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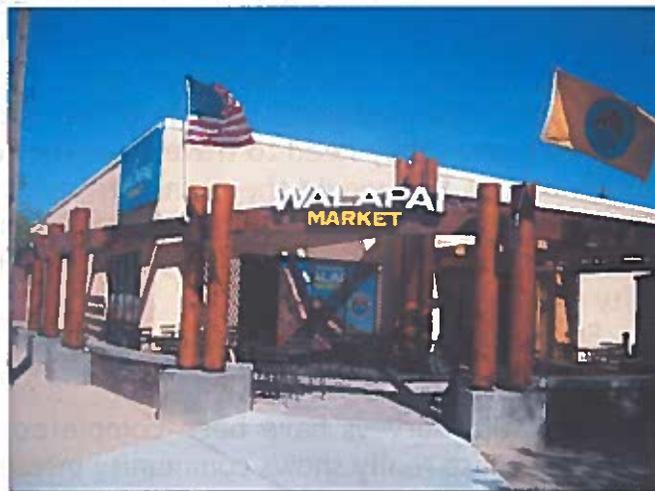
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Walapai Market Wrapping Up

Submitted by: Kevin Davidson | Hualapai Planning & Economic Development Department

The Hualapai Tribe and Grand Canyon Resort Corporation have established a business partnership to open the new and improved Walapai Market. On February 7, 2015, the official grand opening was held showcasing the new Walapai Market. "We are offering various alternative foods and deli and now fuel for Hualapai Tribal members," said Doug Berggren, Walapai Market General Manager. "We're excited to make the Walapai Market widely available to outside customers of downtown Peach Springs and local folks."

The new gas station features three grades of gasoline. Regular unleaded is priced at an introductory rate of \$2.99 per gallon and diesel at \$3.01 per gallon. Customers may pay at the pump with a credit or debit card (24 hrs) or inside the store with cash during regular store hours - 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday thru Friday and 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday. The Walapai Market offers a diverse menu of snacks and lunch combos which now gives tribal members and tribal employees an option for lunch. A small selection of fruits is placed near the deli, which is stocked with small ham, cheese and salami sandwiches, bread galore, wraps and large deli meats. The bakery offers pastries and donuts. We also offer hamburger and different meats in our butcher shop.



New illuminated signs on market's roadside entrance



Propane tanks ready for rental on east side of market

We would like to greatly thank the Hualapai Tribal Council and Grand Canyon Resort Corporation Board for recognizing the need for the Walapai Market and fuel station.

Eight months ago they approved a budget for the Walapai Market Project. They are to be commended and thanked for making the Walapai Market Project a tribal business that we can all enjoy and meet our daily grocery needs.

GAMYU newsletter articles are due every other Friday(s). The week before Tribal pay week by 5:00 P.M. Please remember to attach an information sheet with your articles and no anonymous submissions please.

- **article(s) deadline:** Friday, June 12th
- **next publication:** Friday, June 19th

KEVIN DAVIDSON,
PLANNING DIRECTOR



Meat counter with fresh offering of beef and pork



Deli staff preparing for lunch, produce and dairy in background

Text Courtesy of Rory Majenty, CEO, Grand Canyon Resort Corporation

Photos Courtesy of Kevin Davidson, Hualapai Planning & Economic Development Department

Successful Transit Survey Effort for Transit Feasibility Study

Submitted by: Kevin Davidson | Hualapai Planning & Economic Development Department

The Hualapai Indian Tribe, through the Planning Department, is working on a transit feasibility study to design a transit system to serve the Community. A major part of the study is to survey Hualapai Tribal members, their families, and employees to find out where people are traveling to, what times they need to travel, whether they are having problems getting where they need to go, and what fare would they consider reasonable to take a bus. This information will help to design a transit system that really addresses Community needs.

The survey was distributed at major employers and throughout the community at three community events:

- Earth Day Community Cleanup - May 1st
- Route 66 Annual Fun Run BBQ - May 2nd
- Cinco de Mayo lunch at Senior Center - May 4th

To date, 505 surveys have been completed, which represents a 40 percent response rate. This large response really shows community interest in transit.

Preliminary results show that many community members have some issues with traveling, whether it be the expense of driving long distances, limited availability of a car, or other reasons. There are also a significant number of commuters who travel long distances to work in Peach Springs and Grand Canyon West.

As the study continues until completion in November, 2015, the study team will use these findings and many other aspects of the survey to help design a transit system that works for the Community.

Survey participants also had the option of entering a raffle. Winners of a \$25 gift certificate were:

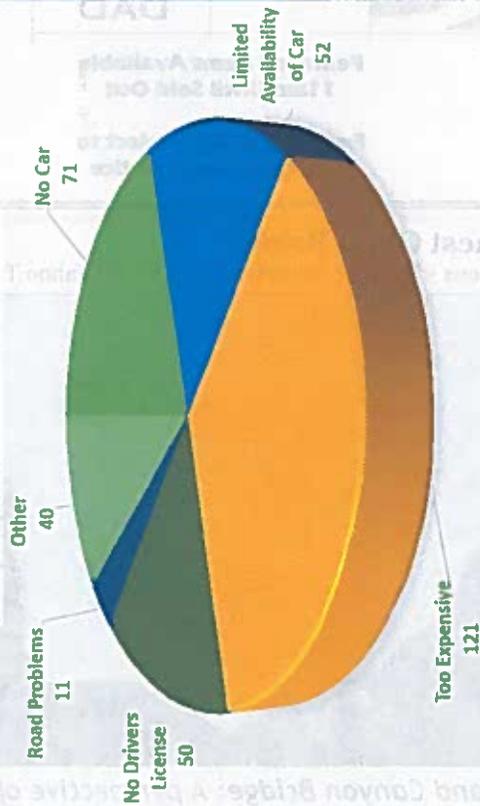
- Sue Parker
- Bobby Havatone
- Miranda Dorskey
- Carrie Cannon
- Preston Walema, Sr.



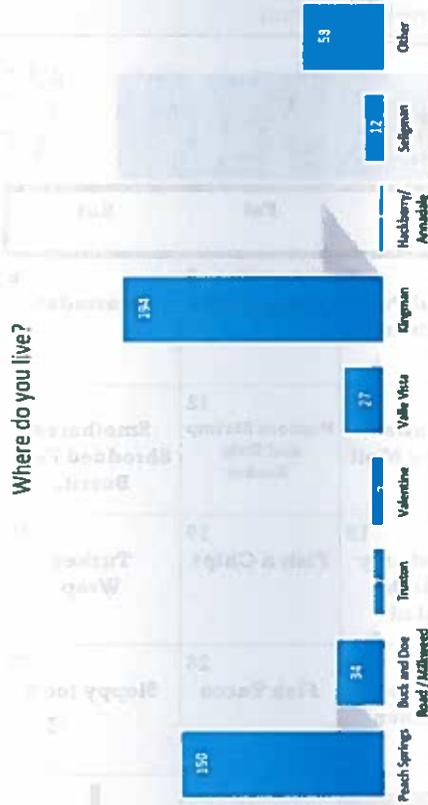
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Limitations on travel - 60% cited some issues

WHAT ARE YOUR LIMITATIONS ON TRAVEL?

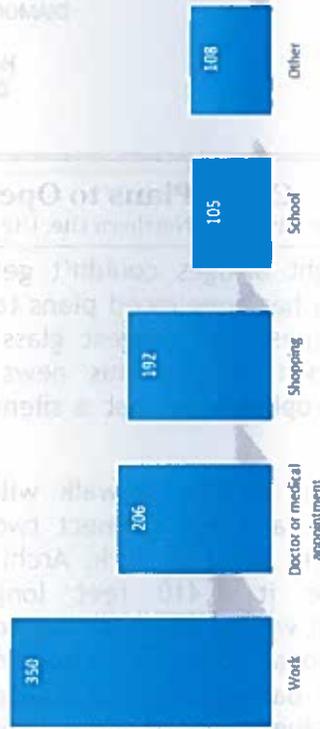


Responses to "Where Do you Live?"



What would you most likely use transit for?

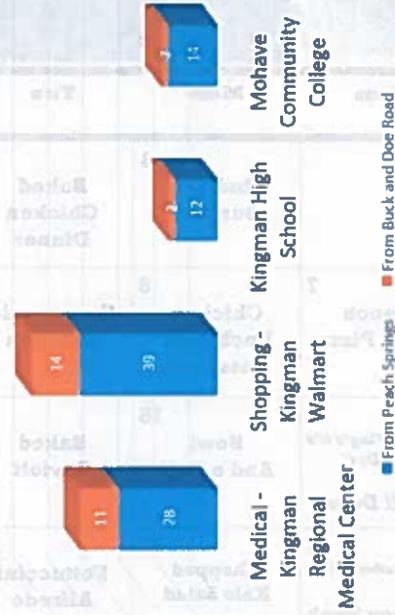
What would you most likely use transit for?



Transit use for work trips was the most frequent response

Peach Springs → Kingman Trip Patterns

Transit Destinations for Tribal Members from Peach Springs and Buck and Doe Road Area



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Diamond Creek Restaurant • June Specials

Submitted by: Brandi Lindemuth | Diamond Creek Restaurant



JUNE 2015

MY POP ROCKS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Indian Burgers	2 Baked Chicken Dinner	3 Carne Asada	4 Pulled Pork Sandwich	5 Fish n Chips	6 Toastadas
7 French Bread Pizza	8 Chicken Enchilada Casserole	9 Homemade Lasagna	10 Posole	11 Southwest Turkey Melt	12 Popcorn Shrimp and Strip Basket	13 Smothered Shredded Beef Burrito
14 <i>Fly your Flag's It's Flag Day!</i> Chili Dogs	15 Bowl And a Half	16 Baked Ravioli	17 Mini Crispy Chicken Soft Tacos	18 Strawberry Delight Salad	19 Fish n Chips	20 Turkey Wrap
21 <i>Happy Father's Day!</i> Flat Iron Steak Dinner	22 Chopped Kale Salad	23 Fettuccini Alfredo	24 Tater Tot Nacho Supreme	25 Orange Chicken	26 Fish Tacos	27 Sloppy Joe's
28 Cheese Enchiladas	29 Steak Fajitas	30 Parmesan Stuffed Chicken Breast				I ♥ DAD
	DIAMOND CREEK RESTAURANT 928-769-2800 Hours of Operation Daily 630am-9pm			Featured Items Available 11am-Until Sold Out Featured Items Subject to Change without notice		

China Plans to Open World's Highest Glass Bridge

Submitted by: Charlotte Navanick | Northern Ute, Ute Bulletin/Public Relations • Brittany Jones Cooper, Editor | Yahoo Travel

Just when you thought bridges couldn't get any more scary, China has announced plans to build the world's highest and longest glass-bottomed bridge. Upon hearing this news, every person with acrophobia let out a silent scream.

The Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon skywalk will stand at 980 feet tall and will connect two cliffs in the Zhangjiajie National Park. Architects plan to make it 1,410 feet long (about .27 miles), so it will be no small feat to walk across. The National Park, which served as inspiration for the backdrop of the movie *Avatar*, has breathtaking views of more than 3,000 sandstone pillars and other amazing natural formations.

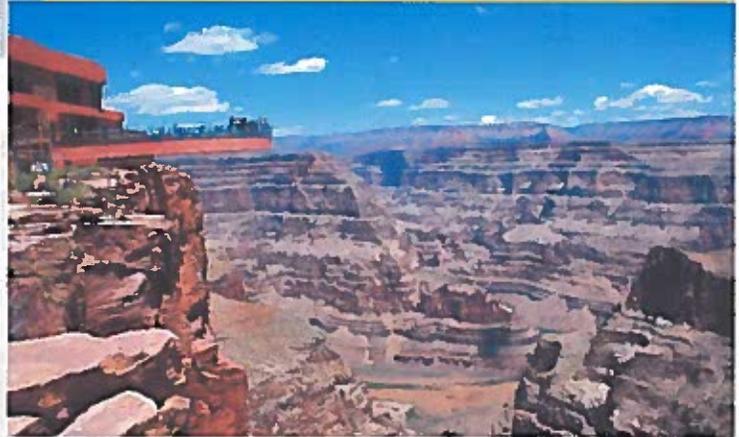


Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Bridge: A perspective of just how long this bridge will be. The skywalk will also offer the world's highest bungee jump.

This bridge is set to open in July. But in the event you want to be frightened before then, here are some other scary bridges from around the world.



Yunyang Longgang Geological Park Bridge: The world's longest cantilever bridge is located in Chongqing, China. The horseshoe shaped glass phenomenon extends 87.5 feet from the edge of the cliff, and stands nearly 2,350 feet above the ground.



Grand Canyon Skywalk: The Grand Canyon Skywalk has a horseshoe shaped steel frame and glass floor. It extends 70 feet over the canyon rim, offering breathtaking views of one of the world's natural wonders.



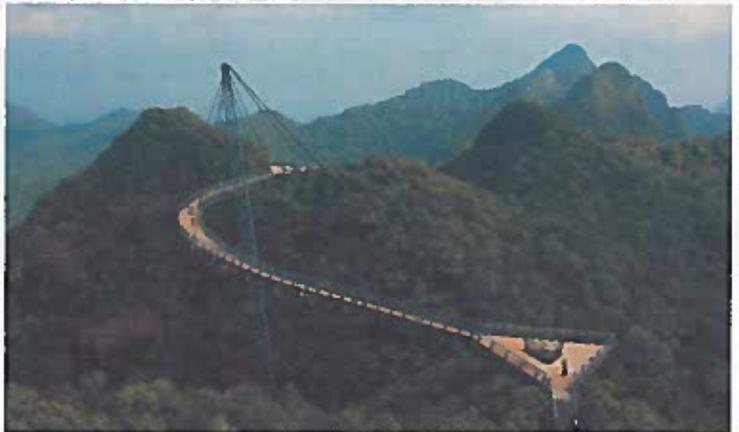
Trift Suspension Bridge: The Trift bridge in Switzerland was built to accommodate hikers and offers spectacular views of the Swiss Alps. The bridge is about 328 feet high and 557 feet long.



Kusma Gyadi Suspension Bridge: As the longest suspension bridge in Nepal, the Kusma Gyadi connects the city of Kusma with Gyadichour. It stands at 384 feet high and 1096 feet high and is an important lifeline for local farmers.



Capilano Suspension Bridge: The Capilano Suspension Bridge isn't made out of glass, but that doesn't make it any less scary. This amazing bridge stretches 450 feet across and 230 feet high.



Langkawi Sky Bridge: Completed in 2005, the Langkawi sky bridge stands at 2,170 feet above sea level and is 410 feet long. The pedestrian bridge has a curved walkway, giving visitors the best possible view of surrounding scenery.

Reggae in the Desert Giveaway • Listen to Win: Thursday, June 11th
Submitted by: Terri Hutchens | EPCH Radio Station

"The Peach" is at it again...



*Yeah Mon!
"The Peach" be givin' away
more Reggae festival tickets
to listeners!*

*Are you a Reggae Fan?
Enjoy Roots Rhythms?
Then you have many great opportunities
to ENJOY on June 13!*

**Reggae in the Desert-Las Vegas
Skankin Wit Dem Walapai-Peach Springs**

Listen to:

*Roots and Riddims, Tuesdays 1 to 3
Reggae TakeOver, Thursdays 6 to 8
on 6/2, 6/4, 6/9 and 6/11*



Winners will be announced 6/11 during Reggae TakeOver
www.epchradio.com or TuneIn radio: epch

Skankin' Wit Dem Walapais • Saturday, June 13th

Submitted by: Ivan Bender | Sponsored by Jibay Giswadja

Skankin Wit Dem Walapai's



Midnite Rez

June 13 2015 Hualapai Tribal Gym
Peach Springs Arizona
Tickets \$15 Advance \$20 @Door
Doors open @ 10 am – All Ages
info IMon 928-715-8856/Leland 928-769-6428

Attention
Hualapai Nation and neighboring tribes!
Come out and enjoy some reggae music on an all day event.
Doors open at 10:00 a.m. on June 13, 2015

DreamCatcher Information Session

Submitted by: Katherine Zuga | Thunderbird School of Global Management



PROJECT DREAMCATCHER

HELPING AMERICAN INDIAN BUSINESS WOMEN ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS

Project DreamCatcher Information Session for Current and Aspiring Women Business Owners

When: Tuesday, June 16

Where: Department of Hualapai Education and Training
Multi-Purpose Building

460 Hualapai Way
Time: 6-9pm

Do you have a business or want to start one? Representatives from the Thunderbird School of Global Management will visit the community to share information about Project DreamCatcher, a free training program for current and aspiring business owners. In addition to an overview of the DreamCatcher application process and program, Dr. Steven Stralser, Emeritus Professor and author of "MBA in a DAY®", will share insights on entrepreneurship and local women entrepreneurs will share their

experiences as well. The session will be held at the Multi-Purpose Building on June 16th from 6-9pm. Food is provided!

To RSVP or learn more, please contact us at (602) 978-7650 or thunderbirdforgood@asu.edu. Visit: (<http://t4g.thunderbird.edu/programs/project-dreamcatcher>).

Dear Tribal Members and Hualapai Health Advisory Board Monthly Meeting

Submitted by: Dr. Robyn Purdum | Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board

give us your input



Dear Tribal Members,

On May 14th, the Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board met with staff and representatives from the Parker Indian Health Center for the Colorado River Service Unit. The meeting was held here in Peach Springs. The purpose for this meeting is to improve the quality of service of the health care being offered to our community members at our local I.H.S. clinic.

Currently our services here in Peach Springs are limited due to finances; however, this will improve in the future since our amazing I.H.S. employees are currently working to resolve this matter. What types of treatments and services would you like to see offered at our Peach Springs clinic. Please provide a letter to your Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board Chairwoman or feel free to attend our next Regular Monthly Health Board Meeting to discuss the types of health care and services you would like to have offered at our Peach Springs I.H.S. clinic. The next Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board Meeting will be held at the Hualapai Health and Wellness clinic in the large conference room on Wednesday, June 17th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.

Yours In Health,

Dr. Robyn Purdum B.S., D.C., Ph.C.

All One People Chiropractic, Inc.

(928) 769-6083

Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board Chairwoman

Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board Meeting Monthly Meeting

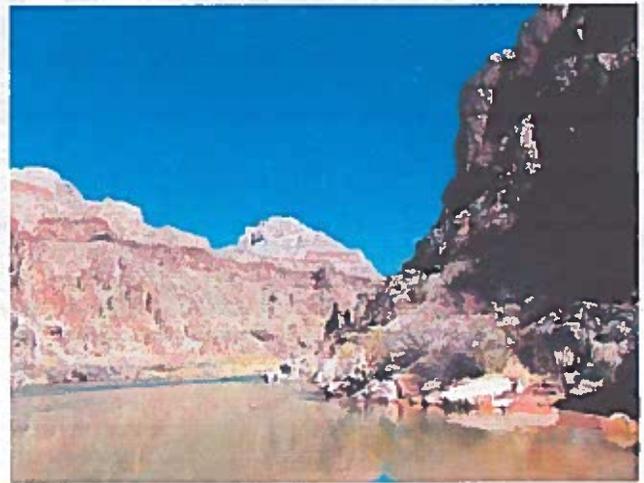
When: Wednesday June 17th, 2015

Where: Large conference room Hualapai Health and Wellness Center

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Agenda:

- Prayer
- Update on May 14th CRSU Board Meeting: Sandra Irwin, & Dr. Purdum
- Listen to community members voice what types of treatments, services and providers they would like to see in the future at our Peach Springs I.H.S. clinic.



Hualapai Tribal Health Advisory Board

Dr. Robyn Purdum, Chairwoman

Ms. Laverne Tsosie, Secretary

Ms. Flora Hunter

Mrs. Charlene Imus

Mrs. Sandra Irwin



Pillar Academy Opening August 2015

Submitted by: Michelle Zephier | Hualapai Planning & Economic Development Department

OPENING AUGUST 2015

PILLAR ACADEMY

At Music Mountain High School

OPEN HOUSE:

Wednesday May 20th at 6:00 pm at MMHS

There will be a bus from Peach Springs

Elementary that will leave at 5:40

Food, Fun and Education.

2nd OPEN HOUSE:

Saturday June 13th at 11:00 at MMHS

TUITION-FREE HIGH SCHOOL

ACCREDITED

INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAMS

HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

Learn About Opportunities in Public Health • Thursday, June 11th

Submitted by: Lucille Watahomigie | Hualapai Department of Education & Training

High school and college students:

Learn about opportunities in public health

Thursday, June 11, 2015 | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Arizona Department of Health

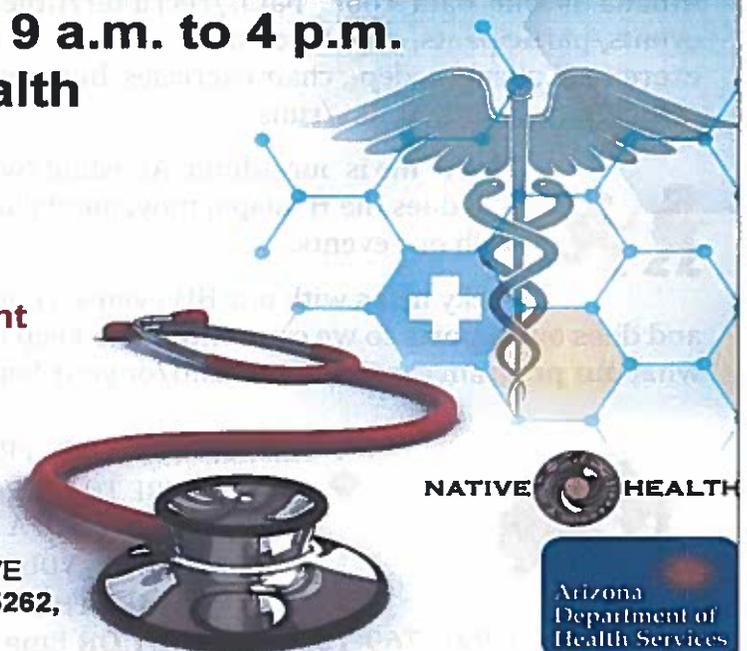
Services Lab Auditorium

250 North 17th Avenue - Phoenix

- Learn about careers in public health
- Enjoy a tour of the Arizona Department of Health Services State Laboratory
- Meet with public health professionals
- Learn about public health programs

Free Lunch - Limited Seating

For more information please call Susan Levy, NATIVE HEALTH Communication Coordinator at (602) 279-5262, ext. 3111 or email: slevy@nachci.com



Let's Start Taking Care of OUR Health
Submitted by: Hualapai Healthy Heart Program

Come on People- lets start taking care of OUR Health



Join Us At Hualapai Healthy Heart Today!

Are you ready to take the first step to healthy choices? Want to pack healthy lunch or snacks? Concerned that your loved one may have diabetes, high blood pressure, or other health concerns?

IF YES TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS COME TO HEALTHY HEART OR CALL 769-1630 FOR SUPPORT AND INFORMATION.

A male Elder told us: "I had diabetes for over 20 years and this is the first time my numbers are good. I am very Happy."



A Hualapai lady told us: "I have so much energy I lost 15 pounds and it feels good making small healthy changes is all you have to do!"

About Hualapai Healthy Heart- Making small changes for a better you-

Rosemary is a RN, she will go over your numbers with you and answer questions you may have. She does nutrition, healthy cooking classes and assists YOU, in making **SMALL CHANGES** that will help you feel better.



Athena is our data coordinator/recruiter/fitness trainer- she keeps track of all events/participants, inputs data to submit to coordinating center, she does the exercise challenges, dept. chair exercises, bike riding; exercise plans, and assists with community events- walks/runs.



Emmeline is our Admin. Assistant/wellness coach- she takes care of office duties and does the Hualapai movement club in the mornings and evenings. She also helps with our events.



Nicky helps with our HH events, community events, and keeps track of our grant and does our reports so we can continue to keep the program for the community, so come see what our program can do for you and/or your families.



- ◆ IT IS PRIVATE, FRIENDLY, & PEACEFUL.
- ◆ WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT, ENCOURAGE, EDUCATE & GUIDE YOU TO A HEALTHIER LIFESTYLE.
- ◆ COME ON BY- YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!
- ◆ TAKE THAT ONE STEP TODAY.



CALL 928-769-1630, STOP BY OR Email: healthyheartualapai@gmail.com

Adult Wellbriety • 2015 Schedule
Submitted by: Margaret Vaughn | Hualapai Tribal Court

Adult Wellbriety

Third Thursday of every month!

May 5/21/15	<u>June</u> 6/18/15	<u>July</u> 7/16/15	<u>August</u> 8/20/15
<u>September</u> 9/17/15	<u>October</u> 10/15/15	<u>November</u> 11/19/15	<u>December</u> 12/17/15

IF on Probation you NEED to be in attendance
From 5-6:30pm

Always a Potluck event • You can even bring a guest • Ages 18+ only

What's Lurking Behind the Suicides?

Submitted by: Waylon Honga | Published in The New York Times by Joe Flood



PINE RIDGE, S.D. — OUTSIDE the Oglala Lakota tribe's child protection service office, staff members updated a police officer on the latest emergency: An 11-year old girl had texted her cousin that she wanted to kill herself and then had gone missing.

A damp breeze swirled smoke from the caseworkers' cigarettes, and the sun flitted between mottled clouds, the advance guard of an approaching spring blizzard. The officer jotted down some specifics on the girl and the remote area

where she was last seen, then pulled away from the curb. They didn't want to lose another child. Since December, nine people between the ages of 12 and 24 have committed suicide on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation — home to Crazy Horse's Oglala band of the Lakota — in southwestern South Dakota.

They come to Pine Ridge every few years, these suicide epidemics, with varying degrees of national media attention and local soul-searching. What the news media often misses though, and what tribal members understand but rarely discuss above a whisper, is that youth suicides here are inextricably linked to a multigenerational scourge of sexual abuse, with investigations into possible abuse now open in at least two of the nine recent suicides.

I'm a wasicu (Lakota for "white person") from Massachusetts, but I've spent about half of the past decade living on the rez, working mostly as a teacher and archery coach. Within two weeks of starting my first job teaching high school English here, a veteran teacher told me something he thought was critical to understanding life on Pine Ridge: By the time they reach high school, most of the girls (and many boys, too) have been molested or raped. His anecdotal observation seems to track with the available statistics. According to the United States Department of Justice, Native Americans are 2.5 times more likely to be sexually assaulted than other Americans, and the numbers on Pine Ridge, one of the largest, poorest reservations in the country, appear to be even

greater. "We started two clinics for reproductive health in the largest high schools on the reservation," said Terry Friend, a midwife who works at the year-and-a-half-old Four Directions Clinic, which specializes in sexual assault and domestic abuse. "When I take a sexual history of a patient, I ask, 'Have you had sex against your will?' At the high schools, girls answered yes more than no." Numbers are harder to come by for boys, but local medical professionals estimate that they are also high, and that such rates of abuse can translate to high rates of suicide. One recent study found that nationally, teenage boys who were sexually assaulted were about 10 times more likely to attempt suicide, girls more than three times more likely. At some point, most local child sexual assault cases cross the tribal prosecutor's desk. "Unfortunately, many of those same kids have suicidal ideations and attempts," said the tribe's attorney general, Tatewin Means. "I definitely think there's a strong connection between sexual assault and suicide here on the reservation."

THE BOY LOVED the sweat lodge. He was a troubled student but took solace in the traditional Lakota form of prayer, with steam hissing off big glowing rocks in the center of a small lodge made of bent saplings and canvas tarps. School and tribal officials said the boy showed up to school one day last spring when he was supposed to be on suspension, climbed a pine tree in the schoolyard and hanged himself from a thick branch. Teachers and students saw him, and he was quickly cut down. Struggling to breathe, he sprinted for the school's sweat lodge, where he took refuge until the police and a relative calmed him down.

It wasn't the first time he had attempted suicide in or around school grounds, administrators said. He'd been depressed, and behaving erratically, with signs that he was using drugs and "huffing" gasoline. There had also been signs of sexual abuse, involving not only him but also a younger brother and male cousins he lived with. Every time one of the boys showed new signs of abuse or talked about suicide, school officials said, they called the tribe's child protection unit, and every time they were told the same thing: "It's still under investigation."

The child was not removed from the home. Then in December, two weeks after his 14th birthday, the boy hanged himself at home and became the first in the recent string of nine suicides. His case was lost, it seems, in the web of tribal bureaucracies and federal oversight bodies that are long on backlogged cases and short on funding. The tribal child protection unit, for instance, currently has two investigators for the entire reservation, which the federal census puts at more than 18,000 total residents (though tribal officials say is closer to 40,000). The two investigators are responsible for handling upward of 40 new cases a month, and hundreds more in the long-term case management system.

About a month after the boy died, a 14-year old cheerleader killed herself. Soon after, rumors of an all-too-familiar detail started to spread: Before her death, the girl told friends that her stepfather, a longtime teacher and coach at her school, was sexually abusing her. What followed broke the usual mold, though: Her friends came forward to tell school officials. Charles Roessel, a member of the Navajo Nation and director of the federal Bureau of Indian Education, which oversees the school, said administrators acted quickly to suspend the accused teacher and refer the case to federal investigators. No charges have been brought.

Shortly after his suspension from the federal school, the cheerleader's stepfather was brought on, according to school officials, as an unpaid intern by the reservation's Shannon County school system, which is overseen by the state. His job was to shadow one of the system's principals so that he could learn to be a school administrator. The stepfather did not respond to requests for comment.

TRIBAL LEADERS and experts are struggling to understand the recent suicide epidemic (specifics on many of the cases aren't widely known), but there's general agreement on one underlying

cause: the legacy of federally funded boarding schools that forcibly removed generations of Native American children from their homes. Former students and scholars of the institutions say that the isolation and lack of oversight at the mostly church-run schools allowed physical and sexual abuse to run rampant.

“My grandmother used to tell me that she didn’t think she was pretty,” said an E.M.T. friend of mine who responds to a suicide attempt every week or so, “because when the priests used to sneak into her dorm and take a little girl for the night, they never picked her.” Left untreated, such sexual abuse can lead to elevated rates of drug and alcohol abuse and suicide, said Dr. Steven Berkowitz, director of a center on youth trauma at the University of Pennsylvania.

One sad irony of the recent suicides is that they come in the middle of new initiatives to address sexual assault. The Four Directions Clinic is treating young abuse victims who were previously sent to distant hospitals off the reservation. Tribal and federal law enforcement officials now confer regularly to better coordinate investigations. High school students recently petitioned the Pine Ridge school board to create health classes for vulnerable middle school students, and the board unanimously voted to find necessary funding.

Still, the challenges are enormous. Six days after the 11-year-old girl went missing, protection services still hadn’t located her, though a caseworker says the hope is that the girl and her mother have gone to a domestic violence shelter somewhere – the reservation doesn’t have its own. Shortly before the 14-year-old boy committed suicide, a school administrator tried to counsel him. Lakota tradition, she told him, teaches that a spirit set free by suicide is doomed to wander the earth in lonely darkness. “You don’t want that, do you?” she asked. He looked her in the eye, a minor taboo for Lakota children to do with their elders, and said, “Anything’s better than here.”

The author of “The Fires,” a history of New York City in the 1970s, now based in Pine Ridge, S.D. ■

Celebrating Life • Suicide Awareness and Prevention on Monday, June 8th

Submitted by: Kevin Davidson | Hualapai Planning & Economic Development Department

June 8, 2015

5:30 PM

Celebrating Life Suicide Awareness and Prevention

Presented By

White Mountain Apache Tribe/John Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health

**Multi-Purpose Building
Dinner Provided by 4H**

Sponsored By

Hualapai Health-Education and Wellness Department
For more information please contact (928)769 - 2207

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Walapai Market Wrapping Up

Submitted by: Joseph Flies-Away

To: Hwal'bay Ba:j

From:


Joseph Thomas Flies-Away
Chief Justice
Hualapai Nation Court of Appeals

Jo Gamyu:je,

It was good to see some of you during Memorial Day weekend. It was also very good to see some of my family who came from California and Wyoming. There were a few headstones to set in the two cemeteries where most of our family rest so more of us were in Peach Springs for this (which reminds me, HANKYU, to the Hualapai Veterans for their service to our Country and to The People, and HANKYU HANKYU for your gift to our family). Most of my family who were here were able to pay our respects and remember the many others who have gone on these last few years at the Schrum's sing. As I went thru the book of pictures I remembered stuff about many of them in there. It is sad that many were quite young when they passed. While we still miss them I am sure that they are quite content where they are now, a place where they blissfully linger, learn, and love even more. And we will eventually join that great energy where we are all one.

Later that evening I was thinking about the singing and how we do wakes, or 'sings', for those who have passed on. I once wrote a poem about it the night they sang for one of the Bravo boys. Maybe, if I can find a good copy of that one I will send along with this. The first stanza says, *"They were singing, singing those songs that have been passed on from generation through generation, Bird Songs. The songs you sing at wakes and funerals. They help lead the dead to the next world. If there was no singing, the soul would wonder and never complete the journey."* Ever since I was little I remember people explaining 'why we sing'. The old people and the bi-lingual program teachers also told us kids these things when they taught us about Hualapai culture (well, 'kids' then). I realized early on that what we did was not what the haygus did at funerals. They didn't sing songs like ours throughout the night and dance in the way we do. One of the coolest ways to describe a Hualapai wake is something my aunt Tina said after my grandma's wake. She described the singing and dancing as *"rocking me comfortable"*. As grandma was like the center of the family we were all quite sad (still hard for me after all these years), so the rocking was something we all required in order to Go On. I think it is a good practice, a good custom and way of life. There is a reason why it was started and why I believe it should continue to be done. Though having a wake is not a modern-day legal requirement under Hualapai law, like it is for say how a 'decedent's body' is to be handled and disposed of; a wake is nevertheless a valuable ceremony that benefits the person who died AND the persons left behind.

Now I want you to pretend you are living long, long time ago and there someone died. Would there be any conversation about 'whether there should be a sing'? Was it even a thought to say back then, 'Oh, we can't afford a wake'? It seems reasonable to believe that the practice was automatic. Moreover, bands and others from different tribes would gather for a sing for the many who died throughout the year. If you lived at that time would you call the practice a law of the tribe? Would that be the term you would use from the modern English language to describe the practice of having a wake? As explained, there are penalties, or maybe better described as detrimental (bad) results, if a sing is not held. But, it is person who died that seems to primarily reap the negative results. Maybe back then there were penalties of some sort for a family who did not hold a sing for one of its relatives, like social suicide perhaps (dishonor, shame, etc.). Or maybe the whole band did it together. Today where we have no law stating a sing mandatory, many still have one as it is a part of who we are. Unfortunately, however, things change. For example, there was also a practice that we did not say the names of those who have died. If you did it was well a really big mistake. They must have had remarkable control back then as it seemed to be the 'rule' at the time. Many of the people around my grandma's age still practiced this because I remember being told when I was little, 'you're not supposed to say the name'. We don't seem to do that anymore today. And as my mom pointed out social media can carry a name all over the planet, such as to amplify the name to the cosmos. Imagine having to tell a Hualapai in the year 1750 'that person just said the name to everyone on Earth and even to those in the stars'. I think the person would die on the spot right there! So, some writing for you to think about in regards to what is law, custom, practice, rule, culture and ways of life? Until next letter, Hankyu and Ha:nk Wayo:hiyu.

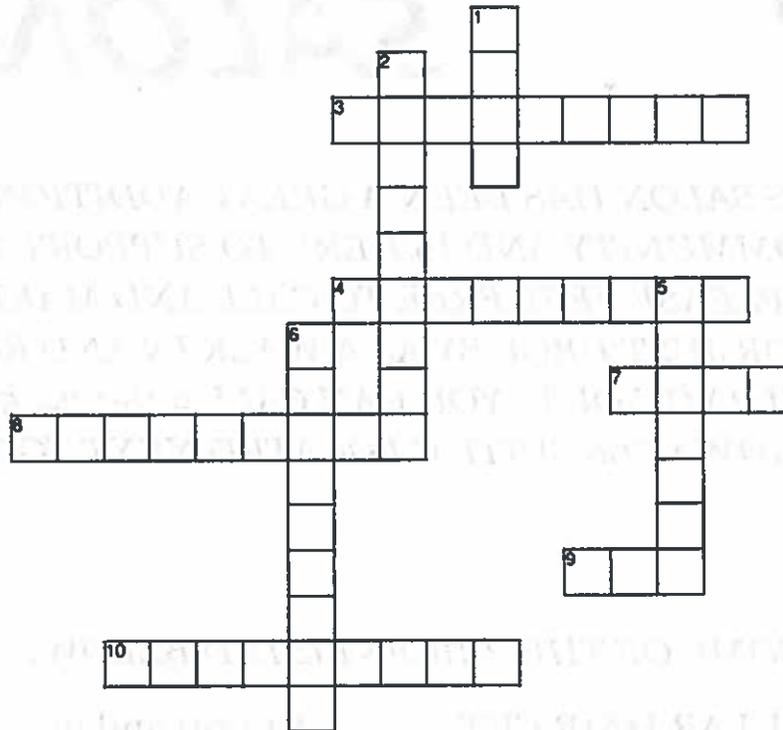
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3. Best put to use full of Goth!
4. Digging tool
7. You could play musical chairs with this item
8. You need leaves to put this item to use
9. Don't bring this to a gun fight!
10. This item looks complete with a little frybead on it!

Down

1. It comes black or with a little cream and sugar
2. Hopefully its on the stove full of homemade stew!
5. 'A _____ full of sugar helps the medicine go down'
6. 'I'd rather be a hammer than a _____'

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