

Cepocahaí The People of the Salinan Tribe Vol. 21 No.11 November, 2021



November 2021 Elder Birthdays

7th

Katherine Shedd-Katherine was born is Salinas, California to Theresa Lopez and Richard V. Avila. She is the granddaughter of Manuela Boronda and Patricio Avila.

11th

Michael Martinez- Michael was born in Dos Palos in Fresno County, California to Edward Cisneros Martinez and Grace Soto. He is the grandson of Antonio Soto and Pauline Flores.

15th

Geraldine Pierce-Geraldine was born at home in Morro Bay, California to Leslie Pierce and Jean Cole. She is the granddaughter of Edward R. Pierce and Maria A. Bylon.

21st

Danny Macagni-Danny was born in Santa Maria, California to Shirley M. Macagni (Pierce) and Henry J. Macagni. He is the grandson of Leslie Pierce and Christina J. Holdt.

24th

Sharon Thomas (Montgomery)- Sharon was born in Morro Bay, California to Gertrude A. Pierce and Eugene H. Montgomery. She is the granddaughter of Edward R. Pierce and Katherine (Catarina) McCormack.

26th

Benita LaTour (McCormack)-Benita was born in Salinas, California to Benjamin F. McCor- mack and Wanda Watts. She is the granddaughter of Benito A. McCormack and Soila Asuncion aka Susie Boronda.

27th

Susan C. Latta (McCormack)- Susan was born in San Lucas, California to Frank A. "Pancho" McCormack and Loretta aka Laura K. Laguna. She is the granddaughter of Angel M. Laguna and Soila Asuncion aka Susie Boronda.

30th

Cynthia A. Soto (Pierce)-Cynthia was born in San Luis Obispo, California to Ernest R. Pierce and Elvira (Vera) J. Dimartini. She is the granddaughter of Edward R. Pierce and Katherine (Catarinauy) McCormack.



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Shamoosh,

I am Joshua Cody, Grandson to Donald Pierce, Son to his Daughter Donna and Nephew to his Son Donald, jr.

I am enthused to announce that I am running for Tribal Council. I have served our community here in San Luis Obispo County as a Firefighter, an Emergency Medical Technician and as of the last five years I have been working with our Tribal Family as a Cultural Monitor in archeological pursuits. It continues to be an honor representing, preserving and defending our families placement here in our ancient home.These experiences have illuminated additional contributions that I would like to make for our Tribe.

Firstly, I want to contribute to public accessibility, for learnedness and local recognition. I have seen grand efforts from our Family to share with our Community and I would like to assist in such developments. I think often of a gathering place that we can call our own that would also serve as a proverbial flag of our presence.

Secondly, I am multi-instrumentalist and musical recording artist; utilizing the recording arts, I would like to develop an accessible language learning program. I do feel it would be a beautiful way to share our part in the ancient Hokan language group.

Thirdly, as a fourth-generation Diver, I would like to pursue our histories in underwater archaeology. If the Family sees fit, I would seek out and apply for grants that would fund research expeditions, with us included, to document cultural activities miles into our pacific ocean; thus diversifying cultural understandings and preserving our generations past.

Most of all I want to bring honor to our Family and would love the opportunity to so. I will be seeing you all for the Winter Solstice as your new trail guide for our lovely Morro Rock!

Thank you for your time,

Joshua Cody



Elder Marty Cantu Passes:

We are sorry to announce that at the tender age of almost 74 Marty Cantu crossed over on August 10, 2021. He was surrounded by family. Marty and his wife Brenda joined us for the Summer and Winter Solstice celebrations. He would sometimes drum with the drummers. He will be greatly missed.





This letter is to officially announce my Intent to run for a Tribal Council Seat. I would be honored to serve our tribe as a member of the tribal council. I take great pride in my roles as a leader in my family and have served as a communi-ty leader and organizer for many years.

I am so proud to be a descendent of the original stewards of this beautiful paradise we call home. I have a profound respect for nature, and the health, and wellness of our people and our planet. As a tribal council member I will strive to be of service to our tribe as an organizer of cultural, educational, and social events. I am interested in expanding opportunities for our youth to learn more about their ancestral rights and ways. My dream goal is to build a cultural arts and education center for our tribe.

Another goal I have is to enhance communication within our tribe, through mail, email, social media, and our newsletter. I intend to meet more of you and share experiences with you, the way our ancestors did. I want to share stories around a fire, cook, hunt, and gather.

I believe we can create opportunities for our children and future generations if we work together. Elected or not I intend to focus more of my energy and attention to furthering the goals and objectives of the tribe through experiences, and educational activities. I am humbly asking for your support in this election.

Shawnie Briggs (great grand daughter of Katherine McCormack).

Salinan Elder Ed Pierce found this crop of Hollyleaf Cherries, "Choke Cherries" on Jolon Road. According to Ed, grandma Kate (McCormack) used to make choke cherry pie for uncle Les from the fruit he picked on Jolon Road. The crop this year is especially abundant, hanging like a little gems from the trees the choke cherries are very similar to bing cherries, but with a larger pit and a slight bitter aftertaste. Seems to me they are too mild to make a really good pie according to my modern taste buds, but they sure are fun to eat, so delicious!









Great adventures for one of our tribal young men. Our council member Deanna Perry's son Brayden loves hunting like the rest of the men in our family and enjoyed a trip to the Colorado River with his grandfather for a couple days of Dove hunting.



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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

Ule, 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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Happy Birthday Elder Katherine Shedd	8	9	10 Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm	11 Happy Birthday Elder Michael Martinez	12	13
14	15 Happy Birthday Elder Geraldine Pierce	16	17	18	19	20
21 Happy Birthday Elder Danny Macagni	22	23	24 Happy Birthday Elder Sharon Thomas	25	26 Happy Birthday Elder Benita LaTour	27 Happy Birthday Elder Susan C. Latta
28	29	30 Happy Birthday Elder Cynthia A. Soto	1 Tribal busines	2 ss meeting is the 2	3 2nd Wednesday o	4 of each month

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

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