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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

by Sherry Treppa

My fellow Tribal Members,

Part of my job as Chairperson of the Habematoel Pomo of Upper Lake Tribe is to spread awareness of our culture, celebrate our history and preserve our traditions for generations to come. It comes easily to me because I am passionate about the work that I and the Executive Council do for the General Membership and our community. Part of our history – as is part of any government's history – are our ancestors and the Tribal leaders who came before us, many of them women, who dedicated their lives to preserving our culture while facing immeasurable obstacles.

This Women's History Month, I want to celebrate not only the strong and courageous women throughout history, but also those still working tirelessly to this day to make history and bring change to the world. Whether Tribal or non-tribal, women across the world often must work twice as hard to achieve their goals, earning historically lower wages and battling unsubstantiated prejudices while doing so. Women's History Month provides an opportunity to lift women up, no matter their culture, position, or status, and to acknowledge that while progress is being made, we still have a long way to go.

The United States has come a long way since its history of white male dominance. 2021 is a historic year for women as it marks the year that the first female Vice President of the U.S. took office. It deserves mention that she is also a woman of color. This comes 100 years after women won the right to vote in America. When Kamala Harris, previously a U.S. Senator from our home state of California, became the Vice President under President Joe Biden, women across the country put aside their political differences and celebrated this historic milestone.

Most notably to Tribes, this year, former Congresswoman Deb Haaland of New Mexico, who is part of the Laguna Pueblo Tribe, became the first Native American to be nominated to serve as Secretary of the Interior, the federal government's agency which serves as the trustee to tribes overseeing and managing the country's natural resources and cultural heritage. The Department of Interior encompasses issues such as Indian Affairs, land management, fish and wildlife conservation, energy management, and many more.

It cannot be overstated how significant this is to tribes across the country as Native Americans have gone largely unrepresented in most government agencies,



especially at the level of Secretary. This nomination is the first of hopefully many acknowledgements that Native Americans should be included in matters which affect our governments, our Members and our communities. While Representative Haaland has yet to be officially confirmed, her nomination will go to the full Senate for a vote soon, and her confirmation is expected.

Additionally, another Native American woman has been elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Yvette Herrell of New Mexico is part of the Cherokee Nation, and she joins Representative Sharice Davids of Kansas, who is part of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin.

These are just a few of the milestones that women in leadership roles have achieved in recent memory, but we must acknowledge the millions of women behind the scenes, unseen by most. I see these women in our own tribal community: the grandmother raising grandchildren after the untimely passing of her daughter, the auntie saving a life by adopting and raising her nephew, the sister going to college and bringing the benefit of her education to our tribal community, the teachers, the caregivers and so many more. These women throughout history, and still today, are making the world, indeed our own community, a better place and deserve to be uplifted and celebrated every day – not just once a year.

As Tribal Members, we face many obstacles; but as female Tribal Members, we face even more. Those who have come before us have shaped American Indian culture and cemented our values. I want to highlight just a few influential and heroic women of the past:

Nanye-hi (Nancy Ward), the “Beloved Woman” of the Cherokee, fought alongside her husband and other Native men in battle and worked her way to a powerful position within the Tribe, sitting on the Council of Chiefs and often taking part in treaty talks bargaining with mostly men. She advocated for Native American women during intense conflicts and for peace between the Europeans and Natives.

Sarah Winnemucca, the daughter and granddaughter of Northern Paiute chiefs, dedicated her life to advocating for Native American land rights and other systematic improvements after her family was forced to relocate. Winnemucca met with President Rutherford B. Hayes and became the first Native American woman to produce a published book, *Life Among the Paiutes: Their Wrongs and Claims* (1883).

Lozen, the younger sister of Apache war leader, Victorio was known for her ability to track Apache enemies by a tingle in her hands when facing the direction of an enemy. She was a warrior and a prophet, and is best known for escorting a new mother and her infant across the Chihuahuan Desert from Mexico to the Mescalero Apache Reservation to escape death. Her brother described her as, “Strong as a man, braver than most and cunning in strategy.”

The Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake Tribe would not be here today if not for the strong-willed and courageous women of our past, and I am proud to be the female Chairperson of a federally recognized Tribe with an all-female Executive Council. As we celebrate Women’s History Month, I encourage everyone – men and women, Tribal and non-tribal – to take a moment to celebrate the women in your life and acknowledge their contributions to the world, no matter how big or small.



Respectfully,
Sherry Treppa
Chairperson
Habematolel Pomo
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TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

by Anthony Arroyo Sr.



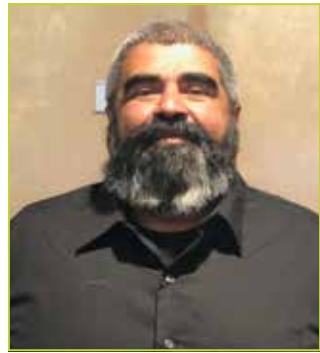
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Hello Tribal Members,

And so, quickly we move through another year, living life, making decisions, overcoming challenges both old and new. The year is 2021, a year that was held to be a symbol of reset and the return to a version of normalcy and decency in everyone's daily life, especially after the impact the previous year had on most of us. The infamous year of 2020 with all of its normal issues here in the United States such as racial injustice, gun violence and the economy all seeming to be amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic, bringing out both the best and the worst of the human race as a society. The additional stress brought on by the pandemic and the decisions of the powers that be on how to best manage the ever-changing landscape of restrictions, protocols and safety measures complicated matters yet even further. The combination of being forced to deal with all of these variables with no clear path or direction left many in uncharted territory and caused frustrations to boil over on all ends. Mainly due to social media, many added fuel to the discord that engulfed the country and the world watched as we experienced the closest thing to another Civil War erupt. As ugly as all of this was, we were also witness to countless examples of selfless acts from normal everyday people who reside in this country. Much of this has carried over into 2021.

It is because of these selfless acts and consistent demonstrations of experience and self-sacrifices in order to get the job done that I consider myself extremely fortunate as both the Administrator and Member of the Tribe. As I have stated in numerous articles over the past couple of years, the Tribe and its core employees have been heavily tested over the past couple of years in emergency situations which played a key role when the pandemic hit suddenly and many operational protocols were created on the fly over the entire year. Although looking forward to it, the new year came suddenly with a lot of anticipation for changes and a new beginning. Part of starting a new beginning is examining what we have learned from the past. In doing so, it was clear that we need to do better in many areas. We need to do better for each other as well as ourselves because we deserve it. After realizing that the new year didn't automatically call for a reset, like in a video game, the concept of "We can All do better" became the focus of the new year. The ideal of "We can All do better" is easier said than done of course and at the end of the first quarter of 2021 is still a work in progress. What I can say is that the attitude of the administration, which has always been the key to our success is stronger than ever and will continue to be a driving force in the changes necessary to return to normalcy while becoming better at what we do in the process.

People have always been the most valuable resource in any organization that is set on accomplishment of goals or has any track record of success. In my previous management career, I was constantly reminded by my mentors to look for and recruit good people first, match them with the right position and provide them with the necessary training to do their job and finally let them do their job and I would find it hard to fail. This has continued to work well for me in the current position of Tribal Administrator that I have



occupied for nearly 15 years now. Empowering people to be the best that they can be and watching them succeed is one of the most rewarding feelings in management. I believe this will continue in 2021 as on February 4th we hired Alex Biane (see picture), the Tribe's new Transportation Manager.

Alex came to us with a diverse background in his previous fields of employment, but his positive attitude made him stand out and in a very short time he has demonstrated how valuable he is to our team. Hopefully, many of you will get a chance to meet and talk with him soon.

One of the first changes the Tribal Administration team has undergone in 2021, was a change to Paycom payroll systems to match other entities of the Tribe. In a very short turn around, the Fiscal Department was able to meet with a transition team and learn the basics of the system in order to implement the change and not only teach the 19 administration employees, but team members of the Tribal Gaming Commission as well as several external governmental employees. As with any new change, it took several weeks for the employees to get comfortable with navigating the new system, but the Fiscal and Administration Departments patiently guided all employees through the process and most are now comfortable with the new system. Along with the new payroll system, several departments played key roles in assisting the Tribe ushering in a re-designing of the Tribal programs as all of the policies were formatted into a single document to display consistent formatting in the numerous programs that the Tribe operates, with the hopes of streamlining the processes for the Members of the Tribe. As we near the end of the first quarter, this new format and many of the re-designed applications are completed and will be implemented into the Tribe's Membership portal for programs on the website in short order. We will be looking for feedback from the the Tribe's Member portal under Programs on the website in short

order. Another project that was completed in the early part of year due to weather, was the Upper Lake Rancheria water meter upgrades, led by Water Operator, Santos Obedoza. The project was 2 years in the making as it was determined several years back that many of the water meters that service the 39 homes on the Rancheria were failing and some not reporting accurately. By contracting with Pacific Underground Services, the new meters were installed rather quickly and will give more accurate and efficient readings as well as allowing the convenience of the operator to remotely take readings without having to leave the vehicle.



The Tribe is poised for much more activity and progress in a relatively short time in the near future as we continue to carry out the Tribe's 5 Year Strategic Plan that was developed and approved by the Executive Council in late 2019. We will continue to progress in amending our Election Ordinance to address areas needing improvement as discussed over the last several months with a target date approval for the June Executive Council meeting. Further, we will be looking to possibly amend the Constitution this year to address a number of areas, as comments from the General Membership are being solicited for submission by April 9th, 2021. Although zoom software has provided the Tribe the opportunity to still meet and share valuable information with the General Membership, we are hopeful that as the year progresses, we will be able to return to the traditional gatherings and meetings that we are accustomed to in order to conduct our business and share ideas through personal interaction. 2021 holds much promise and as I stated earlier if we keep in mind that "We can All do better", we will hopefully see much of that promise fulfilled.

Respectfully,

Anthony Arroyo Sr.

Tribal Administrator

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HPUL ADMINISTRATION SPOTLIGHT: FISCAL DEPARTMENT



The people of the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake have been fortunate. At the heart of that good fortune has been the Tribe's Administration Office, which provides the day to day management and oversight of programs and services as well as vital information and communication between the governing body and its people. In the early days of reorganization circa 1998, the Tribe had very limited resources being heavily dependent upon federal grants from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Environmental Protection Association (EPA) and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide funding for the basic infrastructure that would allow the Tribe to pursue Self-Determination.

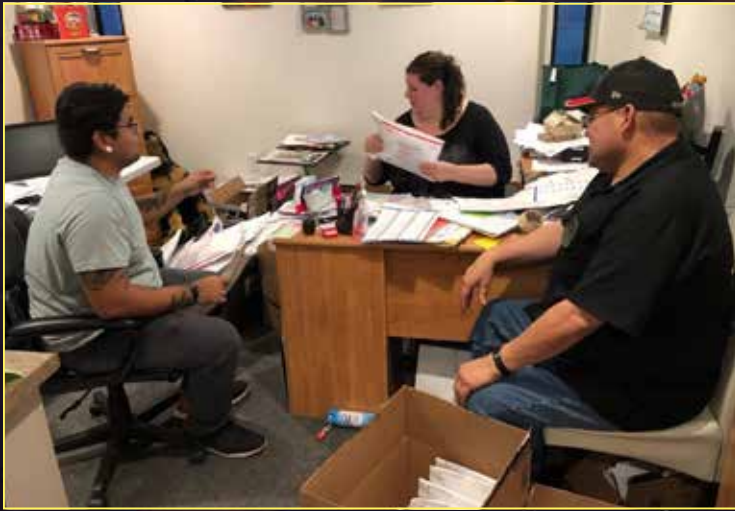
In 2001, the Tribe hired Nichole Humphrey as its bookkeeper to provide stability to its fiscal department. Since that time Nichole has developed and expanded the department to not only oversee and manage the numerous grant awards that the Tribe utilizes to carry out its mission of service to its people and community, but also provides extensive financial support and

management to many branches of the Tribe including Running Creek Casino, Tribal Gaming Commission, Tribal Lending Enterprise and the Executive Council.

Veronica Krohn was hired as a temporary assistant in the Fiscal Department in the summer of 2015 to help with preparation for the impending annual audit. Veronica proved to be a quick learner and was hired permanently the following year to provide clerical assistance in the growing department, where she worked until June of 2020, when she was elected to the Executive Council.

Anthony Arroyo Jr. was also hired as a temporary assistant for the Fiscal Department in 2016 to fill a similar role in assisting with audit preparation while Veronica was out on leave. Anthony proved to be a quick learner and demonstrated a strong aptitude in customer service coupled with a tireless work ethic and his value to the Tribe was quickly recognized and a 2nd assistant position was created as Anthony became a permanent member of the team.

As the former work crew supervisor and Cemetery Maintenance Director, Aaron Holstine was an employee with the Tribe since 2017. Upon return from being furloughed during the initial shelter in place mandate, Aaron expressed a desire to accept more responsibility and an interest in joining the Fiscal Department. After a couple of months filling in temporarily for the department and demonstrating an attention to detail as well as strong organizational skills, Aaron was hired as a permanent member of the Fiscal Department in October of 2020, as the Fiscal Clerk.



Over the past decade, the HPUL Fiscal Department has undergone a vast transformation as required by the exponential growth of the Tribe and all of the branches that the department services. Although the former and current members of this department have always taken the additional responsibilities in stride, adapting and overcoming new challenges and ensuring that the increased workload didn't affect the accuracy and quality of their work product, nothing tested their resolve quite like the year 2020! From working remotely and reducing the number of days onsite in order to reduce co-worker interaction, but yet fulfilling the same workload and expectations as if operating under normal circumstances, to implementing direct deposit measures providing another option for Tribal Members to receive tribal program resources in an expedited manner to playing a huge role in the creation, processing and tracking of three phases of the CARES ACT programs to provide relief for Tribal Members during the pandemic and all of the impacts it had on the normal day to day lives of so many. Many of the implementation windows had very little turn around time to create new applications and spreadsheets for accurate administration and tracking. The year ended with the Tribal Office shutting its doors again for the final 3 weeks of December 2020, due to COVID exposure and having just finished assisting with the detailed reporting activities for the year end CARES ACT funding, the Fiscal Department was tasked with leading the transition to a completely new payroll company and system which covers approximately 35 employees of the Tribe. This was another assignment involving a shortened timeframe, in order to be implemented at the start of the new year, as previously planned. Now that 2021 has arrived, hopefully the Tribe realizes as I do, how fortunate we are to have these dedicated individuals working on behalf of the Tribe.

Respectfully,

Anthony Arroyo Sr.

Tribal Administrator



An Enterprise of the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake

By Albert Menchaca, Marketing Manager

Oh what a year it's been! At the stroke of midnight, going into 2020, it seemed like just another holler of "Happy New Year". The night was full of balloons, champagne and resolutions. Little did we know what we'd find on the road ahead? The buzz words quickly transformed to "Wash Your Hands", "Social Distance" and of course "Wear Your Mask". Then before we had a chance to think too much about it, we closed our doors to keep our community and staff safe, and do what we could to contain an invisible enemy.



We did what we had to, and made the best of the hand we were dealt. While closed, Running Creek Casino added some great new features that will surely make your visit more enjoyable. In addition to adding fresh games, we now have a new gaming system that allows our guests to check their own points, enter promotions and even claim their prizes without having to wait in line. The Wild Creek restaurant put together a new menu, and started the Friday Night Crab Feast that is second-to-none. In recent months also we've upgraded to new energy-efficient lighting and even installed fresh new carpet. Now it looks brighter and

feels even friendlier than ever before.



With a limited capacity, due to the pandemic, we had to cut back on the things we all took for granted. Now we're ready to wake up from what feels like winter hibernation to bring back what we've been missing. The simple things, like having a nice indoor dinner with family or laughing at the bar with new friends, are just a social distance away. While warmer and happier times are ahead, Running Creek Casino is gearing up for a 2021 banner year. And if there is anything that the Coronavirus has taught us, it's that together we can work through tough times and stay safe in the process. Now let's wash our hands and let the good times roll!





2021 HOUSING SERVICES

Housings programs using the IHBG (Indian Housing Block Grant) from Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and are all designed for low-income applicants.

Emergency Rental Assistance:

- Consists of the first month's rent and deposit.
- This program is designed to assist Tribal Members who find themselves in an emergency situation without funds and needing to move A.S.A.P. (as soon as possible)
- **An emergency defined in our Policies and Procedures are as follows:**

- Homeless due to fire
- Homeless due to flood
- Homeless due to unsafe living conditions / over crowding
- Homeless due to renting a home that is being sold
- Homeless due to domestic violence - Contingent upon attending counseling
- Medical necessity, due to severe/permanent illness or disability

Student Housing Assistance:

- This program is designed to provide monthly income payments for full time college students for up to four years (i.e. consists of on-going monthly housing /rents plus a one- time deposit)
- Deposit is to be returned to the Tribe upon leaving/graduation the program.
- Full time students 12 or more units and a grade point average 2.0 or above
- *Student Housing Assistance, defined in our Policies and Procedures are as follows:*

- Housing assistance up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per month for full time students (12 units or more per semester).
- Assistance in the amount of up to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per month for part time students (less than 12 units but carrying at least 4 units per semester).
- Home owner's mortgage payments will be considered as housing assistance under this program.
- ****This portion of the program is on a reimbursement basis only with proof of payment/receipt and must be the student's primary residence.**
- Tribe's service area to cover entire United States and World for students studying abroad.
- Housing/Rental payment can be made to student if landlord does not accept 3rd party payments (as long as proper documentation is submitted i.e. proof of payment, notice from landlord, etc.)
- Program will cover up to \$300.00 housing assistance for those students who live with a parent or relative (i.e. formal rental agreement and W-9 must be submitted)
- GPA (GRADE POINT AVERAGE) requirements are now cumulative

to be consistent with amendments to the Tribe's scholarship program.

Housing Rehabilitation Programs (income based):

- Call or come by the HPUL Office-Housing Department for assistance/questions.

Youth Sports Program – Gymnastics:

- Skycatch Elite Gymnastics Academy (located at: 888 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA) provides FREE classes to HPUL Members (Contact: Coach Jeræ Berton at (707) 490-6053 for available classes or for a gym schedule). *Due to COVID19 this program has been postponed until restrictions are fully lifted.*

Homebuyers Assistance Program:

- Assists homebuyers with their deposit when purchasing a home to live in.
- *This program is defined in our Policies and Procedures as follows:*
- Home down payment assistance amount of \$15K.
- Trailer, 5th wheel, or mobile home payment assistance amount of \$5K.
- ****Requirement being enforced to verify occupancy on annual basis through signed affidavit with additional documentation or down payment assistance must be repaid after one (1) year from date of purchase.**

Disaster Emergency Home Repair (not income based):

- Assists homeowners with unexpected repairs caused by natural disasters.

Advanced Student Rental Assistance:

- This program is for full-time students that have already utilized the Tribe's four years Student Housing Assistance Program and wish to continue with schooling for example, a Doctorate degree.
- This program shares the same requirements as the Student Housing Assistance.

LIHEAP (Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program):

2021 funding is NOW available at this time

- This is a low-income based program.
- Assistance with paying energy/utility bills.
- The elderly and families with children are to receive first priority.
- The amounts received for this assistance depends on the grant award amount.

For questions or for assistance contact Cathy Berton, Housing Director at 707-275-0737 ext. 103 or by email at cberton@hpultribe-nsn.gov or come by the HPUL Office-Housing Department at 9470 Main St., Upper Lake, CA and ask for Cathy.

Sincerely,

Cathy Berton

Cathy Berton, Housing Director

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Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake's
NEW site has a fresh new look,
created with **YOU** in mind.

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Scholarship Fund Selection Committee (SFSC)

Seven Generations Scholarship Fund (SGSF)

The 2019 – 2020 academic year was a busy year and the committee awarded \$265,857.00 in scholarships. Below is a breakdown based on our current categories:

Pre-Elementary	\$650.00
Youth Education	\$41,475
Higher Education/Post Graduate	\$140,000
Adult Education	\$45,300
Vocational/Trade	\$0
Electronic Devices	\$38,432

Due to Covid-19, the pre-elementary category was increased by \$150 and the youth education category was increased by \$300 in hopes that the extra funds would help with costs associated with distance learning and finding alternative solutions to keeping our youth active. These increases have since expired, but we are thankful for the extra funds provided and saw that our Members enrolled in on-line art classes, purchased electronic devices and readers, purchased athletic equipment and bicycles as well as books to keep their minds and bodies active.

We are pleased to report that we have 17 Members pursuing advanced degrees. We have 8 Members working towards their AA degree and 9 Members pursuing their bachelor's degrees. Some of the colleges members are attending, Santa Rosa Junior College,

Southern Oregon University, UC Davis, Cal Poly Technical University, Sacramento State and Penn Foster. If you have not provided the Scholarship Committee an update on your progress, you will receive a letter shortly requesting an update on your progress. Please remember that this is a requirement of the scholarship being awarded to our Members.

We had 22 Members apply for scholarships under the adult category. This category provides help with employment costs, uniforms, specific training that may be helpful in a person's career or other personal classes that may further your own personal development. Some examples are GED certificate programs, fees to travel and attend a conference, union dues and fees, and photography classes.

We are pleased to report that the scholarship amounts have been increased for our youth category. Youth in grades K – 8 are eligible for \$1,500 and youth in high school are eligible for \$2,000 per funding cycle.

If you ever have any questions about scholarships, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Committee at scholarship@hpultribe-nsn.gov. All applications and the current guidelines can be found on the website at <https://www.hpultribe-nsn.gov>.

EASTERN POMO LANGUAGE ADVOCATE COMMITTEE

This edition we will be focusing on Eastern Pomo language. The words below are Eastern Pomo words matched with artwork of the meaning:



PIITHAO (PRONOUNCED PEE-THIGH-OH) = **WHITE**



BAL (PRONOUNCED BALL) = **TONGUE**



KALA (PRONOUNCED CALL-UH) = **ANKLE**





HABEMATOLEL POMO CULTURAL RESOURCES

Welcome Robert Geary



Robert Geary

is Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lakes, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer also known as THPO. He has been working for the Tribe since November '20. Robert is an enrolled Tribal Member of the Elem Indian Colony of Pomo Indians and a religious

leader for his community. He has 30 plus years of experience as a cultural leader practitioner, and 20 plus years of involvement with language revitalization as well as cultural resource management and site protection.

In his previous position with the Yocha Dehe Tribe he was Manager of Language and History and worked closely with the Yocha Dehe Academy designing curriculum, organizing events, digital archiving,

negotiated contracts and created digital language learning media to name a few.

Since being hired last year, he has hit the ground running by creating Tribal Treatment Protocols, Tribal Monitoring Agreements, he also created a Cultural Resources Department logo for stationery, patches and stickers. He also has renegotiated higher payrates for the two current CalTrans projects through MOUs. He also created new a Tribal aboriginal territory map registered with the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), also, updated and registered the Tribe's appointed MLDs with the NAHC just for starters. Future projects will include developing Tribal Monitoring training programs for various levels of experience. He is currently organizing and obtaining funding through the grant process to develop a GIS Mapping System that will include archaeological sites and reports. The database will house the Tribe's Cultural Data.

Please join us in welcoming Robert Geary, THPO

Jules Tavernier and the Elem Pomo 1878 Painting

by Robert Geary

In April 2014, I received an email from a linguist at U.C. Berkeley who was contacted by Joseph Baillio that was researching a painting of an American Indian Tribal Dance at Clear Lake by a Franco-American painter, Jules Tavernier. It was commissioned in 1876 by a San Francisco patron of the artist, the Mexican-American banker and mercury mine owner near the southeastern tip of Clear Lake, Tiburcio Parrott y Ochoa. When Tavernier completed the picture in 1878, he sent it to one of the French Rothschilds and it remained in Europe until very recently.



Dance in a Subterranean Roundhouse at Clear Lake, California 1878

The first time I had seen the “Dance in a Subterranean Roundhouse at Clear Lake, California” painting was in 2014. I was contacted by Joseph Baillio through a linguist from UC Berkeley. He was searching for a consultant who could help him better understand the ceremony depicted in the painting. Mr. Baillio emailed me a photo of the painting and I was very excited and intrigued by its details. The connection was instant to the people, the ceremony, the scene, the roundhouse, and the view of the landscape seen through the doorway. The feeling of beauty and harmony captured was outstanding. It invoked the same feeling that I get when I am in ceremony today. I sat for hours staring at this painting dissecting all the small details. Being able to identify with the scene, it gave me a sense of closeness and connection to my ancestors in Tavernier’s painting. Seeing the women in their regalia shows pride and strength. The intricacies of the dresses and headpieces display their patience and skill. At an instant, I was filled with pride and seeing the gathering of the people in this sacred spot was nostalgic. From understanding the scene, I could smell the fire and feel the pounding of the drum radiating from the painting. This scene was a very special event and to see that my ancestors performing the same ceremony that we continue to this day was a sacred and surreal feeling.

In the early part 2017, my wife stumbled across an article about the

painting at the New York Metropolitan Museum while researching its location on the internet and reached out for more information. In April 2017, I was contacted by Elizabeth Kornhauser, Curator of American Painting and Sculpture in the American Wing. Ms. Kornhauser wanted to gather more information about the Elem people and the ceremony surrounding Tavernier’s painting. I learned the painting was commissioned by San Francisco’s leading banker Tiburcio Parrott as a gift for his Parisian business partner Baron Edmond de Rothschild, the work celebrates the rich vitality of Elem Pomo culture. The scene was of the Southeastern Pomo of Elem during a ceremony in an underground roundhouse in full regalia.

During a visit to New York for a language conference in 2019, I was finally able to see the painting in person. However, the painting’s exhibit panel has some discrepancies. The panel was written by an Ojibwe who is not familiar with our Pomo traditions and ceremonies. I notified the curator of the museum of my concerns. The Met promptly responded and requested my assistance in rewriting the exhibit panel and an article for the exhibition program to be published and circulated internationally.

The New York Met and the San Francisco De Young Museum will hold an exhibition surrounding the “Dance in a Subterranean Roundhouse at Clear Lake, California” with the focus on the Elem Roundhouse and the Pomo of Clear Lake. As a member of the Curator Advisory Committee for both the Metropolitan Museum and the San Francisco de Young Museum, I am working closely with Ms. Kornhauser and Christina Hellmich to plan the exhibit. The “Jules Tavernier and the Elem Pomo” exhibition will bring together approximately 45 works of art including paintings, photographs, Pomo baskets, and various regalia pieces to tell the story of Tavernier’s extraordinary career and encounter with the Elem Pomo. As a leading artist in San Francisco in the 1870s, Tavernier painted large-scale landscapes and figural compositions, many of which feature America’s Indigenous population confronting white settlers. This approach set him apart from other Euro-American painters and photographers of the era, many of whom romanticized the supposed inevitable demise of America’s Indigenous population. Tavernier’s Major works, as well as other representations of the Pomo by various artists, time periods, and mediums including basketry, regalia and one of my personal paintings. An issue of The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin with essays by Elizabeth Kornhauser, Shannon Vittoria, and myself will accompany the exhibit.

The exhibition “Jules Tavernier and the Elem Pomo” will run from August 16 to November 28, 2021 at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art and from December 18, 2021 to April 17, 2022 at the De Young Museum in San Francisco.

Lake County Tribal Health Consortium Mass Vaccination Clinics

Lake County Tribal Health hosted it's second Mass Vaccination Clinic on Saturday February 27, 2021 at the Bevins Ct. campus in Lakeport, CA. Tribal Health Patients 50 years of age and over were given appointments to drive-up and receive the first of a two dose COVID-19 Moderna vaccine. Most patients were in and out in less than 25 minutes, which includes a 15 minute observation wait time. 301 patients were vaccinated on 27th and 220 on the previous Saturday for a combined total of 521 inoculations. Tribal Health will continue to host Mass Vaccination Clinics as long as the vaccine

is available. If you are a Tribal Health patient, please visit the clinic's website at LCTHC.com or on Facebook for updates on clinics as LCTHC works through their prioritization phases and open up to younger populations. Patients can also sign up to be placed on the Vaccination List at LCTHC.com to receive a call with a vaccination appointment once the prioritization phase reaches their age group. To date, Lake County Tribal Health has administered over 1,500 vaccines and will continue to make vaccinations a priority until patients are Safe & the County can return to its quality of life.



Lake County Tribal Health Consortium Southshore Clinic Construction Update

Wow! Construction is progressing beautifully! Weather has been a challenge, but things have been coming along.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Tribal Member and their extended families on the successful birth of their newborn!



Nathaniel Hayes, Jr. on his 1st child, newborn baby girl:

Name: AMAYA ROSE HAYES

Born: Wednesday, November 25, 2020

Weight: 6lbs, 15oz.

Length: 19"

Birth Location: Ukiah Valley Medical Hospital, Ukiah, CA

Baby's Mother: Adrianna Lopez

Maternal Grandparents: Pauline & Ascendro Lopez
(both non-Native)

Paternal Grandparents: Adrienne Holstine (HPUL Member)
& Miles Hayes (non-Native)

Paternal Great Grandparents: Gail Treppa (HPUL Member/
deceased) & Joseph Holstine (non-Native/deceased)



The Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake Tribe and Staff would like to send our best wishes. What a gorgeous baby girl!

gOB Postings



SEEKING CASINO EMPLOYMENT

If you're interested in a job / opening contact the Running Creek Casino, Human Resource department at any of the following contacts:

Sandra Mietz

Human Resources Manager
Running Creek Casino

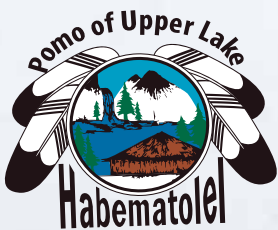
635 E. Hwy. 20

P.O. Box 977, Upper Lake, CA 95485

Phone: 707-262-5420

Fax: 707-262-5469

Email: hr@runningcreekcasino.com or smietz@runningcreekcasino.com



If you're interested in a job / opening contact the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake tribal office at any of the following - ask for the Executive Council:

9470 Main St.

P.O. Box 516, Upper Lake, CA 95485

Phone: 707-900-6920 Fax: 707-275-0757

Email: ec@hpultribe-nsn.gov



SEEKING TRIBAL GAMING COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT

If you're interested in a job / opening contact the Habematolel - Tribal Gaming Commission Office at any of the following:

635 E. Hwy. 20

P.O. Box 97, Upper Lake, CA 95485

Fax: 707-262-5472

Tribal Gaming Commission:

Keona Peters, Administrator

Email: kpeters@hpultribe-nsn.gov

Phone: 707-262-5466

Executive Council

Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake

Email: ec@hpultribe-nsn.gov

Phone: 707-900-6920 Fax: 707-275-0757

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 [FACEBOOK.COM/HPULTRIBE](https://www.facebook.com/HPULTRIBE)



HABEMCO



SEEKING HABEMCO or UPPER LAKE PROCESSING SERVICES (ULPS) EMPLOYMENT

If you're interested in a job / opening contact the Habemco or Upper Lake Processing Services, Human Resources department at any of the following contacts:

Deborah Guess

Human Resources Manager
Habemco

7201 W. 110th St., Suite 225
Overland Park, KS 66210

Phone: (913) 717-4682

Email: dguess@habemco.com

SHARE YOUR ANNOUNCE- MENTS!

ARROW Newsletter wants Tribal Members and Committees to submit announcements they would like to share with others in the Arrow. No matter how big or small, we want to know about it. A special event, milestone, accomplishment, award, photo or article – please share! Your announcements are important to us and are always welcomed.

Please submit your announcements to:
arrow@hpultribe-nsn.gov or to the HPUL Tribal Office.

HPUL IS NOW ON INSTAGRAM!

STAY IN THE KNOW AND FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM AT:



@HPULTRIBE



Ferrellgas Discounts for Tribal Members & Employees

20% DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

CALL TRACI MUNION,

HPUL Property Manager at (707) 900-6914 ♦ TO SIGN UP



Recently, the Tribe changed its propane service to Ferrellgas. They are extending a 20% discount to the Tribe's

employees and Tribal Members that live within Ferrellgas' service area.

SAVE 20% PER FILL UP, IT'S EASY & A PHONE CALL AWAY....

In order to take advantage of the discount, contact the Tribe's newly hired, Property Manager, Traci Munion at any of the contacts cited to the right, be ready to provide the following info to set up an account:

- Name
- Physical Address & Mailing Address
- Phone #
- Tank Size and direct location of the tank
- Current propane percentage (%) level – Ferrellgas prefers for a tank to be 20% or under
- What appliances run off of propane (i.e. stove, heater, etc.)

These are pre-paid accounts therefore the above information is required. Once the account is set-up, Ferrellgas will call to schedule delivery. Ferrellgas will require payment at that time, customers paying cash or check will have to go in person to the office to receive the discount.

Please call or email the Tribe's Property Manager, Traci Munion to sign up for a "Ferrellgas" discount



POINT OF CONTACT

TRACI MUNION

Property Manager

HPUL Executive Building

635 E. Hwy. 20 ♦ P.O. Box 516

Upper Lake, CA 95485-0516

Ph: (707) 900-6914

Cell: (707) 349-6745

www.hpultribe-nsn.gov



VOLUNTEER

**We are looking for volunteers for
the next HPUL clothing closet
event in June!**

If you are interested or would like more
information please contact:

Sonjia Menchaca

smenchaca@hpultribe-nsn.gov

707-900-6925



ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

by Linda Rosas-Bill, Environmental Director

Hello All,

We in the Habematolel Environmental Protection (HEPA) Department would like to wish you all a Happy Spring! So much going on right now. We would like to inform you all, it is with sadness in our heart we announce the postponement of EarthFest 2021. Due to COVID once again, we are unable to hold our event. With that we would like to offer some Earth friendly projects for some family fun. **If you are interested in a mini home composting kit and seeds, please contact Vicky Hutchison, Solid Waste Technician at vhutchison@hpultribe-nsn.gov or (707) 348-8893.**

With Spring just around the corner, we will be once again working on a restoration site. Our plan is to create nutrient buffer ponds, to reduce the amount of sediment and nutrients going into the Lake. We plan to make several of these "Ponds" throughout Middle Creek to get the water as clean as naturally possible before entering the Lake. We are still working with Mendocino National Forest to complete projected "Buffers" within forest boundaries. This project will take approximately 10 years to complete.

HEPA is always in training, Linda and Vicky are currently taking a training on writing Codes and Ordinances, the course runs from February to the end of June. We hope to have some good stuff to share with the General Membership. Christina Harrison, Environmental Assistant has taken a Water Academy Training plus a Data Management Training.

In 2019 HEPA co-wrote an Exchange Network grant with the County of Lake, which we were awarded! The Tribe and the County put out a Request for Proposal mid-

February to hire a consultant to build a data platform and repository, allowing the Tribe, County and other entities to submit water data to CEDEN (State of California Data Repository) and WQX (Federal Data Repository). The closing date for proposal submissions was March 1, 2021, we received 9 proposals which we reviewed and at the end of March selected a project consultant. In the meantime, Christina is working with the County's Water Resource Department to streamline and duplicate how the County takes samples, modifying the HEPA field sheet to coincide with the County and we are purchasing the exact same make and model equipment. This way we are using the same methods and standards the County uses. This makes our data just as legitimate as the County's data. All thanks to the Exchange Network Grant for funding this project.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to assist the HEPA Department, please do not hesitate to reach out to any HEPA staff.

Linda Rosas-Bill, Environmental Director
lrosas@hpultribe-nsn.gov / (707) 348-8892

Christina Harrison, Environmental Assistant
charrison@hpultribe-nsn.gov / (707) 348-8893

Vicky Hutchison, Solid Waste Technician
vhutchison@hpultribe-nsn.gov / (707) 348-8893

We in the HEPA Department wish you all good health and happiness!

Sincerely,
HEPA Staff

Each year, the food we waste costs the North American economy
\$278 Billion US dollars and could have fed 260 Million people

This is what else we waste when we waste food

39 million m³

of landfill space, equivalent to



13 football stadiums,

gets used up with our food waste each year

193 million

tonnes of greenhouse
gases emitted needlessly,
the same as driving

41 million

cars continuously for
a whole year



\$1.9 billion

US dollars in wasted tipping fees



Over 32 million hectares

of wildlife habitat is lost to farmland to grow food
that is never eaten, in the United States alone

Where did
our home
go?



Enough water to fill

7 million
Olympic-sized
swimming pools

(18 Billion m³)

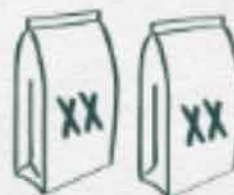
Enough energy to power

274 million Homes



3.9 million

tonnes of fertilizer



Source: CFE (2017). Characterization and Measurement of Food Loss and Waste in North America, v1.5. <https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3081171> and <https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3081171>

Kid's Activity #1

From Seed to Table



Do you know where your food comes from before it gets to the supermarket?

Food grows in gardens and forests. It is fished from oceans and rivers. It is hunted or gathered from the land. But most of our food comes from farms. Sometimes it's a family-run farm or a community garden, and sometimes it's a big commercial farm that stretches farther than the eye can see.

It takes land, proper soil and weather conditions, skills, labor, money and resources to produce the food we eat. It is a huge investment, and like any business, there is also risk involved—extreme weather events or pests can destroy an entire harvest. To help understand how much effort it takes to produce the food we eat, let's try to grow our own.

Let's Grow Food!

Time: 30 minutes

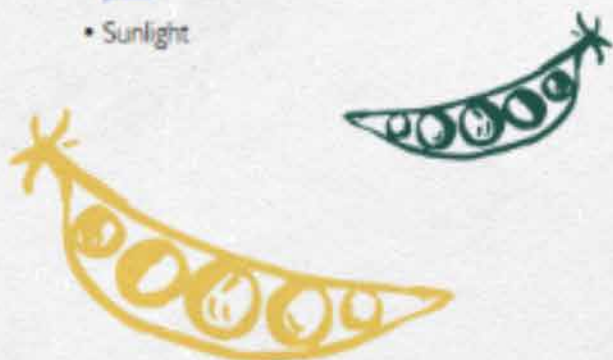
Nurturing: 12-16 weeks

CLAIM

5 Grower-Chef points for sprouting your seeds

You'll Need:

- Seeds (bean, tomato, cucumber, herbs or other edible plants)
- Soil
- Small cups or newspaper to fold into pots
- Sunlight



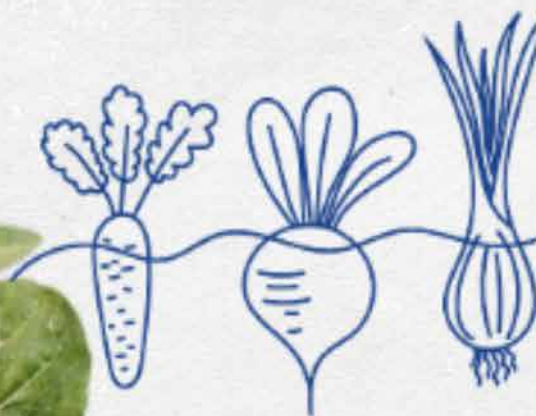
Making it Happen:

1. Fill pots/cups with soil.
2. Examine your seed. What shape is it? What color is it?
3. Imagine or draw what this little seed will look like as a plant.
4. Poke a tiny two-seed-deep hole in the soil and place your seed in it and gently top with soil.
5. Label the pot with the name of the seed and the date you planted it.
6. Set the pot on a tray and place in a sunny window.
7. Water the soil gently, so you don't wash away the seed.
8. Check daily, keeping soil moist but not soggy.
9. It can take anywhere from 2 to 12 days for different seeds to germinate. When your seedling has three or four sets of leaves and there is no chance of frost, you can transplant it to a sunny location outside.
10. Add compost for extra nutrients. Learn to make your own in Activities #8 and #18.
11. Did you manage to grow something to eat?



WOOHOO

SUCCESS!





Did you know?

Everything that grows out of the earth can be turned into earth again. Make sure that any trimmings, food scraps or dead plants get composted and never end up in a landfill. Learn to build a garden-scale composter in Activity 18.



What did you Learn?

- How long did the seed take to sprout?
- Did some grow better than others? Why do you think that was?
- How has this activity changed the way you think about your food and where it comes from?



Want to do More?

- Visit a farm to learn more about where food comes from.
- Volunteer at a community garden to practice growing all kinds of food.
- Start a garden at home, at school or in your neighborhood. Get permission to use a sunny unused piece of land. Start small and check out online resources like the [Food is Free project](http://www.foodisfreeproject.org) for tips!¹⁷

CLAIM

10 Grower-Chef points each

CLAIM

20 Grower-Chef points



¹⁶Save the Food (2018). The Extraordinary Life and Times of Strawberry. <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WRPXB-UTB-58>>

¹⁷For Greenies (2018). How to make origami newspaper seedling pots. <<http://www.forgreenies.com/origami-newspaper-seedling-pots>>

¹⁸Food is Free. <<http://www.foodisfreeproject.org>>

The Occupation of Alcatraz

by HPUL Environmental Department Staff

While many would think this event is history, it is a current event. This year will mark 52 years since the beginning of the Occupation of Alcatraz. The Occupation of Alcatraz had a direct effect on federal Indian policy and, with its visible results, established a precedent for Indian activism. "Alcatraz has unified Indians for a second time," one occupier told the Los Angeles Times. "The first time was against Custer." (1)



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Picture Courtesy of: pinterest.com

The HPUL Environmental Department would like to recognize some of the people who took part in this Indian activism and still walk among us today. First let me tell you how this all came about. Christina Harrison HPUL Environmental Assistant came into work to show us an article about a book regarding the Occupation of Alcatraz. The book is currently on display at the Autry Museum for the American West (<https://theautry.org/research/blog/alcatraz-logbook-signs-red-power>). Christina's mother, Lawana Quitiquit (Robinson Rancheria Member/ Indian Rights Activist) at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lawana_Quitiquit) found this blank log book in the old broiler room where occupants and visitors signed in. The FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigations) was looking for this book and Lawana kept it safe and out of FBI hands.

Christina was 6 years old during the occupation. Her mother Lawana was, charged with feeding the occupants

and storing donations. Christina recollects staying in one of the apartments located near the helipad. Where every morning a helicopter would drop newspapers for the occupants. Christina also recalls attending school while there. Children were taught to bead, the true history and art. "It felt special, and I was proud to be an Indian. People coming from all over the world in support." Christina also spoke of the politicians who would shake the hands of the people and promise to support the cause, only for politicians to break promises later.

Vicky Hutchison and I went through all 200+ pages of this book and we found a few HPUL names you may recognize, Eileen Miller, Jacqueline Miller (Jackie), Verle Miller, Joaquin Miller (both Eileen & Jacqueline's parents), Larry Treppa (deceased), and Gail Treppa (deceased).

Due to the tight turn around on this article we were unable to interview all the people who are named here. Vicky and I had the honor of speaking with Jacqueline Miller. As she told us about her experience while living on Alcatraz, she became teary eyed as she reminisced about her time there. Jackie said, "It was beautiful, it was freedom. I believe the movement brought the California Indians together. I am proud to have been part of the movement. It still brings tears to my eyes to this day." Jackie assisted with the other Pomo ladies (Paula Hopper, Sharron Brown, Eileen Brown, Gail Treppa and the "Quitiquit girls" that lived on the island, with cooking and



Picture courtesy of: thenativepress.com

serving meals to occupants. Jackie spoke to us about the Pomo Villa (sleeping quarters) and how occupants including babies and children were held at gun point by the U.S Military.

On April 5, 1970, Verle and Joaquin Miller visited Alcatraz. They came to check on their children and make sure they were safe.

There was so much support for this movement people donated food and clothes. Credence Clearwater Revival donated a boat for the occupants to go back and forth from the mainland to the island. Carlos Santana purchased generators and gas for the people. Buffy St. Marie also put on a concert, the out pour of generosity was immense. Jackie shared with us the concerts, and traditional dancing happening in the evening time.

People who had jobs went to work or attend college, continued with their normal day to day schedules, after, they got done they returned to Alcatraz Island.

To learn more about the Occupation of Alcatraz checkout the following links:

<https://www.history.com/news/native-american-activists-occupy-alcatraz-island-45-years-ago>

<https://www.kqed.org/news/11788540/a-look-back-at-the-occupation-of-alcatraz-50-years-later>

<https://simmonsliis.libguides.com/alcatrazoccupation>

<https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/nov/23/alcatraz-occupation-was-to-tal-freedom-for-a-kid>

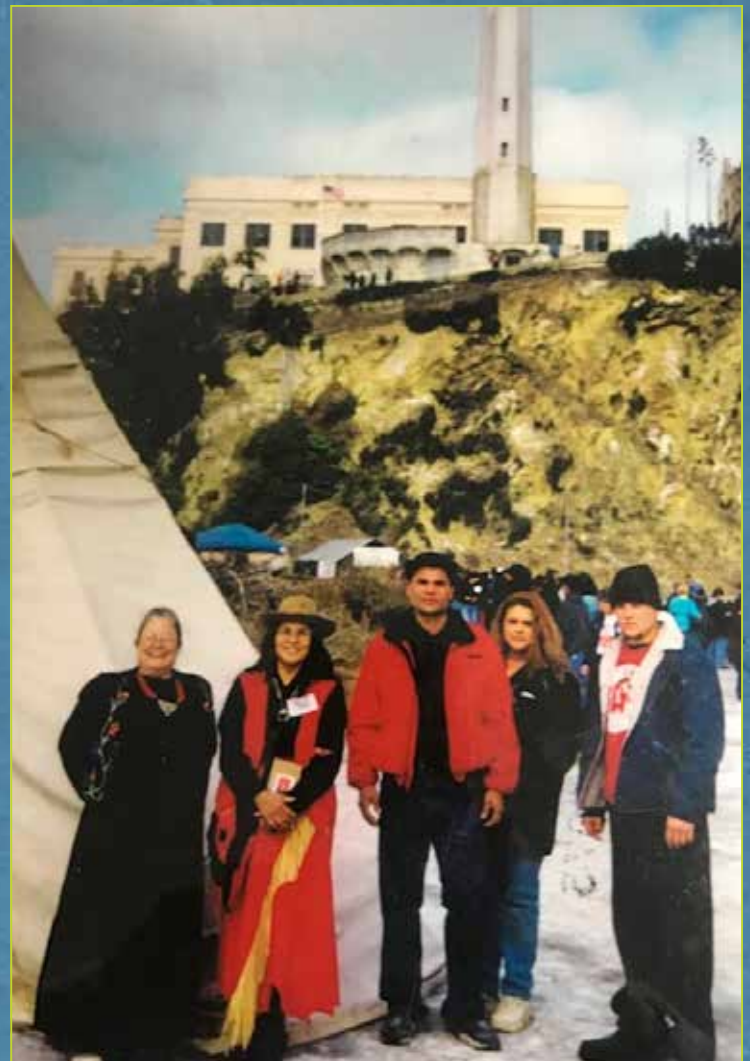
“It felt special, and I was proud to be Indian.”

- Christina Harrison

“...I believe the movement brought the California Indians together. I am proud to have been part of the movement. It still brings tears to my eyes to this day...”

- Jacqueline Miller

(1)https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Occupation_of_Alcatraz#cite_note-We_Hold_the_Rock-15.



Picture Courtesy of: C. Harrison. Revisiting Alcatraz



Christina Harrison, HPUL Environmental Assistant/Robinson Rancheria Member



Jacqueline (Jackie) Miller, HPUL Tribal Elder Member/Alcatraz Occupant

CALIFORNIA INDIAN MANPOWER CONSORTIUM (CIMC) VETERANS GIFTS



The California Indian Manpower Consortium tactfully provided the Tribe with Veteran Gifts to honor our Tribal veterans for their service to our country. Tribal Program Services Coordinator, Ida D. Morrison organized to have veteran gifts distributed to HPUL veterans.

Thank you to our Tribal veterans for your service, thank you to CIMC for the gift(s) and thank you to Ida for making it happen.

The gift consisted of the following items (*photo featured above*):

- 1 Coffee Mug
- 1 Fleece Scarf with Knitted Edges
- 1 American Flag Canvas Bag
- 1 Certificate of Service

CALIFORNIA INDIAN MANPOWER CONSORTIUM (CIMC) ELDER GIFTS

This past March, the California Indian Manpower Consortium – Elder Program graciously provided our Tribal elders (60+ years of age) with a thoughtful gift bag that consisted of the following items:

- Pencils
- 1 Water bottle
- 1 Insulated lunch sack
- 1 Bundle of Sage
- 1 Weekly pill container
- 1 Buffalo shaped jar opener
- 1 Elders Meeting Folder
- 1 Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act

The Tribe's ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act) Assistant, Jaime Biane and Tribal Program Services Coordinator, Ida D. Morrison coordinated to have these gift bags personally delivered to our local elders, featured in this article below are photos the gift bag's contents, Jaime Biane with HPUL Elder Member, Coveda Miller.

Thank you to our HPUL Tribal elders for your wisdom and strength, thank you to CIMC for thinking of our elders and providing this thoughtful gift and thank you to Jaime and Ida for organizing it all.



CLOTHING CLOSET

by Sonjia Menchaca, Tribal Member Services Coordinator

In February, the HPUL Tribe held its first-ever Clothing Closet held at its Community Building (9460 Main St., Upper Lake, CA)! This closet was very Covid-19 friendly everyone exercised social distancing and wore face masks. The closet provided an opportunity to "take what you need and leave what you can." There were many generous donators (both members and staff), and this could not have been made possible without them! Thank you for visiting, sharing, and contributing to a connected community! The next closet will be held in June 2021. If you would like to donate, volunteer, or participate in the next event, please reach out to Sonjia Menchaca at smenchaca@hpultribe-nsn.gov or 707-900-6925.



Clothing Closet

**In need of
clothing?**

The Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake is hosting the first-ever clothing closet open to Tribal Members. We will have gently used items that will be available on a first-come first-serve basis.

February 8th-12th

10-5pm

**Located at the
Community Building
9470 Main St
Upper Lake**

For more information or assistance in using this resource please contact Sonjia Menchaca at smenchaca@hpultribe-nsn.gov

Due to COVID-19, masks and social distancing are required.

Inspired by Six NATIVE STYLE JEWELRY



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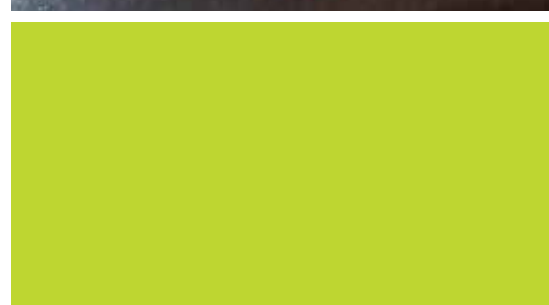
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