



SMOKE SIGNALS

April 2026

A MESSAGE FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL

Munahoo Neum,

Tzow Poo-He-Theu-Deu, Good April and Happy Easter!!!

A lot of great things have been happening for the tribe with updates to our progress here on the rancheria. The headstart playground got a major upgrade. We have just installed brand new state-of-the-art sails to provide better shade summer. The tribe has recently come out with our brand-new energy drink. Which is named TZOW energy, meaning good in the mono language. It comes in a variety of flavors and is available here at the general store/smoke shop. Another major item added to our product line is the tribe's very own brand of cigarettes under CTTC, California Tribal Trading Company. KONO which means "Always" has been many years in the making and now has finally come to fruition.

On another note, we have been collaborating with universities nationwide on NAGPRA, Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act. These are all the mono artifacts that the universities have claimed since inception. Only now with the help of the recent bill AB 389 are the tribes able to repatriate our ancestors and artifacts. BSR has recently brought back our second set of artifacts. Which will be added to our future museum in Auberry.

An update on the upcoming housing development, also known as the Home-Key project. Construction has been going well and on track to be completed soon. No Families or Individuals have been selected for any of these units. Once we know the final date of completion, there will be a grand opening ceremony initiating the selection process. Thank you once again for your time and energy, and like always may you have a blessed rest of the month.

Council Meeting		Tribal Office Holiday Schedule	
Tribal Council	General Council	Date	Holiday
Wednesday, April 29, 2026	Sunday, June 28, 2026	Friday, May 8, 2026	National American Indian Day
Wednesday, May 27, 2026	Sunday, September 27, 2026	Monday, May 25, 2026	Memorial Day
Wednesday, June 24, 2026	Sunday, December 13, 2026	Friday, June 19, 2026	Juneteenth
Wednesday, July 29, 2026		Friday, July 3, 2026	Independence Day
Wednesday, August 26, 2026		Monday, September 7, 2026	Labor Day
Wednesday, September 30, 2026		Friday, September 25, 2026	California American Indian Day
Wednesday, October 28, 2026		Monday, October 12, 2026	Indigenous People's Day
Wednesday, November 25, 2026		Wednesday, November 11, 2026	Veterans Day
Wednesday, December 16, 2026		Thursday, November 26, 2026	Thanksgiving Day
		Friday, November 27, 2026	Day After Thanksgiving
		Thursday, December 24, 2026	Christmas Eve
		Friday, December 25, 2026	Christmas Day

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 Gathering



10:00am - 2:00 pm

Thursday April 9, 2026

- 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, April 16, 2026

10:00am-12:00pm

Big Sandy Rancheria

37387 Auberry Mission Road

Auberry, CA 93602

BSR General Store

6:00am-10:00pm

559-825-6645

**37302 Rancheria Lane
Auberry, CA 93602**

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April Birthdays

Happy Birthday

Dakota Ballard
Rita Barrientos
Teresa Berry
Celestina Bonilla
Andre Brown
Elliot Carpenter
Mechelle Davis
Aiyana Espinoza
Shahalis Gaige
Arianna Garcia
Jocelynn Herrera Oliver
Bessie Hodges
Pearl Hutchins
Sienna Johnson
Beverly Lewis
Tiffany Lewis

Wakinyan Lozano
Joseph Macumba
Dena Martinez
Amy Marvin
Dillon Marvin
King Moore
Heather Oliver
Tatianna Oliver
Amayah Oliver
Donna Oliver
Raelene Osborne
Brittany Patty
Helga Paxson
Michael Perez

Jessica Richards-Short
Irissa Riley
Sierra Riley
Wilbur Robertson
Brandi Robertson
Ruby Rodriguez
Vanessa Santillan
Christina Servantes
Victoria Sewell
Emily Sewell
Sharon Simpson-Baty
Glenda Stanketwitz-Kasper
Micah Telles
Donald Vore
Yalanda Walker
Edgar Williams

Hello BSR Elders

The weather is warming up, so please be aware of your surroundings, snakes will be coming out soon. I would like to thank all the elders who attended the Eagle Walk on March 25th at Millerton Lake, it was a nice warm day. Everyone had fun visiting and reconnecting with other elders. Next month will be a busy month starting with the BSR Swap meet on April 4th at Oakview Terrace in Auberry starting at 8:00am – 12:00pm. Big Sandy will be having their annual Elder's Gathering on Thursday, April 9th from 10:00am - 2:00pm at the Big Sandy Gym, with a fun filled day starting with building memories, with a picture booth, lunch, Bingo, raffle prizes and a delicious lunch will be served, don't miss out on seeing old friends and meeting new friends. Mono Wind Casino will be hosting the 3rd Big Dawg Bare Knuckles fights on April 18th doors open at 5:00pm. Here are some upcoming events for the month of May. Recognizing Mothers Thursday, May 7th from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at Big Sandy Gym. Our 25th annual Big Sandy Pow Wow, May 16th and 17th. Like always this is certainly the event of the year. If you have questions or concerns regarding the elders, please feel free to contact Leann Anguiano (559) 917-1674, languiano@bsrnation.com

Elders Luncheon



Gina Mangiarelli



Pearl Hutchins



Tammy Riley



Phyllis Lewis



Janine Vella



Aleda Cogdell



Jeannette Sample



Gwen Nunez



Jeannie Valle



Theresa Williams-Lundy



Connie Lewis



Regina Rhoan



Jane Stamp



Ruthie Beecher



Loretta Sylvas



Lori Beecher



Mae Berry

BSR ECE DEPARTMENT

Parents please remember that drop off time is between 8 am and 8:30 am. If you are going to be later than 8:30 am please call the Head Start or Early Head Start at 374-0066 ext.216 so the teachers know to expect your child for breakfast. Head Start has a required 85% attendance policy, which is typically an absence of a day or two a month.

Parents if your child is moving on to kindergarten in the Fall, please be on the look out for information regarding enrollment.

Dental health and your child:

Helping your child establish a good oral health routine will lead to happy and healthy teeth. A healthy mouth helps to make kids feel good about themselves, can speak clearly, and can eat healthy foods. Your child should see the dentist when their first tooth appears.

1) Brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste. Remember to use a pea size amount and do not forget to floss! 2) Visit the dentist when recommended, every six months. 3) Limit snacks that are high in sugar. 4) Be a role model! Make sure to brush and floss with your child!



Special Day

Reminders

Spring Break:

March 30th to
April 6th, 2026

Centers Reopen:

April 7th, 2026

Community Food

Bank

April 16th, 2026

Staff

Development

Day:

April 24th, 2026

BSR Environmental Department April 2026

Mattress Recycling and Environmental benefits

Mattress recycling reduces landfill waste, conserves natural resources, and lowers greenhouse gas emissions by repurposing up to 75% of materials like steel, foam, and wood into new products. Diverting mattresses from landfills saves space, prevents pollution from chemical leaching, and saves roughly 500 gallons of water per recycled mattress.

Key Environmental Benefits

- ♦ **Landfill Diversion & Space Saving:** Millions of mattresses are discarded annually, taking up vast, bulky space. Recycling prevents this waste, protecting scarce landfill airspace.
- ♦ **Resource Conservation:** Materials are reclaimed and repurposed: steel springs become new metal products (e.g., car parts), foam becomes carpet padding, and wood is processed for fuel or mulch.
- ♦ **Reduced Pollution:** Instead of sitting in landfills and leaching chemicals into soil and water, materials are safely repurposed.

BSR partners with the Mattress Recycling Council to recycle all of the communities discarded mattresses. The mattresses are transported to a Bye Bye mattress facility in Fresno where they are 100% recycled. To date, with this partnership, over 100 mattresses have been properly recycled. BSR offer the last Wednesday every month for mattress pick up or drop off for BSR residence.

Spring Yard Cleanup

It's that time of year to start your spring cleanup. This involves removing winter debris (leaves, Sticks), pruning shrubs/trees, weeding and prepping garden beds with mulch, this is typically done when temperatures are consistently above 40-50F. Key tasks include cleaning up lawn, edging beds, and checking equipment. Doing this helps prevent mold, pests and disease.

Here is a check list:

- Removing refuse (natural or otherwise) from your grass and planting beds. This is debris from after winter.
- Remove litter and dog Feces
- Remove dead grass, leaves, pinecones, and lawn debris
- Remove leaves and stalks on perennials

Now it's time fertilize, you can use cutting from your cleanup to make compost. This is nature's slow release of fertilizer.

BSR Community Swap Meet and Earth Day

When: April 4, 2026 8am—12pm

Where: 33041 Oakview Terrace Complex, Auberry, CA. 93602.

For information or vendor forms contact:

Lori Beecher or Rebecca Riley
@ (559) 374-0066.

BSR Community Clean-up

March 30th through April 3rd

A roll off will be available at the transfer station the week of March 30th to April 3th. All items need to be put inside of the roll off bin. Do not leave items next to roll off. Items that cannot be dumped; motor oil, flammable liquids, and tires. Mattress drop off will also be available. Open to BSR residence ONLY!



For information or any questions contact:

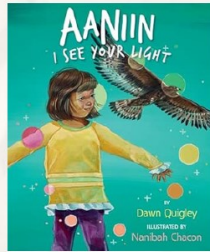
Lori Beecher @ 374-0066 or Rebecca Riley @ 374-0046.





FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM

BSR EHS STORYTIME & LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE



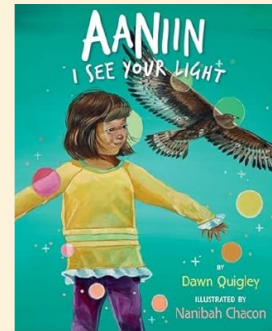
Join us for Storytime & Language Experience
w/ BSR EHS Class

DATE: APRIL 21ST
TIME: 11:00AM
LOCATION: BSR EHS CLASSROOM

For more information contact:
Jocelyn Saavedra at
559-226-2880 or
jsaavedra@ovcdc.com

FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM

BSR HEAD START STORYTIME & LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE



Join us for Storytime & Language Experience w/
BSR Head Start Class

DATE: APRIL 21ST
TIME: 11:30AM
LOCATION: BSR HEAD START CLASSROOM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
JOCELYN SAAVEDRA AT 559-226-2880 OR
JSAAVEDRA@OVCDC.COM

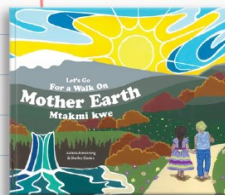


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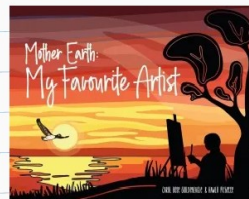


FRESNO FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM

PRESENTS



APRIL 9TH, 2026



APRIL 23, 2026

Join us for a book read and language experience
activity with BSR CAP Youth Program and Community

LOCATION: BSR GYM
TIME: 4:00PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT PARENT EDUCATORS: JOCELYN SAAVEDRA AT
JSAAVEDRA@OVCDC.COM OR JULIANA VELASQUEZ AT JVELASQUEZ@OVCDC.COM
PHONE: (559) 226-2880



April 2026

FRESNO FAMILY LITERACY WAGA CORNER



Think of things we can do to help protect our Earth

- Start a garden: Kids can grow plants and learn about nature and food.
- Recycle: Teach kids to recycle paper, plastic, glass, and metal.
- Plant trees: Help plant trees to clean the air and provide homes for animals.
- Clean up: Keep areas clean and don't litter.
- Use less water: Help by turning off taps when brushing teeth and taking shorter showers.
- Use energy-saving appliances: Switch to energy-saving light bulbs and appliances.
- Join clean-up events: Participate in clean-up events to keep parks, beaches, and streets clean.

Summary of We Are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom
Water is life, and it connects us all. A black snake, a metaphor for a dangerous oil pipeline, threatens to poison the Earth and harm people's water. An Indigenous girl stands up against environmental threats to the sacred water of her community. One day, a black serpent came to poison the water, and her community's responsibility was to safeguard it from harm and corruption. With a rallying cry, she and her people fight to protect the water from the dangers posed by the impending oil pipeline.

Scan to hear the story





BSR Cap Department

Lets Learn about Family Bonding

Line Dancing



Monday's in
April



6:00pm-8:00pm

For more information contact Aurelia Rios
bsrcap3@bsrnation.com 559-374-0066 x207
37387 Auberry Mission Rd

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April

Join us at the
CAP DEPARTMENT
to make **YARN BELTS**

While learning about the importance of helping
your community

For More information contact
Valery Burt @ bsrcap2@bsrnation.com or
call 559-374-0066

Tuesday's

4-7-26
4-14-26
4-21-26
4-28-26



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Mission RD,
Auberry CA 93602

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Health and Wellness

APRIL

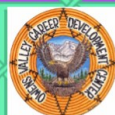
Basketball

Wednesday's
and
Friday's
6:00-8:00pm
DATES

4-1, 4-3, 4-8, 4-10 4-15, 4-17,
4-22, 4-24, 4-29

LOCATION
**37387 AUBERRY MISSION RD
AUBERRY, CA 93602**

For Additional Information Contact Nikie Smith At
bsrcap5@bsrnation.com Or Call (559)-374-0066



April



Open Gym
Promoting Healthier
eating habits

Every Thursday
from 6-8PM

4-2-26, 4-9-26, 4-16-26,
4-23-26, 4-30-26



Contact Valery Burt @
bsrcap2@bsrnation.com or 559-374-0066
for more information

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TRIBAL NUTRITIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BREAD BOX GIVEAWAY



On February 24, the Big Sandy Rancheria Social Services Team proudly hosted our first quarterly Bread Box Giveaway of 2026.

Sponsored by the Tribal Nutritional Assistance Program, this community event provided bread boxes filled with fresh bread, milk, and eggs to tribal members and their families.



More than 45 tribal members joined us between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m., making the event a wonderful success. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve our BSR community. We look forward to continuing these quarterly giveaways throughout the year and appreciate everyone who came out to participate.



NEXT BREAD BOX GIVEAWAY APRIL 14



BIG SANDY RANCHERIA SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM (559) 374-0066



BREAD BOX GIVEAWAY

We're giving away FREE bread boxes to support our Tribal members! (1 per family)
Stop by and pick up a box while supplies last

Date: 4/14/26

Time: 10 AM-12PM

If you have questions contact:
Jazmine Garcia
(559)374-0066 EXT:215

What will be included-

- Assorted bread
- Eggs
- Milk

Please Note:
• Limited quantities available
• First Come, First Served



This Event Is Sponsored By our Tribal Nutritional Assistance Program.

BSR Gym-37387 Auberry Mission Rd, Auberry, CA 93602



Big Sandy Rancheria



Youth Advisory Council

Join the BSR CAP and Environmental Department as youth leaders in your community. Participate in key prevention and environmental issues. Meetings are held on the last Friday of every month at the BSR Computer Lab building. Ages 14-22 welcome.

April Date:
4/24/26 @4pm.

For questions, please contact:
Rebecca Riley or Brandi Kelley @
(559) 374-0066 ext. 240 or 206



Mattress Collection

Big Sandy Rancheria and the Mattress Recycling Council are working together to provide free recycling services of old mattresses and box springs for the BSR residents.



Dates

April 29th

May 27th

8:30 am-4:30 pm



Mattress Recycling Council
Stacking Up Success Since 2015

For any questions, please contact Rebecca Riley @ (559) 374-0046



Monthly Literacy Challenge

Complete each task on your literacy road below. Join us to pick up your educational incentive.

1. Capture the moment
Send me a picture of you reading a book to yourself or to another. Your pet counts!

2. Authorship
Name one Native American author

3. The Power of Books
Why does reading matter?

4. Fresno County Family Literacy Team
Name all the members of the Fresno County Family Literacy Department. Hint: There are 4 with one bonus teacher!

5. Originator
Name a book that was published the same year you were born

7. Congratulations!
You completed this month's literacy challenge. Come see us on April 14, 2026 at 11:30am in the BSR Computer Lab to pick up your educational incentive

6. Making a Difference
When is International Literacy Day?

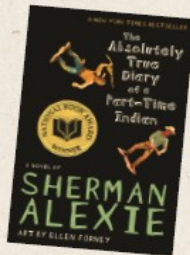


SCAN ME

Scan to submit your photo and answers. Or bring it with you to the BSR Lab on April 14, 2026

INVITING BIG SANDY & COLD SPRINGS PARTICIPANTS 18+

JOIN US FOR OUR Book Club



WE WILL BE READING THE NOVEL
THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART TIME INDIAN
BY SHERMAN ALEXIE



SCAN TO JOIN VIRTUAL SESSION

VIRTUAL SESSION - 11:30AM - 12:30PM
WEDNESDAY, April 8, 2026

IN PERSON SESSION - 11:30AM - 12:30PM
TUESDAY, April 14, 2026 - BSR Computer LAB

LIMITED TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE

For more information contact Paula Gutierrez at pgutierrez@ovcdc.com or 559-226-2880



Clovis Community College
SPRING 2026

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT

Class held on sight at the Big Sandy Rancheria Computer Lab
For High School and Adult Education Students

FREE

When?

March 16th - May 20nd
Big Sandy Rancheria
Mondays & Wednesdays

Interdisciplinary Studies 50

College Success
INTDS 50 - 80689
3 Unit Course

- This class is transferable for Area E CSU GE credit INTDS-50 will prepare you for academic success throughout your college journey.
- Explore personal responsibility, critical thinking, self-awareness, self-motivation, and effective communication.
- Build relationships with Clovis Community College faculty, staff, and support services.
- 3 transferable units to CSU's and UC's

Questions? Please Contact

Nate Saari: nate.saari@cloviscollege.edu / (559) 776-8281

Rebecca Riley: (559) 374-0066 Ext. 240

Sage Wrapping Wellness Activity

April 3rd, 2026 12:00-3:00

Come join us at the multipurpose gym to wrap sage for your home and cultural purposes. White

Sage and materials will be provided along with lunch. For more information contact Brandi Kelley at bkelley@bsrnation.com or 559-374-0066 ext.206



Big Sandy Rancheria

Community Swap Meet

When: April 4, 2026

8 am—12 pm

**Where: 33041 Oakview Terrace
Complex**

Reduce - the waste

Recycle - the present

Reuse - the old

BSR Environmental Department would like to invite you to join us for our semi annual swap meet at the BSR Oakview Terrace complex.

Individuals actively contribute to reducing their environmental impact by engaging in these events. Items finding new homes mean less clutter in landfills and a decreased carbon footprint associated with manufacturing new goods.

For information please contact:

Lori Beecher or Rebecca Riley @ 374-0066 ext. 240 and ext.200



Elders Gathering



Please join us at Big Sandy Rancheria
for a special day of fun for all
Native Elders ages 55 and up

Thursday April 9, 2026
10:00am-2:00pm



Location: 37387 Auberry Mission Road
Auberry, CA 93602

For questions or more information, please contact
Leann Anguiano (559) 374-0066 Ext. 209



Cultural Protocols & Community Response

Community Gathering

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

April 11, 2026

Choinumni Park

Join families, survivors, cultural and spiritual leaders, and community partners for prayer, cultural practices, youth and family activities, and shared dialogue rooted in respect and tradition.

Honoring and remembering
Strengthening sovereignty Cultural
healing and community care



Please scan to RSVP

Contact: mmipfresno@indigenousjustice.org



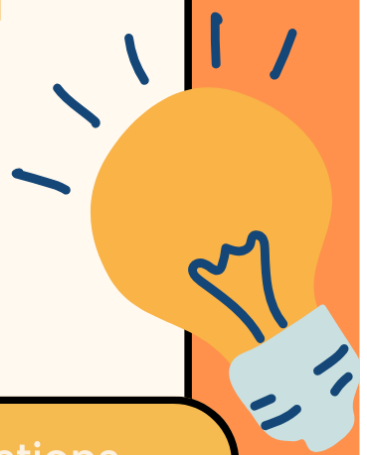
COMMUNITY RESOURCE POP-UP EVENT



HOSTED AT OAKVIEW TERRACE BIG SANDY
RANCHERIA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

DURING THE EVENT, ATTENDEES WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Apply for county social services programs and receive updates on existing county benefits
- Learn more about Big Sandy programs and connect with community service providers offering valuable resources
- DSS outreach staff will be onsite to assist with applications for Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and Cash Aid programs



This event is a great opportunity to ask questions,
gather information, and explore services available to
support you and your family

dates and time for event

1:00 pm- 4:00 pm

4/15 5/20 6/17 7/15 8/19 9/16 10/21

Contact for more questions: Jazmine Garcia-(559) 374-0066(ext. 215)

location: 33041 Auberry rd, Auberry CA 93602

THE SPRING BREAK BRAWL

5



WILLIAMS VS FITIAL

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

WATKINS VS BRADLEY

WELTERWEIGHT BOUT

APRIL 18

AUBERRY GA

DOORS OPEN @5

PPV ON COMBATSPORTSNOW.COM

BUY TICKETS NOW



Scan for Tickets!



Big Sandy Rancheria



BSR Elders



Luncheon

Thursday • May 14TH

12:00PM-1:00PM



BSR GYM

Raffles, Food, Drinks & Desert



This is a BSR Elders only luncheon. We will be
serving a hot meal





Big Sandy Rancheria

HEALTH AND WELLNESS RUN & WALK

SATURDAY, MAY 16TH 2026

*Starts in front of BSR Social Services building and goes back
Jose Basin rd. There will be signs to follow. T-shirts and
wellness bags provided to the first 50 participants.*

*Sign ups begin at 7:45am
Location: 37802 Jose Basin Rd Auberry CA, 93602*

Contact Brandi Kelley for more info

***bkelley@bsrnation.com
or 559-374-0066***

Big Sandy Rancheria- 25th Annual POWWOW & GATHERING

MAY 16 & 17, 2026

Honoring- Cultural Educators

**OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC-
"FREE"
ADMISSION**

*Saturday: 11am Gourd Dancing, 12pm Grand Entry.
2pm Hand Game Tournament-Registration 1pm.
5pm Hand Drum Contest.
6pm Gourd Dancing, 7pm Grand Entry.*

Sunday: 11am Gourd Dancing, 12pm Grand Entry.

2026 Head Staff

MC- Frankie Williams
Arena Director- JR Manuel
Lead Gourd- Ron Six-Bears Alec
Head Man- Stoney Dodson
Head Woman- Samantha Williams
Teen Boy: Seamus Bear McCloud
Teen Girl: Laura Davis
Junior Boy: Liam Manuel
Junior Girl: Jimeshia Oliver
Tiny Tot Boy: Noah Kai Johnson
Tiny Tot Girl: Shawnee Manuel
Northern Host Drum: Spirit Ground
Southern Host Drum: Red Buffalo
Color Guard: Indigenous Warrior Flag
Group- Central California
Tabulator: Jamie Robertson
Head Judge: Rebecca Manuel
Exhibition Hoop Dance: Logan Ramirez

Dance Competitions

1st/2nd/3rd Place CASH Prizes Each Category

MEN

-FANCY
-GRASS
-CHICKEN DANCE
-NORTHERN
-SOUTHERN
-GOLDEN AGE

WOMEN

-FANCY
-SHAWL
-JINGLE
-NORTHERN
-SOUTHERN
-GOLDEN AGE

TEEN/JR BOYS

- FANCY & GRASS
(COMBINED)
-NORTHERN &
SOUTHERN
(COMBINED)

TEEN/JR GIRLS

-FANCY & JINGLE
(COMBINED)
-NORTHERN &
SOUTHERN
(COMBINED)

"FREE" Vendor Booths

Contact Joel Marvin- 559-374-0066 ext. 234

Alcohol/Drug FREE Event

**MORE INFORMATION: 559-374-0066 Liz, ext. 212, Matt, ext. 213, Leann, ext 209,
Chris, ext 210. VENDORS CONTACT: Joel ext. 234.**



POWWOW LOCATION:
37802 Jose Basin Rd.,
Auberry CA 93602

www.bigsandyrancheria.com



3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

MAY 16TH, 2026

Location: Big Sandy Rancheria Gym
37387 Auberry Mission Road

Winner takes all



Registration: \$100 per team

Youth Division: Ages 12-17

Adult Division: Ages 18+

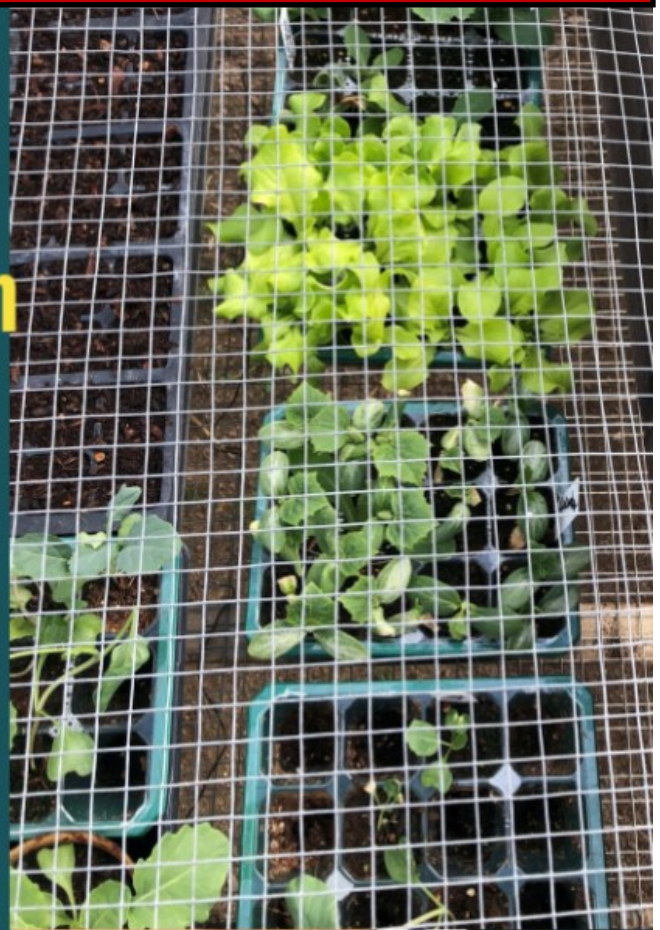
- Double Elimination
- Registration Fee, Team Roster, and Liability Form due before first game
- Co-ed optional

MORE INFORMATION: cmember@bsrnation.com



Big Sandy Communtiy Garden Early spring crops are on their way!!

Get ready for fresh organic vegetables and fruits as Big Sandy garden grows this year!! For more information about the garden contact Brandi Kelley at bkelly@bsrnation.com or 559-374-0066



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VALLEY BUILD



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RECOGNITION



ValleyBuild, a community partnership in California's Central Valley, connects workforce boards, building trades councils, and community partners to prepare students for careers in the construction industry.

On March 6, 2026, participants were recognized at Chukchansi Resort for successfully completing the ValleyBuild program. Through this no-cost, state-funded training, participants earn the Certified MC3 (Multi-Craft Core Curriculum), gaining the foundational skills needed to enter apprenticeship pathways in the building trades.

The graduates were honored with a traditional recognition that included an honor song by Social Services Manager Rena Picaso (Choinumni). Social Services Assistant Director Jazmine Garcia and Tribal Council Members Leann Aguiano and Chris Rodriguez also recognized the graduates and presented them with gifts in celebration of their achievement.

Congratulations Big Sandy Rancheria Participants

Derek Walker

Steve Manuel

Reyann Sandoval Riley

Roger Walker Jr.



APRIL 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 ASP CLOSED Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	2 ASP CLOSED Open Gym 6:00pm-8:00pm	3 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY ALL CAP PROGRAM CLOSED SAGE BUNDLING 12:00-3:00PM	4 BIG SANDY SWAP MEET 8:00-12:00PM
5	6 ASP 8:00am-6:00pm TULE RIVER DISTRIBUTION 10:30—12:00PM Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Line Dancing 6:00pm-8:00pm	7 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Yarn Belts 6:00pm-8:00pm	8 Book Club Virtual Session 11:30-12:30pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	9 ELDERS GATHERING 10:00AM—2:00PM Family Literacy Program 4:00pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym 6:00pm-8:00pm	10 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	11 Cultural Protocols Choinumni Park 9:00-5:00pm
12	13 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Line Dancing 6:00pm-8:00pm	14 Bread Box Giveaway 10:00-12:00pm Adult Literacy Challenge Book Club In Person 11:30-12:30pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Yarn Belts 6:00pm-8:00pm	15 Pop-Up Event 1:00-4:00pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	16 FOOD BANK 10:00AM-12:00PM ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym 6:00pm-8:00pm	17 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	18 BIG DAWG BARE KNUCKLES 5:00PM
19	20 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Line Dancing 6:00pm-8:00pm	21 Family Literacy Book Read EHS—11:00am HS—11:30am ASP 3:30-6:00pm Yarn Belts 6:00pm-8:00pm	22 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 11:00AM ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	23 Literacy Program 4:00pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym 6:00pm-8:00pm	24 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Youth Advisory Council 4:00pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	25
26	27 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Line Dancing 6:00pm-8:00pm	28 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Yarn Belts 6:00pm-8:00pm	29 Mattress Recycling for BSR residents 8:30-4:00pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	30 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym 6:00pm-8:00pm	* ASP After School Program	



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3	4 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Pine Needle Baskets Making 6:00pm-8:00pm	5 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Beaded Pens 6:00pm-8:00pm	6 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	7 RECOGNIZING MOTHERS 5:00-7:00PM ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	8 NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN DAY ALL OFFICES CLOSED	9
10	11 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Pine Needle Baskets Making 6:00pm-8:00pm	12 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Beaded Pens 6:00pm-8:00pm	13 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	14 ELDERS LUNCHEON 12:00P -1:00PM ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	15 ALL CAP PROGRAMS CLOSED	16 BSR 5K WALK RUN 7:45AM BSR 25TH ANNUAL POW WOW & GATHERING 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
17 BSR 25TH ANNUAL POW WOW & GATHERING	18 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Pine Needle Baskets Making 6:00pm-8:00pm	19 Beaded Pens 6:00pm-8:00pm	20 Pop-Up Event 1:00-4:00pm ASP 3:30-6:00pm Earn College Credit 6:00-7:30pm Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	21 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	22 Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	23
24	25 MEMORIAL DAY ALL OFFICES CLOSED	26 ASP 8:00am-6:00pm Beaded Pens 6:00pm-8:00pm	27 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 11:00AM Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	28 ASP 3:30-6:00pm Open Gym Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	29 Basketball Night 6:00pm-8:00pm	30
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Big Sandy Rancheria Transportation Services



****Transportation is for Elders only until further notice****
We apologize for the inconvenience.

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 KELLEY* 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.



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