

# T'epot'aha'l

The People of the Salinan Tribe

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## Summer Solstice Celebration

*We would like to thank everyone who came out and supported the tribe. We had so many climbers this year that we had two groups go up. Bruce flood led the first group. When the first group returned from the top we gathered for a special blessing by Father Larry Gosselin, from Mission San Miguel. We then lit our prayer candles. After the candles were lit the second group led by John Burch climbed to the alter of our ancestors. Thanks to everyone who brought food and drinks to share. A special thanks to the drummers who always make any gathering special.*

*A big thank you to Elise Wheeler for all her hard work making sure each solstice celebration goes off without a hitch. Because of all her hard work and dedication and willingness to keep the lines of communication open when it comes to the Tribe and our cultural and sacred areas. The council voted at their last business meeting to nominate her for a GWS award. This award is for excellence in outstanding accomplishments in the fields associated with protecting, and managing of cultural and natural sites in our State and National Parks.*



Father Larry Gosselin blessing the climbers.



Lighting of the candles



Circle of prayer candles



Drummers

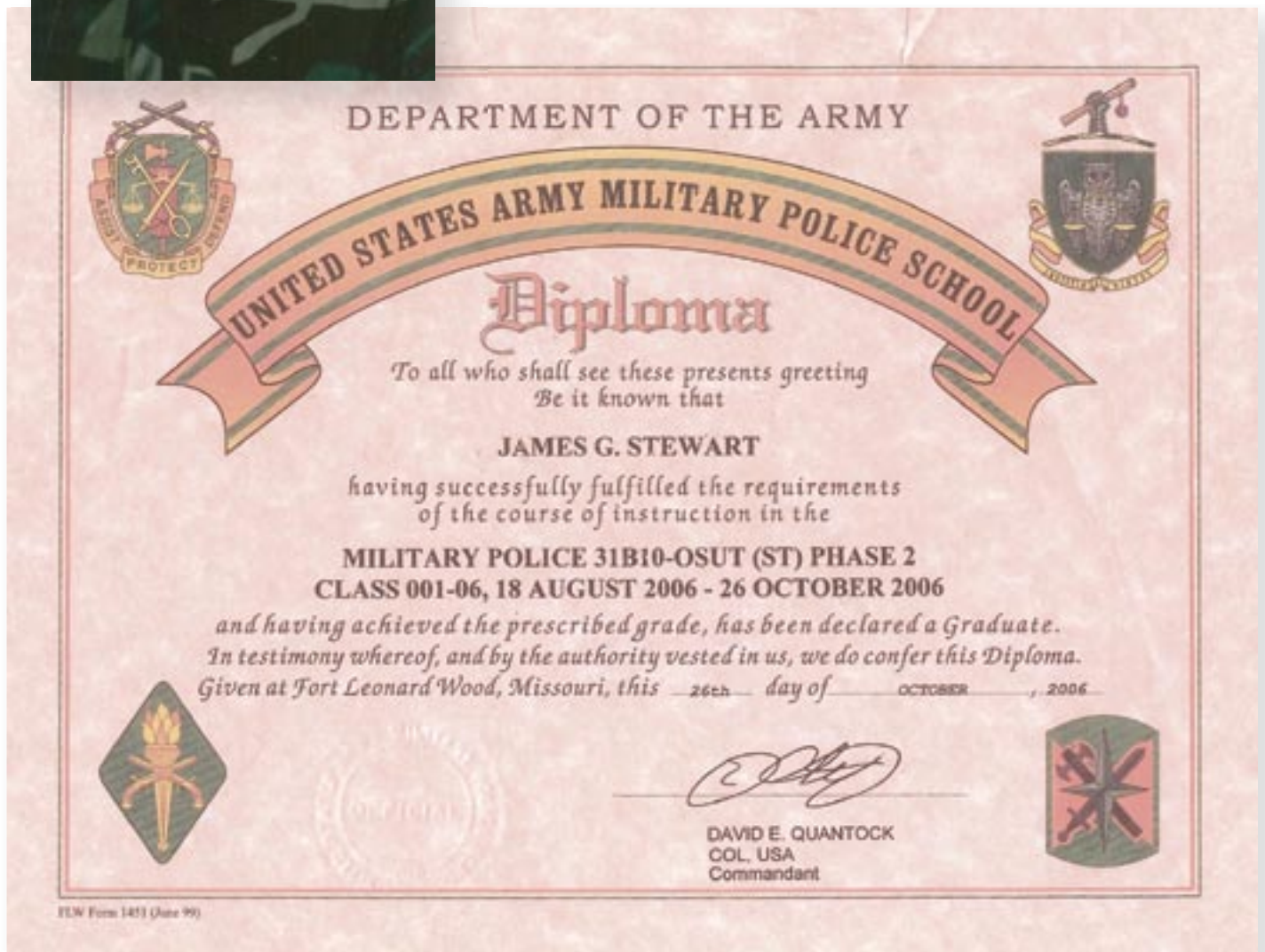


Left to right are Lorney Davis, Cody Davis, Madeline Flood, Lynn Flood and Bruce Flood.

# This Month's Honored Tribal Veteran



**James Stewart** is the son of Brian Stewart and the Grandson of Dawn Capri Stewart and Great-grand son of Eve Hahn. He served in the army as part of the military police. He served in Afghanistan. He was honorably discharged in May of 2009. Some of the awards he received are: Afghanistan Campaign medal w/ campaign star, Army Commendation Medal, Army good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve components achievement Medal, National defense service medal, Global War on terrorism service medal, Army service ribbon, Overseas service ribbon and Army forces reserve.



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# Tribal updates

## Art Show in King City

### Sol Treasures Gallery

On Sunday, 11 July 2010, in answer to the invitation in the tribal newsletter to all Salinan artists, Patty Dunton, Jan Cooper, Doug Wreden, David Savoy and Suzanne Pierce Taylor went to Sol Treasure Gallery in King City to participate.

To welcome visitors, the plaques telling the Salinan history of Agata Maria are hanging in the main room. School children and others will tour and with the help of a docent will learn about our tribe. The rich colors of Jan's paintings of indigenous rock art are to be enjoyed there too. Beautiful basketry by Edna Burch and interesting cultural objects handcrafted by Fred Andersen are also displayed. Many of these articles are for sale.

The next room holds watercolor paintings, note cards, Indian (applehead) dolls, and Salinan rattles by Suzanne Pierce Taylor. Her book: "The Ancestors Speak" offers the reader a history of the Salinans and her family rooted here in Monterey County. All are for sale.

After everything was hung and displayed to our satisfaction, our contact Mauricio Mancholla, invited us to dinner at his home. We met schoolteachers and others connected with Sol Treasures. It was good company, delicious food and wine, a really great time! Thank you, Mauricio and John. And thanks to Doug and David for their help with the hangings.

We encourage everyone, especially you Salinan Tribal members, to come and see our display and sign the guest book at Sol Treasures, 519 Broadway, King City. You'll like it! *Tribal Elder Sue Taylor*

## August General Meeting

### HAS BEEN MOVED TO A DIFFERENT DATE!

The next general meeting will be moved to the third Sunday in August. We will be meeting on Sunday August the 15th at Mission San Miguel. We will be meeting in the picnic area at noon directly after 11am mass. The council will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs. Members are asked to bring side dishes. We will have a special behind the scenes tour of the mission by museum curator John Warren. Also the tribe's music group will be performing for us live! So don't miss out.



## Social Service Community News

The Tribal council and the board of directors of our non-profit the Salinan Heritage Preservation Association have agreed that individuals, especially tribal members, needing to do community service will now be able to do community service for the tribe. This is a good way to give back to your tribe while giving back to the community. If you have any questions please call the office at 805-460-9202.

Remember low income Seniors can get free bread at the Atascadero Senior Center on Mondays starting at 10 am. Make sure to check out the Senior Center near you to see what kind of things they offer seniors. Reminder to all Tribal Veterans needing medical care to be sure to check out the VA clinic near you. There is a great clinic in San Luis Obispo and a new facility in Santa Maria that also does teeth and eyes. I know there is a Van available for those needing a ride to the Santa Maria and LA Clinics. Call the San Luis Obispo Office for more information. (805) 543-1233.

Also remember Tribal members needing help with finding a job or job training and educational training along with help with housing, food and utility bills. Try contacting Candelaria American Indian Council. They have been helping the Native American Community for 37 years. Call Lupe Palacio at (831) 751-6023.

Sincerely, Your Social Service Leads- George Burch, Yvonne Ayala and John Piatti

Reminder that all card holding members can go the Santa Ynez Clinic for in house Medical and Dental.  
The Clinic phone number is 805-688-7070.

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### ➡ ————— ➡ **Business Meeting Protocol** <————— <

Tribal business meetings start at 6:30 pm The first 10 minutes are reserved for open comment from tribal members or can be used by council members for input on a personal matter that they may want to bring before the council. To reserve this time you must call the Tribal office by Monday before the next business meeting. If the matter needs further attention it will be put on the agenda for the following week or when time allows.

Let me get this Straight ...  
First we'll give you  
land and let you  
people stay  
here for Free.



### **Carcieri v. Salazar in a nut shell**

1636: Canonicus chief of the Narragansett Tribe

Then later on you won't recognize us so we'll have to petition you in court so you will recognize us. So you finally do recognize us but it won't matter because it was not soon enough?

We are asking again that all tribal members make copies of the letter on page 5 and mail them to the people we have listed with the letter. This is very important if we want the Federal government to put land in trust for us."

Date:

To:

RE: Carcieri v Salazar

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ :

I'm a member of the Salinan Tribe of San Luis Obispo & Monterey Counties, a State Recognized Indian Tribe. We are in the process of seeking formal federal recognition from the Department of Interior and have been working on our petition for over twenty (20) years.

Our journey has been very difficult but rewarding to say the least: dealing with all the regulations we must follow, obtaining the legal documentation necessary to meet OFA (Office Of Federal Acknowledgement) requirements, and dealing with the task of raising needed capital to pay for the legal processes.

This process is difficult enough without having to fight yet another battle our government has put in front of us. We now have to sit back and wait until the BIA figures out a way to deal with "Carcieri v Salazar" & the 1934 IRA (Indian Regulatory Act), or chooses to do nothing. In the meantime, we have lost our investor because they feel the federal government will choose to do nothing.

This case has to do with the government's ability to take land into trust after 1934 for a verifiable indigenous native american tribe. Well, we do fall into that very quandary; we have completed all of our research, and we can prove all the necessary criteria to become a federally recognized Indian tribe.

Our ancestors and their rightful lineages are no different now than they were before 1934. We feel like this is just another major injustice in a long line of injustices to our people.

We're asking for your immediate support and assistance with this matter, as we feel very strongly about our ancestors and the price they paid to afford us the ability to right a wrong that has gone on entirely too long.

Sincerely,

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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# Tribal updates

## Salinan Tribe and SHPA General Meeting Minutes Del Mar Park, Morro Bay, July 11, 2010

The Meeting was not audio taped

- I. Housekeeping and Old Business
  - a. Bruce Flood motioned to approve the minutes as they were in the newsletter. John Piatti 2nd motion. Minutes were approved.
  - b. Summer Solstice Report-John discussed (another non-incident registered). Drummers showed up. Bruce led 1st party up the rock. Father Larry from Mission San Miguel blessed them. We need a thank you letter drafted to Elise Wheeler and a big thanks to everyone involved needs to go out in the newsletter.
  - c. Graffiti update-another day is scheduled and the kid who did it was caught.
  - d. Margarita village work day scheduled for July 17th. People needed to pick Tulles and help with huts. Mary will have lunch out there. Bruce and Brad were volunteered.
  - e. Federal Recognition update-Chris Molina discussed the Salazar case and that the department of interior is processing land into trust. It was suggested that all of the tribe should send in letters to politicians. A list of addresses was passed around with a general letter to make it easier. They will also be published in upcoming newsletters.
  - f. Fund-raising ideas-Chris is working on a project with the rotary club. If it works well we may be interested in doing a project like that for the tribe.
- II. Financial Report
  - a. Not available at this time, but funds are real low and other fund-raisers are needed soon to keep up the newsletter and our other office and insurance bills.
- III. New Business
  - a. Code of conduct is being led by Bruce Flood. Council is currently working on drafting a code of conduct for the tribe.
  - b. King City Art show-flyer going around.



Minutes submitted by Dayna Sciocchetti



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**The New World Baroque Orchestra**  
of The San Luis Obispo Early Music Consortium - Julia H. Larsen, Artistic Director

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*We have new T-Shirts \$15.00 ea. Colors blue, maroon, and for sizes call 805.460.9202*



*We will also have T-Shirts at all general meetings for purchase.*

*Thank you for your support, all purchases help with Tribal needs and events.*



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REMEMBER TO PRAY TO kensha:nel (CREATOR) TO keeheak (PROTECT) ALL lu wa' (MEN) AND lets'e (WOMAN) SERVING IN THE WAR. AND BRING THEM Ta'ma (HOME) SAFE.

## Vision of the Salinan Tribe

We, as the Salinan Tribe, follow the way of our ancestors as we walk the path of our heritage toward becoming complete individuals. We exercise our rights as a sovereign entity. We continue to reawaken our culture. Each and every tribal member has an equal voice.

We, as the Salinan Tribe, commit to honoring the rights of each and every tribal member to practice our spiritual, individual, or religious beliefs. We remember and honor our ancestors, elders, and children now and for all generations to come.

We as the Salinan Tribe, continue to gather as a tribal family.





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# August 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 General Meeting at Mission San Miguel	16	17	18 Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm Happy Birthday Elder Patricia Sanders	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Happy Birthday Elder Sue Taylor	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Tribal business meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month

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