



T'epot'aha'l

The People of the Salinan Tribe

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The Power of Names by R.J. Piatti

I am Salinan.

I am a man, son, husband, father. I am a brother, older, younger, one of six, oldest of the second wave. Looking at my brothers, and truly seeing how similar yet completely different we are as individuals, has made me want to know more about all of our Salinan families.

I am or have been, in a somewhat-loose chronological order; friend, student, scholar, athlete. Class president, boyfriend, graduate. A painter, an artist, a laborer. Hunter and fisherman. Gamer, college graduate, writer. An office manager, an art seller, a nautical researcher. Business owner. A "cultural resource monitor". I've been named Robert, Joel, Robby, Rob, Bobby, R.J. Quiggyllynn. Nicknamed Piggy, Catfish, Paiute, Hooter, Bingo, Luigi the Pie-man. I've been called - right or wrong - driven, lazy, genius, stupid. Handsome, ugly, fit, fat. Loyal, fickle, kind, arrogant. A team-player, an obstructionist, a "minor-force-of-nature". Native Californian, American Indian, injun, an indigenous person.

So, my only real point in this exercise of vanity, is to share with you that while all the above is true, none of it makes me who I really am. Only my actions do that, so I continue to look for ways that I may make the world a better place for others, and by default myself. With this in mind, I invite each and every one of you to do the same. Act on matters that you feel passionate about and change our world for the better. We want to hear and read your stories of success.

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Sale opportunity for Tribal craft people

Greetings all, we have an opportunity for our tribal craft people to be able sell their traditional items.

For more information as to where and how contact the Tribal office at info@salinantribe.com or leave a message at 805-464-2650.



Upcoming Tribal Elections

Tribal Election time is here again. There are six Council seats and two Elder Council seats up for reelection. Any Baseroll members can run for the open seats. You have to be at least thirty years of age by the time ballots are do in November, to run for a council seat. You have to be at lease sixty five years of age by the time ballots are due in November, to run for an Elder council seat. Baseroll members interested in running must turn in a letter of intent. The Tribal office will begin excepting letters of intent starting September 15th and ending October 15th. As a council member you will be expected to attend monthly business meetings and general meetings along with helping with the yearly Tribal gathering and fundraiser. If you have any questions please email or call the tribal office. **Xayatspanikan, Patti Dunton, Tribal Administrator**

May Tribal Elder Birthdays

1st Daniel M. Alviso

was born in Paso Robles California to Vera B. Swanson and Milton R. Alviso. He is the grandson of Daniel D. Alviso and Rosie Smith.

5th Benjamin (Benito) F. McCormack

was born in King City California to Soila Asuncion aka Susie Boronda and Benito A. McCormack. He is the grandson of Mary (Maria) A. Govers and Frank B. McCormack along with Maria Loreta Robles and Jose De Los Santos Boronda.

7th Yvonne B. Ayala (Bomar)

was born in San Lucas California to Bernice Camany and Francis C. Bomar. She is the grand-daughter of Antonia Encinales and Luis Camany.

10th Dawn C. Stewart (Hahn)

was born in King City California to Eva Angel Digges and Garnett Hahn. She is the grand-daughter of Juanita A. Laguna and Charles Digges.

15th Loretta J. Carter (Pierce)

was born in San Luis Obispo California to Leslie Pierce and Jean E. Cole. She is the grandson of Maria Antonia Bylon and Edward Romeo Pierce.

19th Doreen M. Packard

was born in San Luis Obispo California to Barbara F. Black and James H. Packard. She is the grand-daughter of Frances E. Weathers and Robert L. Black.

24th Victoria L. Tucker-Luginbill (Quinones)

was born in San Luis Obispo California to Dorothy M. Castillo and Elmer R. Quinones. She is the grand-daughter of Daniel G. Castillo and Margaret Smith.

30th Shirley M. Macagni (Pierce)

was born in San Luis Obispo California to Christina J. Holdt and Leslie Pierce. She is the grand-daughter of Maria Antonia Bylon and Edward Romeo Pierce.



Elder Daniel M. Alviso Passes

Daniel Alviso was born May 1, 1953 in Paso Robles, CA. He passed away on March 3, 1921 in Rosamond, CA.

Daniel is sevised by his children, Gilbert, Raymond and Summer, 5 Grandchildren and 4 Great Grandchildren, mother Vera and siblings Youlen, Vanessa, Roena, Theresa and Dale. He was proceeded in death by his father Milton and brother Craig. Daniel lived in the Antelope Valley from 1960 to 2021. He loved building his Harleys.

May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 Happy Birthday Elder Daniel M. Alviso
2	3	4	5 Happy Birthday Elder Benjamin (Benito) F. McCormack	6	7 Happy Birthday Elder Yvonne B. Ayala (Bomar)	8
9	10 Happy Birthday Elder Dawn C. Stewart (Hahn)	11	12 Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm	13	14	15 Happy Birthday Elder Loretta J. Carter (Pierce)
16	17	18	19 Happy Birthday Elder Doreen M. Packard	20	21	22
23	24 Happy Birthday Elder Victoria L. Tucker-Luginbill (Quinones)	25	26	27	28	29
30 Happy Birthday Elder Shirley M. Macagni (Pierce)	31	1	2	3	4	5

Tribal business meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of each month

THERE ARE NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED AT ANY TRIBAL EVENTS.

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WE ONLY LIST THE BIRTHDAYS FOR TRIBAL ELDERS.

*** NO TRIBAL EVENTS IN MAY**



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REMEMBER TO PRAY TO kensha:nel (CREATOR) TO keeheak (PROTECT) ALL lu wa' (MEN) AND lets'e (WOMAN) WHO ARE SERVING OUR COUNTRY. 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.

