

# Isleta Pueblo News

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# From the Desk of Governor Frank Lujan

Finally, the March winds are gone and left us dry. But now the irrigation season is upon us and many farmers have been busy readying their fields. And in doing so, burning of dry grasses and weeds on the fields and in ditches is common. I want to remind you of the dangers related to burning. Every year, a fire from burning fields will get out of control and cause damage to personal property and at times the adjoining properties. Please be reminded permits are still required before burning. It is your responsibility to notify the fire department via police dispatch so they know location just in case a problem arises. Please adhere to the no burn days. Dispatch will give you notification if a no burn day is in place. The Pueblo is here to help prevent any major damage to property and/or person. Lastly, please talk to your children about the dangers of playing near ditches. So many innocent young lives are lost because a child wanders off and does not realize a simple slip into a ditch may become deadly. Please keep an eye out for these dangers.

We have been notified by the Mayordomos that there has been a rash of thefts of brass fittings on the irrigation check gates. If you notice any suspicious activities along the ditches please call the Police Department immediately. Do not confront anyone that you do not know.

A couple of things the Lieutenants, general council, and I have been working on diligently is the transfer of the Comanche Ranch from fee to trust status. We are working with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Department of Defense (DOD) and the Corp of Engineers (COE). The Pueblo has been working on this now for the last few years and we should have the majority of the ranch in "trust" by the end of September, 2012: The DOD will be responsible to provide clean-up funds for removal of all exploded and un-exploded ordnances throughout the ranch. This was the primary reason the BIA was hesitant to take the ranch into trust. However, after many meetings the parties have agreed to move forward with the transfer with the following exception: there are four sites that were primary targets where most of the debris is scattered. These sites vary in size and will not be included in the transfer until such time clean-up takes place. Funding will become available in fiscal year 2014, and at that time the DOD will engage a contactor to begin the work. Clean-up will be costly and time consuming but we are finally making progress on the transfer. Many thanks to all who have contributed their time and energy.

The Pueblo has now in place a new department. The tribal council has approved what is now called the "Department of

Cultural and Historic Preservation" formally known as the Cultural Affairs. It is has been a long term goal of the administration together with the Cultural Affairs Office to establish this new department and it finally happened on March 15, 2012. Their mission is first and foremost to protect our people, homes, our mother earth, water, and preservation of our language, and traditional and cultural ways of life. Our support of this new department working together with the administration, tribal council, traditional leaders and the community will lead us towards improvement of our livelihood in present day and importantly for generations to come. Thank you to Mr. Pablo Padilla, general counsel for your legal expertise, Mr. Valentino Jaramillo, Chairman of the Committee, committee members, Stephanie Zuni, and Dr. Henry Walt for hard work and making this dream come true.

A couple of notes for your information. Lt. Chewiwi and I will be attending the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) Conference in San Diego, CA. The Isleta Pueblo as a gaming tribe is a member of this association and has been for a number of years. Just recently the State Gaming Commission has raised issues about Free Play and revenue reporting in addition to questioning serving alcohol beverages in the Poker Room which is a class H gaming operation. NIGA will be an excellent venue to discuss these type of issues as to how other gaming tribes have addressed these concerns. Gaming is a very competitive business the networking afforded at the NIGA Conference will afford us to see what new innovative opportunities are available in the gaming industry that can be applied to our facility.

I know that many of you are wondering about the state of affairs with tribal government. The following information is released by tribal council on recent actions taken on the removal of tribal councilors Diane Peigler and Regina J. Zuni.

# TO THE ISLETA COMMUNITY REMOVAL OF TRIBAL COUNCILORS:

On March 21, 2012, Tribal Council invoked Article VII of the Pueblo of Isleta Constitution and formally removed Diane Peigler and ReGina Joyce Zuni as Tribal Council Members for the remainder of the 2011-2012 Term. Eight Council Members voted for the removal (Fred Lujan, Joseph Lucero, Barbara Sanchez, Moses Lujan, Leonard Abeita, Josephine Padilla, Mark Dixon, and Cynthia Jaramillo) and two voted against it (Fernando Abeita and J. Robert Benavides). The Constitution authorizes removal upon finding of malfeasance in office or gross neglect of duty, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of full Council. Two thirds of twelve is eight.

Tribal Council removed the two individuals after the Isleta Police Department Chief informed Tribal Council and Governor of a March 1, 2012 meeting between the two individuals and the Isleta Police Department Chief and Captain. According to IPD, the two individuals requested the meeting, which was recorded by the Isleta Police Department, and clearly shows the two individuals discussing several police matters and attempting to influence the Chief and Captain. In a signed affidavit, both the Chief and Captain stated under oath that "I consider the various comments made by Diane Peigler and ReGina Zuni during the meeting as attempts to interfere with an ongoing criminal investigation and intimidation on how IPD should conduct its police work."

According to the transcript of the March 1, 2012 meeting, Diane Peigler made the following statements:

"Now the verbage, I don't know where she [the Police Officer writing the Police Report on Diane Peigler when she was arrested on 2/21/12 for Disorderly Conduct at a Tribal Council meeting] is getting these lies from. Now she better have a report on who told her this. Because she's going to be on the line. Because nothing occurred that day. I don't know where she's getting this information from. But I want to see the report and I'm asking for it from this thing. I want to see who steps up." D. Peigler at pg. 9 of Transcript.

"But you know what, I'm just telling you where I'm coming from. Please and I told you back that day Captain, that day when we spoke, stay outta the politics. And I also, and I also told your officers that day, I've always backed this department. The minute you go away from that book that you're supposed to be going by. Don't look for help. Because I'm not going to help you. I told 'em that. That's probably on the recording they gave to you. But I have a recording too because I recorded that whole conversation. I want you to know, do not get in the middle of this. I'm just asking you for your protection, do not get in the middle of this. Did you guys have an order to go arrest me over there? Did you have something from the courts saying to go arrest me? .... Wait. Go ahead. That's why you guys shouldn't have been involved. And traditionally, traditionally you guys don't get involved. It's that Sheriff and Under Sheriff. You guys messed up there. I'm just letting you know. And I don't have to tell you that. I can let you stumble through the dark.... And please don't make this as a threat. I'm not threatening you, <u>I'm just telling you."</u> D. Peigler at pg. 9-10 of Transcript.

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"But you know what, you guys shouldn't have been delivering it [a Temporary Restraining Order issued by Tribal Court] either. They have a process server. You guys don't need to spend (inaudible) time on something like this. I'm not going to hold a gun to your head if someone comes over there. They know that. But that's the way I took it. You know, damn. But you guys witnessed that. I was not hostile in there. Maybe my voice was high but my voice is always high. But I was not hostile and I was not violent but according to this I was hostile and violent." D. Peigler at pg. 11 of Transcript.

"Yeah. And don't take this as me trying to bitch at you. I'm telling you how I feel and where I'm coming from. I've never done that before, like I said I've always defended this department. The minute you go off that book, then you're going to hear me. But if you're not going to follow the rules and regulations then don't look for me to back you up. I've been through that many, many times. But like I said if it, Oh my God. And I started crying. I was crying. I guess that was just the straw that broke the camel's back." D. Peigler at pg. 12 of Transcript.

"It doesn't matter. If you can't find, they have my, you guys have my number. You have my number. You have my number. And you never have returned my call." D. Peigler at pg. 14 of Transcript.

"It's like Josephine, 'your people.' And I said, wait, aren't my people black? (inaudible). So who gave you the directive to deliver it [the TRO]? The courts? .... You don't know who gave them the directive for you guys to deliver it?" D. Peigler at pg. 14 of Transcript.

"And I don't appreciate what happened. When I told them and I told them that day, it was the Governor and one of the other tribal officials, you would have handed it to me. You wouldn't have left it on the doorstep and you wouldn't have treated me like a dog I said. I told them that. And it's all recorded. Every single thing that I said is all recorded, I made sure to record it. And I didn't cuss at them, I didn't tell them off. I just said that I was disrespected. And I want you two gentlemen to know that. I'm not asking for any, again, preferential treatment, but I'm not asking you to discipline them, that's not what I'm asking you to. But I don't think that you all should be getting in the middle of everything that is going <u>on."</u>

According to the transcript of the March 1, 2012 meeting, ReGina Joyce Zuni made the following statements:

"And another thing I want to urge you that you look into is the traditional understanding of how the council should be handled when these allegations of

criminality or misconduct in council chambers. Because there's a standard of traditional way of handling. And I'll tell you, it's the under-sheriff .... And in no way does the police department interfere with that sanctity. That's executive side. You handle the outside and what goes on in there with them is handled by the under-sheriffs. That's their purpose. When this does go to court, you're going to have a long line of traditional people telling you guys just that. So I know you'll have a skewed version coming from Fred, Barbara and the rest of those people they're not there, they're just temporary. They're not permanent. And the continuum here is tradition. And that's what here to uphold and I know, I can say and I can assume that's what you're here to uphold.... I'm just telling you how I feel, ok? And I think I treat your officers and your dispatch with respect. I want people to treat me with respect the way they should treat me, I should treat them. Ok." R. Zuni at pg. 13 of Transcript.

"There seems to be a wide disparity between what transpired and one individual's perspective and now if we ask them, I don't know if this tribe is "fundingly" [sic] compelled to begin a police oversight commission, every civilized state has them. Why, because they want to ensure that officers tow the line and that tribal members rights aren't encroached upon or violated. Until that takes place, until this tribe's police department has the balls to go there, you're going to have people like this. You're going to have an uproar. Right now and in the past, you have tribal members civil rights violated. Your officers are prosecuting people in tribal court. Beyond that 160-80 day rule of arraignment. That's an encroachment of their civil rights. This tribe is lucky that no one has decided to pursue the issue and have a forensic audit conducted on this police department. And that (inaudible) justice department pull those dollars back. And if I see this happening again, I will personally lead the march with that." R. Zuni at pg. 9 of Transcript.

Based on the comments made at this meeting and misconduct reflecting negatively on the Pueblo of Isleta by these two individuals, on March 13, 2012, Tribal Council deliberated and voted to approve a list of charges against them. The list consisted of four charges against Diane Peigler: (1) Interfering with a Criminal Investigation and Police Work, (2) Intimidation of the Isleta Police Department, (3) Interfering in Police and Social Services Matters, and (4) Intimidation of Tribal Employees. The list consisted of seven charges against ReGina Joyce Zuni: (1) Interfering with a Criminal Investigation and Police Work, (2) Intimidation of the Isleta Police Department, (3) Intimidation

/ Harassment of POI Employees. (4) (another) Intimidation / Harassment of POI Employees, (5) (another) Intimidation / Harassment of POI Employees, (6) (another) Intimidation / Harassment of POI Employees, and (7) Disrespect for Tribal Council Protocol and Custom and Tradition (based on a statement which read "Prior to the Governor closing the meeting, Governor Lujan stated that Lt. Governor Torres informed him that at a prior Tribal Council Meeting, ReGina Zuni stated that she will not stay for this nonsense as he was closing a meeting in prayer. Governor Lujan informed Councilwoman ReGina Zuni that if that's the way she feels that the "road is open and she can leave.") When Tribal Council voted for the list of charges against each individual, the vote count for each list was ten (10) For and zero (0) Against.

According to the Constitution, Tribal Council is required to provide the list of written charges to each, which was done on March 19, 2012. Also according to the Constitution, the Tribal Council must hold a hearing "within ten (10) days" of providing the list. Tribal Council held the hearings on March 21, 2012, to comply with the "within ten (10) days" requirement.

Both hearings provided an opportunity for Diane Peigler and ReGina Joyce Zuni to each refute or rebut the evidence against them, an opportunity for each to be represented by legal counsel, and an opportunity for each to present witnesses. The day before the hearing, Diane Peigler contacted tribal council, via email, that she had a prior commitment in town and would not attend the hearing, yet she attended the hearing. The day before the hearing, ReGina Joyce Zuni contacted the council that her doctor prohibited her from attending the hearing due to medical reasons, yet she attended the hearing.

We expect that the two will respond with their versions of what happened. The video/audio tape of the March 1, 2012 meeting speaks for itself and is irrefutable. Conduct such as this cannot be tolerated in Pueblo of Isleta tribal government.

As Diane Peigler and Regina Zuni have been removed from Tribal Council for the term 2011-2012, they are no longer representing the tribe in an official capacity as tribal councilors.

ISLETA TRIBAL COUNCIL

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Fred R. Lujan, President

The Tribal Council and the Tribal Enrollment Committee presents the **Pueblo of Isleta Ordinance on Paternity Determinations**. This is being published to provide the community with an opportunity to review the **proposed** ordinance, and afford a 30 day period for commenting. The 30 day commenting period will begin April 2, 2012 and end May 2, 2012. In addition to publication in the newsletter, a detailed version of the ordinance will be mailed to all heads of household, 18 years and older who reside within Isleta. The detailed version will also be available at the Tribal Administration building, Health Center and Elderly Center, and will contain brief summaries to aid a better understanding of some of the complex wording.

Such Publication and posting shall include a time frame and deadline for the public to review and provide input to Tribal Council, as determined by Tribal Council at the time of publication and posting. The publication and posting shall include the following statement: "Your input on this draft ordinance is important. Please provide your input in writing to Tribal Council office at P.O. Box 850, Isleta, New Mexico 87022, or hand deliver in person at the Tribal Council office during regular business hours, or submit your comments electronically on the official Pueblo of Isleta Website." Comments will be time-stamped and compiled by Tribal Council staff.

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# PUEBLO OF ISLETA ORDINANCE ON PATERNITY DETERMINATIONS

# ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE, AUTHORITY, AND SCOPE

#### Section 1: Purpose

The Purpose of this Ordinance on Paternity Determinations (hereinafter "Ordinance") is to enact statutory law for the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court to adjudicate issues of paternity.

# Section 2: Authority

The authority for this Ordinance is derived from the Pueblo of Isleta Constitution. "[T]he powers of council shall include the following: ... (e) To enact ordinances, subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, to protect the peace, safety, property, health, and general welfare of the members of the Pueblo of Isleta." Art. V, Sec. 2(e).

#### Section 3: Scope

This Ordinance shall extend to any individual who falls within the jurisdiction of the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court, as determined by Pueblo of Isleta law and applicable federal law. This Ordinance shall not apply to determinations of paternity already adjudicated or in the process of adjudication by Tribal Court. Any acknowledgments of paternity that were signed and any presumed father determinations that were made prior to the enactment of this Ordinance shall remain in full effect and full force.

# ARTICLE 2: TRIBAL COUNCIL FINDINGS AND DEFINITIONS

## Section 1: Tribal Council Findings

The Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Council hereby finds:

WHEREAS, determinations of paternity are a necessary and important aspect of the Pueblo of Isleta Judiciary and Tribal Membership;

WHEREAS, issues of paternity affecting membership in the Pueblo of Isleta are under the jurisdiction of Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court pursuant to Article II, Section 2, yet the Pueblo of Isleta has no substantive or procedural law to guide the Pueblo of Isleta Judiciary;

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta should have substantive and procedural law on determinations of paternity, in order to provide Tribal Members and others with written, uniform rules and objective standards to be utilized by Pueblo of Isleta Judiciary; WHEREAS, other jurisdictions have enacted written, uniform rules and objective standards to be utilized by courts of law to make determinations of paternity; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the best interests of the Pueblo of Isleta to enact this Ordinance.

**THEREFORE,** this Ordinance is hereby enacted.

#### **Section 2: Definitions**

- A. A "presumed father" shall mean an individual who meets the presumptions of paternity prescribed in Article 3, Section 1.
- B. An "acknowledged father" shall mean an individual who has signed an acknowledgement of paternity prescribed in Article 3, Section 3.
- C. An "adjudicated father" shall mean an individual who is found to be the biological father of a child by the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court.
- D. A "Tribal Member" shall mean an enrolled member of the Pueblo of Isleta.
- E. The "Pueblo of Isleta Judiciary" shall mean the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court and the Pueblo of Isleta Appellate Court.
- F. An "Immediate Family Member" shall mean a father, mother, sister, brother, or child of an individual—biological or through law (i.e., stepfather).

# ARTICLE 3: ACKNOWLEDGEMNT OF PATERNITY

## **Section 1: Presumption of Paternity**

- A. A man is presumed to be the father of a child if:
- (1) he and the mother of the child are married to each other and the child is born during the marriage;
- (2) he and the mother of the child were married to each other and the child is born within three hundred days (approximately ten months) after the marriage is terminated by death, annulment, declaration of invalidity or divorce or after a decree of separation;
- (3) before the birth of the child, he and the mother of the child married each other in apparent compliance with law, even if the attempted marriage is or could be declared invalid, and the child is born during the invalid marriage or within three hundred days (approximately ten months) after its termination by death, annulment, declaration of invalidity or divorce or after

a decree of separation.

B. A presumption of paternity established pursuant to this section may be rebutted only by an adjudication pursuant to Pueblo of Isleta law.

# Section 2: Acknowledgement of Paternity

The mother of a child and a man claiming to be the biological father of the child may sign an acknowledgment of paternity with intent to establish the man's paternity.

# Section 3: Execution of Acknowledgement of Paternity

- A. An acknowledgment of paternity shall be on a form provided by the Pueblo of Isleta. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prohibit the Pueblo of Isleta from utilizing State of New Mexico or other state or international forms. Such determination on what form to use shall be made by the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department and shall be signed or otherwise authenticated under penalty of perjury.
- B. An acknowledgment of paternity is void if it:
- (1) states that another man is a presumed father, unless a denial of paternity signed or otherwise authenticated by the presumed father is filed with the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department;
- (2) states that another man is an acknowledged or adjudicated father; or
- (3) falsely denies the existence of a presumed, acknowledged or adjudicated father of the child. \
- C. A presumed father may sign or otherwise authenticate an acknowledgment of paternity, in accordance with subsection (A) above.

#### Section 4: Denial of Paternity

- A. A presumed father may sign a denial of his paternity.
  - B. The denial is valid only if:
- (i). an acknowledgment of paternity signed or otherwise authenticated by another man is filed pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (ii). the denial is on a form provided by the Pueblo of Isleta and is signed or otherwise authenticated under penalty of perjury; and
- (iii). the presumed father has not previously:

- (1) acknowledged his paternity; or
- (2) been adjudicated to be the father of the child.

## Section 5: Rules for Acknowledgement and Denial of Paternity

- A. An acknowledgment of paternity and a denial of paternity may be contained in a single document or may be signed in counterparts, and may be filed separately or simultaneously. If the acknowledgment and denial are both necessary, neither is valid until both are filed.
- B. An acknowledgment of paternity or a denial of paternity may be signed before or after the birth of the child.
- C. An acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity signed by a presumed father who is a minor is valid if accompanied by a signature by that minor's parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

# Section 6: Effect of Acknowledgement or Denial of Paternity

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, a valid acknowledgment of paternity filed with the Pueblo of Isleta is equivalent to an adjudication of paternity of a child.
- B. Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, a valid denial of paternity by a presumed father filed with the Pueblo of Isleta in conjunction with a valid acknowledgment of paternity is equivalent to an adjudication of the nonpaternity of the presumed father.

# Section 7: No Filing Fee

The Pueblo of Isleta shall charge a fee for filing an acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity, the amount of which will be determined by Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court according to established policy.

# Section 8: Rescission of Acknowledgement or Denial of Paternity

A. Proceeding Required.

A signatory may rescind an acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity only by means of a judicial proceeding to rescind the acknowledgment or denial of paternity. A proceeding to rescind an acknowledgment of paternity or a denial of paternity shall be brought at any time.

- B. Procedure for rescission or challenge.
- (1) Every signatory to an acknowledgment of paternity and any related denial of paternity shall be made a party to a proceeding to rescind or challenge the acknowledgment or denial.
- (2) For the purpose of rescission of or challenge to an acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity, a signatory submits to the personal jurisdiction of the Pueblo of Isleta

Tribal Court by signing the acknowledgment or denial, effective upon the filing of the document with the Pueblo of Isleta.

- (3) Except for good cause shown, during the pendency of a proceeding to rescind or challenge an acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity, the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court shall not suspend the legal responsibilities of a signatory arising from the acknowledgment, including the duty to pay child support.
- (4) At the conclusion of a proceeding to rescind or challenge an acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity, the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court shall order the birth record of the child by amended, if applicable.

# Section 9: Full Faith and Credit on Acknowledgement or Denial of Paternity

The Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court may give full faith and credit to an acknowledgment of paternity, a denial of paternity, or an adjudication of paternity determination effective in a State or other Indian tribe if the acknowledgment, denial or adjudication has been signed and is otherwise in compliance with the law of that State or other Indian tribe. The Pueblo of Isleta has the authority to require proceedings to determine paternity in the event that full faith and credit is not granted in a given instance. Such proceedings shall be conducted according to this Ordinance.

# Section 10: Forms for Acknowledgment and Denial of Paternity

- A. The Pueblo of Isleta shall prescribe forms for the acknowledgment of paternity and the denial of paternity as described in Section 3.
- B. A valid acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity is not affected by a later modification of the prescribed form.

# Section 11: Release of information

- A. The Pueblo of Isleta may release information relating to the acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity to a signatory of the acknowledgment or denial and to courts and to other agencies for good cause and as permitted by Pueblo of Isleta law and policy.
- B. Information related to the acknowledgment of paternity or denial of paternity shall be filed with the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department on an ongoing basis.

# ARTICLE 4:GENETIC (DNA) TESTING

## Section 1: Scope

This Article governs genetic testing of a person to determine parentage, whether the person:

- A. voluntarily submits to testing;
- B. is tested pursuant to an order of the Tribal Court; or
  - C. is tested pursuant to an order

of the Tribal Enrollment Committee, acting pursuant to its lawful authority under the Tribal Enrollment Ordinance.

#### Section 2: Order for Testing

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, the Tribal Court shall order the child and other designated persons to submit to genetic testing if the request for testing is supported by the sworn statement of a party to the proceeding:
- (1) alleging paternity and stating facts establishing a reasonable probability of the requisite sexual contact between the persons; or
- (2) denying paternity and stating facts establishing a possibility that sexual contact between the persons, if any, did not result in the conception of the child.
- B. If two or more men are subject to court-ordered genetic testing, the testing may be ordered concurrently or sequentially.
- C. Tribal Court may order genetic testing of a brother of a man identified as the father of a child if the man is commonly believed to have an identical brother and evidence suggests that the brother may be the biological father of the child. If each brother satisfies the requirements as the identified father of the child pursuant to this Article, without consideration of another identical brother being identified as the father of the child, Tribal Court may rely on nongenetic evidence to adjudicate which brother is the father of the child.

# Section 3: Requirements for Genetic Testing

- A. Genetic testing shall be of a type reasonably relied upon by experts in the field of genetic testing and performed in a testing laboratory accredited by:
  - (1) the American association of blood banks or a successor to its functions;
  - (2) the American society or histocompatibility and immunogenetics or a successor to its functions; or
  - (3) an accrediting body designated by the federal secretary of health and human services.
- B. A specimen used in genetic testing may consist of one or more samples, or a combination of samples, of blood, buccal cells, bone, hair or other body tissue or fluid. The specimen used in the testing need not be of the same kind for each person undergoing genetic testing.
- C. The retention and destruction of the specimen used for genetic testing shall be governed by contract between the Pueblo of Isleta and the testing laboratory. All information obtained from genetic testing shall be sealed by Tribal Court

and shall not be disclosed to any non-party except upon petition to Tribal Court and for good cause. Notwithstanding such nondisclosure, a copy of the information from genetic testing shall be sealed by Tribal Court and shall not be disclosed to any nonparty except upon petition to Tribal Court and for good cause. Notwithstanding such non-disclosure, a copy of the information from genetic testing shall be filed with the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department, who shall maintain the information as part of the census files. Use of the information by the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department shall be in strict accordance with the confidentiality and non-disclosure provisions of the Tribal Enrollment Ordinance and its policies and procedures.

#### Section 4: Report of Genetic Testing

- A. A report of genetic testing shall be in a record and signed under penalty of perjury and fraud by a designee of the testing laboratory. A report made pursuant to the requirements of this Article is selfauthenticating.
- B. Documentation from the testing laboratory of the following information is sufficient to establish a reliable chain of custody that allows the results of genetic testing to be admissible without testimony:
  - (1) the names and photographs of the persons whose specimens have been taken;
  - (2) the names of the persons who collected the specimens;
  - (3) the places and dates the specimens were collected;
  - (4) the names of the persons who received the specimens in the testing laboratory;
  - (5) the dates the specimens were received; and
  - (6) the accreditation of the testing facility.

# Section 5: Genetic Testing Results, Rebuttal

- A. A man is rebuttably identified as the father of a child if: (i) the genetic testing complies with this Article; (ii) testing is conducted on the alleged father, mother and the child; and (iii) the results of testing disclose that:
- (1) the man has at least a ninety-nine point nine percent (99.9%) probability of paternity, using a prior probability of zero point five zero, as calculated by using the combined paternity index obtained in the testing and
- (2) a combined paternity index of at least one hundred to one.
- B. A man identified pursuant to subsection A of this section as the father of the child may rebut the genetic testing results only by other genetic testing satisfying the requirements of this Article that:

- (1) excludes the man as a biological father of the child; or
- (2) identifies another man as the possible father of the child.
- C. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.C, if more than one man is identified by genetic testing as the possible father of the child, Tribal Court shall order them to submit to further genetic testing to identify the biological father.
- D. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to deny or limit Tribal Court of obtaining expert testimony from a non-biased, third party expert in genetic testing.

## Section 6: Costs of Genetic Testing

- A. The cost of initial genetic testing shall be borne by:
  - (1) by the person who made the request;
  - (2) by agreement of the parties; or
  - (3) by order of Tribal Court
- B. If a party to a proceeding contests the results of testing, that party shall bear the costs of additional testing.

# Section 7: Additional Genetic Testing

Prior to a final adjudication, Tribal Court may order additional genetic testing upon the request of a party who contests the result of the original testing. If the previous genetic testing identified a man as the father of the child, Tribal Court shall not order additional testing unless Tribal Court deems necessary.

# Section 8: Genetic testing when specimens not available.

- A. Subject to Subsection B of this section, if a genetic-testing specimen is not available from a man who may be the father of a child, upon notice and after an opportunity for a hearing, and for good cause and under circumstances the court considers to be just, the Tribal Court may order the following persons to submit specimens for genetic testing:
  - (1) the parents of the man;
  - (2) brothers and sisters of the man;
  - (3) other children of the man and their mothers; and
  - (4) other relatives of the man necessary to complete genetic testing.
- B. The man who may be the father of a child shall be identified as the father of the child if:
- (1) the genetic testing complies with this Article;
- (2) the results disclose at least an eighty point zero percent (80.0%) probability of paternity, using a prior probability of zero point five zero, as calculated by using the combined paternity index obtained in the testing, and;

- (3) there exists supporting evidence, the sufficiency of which shall be determined by Tribal Court.
- C. Issuance of an order pursuant to this section requires a finding that a need for genetic testing outweighs the legitimate interests of the person sought to be tested.

# Section 9: Confidentiality of genetic testing.

- A. Release of the report of genetic testing for parentage shall be released only to the parties tested or their legal representative or guardian, and to the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department.
- B. A person who intentionally releases an identifiable specimen of another person for any purpose other than that relevant to the proceeding regarding parentage without a court order or the written permission of the person who furnished the specimen is guilty of fraud.

#### ARTICLE 5: PROCEEDINGS TO ADJUDICATE PARENTAGE OF A CHILD

#### Section 1: Proceeding authorized.

Acivil proceeding may be maintained in the Tribal Court to adjudicate the parentage of a child. The proceeding shall be governed by the rules of Tribal Court, unless this Ordinance provides otherwise, in which case the provisions of this Ordinance shall govern. The mother of the child and an alleged father or presumed father shall be deemed competent by Tribal Court to testify. Any other witnesses may be compelled to testify by Tribal Court.

# Section 2: Standing to maintain proceeding.

Subject to this Ordinance, a proceeding to adjudicate parentage may be maintained by:

- A. the child;
- B. the mother of the child;
- C. a man whose paternity

of the child is to be adjudicated;

- D. the Pueblo of Isleta Social Services Department in cases involving a child under the age of 18 who is receiving services of said Department and where said Department has made a showing that a proceeding is a necessary aspect of care for the child;
- E. a representative authorized by Pueblo of Isleta law to act for a person who would otherwise be entitled to maintain a proceeding but who is deceased, incapacitated or a minor; or
- F. an Immediate Family Member of an individual in Subsection A, B or C, who has deceased, is incapacitated, or is a minor.

# Section 3: Parties to proceeding.

The following persons shall be joined as parties in a proceeding to adjudicate parentage:

A. the mother of the child;

- B. a man whose paternity of the child is to be adjudicated; and
- C. other persons or entities listed in Section 2.

#### Section 4: Personal jurisdiction.

- A. A person shall not be adjudicated to be a parent unless Tribal Court has personal jurisdiction over the person.
- B. Tribal Court may exercise personal jurisdiction over an individual who is not a Pueblo of Isleta tribal member, or the guardian or conservator of such individual.
- C. Lack of jurisdiction over one person does not preclude Tribal Court from making an adjudication of parentage binding on another person over whom Tribal Court has personal jurisdiction.

# Section 5: No limitation on child having no presumed, acknowledged or adjudicated father.

- A. A proceeding to adjudicate the parentage of a child having no presumed, acknowledged or adjudicated father may be commenced by the child at any time, even after:
- (1) the child becomes an adult; or
- (2) an earlier proceeding to adjudicate paternity has been dismissed based on the application of a statute of limitation then in effect.

#### Section 6: Joinder of proceedings.

Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance or by Tribal Court order, a proceeding to adjudicate parentage may be joined with a proceeding in Tribal Court for adoption, termination of parental rights, child custody or visitation, child support, divorce, annulment, legal separation, probate or administration of an estate or other appropriate proceeding.

# Section 7: Child as party; representation.

- A. A minor child is a permissible party, but is not a necessary party to a proceeding pursuant to this Article.
- B. Tribal Court shall appoint a guardian ad litem to represent a minor or incapacitated child if the child is a party or if Tribal Court finds that the interests of the child are not adequately represented.

# Section 8: Admissibility of results of genetic testing; expenses.

- A. A record of a genetic-testing expert is admissible as evidence of the truth of the facts asserted in the report unless a party objects, in a writing delivered to the adverse party, to the record's admission within fourteen days after its receipt by the objecting party. The objecting party shall cite specific grounds for exclusion. The admissibility of the report is not affected by whether the testing was performed:
  - (1) voluntarily or pursuant to an order of Tribal Court; or
  - (2) before or after the commencement of the proceeding.
- B. A party objecting to the results of genetic testing may call one or more genetic-testing experts to testify in person or by

telephone, videoconference, deposition or another method approved by Tribal Court. Unless otherwise ordered by Tribal Court, the party offering the testimony bears the expense for the expert testifying.

# Section 9: Consequences of declining genetic testing.

- A. An order for genetic testing is enforceable by contempt of court when a person whose paternity is being determined refuses to comply with an order by the court for genetic testing for longer than thirty (30) days, or as determined by Tribal Court on a case by case basis.
- B. If a person whose paternity is being determined declines to submit to genetic testing ordered by Tribal Court, the Tribal Court for that reason may issue a civil fine, hold the individual in contempt of court, issue a warrant, or issue an order of incarceration.
- C. If the mother is not alive or is otherwise unavailable, Tribal Court may order the testing of the child, every man whose paternity is being adjudicated, and other individuals listed in Article 4, Section 8.A, of this Ordinance.

# Section 10: Rules for adjudication of paternity.

Tribal Court shall apply the following rules to adjudicate the paternity of a child:

- A. the paternity of a child having a presumed, acknowledged or adjudicated father may be disproved only by admissible results of genetic testing excluding that man as the father of the child or identifying another man as the father of the child;
- B. unless the results of genetic testing are admitted to rebut other results of genetic testing, a man identified as the father of a child pursuant to this Ordinance shall be adjudicated the father of the child;
- C. if Tribal Court finds that genetic testing pursuant to Article 5 neither identifies nor excludes a man as the father of a child, Tribal Court shall not dismiss the proceeding. In that event, the results of additional genetic testing are admissible to adjudicate the issue of paternity; and
- D. unless the results of genetic testing are admitted to rebut other results of genetic testing, a man excluded as the father of a child by genetic testing shall be adjudicated not to be the father of the child.

# Section 11: Jury prohibited.

Tribal Court, without a jury, shall adjudicate paternity of a child.

# Section 12: Hearings; inspection of records.

A. On request of a party and for good cause shown, Tribal Court may close a proceeding to the public and may declare the proceeding to be confidential. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Tribal Court shall file a copy of the final Tribal Court order and testing results with the Pueblo of Isleta Census / Enrollment Department for cases. Such orders and testing results shall be kept confidential according to existing Pueblo of Isleta law, including the Tribal

Enrollment Ordinance, Tribal Enrollment Committee By-Laws and Tribal Enrollment Committee Policies and Procedures.

B. Other papers and records are available only with the consent of the parties or on order of Tribal Court for good cause.

#### Section 13: No Order on default.

Tribal Court shall only issue an order adjudicating the paternity of a man according to the procedures in this Ordinance and shall not issue an order adjudicating the paternity of a man solely because he is in default.

# Section 14: Dismissal for want of prosecution.

Tribal Court may issue an order dismissing a proceeding for want of prosecution only without prejudice. An order of dismissal for want of prosecution purportedly with prejudice is void and has only the effect of a dismissal without prejudice.

# Section 15: Order adjudicating parentage.

- A. Tribal Court shall issue an order adjudicating whether a man alleged or claiming to be the father is the parent of the child.
- B. An order adjudicating parentage shall identify the child by name and date of birth.
- C. Tribal Court may assess filing fees, reasonable fees of counsel, experts and the child's guardian ad litem, fees for genetic testing, other costs, necessary travel and other reasonable expenses incurred in a proceeding pursuant to this Ordinance. Tribal Court may award attorney fees, which may be paid directly to the attorney, who may enforce the order in the attorney's own name. Tribal Court may order these fees, costs and expenses to be paid by any party in proportions and at times as determined by the court.
- D. On request of a party and for good cause shown, Tribal Court may order that the name of the child be changed.
- E. If the order of Tribal Court is at variance with the child's birth certificate, the order shall contain a provision ordering the issuance of an amended birth certificate.

#### **ARTICLE 6: OTHER PROVISIONS**

# Section 1: Severability

If any provision of this Ordinance is found to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain valid, constitutional, and in force.

#### **Section 2: Amendments**

Tribal Council reserves the right to amend this Ordinance from time to time. Such amendment shall not take effect unless decided by Tribal Council at a duly called meeting with quorum present and upon majority vote.

#### Section 3: Repealer Clause

Any and all prior Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Council resolution or ordinance that conflicts with or is inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed. \*\*END\*\*

# Parks & Recreation

The month of March was an extremely busy one for the Parks & Recreation Department. Activities included: Karate Tournament, Youth Basketball Games with Jemez Day School at our Elementary School, Spring break activities for the youth, several park reservations for private gatherings and on March 31st the Los Lunas High School POW Wow is scheduled. The month of April looks like it will be another busy one now that spring is upon us. The first weekend of April on the 7th we will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt with 5,000 plastic eggs that will be hidden in our park, plus on that same day we will have the Pine Wood Derby sponsored by our own Boys Scout troop headed by Vernon Abeita. On Saturday April 14th, we will be hosting the Child Abuse Awareness Parade and Barbecue and the week of April 23rd through the 25th, we will be hosting and assisting with the Isleta Elderly Senior Olympics. And the very next day we will be hosting a Job Fair that will involve our Human Resources Department, the Hard Rock Casino, and the Isleta Business Corporation.

#### **Karate Tournament**









On March 10, 2012 our Pueblo of Isleta Karate One Team hosted a Karate Tournament that had 87 participants competing. Of those 87 participants, 4 schools were from Albuquerque, one from Santa Fe, N.M., a team from San Diego, California, a team from Denver, Colorado and our team from the Pueblo of Isleta. Our team from Isleta had 9 of our students competing and competition was fierce and everybody, especially our guests from out of town, really enjoyed the tournament and our Southwestern hospitality, plus our Hard Rock Casino. Our next tournament which we will host will be on May 5th here at the New Rec. Center gymnasium. On a Special Note: Pueblo of Isleta Martial Arts Instructor becomes a Master of the Martial Arts. (One-in-a-million achieves this Accomplishment in the United States)

Our Martial Arts instructor has been training Karate at the Pueblo of Isleta for the last 16 years, and now Clarence Chavez has recently achieved a 7th degree black belt or, in Japanese, a **schichi-dan**,

and also was bestowed upon him the Japanese title of **Kyoshi** which means Master of the Martial Arts. Both the degree of belt and the title were awarded to him for his many years of service and his understanding of the martial arts and physical ability by the SWAN-DA system of karate and the International Martial Arts Federation out of Tokyo, Japan. For a person to stay committed to the martial arts program and continue to the accomplishments that Clarence has received is a one-in-a million instance within the United States. **Congratulations, Mr. Clarence Chavez** as we are so honored to have you as our instructor. Attached Photo: Shihan Ray Barrera Jr. 9th Dan Karate One Intl. and Clarence Chavez, 7th Dan Karate One of the Pueblo of Isleta. Below them are several photos, one being of all the participants in the Pueblo of Isleta Karate One Tournament and the other two are of several of our own Pueblo of Isleta students.

#### Park Management

Now that the growing season is upon us and our parks and baseball fields are nice and green (incidentally, no surrounding communities has their parks green as ours including Albuquerque) because of our dedicated and aggressive employees who are out fertilizing, watering and nurturing the parks back to life. Thank you Park Management Employees, Big Bob, Robert Apodaca, Donald Lucero, Charles Tenorio, Robert Alderete, and Harold Jiron for the pride you all take and

your service to this great Pueblo of Isleta. On another note: Please, we ask all of our residents who like to take their dogs to the parks to please clean-up after them. When dog feces, (poop) is left it becomes a safety hazard to our employees who clean the parks and to those small children who will pick-up just about anything and put things in their mouths.

Let's do our part to insure the safety of all who utilize our Parks and Recreation facilities. (Continued on next page)

# **SPA Basketball**

Our youth basketball league came to an end with the final games of the season being played at the Isleta Elementary School gymnasium. The games matched our Pueblo of Isleta with our neighbors to the north the Pueblo of Jemez Day School. As mentioned in last month's newsletter, this year's schedule was at times very trying because several games had to be cancelled because of traditional tribal doings at many of our Pueblos whom we competed with. Initially, it's the children that really don't understand until they become involved in their own tribal ceremonies. Pictured are two action shots with Coach Matt Jojola talking it over during a time-out with his 3rd and 4th grade girls competing against Jemez Day School, and the other is while the girls are scrambling for a rebound.





# **Easter Egg Hunt**

For the first time in several years we will be once again having an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 7th. We will have over 5,000 plastic eggs filled with candy, in some cases dollar bills for the children to pick and look for. We will also be giving away several prizes (Easter Baskets) for those who find the golden egg. We will be broken down into 3 categories, Ages 5 and under, 6 to 8 year olds, and 9 to 12 year olds. All age groups will be separate areas of the park complex next to the New Rec. Center. We will begin promptly at 10:00 am and if you happen to be here a few minutes after that designated time you will have been too late. In all of my experiences with Easter egg hunts they only take about 5 minutes or so to complete, so please don't be late. Next month we will have pictures of the event.

#### **Spring Break**

The week of March 12th when our children or most children were on spring break from school and the universities, our staff was busy with activities and taking children on field trips that included the Albuquerque Zoo, Movies, and the Fun Connection, just name a few. Those children who were involved really had a great time, as one child said this is just like the summer program where we really do lots of activities.

# Los Lunas High School Title VII Indian Education

Ben Analla – 865-4646 ext. 6145

The Los Lunas High School Native American Club members. and the Native American Club sponsors, Andrea Chavez, Valencia High School and Ben Analla, Los Lunas High School, wish to thank all the parents/grandparents who helped with the annual Senior Powwow held at the Isleta Recreation Gym on March 31, to everyone who helped set up, sell at the concession and with the after-the-powwow clean-up. The Powwow would not have been a total success without our speakers, Lt. Governor Antonio Chewiwi, who did the welcome and spoke words of encouragement to our graduating seniors. From Los Lunas School District, speakers included Superintendent Bernard Saiz, Los Lunas High School Principal Dan Padilla, Valencia High School Principal Diane Herbst, and also, Los Lunas Village Mayor Robert Vialpando. Thank you for being there for supporting our graduating senior class and our community. And always, a Special Thank You to Rick Giron, Pueblo of Isleta Recreation Director, and his staff for all their help.

# Important Dates: Los Lunas High School

- April 5 Los Lunas High School Senior Meeting 9:20 AM. Special guest will be Evangeline Chavez from the Isleta Higher Education Department.
- April 16 & 17 MAP Testing for English and Math classes.
- April 18 UNM Native American Day 9:00 AM. Juniors from Los Lunas and Valencia High school will be attending.
- April 19 Pep Rally for all sporting events.
- April 28 LLHS Prom at The Hard Rock Casino.

### Valencia High School Senior Dates for Month of May

- May 7 11 -Senior Finals
- May 12 Tentative Baccalaureate (not VHS sponsored)
- May 14 Robing Practice
- May 15 Robing Ceremony 7 PM in Gymnasium
- May 18 Graduation Practice 8 AM Followed by Senior Celebration TBD
- May 19 Graduation at UNM Pit 9 AM> Seniors arrive at 8 AM.

# WHAT IS ELDER ABUSE?

Elder abuse is the intentional or negligent causing of physical or emotional pain, bodily injury or general harm, or preventing an elder from essential services, or the use of an elder's finances or property to the benefit another. There are many different types of elder abuse including physical, emotional, or psychological harm and financial exploitation. The abuse can happen in the home or in settings such as a hospital or nursing home. Please join us for a very informative presentation by:

13th Judicial District Attorney
Lemuel L. Martinez
Serving: Cibola, Sandoval, and Valencia Counties
"ELDER ABUSE AND NEGLECT"
April 19, 2012 at 10:00
Monthly General Meeting / Elder Center Kiva Room

District Attorney Lemuel Martinez is the people's lawyer for the 13th Judicial District. He works to prosecute violations of State Criminal Laws such as felonies, misdemeanors, juvenile delinquency and DWI as well as some civil cases. Mr. Martinez is committed to working on behalf of the community and making it a safer place to live and raise a family.

Learn more about the: 1) the types of elderly abuse, 2) signs of abuse, 3) financial or material exploitation, 4) signs of financial exploitation, 5) neglect/abandonment, 6) how to report elder abuse, and most importantly 7) preventing elder abuse.

For more information, call Renee Chavez, Activities Coordinator at 766-6644.

## **Breast Cancer Awareness**

Tuesday, April 24, 2012 10am-noon At the Isleta Health Center

Presented by Remona Benally

For more information and to sign up please call Stephanie Barela, 869-4479

# THE UNM CANCER CENTER PRESENTS Understanding Colon Health

What you Need to Know To Protect Your Health

Isleta Health Center May 22, 2012 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m

A partnership between the UNM Cancer Center Native American Outreach Program and Isleta Health Center

Contact Isleta Health Educator to Register for Program 869-4479

# Department of Health, Livestock Board

Warn About Salmonella Risk in Baby Chicks, Ducklings, and Small Turtles

(Santa Fe) -- The New Mexico Department of Health and the New Mexico Livestock Board advise families to avoid potential exposure to Salmonella by not giving baby chicks and ducklings to children as Easter gifts. In the last six years, New Mexico has had 16 Salmonella cases related to baby chicks. Many of the cases were in young children. The Department also discourages families from buying small turtles (less than 4 inches) sold at flea markets and roadside stands because they are also known to carry Salmonella that could infect people and their children.

"While there are many good reasons to purchase baby chicks, we are asking feed stores around the state to strongly discourage people from buying baby chicks as pets, especially if they have young children," said Department of Health Cabinet Secretary, Dr. Catherine Torres.

Many chicks and young birds carry Salmonella in their droppings, and it is difficult to know if animals are carrying Salmonella because they will not usually show signs of illness. Early symptoms of Salmonella in people include fever, diarrhea and abdominal pain. These symptoms develop within one to three days after exposure to baby chicks and their droppings. Other symptoms might be nausea, chills or headaches.

"Children have become infected with Salmonella when parents keep the baby birds inside the house and allow their small children to handle and snuggle with them," said Dr. Paul Ettestad, state public health veterinarian at the Department of Health. "In other cases, parents did not wash their hands properly after handling the birds and gave the infection to their children indirectly."

# The Department of Health also recommends the following preventive measures:

- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water immediately after touching live baby poultry or anything in the area where they live and roam. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not readily available.
- Adults should supervise hand washing for young children.
- Don't snuggle or kiss the birds, touch your mouth, or eat or drink around live baby poultry.
- Do not let live baby poultry inside the house or in areas where food or drink is prepared, served, or stored, such as kitchens, pantries, or outdoor patios.
- Do not clean any equipment or materials associated with raising or caring for live poultry, such as cages or feed or water containers, in the house.
- Do not let children younger than 5 touch chicks, ducklings, or other live poultry.
- · Observe same precautions for small turtles.
- Visit your physician if you experience abdominal pain, fever and/or diarrhea.

To learn more about Salmonella infection from live baby poultry, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at: http://www.cdc.gov/Features/ SalmonellaBabyBirds/

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# From the Solid Waste Department...

Spring Time is here, along with that comes spring cleaning. The Transfer Station has extended hours now for Daylight Savings Time. We are open 7 Days A Week from 8:00 am — 5:00 pm. Those hours will be in effect until the time change in the fall. For those of you doing some spring cleaning and need debris hauled away, you may call the Public Works Office at (505) 766-6658 and request a work order. You will be allowed one work order per year. Keep in mind, for debris that cannot be disposed of at the Transfer Station and must be hauled to the landfill, the homeowner will be responsible for any charges that are incurred.

Trash Cans have been ordered. Each household is issued 1 trash can, unless there are more than 7 people in the home or unless an additional trash can has been purchased. The Transfer Station will replace broken trash cans if they are no longer able to hold trash. If a trash can has been broken due to abuse, damage from hot ashes, or lost, it will NOT be replaced for free. A new container will need to be purchased. New trash cans may be purchased for \$55.00 as the cost of containers has increased.

Some friendly reminders:

- Please have your trash cans out by 7:00 am on your pickup day.
- Make sure your trash cans are facing forward (so that the lid opens back toward the curb).
- Place your trash cans at least 3 feet away from any object or other trash cans. If they are too close, the trash truck cannot pick them up.
- Please use trash bags and do not overfill your trash cans.
- Any trash that overflows or spills out is the responsibility of the homeowner to pick up.
- Trash cans are for household trash ONLY. DO NOT put items such as concrete, rocks, dirt, tree branches, appliances, furniture, hot ashes or kitty litter. These items can cause damage and lead to costly repairs.

Any of the above items may result in trash not being picked up until the following collection day.

The spring winds have been in full force this year. If there are any High Wind Warnings in effect, trash will not be picked up that day. If your trash is not picked up due to weather or closure, it will be picked up on the next business day.

Please remember, ONLY Tribal Members are allowed to bring refuse to the Transfer Station. Please do not be offended if an attendant asks for identification. Non Tribal Members must be accompanied by the person they reside with or the resident the trash is from in order to be allowed to dump. Also remember that we only accept refuse generated from here on the reservation. We do not accept waste that is brought in from off the reservation. We are trying to prevent people who do not reside here, from taking advantage of this FREE service that we still are able to provide for our community.

The Transfer Station also has FREE MULCH available for all Tribal Members. This is clean mulch and great for all your gardening and landscaping needs. We can deliver large quantities to your residence. Please call the Public Works Office to request a work order for mulch.

The Solid Waste Staff...
Joe, Loren, Myron and Sammy

# IRRIGATION SYSTEM ALERT

Please keep an extra sharp eye on the irrigation ditches and canals. Last night thieves removed the brass nuts from the stems on over half of the turnouts on the Cacique/Ranchitos canal. These turnouts will not operate without the brass nuts. Replacements will be ordered, but it may be two weeks before we receive the parts. This couldn't have happened at a worse time since everyone will be irrigating soon. Please report any suspicious activity to the Isleta Police Department. Thank you.

Cody B. Walker, Water Quality Specialist Pueblo of Isleta 869-9623, cell 220-4595 poi36004@isletapueblo.com

# Pueblo of Isleta Johnson-O'Malley Program

It's that time of the year again, students are finishing up with their standardized testing, Easter is just around the corner, everyone has sprung forward and pollen is in the air. Before we know it the school year will come to an end and summer programs will be in full swing. My how time flies!

So, let us begin with information regarding our budget. In February, we were contacted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in regards to the Johnson-O'Malley Program CY 2012 TPA Enacted available funding amount. This amount is \$55,326. There was discussion regarding federal cuts across the board. Please keep in mind; these cuts are at the National level and they do impact the amount of funds we receive. We were informed to expect a cut of approximately \$110.00. As we prepared for CY 2012, we submitted a budget in the amount of \$55,304. In February, we were informed that the JOM CY 2012 Enacted amount is \$55,326. The cut was not as deep as we anticipated but there was a budget cut of \$89.00 from previous CY 2011. Right now, there is discussion regarding an even larger cut in funds for federal programs for the upcoming year. Yes, this will impact the services that we are able to provide. As of today, we do not have an estimated amount for the projected CY 2013 budget amounts. Also, please remember the Pueblo of Isleta Johnson-O'Malley Program is a federally funded program.

Furthermore, the Pueblo of Isleta JOM Program provides educational support to ALL Native American students in the Los Lunas Public School District and only the Isleta students enrolled in an Albuquerque Public School. The number of eligible students seems to fluctuate between 650 and 700 students. At this point in time we have an estimated \$5,000 remaining from CY 2011. We will not be penalized for carry-over funds. This money has already been earmarked and will be spent within the next month or so. It will help with the expenses for high school graduation gifts. Whew...that is a ton of information to process. As we have stated in the past, if you ever have questions regarding the budget, please do not hesitate to contact us, we will gladly share that information with you.

#### Activities for March:

Literacy Night: On March 8, 2012 we held a Literacy Night. Once again we gave away books to all JOM eligible students. Each student was allowed to select five books each. If anyone is interested there is still time to get books from the JOM Program. Just give us a call, schedule a date and we can meet you and your student and they will be allowed to select books of their choice. There were over 30 students that received free books.

National JOM Planning Meeting (Gallup): As mentioned before, we are heading up the student strand for this year's National JOM Conference scheduled to be held in Albuquerque in October. Right now, we are asking for feedback regarding activities and workshops we should include during the

conference. We would like to incorporate experiential learning opportunities students that have never been to New Mexico. New Mexico is rich in culture and history. We currently have a survey available to obtain your feedback. If you are interested, please stop by the JOM Program and fill one out! For those of you that may be wondering...the Pueblo of Isleta JOM Program is not paying for the activities, workshops or guest speakers. Funds are made available by the National Johnson-O'Malley Association. We will be attending another planning meeting on April 11, 2012 in Ohkay Owingeh. We strongly encourage parents and students to attend so that you can be involved and assist with the process.

National Youth Art Month: March is National Youth Art Month and to support our talented young artists we hosted an art night for students and their families. There were 21 participants, 19 of which submitted artwork for the National Johnson-O'Malley Art Contest. We provided a plethora of art materials and supplies. Each student that submitted an entry for the contest was given an art kit. Some students received canvases with paints, sketch books and charcoal pencil kits, finger paint and art pads, coloring books with markers/ crayons and other art supplies. It is not too late to enter the contest. You may submit your art work to the JOM program and we can submit it on your behalf. Submission Instructions:

# Theme: "JOM an Everlasting Educational Gift"

This contest is open to all. Artwork must be no larger than 8½ x 11".

The artist should include an interpretation of their artwork. Don't include any text in the artwork. Please include your NAME, AGE and address with your artwork so that the NJOMA can contact the winning entries.

There are three prize awards. The first place winner will receive \$300.00, second place \$200.00 and honorable mention \$100.00. Entries must be received by the NJOMA by June 22, 2012.

National Museum of Nuclear Science and History (Albuquerque): On March 24, we took a group of six students to visit this museum. Students were able to explore and learn about atomic bombs and war time strategies. They also learned about nuclear medicine and advances in energy and technology. After spending time at this museum we ventured to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center where students were able to view the exhibit, "100 Years of State and Federal Policy: The Impact on Pueblo Nations". It was awesome to see a timeline of events as they transpired beginning with the Snyder Act also known as the Indian Citizenship Act of 1924 through today.

**Tutoring:** Currently we have a young lady by the name of Stephanie Padilla. Some of you may recognize her from Stephanie's Unwasted Weekend which was featured on MTV. She is assigned to the JOM Program and is assisting students with homework. She is also providing practice time for developing academic skills for struggling students. Stephanie is available

to provide assistance to students in grades kindergarten to about 6th grade. We are asking that parents sign their students up for a session. Sessions are Monday/Wednesday at 3:00-4:00, 4:00-5:00 and 5:00-6:00 or Tuesday/Thursday 3:00-4:00, 4:00-5:00 (full) and 5:00-6:00. Tutoring is being held at the new Department of Education.

# Activities for April:

Thursday, April 5, 2012: The JOM is planning Easter activities for students and their families. We will provide hands-on arts and craft activities and kits for students and their parents to complete. It is a great way to start off the Easter weekend. Activities are free for anyone interested in attending. We will be providing a small meal or snacks.

Wednesday, April 11, 2012: The JOM staff will be headed to Okhay Owingeh for the NJOMA planning meeting. Parents and students are welcome to attend. Please let us know if you are interested.

Thursday, April 12, 2012: In celebration of National Garden Month the JOM Program will be hosting an evening of activities that pertain to gardening and planting as well as teaching students about insects or bugs that help your garden grow. Students will be able to create their very own worm farm to take home!

# **Tentative Activities for April**

Friday, April 20, 2012: Movie Night: Chimpanzee, this is an all age activity. This movie is rated G and is about a young chimp struggling to fend for himself, until an unexpected ally steps in to help this orphaned chimp. Parents of students that are interested in attending this event are asked to come by and complete a permission form. A permission form must be submitted in order to ensure the students participation. This activity is free for JOM Eligible students. First come, first serve.

Chaco Canyon Trip scheduled for April 28, 2012 (Saturday): At this time we are compiling a list of interested middle and high school students that would like to join us for a day filled with adventures. Chaco Canyon is a location centrally located within the Four Corners area and has been revered for its complex architectural structures. If your student is interested, please contact us as soon as possible. Depending on availability of space, parents may be able to join us. We will definitely keep everyone posted

There are so many activities and events available for JOM students. We ask that you strongly encourage your child to attend. Parents, we cannot stress the importance of your input as well. JOM is the only program which relies greatly upon parent and student input. Please don't ever hesitate to contact us for support. Just a reminder, we have moved to the new location by the New Library. Our upcoming activities and events will be hosted at the old JOM Tutoring Building located at the Old Elementary School through the end of May. If you need to contact us by phone our number remained the same 505-924-3189.

Geraldine and Beverly

# **WIC NOTES**

The month of April brings many things - Easter, winds, flowers and ...eggs.

# Chicken Eggs and Cholesterol- Are Eggs Good for Us?

Eggs do have cholesterol and cholesterol can contribute to high blood cholesterol levels. However, eggs also have lots of nutrients that are good for us. So are eggs good or bad for us?

For most people eggs, in moderation, are part of a healthy diet.

•Eggs are rich in the B vitamins and also contribute vitamins A and D. Eggs are also rich in the substance lutin which protect our eyes. Almost all these nutrients are in the yolk of the egg.

Although eating too many eggs can increase your cholesterol, eating four egg yolks or fewer on a weekly basis hasn't been found to increase one's risk of heart disease.

Thomas Behrenbeck, M.D., Ph.D.

Consider these points when deciding how many eggs to include in your diet:

Remember- one large **egg** has about **186 mg** of cholesterol — all of which is found in the yolk.

- If you are healthy, it's recommended that you limit your dietary cholesterol to less than 300 milligrams (mg) a day.
- If you have cardiovascular disease, diabetes or high LDL "bad" cholesterol levels- you should limit your dietary cholesterol to less than **200 mg a day**. One large egg has about 186 mg of cholesterol all of which is found in the yolk. Therefore, if you eat an egg on a given day, you may want to limit other sources of cholesterol for the rest of that day.
  - Other sources of cholesterol include meat and dairy products. Choose lean meats and low and nofat dairy products to reduce the cholesterol in your diet.

You can eliminate all of the cholesterol in eggs by only eating the egg white. Egg whites contain no cholesterol. You may also use cholesterol-free egg substitutes, which are made with egg whites. But remember the vitamins in eggs are mostly found in the yolk.

Everyone should know their cholesterol level. Talk to your doctor about having this test.

# WIC Recipe

What to do with all those Easter eggs.... Make Egg Salad

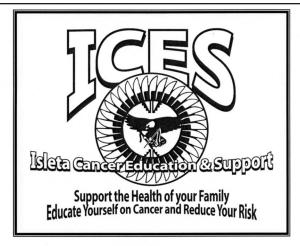
# **Ingredients**

- 8 eggs
- 1/2 cup low fat mayonnaise or miracle whip
- 1 teaspoon yellow mustard
- 1/4 cup chopped green onion
- A few chopped fresh spinach leaves.
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika

# Directions

Boil eggs for 10-12 minutes. Immediately place eggs in ice-water bath, this will make them easy to peel. After eggs are cooled and peeled, place the chopped eggs in a bowl, and stir in the low fat mayonnaise, mustard, chopped spinach, and green onion. Season with salt, pepper and paprika. Stir and serve on your favorite whole grain bread, tortilla or cracker.

Heidi Lanes WIC Nutrition Coordinator



# WHEN:

April 10, 2012

#### TIME:

10:30am to Noon

### **PLACE:**

**ISLETA HEALTH CENTER** (SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM)

#### **TOPIC:**

STRESS MANAGEMENT

**EMILY STAFFORD** 

Please contact Stephanie Barela @ 869-4479 if you have questions.

Please join us!



Everyone welcome! Please Join Us!

Support the Health of Your Family Get Educated on Cancer and Reduce Your Risk!

> Isleta Department of Education



# ATTENTION GRADUATES OR PARENT'S OF GRADUATES! DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE!

Each year DOE hosts a Recognition Banquet for all our graduates. So in order to continue to make this event successful each year, we want to make sure we don't forget anyone who may have already earned their High School / GED Diploma or College Degree / Certificate, Fall 2011 or anticipating graduation this spring 2012. Please provide student's name & mailing address so we may personally send an invitation.

This year's event is scheduled for Thursday, May 3.

Please confirm your attendance on or before April 11th by contacting Department of Education:



poi101@isletapueblo.com Phone: (505) 924-3170 Fax: (505) 869-7690 P.O. Box 1270 Isleta, NM 87022

Your RSVP will confirm your attendance.
This event is by invitation only.



# REDUCE YOUR RISK

Get Smart. Get Fit. Get Checked.
Isleta Health Center, Health Educator:
Stephanie Barela 869-4479
(Information from the "Guide to Preventable Cancers")

The key to leading a long healthy life is to get smart, get fit and get checked! We can all play a part in reducing our risk for cancer by choosing a healthy lifestyle that avoids commercial tobacco and includes healthy food choices, exercise, and protection against too much sun, moderate alcohol consumption and regular cancer screenings. Learn about ways to PREVENT OR REDUCE YOUR RISK FOR CANCER in this section in the Newsletter.

# **Colorectal Cancer**

Colorectal Cancer is cancer of the colon or rectum in either men or women. It is equally common in both. It is one of the MOST PREVENTABLE cancers, because it develops from polyps that can be removed before they become cancerous. The rates of colorectal cancer among Native Americans is very different from one region to another, with Alaska and Northern, Central and Southern Plains States having the highest rates. Colorectal Cancer is often diagnosed at a later stage in Native Americans, which is why it is so important to get screened! If you get the recommended screening, this cancer can be prevented, by removing polyps before they become cancerous or detected early, when it can be more easy to treat. (Guide to Preventable Cancers, Prevent Cancer Foundation, pg 12-13, 2009)

#### RISK FACTORS

- Men and women who are age 50 and older
- People who use commercial tobacco, are obese or sedentary
- People with a personal or family history of colorectal cancer or benign (non-cancerous) colorectal polyps
- People with a personal or family history of inflammatory bowl disease, such as long-standing ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease
- People with a family history of inherited colorectal cancer

# RISK REDUCUTION AND EARLY DETECTION

- Be physically active and exercise regularly
- · Maintain a healthy weight
- Eat a high-fiber diet rich in fruits, vegetables, nuts, beans and whole grains
- · Consume calcium-rich foods like low-fat or skim milk
- · Limit red meat and avoid processed meats
- Stay away from smoking commercial tobacco (sign up for Freedom From Smoking-869-4479)
- If you drink alcohol, limit your drinking to one drink a day if you are a woman or two drinks a day if you are a man
- If you are at average risk for colorectal cancer, start having a regular screening at age 50. If you are at greater risk, you may need to begin regular screening at an earlier age. The best time to get screened is before any symptoms appear.

#### **SYMPTOMS**

- · Rectal bleeding or blood in or on the stool
- Change in bowel habits or stools that are narrower than usual
- Stomach discomfort (bloating, fullness or cramps)
- Diarrhea, constipation or feeling that the bowel does not empty completely
- Weight loss for no apparent reason
- Constant fatigue
- Vomiting

**TREATMENT-** Surgery is the most common treatment. When the cancer has spread, chemotherapy or radiation therapy is given before or after surgery.

# **HEALTH BEAT**

Health Educator, Stephanie Barela 869-4479

■ sbarela@islclinic.net

# **CANCER 101 Program Update**

The Isleta Cancer Education and Support (ICES) group presented a day-long cancer education program at the Isleta Eagle Golf Course on March 3, 2012. We were happy to welcome fifty attendees; were you one of those 50? If not, then you missed out on an excellent informational event!

After an inspirational opening prayer by Pueblo of Isleta Lt. Governor Antonio Chewiwi, many topics were presented by several different representatives of local cancer organizations. Those in attendance learned about the following:

- "Native American Health", Michele Suina, UNM Cancer Center
- "Cancer Among Native Americans", Chuck Wiggins, UNM Tumor Registry
- "What is Cancer?", Dr. Kristina Flores, UNM Cancer Center
- "Cancer Screening & Early Detection", Ophelia Spencer, SW Tribal Epidemiology Center
- "Cancer Diagnosis & Staging", Dr. Kristina Flores
- Keynote Presentation by Natalie Thomas regarding "Commercial Tobacco & Cancer"
- "Cancer Risk and Risk Reduction", Michele Suina, UNM Cancer Center
- "Basics of Cancer Treatment", Kevin English
- "Support for Patients and Caregivers", Dr. Emily Haozous

We also had booths with representatives from the Breast Cancer Resource Center, Cancer Support Now, and People Living Through Cancer organizations, who provided information about free programs available to people dealing with cancer. Our program concluded with a heartfelt presentation by Isleta tribal member and cancer survivor, Mae Chewewe.

Overall, it was a successful event that I couldn't have done without all of the volunteers, presenters, and prize donors. Thank you to everyone who participated in some capacity; your time and efforts are appreciated!

Lt. Governor Antonio Chewiwi ■ Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Albuquerque ■ Isleta Eagle Golf Course ■ Sopa's Restaurant

Joe Padilla Construction ■ Sam's Butcher Shop ■ Jerry's
Supermarket ■ Hummingbird Gallery ■ Isleta Cancer
Education & Support ■ Pricilla Jojola ■ Mary Ann Johnson ■
Clem Romero ■ Clem Jojola ■ Joe Jaramillo ■ Lupita Chewiwi
■ Mae Chiwewe ■ Edwina Abeita ■ Frances Cherino ■ Daisy
Zuni ■ Denise Sanchez ■ Lenora Isabel Carpio ■ Rose Zuni ■
Lynette Chewiwi ■ Dr. Kristina Flores ■ Michele Suina ■ Dr.

Emily Haozous ■ Chuck Wiggins ■ Kevin English
■ Ophelia Spencer ■ Natalie Thomas

I hope you will attend our next Cancer 101 conference!

# Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Sunday, April 29, 2012 5 Mile Walk along Rio Grande Cottonwood Mall

Join TEAM ISLETA and make strides to end Cancer!
Call the Isleta Health Center at 869-4479, to Sign up with
the team, or go to: www.makingstrides.acsevents.org/
Albuquerque and search for "Team Isleta"
and Join our team.

Then on April 29th at 7:30am at Cottonwood Mall, walk to support those that have passed away from cancer, are cancer survivors or are currently dealing with this terrible disease.

Call the Isleta Health Center at 869-4479 for more info. Sponsored by Isleta Health Center

# WIC Breastfeeding Corner Women, Infants, and Children Program

Did you know...?

# New Mexico State Law: Worksite Breast Pump Use NMSA 1978 Section 28-20-2

New Mexico State Law states that employers must provide nursing mothers with a clean, private place to pump—that is not the bathroom— at their workplace. The law also requires

employers to give mothers flexible break time to use their breast pump. If you need more information about this law to give to your employer, ask the WIC staff.

The WIC program provides working WIC mothers with electric breast pumps which allow mothers to continue providing their own milk for their infant when they return to work or school.

You can also borrow one of our privacy screens to set up at your workplace so that you have a private place to pump. The privacy screens are available to any mother who is in need of one. You do not need to be a WIC participant to use the screen. If you are an employer, and would like to borrow a privacy screen to provide a space for your employees to pump during working hours, call the WIC office.

# The Pueblo of Isleta WIC office is open to the public!

# **WIC Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8 to 4:30 pm **Tuesday 8 to 6 pm** 

Call WIC at #924-3180.

# Scholarships available for Upcoming 'Conference on Aging'

Annual Senior Conference scheduled for August 2012

**Santa Fe, NM** – The New Mexico Conference on Aging is awarding sixteen full scholarships and ten partial scholarships to assist adults age 55 or older who otherwise would not be able to attend the conference.

"Our annual conference on aging is a wonderful opportunity for seniors, caregivers, and professionals to come together and learn from experts, and from each other," says Secretary Retta Ward of the New Mexico Aging and Longterm Services Department. "These scholarships are a good opportunity for New Mexico seniors and we invite applications from throughout the state."

The Conference on Aging, held each year in August, provides older adults, caregivers and the professionals who work with them the opportunity to learn and have fun in an environment that supports independence and dignity. More than 1,200 individuals are expected to attend the Conference, which features workshops, interactive exhibits and a two-day Health & Enrichment Fair. The Conference also includes a variety of entertainment reflecting New Mexico's cultural diversity.

Full scholarships include conference registration fees, lodging and meal costs. An individual must live 80 miles or more from the Conference site (The Hard Rock Conference Center) to apply for a full scholarship. Partial scholarships include registration fees and a lunch gift card.

All applications should be sent to Evone D. Gallegos, NM Conference on Aging, 1015 Tijeras NW, Suite 200, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Questions may be directed to Gallegos at 505-222-4523 or through email at evone. gallegos@state.nm.us. Applications must be received no later than May 25, 2012 to be considered. Applications can be downloaded from the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department website: www.nmaging.state.nm.us.

# Invitation Announcement Pueblo of Isleta Head Start & Child Care Center



The Isleta Head Start & Early Head Start programs invite you to join our family by completing an application for the upcoming 2012-2013 program year.

We provide a learning environment that respects and reflects the traditional culture and values of our children, families, and community. We incorporate skills necessary for kindergarten readiness, as well as all other areas of development: physical, social-emotional and language development. Options for you and your child:

#### Head Start - 3 to 5 years old

A 6-hour, 5 day-a-week program. Classrooms are equipped with hands-on, age appropriate materials and qualified teachers.

Early Head Start- Prenatal to 3 years (3 options to choose from)

- 1. Home Based for Pregnant Mothers: Home visits from a Home Visitor who brings information and materials about pregnancy and child development.
- 2. Home Based for Parent and Child Birth to 3 years: Weekly 90-minute home visits from a Home Visitor who brings information and materials about parenting and child development. Bi-weekly Socialization activities in a group setting (i.e. fun walks, field trips, child development, and more).
- 3. Classrooms ages 3 months to 3 years:

A 6-hour, 5 day-a-week program. Classrooms are equipped with hands on, age appropriate materials and qualified teachers.

#### We invite you to come in and fill out an application:

# <u>Call to schedule an appointment to apply.</u> <u>You need to bring ALL of the following:</u>

- Tribal Identification w/CIB#
- √ Proof of Residency (New Mexico Driver's License, Utility Bill, Government/Tribal ID)
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  Proof of income for previous 12 months (Such as: Public Assistant Award Letter, 2011 tax forms,
  - W-2, paystubs, etc.)
- √ Proof of Child's Birth
- $\lor$  A copy of your child's IFSP/IEP (if applicable)
- For Prenatal option, Pregnant Mothers need to provide proof of pregnancy

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us at **924-3160**. We look forward to working together with you and your family to make your child's learning fun and successful!





# Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Happy Spring Isleta Pueblo, hope all is good and well. Yes, the warm weather is just around the corner, and that means SPRING FEVER is in the air!!! Time to go outdoors and enjoy the wonderful sun-shiny days of spring, so grab a good book and soak up the sun! Enjoy. "Happy Easter"

Our new library automation system is in full force, here are some new changes to our policies. Please take note:

- Check out time for a book is now 21 days
- Check out time for DVD's, CD's and Blu-Ray's is 2 days
- 1 New release per patron
- 1 Renewal by phone/online for books, CD's, DVD's and Blu Ray's
- If you would like to renew again, you must come in and re-checkout material.
- \$1.50 for lost sleeve/cover for CD's, DVD's and Blu-Ray's

You must always have your library card to: Check out books

Check out DVD's, CD's, and Blu-Ray's Print

#### Printing:

The first 15 pages are **FREE** Additional Black and White -10 cents Additional Colored -25 cents

Your library account can have a **maximum fee of \$5.00.** After that, you must pay off your account in order to check out library material or to print. This means even with a \$5.00 or less late fee, you can still check out, but more than \$5.00, your account is blocked till it is paid off.

To make it easier and convenient for you, you can now access your account online to: webopac.infovisionsoftware.com/isleta to search for books/movies/music and to see if they are available to check out. You can view due dates of library material. Renew material checked-out and review your fines or your child's fines. This makes it easier to keep track of your child's library account.

Patron login: Library card number Password: (for your password, please speak to a library staff)

Another new feature with our new automation system is an email notification. For your convenience, we can email you to remind you of due dates or, when you have a late fee. Just notify a library staff member, if you have any questions or concerns.

## **Upcoming**

April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, and we have various events taking place, such as a Magic Show and a Parade. If we all get together and help, we should be able to make a difference.

On Saturday, April 14, at 10:00 a.m. there will be a parade in the village for "Child Abuse Prevention Month." The library's theme for this year is "Let's Help Child Abuse Disappear." Come check out the parade to see what we are up to this year. On Monday, April 23, Project Venture will hold a Teen Talk Forum here at the Library. Have your teens and their friends join us

for this event.

Can you believe the Library has been in operation since May 4, 1987! It all started at the old Isleta Community Center in just one room, it then moved on to the Pickle Heights area in 1998. We have come a long way, and are proud to announce that May 4, 2012, will mark the day of our "25th Anniversary". We will have a Grand Opening Celebration on that day with lots of food, fun and entertainment. Please join us on this very special occasion as we celebrate a little bit of history.

Be a Star! Make sure you sign up your child on Monday, May 21, for our 2012 Summer Reading Program. Spaces are limited to 20 toddlers, ages 3-7 (must be potty trained) and 30 youth, ages 8-17. Spaces fill up fast, so come in early. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. This year's theme is based around theatre and acting. The students will be working towards a final performance at the end of the program. Each week will consists of different activities of getting them prepared to put on their very own production of traditional Native American stories. We will provide lunch. Note: A child will be dropped from the program if they miss more than 3 days. We will have the week off for for 4th of July.

#### Recap

We had a big turnout for our Spring Break Game Tournament, kids bought in their own controllers from home, and the competition was on! The boys competed head to head. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, place winners were rewarded gift cards from Hastings, GameStop and iTunes.

The Wii Game Dance Competition was just as exciting — many students joined this fun event as we danced our little hearts out

all afternoon. The competition was pretty tough, and they all challenged each other for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes which were gift cards to Journey's Kidz at Coronado Center, Target and Hastings. Good job everyone, it was fun.



Day 3 of the Game Tournament – Boys playing Mortal Kombat

We are still in the middle of our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory program. We had a lot of kids who picked up the copy of the book and participated in our daily activities.



The first three Golden Ticket Winners of our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Program



Our six lucky winners of the Spring Break Game Tournament

(Library continued)

They had one week to read the book, and on Monday and Tuesday, they picked a question out of the Willy Wonka hat and had to answer at least three questions right about the story. After that they moved onto the next phase. The successful students that correctly answered the questions were able to build their own Willy Wonka Factories out of candy. Mmm, it smelled so good. The Top 4 Best Factories won a Golden Ticket, which helped them earn their spot to go on the field trip. On Wednesday, students had to invent their own candy and write a story about it. The Top 4 Best Stories won a Golden Ticket. The final activity was to

was to play Willy Wonka bingo. The Top 4 winners earned their Golden Tickets. Only 12 people were able to earn their Golden Ticket and go to a field trip to "Teri's Sweet Garden" in Los Lunas to make their own chocolate.

"Come with me And you'll be In a world of Pure imagination, Take a look And you'll see "Into your imagination" – Willy Wonka

We hope you come in soon and enjoy all the resources we have to offer you at YOUR new state of the art library. Stay tuned for more great programs to come. Read on Read on.

# Pueblo of Isleta Public Library Hours of Operation

Monday- Thursday: 8:00am- 6:30pm

Friday: 8:00am- 4:30pm Mailing and Physical Address: 950 Moonlight Drive

Albuquerque, NM 87105 Phone: (505) 924-3192

Email: poi02002@isletapueblo.com

Web Address:

www.isletapueblo.com/library2.html

Facebook:

www.facebook/IsletaPuebloLibrary

# T-Shirt Design Contest Held for Child Abuse Awareness Month 2012

"Fostering Healthy Child, Family & Community Connections." (2012 Theme)

The committee would like to thank and recognize all the individuals who submitted a drawing: Theodore Solis, Clarise Jojola, Brianna Jojola, Akasha Jiron, Chris Cambridge and Rueben Abeita

Below are highlights of other activities planned for the month April. The common thread to all of these events is the coming together as a community to understand and appreciate family connections.

\*\*\*Wednesday - April 4, 2012 @ 5:30 pm: Magic Night-Making Child Abuse Disappear

(Isleta Library)

\*\*\*Wednesday - April 11, 2012 @ 5:30 pm: **Family Fun Night** (Isleta Head Start and Child Care Center)

\*\*\*Saturday - April 14, 2012 @10:00 am: **Child Abuse** 

Awareness Parade/Interactive Game Day BBQ

(Isleta Recreation Center)

\*\*\*Wednesday - April 18, 2012 @ 5:30 pm: Child Abuse

Awareness Fun Walk/Run

(Cottonwood)

\*\*\*Monday - April 23, 2012 @ 5:30 pm: **Teen Talk Forum** (Library)



Congratulations to Genevieve Keryte, winner of the 2012 Child Abuse Prevention T-Shirt Design Contest. Genevieve is a 3rd grader at Isleta Elementary School. Her inspirational design will appear on the front of the Child Abuse Prevention Walk/ Run t-shirts.

# Be a Headliner at the Hard Rock Hotel Albuquerque!

The Retail Department at Hard Rock Hotel Albuquerque is looking for artwork from Isleta Tribal Artists, to be featured at the newly opened "Vault" Store at the hotel, on a consignment basis.

Due to our limited space all works can be no larger than 30x30 for wall art and 15x15x15 for other works. The minimum value will be \$10 and maximum \$500. All works will be held in consignment for a period of no greater than 60 days. Acceptance of all consignment works subject to Retail Management's discretion.

The Retail Department at Hard Rock Hotel Albuquerque is looking for original native art work to be reproduced on Tee shirts to be sold in the Hard Rock Store. All art work will be commissioned/released with fees based on size and content. All works commissioned will be selected at the discretion of the Retail Management.

If you are interested please contact Christina Casaus at 505-724-3827.

# PUEBLO OF ISLETA HARD ROCK HOTEL & CASINO ISLETA BUSINESS CORPORATION

Are Hosting a Community Job Fair

**Pueblo of Isleta Recreation** Tribal Road 40 Isleta Pueblo

Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, April 26, 2012 1:00 pm. To 4:00 pm

Mini Workshops on Interviewing Techniques

We Are Hiring ~ Bring Your Resume We Will Be Accepting Applications & Resumes







# Tiwa Lending Services

Tiwa Lending Services is a Native Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) that was incorporated January 6, 2011. It is a non-profit entity whose mission is to promote the economic growth of the Isleta Pueblo community by creating homeownership and small business opportunities for the Isleta community. Tiwa Lending Services operates under the governance of a 5-member Board of Directors made up of Isleta tribal members and business professionals. Tiwa Lending Services currently operates out of the Isleta Pueblo Housing Authority (IPHA) Offices located at Tribal Road 61

# What does Tiwa Lending Services do?

Tiwa Lending Services took over the Isleta Home Loan Program effective March 2012. This will not affect current loans under the Program nor applicants of the Program. One of Tiwa Lending Services' goals is to seek additional funding from federal and state governments and private foundations and organizations for its lending and financial services activities.

# What does Tiwa Lending Services have to offer the Isleta Pueblo Community?

Financial and Homeownership Education: Tiwa Lending Services provides the Isleta Pueblo community with Financial and Homeownership Education. We have classes built for your specific needs such as Homebuyer Education, Money Management, and Credit Counseling. We also provide budgeting assistance on a one-on-one basis.

Home Mortgage Loans: Tiwa Lending Services provides below-market rates to middle and high-income Isleta families to build, purchase, or renovate a home on Isleta lands. Loans may be obtained to renovate homes in the village.

**Down Payment Assistance:** Tiwa Lending Services will soon provide closing costs and down payment assistance for eligible borrowers who are seeking a loan from private banks, such as the Section 184 Loan.

Small Business Loans: Tiwa Lending Services will be seeking funds to provide small business loans to tribal members who desire to start a business or expand a business.

Credit Repair Loans: Tiwa Lending Services will be seeking funds to provide credit repair loans for eligible borrowers. The purpose of these loans is to create a good credit history for tribal members.

Individual Development Accounts (IDAs): IDAs are restricted saving accounts established for a specific purpose. Tiwa Lending Services will soon create IDAs for tribal members who wish to open a savings account to save funds for a specific purpose, such as down payment assistance or purchase of a vehicle, and match savings deposited by tribal members.

For further information on Tiwa Lending Services products or services, please contact Sheila Herrera at (505) 869-4153 ext. 9341. Stop by our Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Fair Saturday April 14th from 10-3 at the Rec Center.

TIWA LENDING SERVICES IS COMMITTED TO HELPING ISLETA FAMILIES BECOME ECONOMICALLY INDEPENDENT.

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# Isleta Health Center April 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <b>FFS 3</b> 5:30-7:30	3	4	5	6	7
	at Rec					
8	9 <b>FFS 4</b>	10 (ICES) Isleta Cancer	11	12	13	14
	5:30-7:30	<b>Education and Support</b> at				Social Services
	at Rec	Clinic 10:30-noon				Child Abuse Fair
		(Stress Management)				at Rec Center
		<b>FFS 5</b> 5:30-7:30 at Rec				10am-3pm
		Isleta Diabetes Support				
		<b>Group</b> Meeting 6-7pm at clinic				
15	16 <b>FFS 6</b>	17	18	19	20	21
	5:30-7:30					
	at Rec					
22	23 <b>FFS 7</b>	24	25	26 <u>Health</u>	27 <u>Isleta</u>	28
	5:30-7:30	Breast Cancer Awareness		Fair Planning	Diabetes/Obesity	
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		at the Clinic in the		at Clinic in Small	Advocacy Group @	
		Large Conference Room		Conference	Isleta Health Center	
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Against Com	at Rec			Isleta Rec Center, for the		
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# Isleta Health Center

and POI Head Start & Child Care Present the

# 2012 COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

# Saturday - JULY 14th



# the ISLETA RECREATION CENTER 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Offering Isleta Community Members
A WEALTH of HEALTH INFORMATION and
Early Detection and Screenings.

# "Every breath of life counts - STAY SMOKE FREE!"

Plus: A basket walk, door prizes, demonstrations & much more!



- Fun Jump for the Kids!
- Rock Climbing Wall!
- Face Painting!
- Excitement for all!



Isleta Health Center

POI Head Start & Child Care

"Keeping our Community Healthy"

Stephanie @ 869-4479 sbarela@islclinic.net