



T'epot'aha'l

The People of the Salinan Tribe

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Summer Solstice

Our tribe's super power is gathering together, gathering together gives us strength, stories are told, the future is discussed, the moments are alive and we remember the past.

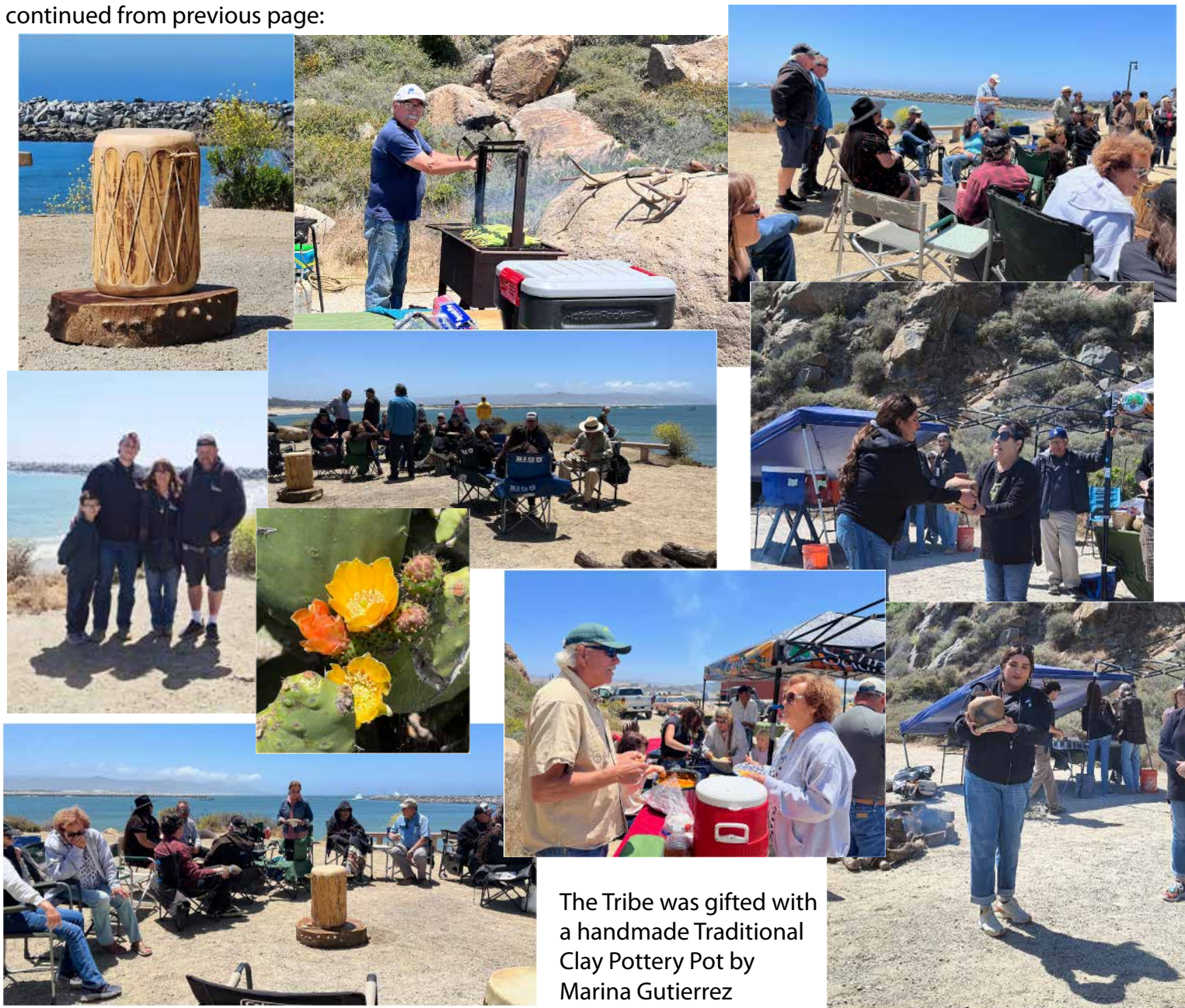
We remember Don Pierce Jr, Jared Cooper, Mathew Montgomery, and Don Pierce Sr. We honor them in a moment of silence.

Submitted By: Bruce Flood



Climbers are from left to right:
Derek Diles, Guide Josh Cody,
Judy Anderson 83, our eldest climber so far to ascend Lesa'mo', Erin Pearson and Joe Villa

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The Tribe was gifted with a handmade Traditional Clay Pottery Pot by Marina Gutierrez

Tribal Fundraiser Update

This year's Fundraiser will not have a trap shoot, due to both facilities being unavailable. We have not chosen a place to hold it yet, but we are open for any suggestions. We have to keep in mind that this is a Public Event! Where ever we choose to hold it, must have easy access for the general public. We will keep you informed when and where it will be held. You can contact John Piatti or any other council member. Submitted By: John Piatti



Salinan Tribe
OF MONTEREY & SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTIES





Indian Cemetery Work Day

At Mission San Antonio



T'pot'aha'l "the people" protect our culture, traditions, and lands, under our nonprofit, the Salinan Heritage Preservation association. Our tribe is currently protecting and preserving the Adobe walls around the cemetery at Mission San Antonio, home to over two thousand Indian ancestors. This is a volunteer project, check the newsletter for the next work day.

Our next work day is Saturday, **July 12 th.** 8 am. To 11 am.

Contact Bruce Flood @ 805-903-3089 If you have any questions or comments contact the Tribal Office and leave a message. @ 805-464-2650

Submitted By: Council Member Bruce Flood



California Biodiversity Day Celebratory
events throughout September 6-14, 2025

Contact Person:
Council Member
Mary Rodgers

Biodiversity is at the core of the remarkable nature in California and is essential to the survival and sustainability of the culture, language, and people who rely upon these lands and waters. September 7th is California Biodiversity Day, a time to inspire discovery and connection to the nature of California, while encouraging actions to steward and protect it.

We warmly and respectfully invite you and your tribe to participate in this year's events September 6-14, 2025. Learn more about California Biodiversity Day at bit.ly/CABiodiversityDay2025.

California Biodiversity Day is an opportunity for your tribe to host, 'collaborate, or participate in an event and share the great work your tribe is doing with the public. Here are some examples of the types of events that tribes have hosted for California Biodiversity Day in previous years:

1. Guided walks
2. Interactive art, scavenger hunts, games, etc.
3. Trainings on the importance of fire on the landscape
4. Demonstrations of basket weaving, processing plants, traditional food or stewardship practices, and sustainable hunting/fishing practices
5. Observing and recording the biodiversity in an area (known as a "bioblitz")

Salinan Words of the Month

Guide to sounds

Squirrel
(Cu mk'o'm')

Rabbit
(map')

ts – sound at the end of cats
tr – make a t but curl your tongue
(almost sounds like a ch)
' – sound in the middle of uh-oh
(glottal stop)

P' t' k' ts' ch'
consonants said at the same
time as a glottal stop ('); they
make a strong, emphasized pop!
x – guttural throaty h sound

a	father	ay	pie
e	get	ow	mow
l	beat.	oy	toy
o	hope		
u	due		

double vowels (**aa, ae**) are
the same sound but longer
in length

Quotes from Native Elders

Red Road Ethic 7 Speak the Truth

Speak only the truth and do right always. You are what you say and what you say needs to be honest, forthright, and of your own personal belief. Without truth you cannot achieve inner balance—balance within yourself, with other beings, with Mother Earth, and with the Creator.

I was going around the world with the clouds when God spoke to my thought and told me to...be at peace with all.

Cochise,
Chiricahua Apache Tribal Leader,
1812-1874

Good words do not last long until
they amount to something.

Do not wrong or hate your
neighbor; for it is not he that
you wrong; you wrong yourself.

Chief Joseph
(Hin-Mah-Too-Yah-Lat-Kekt) Nez Perce.
1840-1904

Shawnee saying

TANF

"On July 22nd from noon-4pm, TRIBAL TANF will be giving away free school backpacks and supplies at their new location at 8865 Morro Road in Atascadero.

For more information contact Cani at 559-760-0156 or Patti at 805-464-2650. "

Notice!!!

This is an Election Year

This year's election letters of intent must be received no later than August 15th 2025, to be included in the September and October Newsletters!

At the Tribal Office or editor@salinantribe.com

All letters must be typed out and signed for better readability!



Notice !!!

Remember the Newsletter will be ONLINE ONLY.

Contact Kenneth Pierce at editor@salinantribe.com with your email address to receive a Newsletter online or pick one up at the Tribal Office.



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.

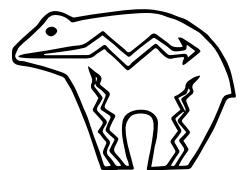
The following sizes are available,

Women's – Sm, to 3xl

sweatshirts size sm to 4xl

Men's – Sm, Med Lg, xLg, xxLg, xxxLg

We also have hooded sweatshirts



**NEW
ADDITIONS**

**In women's t-shirts we have size small to 3xl.
And we have have sweatshirts sizes small to 4xl.**

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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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July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Tribal Business meeting 6:00pm	10	11	12 Cemetery WorkDay at Mission San Antonio 8am-11 noon
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

Tribal business meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday of each month

**THERE ARE NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED AT ANY TRIBAL EVENT.
 PLEASE USE [INFO@SALINANTRIBE.COM](mailto:info@salinantribe.com) TO EMAIL THE OFFICE**

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