



Isleta Pueblo News

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Greetings to All, from the desk of your Governor

February began with a cold start. I don't ever remember sub-freezing temperatures as we experienced during the first week of the month. Fortunately, we survived this cold spell but not without damage to some of our tribal buildings. I know some homes sustained water damage as a result of frozen water lines as well. The weather forced us to shut down tribal operations, with the exception of those programs/departments responsible for answering and responding to emergency calls. The Pueblo responded to over 100 emergency calls and as you can imagine our personnel couldn't be at all places at once. We therefore appreciated your patience.

Hats off to both Lt. Governors who handled this situation with professionalism in making the right decisions while I was away. They acted in good faith for the good and safety of all concerned. In addition, thank you to Mr. Vernon Abeita who acted as the incident commander, and all the staff of the Isleta Housing Department, Public Works, Natural Resources, Recreation Department, Isleta Police Department, even the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino for their help in lending a hand with their equipment and manpower. And, also thank you to all the employees who worked long hours and in cold temperatures to clean, fix, repair, replace, all damaged equipment and materials to insure buildings, homes, and other facilities were put back in operational condition. We had at least nine buildings that sustained water damage including the Health Clinic, Dept of Education, Social Services, Treasury, Procurement, M.I.S. and others. The gymnasium was set up as an emergency and temporary shelter with food and water provided. Thank you to all the responders. You showed the Pueblo we are more than capable to handle these types' of emergency situations when Mother Nature visits us. In the end, we all realize the power of Mother Nature and thankfully, we survived. For your information, the Social Services department has been temporarily relocated to the old elementary school while their building is undergoing repairs. You may reach them at the same number 869-2772.

In other news, the State Legislature continues to be in session. Of particular interest is House Bill (HB) 264. This bill was intended to repeal the tax exemption on cigarette sales. It attempted to provide for cigarette excise tax to be paid on sales to non-tribal members by cigarette vendors on tribal lands. Luckily, this bill was tabled at the request of the Clinton D. Harden, the sponsor. This does not mean it's dead, but could be reintroduced in the future. It will be quite lengthy if I address bills individually, so please review the list of bills in the following pages. With the aid of our lobbying firm, we track and monitor each bill's progress. We act on those specifically related to our Pueblo and provide support to others that are common to all our Pueblos, Tribes, and Nations. If you have any questions on any of these bills, please feel free to call the office and we can provide specific information.

We have proceeded to hire a contractor to begin repairs of the irrigation ditches before water is released. We decided, in coordination with the mayordomos, that repairs will only be done to the most severe trouble spots identified by the mayordomos. After the irrigation season, the contractor will continue repair work for the entire length of all three ditch associations.

The Pueblo has submitted a request for funding to the Rio Metro Transit District titled Request For Funding Isleta Pueblo Quiet Zone and Crossing Consolidation. We have been unofficially informed that the project has been funded and approved for FY 2012 and will begin in October, 2011. This project will result in a "quiet zone" in the Pueblo proper, with improvement of roadway geometrics in the vicinity of the railroad crossings. The estimated cost is \$1.7 million. The project resulted from numerous meetings and discussions with our office and the Tribal Council. Many thanks to our Tribal Planner as well, Mr. Simon Shima.

Lastly, our office and the Tribal Council (in a meeting held in late January) developed a list of priorities to undertake during this

term. Of importance to us are: amending our Tribal Constitution; addressing issues at the Isleta Diversion Dam and water rights; enforcement of the Residence Ordinance (pending approval by BIA); clean up and expansion of the cemetery; begin design and construction of the new Elders Center; seeking broadband service; and maybe the thought of relocating the Palace West to the south end of the reservation. With respect to amending the constitution, the Pueblo of Isleta will announce to the public if anyone would be interested in serving as a committee member and will ask that you submit your resume for consideration. In addition, we will create a Water Task Force, again we will be requesting for volunteers, which will be responsible to provide recommendations on any issues related to water to the tribal government. Be on the look out for the advertisement.

I can't believe how quickly this month has gone by. My apologies for not being able to provide more information at this writing, but between meetings with the All Indian Pueblo Council, the Indian Pueblo Federal Development Corporation and just finishing with our traditional dances, the time just flew.

We here at tribal administration, extend our sincere appreciation to all of you and pray to our Creator for your good health, happiness, and good fortune to all. Let our community be instilled with pride. All of us can make this happen.

Newsletter Changes

As was reported in the February Newsletter, this will be the last month that the newsletter will be mailed to tribal members. We will make every attempt to distribute the newsletter to various sites throughout the Pueblo, including setting up newspaper stalls at different sites throughout the Pueblo. These sites at this time have not yet been determined. Newsletters will be available for pick-up at the health clinic, elderly center, recreation centers, Governor's office, Department of Education, Headstart, community center and at the Tribal Library. Also, through the efforts of Nate Lujan, Library Director, and Norman Lucero, from the MIS Department, the newsletter is available on-line. Even past issues are available. See the Tribal Library article in this issue for information on how to access the Newsletter.

We have received but two suggestions for a new name and new design for the Tribal newsletter. We're still taking applications...and...we will extend our waiting period till the end of March 2011.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning the newsletter, please call Ulysses Abeita at 307-1582 or e-mail to uabeita@yahoo.com.

Pueblo of Isleta Veterans' Association

The next meeting of the Pueblo of Isleta Veterans' Association will be on 16 March 2011 at 6:30 PM.

For your information, we submitted a capital outlay request to the NM State Legislature for construction of our Veterans' project. It is being sponsored by Rep. Alonso Baldonado and Rep. David Chavez. There is a rumor that there is no money in Santa Fe, and whether we get any money...is a very big maybe...but they know that we are here.

All honorably discharged veterans may join the Association for an annual fee of \$25. Refreshments and snacks will be served...

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BILLS OF INTEREST 2-24-11

Isleta

Bill #	Title	Sponsor	2-24-11 Status	FIR	Description	Progress
<u>HB2</u>	GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2011	Henry Kiki Saavedra	Do Pass HAFC 10-7	Yes	Introduced 01/18/2011 ó The governors version of the General Appropriation Act that funds state agencies for FY 2012; reduces current funding levels of certain agencies and increases employees share of retirement contributions; and amends the GAA of 2010. Also includes HB1 appropriations for the Legislature, HB3 appropriations for public and higher education, and HB4 appropriations for transportation.	Monitor and Report. Bill should be on House floor Monday. All 36 Democrats will need to vote yes for the bill to pass.
<u>HB48</u>	CULTURAL PROPERTIES REVIEW COMMITTEE DUTIES	Paul C. Bandy	Tabled in CPAC 3-2	Yes	House Bill 48, prepared for the Government Restructuring Task Force, amends four sections of the Cultural Properties Act (Section 18-6-1 NMSA 1978 et seq.) to the authorize the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), who is director of the Historic Preservation Division in the Department of Cultural Affairs, to make a temporary, emergency classification to list a cultural property on the New Mexico Register of Cultural Properties (State Register). The bill further authorizes the State Archaeologist and the SHPO to issue permits for archaeological investigations. The bill removes these duties and responsibilities from the Cultural Properties Review Committee (CPRC), a governor-appointed board with one statutory member (State Historian), attached administratively to the Historic Preservation Division. The bill also cleans up statutory language with a few wording changes. Currently, the CPRC, with the concurrence of the State Archaeologist and the SHPO, issues permits for archaeological investigations, including permits to survey, excavate or make collections from archaeological sites on state land; excavation permits for archaeological sites on private land when using mechanical equipment; and permits authorizing the excavation of unmarked human burials on state or private	Oppose, dead.
					land. In addition the CPRC currently is the sole entity with authority to make an emergency classification to list a cultural property on the New Mexico Register of Cultural Properties (State Register) on a temporary basis not to exceed one year. It does so at an open meeting and takes testimony prior to making a decision on the emergency listing.	
<u>HB81</u>	NO LAND GRANTS AS STATE LAND	Miguel P. Garcia	Do Pass in CPAC 3-2 DO PASS HJC 2-21-11 House Flloor 2-23-11	YES	House Bill 81 proposes to amend Section 49-1-11.1 NMSA 1978 by adding a new subsection which would exempt the common lands owned or controlled by a land grant-merced from consideration or treatment as state land.	Oppose
<u>HB88</u>	EXECUTIVE BRANCH ENTITY SUNSETS	Paul C. Bandy, Lynda M. Lovejoy	Tabled in HHGAC	Yes	House Bill 88 which was endorsed by the government restructuring task force provides for the sunset or expiration of various boards, commissions and other membership entities within the Executive Branch at specified times between 2013 and 2017. The bill also states that the Sunset Act applies to all boards and other membership entities of the Executive Branch, and also requires the LFC to review all such entities not enumerated or designated in the bill during 2011 and 2012 to then make recommendations to the legislature whether to terminate or extend those entities. The bill sunsets the TIF Board, Commission on Indian Affairs, and Indian Education Advisory Council	Oppose unless amended.
<u>HB92</u>	LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TRIBAL COLLEGES	Ray Begaye	Do Pass HEC, 9-0, Pending Action by HAFC	yes	House Bill 92 provides for students attending tribal colleges to receive lottery tuition scholarships under the same criteria as students attending public post secondary institutions and makes technical corrections to existing statute.	Support. Need to work the Senate Majority Leader
					The bill defines "tribal colleges" and prescribes eligibility requirements.	
<u>HB143</u>	NMFA WATER PROJECT FUND PROJECTS	Andy Nuñez	Do Pass House 60-8; Pending SCONN;SFC	Yes	Water Trust Board project authorizations. Isleta Pueblo has a project on the list.	Support;

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<u>HB231</u>	MINIMUM AMOUNT OF DAYS FOR LIVE HORSE RACING	Andy Nuñez	Tabled HHGAC	Yes	Increased number of required racing days from 17 per year to 60 days per year	Monitor, probably dead
<u>HB232</u>	HORSE RACING ADVANCE DEPOSIT WAGERING ACCOUNT	Andy Nuñez	[6] HCPAC/HBIC-HCPAC	NO	RELATING TO HORSE RACING; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVANCE DEPOSIT WAGERING ACCOUNTS; ALLOWING PATRONS TO USE ADVANCE DEPOSIT WAGERING ACCOUNTS TO PLACE WAGERS ON LIVE AND SIMULCAST HORSE RACES FROM OUTSIDE A RACETRACK.	Monitor, compact issue; need to check with committee to see if its been tabled in CPAC.
<u>HB250</u>	DEFINE "TOBACCO PRODUCTS" & ENACT MINIMUM TAX	Mimi Stewart		Yes	RELATING TO TAXATION; INCREASING THE RATE OF THE TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX; CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF "TOBACCO PRODUCTS"; ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM TAX ON TOBACCO PRODUCTS SOLD IN SMALL QUANTITIES.	Monitor, dead
<u>HB287</u>	SPECIAL FUEL TAX DEDUCTION ON INDIAN LAND	Sandra D. Jeff	Held at the request of the sponsor	Yes	Provided a deduction for the special fuel excise tax for diesel fuel sold on Indian reservation, Pueblo Grant, or trust land. Estimated cost to the state and local governments is between \$14 and \$17 million.	Monitor; NAPC is concerned that this bill may open up discussion on the tribal gasoline tax exemption. Many feel this is a bad year to try to move this legislation. Representative Jeff may have permanently tabled her bill.
<u>HB288</u>	TEACHERS INCOME TAX DEDUCTION ON INDIAN LAND	Sandra D. Jeff	HTRC 2-25-11 Room 317 1:30 PM	Yes	RELATING TO TAXATION; PROVIDING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR TEACHERS WORKING AND LIVING ON INDIAN LAND.	Monitor, possibly support; unlikely to pass.
<u>HB358</u>	CONSERVANCY DISTRICT ELECTIONS REQUIREMENTS	Dennis J. Roch	DP PASS HVEC DO PASS HJC 2-21-11 House Passage 2-24-11	YES	House Bill 358 changes the maximum size of the conservancy district from 140,000 acres to 145,000 acres. It deletes outdated language regarding wives of electors. It also deletes the requirement for the conservancy district secretary to mail out statements showing the number of irrigable acres owned by each landowner in each voting precinct. HB 358 changes the entitlement to vote for district precinct elections to landowners owning irrigable property for at least five months preceding the election, and for at-large director's changes the ownership period from one month to a minimum of two (2) months. It eliminates a provision that allows candidates to run without having a nominating petition if no other person had filed to run within the time prescribed for filing. The bill gives the board of directors the ability to determine compensation of directors providing no director receives an increase during the term they were elected.	Monitor
<u>HB394</u>	BINGO & RAFFLE ACT ORGANIZATION DEFINITIONS	Rick Miera	[17] HCPAC/HEC-HCPAC	Yes	House Bill 394 would amend the Bingo and Raffle Act to permit fraternities, sororities and student organizations to conduct games of chance, either as licensed organizations or exempt organizations.	Monitor; potential compact implications.
<u>HB402</u>	STATUS OF WATER RIGHTS UNDER LEASE Roberto	Robert "Bobby" Gonzales	Do Pass HAWRC 2-21-11	Yes	House Bill 402 proposes to amend § 72-6-3(A) NMSA 1978 to explicitly set forth the existing law that the beneficial use of water pursuant to a state engineer approved lease of valid existing water rights constitutes the continued exercise of the leased water rights and protects those water rights from loss through forfeiture or abandonment. The bill also proposes (p. 2, line 13) to amend § 72-6-3(B) NMSA 1978 to change the word "nonuser" to "nonuse". Section 72-12-7(A) NMSA 1978 would be amended to address the limited instance where the holder of a state engineer permit granting a change in place of use of a previously adjudicated groundwater right desires to place water to beneficial use at a location other than that specified in the permit. In that specific instance the bill would provide that the requirement of beneficial use necessary to establish a valid groundwater right at the changed place of use can be met if some or all of the permitted amount of water is placed to beneficial use at a third location pursuant to a lease permit approved by state engineer.	Monitor; seek input from tribal attorneys
<u>HB423</u>	GAMING PLAYER'S CLUB REWARD REDEMPTION	Thomas A. Garcia	HBIC 2-24-11	YES	House Bill 423 proposes to amend the Gaming Control Act to allow reward's for player's club point redemption at gaming establishments. According to the Gaming Control Board the bill amends the Gaming Control Act to permit gaming operator licensees to allow patrons to redeem player's club points for food.	Monitor

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<u>HB442</u>	LIMIT MRGCD ASSESSMENTS	Miguel P. Garcia	HTRC 2-25-11 Room 317 1:30 PM	Yes	House Bill 442 (HB 442) enacts a new section of 73-16 NMSA 1978 to limit total annual assessments of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) to no more than 110% of its budgeted annual expenditures.	Monitor
<u>HB443</u>	CAP MRGCD ASSESSMENTS UNTIL 2014	Miguel P. Garcia	HTRC 2-25-11 Room 317 1:30 PM	NO	RELATING TO CONSERVANCY DISTRICTS; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 73, ARTICLE 16 NMSA 1978 TO CAP ASSESSMENTS OF THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT UNTIL 2014; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.	Monitor
<u>HB452</u>	NATURAL GAS SHUT-DOWN TASK FORCE	Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales, Carlos R. Cisneros	HENRC 2-25-11 Room 315 8:30 AM	NO	RELATING TO UTILITIES; CREATING A TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE THE RECENT NATURAL GAS SHUT-DOWN AND ITS RAMIFICATIONS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.	Monitor
<u>HB465</u>	TAX ON SPECIAL FUEL SHIPMENTS	W. Ken Martinez		NO	RELATING TO TAXATION; CLARIFYING THE TREATMENT OF SPECIAL FUEL SHIPPED FROM ONE REFINERY OR PIPELINE TERMINAL TO ANOTHER REFINERY OR PIPELINE TERMINAL PURSUANT TO THE SPECIAL FUELS SUPPLIER TAX ACT. Note: This has been introduced at the request of Laguna and LDC.	Monitor
<u>HB467</u>	SEVERANCE TAX BOND PROJECTS	Jim R. Trujillo	HTRC 2-23-11 1	NO	Capital Outlay Bill	
<u>HB505</u>	COMPLAINTS FOR INTERFERING WITH ACEQUIAS	Don L. Tripp	Do Pass HAWRC 2-21-11	YES	House Bill 505 seeks to amend NMSA 1978, § 73-2-5(B). Currently, Section 73-2-5(B) provides that a criminal complaint may be filed with a magistrate court by the district attorney or the mayordomo or commission of the ditch or acequia if a person unlawfully interferes with the members of a community ditch or an acequia's easement to the ditch within the community ditch or acequia. HB 505 seeks to add that where there is no mayordomo or commission, irrigation or conservancy district with control of the ditch or acequia, an affected person may file a criminal complaint for unlawfully interfering with an easement to the ditch in magistrate or metropolitan court. In essence HB 505 authorizes a person on a private ditch to file a criminal complaint against a person that unlawfully interferes with his easement to the private ditch.	Monitor, get more input
<u>HB512</u>	REVISE STATE FAIR COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP	Al Park, Timothy M. Keller	[22] HCPAC/HBIC/HJC-HCPAC	NO	The legislation revises the current membership of the New Mexico State Fair Commission. The legislation proposes that the seven member commission appointed by the governor include two members nominated by the mayor of Albuquerque. One of those individuals shall be a city of Albuquerque employee and one shall be a nominee of a neighborhood association, recognized pursuant to the city of Albuquerque Neighborhood Association Recognition Ordinance that shares a border with the state fairgrounds.	Monitor
<u>HB513</u>	AUDIT STATE FAIR COMMISSION & EXPO NM	Al Park	HHGAC 3-1-11 Room 309 8:30 AM	NO	Appropriates \$30,000 for the State Auditor to conduct an audit of the state fair and EXPO NM.	Monitor
<u>HB515</u>	SEVERANCE TAXES FOR INDIAN WATER SETTLEMENTS	James Roger Madalena	[22] HTRC/HAFC-HTRC	NO	RELATING TO INDIAN WATER RIGHTS; TEMPORARILY ALLOCATING A PORTION OF THE SEVERANCE TAX BONDING CAPACITY TO IMPLEMENT THE STATE'S SHARE OF THE AAMODT, TAOS AND NAVAJO NATION WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENTS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.	Monitor, possibly support.

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HB521	MRGCD INFO IN SUNSHINE PORTAL	Mary Helen Garcia	HAWR 2-25-11 Room 310	YES	House Bill 521 amends the Sunshine Portal Transparency Act to include the annual operating budget, salary schedules and policies, directory of employees, monthly expenditures and revenues, outstanding contracts greater than \$20 thousand and inventory of real property of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) no later than January 1, 2012. The bill requires the MRGCD to work with the Department of Information Technology starting as soon as practicable after July 1, 2012 to create the monthly extract of data. The bill also requires the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District to have a link to the state sunshine portal on its website.	Monitor
HB536	GAMES OF CHANCE AT LIQUOR CONTROL PREMISES	Zachary J. Cook	[23] HBIC/HJC-HBIC	NO	RELATED TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; CLARIFYING THAT GAMES OF CHANCE PURSUANT TO THE NEW MEXICO BINGO AND RAFFLE ACT ARE PERMITTED ON PREMISES LICENSED PURSUANT TO THE LIQUOR CONTROL ACT.	Need to talk to sponsor about purpose of the bill. Bill language appears to contradict the title of the bill.
HB549	PRIORITY FOR HIGHWAYS ON TRIBAL LAND	Sandra D. Jeff	[23] HTPWC/HJC-HTPWC	NO	RELATING TO HIGHWAYS; ESTABLISHING A PRIORITY FOR HIGHWAYS ON TRIBAL LAND.	Monitor; seek input from NAPC. This bill may bring up issues related to the Gas Tax.
HB550	NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS DIVISION	Sandra D. Jeff	[23] HCPAC/HHGAC-HCPAC	NO	RELATING TO VETERANS' SERVICES; CREATING A NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS DIVISION WITHIN THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT.	Monitor
HB551	CONSOLIDATE INDIAN AFFAIRS DEPT. PROGRAMS	Sandra D. Jeff	[23] HCPAC/HHGAC-HCPAC	NO	RELATING TO EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION; CONSOLIDATING INDIAN PROGRAMS WITHIN THE INDIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT; AMENDING, REPEALING AND ENACTING SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978.	Monitor, possibly oppose
HB568	SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE & GAS TAX RATE CHANGE	Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales	[24] HTPWC/HTRC-HTPWC	NO	RELATING TO TAXATION; CHANGING THE BASIS OF THE GASOLINE TAX AND THE SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX FROM NUMBER OF GALLONS SOLD TO VALUE OF FUEL SOLD.	Companion to SB507
HB574	MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT INFO	Miguel P. Garcia	[24] HCPAC/HJC-HCPAC	NO	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY; AMENDING THE SUNSHINE PORTAL TRANSPARENCY ACT TO INCLUDE INFORMATION FROM THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT.	
HB578	<u>ADJUDICATED WATER RIGHT USE WITHOUT DIVERSION</u>	Nate Gentry	HAWR 2-25-11 Room 310	NO	RELATING TO WATER; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE IN POINT OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OR PURPOSE OF USE OF AN ADJUDICATED WATER RIGHT FOR USE WITHOUT DIVERSION.	
HB601	LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIPS AT TRIBAL COLLEGES	Sandra D. Jeff	[24] HBIC/HTRC-HBIC	NO	RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; DISTRIBUTING AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ONE PERCENT OF TRIBAL GAMING REVENUE FOR LOTTERY TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS AT TRIBAL COLLEGES; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.	Similar to HB92
HJM6	INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AS ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM	James Roger Madalena	House Passage 2-21-11	NO	REQUESTING CONGRESS TO CHANGE THE FUNDING MECHANISM FOR THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FROM A DOMESTIC DISCRETIONARY PROGRAM TO AN ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM.	Monitor
HJM31	LEGIS SUPPORT FOR TRIBAL LANGUAGE SURVIVAL	JamesRoger Madalena	[12] HEC	YES	CALLING FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO SUPPORT TRIBAL LANGUAGE SURVIVAL, AND REQUESTING THE FULFILLMENT OF STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS REGARDING THE 2003 INDIAN EDUCATION ACT AND THE STATE BILINGUAL MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION ACT.	Monitor

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<u>HJM40</u>	HEALTH CARE REFORM FOR NATIVE AMERICANS IN NM	James Roger Madalena	HHGAC 3-1-11 Room 309 8:30AM	NO	CALLING FOR THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS OF NATIVE AMERICAN PUEBLOS, TRIBES AND NATIONS TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM TO ENGAGE IN PLANNING AND TO CAPITALIZE ON OPPORTUNITIES TO REFORM HEALTH CARE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS IN NEW MEXICO.	Support
<u>SB26</u>	NMFA AS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BANK	Timothy M. Keller	SPREF [1] SCORC/SFC-SCORC	Yes	Senate Bill 26, for the New Mexico Finance Authority Oversight Committee, authorizes the New Mexico Finance Authority to seek certification to be a community development financial institution and further authorizes the Authority to determine eligibility for certain economic development funding. NOTE: Isleta has its own CDFI through its Housing entity. We are monitoring the bill.	Monitor. Many tribes already have CDFI's, but they can apply to NMFA for additional support.
<u>SB27</u>	EXTEND DAILY CAPITAL OUTLAY HORSE RACING TAX	Mary Kay Papen	Do Pass Senate Corporations; pending SFC action	Yes	SB 27 extends imposition of a daily capital outlay tax of two and three-sixteenths percent of gross daily pari-mutuel wagering at licensed racetracks at which horse racing is conducted on premises or by simulcast. The tax is currently set to expire on July 1, 2012 in conjunction with repeal of the Horse Racing Act (Section 60-1A NMSA 1978). The bill will extend imposition of the tax through December 31, 2014. The bill also extends tax offsets to Class A and B licensees and disposition of revenue to the general fund, as well as an appropriation of one-half of the daily capital outlay tax to the state fair commission.	Monitor
<u>SB81</u>	TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX & DEFINITIONS	Dede Feldman	SPREF [1] SCORC/SFC-SCORC	Yes	Senate Bill 81 proposes to raise the excise tax rate on tobacco products from 25 percent of product value to 57 percent of product value. The bill will also set a minimum tax rate of \$1.66 per unit on tobacco products sold in retail units of 1.2 ounces or less. The bill provides definition of "retail unit" as a single lot of a tobacco product that can be sold, and clarifies the definition of "tobacco product" to include cigars and any product smokeless tobacco product, but exclude products used in smoking cessation.	Monitor; likely dead.
<u>SB85</u>	TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO GAMING COMMISSION	Steven P. Neville	SPREF [1] SRC/SCORC/SFC-SRC	YES	The bill consolidates certain functions of the Gaming and Racing Commissions.	Oppose; dead
<u>SB131</u>	CAPITAL OUTLAY REVIEW	Pete Campos	[1] SCORC/SFC-SCORC	YES	The bill would reform and reorganize the State's capital outlay process.	Monitor Discussion in SCORC 2-7-11: Sen. Burt wondered whether the State has any business interfering in locally funded contracts: Answer: Yes, if the State may be on the hook to make up the difference in underfunded contracts. Sen. Griego asked whether the oversight will apply to tribal projects? Answer: Yes. Committee voted not to pass the bill along party lines, but did not have quorum.
<u>SB158</u>	REPEAL CERTAIN BOARDS & COMMISSIONS	Lynda M. Lovejoy, Paul C. Bandy	DO NOT PASS SRC 2-23-11 SRC Committee Substitute 2-24-11	Yes	Senate Bill 158, developed and endorsed by the Governmental Reorganization Task Force during the interim, proposes to abolish 54 boards and commissions and change the composition of another board – the Behavioral Health Planning Council. In some cases, as noted in the table, the functions and duties of the board or commission are assigned to an executive agency. This will be the vehicle for the elimination of a lot of the boards and commissions at the state level.	Monitor, Check status with clients
<u>SB218</u>	SEVERANCE TAX BOND PROJECTS	Carlos R. Cisneros	[2] SFC	NO	See Update Isleta sheet for proper language	Support
<u>SB221</u>	ART & CULTURAL DISTRICTS FOR TRIBAL ENTITIES	Howie C. Morales	Do Pass SIAC; pending action by SCORC	Yes	Senate Bill 221 amends Sections 15-5A-1 through 15-5A-7 NMSA 1978 of the Arts and Cultural District Act to clarify and expand an existing statute to add new and provide clarity to existing definitions within the act including creative economy, cultural compound, cultural institution, cultural plan, governing body, master plan, self-designated arts and cultural district, stateauthorized arts and cultural district, state council, and steering committee. The definitions allow for a more distinct description of the program coordinator, state council, and steering committee duties and the process for creating an arts and cultural district. The bill more clearly defines arts and cultural districts, as well as self-designated arts and cultural district, to include municipalities, counties, Indian Nations, tribes and pueblos. The bill also more clearly identifies the process for establishing an art and cultural district and selfdesignated arts and cultural district and duties thereafter. The bill also clarifies the role of the New Mexico Arts Commission in the application process and the role of the Department of Cultural Affairs Arts Division in the funding process.	Support

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SB235	AGENCY CITATION OF RULEMAKING AUTHORITY	Bernadette M. Sanchez	[2] SRC/SJC-SRC	NO	RELATING TO RULEMAKING; REQUIRING STATE AGENCIES TO CITE SPECIFIC STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR RULES THEY PROPOSE TO ENACT.	
SB264	CIGARETTE TAXES ON TRIBAL LANDS	Clinton D. Harden	Tabled 5-0 at the request of the sponsor	Yes	Senate Bill 264 would provide for cigarette excise tax to be paid on sales to non-tribal members by cigarette vendors on tribal land. In current law, cigarette vendors receive a tax credit on all sales on tribal land on the condition that the tribe has imposed a minimum cigarette tax. The bill also removes the requirement that tribes impose their own excise tax, and changes the definition of "units sold" for the purpose of tobacco escrow payments to include cigarettes sold with taxcredit and tax-exempt stamps. Cigarette sales to tribal members remain exempt from tax under Senate Bill 264 as in current law. The effective date of this bill is July 1, 2011.	Oppose
SB317	NATIVE AMERICAN TAX SETTLEMENT FUND APPROP	Lynda M. Lovejoy	[2] SIAC/SFC-SIAC DP-SFC	YES	Senate Bill 617 appropriates five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from the general fund to the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) for the Native American veterans' income tax fund to make settlement payments to Native American veterans who had state personal income taxes withheld from their military income.	Support
SB373	CAPITAL OUTLAY REAUTHORIZATION	Carlos R. Cisneros	[5] SFC	YES	Capital Outlay Reauthorization and Reversion Bill. Companion to HB 467.	Monitor
SB376	STATE'S SHARE OF WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENTS	Carlos R. Cisneros	Do Pass 5-0 SCIA	Yes	After the annual estimate of severance taxbonding capacity pursuant to Subsection A of Section 7-27-10.1 NMSA 1978, for each year from fiscal year 2012 through fiscal year 2021, the board of finance division of the department of finance and administration shall allocate six percent of theestimated bonding capacity to pay the state's portion of the costs necessary to implement the Aamodt, Taos and Navajo Nation. Indian water rights settlements, and the legislature authorizes 4 the state board of finance to issue severance tax bonds in the 5 annually allocated amount for use by the interstate stream 6 commission for that purpose.	Monitor; possibly support.
SB397	CIGARETTE STAMP TO DETERMINE ESCROW PAYMENTS	Lynda M. Lovejoy	Do Pass 6-4 SFC 2-25-11 Room 322 1:30 PM	YES	Requires non-participating cigarette manufacturers to pay escrow payments per the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. Introduced on behalf of the Attorney General.	Monitor. This bill is opposed by some tribal governments and some tribal vendors. Need to watch carefully.
SB417	NATIVE AMERICAN SUICIDE PREVENTION	Lynda M. Lovejoy	Do Pass SIAC 4-0 /SFC-SIAC	No	RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; REQUIRING THE INTERAGENCY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PURCHASING COLLABORATIVE TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN SUICIDE PREVENTION AND THREE CULTURALLY BASED SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVES FOR NATIVE AMERICANS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.	
SB421	CULTURAL PROPERTY REGISTRATION & ACQUISITION	Rod Adair	[5] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [12] w/drm - ref SCONC/SJC-SCONC	Yes	The legislation redefines ownership of a property nominated to the New Mexico Register of Cultural Properties to include the owners of the mineral estate in situations in which mineral rights have been severed, as well as requiring owner consent and signature by all (100 percent) surface and mineral estate owners to nominate a property to the State Register. The legislation removes the power of eminent domain as a means of acquiring cultural properties under the Act, requires promulgation of rules, revises state agency collaboration with the State Historic Preservation Officer on projects that impact properties listed in the Register, and removes emergency classifications without consent of private property owners. The legislation cleans up language referencing the Office (vs. the Department) of Cultural Affairs and removes language in the Act encouraging owners to protect significant archaeological sites and historic properties on private land in the spirit of the Act and in cooperation with the Cultural Property Review Committee.	

Bill #	Title	Sponsor	2-24-11 Status	FIR	Description	Progress
<u>SB484</u>	ALTERNATE METHOD TO AUTHORIZE GAMING MACHINES	Steven P. Neville	[16] SCORC/SJC-SCORC	NO	RELATING TO GAMING CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR THE ALLOCATION OF AUTHORIZED GAMING MACHINES.	Monitor; likely oppose
<u>SB507</u>	INCREASE & INDEX GAS & SPECIAL FUELS TAXES	Gerald Ortiz y Pino	[16] SCORC/SFC-SCORC	NO	RELATING TO TAXATION; INCREMENTALLY INCREASING AND INDEXING THE GASOLINE TAX AND THE SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX.	
<u>SB510</u>	TRIBAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	George K. Munoz	SICAC 2-22-11	YES	Senate Bill 510 would allow certain tribal non-profit entities to apply for and implement capital improvement projects.	Need to check with clients and sponsor.
<u>SB516</u>	OFF-RESERVATION NATIVE AMERICANS IN ABQ	John Pinto	DO Pass SFC 2-22-11	YES	Senate Bill 516 appropriates \$50 thousand from the general fund to the Human Services Department to provide, through the interagency behavioral health purchasing collaborative, services in Albuquerque for off-reservation Native Americans.	Monitor
<u>SJM24</u>	TRIBAL LANGUAGE SURVIVAL SUPPORT	John Pinto	[16] SRC/SIAC-SRC	NO	CALLING FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT TRIBAL LANGUAGE SURVIVAL, AND REQUESTING THE FULFILLMENT OF STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS REGARDING THE 2003 INDIAN EDUCATION ACT AND THE STATE BILINGUAL MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION ACT.	Support, Companion to HJM 31
<u>SJR6</u>	ELIMINATE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION, CA	Lynda M. Lovejoy	SRC 2-25-11 Room 321 8:30 AM	<u>SJR6</u>	ELIMINATE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION, CA	Monitor
<u>SM6</u>	CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECT MONITORING PROCESS	Pete Campos	[1] SRC/SFC-SRC	NO	Requires LFC, DFA, and LCS to establish a system to prioritize capital outlay expenditures.	Monitor

Parks & Recreation

The month of February 2011 was somewhat uneventful as far as recreation programs were concerned because of the weather that caused us to close for 4 straight days. During our closure however, we had set up our gymnasium as an emergency shelter center for those who may have been out of heat or water due to frozen pipes. Although no one actually used the facility we did have plenty of staff and bottled water that was given to those people who had their pipes frozen at their homes. Also many people expressed gratitude that we were available to them for such an emergency. Vernon Abeita, Head of the Emergency Preparedness Program for the Pueblo of Isleta Mike Candelaria, Public Works Director, along with Lt. Governors Eddie Paul and Tony Chewiwi should be congratulated for taking swift and decisive action in preparing for such an emergency and insuring the safety of all our Pueblo residents. Also during February, former Lt. Governor Max Zuni took over the Little League Program for Vernon Abeita (who is busy this year with traditional activities) as they conducted registration for Little League sign ups. Anyone who is still interested in participating can contact Max Zuni at 604-5581.

Spring Cleaning

With March 2011 approaching, the staff will begin doing lots of Spring-cleaning as we prepare for a busy summer program. Currently the swimming pool has been closed and drained as we begin to scrub and buff the walls and flooring of the pool to insure that it is kept in tiptop shape. Doing this type of maintenance at least once a year is a must if we are to protect the integrity of the pool. Also the Park Management staff is now beginning the fertilizing schedule of all of our parks and baseball fields and uplifting the watering schedule for the warmer weather that is to come. In addition,



the Jose Lawrence Jojola/Celso Montoya Park in the Church Neighborhood is having all three wooden shade structures replaced with steel and metal structures. This will make them safer and comparable to the other parks in our park system. Pictured are staff members who are assisting with the scrubbing and cleaning of the pool. All work is done in house thus saving the Pueblo of Isleta thousands of dollars for general maintenance. Next to them is our park management staff preparing and fertilizing one of the parks as they prepare them for the growing season.



Senior Olympics

The 2011 New Mexico Senior Olympics All Indian Game Day is right around the corner. The games are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, March 23rd and 24th, 2011. This is our last year of a 3-year commitment to hosting the games here at the Pueblo of Isleta. Registration deadline is March 7th. Next year the Mescalero Apaches in Ruidoso, New Mexico will host the games. For those of you who are at least 50 years and older may register to participate. If you are interested in volunteering to help no matter what age, we will be happy to have your assistance. Tribes from throughout New Mexico will be here for the games. Lunch on both days is being provided by the generous support of the Isleta Governor's Office. Lunch will be available at the New Rec. Center for all pre-registered paid athletes, volunteer staff and spectators with a lunch ticket. For those just wishing to come out and cheer on all of our athletes the games begin in earnest on Wednesday at 9:00 am with Opening Ceremonies in the gymnasium. Sporting Events include: Archery, Basketball Free Throw, Bowling, Frisbee Accuracy, Golf-9 holes, Huachas, Soccer Accuracy Kick, Softball Distance Throw, Track 100M Dash, Track 400M Est. Run/Walk, Track 800M Est. Run/Walk, Bowling Pins, Chair Exercise, Golf Putting, Pickleboard, Shuffleboard, Water Aerobics and a Talent Show. Come join our Elders and us for two days of fun filled events for them.

Note: The New Rec. Center will be CLOSED for both days to the general public while we host these events.

At right is an overview of the games and advertisement for the event.



**New Mexico Senior Olympics
2011 All Indian Game Day
Overview**

**Pueblo of Isleta Recreation Center
March 23rd & 24th**

Tuesday, March 22nd		
9:00 am-12:00 noon	Event Set-Up	All Areas
2:00 pm-5:00 pm	Program Directors Early Check-In	Headquarters
2:00 pm-5:00 pm	Volunteer Check-In	Lobby
3:00 pm	Volunteer Training	Gym
4:00 pm	Talent Show Practice	Gym
4:00 pm	EnhanceFitness Demo Class	Aerobics Room

Wednesday, March 23rd		
7:00 am-8:00 am	Event Manager Check-In/Set Up	Equipment Room
8:00 am-9:00 am	Program Directors Check-In	Gym Hallway
7:00 am-9:00 am	Volunteer Check-In	Lobby
9:00 am	Opening Ceremonies Ray Espinoza/Rachel Rhoades - Indian Area Agency on Aging	Gym
9:30 am	Morning Stretch	Gym
10:00 am-4:00 pm	Events	All Areas
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Sack Lunch	Gym
3:00 pm	Talent Show	Gym
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Social/Dinner Ticket required	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino - Albuquerque

Thursday, March 24th		
7:00 am-8:00 am	Event Manager Check-In/Set Up	All Areas
7:00 am-9:00 am	Volunteer Check-In	Lobby
9:00 am-1:00 pm	Health Screening	Aerobics Room
8:00 am-12:00 pm	Events Continue	All Areas
8:00 am-12:00 pm	Sport Clinics	See Schedule
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Sack Lunch	Gym
1:00 pm-1:30 pm	Parade Line-up	Outside Gym
1:30 pm-2:00 pm	Parade of Athletes	Gym
2:00 pm-3:00 pm	Tribal Team Awards	Gym
	Arts & Crafts Fair	

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After School Program

For those of you parents who are concerned about the children's whereabouts after school or what they may be doing while you parents are at work please feel free to send them to the New Rec. or Old Rec. for activities. We will also help children with homework prior to engaging in fun activities should they need assistance. For those involved in the after school program at Old Rec. at Pickle Heights, those children are picked up at our Elementary School and also taken home if needed. The children attending the program at the New Rec. Center and attending our Elementary School they are only picked up at the school but parents must pick them up at the New Rec. Center prior to 6:00 pm. Now that the weather is starting to warm up and kids begin practice for softball and Little League, please remember we are an Alcohol, Drugs and Smoke Free Zone. For those of you who wish to partake in that type of activity over at the Skate Park, you will be arrested if caught. We have installed a special camera to monitor that area of the park for anytime of the day, whether we are closed or not.



Keionna Lujan is being assisted by Rec. Leader Marcelina (Feather) Anderson with her homework during the after-school program.

Summer Program

The summer program is right around the corner and we are already planning our summer activities. Right now as it stands and if the school system does not have to make up anymore lost school days, we are anticipating opening our summer program on Monday June 6, 2011 until Friday, July 29, 2011. The Summer Breakfast and Lunch Program for children ages 18 years and younger is scheduled to begin on Tuesday June 7th. We however will keep everyone posted should there be any changes to the schedule. For those young adults who are a Pueblo member and at least 16 years and older who are looking for a job, the Pueblo of Isleta Human Resources is now accepting applications until March 25, 2011. We will be hiring 16 people to assist us with the busy summer program. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Department at 869-3111. Applications must be turned in to them and not to the Rec. Center



Derrick Jiron is leading the children who participate in the after-school Swim Program on strengthening exercises.

ALL INDIAN GAME DAY(S) MARCH 23RD AND 24TH Isleta Recreation Facilities

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The Isleta Elder Center and the Isleta Recreation Department are encouraging all tribal members age 50+ to participate in the upcoming "All Indian Game Day(s)"

Many fun and exciting sports events to choose from, please call the Isleta Elder Center at your earliest convenience to register (deadline March 4th).

SAVE THE DATE!
8TH ANNUAL
ALL INDIAN
GAME DAY

Where: Isleta Recreation Center
When: Wednesday & Thursday, March 23 & 24, 2011
Who: Native American Elders Statewide

**\$10.00 registration fee for 1-13 Sports,
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for registration details.

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Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Happy Spring Time, People of the Island! Let the Library be the first to wish you a Great Harvest Season this year and also let us remind you all to be careful with your yard cleansing fires. As for those whose allergies will be in full effect soon, it is said if you eat honey from your local bee keepers the honey will help your body build immunity with the local pollen. So, love your honey bees!

NEWS

Those of you who submitted an Essay in hopes of being awarded a FREE Computer, be advised your essays are being reviewed at this very moment. All I can say at this time is Good Luck because there were a lot of essay entries making this opportunity very competitive. Winners will be notified middle or near the end of the month and will be posted in next month's Newsletter. Thank you for participating.

As mentioned in last month's Tribal Newsletter insert, the Newsletter will longer be mailed out after the March 2011 issue. From my understanding, Newsletters will have to be picked up from Newspaper racks located within the community such as: the Library, Department of Education, Elders Center, Recreation Centers, Health Center, Head Start, Governor's Office, Community Center, and Housing Department.

The library will also restart its Newsletter Email List Serve which has no monetary cost. However, the Newsletter will be in the form of a Compressed WinZip File which would have to be downloaded from the email and opened with Compressed WinZip. By compressing the Newsletter PDF, the size of the Newsletter would then be small enough to be accepted by email accounts like Gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo, AOL, Comcast, etc. To be added to the Newsletter Email List Serve, send your full name and email address to poi02002@isletapueblo.com or you can drop it off at the library and we will add you.

Another option to getting a digital copy of the Newsletter or older issues is by visiting the library's web site and clicking on the Digital Newsletter Archive Tab found on the last tab on the left of the page. The library's website address is www.isletapueblo.com/library2.html.

During the week of March 14 – 18, the following Schools will be on Spring Break: Isleta Head Start & Child Care; Los Lunas Schools, Albuquerque Public Schools, Central New Mexico (CNM), and the University of New Mexico (UNM). With that said, the Library's Hours will remain the same except for one day which is Thursday, March 17 where we will Open late at 10 AM and Close early at 6:30PM. Just in case any of you are wondering about the Isleta Elementary's Spring Break, it is the week of April 25 -29.

Over the years, we here at the library have been pursuing a level of professionalism which would make your experience in the library as pleasant and informative as possible. I have sent my staff to numerous workshops, had them get certified as Librarians through the New Mexico State Library, and purchased Staff Shirts so patrons would know who to ask for help



Taken from the Southeast Corner of the Department of Education Wing.



Taken from the East Side of the LIBRARY!

when in the library. Our latest change to the library will involve our Patrons, in the form of requiring all Patrons to have their Library Cards on hand when borrowing library material. In the past, we have been lenient and checked out material to the patrons regardless if they had their card or not, but that must now come to an end. When we move into the new library, patrons will need their library cards for everything, therefore, we want to get all patrons into the routine of having their cards.

Last month, you were informed of the NEW Library/Education Complex and were shown a picture of the plot of land with the two of my library aides holding our library banner. Well, as some of you might have seen over the last couple of weeks, major progress has taken place. As progress continues on the complex, community members can expect heavier traffic and bigger vehicles in our neighborhood. Along with construction comes the color orange in safety vest, barrels, temporary fences, and signs for delays or detours. Speaking of detours, some of you might have experienced a three day (February 28 – March 2) detour on the streets of Star Place and Moon Light Drive. Those community members whom are friends of the Isleta Pueblo Public Library via Facebook were made aware of the three day road closure a week prior and reminded of the road closure the day of. So, for the most current up-to-date news concerning

the new library complex, detours, road closures, you might want to become a fan of the Isleta Pueblo Public Library.

Facebook has widely become popular over these past few years. More and more people, as well as businesses, sign up for their own account. We know many of our own community members have an account themselves, so we decided to create a Facebook Page of our own. In doing this, we hope to better communicate with our patrons.

We will be using this page to give updates about both the Library and the tribe. You will be able to see information of past, current, and upcoming programs. You will be able to provide us with feedback and request new material on this page. In order to get these updates, all you have to do is search for "Isleta Pueblo Public Library" in the search box and click "like". After that you will be able to see our updates on your newsfeed. One incentive to get people to use this page is that we will be giving away prizes through Facebook only. So, we hope to see you on our fan page.

UPCOMING

For the month of March, we will be having March Movie Madness. The library will be taking 20 lucky students to the movies at Century Rio 24 and dinner at Furr's Buffet.



Students doing Homework for the Tracks Homework/Reading Incentive Program.

They will have a choice to see *Diary of a Wimpy Kid 2: Rodrick Rules* or *Rango*. To go, all the student has to do is come in and do homework or read for 20 minutes to get points. As soon as they have 31 points they will be able to go on this trip. They will be able to start receiving points Monday, February 28th and have until Thursday, March 24th.

We will be kicking off the NEXT incentive on April 4th. For this trip we will be taking students to the Albuquerque Little Theatre to watch the play "Sleeping Beauty" and "Robin Hood". Students will earn their points by doing homework and reading until they reach 23 points. They will have until Thursday, April 27th to do so. Our fieldtrip will be on Saturday, April 30th.

On April 7th, we will honor the upcoming Earth Day, which is on Friday, April 22nd. We will provide supplies needed such as planters, soil, seeds, etc., to take your seedlings home on Earth Day. So bring your green thumbs and join us for this event.

On April 19th, we will have a special visit from Peter Cottontail. We are scheduled to take pictures with the Easter Bunny on Tuesday from 2:30 – 6:30p.m. Pictures will be available for pick up Friday after 12pm. Please remember that these pictures are free and you receive two 3x5's.

Please join us on Wednesday and Thursday evening, of the 20th and 21st of April, for Easter activities. We will have some fun arts and crafts set up for everyone to do. The fun begins at 4:30pm. Each day is a different craft and you will be able to take your creations home with you.

RECAP

We want to say thank you to everyone who purchased a Valentine's Candy Gram from us. We hope all of you who received one, enjoyed it.

Our "Tracks" fieldtrip was not only fun, but educational as well. The children enjoyed going to both the DynaMax Theatre and the Planetarium. We explored the museum for an hour and the kids had fun.

Dr. Suess' Birthday Bash was a hit. Those who came enjoyed our festive activities in honor of Dr. Suess, and The Cat in the Hat made a special appearance himself. Those students who stayed the entire duration of the festival received a gift bag full of goodies and their very own Dr. Suess book! We had fun and hope to have another party next year. "Thank You" to all of you who participated in our activities and programs. We appreciate you visiting our library. You are always welcome here.



Students playing Super Smash Bros. on the Wii after they finished their Homework.

The Isleta Pueblo Public Library is now on Facebook!



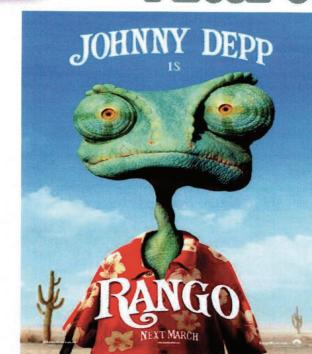
Your local Library has set up a Page on Facebook and is now available for Facebook users.

The staff here wanted a new way of better communicating and keeping in touch with the community and all of its members. Many of our reasons are as follows:

- Latest News
 - You will see both Community and Library updates such as early closures
- Programs/ Events
 - You will be aware of upcoming programs and events that will be occurring at the Library
- Prizes
 - On special occasions, our Page will feature special prizes and contests to our "friends"
- Library Information
 - Our basic information will be available for you to view i.e. hours, contact info
- Library Material Request/ Input
 - You can use our page to request new library material: movies, CDs, books
- Program Request
 - Request any new programs or any programs that you would like to see again

To become our friend and have our information available to you all you have to do is search "Isleta Pueblo Public Library" in the text box, then click on "like" button to become and fan.

After that our updates will start showing up on your wall.



Starting Monday, February 28th come in to start earning points for free dinner and a movie.

Points will be earned by doing homework or reading for 20 minutes.

The first 20 students to earn ALL 31 points by Thursday, March 24th will be permitted to go on this field trip. Once eligible, each student will decide which movie they would want to attend, either

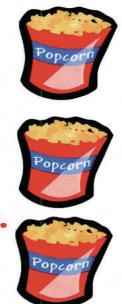
Rango or Diary of a Wimpy Kid 2.

Afterwards, the Library will treat each student to dinner at Furr's Buffet.

The field trip will be on Friday, March 25th.

For further details or more information, please come in or call the

Library at 869-8119.



Los Lunas High School Announcements

Important Dates:

- Wednesday, "Los Lunas High School Career Fair 2011". 8:15 AM – 12:30 PM, Main Gymnasium – Contact Person: Ms. Cavalier @ 865-4646 ext. 6007. or e-mail: ecavalier@llschools.com
- Tuesday, March 8, 2011 @ 6:30 PM – Senior Parent Night in the Auditorium
- March 14 – 18, 2011 – Spring Break
- March 29 – April 7, 2011 – SBA Testing
- Wednesday, May 11, 2011 @ 6:30 PM – Senior Program in Gymnasium
- Saturday, May 13, 2011 – Graduation

Important Links:

- ACT : www.actstudent.org or for SAT : www.collegeboard.com. Fee waivers available. See counselors.
- www.ncaa.org Click on "Eligibility Center"
- www.finaid.org The most complete financial aid site on the internet.
- www.fastweb.com The internet's largest FREE scholarship searches.
- www.dol.state.nm.us For education and training facilities in the area, job, and apprenticeship programs, etc.
- <http://www.nmsu.edu/~ird> Sources of Financial aid for Native American students
- <http://www.collegefund.org> Native American site
- www.dws.state.nm.us/careersolutions?index.html Career Solutions Systems – Career exploration, assessments, clusters & job hunting.
- www.cabq.gov City of Albuquerque jobs

Important !!! If you are a senior and are behind in credits towards graduation...contact your counselor immediately so that you can begin working on credit recovery through the E20/20 program!!! Seniors check on your credits towards graduation!!!

For any questions on your education at LLHS or VHS contact Mr. Ben Analla at Los Lunas High School.

Cacique (Ranchitos) Ditch Announcement

There will be Ditch Work for the Cacique (Ranchitos) Ditch on March 12th at 8:00 am. The ditch work will begin at the end by the Otero lateral ditch. There is a lot of work that needs to be done. We do not know every member's residency and therefore we have placed this notice in this Newsletter. Every effort will be made to notify members and we will also deliver Flyers. There will be a ditch meeting at the conclusion of the ditch work on this day. The Cacique Mayordomos met with the Tribal Officials and Natural Resources to address previous ditch problems and we will update you on any progress that has been made to the issues we presented. There will be a fee of \$25.00 for no-show members for ditch work on this day.

NOTE — The assessment fee is \$5.00 for "all members". There is a large amount of fees and/or assessments that are owed which total over \$11,000. The Treasurer, Mr. Richard Lucero (Cougar) will be present to collect any monies due on this day. If you believe you have an outstanding balance, please feel free to contact Mr. Lucero at 553-0905.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Thank you.

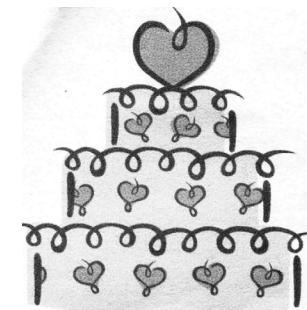
Mayordomos Kenneth Jojola at 859-9065 or Michael Lucero at 818-3027.

The more people we have to help, the easier and faster it will be for the few that are present.

Natural Resource Department

Greetings Everyone! The Natural Resource Department is in the process of commencing replacement and rehabilitation services to irrigation ditch systems within the reservation. Areas of services will be in the Acequia Madre, Middle/Lower Chical, and Ranchitos area. It is anticipated that work will begin early March and run through mid-April (start of irrigation season). Please be advised that some services will continue throughout the irrigation season. We ask the community to be careful around these areas while service is being performed.

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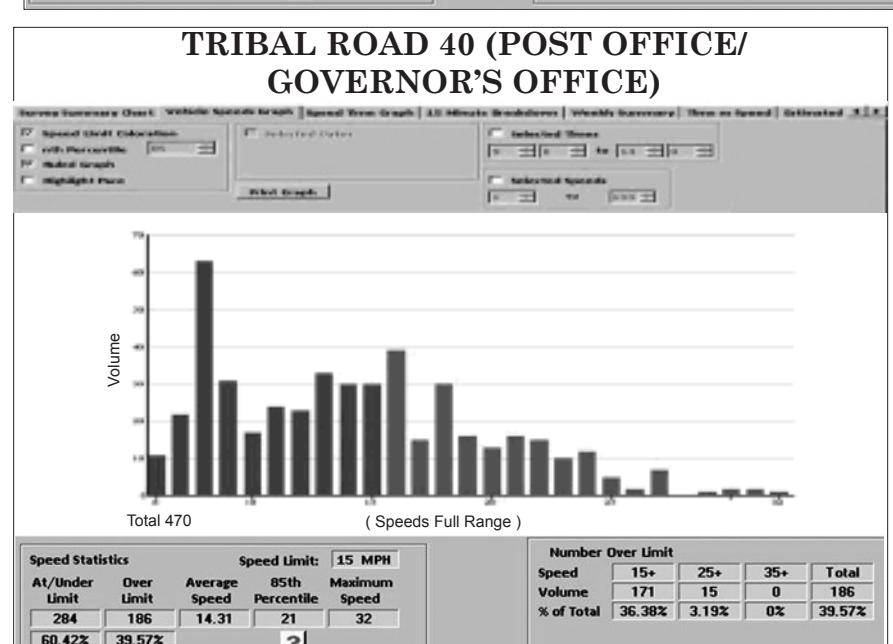
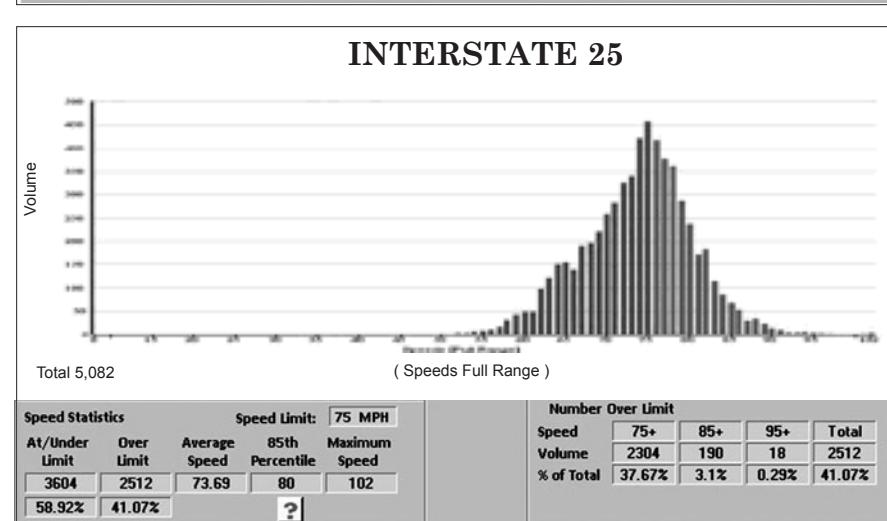
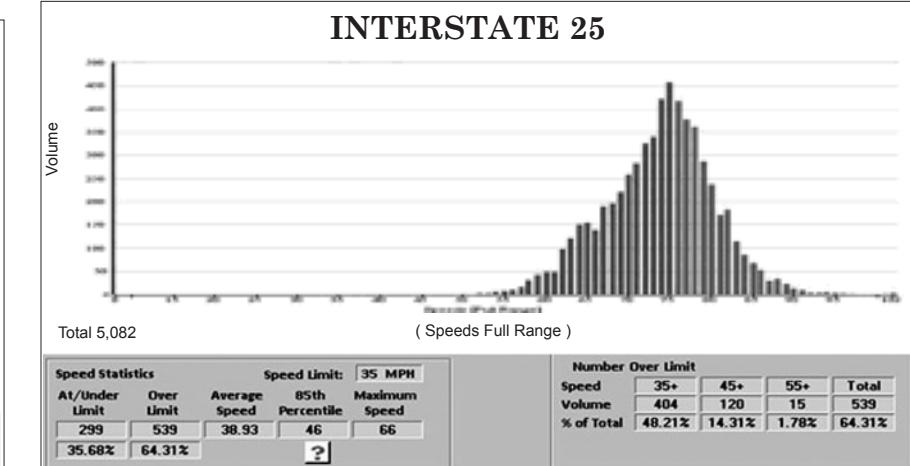
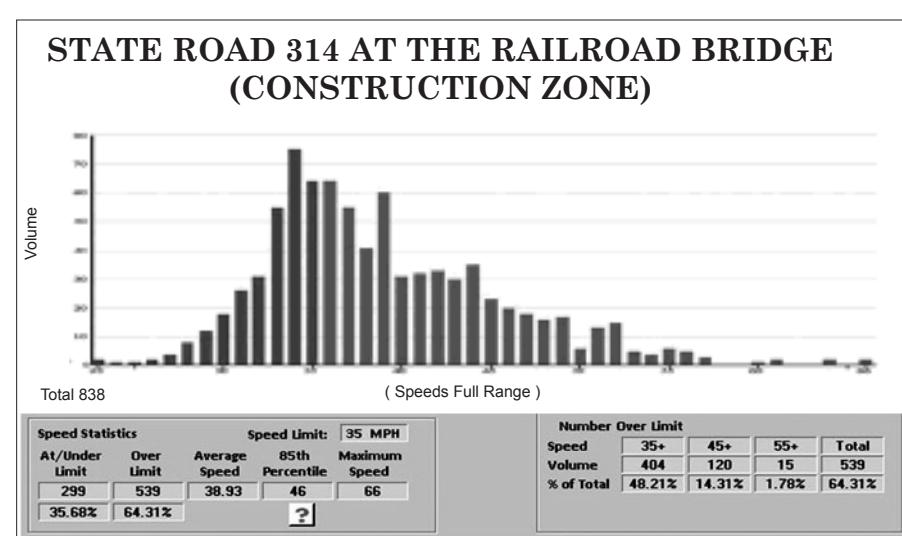
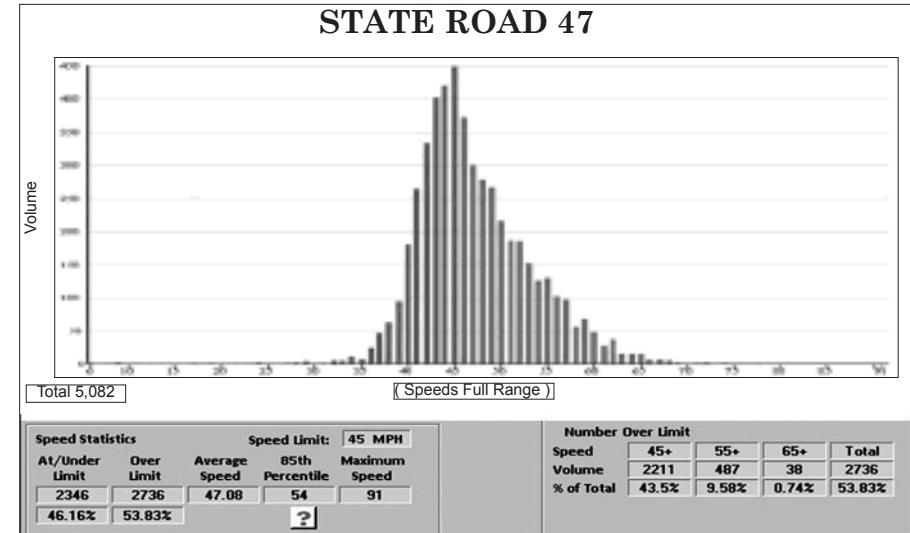
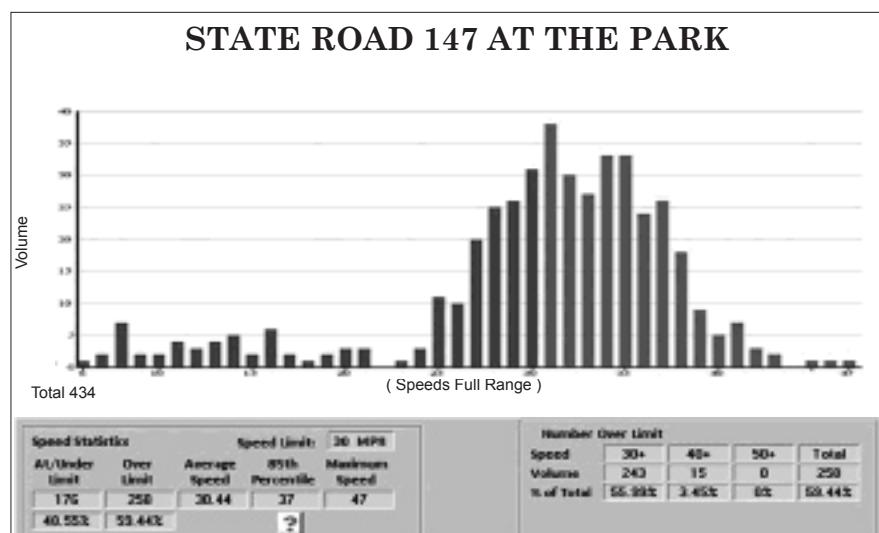
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TRAFFIC DIVISION NEWS

Isleta Police Department Traffic Division is
asking everyone to
WATCH YOUR SPEEDS!

Over the past month random speed surveys have been taken and the results indicate that drivers are failing to observe the posted speed limits throughout the Pueblo. Some of the results may surprise you.

The random speed surveys were taken on State Road 47, State Road 314, Interstate 25 and Tribal Road 40 (Post Office/Governor's Office) and following are those results:



Some question the importance of the Traffic Division's efforts in speed enforcement. The most significant is to reduce and prevent crashes. Keep in mind the higher the speed the greater the severity and potentiality for fatalities and so speed is relative. Many people believe they are "great drivers" and can handle their vehicle at any speed and feel they should not be penalized. Too often, they soon learn they are unable to control their vehicle at high speeds and the end result is none too pleasant and the Traffic Division is called upon to investigate a great bodily injury crash or fatality. The Division prefers issuing citations to violators in hopes they will adhere to speed limits posted and educate the motoring public on the role speed plays in crashes.

Traffic Division officers will be enforcing speed limits throughout the Pueblo (tribal roads, residential areas, school zones, interstate highway, and main thoroughfares) issuing citations to violators. Keep in mind and be aware of the officially posted construction zone on State Road 314 at the bridge, both north and south. The penalty assessments are doubled if you are cited in this zone.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Isleta Police Department Traffic Division
Traffic Safety Sergeant Sharon K. Mitamura
poi06053@isletapueblo.com
(505) 869-3030 Ext. 253

Pueblo of Isleta - Elder Center Legacy Corp Program

In 2006 the Isleta Elder Center saw a need to provide services to help elders remain in their own homes as long as possible by the center providing assistance to the family. The University of Maryland, Legacy Corps Project was just what the center was looking for.

The Elder Center applied for a grant and was approved to start the program with 25 members. Our Legacy members provide the following types of services to our elders:

- Insure a safe environment in such a way that the primary caregiver can enjoy some personal time
- They have been able to engage their clients in friendly and stimulating conversation and companionship (mostly in our native language)
- They are ready to fill the gap in care when the primary caregiver is not available
- They provide light housekeeping, prepare meals, laundering etc.

In 2008, the program was granted another 5 members, taking the total to 30 members. In 2009 the program was granted another five members, and again in 2010 the program was granted another five members, bringing the Isleta Legacy Corps current membership to a total of 40. With this increase in 2010 the members served approximately 58 elders a minimum of 10 hours per week for a small stipend.

We have been blessed to have members that are caring, compassionate and loyal. They treat each client with respect and honor. We are happy to report that we have reached our goal in recruiting the full 40 member slots for 2011 with 18 returning and the rest being new members. If you have any questions about our program please contact Terry Salazar, Manager or Shirley Zuni, Assistant at (505) 869-6661.

Isleta Elderly Center Activities Calendar March, 2011

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| March 3: | Mass -Kiva Room - 11:30 am |
| March 8: | Isleta Cancer Educ. & Support (ICES) - Kiva Room - 10:30 am |
| March 8: | Shuffleboard - Manzano Mesa - 12:30 pm |
| March 8: | Commodities |
| March 9: | Free Tax Preparation (Elders will be served priority) Kiva Room - 9am - 4pm |
| March 11: | Bowling - Fun Connection - 10am |
| March 14: | St. Patrick's Day Bouquet Sale - Daycare 1pm-3pm |
| March 15 | Caregivers Training - Kiva Room - 12 noon |
| March 16: | Isteta Elder Matinee Bingo - 11 am - 3pm |
| March 16: | AARP Meeting Kiva Room - 1pm |
| March 17: | Legacy Trng./Mtg. w/ Univ. of Maryland - Daycare - All day |
| March 17: | General Meeting - VistaCare Hospice/RSVP - 10am |
| March 17: | St. Patrick's Day Celebration!!! Kiva Room - 1pm - 3pm |
| March 21-22: | Legacy Corp Member Pre-Service Orientation Kiva Room - All day |
| March 22 | All Indian Game Day (AIGD) Volunteer Trng - Rec. Cntr. - 3pm |
| March 23-24: | AIGD Competition/Activities - Recreation Center All day |
| March 25: | March Birthday Celebration - Dining Room - 12 noon |
| March 28-31: | Legacy Corp Member Pre-Service Orientation Kiva Room - 4pm - 8pm |
| March 28: | Commodities |
| March 29: | Board Meeting - Kiva Room - 10am |

The 2011 New Mexico Indian Livestock Days is riding into town!!!

When: May 10 and 11
Where: Route 66 Hotel and Casino

Agenda items will include:

- Managing Fertility in Cows and Bulls
- Feral Horses
- Marketing
- Estate Planning
- Latest NRCS Funding Opportunities
- And many more!!

There will also be "hands-on" demonstrations of:

- Range Monitoring Techniques
- Proper Vaccination Sites and Handling of Vaccines
- Livestock Handling Techniques
- Proper Saddle Fitting
- Horse Sense

Registration will be \$50 for both days including lunches, \$30 for each individual day. Pre-register by April 20 to guarantee a meal ticket.

Special room rate of \$69 will be available.

Vendor booth spaces will be \$150 and will include registration and meal tickets for 2.

For more information please contact the Pueblo of Laguna Natural Resources Department at 505-552-7512, Kathy Landers NMSU County Extension Service at 505-863-3432 or 1-866-863-3432.

Coming soon at Isleta Behavioral Health:

Stress Management Group Thursdays 4-5:30pm Starting in mid-March.

Call Emily Stafford at 869-5475 for more info and starting date.

If you can answer "yes" to one or more of these questions, this group may be for you:

- People and situations bugging you?
- Getting angry and upset more often than you'd like?
- Laying awake going over and over things in your mind?
- Feeling tense and nervous and can't relax?
- Snapping at friend/family members?
- Feeling "stuck" and not sure how to deal with certain issues in your life?
- Sometimes overdoing things as a result of stress? (like drinking, eating, shopping, gambling, etc.)

These are just some of the things the group will discuss and learn new ways of dealing with.

So bring your concerns AND your sense of humor and "come on down." We promise to have some fun and a few laughs along the way, as well. Come join us!

Johnson-O'Malley Program

Hello J.O.M Families!

Another month has flown by and now we are already in the 3rd month of the New Year! Even though it seems like the days went quickly, here at the Johnson-O'Malley Program we have made good use of the time. Let us share with you now what has kept us on our toes recently, and what will be keeping us busy in the upcoming months!

The J.O.M Program has spent the last few weeks looking over the program budget. Currently, the budget for CY 2011 is still being approved by the BIE, however, there are funds remaining from CY 2010. Budget modification is in the works as we speak.

We have planned many activities for students and parents using the remaining funds from last year. The first of these activities is taking place on **March 2nd, 2011** from **5:00pm to 8:00pm**. The J.O.M Program will be throwing a birthday party for Dr. Seuss at the Tutoring Building! We figured what better way to celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday than with a Literacy Night? For those of you who have attended our Literacy Nights before, you know what to expect. If you haven't managed to join us yet, I highly recommend that you stop by to check it out. We will be having cake, arts and crafts, Dr. Seuss movies, and of course, books! Each J.O.M eligible student can pick out a book of their choice from our large selection to take home with them and keep forever and ever. This activity is for all grades from pre-K to 12th.

An event that we'd like to notify parents and students about is the Los Lunas Career Fair. The fair will be held at the Los Lunas High School on **March 9th, 2011**.

Geraldine and I (Bernadette) will be heading to the "Save the Children, Save the Teenager" conference on **March 21-22nd, 2011**. I'm sure we'll return with many new ideas to share with everyone. During our absence Beverly will still be here holding down the fort and can help you with anything you might need.

Do you like Pizza? Do you like Puzzles? Well if you answered YES to either one, then this activity is for you! On **March 24th, 2011** from **5:00pm to 8:00pm**, the J.O.M Program is having a Pizza & Puzzle Night for students and parents. There will be pizza, puzzles and door prizes given away throughout the evening and even some little puzzles to take home with ya!

On **March 26, 2011** the J.O.M Program is taking students in 7th to 12th grade on a day field trip to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center. Space is limited for this field trip and those interested are encouraged to sign your student up as soon as possible.

The Pueblo of Isleta J.O.M Program has been communicating with the J.O.M Program at Ysleta Del Sur and has set up a TENTATIVE field trip to visit with them. If everything falls into place like we are hoping, we will be taking a group of high school juniors and seniors down to Ysleta

Del Sur the weekend of April 1st-4th. This trip corresponds with the Ysleta Del Sur J.O.M's College Career Fair and offers students a chance to visit with colleges located in TX and surrounding areas. If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please give us a call.

At this time, the J.O.M Program is not offering reimbursements for cap and gowns. The program does however, still offer reimbursements for lab fees and SAT/ACT testing fees.

Also, if you have been searching for Beverly or Geraldine and have not been able to find them, fear not! They are not missing...they have been spending their days with me here in the Tutoring Building. The heating system is down in the J.O.M Office and it is very hard to concentrate when your fingers, toes, ears, and noses are frozen. So, if you need to locate either one of them for any reason, please feel free to drop by the Tutoring Building to see them. The Tutoring Building is located outside the Old Elementary School to the south near the road and playground (#630).

Last, and certainly not least, a quick update on Tutoring. Hopefully many of you

received my email regarding the changes in the tutoring schedule. If you did not, please note that tutoring is no longer offered Monday thru Thursday. Currently, Tutoring is offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. Though the days have changed slightly, there are still a few things that have remained the same. Tutoring is offered to students twice a week, is still an hour long, must be registered for, and there is still limited space. Tutoring also remains by appointment only. By appointment only simply means that a student must sign up for 12 sessions/6 weeks. If you have a student who could benefit from tutoring services, or you have questions on the specific times tutoring is offered, give me a call (924-3189)!

Whew! Well, that is pretty much it for the month of March. Like I said, if you have any questions regarding upcoming activities, field trips, events, eligibility, tutoring, or any other services provided by the J.O.M Program, please do not hesitate to give us a call or stop by and meet with us. We love visitors! Hope to see you all soon! Have a great March!

- Geraldine, Beverly, & Bernadette



SAVE THE DATE...

APRIL 2011 marks the 13th Annual Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Campaign for the Pueblo of Isleta! Join us this year in honor of Family Unity and Preservation! The following are upcoming events inviting the entire community to participate and show support in promoting child abuse awareness.

FUN WALK & RUN:
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 at 6:00 pm
Isleta Recreation Center Walk Path
Registration info to follow



FAMILY FUN NIGHT:
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 at 5:30 pm
ALL Families INVITED
Isleta Head Start & Child Care Center

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION/AWARENESS PARADE:
SATURDAY, APRIL 30 at 9:30 am
Route begins at Recreation Center going north along Tribal Road 40.
SEEKING float participants e.g., individuals, families, departments, teams

VOLUNTEERS needed, welcomed and appreciated!!

Like to volunteer? Participate? Have questions?
We can be reached at 505.869.2772



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Temporarily Located at 71 Tribal Road 40, Suite 622 (behind the old Isleta Elementary School)

Isleta Cancer Education and Support (ICES)

Meeting Schedule 2011

2nd Tuesday of the Month

10:30-noon at the Isleta Elderly Center

Date	Topic	Speaker	Organization
1/11/2011	Relay for Life	Phyllis Young	Relay for Life
2/8/2011	Surviving Chemotherapy	Jim Breedon	Professional Oncology-ER Nurse Consultants, Inc.
3/8/2011	The Role of the Caregiver in the Journey of Cancer	Bob Scanlon	Cancer Center at Presbyterian
4/12/2011	Cancer in Native Americans	Emily Haozous	University of New Mexico
5/10/2011	Catastrophic Health Funds	Jenny Davis	Isleta Contract Health
6/14/2011	Cancer Service of NM Glorietta weekend, etc	Mike Capeless(Janet Quintana-Cook)	Cancer Services of NM
7/12/2011	Coping and Stress Management	Anjie Cureton	UNM Cancer Center
8/9/2011	You've Completed Treatment, Now What?	Dorine Conley	New Mexico Department of Health
9/13/2011	Survival tips for Caregivers & How to be supportive to someone dealing with Cancer	Shelly Chimonni	Caregiver
10/11/2011	Accessing Resources for Cancer Patients	Deborah Openden	Breast Cancer Resource Center
11/18/2011	Navigation of Cancer Treatment	Bob Scanlon	Cancer Center at Presbyterian
12/13/2011	"I'm a Survivor" Cancer Survivors Panel and Xmas Party	Dorine Conley and others to be determined.	New Mexico Department of Health

Topics are Subject to Change. CONTACT Stephanie Barela to sign up and to learn more--869-4479

**Think your exposure to secondhand smoke
doesn't put you at risk?
Think again!**

Stephanie Barela
Isleta Health Center, Health Educator

Even just a small amount of secondhand smoke can put you more at risk for getting lung disease (Cancer).

Researchers from American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine did a study on the genes in cells from people's airways and found that breathing even a little cigarette smoke can affect the genes, which in turn can result in Lung Disease (Cancer). The scientists examined genes from heavy smokers and those who were exposed to only a little smoke. They saw the same type of changes in both, although the amount was less in people who breathed less smoke.

This is a warning for light smokers or people who breathe secondhand smoke:

"Don't think that it's not affecting you. Your lung cells know it. They are behaving abnormally. And for some individuals who are at risk, they are more susceptible for developing lung disease", warns researcher Ronald Crystal.

Article adapted from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services HealthBeat.

ICES
10:30am-noon
Elderly Center
Tuesday, March 8,
2011
Isleta Cancer
Education and
Support (ICES) Group

**"The Role of the
Caregiver in the
Journey of Cancer"**

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Not Feeling Well

1. Call Nurse Advice Line 1-877-725-2552
2. Follow Recommendations of Nurse
 - a. If he/she recommends you see a physician within a time span and the clinic is not open during that time and you do not have other insurance coverage which requires you to go somewhere else, go to NM Quick Care and present your Tribal ID.
 - b. If he/she recommends you see a physician within a time span that the clinic is open, then go to the clinic.
3. Contact the Contract Health (CHS) office (869-4488) within 72 Hours.

If you do not follow these 3 requirements, you may be held Financially Responsible for any charges incurred at Quick Care.

Quick Care

Located: 1400 Main Street, Suite D in Los Lunas at the intersection of Main Street and Los Cerritos in the shopping center behind Quizno's.

Open: Monday through Friday until 9pm and Saturday & Sundays 10am-6pm

Need: Pueblo Census ID Card, which shows "I" Number (Financial Assistance can only be provided to enrolled tribal members and their Native American [minor] children and spouses.)

QUICK CARE is an URGENT CARE Service and should not be used for routine medical needs; it is not an emergency room. If the Nurse Advice Line recommends you go to an emergency room, then do so and report it to Contract Health within 72 hours. Individuals with insurance coverage should follow the rules of their coverage and may not be eligible for this Quick Care service.

Freedom From Smoking Stop Smoking in 8 Sessions

CONTACT Stephanie Barela at 869-4479 to sign up for Freedom From Smoking Be the next Isleta Tribal Member to take back control of your life and sign up now!!

SIGN UP NOW
CALL 869-4479

Free Nicotine Replacement Therapy for Tribal members who attend every session.

Health Beat

Are you a Freedom Fighter?

Are you fighting to stay smoke free?
Have you stopped smoking, but still have the occasional urges and struggles?

Join the Freedom Fighters Support Group to help you stay smoke free. We will meet 3 times a year at a Restaurant and share suggestions and tips on ways to stay smoke free.

Who: Former Smokers [this group is for people that are no longer smokers. If you are still a smoker and want to stop, then sign up for Freedom From Smoking (869-4479)].

What: Support Group that will meet quarterly at a Restaurant to share tips, support and suggestions on how to stay smoke free.

When: March 28, 2011 at 5:30

Where: Casa De Pizza (Dinner Supplied)

Why: Support to stay smoke free and meet others that are staying smoke free.

Call the Isleta Health Center Health Educator, Stephanie Barela, at 869-4479 for more info and to sign up.

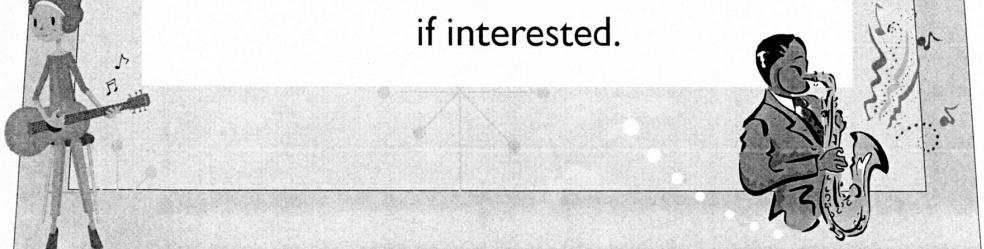
Volunteers

Needed to Play Music At the Annual Isleta Health Center Community Health Fair July 31, 2011

Play 1 to 3 hours and get your name out there!! Support your community!!

Contact Stephanie Barela, Health Educator,
@ 869-4479

if interested.



WIC NOTES

March is National Nutrition Month

For many parents, helping children develop healthy eating habits is a struggle. With the hectic pace of many families' lives and with more women working full time, even health-conscious parents are finding it easy to tolerate less than desirable eating habits.

A lot of parents don't want to struggle with the issues so they give up, letting kids make their own choices, but children's judgment is less mature and they still depend on parents to guide them.

It is best to start training children about foods as soon as they can talk since they are most influenced by their families during the preschool years.

Parents should carefully read food labels to check nutrients and ingredients. Most kids are attracted to the advertising and packaging of food, including highly sugared cereals. It's best to offer these cereals occasionally as a treat. A child's overall diet should be focused on low sugar, low fat, and unprocessed foods. Completely denying children sugar will only make it more tempting.

Involve your children in the food preparation process.

Fish oil and Alzheimer's

Stephanie Barela,
Isleta Health
Center Health Educator
869-4479

If you are concerned about developing Alzheimer's, then studies have shown that you may want to eat more fish oil. Studies have shown that people who ate DHA, which is one fatty acid in fish oil, had a lower risk of Alzheimer's, but another study shows that DHA does not lower people's risk if they already have Alzheimer's.

Adapted from
Health and Human Services
HHS Health Beat

For example, teach children how to set the table during their preschool years. Take them grocery shopping. Let them choose some fruits and vegetables as well as the occasional treats. Involve them in preparing meals.

Developing children's attitude toward food should be similar to teaching them how to handle money. They need to learn responsibility. If children are properly prepared, they are more likely to make healthy food choices once they enter school. They will probably experiment some, but they will have a preference for fresh

foods like fruits and vegetables along with foods like french fries. If they learn to eat a well-balanced diet, they won't need vitamin supplements, she says.

What about changing the diet of children who have already fallen into the junk food habit? Once children reach age 10 or 12, it is more difficult to change their habits. You may want to call a family meeting to discuss ways to eliminate most (not all) junk foods and substitute more nutritious foods. This way your child is involved in making family decisions.

Developing a child's taste for nutritious foods will pay off

later in life. They may change when they reach teenage years. Teenagers like to experiment with everything, including risky food behavior. They might prefer more highly processed foods, but once they become older and more independent they are likely to return to the healthy habits they had growing up.

If we can be of help to you by offering advice in this area, please do not hesitate to contact the WIC office, 924-3180.

Heidi Lanes
WIC Nutrition Coordinator

3 out of 4 Child Safety Seats Are Used Incorrectly.

Could yours be one of them?



Have your child safety seat or booster seat inspected for recalls, broken parts, improper installation, and appropriateness for your child. Learn the child restraint law in New Mexico. There is no charge for this service.

Isleta Health Center

1 Sagebrush Rd, Isleta Pueblo, NM

**Saturday, March 26, 2011
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

ONLY!! CLOSES at 11AM

For more information please call

Frances Anchondo 869-4482
or
Stephanie Barela 869-4479





Isleta Health Center Calendar of Events March 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Freedom From Smoking Session 6 5:30-7pm	3	4	5
6	7	8 Isleta Cancer Education and Support (ICES) 10:30-noon @ Elderly Center "The Role of the Caregiver in the Journey of Cancer"	9 Freedom From Smoking Session 7 5:30-7pm	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 National Kick Butts Day Freedom From Smoking Session 8 5:30-7pm	24	25	26 CAR SEAT CLINIC at Health Center 9-11am
27	28 FREEDOM FIGHTERS DINNER 5:30pm	Isleta Health Center Keeping Our Community Healthy		KEY: <i>IBHS-Isleta Behavioral Health Services DWC-Diabetes Wellness Center DP-Diabetes Prevention</i>	Clinic Phone: 505-869-3200 Health Educator: 869-4479 Email: Sbarela@islclinic.net	

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