%

#### 6. How do you feel about the rates charged for curbside service and transfer site use?

Too High	7%
Too Low	7%
Just Right	70%
Similar To Others	14%
No Answer	1%

#### 7. How satisfied are you with the courteous and prompt service of the Solid Waste Technicians?

Very Satisfied	38%
Somewhat	12%
Satisfied	44%
Not Very	2%
Not At All	2%
No Answer	2%

#### 8. How do you feel about the new service form?

Like It	35%
Somewhat Like It	17%
Don't Care	29%
Don't Like It	2%
Needs Improvement	7%
No Answer	10%

#### 9. How would you rate communication between the Solid Waste Department and Tribal Membership?

Great	4%
Good	49%
Fair	31%
Poor	7%
Needs Improvement	9%

#### 10. How do you prefer to receive updates and information regarding the Solid Waste Program?

Email	15%
Regular Mail	15%
Tribal Newspaper	30%
With My Bill	40%

#### Comments/suggestions/things you'd like to see:

- Recycling
- So far, I like the changes being made
- The can is left in the middle of my driving path
- Tribe to take over the transfer station
- The Tribe definitely needs to help membership start recycling. Let's go green!
- Post flyers for tribal members who do not get PLPT emails.
- Invoice needs to show for which quarter we are being billed. The quarters usually run from Jan-Mar, Apr-June, July-Sept, Oct-Dec, or did this change?
- #3 – Would your staff be putting containers for community to put our recyclables in milk or little bins, and when will they pick them up?
- Awesome! You guys are great!
- Get the incentive program up and offer to people participating.
- Recycle program for everything like newspapers, bags, everything.
- Keep up the good work.
- #2 – Transfer site in Wads needs to be open on weekends! Very inconvenient or have later work hours.
- I would like to see the trash men pick up what they drop on the ground.
- Why can't we put other trash bins out for pick up? A lot of spring cleaning. PUD will only pick up one bin. Don't have truck to take to dump.
- #8 – Was wondering why they had planning meeting after the services were already in place? Is the Tribe getting their money's worth...REALLY?
- #6 – Although I've always been given an answer, it is usually another environmental department cause no one is ever in or it took two weeks for someone to get back to me.
- Once a year for one month, dumpster at end of road for large items for people without trucks.

will begin issuing burn permits on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remember that burn permits are only for burning leaves, weeds, tree limbs and branches not longer than 10 feet.

#### **BURNING BARRELS ARE PROHIBITED!**

It is a violation of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Solid Waste Ordinance No. 52-02-090 to dispose of solid waste by burning such waste in open air, unless the Solid Waste Program Manager grants a variance. Burn permits are not required for agricultural land. If you'd like a burn permit, please stop by and fill out an application.

#### **PUD Billing**

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter (Oct. – Dec.) invoices for water and garbage services should have already been mailed. The Finance Department has been working with our staff to update the accounts and correct billing errors. The process is almost complete, and we appreciate those who have updated and are making payments on their accounts.

#### **More Frequently Asked PUD Questions**

***I heard the PUD accounts were supposed to be zeroed out, and everyone would be allowed to start over.***

The Tribal Council approved Resolution PL39-06 back in May of 2006 which addressed reversing charges. Those credits were applied to the accounts back in 2006 and are reflected in the current balances. Unfortunately, there have been no recent discussions about zeroing out the accounts.

***I haven't lived in my house for a few years, or I have moved and am still receiving a bill. Why was I billed if I haven't lived there?***

Our billing information is based on information that was we got from the old billing system and customer files. If you have moved, or your house was vacant for a period of time, please submit something in writing to explain the situation and provide dates. Otherwise, we will assume the current information is correct and continue to bill. Update forms are available in the department. If you are a homeowner, you are responsible for PUD charges regardless of whether you live there or not. If you have renters in your home, one suggestion would be to incorporate the PUD charges into their monthly rent.

#### **Woodland Management Grant**

As a part of our Woodlands Management Grant, the Department worked hard (borrowing help) to get some trees planted along the streambank in the Big Bend area. These trees will help to keep our stream banks stable in future flooding events as well as help to eventually outcompete with the noxious weeds that also live along the river. We will be working during the Spring when this grant will go into full effect to get rid of noxious weeds and allow for newer trees to become established, as well as planting more trees.

#### **NRCS - Environmental Quality Incentives Program**

We have also worked hard to get some contracts finished from the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service on the Environmental Quality Incentives Program. One of the projects is for a spring box and development in the Dead Ox area for the Salt Marsh Spring. This project is intended to provide cattle with water during the Winter grazing season and to keep the cattle out of the river where they are not permitted to graze. Keeping cattle out of the river also helps reduce non-point source pollution which can negatively impact the Cui-ui and Cutthroat trout populations.

#### **Wildcat Fire Rehabilitation**

We are waiting to hear from the BIA on approval for funding to assist with the Wildcat Fire rehabilitation. This area is being proposed by the BIA Burned Area Emergency Response team for consideration for emergency stabilization funding. Stabilization that would occur would be to seed the area with suitable forage species for the animals that live there and to prevent cheatgrass (bronco-grass) from invading the site as well as a plan to deal with some wild horses and burros that live in the area and would be negatively impacted.

#### **Sutcliffe Water**

The council has directed the Environmental Department to investigate and produce an interim solution to some of the drinking water problems in Sutcliffe. It has been our utmost priority to find funding and bring some much needed resolution to this problem that has been at the forefront of many community member's minds. We are in the process of submitting a request to the EPA for funding in the Drinking Water Tribal Set Aside program, the deadline for submissions is November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The EPA is providing assistance to draft a compliance document for the Tribe's drinking water system, which is over the Arsenic limit set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. Though this is an unfunded mandate for many municipalities, the EPA does set aside some program funding for assistance each year. The majority of the complaints of the water quality are related to the Iron and Manganese and high amounts of Salts (Total Dissolved Solids). The violation of the SDWA is only related to the Arsenic, however, which is colorless, tasteless, and odorless. A new treatment plant would address Arsenic (mainly) and Iron and Manganese. Our plan is to have a water treatment plant in operation by Spring of 2011, if all goes according to plan. One thing is for sure: **this issue will not fall to the wayside and will be resolved.**



# 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chester Smith Sr. Memorial Basketball Tournament



**November 20, 21, 22, 2009**  
**Yerington, Nevada**

GET YOUR FEES IN EARLY TO ASSURE YOUR TEAMS GETS IN!  
ENTRY FEE DEADLINE: **NOVEMBER 2, 2009**  
Mail to: CSM TOURNAMENT, P.O. BOX 719, YERINGTON, NV 89447



**ADULT DIVISION(S)**  
**WOMEN'S & MEN'S**

ENTRY FEE: \$300  
First 12 teams to pay fee will be entered in tourney.

**"OVER 45" DIVISION**  
**WOMEN'S & MEN'S**

ENTRY FEE: \$200  
First 4 teams to pay fee will be entered in tourney.



**YOUTH DIVISION**

1-3 Grade - 4-6 Grade  
7 & 8 Grade

ENTRY FEE: \$150  
First 8 coed teams to pay fee will be entered in tourney.

AWARDS GIVEN FOR CHAMPIONSHIP  
RUNNER-UP - THIRD PLACE  
& CONSOLATION

MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER  
BEST TEAM PLAYER (MVP)--(BOY & GIRL)  
ALL-STARS (BOYS & GIRLS)

Special Award for this Tournament  
**MEMORIAL COACH'S AWARD**

CHAMPIONSHIP  
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CONSOLATION

"BEST TEAM PLAYER" (MVP)  
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ALL-STARS

**1/2 ENTRY FEE DEPOSIT  
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL:

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# Boots 'N' Britches Kendra Beebe Memorial Play Day



**Sunday, October 25th, 2009**  
**Sign-ups at 10:30 AM**  
**Start at 11:00 AM**



## Boots 'N' Britches

We will have Barrels, Poles, "Game", Goat Tying & Undecorating.

Pee Wees 0-7yrs, Juniors 8-13 yrs, Youth 14-18 yrs, Seniors 19+



**PRICE**  
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME  
**\$10 per contestant**  
ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS  
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**For More Info call:**  
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# Senior Fun Day Halloween Party

**October 29, 2009**  
**10 am - 2 pm**  
**Nixon Gym**

- Bingo
- Costume Contest
- Door Prizes
- Dancing with the Stars



PLEASE RSVP:  
Numaga Senior Center  
574-1064  
By Deadline:  
October 23rd—3:00 pm



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Please complete this form and submit with your article.

BE SURE TO:

- Include your name, phone # and address.
- Personals may submit a hard copy of article. Hand written Personals ONLY must be printed legibly.
- Submitted articles saved on CD in Adobe Acrobat, Publisher, Word or WordPerfect format. (Media will be returned).
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November — October 23rd    December — November 20th

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