

## SCHOOLS

**Kingman High School North**  
4182 N. Bank St.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.692.6480

**Cerbat Elementary**  
2689 Jagerson Ave.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.757.5100

**Peach Springs Elementary**  
403 Diamond Creek Rd.  
P.O. Box 360  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2202

**Chemawa Indian School**  
3700 Chemawa Rd. NE  
Salem, OR 97305  
503.399.5721

**Kingman Middle School**  
1969 Detroit Ave.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.753.3588

**Hualapai Elementary**  
350 Eastern Ave.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.753.1919

**Hualapai Head Start**  
479 Hualapai Way  
P.O. Box 119  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2244/1118

**Sherman Indian School**  
9010 Magnolia Ave.  
Riverside, CA 92503  
951.276.6326

**White Cliffs Middle School**  
3550 Prospector St.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.753.6216

**La Senita Elementary**  
3175 Gordon Dr.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.757.4328

**Valentine Elementary**  
12491 N. Byers  
Truxton, AZ 86434-9650  
928.769.2310

**Theodore Roosevelt School**  
101 Thomas Rd.  
Fort Apache, AZ 85926  
928.338.4464

**Seligman School**  
P.O. Box 650  
Seligman, AZ 86337  
928.422.3233

**Manzanita Elementary**  
2901 Detroit Ave.  
Kingman, AZ 86401  
928.753.6197

**Flandreau Indian School**  
1132 N. Crescent St.  
Flandreau, SD 57028  
605.997.3773

**Riverside Indian School**  
101 Riverside Dr.  
Anadarko, OK 7305  
405.247.6670

## EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

**Boys & Girls Club**  
479 Diamond Creek Rd.  
P.O. Box  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.1801  
928.769.1803 (fax)  
<http://hualapaibranch.bgcs.org>

**Hualapai Youth Services & Underage Drinking Prevention Program**  
488 Hualapai Way  
P.O. Box 397  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2207  
928.769.2884 (fax)

**Hualapai Recreation**  
930 Rodeo Way  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2652  
928.769.2650 (fax)

**Hualapai Education & Training**  
460 Hualapai Way  
P.O. Box 179  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2200  
928.769.1101 (fax)

**Hualapai Cultural Resources**  
P.O. Box 310  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
Phone: 928.769.2223  
Fax: 928.769.2234

**Hualapai Housing**  
600 Highview St.  
P.O. Box 130  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434  
928.769.2274  
928.769.2703 (fax)



# HUALAPAI GOVERNMENTAL NEWS

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## CHATTING WITH THE CHAIRWOMAN "Keep doing it until you get it right"

07.03.13 *Casual conversation with Chairwoman Sherry Counts in her office by April Tinhorn, TINHORN CONSULTING.*

"Keep doing it until you get it right" is Chairwoman Sherry Counts' motto. Whether it is earning an Associates of Arts (A.A.) degree in Behavioral Science from Mohave Community College and a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Management from Ashford College or becoming an ordained minister in 1987, Chairwoman Counts lives her motto. Truth and honesty, which were a part of her political platform, were topics that came up frequently during our conversation. She believes in being fair and to treat all Hualapais the same. This quality is essential in leaders.

As she shared her life's story, her top priorities for this year unfolded:

**1. Be Positive.** The council is working to ensure lawsuits benefit our tribe. So far we're winners. We will be ok because the tribe is protecting all our assets. Her advice? Be calm. Work together. The lawsuits are distracting us from other jobs at hand.

**2. Open Communication.** It is her job to work with program directors to ensure employees are treated fairly and morale is increased. There is a monthly directors' meeting every 2nd Tuesday to make sure policy is being followed. If you have an issue, don't feel afraid to bring it up. All directors are to be responsive to their employees. All employees should wake up and want to come to work. If not, come talk to her.

**3. Promote Education in Our Community.** Go to school! There is money and resources to help. Do you know we have a GED teacher? Our juveniles need encouragement so they can see that they can accomplish something. When others are faced with obstacles, she refers them to resources that we have available for tribal members. It's been her experience that a little bit of encouragement goes a long way.

Chairwoman's mission is to help others. She is a woman of faith who enjoys talking one on one. She is a problem solver. If you come to her with an issue, be ready to work to make it better. It's in her training.

We are all family. It's all good.



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## OUR COMMON GOAL Is To See The Students Succeed

08.19.13 Phone interview of Candida Hunter, Hualapai Education Coordinator; by April Tinhorn, TINHORN CONSULTING



AT- Congratulations on the new position! What do you do as the Hualapai Education Coordinator?



CH- Thank you. I work with all the higher education students. I receive financial aid applications and submit student information to the Hualapai Education Committee. The Education Committee funds the students. I also oversee the education budget and administer JOM funds. My program has been collaborating and working with the underage drinking and strategic prevention program to better communicate with our students at high schools and boarding schools.



AT- Being new in your position, what are your top priorities this coming year?



CH- I'd like to leverage existing resources to meet the needs of the people. For example, we can accomplish our goal by collaborating with the Boys & Girls Club, the Education Department, Hualapai Youth Services, and the underage drinking and strategic planning program to create a stronger foundation. I'd also like to build a stronger foundation with our schools that our students attend by improving communication.



AT- What advice do you have for students? For parents?



CH- High school students, make sure you give yourself enough time to take the required standardized tests, like the SAT or ACT, which are required for college admissions. Complete FAFSA online now at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

because it takes a while to process. Don't forget to list any and all schools you are interested in attending as those schools will automatically receive your financial aid report. College students, consider community college because of the lower cost. Maximize your funding. Elementary parents, if your 3rd grader isn't at a certain educational level, they will be held back. Parents, there is a lot of work. Stick with it. Make sure your student gets their information in on time as incomplete applications can not be processed.



AT- Let's close on a positive note. What are some success stories?



CH- Recently a girl who dropped out of high school and was pregnant a few years back not only got her HS diploma online, but also graduated with honors with her AA. She will be starting at a four year college this fall. Kateria Watahomigie was valedictorian at Seligman High School. RW Royal (Bonnie's son) will be playing baseball for Oklahoma Wesleyan University this Fall. Adam Yee, Amy Vaughn's son, is playing lacrosse at the University of Hartford.

## QUESTIONS?

Contact Candida by phone at **928.769.2200**, by email at [hualapaieducationdepartment@gmail.com](mailto:hualapaieducationdepartment@gmail.com), or come visit her at the Education Department.



## 2013 HUALAPAI Education Committee

- Jonell Tapija, Chair
- Annette Bravo, Secretary
- Emma Tapija
- Tasha Havatone
- Sharon Havatone
- Michelle Zepher
- Christine Lee
- Earlene Havatone
- Jean Imus

Over \$400,000.00 has been spent in higher education for the 2013-2014 fiscal year as of 09.12.13

## FINANCIAL AID Application Deadlines\*

- Fall- July 1st
- Spring- Nov 1st
- Summer- April 1st

\*committee meets once a month

## CONGRATULATIONS To Our Graduates!

### Monica Damron

Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics, Portland State University

### Lyle Daychild

Bachelor of Social Work, Arizona State University

### Voe Elgrico

Associate of Applied Science, Hills Pharmacy

### Sariah Faith

Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration, Northern Arizona University

### Aaron Gordon

Juris Doctor, California Western School of Law

### Jade Honga

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice and Criminology, Arizona State University

### Simone Jackson

Associate of Science, Salt Lake Community College

### Ray Martinez

Bachelor of Science, Justice Studies, Grand Canyon University

### Cotton Munoz

Associate of Occupational Studies, Medical Specialist, College America

### Robert Wood

Bachelor of Arts, Fort Lewis College

## OPPORTUNITY!!!

Are you or do you know of a youth 16-21 years of age who got in trouble with the law, is behind in credits in high school, or hasn't received a high school diploma or GED? If so, we invite you to apply for a six month program to earn job skills in an area your interested in and work towards your high school diploma or GED. For more information please contact **Candida Hunter** at **769.2200**.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Make sure your student is eating well and gets enough sleep
- Boys & Girls Club has a power hour for tutoring
- Education Department Computer Lab is open for elementary students 4:00-5:00 pm Monday-Friday
- Stipend increased HS Grad \$300 (30 days)
- All checks sent certified mail to school
- For continuing students, they accept schedule of classes and an unofficial transcript along with receipt of official transcript ordered
- Housing assistance, provided by the Housing Department, for full time students (based on need based on FAFSA)

