



SMOKE SIGNALS

June 2022

A MESSAGE FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL

Munahoo Neum,

Tzow Kupasamit, Good June. Thank you to everyone who helped make our Powwow a success! It wouldn't been possible without all the help we got from our amazing staff. Hats off to you and may we keep making this Powwow better and better each year to come. A huge thank you to all the dancers, drummers, and the 2022 Head Staff. Big Sandy Rancheria is very honored to be able to have you all come out to the Powwow!

For this year's Summer Youth Trip to Great America, permission slips and flyers are attached. Please contact Matthew Muñoz or Liz Kipp at 559-374-0066 ext. 213 or ext. 212 to sign your children up.

The General Council meeting scheduled for Sunday, June 26, 2022, at 10:00am will be taking place at the BSR gym. Lunch will be provided, and we are no longer enforcing masks here at the offices, if you wish to wear one that would be okay. As a reminder, General Council Meetings are for adult tribal members only, please no children or extra guests. Thank you for your time and energy and have a blessed rest of your month.

Council Meetings		Tribal Office Holiday Schedule	
Tribal Council	General Council	Date	Holiday
Wednesday, June 29, 2022	Sunday, June 26, 2022	Monday, July 4, 2022	Independence Day
Wednesday, July 27, 2022	Sunday, September 25, 2022	Monday, September 5, 2022	Labor Day
Wednesday, August 31, 2022	Sunday, December 11, 2022	Friday, September 23, 2022	California American Indian Day
Wednesday, September 28, 2022		Friday, November 11, 2022	Veterans Day
Wednesday, October 26, 2022		Thursday, November 24, 2022	Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, November 30, 2022		Friday, November 25, 2022	Day After Thanksgiving
Sunday, December 11, 2022			

BSR General Store

Open Everyday
6:00am-10:00pm

559-825-6645

37302 Rancheria Lane
Auberry, CA 93602

RANCHERIA



Thursday, June 16, 2022
9:00am-12:00pm

Big Sandy Rancheria

37387 Auberry Mission Road
Auberry, CA 93602

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 9, 2022

- 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.

June Birthdays

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

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

Byron Riley
Thomas 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



2022 Graduates

BSR Graduates from 12th Grade

Arianna Atwell	Sierra High School
Jude Berry	Sierra High School
Brianna Johnson	Sierra High School
Emily Kipp	Chawanakee Academy
Eric Mills	Sierra High School
King Moore	Sierra Alternative High School
Annie Riley	High School

BSR Graduate

Tiffany Oliver	West Hills College - AA—HRCM (hospitality management)
Paul Beecher	Fresno City College - AA—Native American Studies
Ashley Davis	Northwest Indian College - AA—Tribal Government and Business Management





ICWA
Social Services Department
By Elizabeth Taylor

Back to Work

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 EX 215 & 243

Hello BSR Community! I am so pleased to officially announce my return to Big Sandy Rancheria as the ICWA Representative and Director of Social Services. As many of you know I worked as the ICWA Rep. for BSR from 2016-2019. In June of 2019 I left after the birth of my second child and to pursue my Master's degree in Social Work with a specialty Tribal Child Welfare. I am wrapping up my degree and ready to get back to work! I am honored to have the opportunity to live and work in this community, and I look forward to serving all of you to the best of my ability.

ICWA is such an important law, but we must also work to prevent the need for an ICWA case to even occur. The Social Services Department hopes to achieve this by providing culturally appropriate services that meet the needs of all of the tribal community. Our hope is to encourage and promote the overall health and well-being of tribal members and their families.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me.
etaylor@bsrnation.com, 559-374-0049
Thank you. -Elizabeth (Liz) Taylor



Big Sandy Rancheria
Social & Human Services Department

Victims Assistance Program Monthly Zoom Meeting

WEDNESDAY

June 08, 2022

@ 1:30PM

Budgeting 101



WEDNESDAY

June 22, 2022

@ 1:30PM

Budgeting 101 (continued)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/8806916871?pwd=UXloN2RaZHlERVZMN0tUK1hKLzdWUT09>

Meeting ID: 880 691 6871

Passcode: BSR2

Now available for in-person intake and visits. you are welcome to stop by the office or schedule a zoom/phone call to go over support services

Location: 37387 Auberry Mission Rd, Auberry, CA 93602

Phone: 374-0066 x 243

Head Start



Big Sandy Rancheria Tribal Head Start Program

Our Graduation ceremony will be held on June 2nd at the BSR Pow Wow grounds. We are excited to have our first in person graduation since 2019.

Attention Native Head Start graduates: Celebration of success will be held June 3rd at the Sierra High School quad.

For students entering kindergarten in the fall, parents please make sure everything is turned into the school district and immunizations are up to date. Parents of returning students, the Head Start program will send notices on updating files in July.

Applications for the Head Start 2022-2023 are now being accepted until the 1st of August 2022. Children must be 3 or 4 years of age before September 1st.



Special Day Reminders

Graduation

June 2nd, 2022

Celebration of Success

June 3rd, 2022

Community Food Bank

June 16th, 2022

Closed: Staff

Development Day

June 24th, 2022

Closed: Staff Training

June 27th thru July 1st
2022

559 374 0066 ext. 216

BSR Environmental Department June 2022

Climate Change-Wildfire

A warming planet and changes to land use patterns mean more wildfires will scorch large parts of the globe in coming decades, causing spikes in unhealthy smoke pollution. Climate change brings more drought and higher temperatures that make it easy for fires to start and spread, and in turn those blazes release more climate-changing carbon into the atmosphere as they burn through forests and peatland. Climate change has been a key factor in increasing the risk and extent of wildfires in the Western United States. Wildfire risk depends on a number of factors, including temperature, soil moisture, and the presence of trees, shrubs, and other potential fuel. All these factors have strong direct or indirect ties to climate variability and climate change. Climate change enhances the drying of organic matter in forests (the material that burns and spreads wildfire), and has doubled the number of large fires between 1984 and 2015 in the western United States.

Solid Waste Management-Summer

Dealing with warmer temperatures is the perfect condition for fire especially if certain items are not disposed of properly. Even without the presence of flammable material, the dangers of compacted miscellaneous waste and recycling is a fire risk. Oil soaked rags, aerosol cans, propane tanks, batteries, e-waste, fertilizer, and even lighter fluid are often discarded improperly. Under the right conditions some of these items can spontaneously burst. For others, like lithium-ion batteries all it takes is a little heat and friction from being pushed around in a container. And in the driest conditions, a single spark can ignite a blaze. Please contact our BSR solid waste staff to ensure any questionable items are discarded properly.

BSR Swap Meet

When: June 25th

8am-12pm

**Where: Oakview Terrace
Complex**

**Vendor Types: Arts and crafts,
household items, antiques, and
tools.**

**For vendor applications: contact
Rebecca Riley @ 374-0066.**



For additional information or for any questions contact:

Rebecca Riley @ 374-0066 ext. 240





BIG SANDY RANCHERIA
CAP DEPARTMENT PRESENTS A
FAMILY FORMATION EVENT

RESTORING FAMILY UNITY BY HONORING OUR FATHERS

ACTIVITY:

*HAND MADE BOLO TIES FROM
YOUR LOVED ONES*

JUNE 17TH

From 6PM-8PM

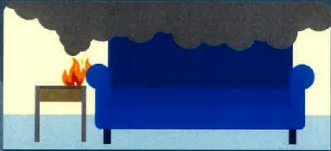
The BSR POWWOW GROUNDS
DINNER/FAMILY ACTIVITY/GAMES & PRIZES
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT

CAP DEPARTMENT
559-374-0066
EX 207 OR EX 206



Know the Dangers of Smoke

Did you know smoke is poisonous? It kills more people in home fires than flames.



Today, our homes are filled with human-made materials like plastic and compressed particle board.

These products burn quicker and give you less time to escape.



Carbon Monoxide (CO)

The most common poison in smoke is carbon monoxide (CO).

CO can make you feel drowsy, and difficult to wake up and get out of your home.



Smoke is hot!

It can irritate your eyes and throat, and make it difficult for you to breathe.

This happens even if you are far from the fire.



Thick black smoke can fill your home in a few minutes and make the inside completely dark.

It can travel through hallways, doors, ductwork, and cracks and openings in a building's walls and floors.

If you see smoke, don't wait! Get out right away!



usfa.fema.gov

BSR Community Clean-Up day

June 14th from 8am to 10 am

Join the Environmental Department and Community Activities Program in cleaning up the BSR community Garden. Staff will be teaching composting basics, gardening recommendations, and groundwater irrigation. Breakfast will be provided for all participants.



For questions, please contact Rebecca Riley @ 374-0066 ext. 240 or Brandi Kelley @ 374-0066 ext. 206

BSR Environmental Dept. Swap Meet

Saturday June 25th
8am to 12pm

Oakview Terrace Complex
33041 Auberry Road
in Auberry

BSR Environmental Dept. Swap Meet is back. Join us for a morning of reducing, reusing, and recycling household items. Vendor application deadline June 17th by 5pm.

For vendor applications, contact Rebecca Riley @ 374-0066 ext. 240



BIG SANDY RANCHERIA
CAP DEPARTMENT



PRESENTS HEALTH AND WELLNESS ACTIVITY

JUNE FITNESS NIGHTS

WE ARE OPEN TO ANY FITNESS ACTIVITIES THAT ARE NOT LISTED CALL CAP STAFF AND LET US KNOW WHAT FITNESS ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD WANT TO BE A PART OF.



MONDAY AND WEDNESDAYS BASKETBALL NIGHT

ALL AGES WELCOME/ ANY CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 13 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT/ NO FOUL LANGUAGE/ NO DRUGS AND ALCOHOL ALLOWED/ PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL AND COURTEOUS TO ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND STAFF



TUESDAY AND THURSDAYS CARDIO FITNESS NIGHTS



NO FRIDAY VOLLEYBALL THIS MONTH



CARDIO/WEIGHT ROOM AVAILABLE 8AM-8PM

- BASKETBALL
- VOLLEYBALL
- WEIGHT TRAINING
- CARDIO EXERCISE

6PM-8PM

BSR GYM

FOR MORE INFO CALL
CAP STAFF AT
559-374-0066

Monday Culture Night

EVERY MONDAY IN JUNE WE ARE DOING LOOM BEAD WORK. BARRETTES, BRACELETS, OR CHOKERS. COME ON OUT WITH THE FAMILY AND BEAD WITH US.

ALL MATERIALS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR YOU, A LIGHT MEAL WILL BE INCLUDED.

MONDAYS IN JUNE @ GYM 6PM-8PM

FOR MORE INFO CALL CAP STAFF
557-374-0066 EX 214

BSR RANCHERIA & CAP DEPARTMENT PRESENT A FAMILY BONDING ACTIVITY



BIG SANDY RANCHERIA
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
DEPARTMENT
FAMILY FORMATION ACTIVITY

CUTTING BOARD CRAFTS

COME JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENT USE FOR CUTTING BOARDS

MESSAGE BOARD
KEYRACK
PICTURE HOLDER
PLANTER

TUESDAYS IN JUNE
6:00 - 8:00 PM
BSR GYM



for more information
contact Norelva Alarcon
at 374-0066 ext 207 or
nalarcon@bsrnation.com



BSR CAP Department Presents Family Formation Movie Night



Disney Pixar
LIGHTYEAR

When: Wednesday's June 1st, 8th, 15th,
@ BSR Gym 6-8pm & 29th Grand Finale
at pow wow grounds 7-10pm

Contact: Alysha Edd @
aedd@bsrnation.com or
559-374-0066



BSR CAP DEPARTMENT

Self
Expression
Through Art

June Teen Activity



Come join us in
June for some fun
art projects for our
teens. Every
Thursday night
6-8pm at the BSR
gym



sriley@bsrnation.com



SHAVER LAKE



FAMILY KAYAKING

JULY 8TH - 15TH - 22ND AND 29TH

LIMITED SEATING

DEPART GYM AT 10AM
RETURN TO GYM AT 4:45

JOIN THE CAP DEPARTMENT UP AT SHAVER LAKE AND KAYAK WITH THE FAMILY! LUNCH AND SNACK WILL BE PROVIDED, PLEASE BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES AND TOWEL.

CONTACT THE CAP DEPARTMENT TO RESERVE A SPOT OR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
559 374 0066 EXT.207 OR EXT.206

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Movie Night 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	2 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	3 Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm CAP STAFF Development Day All Activities Closed	4
5	6 BSR Computer Lab 10am TULE RIVER FOOD DISTRIBUTION 10:30-12PM Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Loom Beading 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	7 Cutting Board Crafts 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	8 BSR Computer Lab 10am VAP ZOOM 1:30PM Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Movie Night 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	9 TRIBAL ELDERS MEETING 12PM Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	10 Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm CAP STAFF OUT Gym Closed 6-8pm	11
12	13 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Loom Beading 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	14 COMMUNITY CLEANUP 8-10AM Cutting Board Crafts 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	15 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Movie Night 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	16 FOOD BANK 9-12PM Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	17 Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm HONORING FATHERS EVENT 6-8PM GREAT AMERICA TRIP DEADLINE 5:00PM	18
19	20 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Loom Beading 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	21 Cutting Board Crafts 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	22 GREAT AMERICA TRIP 6:00AM BSR Computer Lab 10am VAP ZOOM 1:30PM Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm	23 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	24 Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm	25 BSR SWAP MEET 8-12:00PM
26 GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING 10AM	27 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Loom Beading 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	28 Cutting Board Crafts 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	29 BSR Computer Lab 10am TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 10AM Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Movie Night 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	30 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm		

2022

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm CAP STAFF Development Day All Activities Closed	2
3	4 ALL TRIBAL OFFICES CLOSED INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 Summer Cooking 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	6 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Formation Craft 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	7 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	8 CAP Family Kayaking 10-4:45pm	9
10	11 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Ribbon Skirts 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	12 Summer Cooking 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	13 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Formation Craft 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	14 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	15 CAP Family Kayaking 10-4:45pm	16
17	18 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Ribbon Skirts 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	19 Summer Cooking 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	20 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Formation Craft 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	21 FOOD BANK 9-12PM Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	22 CAP Family Kayaking 10-4:45pm	23
24	25 BSR Computer Lab 10am Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Ribbon Skirts 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	26 Summer Cooking 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	27 BSR Computer Lab 10am TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 10AM Emergency Food Assistance 2-4pm Family Formation Craft 6-8pm Basketball Night 6-8pm	28 Teen Activity 6-8pm Open Fitness 6-8pm	29 CAP Family Kayaking 10-4:45pm	30
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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:
Brandi Kelley @ (559)374-0066 ext. 206
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 BRANDI KELLY* 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 Brandi Kelley 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

