



T'epot'aha'l

The People of the Salinan Tribe

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The greeting to Hōkūle'a voyaging canoe team went well, our tribal turnout was good, Shawnie Briggs, Mary Rodgers and Jessica Rodgers helped arrange for the Salinan Tribe to be there as well. Jessica Rodgers greeted the Hōkūle'a team in our native language. Gifts from the Salinan tribe were given to each of the team members.



The Maritime Funday turnout on October 14th was great, We had informational displays. Pam's wonderful Acorn Bread and Doreen's Elderberry Jelly was a treat everyone enjoyed, we also had information on collecting Acorns and Elderberries. The leather craft booth was hosted by Lynn Flood and many enjoyed creating their projects.

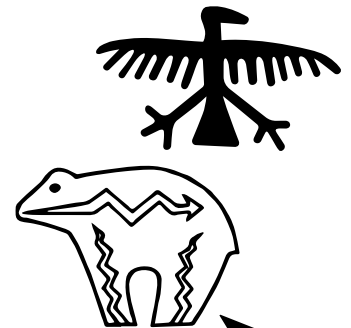
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Tribal Gathering

November 11, 12:00pm - 5:00pm
at El Chorro Park at the Poppy Day Park

The park is across from Cuesta College
Brings Raffle items to share and
lounge chairs for your comfort, no chairs are provided.



The Salinan Tribe is pleased to announce it will be participating in this year's Templeton Historical Museum Showcase of local history on Nov. 18, from 11 am to 3 pm. This museum is known for presenting an array of interesting exhibits, stories, and food and games on this day which celebrates lesser-known historic events and facts of our region.

The Tribe plans on having a display booth of cultural tools, sharing stories of our ancestors and our current day tribal activities, and occasional performances by a select group of contemporary Salinan musicians. If you get a chance, do stop by the Templeton Historic Museum location at 309 Main St. and join us on this day. Any tribal members interested in participating in this event, please contact council member Robert Piatti directly by email at quiggyllynn@gmail.com or leave a message at 949-677-0549.

Thanks,
Robert



TEMPLETON HISTORICAL MUSEUM SOCIETY



The Council Election Is Approaching Soon

Hello Salinan Family

My name is Pam Flood, I am again asking for your support in our upcoming election for a council seat. My goals for the tribe's future are many, mainly with focus on social issues including our image across the board.

I want to encourage the younger generation Salinans to get involved and participate in the social events each year. We can do this I believe by our own willingness to be involved and to lead by example.

During the year we sponsor Tribal gatherings including Summer and Winter Solstice, Fall Tribal Gathering, Mission Days and Cemetery Maintenance, Morro Bay Garden Events, Fundraiser and Trap Shoot, School and Group Demonstrations and many more.

I respect those who came before that helped preserve our culture and traditions and hope we continue together with this hope for the bright future of our tribe. Let's keep sharing stories, traditions, friendships, and my favorite part "food" I am grateful for the opportunity to be your social Lead and would appreciate your vote.

Thank you
Pamela Flood



A'kish my Tribal Family,

These last four years have come and gone in a flash. The pandemic situation created a time with much turmoil and many hardships causing challenges with life's normal activities. People realize how important our relationships with family and friends truly are because there are no guarantees in life. It is up to us to share and create good times for each other!

I truly have enjoyed sharing while serving as your council member and would like to continue to do so. This November you'll be voting for Tribal Council and I am asking for your vote for re-election.

Sincerely,
Johnny Piatti



Salinan Brothers and Sisters

My name is Kenneth Pierce Sr. I Am the youngest in the family of Walter (Duke) and Marion Pierce, and the grandson of Katherine (McCormack) Pierce.

I am seeking to renew my seat on the Elder Council. I have been the newsletter editor and publisher as well as managing the Tribal Website since 2008. I am helping to prepare the Federal Recognition package which will be submitted soon.

I believe my attendance and participation in the council will allow me to better serve our tribe and also to be more informed in tribal matters.

Thank you,
Kenneth J. Pierce Sr

Hello,

My name is Sharon Thomas, Daughter of Gertrude Pierce, Montgomery, Beech. Granddaughter of Katherine McCormack, Pierce. I am council treasurer.

The council has been working on efforts to achieve federal recognition for quite some time now for the tribe. I have watched many of my family and tribal members pass on with hope that they would achieve this.

I would like to continue working for this as a goal, not forgetting how much they wanted this for their families and tribe. I would appreciate your vote to continue on council.

Sincerely,
Sharon Thomas



Shamoosh, "hello" from Yvonne Davis.

I am currently up for re-election for a tribal council seat. My great-grandmother was Kate (Katarina) McCormack.

I enjoy working with our tribal council and love how we can agree to disagree on different subjects, but still come to a conclusion that works best for our tribe. On occasion I present talks to 4th graders on Salinan history.

I have recently been working in the tribal office one day a week, mostly with enrollment. Lately our Council has been involved in working with the companies planning to build an offshore wind farm near Morro Bay, bayside battery storage, and details of the proposed Chumash Marine Sanctuary, mainly asking that the name be changed to Indigenous, or anything that includes all other tribes along our coastal waters.

Thank you! I hope to get your vote in November, so I may continue to work towards our tribal goals.

Thank You,
Yvonne Davis



Greetings all my relations,

Most of you know me as the person in the office, yes that's me and what an honor it has been getting to know all of you.

I am running for council because I feel that if I am at the tribal business meetings, communication between the council and the office would even be better.

I have enjoyed doing educational walks and talks on behalf of the tribe with my daughter Deanna who was on council as public education lead. All of my life I have been walking between two worlds, so I feel I could represent both traditional and non-traditional tribal members.

We all have our own paths to follow.
Xayatspanikan, Patti Dunton (Burch).



Hello all,

It has been a pleasure to serve on our tribal council, and I am asking for your support and vote in the upcoming election. There are many opportunities at this time available to our tribe, and I wish to remain in place to continue to pursue the return to us our traditional tribal lands, the protection of our coastline with the coming of the wind energy projects, and being part of the team that protects and monitors our cultural resources and sacred sites throughout the region.

As always, leadership needs to be focused on representing all of our people, and making choices that benefit the greatest good. I invite everyone to contact any and all of our council with any questions and concerns. We are always looking for more and greater participation from all members, to make our voice and positions strong and united.

As a favorite teacher of mine, Little Crow of the Lakota once lectured, "Breathe. It is the first thing that you have to do. After that, everything is a choice." Thank you in advance if you choose to allow me the honor to continue to represent our people.

Sincerely & Smiles,
Robert Piatti



Joshua Cody here, Son of Donna Pierce, Nephew to Don Pierce and Grandson to Don Pierce Sr.

For those of you that don't know me well, I was born and raised here in our homeland. I grew up with a love for family, creatures, adventure, creating music and enjoying the outdoor life. Professionally, I have served as a Firefighter, an Emergency Medical Technician, always a Musician and seasonally with our family as a Cultural Monitor. I have thoroughly enjoyed learning and working for our family over the last 7 years. It has been an honor to be a sentinel with my cousins, and I am proud to stand with them in the preservation of our ancestry. I have since learned how to communicate and function with Archeological, Biological and construction groups, who often have an impact on our ancestral home. I have learned many skills doing this work with family and in being forever a student in life. In such a case I got to train and serve the better part of a year with one of the few Osteologists in the state, identifying, preserving, protecting and repatriating our ancestors under the guidance of our council. With respect and enthusiasm, I am continuing my studiousness in this department as an additional resource for our family. I have also recently acquired certification in rattlesnake capture and relocation out of a forever love for herpetology and due to the frequency of them on projects in harm's way. If you ever come across one or a rookery please feel free to contact me. If I can't help, I know other rescues that can. It has been a great honor in my life to do said things, to be your traditional guide in practicing our Ceremonial Solstice ascents and in helping tell the story that we know to be true as descendants of this ancient family.

If you will have me, I would very much like to join in the efforts as a Salinan Council member. I would like to assist in our tribal efforts with calm strength, a kind heart, watchful eye, flexibility and an open mind. I believe this will aid in fluidity of function and help find perpetual good footing in these ever changing times. I am excited for our future and regardless of a seat on council I will be here to contribute to our longevity and prosperity. A grand thank you to all who have perpetuated our family ways. I am honored to follow suit and may the legacy of T'epot'aha'l be forever known in this place.

Live long and prosper,

-Joshua

I Yvonne Ayala,

I am running for Elder Council Seat again. I enjoy working with the council members and meetings, Tribal Gatherings and seeing Tribal members. I am the fourth generation down from Pedro and Perfecta Encinales.



Thank You,
Yvonne Ayala

To whom it may concern.

I am interested in renewing my seat on the elder Tribal council. My mother was Gertrude (Beech)Pierce. I am interested in this position because I feel I can bring fresh insight without bias or prejudice.

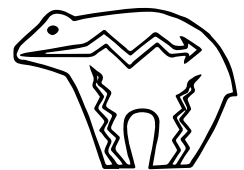
I am interested in learning more about the challenges and accomplishments of the Tribe and know this will give me the opportunity to do so. I am easy-going and get along with everyone and have an open mind to listen to different points of view. Since I am retired, I feel I have the time needed to focus on this position.

Thank you for your consideration,
Leslie Ernest Montgomery



We have a new T-Shirt design and it will be available at the general meetings it will also be on the website soon for viewing.

The following sizes are available,
Women's – Sm, Med, Lg
Men's – Sm, Med Lg, xLg, xxLg, xxxLg
We also have hooded sweatshirts



PLEASE GET INVOLVED

We would hope to see more involvement from our members. We have events coming up, if you would like to be involved and volunteer for specific Events, please contact the Tribal Office at 805-464-2650.

If you would like your newsletter emailed please contact the Tribal office with a current and valid email address, or send to editor@salinantribe.com

We are making some changes, newsletters sent usps will be black and white, emailed will be in color.



November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm	9	10	11 *Tribal Gathering 12 - 5 pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Templeton Historical Museum Showcase of local history 11am - 3 pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
Tribal business meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of each month						

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

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PLEASE USE INFO@SALINANTRIBE.COM TO EMAIL THE OFFICE

THE BIRTHDAYS FOR TRIBAL ELDERS WILL BE BACK SOON.

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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.



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