

SMOKE SIGNALS

June 2023

A MESSAGE FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL

Munahoo Neum,

Tzow Kupasamit, meaning good June. What another spectacular Powwow. Shout out to all our BSR Staff who made this event run very smoothly. We would also like to acknowledge all the Dancers, Drummers, AVIA, and our amazing Head Staff for blessing us with all that good medicine they bring. We would also like to congratulate our new Big Sandy Rancheria 2023-2024 princess Nylan Marvin! We know you will do a great job representing BSR! Thank you to the runners up too, as it was one of BSR largest ticket sales. It was a good competition, and we appreciate everyone who participated.

We decided we are going to be headed out to Great America, in Santa Clara! Permission Slips will be mailed out later this week separate from the newsletter. So, keep an eye out for them, also if you do not happen to receive one, no worries. Please contact myself Matthew Munoz and I will make sure that your kiddos are on the list. Cell: (559) 917-1576.

We have our upcoming General Council meeting on June 25, 2023 at the BSR Gym. Hope to see you all there. Please note that no kids or significant others may attend, Tribal Members +18 ONLY. Thank you very much for all your time and energy and as always may you have a blessed rest of your month.

Council l	Meetings	Tribal Office Holiday Schedule		
Tribal Council	General Council	Date	Holiday	
Wednesday, June 28, 2023	Sunday, June 25, 2023	Tuesday, July 4, 2023	Independence Day	
Wednesday, July 26, 2023	Sunday, September 24,2023	Monday, September 4, 2023	Labor Day	
Wednesday, August 30, 2023		Friday, September 22, 2023	California American Indian Day	
Wednesday, September 27, 2023		Monday, October 9, 2023	Indigenous Peoples Day	
Wednesday, October 25, 2023		Friday, November 10, 2023	Veterans Day	
Wednesday, November 29, 2023		Thursday, November 23, 2023	Thanksgiving Day	
		Friday, November 24,2023	Day After Thanksgiving	

REMINDER: The newsletter is available by email, if you would like to start receiving the newsletter through email rather than mail, please contact the Tribal Office at 559.374.0066.



TRIBAL ELDER'S **Monthly Meeting**



Second Thursday of the month at 12:00pm

JUNE 8, 2023

- Meetings are here for you to be informed about what is offered to the Tribal Elders
- Must be a Big Sandy Rancheria Tribal Elder to attend There will be lunch and raffle prizes

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT LEANN ANGUIANO AT 559-374-0066.



NEXT FOOD BANK

Thursday, June 15, 2023 9:00am-12:00pm

Big Sandy Rancheria 37387 Auberry Mission Road Auberry, CA 93602

BSR General Store

Open Everyday 6:00am-10:00pm

559-825-6645

37302 Rancheria Lane Auberry, CA 93602

May Birthdays

Leann Anguiano
Jackson Atwell
Nathaniel Atwell
Catherine Baty
Loren Baty
Brittany Beecher
Rhea Bewick
Mariah Campbell
Joey Colmenero
Jaxson Cordova
Deborah Cunningham
Matthew Cunningham
Paige Davis
Wasoomte Del Toro
Arcadio Garcia

Happy Biribalays

Valencia Guevara
Brianna Huffman
Cataleya Johnson
Jakoby Johnson
Norienna Johnson
Ida Lewis
Nioka Lewis
Trey Lewis
Patricia Minihane
Priscilla Minihane
Aiden Oliver
Ezekiel Pacheco
Alicia Ramirez
Haley Rae Ramirez
Regina Rhoan

Bryon Riley
Rebecca Riley
Josiah Rodriguez
Nevaeh Sanchez
Erin Santillan
Ethan Santillan
Danielle Sewell
Nakewesetti Smith
Precious Smith
Patrick Soto
Michael Taylor
Saldalena Valle
Jackie Walker
Beautiful Young

Mono Language



Purple Brodiaea or Blue Dick ka-no-we



Blue Bell poo-heepah-nah



Snow Drop -See-kee-wah



Trumpet Flower or Jimson Weed - kadoo'tzow-nah-a-neh



Shooting Star hae-wee'



China House tza-gwa-nee-nobe



Hare bell wit-ah-pona wit-apona



Mariposa Lily go-ge'-ha

<u>Flowers</u>

any flower heu-be-gha'

Farewell to spring flower or last of the flowers - ka-seen

Big Sandy Elders

Munahoo BSR Elders,

We want to thank all the elders who came out and supported Big Sandy Rancheria's 22nd annual pow wow. We hope that you had a good time and liked the nice cool down room provided with snacks and drinks to get away from the heat for a little bit. Hopefully you got to see all the beautiful work and crafts people made and tried all the yummy food that the vendors provided. It was nice seeing all the family and friends come out to enjoy there time at the powwow this year. The next elders meeting will be here at the Big Sandy Gym on June 8th, 2023 at 12:00pm. Hope you see you there!













BIG SANDY SOCIAL SERVICES

ICWA | CASE MANAGEMENT | SUPPORTIVE SERVICES



OUR SERVICES

The Social Services Department works to support BSR's Tribal families by providing culturally appropriate services, assistance, and support. By working with families and individuals we strive to identify the unique needs of each client. Our ultimate goal in providing these services is to encourage, promote, and maintain the overall health and well-being of Tribal members and their families.

For more information, please contact

Elizabeth (Liz) Taylor, Director of Social Services/ ICWA Representative

etaylor@bsmation.com

559-374-0049 - Desk phone 559-776-6322 - TEXT OR CALL

EDUCATIONAL ADVOCACY

If requested we can provide personal support during educational intervention meetings including but not limited to; IEP meetings, SST meetings, and SARB hearings.

ICWA

The ICWA Rep will intervene in all eligible Child Dependency cases involving Tribal members and their children. This includes Tribal representation in State and County courts, case management, and service referrals.

OTHER SERVICES INCLUDE:

VICTIM ADVOCACY

EMERGENCY FOOD/BABY/ HYGIENE SUPPLIES

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

ASSISTANCE IN ACCESSING/IDENTIFYING RESOURCES

ADDITIONAL SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AS NEEDED



Big Sandy Rancheria
Social & Human Services Department

Emergency Food Assistance Program

Please bring your own bags or boxes to carry food supplies

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday Hours: 2pm-4pm

Location: 37387 Auberry Mission Rd.

Auberry, CA 93602

Contact: (559)374-0049 EXT 215 & 243

BSR Environmental Department June 2023

What to do with Recyclable an Compostables

To help save paper and trees:

- use both sides of each piece of paper
- Decrease your junk mail by writing to the Direct Marketing Association

(WWW.dmachoice.org/MPS)

Cloths:

- Donate your used cloths
- Sell your clothes online or consignment store

Food waste:

- Turn food scraps and yard clippings into a backyard compost bin
- For more information on composting go to (www.epa.gov/compost/ backyard.htm)

The Environmental Department would like to thank everyone who participated in our Swap Meet/Earth Day event. We had a good turn out with a lot of valuable treasure to be purchased.





Solid-waste Management

What is Solid-waste Management, is collecting treating and disposing of solid material that is discarded because it has served its purpose or is no longer useful.

Improper disposal of solid waste

Can create unsanitary conditions, and these conditions in turn can lead to <u>Pollution</u> of the <u>environment</u> and outbreak of vector-borne disease-that is diseases spread by rodents and insects. The task of solid-waste management present complex technical challenges. They also pose a wide variety of administrative, economic and social problems that must be managed and solved

Recycling Abandoned Vehicles

Old vehicles that are no longer in use, account for a substantial part of our environmental waste. Recycling these vehicles is beneficial to the environment. In the last month Big Sandy has recycled 2 more vehicles on the rancheria. If you have any vehicles that you need removed.

Contact: Lori @ (559) 374-0066 Ext. 226



For information or any questions contact:

Lori Beecher @ 374-0066 ext. 226 or Rebecca Riley ext. 240



HEADSUP

OVCDC Big Sandy Early Head Start June 2023 Newsletter

Accepting.Applications.for Enrollment!

Applications for 2022-2023 school year continues to be accepted throughout the year. EHS is a comprehensive early learning program for children 6 weeks—36 months old. The EHS program delivers early learning/education, health nutrition, and family support services.

Important. Dates

June 5th: Parent Meeting June 16th: Pizza with Pops June 19th: Site closed for Juneteenth Holiday

Operations will continue in June. Please see letter/updated calendar for more details. Come Join our Team!

Employment Opportunities

-Teacher
-Site Supervisor
Open Until
-Filled

Apply online @ ovedc.com

Reminders

Our center hours are Monday-Friday from 7:45-3:45 P.M.

Breakfast is from 8:30-9:00 A.M.

If you need any assistance, please contact us!

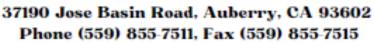














Head Start



Big Sandy Rancheria Tribal Head Start Program

The last day of Head Start was on May 31st. We would like to thank all the families for a great school year. We are very excited for the 12 graduates as they start their next adventure in kindergarten! They are going to do great and we can not wait to see our returning students in September.

Our annual graduation ceremony was held on May 31st at 6:00 pm at the BSR POW WOW grounds. Our theme this year was Head Start super students!

Parents with Head Start children moving on to Foothill next year:

Please remember to turn in any registration documents and update
immunizations before the end of May this will ensure your child is pre
enrolled and ready to begin in August.

We are now accepting Head Start applications for the 2023-2024 school year. If your child will be 3 years old by September 1st or are 4 years of age they are eligible for the program.

This summer we will be moving into our new building!! Please be on the look out for more information!

Special Day Reminders

Celebration of Success

June 2nd, 2023

Community Food Bank

June 15th, 2023

Closed: Staff

Development Day

June 16th, 2023

Closed: NIHSDA

Training

June 19th thru June 23rd, 2023

559 374 0066 ext. 216



Class In-

Community Learning Event

06-05-23

Provided will be a homemade dinner and a reward when

06-12-23

06-19-23

06-26-23

6:00PM-7:30PM

Taking place in the Big Sandy Rancheria Gym

Enjoy a night of making your own drumsticks and learning the history behind it.

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For more information please contact: Arianna Atwell, aatwell@bsrnation.com or (559) 3740066 Ext. 207

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Continue Walking The Track With US!

Leaving BSR @6pm, Leaving SHS @7:30pm. Call or email if transportation is needed. Bring your own water jugs. See you there! Our Victim Assistance Program Provides Handouts Each Class Along With Information Regarding Domestic Violence, Abuse and Resources Available.



email ssamaniego@bsrnation.com or call 559 374 0066 ext 242 for questions

"With the new day comes new strengths and new thoughts. -Eleanor Roosevett



BSR CAP DEPARTMENT



JUNE **FAMILY COOKING CLASS**

FAMILY BONDING

EVERY THURSDAY IN JUNE AT THE BSR GYM FROM 6PM-8PM

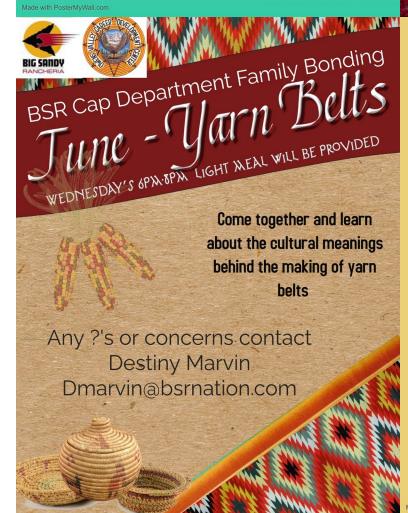
COME JOIN US IN THE KITCHEN AND LEARN HOW TO MAKE SOME HOME COOKED MEALS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY! WE WILL BE LEARNING TO MAKE MEALS USING CHICKEN, AS WELL AS LEARNING TO MAKE FRYBREAD AND HOMEMADE TORTILLAS. LIGHT MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED.







FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: SRILEY@BSRNATION.COM (559)374-0066 EXT. 228



BSR CAP DEPARTMENT

Strengthening Families

Ribbon Shirt Making

Join us for a night of making Ribbon Shirts for boy's & men. Please bring a dress shirt of your choice. Light meal will be provided.

BSR GYM June 9th, 23rd & 30th 6PM-8PM

For more infomation contact: aedd@bsrnation.com or call 559-374-0066 x 207













JUNE FAMILY FITNESS

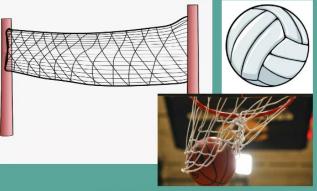


BSR CAP Department

Basketball Night Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's 6PM-8PM

Volleyball Night Tuesday's and Thursday's 6PM-8PM

Fitness Room Open 8AM-8PM Monday-Friday



Call:374-0066Ext.228 Email: sriley@bsrnation.com

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BSR CAP Department

Elders Computer Lab

-Keeping up with social media

-Creating a

website

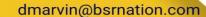
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EVERY TUĖSDAY

11AM-1PM







PRESENTED BY BSR CAP Department___

Computer Lab

BSR Computer lab 11-1

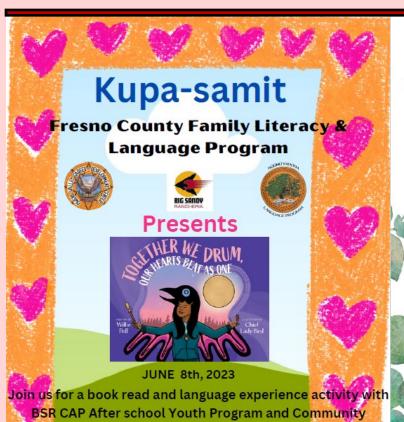
Open To everyone Mondays & Wednesdays

June: Typing Tests, Presentation Making, Fundamentals of Slideshows



Contact Destiny Marvin dmarvin@bsrnation.com





Location : BSR Gym

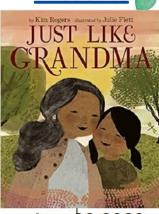
Time: 4:30

For more Information contact J.J. Rodriguez 559-226-2880 or

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Fresno County Family Literacy & Language

Program Presents









June 22,2023

Join us for a Book Read and Language Experience Activity
with BSR CAP Summer Youth Program & Community

Location: BSR Gym
Time: 12:30 pm

For more information contact J.J. Rodriguez 559-226-2880 or jrodriguez@ovcdc.com





BSR CAP DEPARTMENT



HONORING FATHERS HORSESHOE GAMES FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023 6PM-8PM AT THE BSR POWWOW GROUNDS

IMPORTANCE OF FATHER'S

JOIN US AT THE POWWOW GROUNGS FOR SOME HORSESHOE GAMES AS WE GATHER TO HONOR OUR FATHER'S WITH SOME FUN HORSESHOE COMPETITION!

THERE WILL BE BBQ, MUSIC, GAMES, AND RAFFLE PRIZES.







FOR MORE INFO CONTACT SAIGE RILEY

EMAIL: SRILEY@BSRNATION.COM PHONE: (559)374-0066 EXT. 228

BSR CAP SCHOOLS OUT TRIP TUESDAY JUNE 13TH



MONTEREY BAY AOUARIUM Sign up

Join us for an educational filled day at the Monterey Bay Aquarium to learn about our coastal ocean life. There will be different animal feedings and auditorium programs for you to attend and enjoy with your family.

Admission and Meals will be provided

MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM

886 CANNERY ROW MONTEREY, CA 93940 Sign ups start
May 4th
Sign up deadline
is June 1st

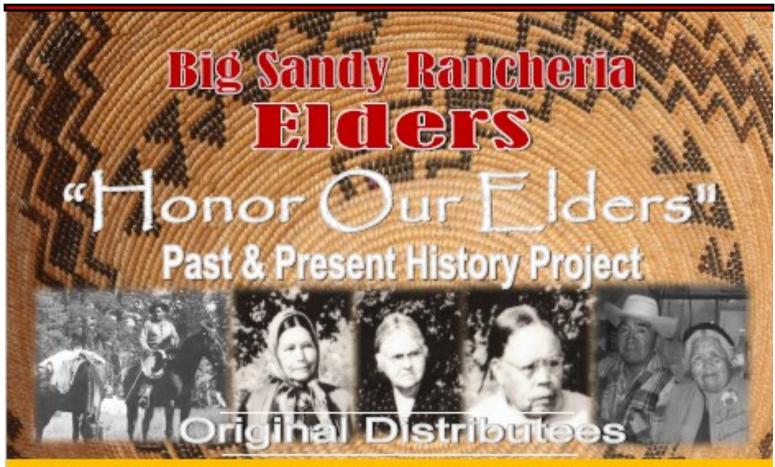


For more info contact Saige Riley:

(559)374-0066 Ext. 228 sriley@bsrnation.com







We are excited to get started on preserve your Big Sandy Rancheria History. We need your help in providing information & photos for this project.

SUGGESTED PHOTOS & INFORMATION:

- Original Distributees
- Photos 2023 Elders
- Your Family Tree
- Your Story
- Grinding Rock Stories & Photos
- Baskets & Basket Designs
- Untold Stories

- Culture
- Making Acorn Mush
- Mono Hike/Trade Hike
- 1st Baptist Church
- Growing up at BSR
- Medicine Plants
- Wild Flower Names
- Traditional Foods

- Hunting/Fishing
- History of Twins
- What do you want those the come after you to know about the tribe?
- Anything you can think of to preserve your history.

CHRISSY ATWELL-VALLE

monogirl02@yahoo.com 559-359-1053 FB Messenger Chrissy Atwell



RONDII NIETO

rondii@yahoo.com 559-361-7242 FB Messenger Rondii Nieto Bonilla



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Big Sandy Rancheria Transportation Services



We will be reducing transports to one day a week. Please make sure that you schedule your transport as soon as possible. To schedule an appointment please contact:

BSR CAP Department: Saige Riley @ (559)374-0066 ext. 228 You can also stop by the gym in the CAP OFFICE

YOUR APPOINTMENT MUST BE MADE AND VERIFIED WITH THE CAP DEPARTMENT BEFORE YOUR SPOT CAN BE RESERVED FOR THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES. SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS *ONLY WITH* SAIGE RILEY 24 HOURS PRIOR FOR LOCAL TRANSPORTS AND 1 WEEK IN ADVANCE FOR FRESNO TRANSPORTS.

The transporter will wait 15 minutes after your scheduled departure. If you do not arrive on time, your appointment will be canceled and can be rescheduled *with Saige Riley only*. There are new rules for the transportation services, please call the transporter for a copy of revised rules. Transportation services are for Big Sandy

Rancheria Tribal Members.

The transporter cannot transport kids to school that have missed the bus. All CVIH appointments are to be scheduled with CVIH transporter. If the CVIH transporter is unable to transport you, they will need to reschedule your appointment. This applies to all medical, dental, nutrition & referral appointments.

ATTENTION ALL TRANSPORTATION PARTICIPANTS

Big Sandy Rancheria will be requiring updated signatures for transportation rules and regulations.



Big Sandy Rancheria

37387 Auberry Mission Rd P.O. Box 337

Auberry, CA 93602

