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July 27-29, 2012

Ely Shoshone Tribe Annual Fandango 250 Heritage Drive – Ely, Nevada

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES:

7:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies	
5:00 p.m.	Craft & Food Booths	
Throughout Day	5 Card Game (Hebejo) -	Elders Center
6:00 – 11:45 p.m.	Jackpot Volleyball	
7:30 p.m.	Jackpot Horseshoe	

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES:

- 7:00 a.m.Fun Run/Walk- Front of Health Center7:00 a.m.Co-Ed Sand Volleyball Tournament
- 8:00 a.m. Craft & Food Booths
- Throughout Day 5 Card Game (Hebejo) Elders Center
- Throughout Day 50/50 Raffle and donated items
- 10:30 a.m. Parade -Honoring our Native Warriors
 - 11:30-12:30 Registrations opens for Handgame, Horseshoe, and Archery Tournament
 - Noon Veterans Recognition
 - 12:15 p.m. Exhibit dancing and drumming throughout the day
- 1:00 p.m. Archery Competition

1:00 p.m.	Handgame Tournament	
1:00 p.m.	Horseshoe Tournament	
3:00 p.m.	Kids/Adult Games	
4:00 p.m.	Chili Cook off	
4:30 p.m.	Auction	
8:00 p.m.	Dance & Karoke	
Kids Entertainment – Movies & bounce house		

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES:

Continuing of Volleyball Tournament, Handgame Tournament and vendors will be open.

Ely Shoshone Tribe or its representatives are not responsible for theft, accidents, individual shortage of funds, divorces or losing your spouse.

If you have any question or would like to participate in a tournament call 775-289-3013.

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GREENVILLE CENTURY BOOK

Comprising an account of the first settlement of the County, and the founding of the City of Greenville, S. C.

BY S. S. CRITTENDEN 1903 Press of Greenville News Greenville, S. C. 1905

OF THE CHEROKEE INDIANS AND EARLY ADVENTURERS.

In a country as new as ours, which only one hundred and fifty years ago was the home and hunting ground of a savage race, it is interesting to a reflecting mind to learn of its early history, and the conditions that existed when first discovered and settled by our forefathers. It is interesting to learn of the nature and habits of the wild race that was displaced, and of the character and every day life of the pioneers and first settlers, who pushing ahead of the tidal wave of advancing civilization, settled first in friendly intercourse with the natives; and afterwards wrested from them the fair land we inhabit.

For several reasons Greenville County, or District, as it was formerly called, was one of the last in the State to be invaded in any great number by the white man. Pendleton and Greenville Districts were held by the Indians twenty years after the adjoining counties, and the balance of the State, had been ceded by them to the Colonial Government.

In 1777, more than a year after the commencement of the Revolutionary War, Pendleton and Greenville were ceded to the State. Before ths^t time there were few permanent settlers in them. Our early records all speak of the "old Indian boundary," meaning the line between Spartanburg and Greenville Counties. Our county ^being more westward, in many instances the advancing tide of emigration from northern colonies brought to Greenville those who had first settled in Spartanburg and more eastern counties.

The great Cherokee Nation who inhabited the beautiful section of country of which Greenville County is a part, were undoubtedly the most intelligent, as well as the most high spirited and liberty loving, of all the Indian tribes found upon the American continent.

Old writers are all enthusiastic, if not extravagant, in their descriptions of the manly forms and comely appearance of the men and women of these Indians when first discovered by the white man.

In 1720 the population of the Cherokees was computed at 10,000 souls. They occupied then the upper or hilly portion of South Caro-

Hna extending from Broad River to the Savannah, with what were called over hill settlements, on the head waters of Tennessee River.

The first assemblage of the chiefs of the Cherokees in council with Governor Nicholson at the Congarees, (Columbia) in 1721 is thus described by an old writer : "There was scarcely a town or village in all their settlement not represented, and the proud chiefs and warriors, and young females of the Cherokee Nation of that period, pre sented the finest specimens of physical men and women to be found on the American continent."

They were, without doubt, a noble race of men when rpamine untrammelled their native forests and with an intense love of freedom and independence. They met the white man with kindness at first, and divided with him their lands and provisions. Soon, however, they learned from him all the vices of civilized life, and not one of its virtues. Strong drink and indolence, became their besetting sins,, and they rapidly deteriorated, until within the short space of half a century they were without the semblance of their former pride and prowess. Deep seated hatred of the white man then took the place of the kindness they once felt for him, and for many years, until almost exterminated by successive wars, they sought to sate their vejngeance upon him and his helpless family by horrible and bloody cruelties. Before the white man came it was the paradise of the savage.

Says the same old writer : "In the settlement of. the country there were always three distinct classes who were forerunners of the civilization that was to follow - the hunters and trappers, the traders, and the cow drivers. There were also adventurous spirits and hardy adventurers who would penetrate the wilds of the Indian domain, and accommodating themselves to the usages of Indian life, live with them upon friendly terms. First in the order of settlement came the hunters and trappers. These with their improved fire arms for hunting made themselves very useful to their hosts, the simple denizens of the forest. Often living with them for years and intermarrying with their women." Instances are recorded where white men have been found among Indian tribes who had been lost to civilization and to all intercourse with their own race for thirty and forty years. Doubtless this was the case in the first settlement of Greenville and all the western counties of South Carolina. There have always been found around the village and city of Greenville and throughout the county many evidences of the former presence of the Cherokee Indians. This is attested by the large collections of Indian relics, including stone hatchets, arrow heads, pieces of pottery, &c., that are now in possession of our townsmen, Mr. J. C. Fitzgerald and Mr. H. J. Felton. The writer remembers in his boyhood the great number of Indian arrow heads, mostly of white flint rock, that were then scattered in the fields around the village. There were more to be found

in certain localities, and the fields between the old McBee homestead and Reedy River, and those in what is now embraced in Washington and other streets were more thickly strewn with them. "After the hunters quickly followed the traders carrying on horseback through the paths and trails of the unbroken forests the trinkets and commodities suited to the wants and tastes of their wilder brothers, and for which they received in return loads of valuable furs and skins to be transported in huge quantities to the old city by the sea," the then flourishing port of Charleston. http://www.archive.org/stream/greenvillecentu00critgoog/

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A university is just a group of buildings gathered around a library". Shellby Foote, author and historian

The Issue: Childhood Obesity and Health Concerns

Approximately one in three American kids and teenagers are overweight or obese, according to the <u>American Heart Association</u>. Childhood obesity has also been linked to a wide range of health problems, such as diabetes, high blood pressure, and depression.

The Campaign: Teaching Families to Cook Wholesome Meals

If this Grassroots campaign raises \$1,600, matched to become \$3,200, then Common Threads can provide one Family Matters Cooking Skills & World Cuisine <u>class</u>. Each additional \$1,600, matched to become \$3,200, will be used to fund another class. Family classes meet for six 2.5-hour class sessions, with the first four classes focused on healthful-cooking techniques. The fifth class involves a trip to the grocery store, where participants find ingredients to create nutritious 30-minute meals at home. At the final class, each family selects either a recipe from the *Eat the World* cookbook or an old family recipe to prepare, and the program staff can help them make healthful substitutions for the family recipe if necessary. Each family receives a copy of the *Eat the World* cookbook, plus a set of basic pots and cooking utensils.

All donations will be matched up to \$7,500 by <u>The James Hotels</u>. You can follow the progress of this and other Grassroots campaigns at the <u>Groupon Grassroots website</u>.

Common Threads

Common Threads encourages good nutrition and physical well-being by teaching members of low-income households how to cook wholesome, affordable meals. Classes encourage families to prepare and share nutritious meals, and teach children basic cooking skills through hands-on cooking classes. The organization also fosters an appreciation of cultural diversity through cooking, and teaches children to celebrate cultural differences as well as commonalities.

- small bite
- "...underfed or overfed, people aren't getting the nutrients and vitamins that lead to proper development." The Chicago Tribune

Common Threads500 N. Dearborn, Suite 530Chicago, IL 60654http://www.commonthreads.org/Pages/Contact+Us

NV Mines: Minimal State Taxes Paid, Despite Record Profits

Mike Clifford, Public News Service-NV <u>http://www.publicnewsservice.org/index.php?/content/article/27157-1</u> Join the discussion: <u>facebook.com/PublicNewsService</u> Twitter: <u>@pns_news_@pns_NV</u> Google +: <u>plus.to/publicnewsservice</u>

(06/27/12) LAS VEGAS - Updated numbers will be presented to the state's Mining Oversight Commission on Thursday that experts say show record profits - and a very small contribution to Nevada's general fund.

Tax-research consultant David Kersten, owner of Kersten Communications, still is compiling the report but says the big picture is clear. Numerous state exemptions allow local mines to only pay taxes on about a third of the value of the precious metals they extract. Kersten says they pay a state tax of just 5 percent on that smaller value.

"So, it really works out to just \$71 million on a total of \$6.6 billion in the value of what they extracted."

Mining industry lobbyists say the companies also pay the modified business tax and sales tax to the general fund. But Kersten says all businesses pay that, and thinks the state is too lenient about the mining tax. He compiled the report for the Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN), which will present the findings to the Mining Oversight Commision on Thursday.

Kersten, who is updating the 2009 report called "Fool's Gold," says it shows that, while Nevada ranks near the bottom in taxing mines, the industry is enjoying record profits.

"Newmont called itself the 'Apple of gold stocks.' These companies, their profits are up 20 and 30 percent, even more - and compared to a few years ago, they have huge growth in profits and production."

Of the 13 Western states where mining is active, he says Nevada is all but alone in handing out such sizable tax breaks to the industry.

"Every other state except for Alaska taxes on the gross value of gold. Nevada's unique in that it allows all of these deductions."

The commission was created to oversee the industry's tax burden, its impact on the environment and where mining fits into the state's economy. It is to meet at 10 a.m. Thursday in Room 2135 of the Legislative Office Building in Carson City.

See the 2009 report online at <u>planevada.drupalgardens.com</u>. The new report will be posted at <u>planevada.org</u>.

EPA global warming rules upheld by federal court www.sfgate.com

A federal appeals court on Tuesday upheld the first-ever regulations aimed at reducing the gases blamed for global warming, handing down perhaps the most significant decision on the issue since a 2007 Supreme Court ruling that greenhouse gases could be controlled as air pollutants. Carol Browner, O...

"The difference between what we do and what we are capable of doing would suffice to solve most of the world's problems." – Mahatma Gandhi

Why archives are important - you wouldn't want to rely on my memory!

PG&E says 1956 pipe test led to San Bruno disaster SAN BRUNO BLAST PG&E has no record of it, cites ex-employee's memory Jaxon Van Derbeken, San Francisco Chronicle A strength test that Pacific Gas and Electric Co. says it conducted in 1956 of the San Bruno pipeline that exploded in 2010 damaged an already-defective weld and ultimately caused the disaster, the company said Tuesday.

A Mediocre Farm Bill

The bill cuts environmental programs too much, gives food stamps a needless hit and does not alter the program's bias toward big farmers.

Family History is Community History (adapted)

From generation to generation, we pass along family stories, letters, phot albums, memories and journals . (*now discs? sdc*) Our parents' and grandparents' stories give our lives meaning. Our personal stories also tell the stories of our community.

How to Help

* Place family records in an archive for preservation and research.

- * Tell others (friends, family, churches, local organizations) to do the same
- * Raise awareness of the importance of collecting and preserving your history by hosting events, workshops and meetings and doing outreach.
- * Preserve and digitize your materials.
- * Retain expert staff and encourage students to work with archival collections

Ed note: for Nevada readers there are several repositories that would be appropriate for donation if you wish to provide originals or copies. (How many of you have visited the Inter-

Tribal Council of Nevada (1965-85, ancient history) collection at the Nevada Historical Society?). (or the electronic archive at Great Basin College? www.gbcnv.edu/gbia)

Given the amount of picture sharing on Facebook, I would like to suggest that a digital picture archive be established. Through SHRAB (State Historic Records Advisory Board) I have put the idea out there.....needs person/institution with sufficient server capability and existing electronic reference system to accomplish. Anyone interested? Comments? sdc

Note the internet resources below that are related to my work on nuclear issues:

http://digital.library.unlv.edu/ntsohp/

http://www.trackhearings.com

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Title: Emergency Manager/Road Safety Director Salary: \$52,000/year Opens: June 18, 2012 Supervisor: Chief of Police Shift: Full-Time Closes: July, 06 2012

Job Summary:

Under the direction of the Chief of Police, plans, organizes, implements, monitors and evaluates the Moapa Band of Paiute Emergency Management Program to provide for the safety and protection of people and property; provides direction during disaster or emergency situations; and performs related work as required. Create transportation plan to identify and create inventory of all roads, highways, bridges, culverts and related infrastructure on the Moapa River Indian Reservation. Revise and update transportation plan with public comment every five years.

Examples of Duties:

Develop and administer the Emergency Management Program budget, developing projections for staffing, materials, and services requirements and recommending and justifying additional staff, equipment, and services.

Plan, coordinate, supervise, and implement a variety of emergency, crisis, and disaster plans.

Coordinate activities with the Regional Emergency Operations Center in handling major emergency and disaster events, including coordination of public agency staff assigned to the Regional Emergency Operations Center.

Cooperate with tribal, county, state and federal officials, and private organizations, individuals and other resources in the preparation and implementation of emergency management plans.

Establish networks of cooperating public and private agencies to enhance mitigation, emergency preparedness, response, and recovery activities in accordance with tribal codes, county ordinances, state statutes, and federal regulations if applicable.

Plan, coordinate, develop, and implement networks, linkages, taskforces, and interest groups for crisis response and recovery in accordance with tribal codes, county ordinance, state statutes, and federal regulations if applicable.

Assist the tribal community and tribal departments with developing emergency, crisis, and disaster plans.

Plan, conduct, and participate in public agency, business, and industrial staff training for more effective emergency responses and recoveries.

Plan, conduct, and coordidinate emergency and disaster training and exercises.

Develop and administer grants in the areas of emergency preparedness, emergency management, and homeland security.

Develop goals, objectives, priorities, and standards for the establishment and implementation of warning notifications and disaster care systems for crises.

Coordinate media relations plans, procedures, and exercises to prepare for emergencies. Plan and coordinate the development of critical resource inventories.

Provide emergency preparedness and homeland security information materials for the tribe.

Evaluate operational performance, reviewing work methods and procedures and developing and implement changes in work processes to enhance efficiency and effectiveness.

Supervise assigned staff, determining work performance standards, conducting performance evaluations, providing direction to staff, conducting employment interviews, and handling disciplinary problems.

Represent the Program, explaining policies and goals to the tribe, public, elected officials, and other government agencies.

Represent the Moapa Business Council and Tribal Administrator on all matters pertaining to the program.

Ensure that assigned personnel perform duties and responsibilities in a safe and prudent manner that does not expose them or others to unnecessary harm or risk of on-the-job injury.

Develop, recommend, and interpret Federal, State, and Tribal emergency response and recovery, and homeland security laws, policies, rules, and regulations.

Coordinate road safety work planning with county, state and federal agencies.

Create transportation plan for review and public comment;

Seek road maintenance and repair funding;

Prepare road safety planning grant proposal.

Requirements:

21 years of age or older;

Must reside within 30 miles of 1 Lincoln Street, Moapa, NV 89025;

High school diploma or GED;

Education equivalent to graduation from an accredited college or university with a Associate Degree with major work in Homeland Security, Emergency Management,

Public Administration or related fields OR four years experience in a staff or

administrative capacity appropriate to Emergency Management planning and/or

operating; or any equivalent combination of relevant education, training and experience; Valid NV Driver License, and means of transportation;

Proof of completion of the following incident command courses must be submitted by date of hire: IS-700, IS-800, ICS-100, ICS-200. The following must be completed within one year of hire: ICS-300, and ICS-400 Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP);

Ability to sit for extended periods;

Ability to frequently stand, and walk;

Ability to lift and move objects weighing up to 50 lbs;

Corrected hearing and vision to normal range;

Verbal communication ability;

Ability to use office equipment including computers, copiers, TV's, fax machines, radios

and transmit/receive radio equipment, and telephones;

Must be insurable through tribal insurance;

Pass pre-employment criminal background investigation;

Must pass pre-employment drug and alcohol screening.

Applications available/accepted at: Moapa Band of Paiutes, 1 Lincoln Street, P.O. Box 340, Moapa, NV 89025 Indian Preference Per Section 703(i) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

Summertime and The Living Is Easy

Summertime is here, Independence Day is just around the corner, and to make the living really easy we are offering We Still Live Here for half price—including shipping, worldwide. Scroll down for more information!

I'm very glad to be staying home most of July, teaching in a Leadership and Social Change Portal at the Hotchkiss School here in Lakeville. The course explores the ways that narrative storytelling through film and personal essays informs leadership. Half of the participants will be Native American students about to enter Ivy League colleges for the first time. I hope to be able to help all of the students prepare for the next stage of their exciting young lives

June at the MFA

Here's a slide show from our last burst of screenings at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, sponsored by the Arlington International Film Festival where *We Still Live Here* won Best Documentary last year.

Jared Bowen, Arts Editor of the Emily Rooney Show at WGBH, led a lively discussion with an enthusiastic audience and MIT linguist Norvin Richards, Mashpee Wampanoag language student Siobhan Brown and Anne Makepeace. (Photos by Anne O'Brien)

More Summertime Screenings

We Still Live Here screenings start up again on August 1st with an exciting event at the First People's Film Festival in Montreal, where I will be joined by members of the Mohawk Kahnawake community to talk about indigenous language revitalization in Indian Country today.

We will also screen *We Still Live Here* at the Whaling Museum on Nantucket on August 25th and in Truro on Cape Cod, at the Payomet Performing Arts Center on August 27.

See our Screenings Page for details

We Still Live Here DVD Half-Price Sale Only \$12.50 Shipping Included, Worldwide

Celebrate summertime and Independence Day with a half-price DVD of We Still Live Here, now through July 15th. Great to have in your library and to give to friends and family.

To Purchase, Head to Check-Out... Learn more about We Still Live Here

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