

Soaring Eagles March On Martin Luther King Jr. Day

By Karin Giron, Education Coordinator, SCTCA TANF Escondido

On January 18, the Soaring Eagles participated in the 2015 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade along the waterfront in San Diego.

The Soaring Eagles were awarded the 2nd Place Trophy in the Marching Unit Category. The Soaring Eagles youth were accompanied by Green River Singers, Calpulli Mexihca Aztec Dancers and the San Diego American Indian Youth Center.

The parade was held in honor of King, who was at the forefront of the Civil Rights movement and delivered his famous "I Have A Dream" speech in 1963 in Washington, D.C. He was assassinated in 1968.

The Soaring Eagles Program was established in 2008 to provide a unique cultural learning environment for young American Indian students from kindergarten through 12th grade.

During the workshops, families learn about common pow wow dance styles, cultural protocols and how to design and make pow wow regalia so the youth can participate in local San Diego County gatherings and pow wows. These workshops are free and everyone is invited.

The workshops are held at the Parent Ballard Center Auditorium at 2375 Congress Street, San Diego, CA 92110 (Old Town). The hours are from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. All the workshops include a potluck dinner. The main dish is provided, but attendees are asked to please bring a side dish to share with everyone.

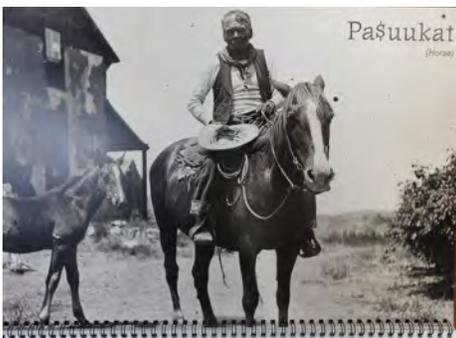
For more information regarding the Soaring Eagles Powwow Workshop, please contact Vickie Gambala at **619-266-2887** or vickiegambala@gmail.com.



Photos by Karin Giron

Images of the Luiseño People: 2015 Calendar

By Colleen Turner, SCTCA TANF



This year's 2015 calendar published by Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association (SCTCA) emphasizes historical pictures and the language of the Luiseño people.

The calendar contains black and white photographs of Luiseño Indian life, including pictures of a chief, cowboy, hunter, dancers and family. The pictures are remarkably clear and probably date back to the early 1900's. The calendar has other pictures of a Luiseño sweathouse, Eagle feathers, head dress and a woman pottery maker.

Each page of the calendar is in Luiseño for each month, day and picture. And there is an English translation for each month's Luiseño language meaning.

As noted in the calendar:

The Luiseños had their own religion with rituals and ceremonies that were led by the tribal

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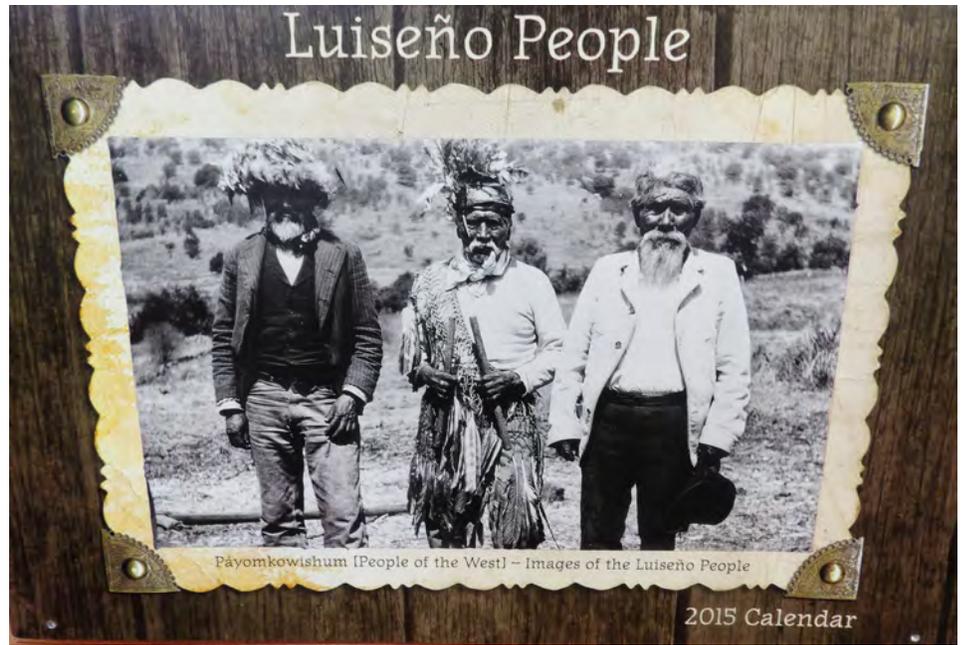
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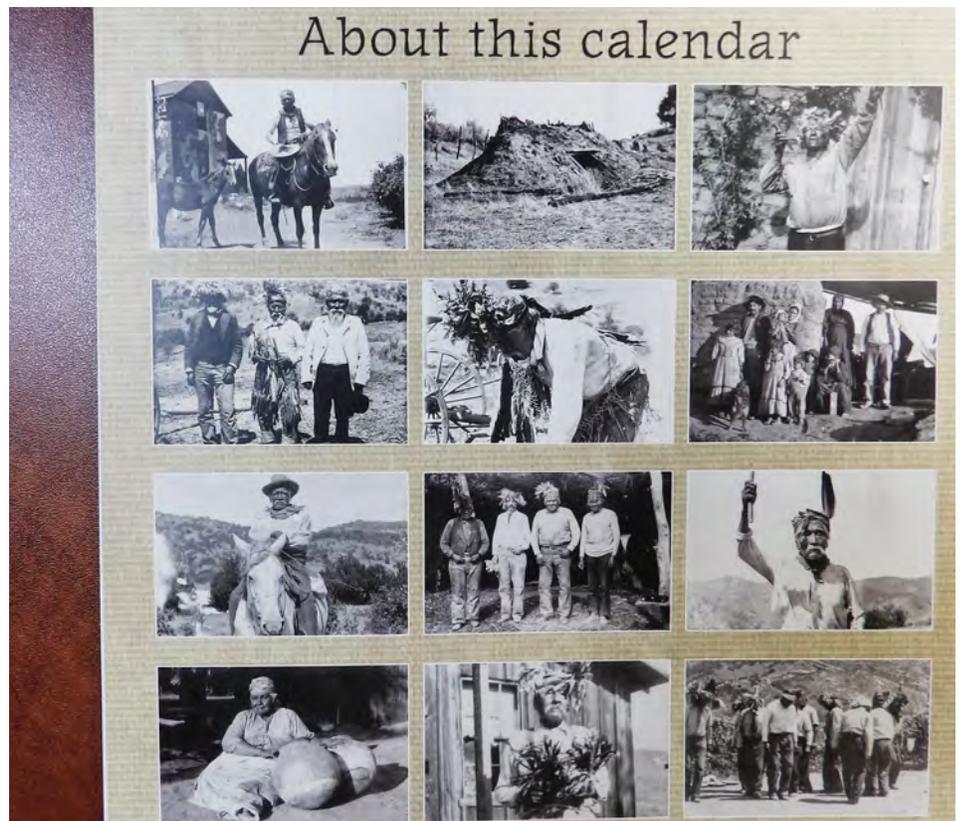
Images of the Luiseño People: 2015 Calendar



chief and a spiritual leader. These ceremonies and rituals had specific songs and dances that were held sacred and were performed only by those chosen. Flutes, rattles, whistles, and clapper sticks made the music. The beliefs of the Luiseño gave meaning to their lives and instilled in a moral conscience and respect for nature.

People and others who assisted and supported this calendar are Stan Rodriguez and Eric Elliot. The Santa Ysabel, Inaja, Barona, Sycuan, Viejas, Manzanita, Campo, Los Coyotes, La Posta, Mesa Grande, La Jolla, Pauma, Pala and Pechanga Indian Reservations also contributed. The Rincon Museum, RIEC Board of Directors, Rincon Tribal Technical Solutions, SCTCA and Luiseño Tribal elders contributed as well.

The calendar was produced by Yuyushea Johnson, Hunwut M. Turner and Tishmal Turner.

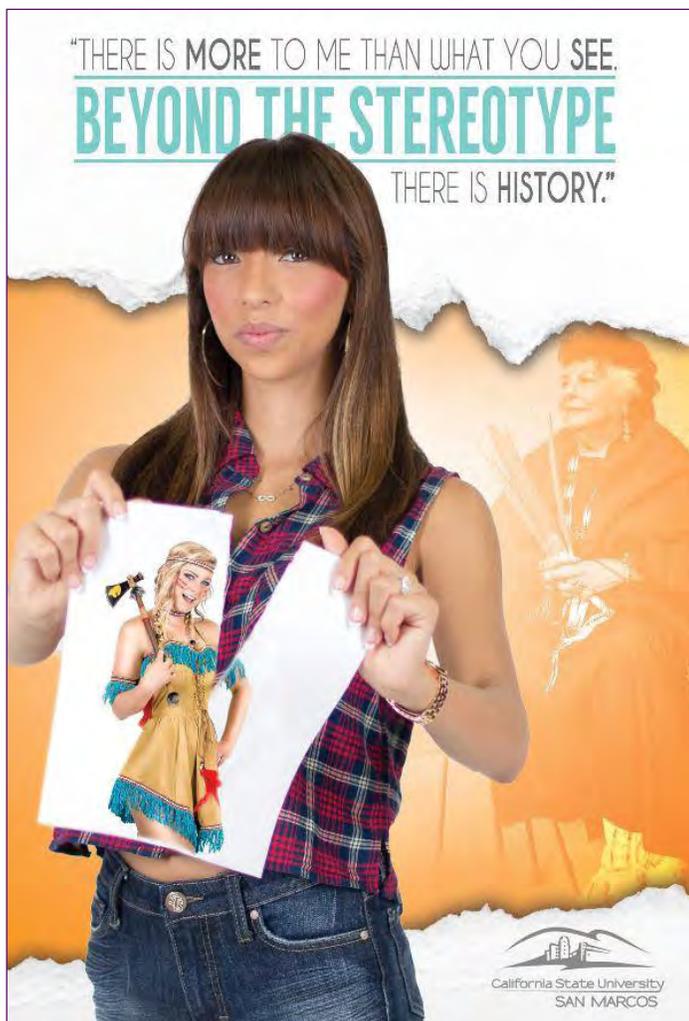


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Beyond the Stereotype

A CSUSM Social Justice Initiative to Stop Cultural Appropriation

DISPATCHES Rome



In Spring 2015, the California State University San Marcos (CSUSM) Library is pleased to showcase an exhibition of thought-provoking posters exploring contemporary issues of cultural appropriation. Featuring current CSUSM students and recent events, the exhibit will facilitate a critical, timely conversation on the victims and perpetrators of cultural stereotypes and misrepresentations.

The *Beyond the Stereotype* posters, the first in a series of posters planned by CSUSM to explore diversity matters, was unveiled on February 3. Attendees learned about this social justice initiative, and met the CSUSM students featured in the posters and the partners involved in the project.

The opening reception was held in the Library Reading Room with formal program beginning at 6 pm.

The California Indian Culture and Sovereignty Center and Dr. Joely Proudfit are the co-creators of the *Beyond the Stereotype* poster campaign and images. The project was also made possible by the following collaborators: Office of Diversity, Educational Equity, Inclusion and Ombuds Services, Student Life & Leadership, Civility Campaign, Public Relations Club, American Indian Student Alliance, Dr. Fredi Avalos and other campus partners.

The posters will be on display after the opening reception until late May 22. The exhibit is free and open to the public during all library hours. To arrange for a class visit or guided tour, please contact Outreach Librarian Melanie Chu mchu@csusm.edu or 760.750.4378.



Pope Francis announced in mid-January the Catholic Church intends to canonize Father Junipero Serra. Canonization will bring Father Serra closer to sainthood.

The Franciscan priest played a crucial role in establishing missions in California in the late 1770s, converting – usually by force – tens of thousands of Native Americans.

But as the *New York Times* noted, Father Serra is a controversial figure among many Native Americans – especially in California.

“Prominent Native Americans see Father Serra as far from saintly,” the Times reported. “...Indian historians and authors blame Father Serra for the suppression of their culture and the premature deaths at the missions of thousands of their ancestors.”

The newspaper noted that Father Serra was a theological professor leading a fairly comfortable religious life before he began to evangelize in the Americas. According to historical records, 90,000 Indians were baptized along the West Coast from San Diego to San Francisco, from 1769 to 1835.

The *Times* continued:

“Once baptized, they were not allowed to leave the missions, and those who did escape were rounded up by soldiers and returned.

“The Indians were forced to shed their languages, dress, religion, food and marriage customs. Thousands died from exposure to European diseases to which they had no immunity. Of the approximately 310,000 Indians in 1769 in what is now California, only one-sixth remained a hundred years later, according to a University of California historian.”

But Father Serra is viewed differently by many Catholics, said Albert Camarillo, an American history professor at Stanford.

“...Catholics saw thousands of Indians who were Christianized and ‘civilized’ as a history of benevolence, kindness and altruism,” Camarillo told the Times. He acknowledged, though, that many Indians see Father Serra through the prism of “colonization characterized by the brutal treatment of Native people, of forced labor and racial oppression.”

What is clear is that the decision of Pope Francis to canonize Father Serra means that the priest will eventually be considered a saint in the Catholic Church. The church rarely begins a canonization and then suspends or reverses the process, even if a canonization is opposed.

In this case, the Catholic Church has decided that Father Serra’s role in bringing Christianity to the Americas and his conversion of Native Americans outweighs any controversy over how he achieved it.

It is, in a French term familiar to the church, a *fait accompli* (accomplished fact.)

A Celebration of Native



All across San Diego County – on and off the reservation – there are countless activities, events, exhibits and presentations celebrating Native American culture.

Every week, every month, from Campo to Pala, Indians of all ages engage in language classes, cultural history events and educational courses. Tribal youth and elders also travel on various trips, teach and learn traditional songs and dance and attend events ranging from powwows to parades to college fairs.

On these two pages are photographs of Native Americans living Indian culture in many different ways. 🖋️

- GARY TAYLOR



American Culture



A Milestone in Age – And in Life

By Gary Taylor, Reporting for SCTCA TANF

And so my son Nighteagle turned 18 last month, an age that is one of life's great milestones.

He reminded me and my wife Jennifer that he is now an adult.

"Now I don't have to listen to you anymore," he said, then quickly smiled. "Just kidding."

There was a time, of course, when he was much younger, and always listened.

He listened when he could barely sit up and held a soft foam baseball bat, and I would toss a small ball towards him. "Swing, Nighteagle, swing!" I would say, and his little arms would wave at the ball and he would smile and laugh when he hit it.

He listened in kindergarten at St. Mary's, when one day his teacher told him the word hate is a strong word that he shouldn't use unless absolutely necessary. He nodded his head and then told her, "I hate the Raiders."

He listened when he misbehaved throughout Mass when he was four and I took him home and told him in no uncertain terms that he was never to act so disrespectfully in church again. He told me he would never do that again. By the time he was nine, when we were living on the reservation, he was an altar server at the Santa Ysabel Indian Mission.

He listened at five when I explained that we were going to have another baby, that Mama's tummy was going to get big and then he would have a little brother or sister. He was with us at the hospital when Jennifer gave birth to our daughter Autumncloud, and he was clapping his hands and running around the house when we brought her home.

He listened when he was 10 and I told him how to hold a single-shot .22 caliber



Nighteagle, in 2001.

rifle, load the cartridge, adjust the site downward, line up the soda can target and squeeze the trigger. His first two shots flew high. "Lower the site," I reminded him. His next shot smashed through the can, catapulting it into the air.

Nice shot, I said.

I lowered the site, he replied.

He listened when he was 12, and I told him his mother's back surgery meant that she couldn't come to his varsity championship flag-football game in San Diego. She wanted to come, I told him, but it was just too hard, too much pain. He understood, he said.

And then the day of the game there she was, refusing to stay home, coming to watch in the rain, sitting on metal stands, because she'd rather endure the intense physical pain than disappoint her son.

He listened at 15 when I told him he had to slow down, the car is moving faster than you think, you can't just slam on the brakes at the last minute. We were in a vacant parking lot in Escondido, driving back and forth, practicing parking, accelerating, braking.

He had his hands on the wheel, adjusted the mirrors, and pulled out again, and again, and again, until he was certain he knew what he was doing.

I'm ready for the driving test, he told me one day. And he passed, and we got him a car at 16, and then he wasn't home as much as he once was.

He listened after his first day as a freshman at Cathedral Catholic High School, when he expressed doubt about whether he was ready for all the changes and academic pressure.

"I don't know if I can do it," he said, frustrated and emotional.

"Nighteagle – I don't have any doubt you can do it," I reassured him. "Neither does your mother. Or your sister. Never doubt that you are capable of great things. And don't ever doubt you can compete with anyone if you work hard and are determined to succeed."

He is now a senior at Cathedral – his latest report card included five As, some in advanced courses, with a semester grade point average of 4.33. He has applied to four universities, and I am certain he will be leaving in the fall.

So my son is 18, and I remember when he listened to my voice all those years ago – it seems like yesterday – when I first saw his face, and held him gently in my arms.

He will be leaving us soon for a new life, surrounded by people he has never seen or known.

But I will call him when he is far away, and he will hear my voice again. And when he speaks, I will remember - if only for a moment - when he crawled, and then walked, and called me Daddy.

I will smile, and then I will listen to my son. ■

A New Year's Eve Snow

On New Year's Eve, snow fell all across San Diego County. More than eight inches fell in the mountains from Laguna to Palomar, including near Lake Henshaw above the La Jolla Indian Reservation.

The photographs on this page were taken Dec. 31 just a few minutes before sunset near the lake, looking north towards Warner Springs and east towards Santa Ysabel. 🍷

- GARY TAYLOR





Save the Date

Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association
2015 High School Graduation Celebration

Thursday, May 7, 2015

more details to come by invitation

* Contact your Tribal Office if you are a Native American High School Senior graduating in 2015, to be honored at the celebration

Education Award Opportunities available such as
SCTCA American Indian Education Award
Walking Shield American Indian Access Scholarship
Matt LaChappa Athletic Scholarship Fund

For more questions on the applications go to
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click on High School Graduation Celebration.

Class Calendars

FEBRUARY 2015

Rincon

Two Directions, Inc.



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Space #8 – Classroom 1 Classes:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
DMV Preparation 10:45AM–12:45PM Laura Rizza	Life Skills 8:30AM–10:30AM Beth Moffat GROUP 1		Life Skills 8:30AM–10:30AM Beth Moffat GROUP 2	Tribal Culture 8:30AM–10:30AM Bonnie Salgado
	Culture Class 10:45AM–12:45PM Bonnie Salgado		Tribal Culture 10:45AM–12:45PM Bonnie Salgado	Indep. Tribal Culture 10:45AM–12:45PM
	Independent Culture 1PM–4PM		Indep. Tribal Culture 1PM–4PM	

Space #8 – Classroom 2 Classes:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	MATH TUTORIAL 9:45AM–12:45PM Monika
Diploma / GED 10:45AM–1:45PM Monika	Study Hall	Diploma / GED 10:45AM–1:45PM Monika	Study Hall	
Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	

Space #39 – Computer Lab Classes:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MICROSOFT Word 8:30AM–10:30AM Wanda	MICROSOFT Word 8:30AM–10:30AM Wanda	Intro to PC's 8:30AM–10:30AM Charles	MICROSOFT Word 8:30AM–10:30AM Wanda	Keyboarding 8:30AM–10:30AM Wanda
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Two Directions Computer Labs are open at all times during business hours. Make sure to sign in and out to receive work participation hours.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ABE/GED 9AM–11AM Math Refresher 9AM–11AM Phillip Roy/ Health Care 9AM–11AM Keyboarding 8:30AM–12PM Reading Horizons 9AM–10AM & 12PM–2PM Open Lab/Job Search 8:30AM–4PM (VARIES BY CLIENT)	Life Skills/ What Color Is My Parachute 9AM–11AM Life Skills/ Practical Life Skills 11:30AM–1:30PM MAPP Assessment 9AM–11AM Open Lab/Job Search 8:30AM–4PM (VARIES BY CLIENT)	ABE/GED 9AM–11AM ED2GO: Speed Spanish 1 Math Refresher 9AM–11AM Keyboarding 8:30AM–12PM Reading Horizons 9AM–10AM Microsoft Office (GED Prep) 11:30AM–1:30PM Open Lab/Job Search 8:30AM–4PM (VARIES BY CLIENT)	Phillip Roy/ Health Care 9AM–11AM 11:30AM–1:30PM Reading Horizons 9AM–11AM 11AM–1PM Microsoft Office (General) 11AM–2PM Open Lab/Job Search 8:30AM–4PM (VARIES BY CLIENT)	ED2GO: Speed Spanish 1 Math Refresher 9AM–11AM Phillip Roy/ Clerical Office 9AM–11AM Keyboarding 9AM–12PM Reading Horizons 11AM–1PM Open Lab/Job Search 8:30AM–4PM (VARIES BY CLIENT)

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Parenting Training 9AM–4PM Academic Tutoring (All Subjects) 9AM–4PM Job Readiness 9AM–4PM Individual Training Plan 9AM–4PM Counseling Services 9AM–4PM Structured Computer Lab 9AM–4PM Microsoft Computer Certification Training NOON–2PM Workplace Empowerment Training 2/2, 9 & 23: 11AM–NOON	Academic Tutoring (All Subjects) 9AM–4PM Job Readiness 9AM–4PM Individual Training Plan 9AM–4PM Counseling Services 9AM–4PM Structured Computer Lab 9AM–4PM Microsoft Computer Certification Training 2 CLASSES: 10AM–NOON & NOON–2PM Ready to Work Training 2/3 & 17: 12:30PM–1:30PM Sacred Pipe TUPE Presentation 2/24: 10AM–11AM	Parenting Training 9AM–4PM Academic Tutoring (All Subjects) 9AM–4PM Job Readiness 9AM–4PM Individual Training Plan 9AM–4PM Counseling Services 9AM–4PM Structured Computer Lab 9AM–4PM Microsoft Computer Certification Training 2 CLASSES: 10AM–NOON & NOON–2PM Sacred Pipe TUPE Program 2/4, 11, 18 & 25: 3:30PM–5PM Self Reliance Training 2/28: 10AM–NOON Meet & Greet with the Employer 2/25: 10AM–11AM	Job Readiness 9AM–4PM Individual Training Plan 9AM–4PM Counseling Services 9AM–4PM Structured Computer Lab 9AM–4PM Microsoft Computer Certification Training 2 CLASSES: 10AM–NOON & NOON–2PM Academic Tutoring (All Subjects) 10:30AM–6:30PM BALLARD CENTER Sacred Pipe TUPE Program (SDAIHYC) 2/5 & 19: 4PM–6PM Self Reliance Training 2/19: 10AM–NOON	Academic Tutoring (All Subjects) 9AM–4PM Job Readiness 9AM–4PM Career Development 9AM–4PM Individual Training Plan 9AM–4PM Counseling Services 9AM–4PM Structured Computer Lab 9AM–4PM

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Monday Office Hours: 8AM - 4:30PM	Career Building 9AM	Life Skills 9AM	Parenting 9AM	Friday Office Hours: 8AM - 4:30PM
	Open Lab/ Job Search 12:30PM-2PM	Open Lab/ Job Search 12:30PM-2PM	Open Lab/ Job Search 12:30PM-2PM	
	Basic Computers Skills 2PM	Career Networking 2PM	Basic Computers Skills 2PM	

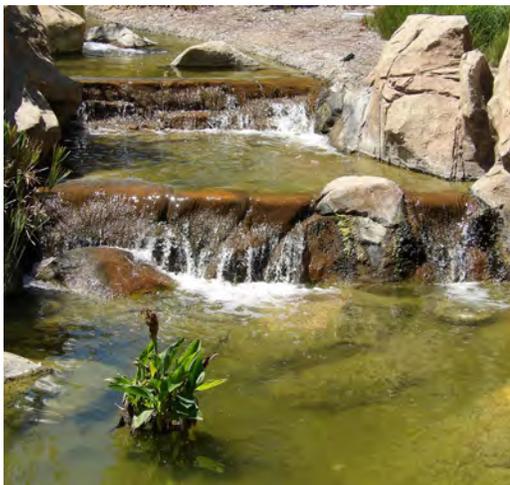
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Culture/ Entrepreneurial Class 9AM-12PM	GED Prep 10AM-1PM	World of Work 9AM-12PM	GED Prep 10AM-1PM	Tutorial 9AM-12PM
Native Arts & Crafts 12:30PM-3:30PM	Computers 10AM-1PM	GED Prep 12:30PM-3:30PM	Computers 10AM-1PM	
	Parenting Class 12:30PM-3:30PM			

COMMODITY Distribution Schedule

February 2015



DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Feb. 5, Thursday	Los Coyotes La Jolla	9 am – 10 am 11 am – 12:30 pm
Feb. 9, Monday	Barona Viejas	9 am – 10 am 11 am – 12 noon
Feb. 11, Wednesday	San Pasqual	9 am – 12 noon
Feb. 12, Thursday	Mesa Grande Santa Ysabel	9 am – 10:30 am 11 am – 12:30 pm
Feb. 17, Tuesday	Rincon	9 am – 12 noon
Feb. 18, Wednesday	Manzanita/La Posta Old Campo	9:45 am – 11 am 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Feb. 19, Thursday	Pauma Pechanga	9 am – 10 am 11 am – 12 noon
Feb. 23, Monday	Campo	10 am – 12:30 pm
Feb. 25, Wednesday	Pala	9 am – 11:30 pm



Coming in March:

- What is the enrollment process at the University of California?
- Are Native Americans aware of available scholarships or grants?
- What is the graduation rate of Native American college students?

In our next issue, read about the University of California's appeal to Native American students.

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