

Isleta Pueblo News

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Governor's Report

On May 13, 2008, the Governor's Administration and Tribal Council met to discuss the postponement of the May 10th community meeting. The postponement was due to unfortunate circumstances that occurred in the Pueblo. Due to already scheduled obligations in May and June, a later date will be set for the community meeting.

During the month of May, the Administration was involved with many education issues. We attended many graduation ceremonies and other end of the year activities at the Headstart, elementary and high schools. Once again, I want to congratulate all the parents and family members for supporting your children and for being a part of their successes. Education is critical, and yet many of our children are without parental or family support, and have struggled through their school years. We urge all parents to support their children in the coming school years.

Tribal Council approved a proposal presented by Mr. Garry Martin, the Executive Director of the Department of Education for a new education building to be built next to the new proposed community library. Isleta has received 1.2 million dollars through capital outlay monies from the state of New Mexico for the construction of the library, and we plan to request continued funding from the state for the new building. The Department of Education is currently working out of a old portable buildings with limited space and has electrical problems which affect the computers, especially those that serve the Education 20/20 students. The 20/20 program

is a credit recovery program housed at the DOE building and administered by Los Lunas High School. Thanks to the Tribal Council for approving this proposal which will benefit our children.

On May 17, 2008, the Sunset Hills Park, through the efforts of the American Legion Post 209, was dedicated to all our Vietnam veterans. It was an event well attended by many of our tribal members. The guest speaker for the event was State Representative Elias Barela, who is also a colonel with the NM National Guard. Also attending were Senator James Taylor, NM Veterans Commission Representative Sardo Sanchez, Councilman Fred Lujan, Lt. Governors Max Zuni and Frank Lujan as well as many of our veterans. I want to thank Rick Giron and his staff for all their hard work and dedication to renovating all our parks, so many of our children will have nice safe parks near their homes which they can enjoy. All the parks have been paid through capital outlay monies received from the state of New Mexico; no tribal monies have been used for these parks. Thanks to our hard-working and talented crew who built and set-up the park facilities including the playground equipment, the Park and Recreation Department was able to cut building costs.

On May 23rd, groundbreaking for the Rail Runner Train Station was held at the Isleta Lakes. New Mexico Lt. Governor Diane Denish, Sen. James Taylor, State Representative Andrew Barreras, Chief Executive Officer Lawrence Rael of the Middle Rio Grande Council of Governments and his staff, Rebecca

Montoya, Adjutant Secretary, from the NM Department of Transportation, the Pueblo of Isleta Cultural Committee, the Tribal Council, tribal administration staff including both POI Lt. Governors were present for the historic groundbreaking ceremonies. With the price increase of gasoline, members of the tribe as well as neighboring communities will benefit by riding the Rail Runner, and we have been asked how soon the rail station will be built. The station is now a reality and very soon in the future it will be operating. The idea behind the Rail Runner is to bring business to our enterprises.

Other business enterprises impacting Isleta are those that are requesting water transfers of surface and ground water to Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, Santa Fe and other areas to the north and south of the reservation. These are being strongly protested by the Pueblo of Isleta. Water transfers impact Isleta's much needed water by decreasing the natural flow to Isleta, especially when pumping water out of the Rio Grande River occurs. As development occurs, we see many rich investors buying water rights and transferring water. Other businesses that will have an impact on Isleta are the Racinos, which are being planned for many areas throughout the state, such as the one being proposed in Moriarity. The Fort Sill Bingo Parlor in southern New Mexico is also a concern to the NM Gaming Tribes as it will affect our gaming operations. I will update you on all concerns as meetings and new information on these and other matters come forth.

Rabies Shots For Dogs and Cats

Cats and dogs must be 12 weeks of age. No pregnant dogs or cats, or other animals please.

DATE: July 23, 2008

WHERE: Old Court House Village Plaza
9:00am to 11:00am

Old Court House Village Plaza
1:00pm to 3:00 pm **ONLY!!**

All dogs must be on a leash or chain. Cats must be wrapped in a towel or blanket. Pet owners should have their Tribal Road and House number. Any questions please call the CHR office at 869-4485

NOTICE TO ALL CHICAL DITCH MEMBERS

All tribal members who own irrigated farm land in Chical area.

By the Order of Ditch Mayordomos, each spring ditch work is called for each member of the Pueblo who have an assignment of irrigated land. If you are a member of the Chical Ditch Association (active or exempt) you are required to pay an assessment fee of \$10.00 each year. Penalty fee of \$15.00 dollars is assessed for ditch work missed each year. Chical Ditch Members who owe the association this year, and in the past five years are now being requested to make arrangements for payment as soon as possible.

Please contact me at cell phone (505) 306-4142, for information on payment owed. Payments will be accepted in a sealed envelope with paid postage stamp at the Isleta Pueblo Post Office,

Attention to:

The Chical Ditch Association

P.O. Box 632 Isleta, NM 87022

Check or money order only!!

(Do not send cash in mail)

Payments received will be deposited in the Chical Ditch Association Account at Wells Fargo Bank. Receipts for member payment and balance will follow.

The Chical Ditch Association fees collected are used to pay the bills and expenses made by the Mayordomos during their term of office. Thank-you, in advance for your Cooperation.

Respectfully,

Lawrence (Larry) R. Lucero, Treasurer

President Proposes Total Elimination of the Johnson - O'Malley Programs

Again! As has been since 2004, the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget "proposes totally eliminating Johnson O'Malley (JOM) grants within Tribal Government Operations and Education Operations." In response the below resolution opposing the President's proposal to eliminate JOM was presented to the Tribal Council on May 13, 2008, and was unanimously adopted.

As you are aware the Johnson O'Malley Program provides a number of education services to Native American children enrolled in public schools as noted in the resolution. You can help, too, by letting your congressional representatives know that you oppose this proposal.

US Representatives:

- Tom Udall, 3200 Civic Center, Rio Rancho, NM 87124. Phone # 994-0499

- Heather Wilson, 20 First Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Phone # 346-6781

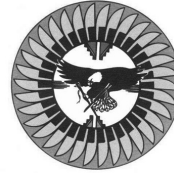
US Senators:

- Jeff Bingaman, 625 Silver Avenue, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Phone # 344-6601

- Pete Domenici, 201 3rd Street NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102 Phone # 346-6791

For any questions you may have on the JOM Programs...i.e. National JOM issues, what services are available, or if you have suggestions on how the program can better serve our students, please call Garry Martin, Department of Education Executive Director, or Ulysses Abeita, JOM Director at 869-2680.

TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICE



PUEBLO OF ISLETA

P.O. Box 850, ISLETA, NM 87022

RESOLUTION No. 2008 - 141

Pueblo of Isleta Opposition to the Proposed Elimination of Johnson-O'Malley Funds from the FY 2009 President's Budget Request

At a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Isleta, held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta has recognized and acknowledged formal government to government relations with the United States Government as a recognized tribal sovereign nation and,

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta has powers and authority to govern themselves granted under authority of the amended constitution of the Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico as approved by the Secretary of the Interior on April 1, 1970,

WHEREAS, the Johnson-O'Malley Program is, by statutory authority, a supplemental educational service program to meet the special and unique needs of Indian children and is a fulfillment of the Federal Government's trust responsibility to the Indian people for the education of our children and,

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta Johnson-O'Malley Program serves the unique and specialized academic needs of 815 eligible Pueblo of Isleta Indian students attending the Albuquerque and Los Lunas public schools, grades K thru-12, to eliminate high drop-out rates, increase grade point averages by providing assistance for school required eqbased curriculum under authority of the Indian Education Committee; and, there are no duplicity of federal funds existing that are designed to address the specialized and unique academic needs of the 93% Indian student population attending public schools in 23 States that serve Indian populations and,

WHEREAS, Pueblo of Isleta acknowledges the Johnson-O'Malley Program is the only federal program in which parent and community involvement has "vested statutory authority" to design their own educational and cultural program to fit their children's academic needs. Johnson-O'Malley parent committees are policy setting, by statutory requirements, and are not advisory committees as other federal education programs.

WHEREAS, Pueblo of Isleta opposes the 2009 President's budget requesting a proposed reduction of \$21.4 million for the Johnson-O'Malley Program in the Bureau of Indian Affairs budget (including an elimination of funds for the Consolidated Tribal Government and Self-Governance programs) and,

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Isleta does not support the language found in the 2009 Department of Interior Budget Justification & Performance Information (Green Book) which states, "JOM grants do not address a focused goal for academic achievement and lack a means to measure and report on program impacts on student performance. Eliminating JOM grants allows BIA to strengthen its commitment to the BIA school system and avoid redundant Federal programs." and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Pueblo of Isleta supports and affirms the United States Senate's Committee on Indian Affairs response to the President's FY 2009 budget request in its recommendation of restoration of funding at the FY 2006 level of \$24.1million for this culturally- relevant program serving the needs of Isleta and Indian students.

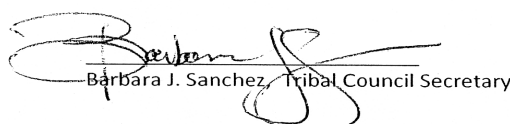
CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Isleta, held on the 13th day of May, 2008, at which a quorum was present, with 11 voting for, 0 opposing, and 0 abstaining.


J. Robert Benavides, Governor


Fred Lujan, Tribal Council President

ATTEST:


Barbara J. Sanchez, Tribal Council Secretary



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Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Greetings from the Library! We hope your summer is starting off well.

Monday, June 2, 2008, we will kick off our Summer Reading Program. We are proud to say that we have reached our max participants for both toddlers and youth groups. Currently have an extensive waiting list. The toddler group will run from 9:00 a.m. to Noon and the youth group will be from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The times are subject to change on select days, according to our field trips. We will give parents notice the day before as to what time their child needs to be at the library. We're excited for this summer. We hope to see everyone there.

It's that time of the year for graduations, baptismal, First Holy Communion, birthdays, weddings, etc; which means invitations, invitations and more invitations. The Library would like to remind all of you that we are also a Resource Center with a knowledgeable staff to help with your needs, whether it's creating or printing your own invitations or flyers for your social gatherings, fundraisers and events. We are here to help you create an original design with a personal touch. Staff members are on hand to assist you with our scanner and Microsoft Publisher. Individual instructions are available for those who are interested; please call ahead to schedule an appointment. All instructions are free of charge. Special paper and products (i.e. diskettes, flash drives, etc.) will not be provided. As a reminder, we do not charge a fee to use the printer, but we do limit the number of sheets to 30. Photocopies are also free up to 50 sheets. When your friends and relatives ask where you got your invitations, you can say I made them at the Pueblo of Isleta Public Library.

MySpace? What is a MySpace profile? Is that that Website where all the kids get into trouble? The one they talk about on the news so much? What's a comment? A blog? Those are just some of the questions parents ask their kids and each other about MySpace. We know that you concerned parents would like to know more about it. You want to know just how cautious your kids are being while sharing information online. We'd like to help you with that. The Library staff would like to invite parents, guardians, grandparents, aunts, uncles to sign up for our MySpace lesson. With this hour long tutorial, we hope it give some insight regarding the popular Website. That way when it comes to speaking with your child about the Website, you will know what they are talking about. Our class will be

held on Tuesday, July 2, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call or stop by the Library to sign up.

Our DVD and CD collection is sure growing. Thanks to those who have given us their suggestions and requests. We do carry restrictions to select DVDs and CDs. For DVDs with an R-rating, children under the age of 18 must have their parent or guardian check out the DVD for them. The same rule applies for CDs with the Explicit Lyrics label. As our media is so popular the amount of time given for check out is limited to three days; for example, if you check out a DVD or CD on Monday, they are due back on Wednesday- we do include the day of check out as day one. The weekend will not be included; for example, if you check out a DVD or CD on Friday, they are due back on by the closing day of Tuesday. We have also established a late fee of \$1 per day it is late. If your DVDs are due back on Friday and they are not returned till Monday, we will include the weekend in the fee. We just want to give everyone a chance to check out the new media. To check out any of the media, all you need is a library card. If you do not have a card, please come in and fill out a registration form. It only takes a couple of minutes. As a reminder, children under the age of 14 must have a parent or guardian fill out the registration form for them before they are able to receive a card. Also, if there is a book, DVD or CD you'd like for us to add on our shelves, we'd be happy to order it for you. We love to add to our collection.

After the Guitar Hero & Rock Band game day at the Library, budding musicians from the community requested that the Library start a Guitar and Bass Tablature Collection, so they may learn how to play their favorite songs by their favorite bands. While our acting Librarian Director Nathaniel Lujan was on his trip to Minneapolis, MN in April, he met with the representatives of Hal Leonard, a major publisher of sheet music and tablatures. Together they discussed music, business and how the video game industry has motivated today's youth into wanting to learn how to play musical instruments. After sharing the good news with the patrons of the Pueblo of Isleta Public Library, one patron shared his happiness by saying, "H**L YEAH! You're gonna see me in here all the time now!" Shortly after, the requests piled up for which tablatures to order.

With the excitement of the new entertainment media, we liked to offer you some book suggestions. Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay

Asher-From first time author Jay Asher who got the idea for the book at a museum while listening to a woman audio tour guide. The novel is told by Clay Jenson who returns home after school one day to find a package on his porch with his name and no return address. The contents of the package contain cassette tapes with the last words of Hanna Baker, Jenson's classmate and crush. From that moment on, those words will forever alter his life. The reason: Seven cassette tapes, with 13 stories of 13 people who contributed to her decision to end her young life. Those who received the package are one of the 13 who unknowingly played a major role in her death. The book is a very easy read, with a gripping and innovative concept, that will make it difficult for you to put down. Another book we'd like to suggest is, The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian, by Sherman Alexie, who is most noted for his screenplay work of the motion picture Smoke Signals; which is also based on Alexie's novel, The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fist Fight in Heaven. The novel is about a young Spokane Native American by the name of Arnold Spirit, a.k.a. Junior, who decides to leave the reservation school to attend a rich, all-white farm school 22 miles away for a chance at a brighter future. In doing so, Junior encounters racism from his new schoolmates and resentment from his old schoolmates and fellow tribal members. They label him an apple; red on the outside and white on the inside. The novel is intended for the younger readers, but is written well enough to capture the older readers. Alexie brings you another instinct "American Indian" classic. It represents "Rez Life" very accurately. If you would like more suggestions, call the library. Our collection is broad. We have books for every reader.

Challenged Material Policy: The resources and materials provided by the Pueblo of Isleta Public Library are selected to meet the teaching, research, entertainment and service needs of the community and the Library. Challenged material will not be removed automatically from the collection, but will be reviewed in the light of the objections raised. It is the responsibility of the Library to ensure that different points of view are represented by the materials and resources provided. Appearance of any resource does not mean that the Library advocates or endorses the ideas of statements found in that resource. Patrons requesting that material in the collection by reconsidered may complete a "Request for Reconsideration of

Library Materials". The inquiry will be placed on both agendas of the next regular meeting of the Library Board and Teen Library Board. Their decision will be based upon the selection policy after due consideration of the report of the Library Director and the patron's inquiry. In the case of a split decision among the boards, the Library Staff will have the final vote.

The Isleta Pueblo Newsletter is still available through e-mail, in PDF format. All you need is a valid e-mail address and Adobe Reader, which you can download for free at www.adobe.com. There are several ways to request to have your name placed on the distribution list-Send us a message through our MySpace account, if you have one. If not the address is provided at the end of the Library report; Send us an e-mail; call the library and speak with a staff member; or stop by the library. The only information we'll require of you is your first and last name and the e-mail address you'd like to have the newsletter sent to. (Our contact information is at the end of the Library's article.) We will add you to our distribution list and send out the e-mail as soon as it's available to us. Please remember that the distribution address will be different from the library's primary e-mail, therefore any comments, requests, messages we receive will be deleted immediately. Back issues of the Isleta Newsletter can also be e-mailed to you if needed. This format is still new, so all back issues may not be available. An archive of the newsletter will also be available on the Library's Official Website. The Website is expected to be up and running in the month of June.

For any information on the Library, its policies, guidelines or general questions or comments, please feel free to reach us at our contact information listed below.

Isleta Pueblo Public Library

Contact Information:

Phone Number: (505) 869 - 8119

Fax Number: (505) 869 - 7690

E-mail Address:

poi_library@hotmail.com

Web Address:

www.myspace.com/isleta_pueblo_library

SUMMER Hours of Operation:

(Effective May 26, 2008)

Monday-Thursday: 8 am – 6:30 pm

Friday: 8 am – 4:30 pm

Saturday & Sunday: Closed



American Legion Post 209 Dedicates Playground Vietnam Veterans

On Saturday, May 17, the American Legion Post 209 dedicated the playground at Sunset Hills to Vietnam Veterans. This is a great honor to the many of the Vietnam Veterans who are still amongst the living... Jack Garcia (Marines), James Keryte (Marines), Marcus Lujan (Army), Jose "Lalo" Valdez (Navy Corpsman who served with the Marines), Victor Jojola (Army), Robert Lucero (Air Force), Max Zuni (Marines)... and still there are many more tribal members who served in Vietnam...some came home but have passed on...Jose Delano Papuyo (Army), Lorenzo Jaramillo (Marines), Juan Bautista Olguin (Army)...and amongst the many who served in Vietnam...there was but one who did not return...Robert David (Army).

The American involvement in Vietnam, from 1959 — 1975... Richard Baker (Army, now living in Puyallup, WA) was in Nam in 1964...there may have been other tribal members in Nam before then...

Thank You to Post 209 for dedicating this playground to the Vietnam Veterans...from all Vietnam Vets...this is like the welcome home that never was...

POST 209 MEETING!!!

The next American Legion Post Meeting will be held on Saturday, 21 JUNE 2008 at 10:00 AM...1000 hours for all you gung ho vets!

Attention!!! Veterans!!! Theresa Zuni, NM State Veterans Service Officer, will be at the Department of Education on Friday, June 13, 2008 from 9:00 AM — 12:00 PM to provide state and federal benefit services and information.

For more info call:

Theresa Zuni, NMDVS VSO
1000 Main St., Cottage 4
Los Lunas, NM 87031
505-841-5346

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE TO HOST VETERANS/FAMILY OUTREACH CONFERENCE

In a continued effort to provide information of benefits and services available to our New Mexico Veterans and their families, the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services has partnered with the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 24 in Socorro to host a **VETERANS/FAMILY OUTREACH CONFERENCE**.

Any veteran, veteran's family member can learn more about eligibility, claims for Federal and State Benefits such as Federal VA compensation, pension, education, medical care and prescription medication. They can also learn about State benefits available; property tax exemption, Veterans' high school diploma, Vietnam veterans scholarship program, Children of deceased veterans scholarship program, Hunting/Fishing/camping permits, parks & museums passes, military license plates and much, much more.

The conference is scheduled for Saturday June 14, 2008 @ 10am — 3pm and will be held at the DAV Chapter 24 post home located at 200 5th St. North Socorro, NM (575) 835-0843.

For additional information please contact:

Theresa Zuni (505) 841-5346
Pete Romero (575) 418-8262



Greetings from the Isleta Eagle Golf Course! The busy season has begun and we are in full swing.

The Junior Eagle Golf Camp will be held July 28-29 from 8:00am to 12:00pm both days. It is available for juniors ages 7-17 years and is \$40 for both days. The camp is limited to the first 60 juniors. Sign ups are available at the golf shop.

Beginning in June, we will be holding Adult Tribal Member clinics. These clinics are free and will be held on the following Saturdays: June 7, July 19, August 23 and September 20, from 2-3pm. Space is limited to 12 people per clinic. If you are interested, please call 848-1900 to sign up.

In addition, a Casino employee golf league has started on Tuesdays and will continue every Tuesday throughout the summer. The cost is \$15.00 per person for nine holes with a golf cart and it starts at 3:30 pm. This price is available only on league night. We look forward to seeing you soon!

From the Isleta Realty Office Procedure for Land Transfers

1. Complete a Land Survey Application. Applications are available at the Realty office. All applications **must** have the signature of the Governor/Lt. Governor before a survey will be scheduled.

2. Survey will be scheduled and conducted. A search of the Land Registration records is also conducted to verify any claims on the property.

3. Land Assignment/Transfer will be scheduled with Governor/Lt. Governor for authorization. Scheduling will be coordinated between the Realty office (Realty Clerk) and the Governors' Administration staff. Clients are contacted by telephone.

4. Land Assignment/Transfer records are prepared. A transfer is scheduled with all

parties being present including two (2) members of the Realty office staff that serve as witnesses, a Notary Public, the Governor/Lt. Governor. (Per previous Administrations, all parties must appear before the Governor/Lt. Governor in person to complete the Land Transfer process. Paperwork **will not** be sent to out-of-town clients.)

5. Copies of the Land Transfer are provided to all parties and any appropriate offices and agencies.

For all land transactions to be considered valid, they **must** have the approval and signature of the Governor/Lt. Governor.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact John M. Romero, Realty Manager or Patricia J. Lujan, Realty Clerk at (505) 869-0710.

BREAK OUT SESSIONS at the ISLETA COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR July 19, 2008

There will be at least 4 different breakout sessions throughout the morning:

Learn More About:

- Acupuncture
- Cancer
- Meth
- CPR Overview

Keep an Eye Out for the next Newsletter to find out what time the Sessions will be and what other topics we will have.

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The National Society of High School Scholars

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LOCAL STUDENT SHANDIIN LUCERO RECEIVES NATIONAL HONOR

Los Lunas High School student
recognized for superior academic achievement
by The National Society of High School Scholars

ATLANTA, GA - April 25, 2008 - The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) today announced that Los Lunas High School student Shandiin Lucero from Isleta, NM, has been selected for membership. The Society recognizes top scholars and invites only those students who have achieved superior academic excellence. The announcement was made by NSHSS Founder and Chairman Claes Nobel, a senior member of the family that established the Nobel Prizes.

"On behalf of NSHSS, I am honored to recognize the hard work, sacrifice, and commitment that Shandiin Lucero has demonstrated to achieve this exceptional level of academic excellence," said Mr. Nobel. "Shandiin Lucero is now a member of a unique community of scholars a community that represents our very best hope for the future."

"Our vision is to build a dynamic international organization that connects members with meaningful content, resources, and opportunities," stated NSHSS President James Lewis. "We aim to help students like Shandiin Lucero build on their academic successes and enhance the skills and desires to have a positive impact on the global community."

Membership in NSHSS entitles qualified students to enjoy a wide variety of benefits, including scholarship opportunities, academic competitions, free events, member-only resources, publications, participation in programs offered by educational partners, online forums, personalized recognition items, and publicity honors.

Formed in 2002, The National Society of High School Scholars recognizes academic excellence at the high school level and encourages members of the organization to apply their unique talents, vision, and potential for the betterment of themselves and the world. Currently, there are more than 300,000 Society members in over 120 countries. NSHSS provides scholarship opportunities for deserving young people. For more information about NSHSS, visit ivvww.nshss.org.



Pueblo of Isleta Student Receives National Honor

In addition to Ms. Lucero's academic achievement, Chanel is a figure skater. She has been ice skating for ten years. She is a member of the United States Figure Skating Association and is a member of the Albuquerque Figure Skating Club. Ms. Lucero enjoys the challenges of competing, performing and testing. She skates three times a week at the Outpost Ice Arena. When Chanel is not skating or studying, she works part-time at Quizno's in Los Lunas. Although this is a very busy schedule for a 17 year old, it has taught her valuable lessons for a successful future and happy life. Chanel will be a senior at Los Lunas High School in the Fall, Class of 2009! Chanel is the daughter of Michelle and Kenneth Clark and the grand-daughter of Angelina and Robert Jaramillo.

Come to the Isleta Health Fair, July 19, 2008 at the Isleta Health Center from 9 until noon		
Who will be there?		
Women Infant and Children	NM Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Valencia Woman’s Shelter
behavioral health	Isleta EMS	Breast Imaging Center
Social Services	Isleta Physical Therapy	Poison Center
Dental Department	Medical Records	American Alzieheimer's Association
podiatry	Pharmacy	Southwest Acupuncture College
Nutrition	Community Health Representatives	Health Advisory Board
project venture	American Cancer Society	National Indian Council on Aging
Diabetes Programs	Isleta Responsible Gaming	Big Brothers, Big Sisters
UNM College of Nursing	Leukemia and lymphoma Society	AND MUCH MORE.....
FOOD, FUN, LIVE MUSIC, FREE T-SHIRTS, BAGS AND INCENTIVES They'll be at the Isleta Health Fair, will you?		

ISLETA RECREATION

The Summer Program began with the official opening of the newest park being added to our park system at Pickle Heights named "Vietnam Veterans Park", after all Vietnam Veterans' from the Pueblo of Isleta. Our newest park was an event that was well attended with approximately 200 people from around the community. There were many members from the Post 13 Legion Riders (motor cycle group) on hand as well as VFW members from around the area and our Senator James G. Taylor and Lt. Col from the New Mexico National Guard, Elias Barela who was our guest speaker. Our Governor, Robert Benavides officially welcomed everyone to the Reservation and Lt. Governor Max Zuni did the Invocation/Prayer (traditional) and Father

Hilaire also did an opening and closing prayer. Director, Rick Giron from our Parks & Recreation Department had some special words of thanks to our State Senator James G. Taylor for sponsoring and bringing us the monies that have made all four our parks possible. Thank You, Senator Taylor. Our Master of Ceremonies was our very own tribal member Joe Jaramillo who also sang the National Anthem. Council President Fred Lujan was also on hand for the unveiling of the newest park and Marcus Lujan led the closing with the traditional taps being played. After the conclusion of all the ceremonial speeches, everyone was treated to a barbecue of hamburgers, baked beans, chips, drink and a beautiful cake made by our Isleta

Casino in honor of our Veterans. The event could not have been possible without the hard work and dedication from our own Tribal Members, and people in charge of our own Post, Commander, Theresa Zuni and Ulysses Abeita. **GREAT JOB.** Pictured below from left to right are: Senator James G. Taylor, Lt. Governor Max Zuni, Governor Robert Benavides, Sardo Sanchez, Lt. Col and State Representative Elias Barela, Father Hilaire, Commander Theresa Zuni, and Master of Ceremonies Joe Jaramillo. Pictured below them are all the Veterans who were on hand for the unveiling of our Vietnam Veterans Park.



Summer Program

The summer Program began on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 with about 75 children being greeted and entertained by our staff. Director, Rick Giron was asked why do we open the program so early especially knowing the City of Albuquerque and the Bernalillo County don't open their programs for another two weeks. Rick's response was "through his 30 years of experience working for the City of Albuquerque, he knows the quicker you get children engaged in organized recreation activities the least chance they have to get into trouble". Once again the program will be action

packed so kids will stay engaged and focused with some good wholesome activities. If anyone is interested (Pueblo Members) in getting your children involved in the program, you can still come by and register your children. Registration is a must for all to be involved. Once again all major field trips like Cliffs Amusement Park, Ice Skating, and the Movies will take place on Fridays. All we ask from the children to be considered for the major field trips, that they be at the program at least 3 times in the week to be eligible. Children in summer school are excluded from this rule.

The Summer Food Service Program will begin on Monday, June 2, 2008 for anyone from the ages of 18 years and younger. Breakfast and Lunches that are served are cold meals that meet the National Nutritional Educational requirements and set forth by the State. All meals are free. They are prepared at the Albuquerque Public Schools Central Kitchen and delivered daily. The first week of operation, we the Recreation Program provided lunches to all who were in attendance.

Aquatic News

The Isleta Recreation Center is hosting the Los Lunas Stingray Summer Swim Team. Practices will move to Los Lunas as soon as the High School opens. The Recreation Center will host a Stingray Swim Meet on May 31, 2008 from 9 am to 11:30 am. Five Stingray scholarships are available to tribal members interested in swimming on the team. Kaitlin Jaramillo and Anna-Marie Lucero are currently using two of those scholarships.

Pool Hours of Operation:

Monday

5:30 am to 8:00 am Adults Only

8:00 am to 7:30 pm. Recreational Swim

Tuesday

6:30 am to 8:00 am. Adults Only

8:00 am to 7:30 pm Recreational Swim

Wednesday

5:30 am to 8:00 am. Adults Only

8:00 am to 7:30 pm Recreational Swim

Thursday

6:30 am to 8:00. Adults Only

8:00 am to 7:30 pm Recreational Swim

Friday

8:00 am to 7:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday

12:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

Water Aerobic Classes:

Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 am to 6:15 am (Shallow water work outs on Monday mornings and deep water on Wednesdays)

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. (Shallow water workouts on Tuesday evenings and deep water on Wednesday and Thursday)

Adult Lap Swim:

Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 am to 8:00 am. Early morning hours are for adults only.

Elderly Center "Ducks" Arthritis Class:

Fridays from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. The "Ducks" enjoy a special arthritis work out in the water. After their workout the "Ducks" flock to the Jacuzzi and enjoy talking and laughing in the warm water.

Call and ask about adult and child swim lessons, and Parent and Tot classes. There are slots available but on a first come first serve basis.

Summer Swim Lessons:

Adults must be 16 years of age and older to sign up for lessons. Eight forty-five minute lessons are given each month.

Children must be 6 to 15 years of age to sign up

for lessons. Eight thirty-minute lessons are given each month.

Parent & Tot Classes:

Parent and Tot Classes teach parents skills to help their tots adjust to the water to enjoy a lifetime of aquatic fun and exercise. Children must be 6 months to 5 years of age.

The class consists of 10 sessions. The first session is for parents only. All remaining sessions are in the water for 20 minutes.

Park Management

The park over in the Chical Neighborhood is currently being transformed to something that will be beautiful and functional for all those residents to enjoy. We are currently placing some new equipment as well as several shade structures. We will also have a water fountain and several barbecue pits along with plenty of grass. The park will remain closed until about early November when we anticipate its opening on Veteran's Day. Please bare with us. If we all cooperate and wait for the grass to grow and equipment and parking to be finished the end product will be something worth waiting for. Thank you for your cooperation.

Los Lunas High School Volleyball Camp

Los Lunas High School Tiger Volleyball coaches and athletes will be conducting a Volleyball Camp for at the Isleta Recreation Center. Any student grades K-8 will receive small group instruction in the skills and techniques of the game through drills and game situations. Tiger Volleyball has had a camp at Los Lunas High School for the last few years and has had requests to accommodate our Isleta students by providing one at Isleta. We have discussed this among our staff and athletes and felt this was very manageable this year. We expect to see several of our Campers participating in a few years and are elated to provide this service. If you have any questions about the Camp, or for more information, you may call the Isleta Recreation Center at 869-8557.

LLHS JROTC SUMMER ORIENTATION PROGRAM (REVISED)

DATE: 17-20 June 2008 (Tuesday — Friday)

TIME: 12:30-3:30 p.m. daily

PLACE: Los Lunas High School, Building H-1

FOR: Current 6th through 11th graders only, girls and boys

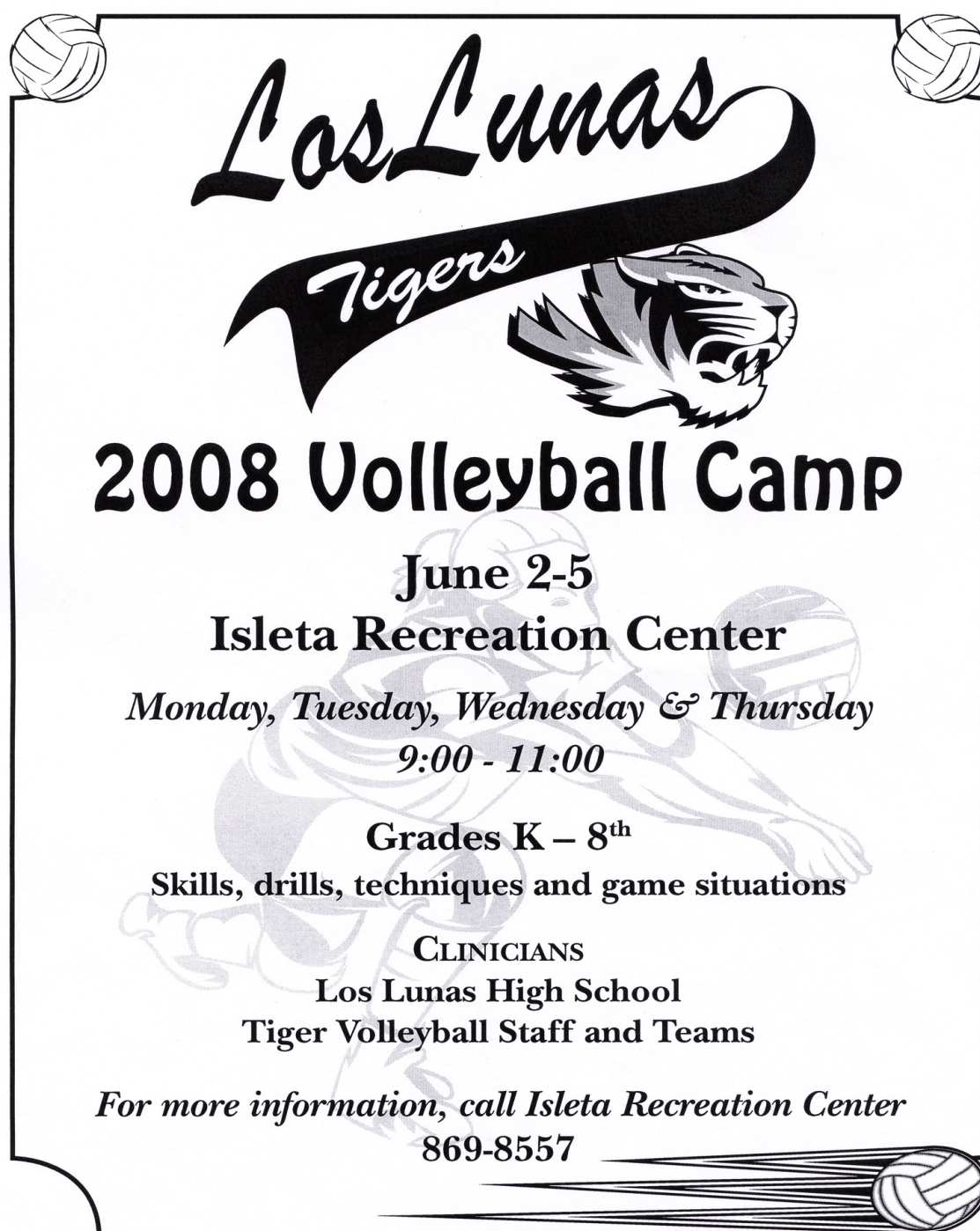
COST: \$15 for T-shirt and daily refreshments

DRESS: T-shirts and jeans with sneakers; also head covering and personal water bottle, marked with full name; further suggest sunscreen and sunglasses.

ACTIVITIES: Included are introductions to the JROTC activities of drill, fitness training, rifle marksmanship, and team/character building.

INSTRUCTORS: Current JROTC cadets under the supervision of LLHS School District JROTC teachers.

REGISTER by contacting Major (Ret) Mike Lloyd, 865-4646, Ext. 321 or e-mail m1336@llschools.org



Los Lunas
Tigers

2008 Volleyball Camp

June 2-5
Isleta Recreation Center
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:00 - 11:00

Grades K – 8th
Skills, drills, techniques and game situations

CLINICIANS
Los Lunas High School
Tiger Volleyball Staff and Teams

For more information, call Isleta Recreation Center
869-8557



Congratulations to Renee Herrera

A graduate from St. Pius X High School, who was nominated and chosen to represent her school and community at the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine in Los Angeles, CA, this summer. The Forum brings exceptional high school students from around the country. This is a very powerful experience that will enable her to interact with prominent physicians.

Sponsors: Wells Fargo Bank, Inc; Isleta Casino and Resort; Smith's Food and Drug, Inc.

Renee is the daughter of Theresa Chewiwi-Herrera and the late Jerome A. Herrera. Maternal grandparents are Andy and Lupita Chewiwi, both from Isleta Pueblo. Paternal grandparent is Mary Zuni from Cochiti Pueblo.

*Much appreciation goes out to the Isleta Board of Education who has made it possible for Renee to complete her studies at St. Pius X High School and at Holy Ghost.

"A Grateful Thank You"

To all residents for their thoughts and prayers for a safe and successful surgery

I had recently.

It was the daily messages of prayers and encouragement that helped me through the ordeal of my back surgery. May God bless every one of you for your thoughtful concerns.

Sharon M Piro and Family

Isleta Community Health Fair

July 19, 2008

Music by

Looking at Country
with Jennifer Jojola

at the Isleta Health Center
9am-Noon

Face Painting,
Balloons,
Food
and FUN!!



Offering Isleta Community Members:
PRIZES!!
Fun Jump for the Kids!
Rock Climbing Wall,
Breakout Education Sessions
(acupuncture, CPR Overview,
Meth Darkness and More)



special Guest MC
JEREMY JOJOLA
from Ch 4 News

Excitement for All!!

**EARLY DETECTION AND
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**NUTRITION, DIABETES EDUCATION,
FRUIT BASKET WALK, RAFFLE PRIZES,
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MUCH MORE!!!**

T-shirts for the first 200 people
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To sign up for No Cost
or Low Cost Health Care
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Insure NM Solutions-New
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- *Original Birth Certificate
- *Proof of past 4 weeks income
- *Proof of Identity
- *Social Security Number
- *Proof of other health insurance you may have


Isleta Health Center
Keeping our Community Healthy

For more information contact
Stephanie Schaefer
869-4479
sschaefer@islclinic.net

Project Venture - The Art & Writing of The Project Venture Kids!

By Janai Campos

Project Venture it is so much fun. I love to run and skip in the sun. I enjoy working as a team. It's fun and healthy and I also love all the field trips. I can't wait for Monday to come why you ask? Because it's Project Venture day.

Project Venture

By James

My favorite game was the tube with the ball and when we had to make the ball go to the container without dropping the ball. If we drop it, we had to start over again. It was fun.

Tent Rocks

by Ahily Orozco

Tent Rocks is located in Cochiti. We got to walk with other kids from different pueblos. While we were there we got to go through a lot of caves and a little hole with water leaking from the top. We climbed up the mountain and we got to see from a bird's eye view. We also ate lunch after we were done hiking. Then we reported back to Isleta.



[Pictures by Carmella Correa, La Crisha Cuaron, Kyle S.]

**PROJECT VENTURE
SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

PLEASE CHECK AHEAD OF TIME: ALL DATES AND ACTIVITIES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. MOST ACTIVITIES WILL BE ON A WEDNESDAY, BUT NOT ALL.

JUNE

- 11TH, WEDNESDAY: COMPUTER CLUB HOUSE
- 18TH, WEDNESDAY: COMPASS SCAVENGER HUNT WITH FIVE SANDOVAL
- 24 TH, TUESDAY: BANDELIER NATIONAL MONUMENT

JULY

- 2ND, WEDNESDAY: COOKOUT / ACTIVITIES
- 9TH, WEDNESDAY: FISHING AND BOWLING
- 16TH, WEDNESDAY: HIKING IN THE SANDIA MOUNTAINS
- 23RD, WEDNESDAY: MOUNTAIN BIKING
- 30TH, WEDNESDAY: ROCKWALL CLIMBING

Isleta

by Ashley Morales

Isleta is a wonderful place
Such a peaceful place
Lovely place to live in
Everyone is nice and friendly
Today all the kids are in their wonderful school
All the people in Isleta are fun to be around

Isleta

by Juan Sandoval

Isleta is beautiful and bright
Safe and sound.
Lets me feel free
Eagles home
That's where I live
A native strong beautiful place and I love it

Isleta

by Rocky Garcia

I like Isleta. It is so cool down there. There is a soccer field. It has a skate park. There is a lake. You can fish there. There are big fishes. I think you will like it here. There is a church. We have dances. We have race. We have sports. I love living here!!!!

Project Venture

Hello my name is Taney. I am in the fifth grade I like Project Venture because we get to go to field trips to different places. The field trips that I like are: when we got to go to make shirts. We made shirts at Bernalillo county. We got to put our favorite stuff. I put Invader Zim, Stewie from Family Guy, and Naruto.

WIC NOTES

WIC Participant Question and Answer

One of our WIC participants asked: **"What is preterm labor and what are the signs?"** This is a good question.

Preterm labor is labor that happens before the 37th complete week of pregnancy. This is too early for your baby to be born. If born too early, babies have to work very hard to survive. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have any of these preterm labor- warning signs:

- Contractions (your abdomen tightens like a fist) every 10 minutes or less
- Change in vaginal discharge (leaking fluid or bleeding from your vagina)
- Pelvic pressure-the feeling your baby is pushing down.
- Low, dull backache
- Cramps that feel like your period
- Abdominal cramps with or without diarrhea

Full Term Labor and Delivery

Your body and your baby will be ready for labor at about 38-40 weeks. Your due date is only an estimate date of your baby's arrival. When it is time, the baby will move lower into your hips. You may feel practice contractions (your womb/uterus tightens and relaxes) called Braxton-Hicks contractions.

- You can tell when your body is ready and labor is real if:
- Contractions are regular, come closer together, get stronger and last longer.

- The pain starts in your lower back and moves to the front
- Walking makes the contractions stronger
- The contractions don't go away if you sit down or rest
- Your bag of water breaks and you feel a gush or trickle of fluid from your vagina
- You see pink-tinged or bloody mucus form the vagina, which is called bloody show.

Call your health care provider if:

- Your water breaks
- You have bleeding from your vagina
- Your baby's kicking slows down or stops
- You have contractions that are regular and coming 10-15 minutes apart.

Keep the Tradition—Breastfeed.

Your milk is naturally perfect. Infant formula cannot offer your baby the goodness you can. Let the WIC office help you discover the beauty of breastfeeding.

If you have a question you would like addressed in the newsletter, please let us know. 869-2662.

Heidi Lanes

WIC Nutrition Coordinator

WIC Kitchen Recipe

Food Memories

We all have emotional memories to food. Many of those memories are good; for example, when we remember how we felt as a child when our home was filled with the aroma of our mother's cookies. Other memories can be more complex; as when we remember a time when we tried to find emotional comfort from food.

You are the most important person in your child's life. As parents you will forge most of your child's future attitudes and emotions towards food. Therefore, it is just as important that you have a positive attitude toward the foods you offer your child as it is to offer your child healthy foods. You want your children's memories of the food you gave to them to be wonderful and full of love.

This recipe has a positive emotional connection for one of our WIC staff. She remembers fondly her grandmother preparing this dish for the family. Perhaps you may want to include this healthy recipe in the food memories you pass along to your children.

Beef and Squash

Ingredients



- 1 pound of lean ground beef
- 1 medium zucchini squash-cut into cubes
- 1 medium yellow squash-cut into cubes
- 1 can of corn (drained)
- 1/4 cup of green chili (optional, especially for children)
- 16 oz of low-fat cheddar cheese (or cheese of your choice)


Directions

Cook and drain the ground beef. Add the cubed zucchini, yellow squash, drained corn and green chili to the cooked ground beef. Cook over medium heat until the squash is tender. Grate cheese and sprinkle on top. When the cheese is melted it is time to enjoy!

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- ♥ Early appointments available by arrangement

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Maria Rodriguez-Pope

Maria Rodriguez-Pope is an extraordinary poet, expressionistic painter, sculptress, printmaker, dancer and photographer, who was born amidst the sugarcane fields of the town of Tafi Viejo, at the base of the Aconquija Mountains in northwest Argentina, Tucuman.

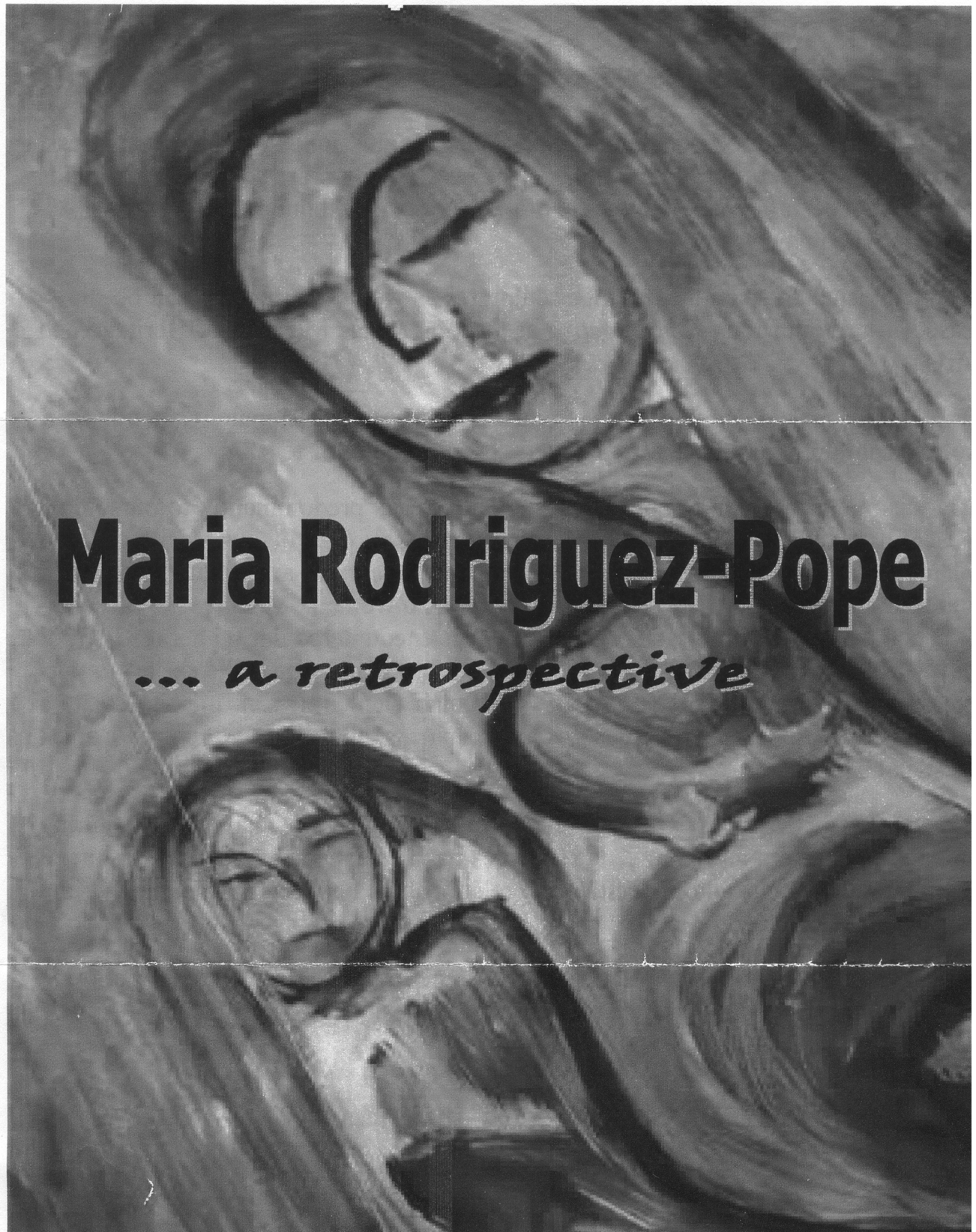
Maria's visual art; paintings, prints, sculptures, as well as her poetry, will be showcased in a month-long Retrospective at the Los Lunas Museum of Heritage and Arts.

This unique art collection depicts strong, enduring, and passionate women in their roles as children, mothers, sisters, lovers, friends and ministers.

Maria's poetry, in both Spanish and English, speaks predominantly to pursuing a peaceful world society, while preventing the destruction of our spirits and our planet. Her visual art incorporates more than 25 years of archeological research into the prehistoric and historic essence of being a woman. Much of her presentation is based on the multitude of sacred images encountered during her research of caves and tombs reflecting the height of the Matriarchal Age. She seeks "to pursue and recover an understanding of the human element. . . in order to create a link that develops better relationships and enhances the recovery of our own spirit as social beings."

Throughout her art, Maria utilizes her own experiences to facilitate recapturing the power, wisdom and knowledge of times past; to enhance the re-establishment of more harmonious and understanding relationships between people, nature, and our planet as a whole.

Maria uses a variety of media in her work, some of which defy verbal description-her poetry is not only written, it is visual, at times blending words with her art.



Maria Rodriguez-Pope . . . a retrospective

On Exhibit June 3rd-28th, 2008

Opening reception: June 7, 2008

Also featuring Aztec Dancers,

Native American Flutist and Guest Poets

Time: 2:00pm to 5:00pm

Location: Los Lunas Museum of Heritage and Arts

251 Main St. SE Los Lunas, New Mexico

For more information, please call 505-352-7720

Department of Education...serving the educational needs of tribal members..

The DOE has been doing some great things, and has been planning and working to provide for more and better educational services to all tribal members. The DOE staff had a retreat from April 22 — 24 at Cottonwood to plan on how the Department can be more effective, provide more and better educational services. Kathy Schaffer, school principal from South Carolina provided staff training on how to develop effective education plans.

The DOE is now in the process of developing a data base that will be used to track student progress from pre-school to post-secondary school. Kathleen Yeppa, computer data specialist, has been working hard collecting data and hopefully the data base will be

up and working by the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year. Bernadette Correa and Jennifer Zuni have completed their curriculum for the outdoor Science Program which will begin on June 9, 2008. The focus of the program is the restoration of the bosque, incorporating science projects and experiments which will emphasize reading, writing, mathematics and science.

And as always, the higher education program is looking for post-secondary education students who need financial assistance; adult education has open enrollment for students who did not complete their high school education and need to get a GED. GED Education is now available on-line through UNM — Valencia ABE program.

And also, we need to mention the Senior Banquet held on May 6, 2008, honoring all our graduating seniors, sponsored by the JOM Program, Los Lunas School District Title VII Program and tribal Administration. It was a great event, well attended by students and their parents, governor's staff and tribal council. The guest speaker was John Gritts, Admissions Officer at Institute of American Indian Arts. Mr. Gritts, an eloquent speaker, encouraged the seniors to continue with their education.

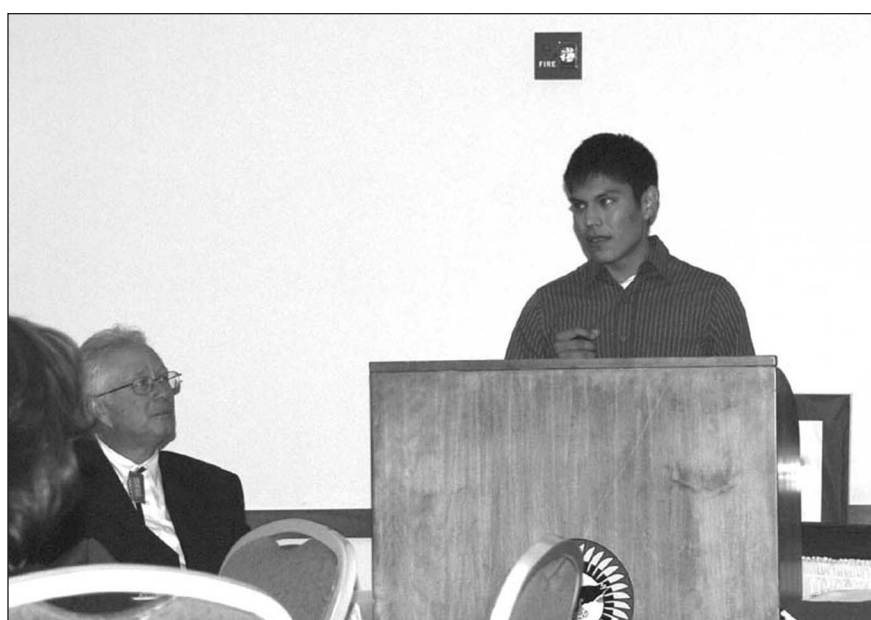
If you should have any questions on education, need assistance in continuing with your educational plans, give us a call at 869-2680. We serve all students from pre-school to the elderly.



Retreat...at Cottonwood...under the tree at the end of the day...



DOE Staff Participate in Child Abuse Parade...maybe they're bees...



Garry Martin listens to James Tewaheftewa. James was accepted to attend the USAF Academy



From left to right, John Gritts, IAIA Admissions, and Garry Martin listen to Governor Benavides at the Senior Banquet.

LOS LUNAS/VALENCIA H.S. Title VII Indian Education

CONGRATULATIONS, SENIORS AND PARENTS

Ashton Abeita	Sandra Jojola
Laboraax Abeita	Andy & Roberta Abeita
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Georgia Chewiwi	Jose Chewiwi
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EACH OF OUR 2008 NATIVE AMERICAN SENIORS
RECEIVED A "2008 PRESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD"
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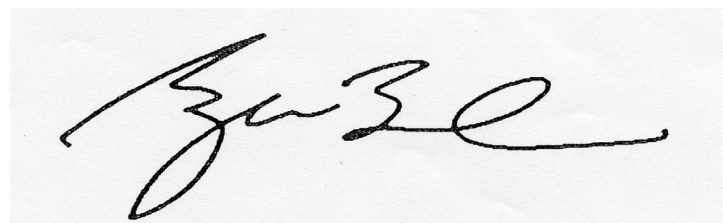
January 3, 2008

Congratulations on receiving the 2008 President's Education Award.

Education helps shape the future of our country and is the cornerstone of a hopeful tomorrow. For 25 years, the President's Education Award has honored students like you who have shown a strong commitment to academic excellence and have built a solid foundation for a lifetime of accomplishment. This award demonstrates that when you do your best and follow your dreams, there is no limit to what you can achieve.

I applaud you for your hard work and determination, and I encourage you to rise to the challenges of new opportunities, be willing to take risks, and apply your talent to great purposes. I appreciate your parents for the love and guidance they have given you, and I am grateful to your teachers for their dedication to you. By preparing a new generation of leaders for success, they are helping to make America stronger and better.

Mrs. Bush and I send our best wishes.



LLHS/ISLETA SUMMER SCHOOL..E2020 students

FOR INFORMATION

Please see Mr. Albert Martinez...
Assistant Principal
Los Lunas High School
505.865-4646 ext. 223

SPECIAL NOTE..WE NEED MORE STUDENTS TO ENROLL IN THE NATIVE AMERICAN CLASS...

AUGUST 8, 2008...JUMPSTART DAY (transitioning students)

AUGUST 11, 2008..FIRST DAY OF FIRST TERM FOR STUDENTS..

HAVE A NICE SUMMER TO ALL STUDENTSSEE YOU IN AUGUST!!!!

Ben Analla
Los Lunas/Valencia High Schools
Title VII Indian Education
505 865-4646

VETERANS: CONNECTIONS

June 30, 2008 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location:

New Mexico Veteran's Administration Hospital Building* 39 Classroom1

Come and find out how the New Mexico Workforce Connection, Central New Mexico Community College (CNM), University of New Mexico (UNM) and the Veterans Administration Vocational Rehabilitation (VA Benefits Administration Vocational Rehabilitation programs) can assist you the Veteran in returning to the workforce.

New Mexico Workforce Connection Partner

Representatives, Central New Mexico Community College (CNM), University of New Mexico (UNM) and Veterans Administration Vocational Rehabilitation (VA Benefits Administration Vocational Rehabilitation programs) will be on hand to provide Veterans with contact information to assist them with accessing the workforce and program services:

Programs/Services Represented are

- **Workforce Investment Act (W.I.A.)** Juanita Salas, Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Specialist with the Mid Region Council of Governments. Training may be provided through the WIA.

- **New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions (NMDWS)** John Redman, DVOP working in collaboration with the VA and DWS assists veterans in seeking jobs, training and obtaining referrals for various services.

- **New Mexico Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)** Melissa Cox, Disability Program Navigator (DVR) New Mexico Workforce Connection. Melissa provides technical assistance to individuals on Social Security entitlements and their effect when returning to work.

- **New Mexico Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)** Patricia Moya, New Mexico Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR). Patricia provides guidance on the many DVR programs available and contact information.

- **Veterans Administration Vocational Rehabilitation. VA Regional Office** Veterans Benefits Administration.

- **CENTRAL New Mexico COMMUNITY COLLEGE (CNM)**, Dorothea "Dee" Bluehorse, Outreach Specialist. Dee represents CNM at numerous off campus outreach events and is familiar with CNM's programs and services. Dee also promotes the college and other partner programs in job success that complements the workforce needs of the community, and its employers while continuing to network CNM's educational and training opportunities.

- **University of New Mexico (UNM)**, Lee St. Pierre, UNM Veterans Certifying Official. Lee processes all-VA Education-benefits for UNM students, helps students file for their VA education benefits; and is the Staff Advisor for the UNM Veterans Club. Lee works closely with CNM veterans and processes them when they transfer from CNM to UNM.

Testimonial Presentation & Community Resource Provider

Al Benalli, Native Veteran providing testimonial as to his return to the workforce and challenges he faced. Al also provides community resource contact information for other state agencies and Recovery resources,

NMVAHCS Contact Information and/or Questions:

Bruce Beltramo Office: (505) 265-1711 ext. 5693

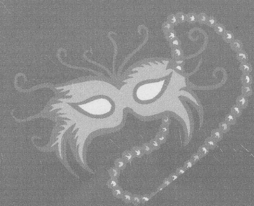
Cell: (505) 9914484

Robert Evans Office: (505) 265-1711 ext. 5691

Higher Education News

Please Submit Official Transcripts As Soon As Possible. This May Hold Up Funding For The Next Term You Plan To Attend.

Students Who Have Not Received Funding From Higher Ed
If You Plan To Attend For The Fall Term,
Deadline To Submit Higher Education
Application Is July 1, 2008
Please Call or Come By To Pick One Up
505-869-2680



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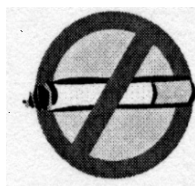
Baby Basics Birthing Class

For any expectant moms, the Isleta Health Center will put on our next Baby Basics Birthing class in late July, so contact Stephanie Schaefer to sign up, 869-4479. We'll discuss breathing exercises, comfort measures, breastfeeding and MUCH MORE.
SIGN UP NOW!!

Freedom From Smoking

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IN LATE SUMMER!!**

Contact Stephanie Schaefer, 869-4479



July 2008

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