

COMMUNITY

Indian Week brings traditional fashion/employee luncheon recognition

BY DON DECKER,
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About 40 employees participated in a noon luncheon and some of them dressed in their traditional clothes. Margie Campos from the PR department hosted and emceed the event along with Alexia Eswonia Senior Events coordinator from the Senior Program in Clarkdale.

Two employees, Cody Ty Wantland, who is a police officer for the Nation and Karla Reimer, Officer Manager and Tribal Secretary for YAN, were honored for their outstanding contribution

to the community of Yavapai-Apache Nation. Both of the recipients received special 'Thank you' gifts from the Indian Week committee. Vice Chairman Larry Jackson, Sr. made some brief remarks at the noon luncheon.

Mrs. Reimer, one of the person honored at the luncheon, expressed her appreciation to the community.

"Thank you to the Indian Week committee. I was honored to be recognized. It has been a pleasure working with so many good people and allowing me to be a part of your community," she said.

Mrs. Reimer, a non

tribal member who is married to Monte Reimer, has been employed continuously by the Nation for 26 years. Mr. Reimer is a probation officer for the Nation's courts.

The Contest

Eleven ladies and two men (Monte Reimer and Joe Washington) participated in the traditional attire contest as the contestants marched around the tables for a review by the audience.

Based on the volume of the applause, judges Ms. Campos and Ms. Eswonia were able to determine that Monte Reimer, Reba Franco

and Esther Sanchez all employees of the Nation, met the approval of the audience as the audience was asked to give a sounding cheer to the deserving people meeting the criteria for the traditional attire. The three winners were given an assortment of awards including movie passes and gift cards to various restaurants in the area.

To cap off the activity, a raffle was conducted with ticket entries.

That evening the Indian Week activities continued with a Senior Fashion Show at the Tunlii Community Center.



Participants of Indian Week Traditional clothes



Monte Reimer, Esther Sanchez and Reba Franco (left to right) accept recognition for traditional fashion contest.



Cody Ty Wantland, police officer for the Nation receives gifts from Alexia Eswonia, Senior Activity Coordinator.



Two men participate in traditional fashionware with Monte Reimer from the Probation Department and Joe Washington with the Public Defender's Office for the Nation.



Karla Reimer recognized for outstanding achievement.

Veterans from YAN present flags at Bull Bash Event

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The Nation's Veterans carried in the flags October 12 for the Bull Bash event at the Stargazer Pavillion-Cliff Castle Casino. This event drew novice and expert bullriders from the southwest region to compete for cash prizes.

Riders had to pay entry fees and cash prize to go up as high as \$3,500 to be awarded tonight.

Riders had an option to enter up to 10

One rider, Navajo Wyatt Betoney of Tonalea, Arizona near Tuba City paid just once in hoping to make the 8 second ride but had to leave to catch the next

competition in Tuba City today.

Veterans who carried in the flag were Jim Simons who is the Risk Management for the Nation. Simons is a paratrooper with the U.S. Army and served in Korea in addition to being an Honor Guard for the Secretary of State Dick Cheney.

Another member of the Honor Guard was Master Sergeant Larry Jackson (retired U.S. Army). Jackson is the Vice Chairman of the Yavapai-Apache Nation. Jackson completed 2 tours in Germany and one tour in Korea as well as state-side assignment including duty at West Point Military Academy in Washington, D.C.

Sergeant Marvin Redeye served with the U.S. Marines in Vietnam for 4 years as a "0311". He is from the Onondaga Nation in New York. He has close ties with the Yavapai-Apache people with activities. He and his wife reside in Camp Verde.

SFC-E-7 Brian Marquez served in the Iraq War and completed a total of 25 years with the military and ending his military career with the Arizona Army National Guard where he retired from.

Miss Teen YAN Taylor Lewis-Moore made an appearance at the Bull Bash as well. She is the daughter of Trapper Moore and Tanya Lewis.



Yavapai-Apache Nation Color Guard at the Bull Bash at Cliff Castle Casino Stargazer Pavillion Friday night performance.

Taylor is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, member of the Camp Verde FFA and participates in CVHS volleyball team.

She is also an avid horseback rider who

participates in barrel racing events throughout the region.

Ms. Lewis is the Executive Administrative Assistant for the Nation. Mr. Moore is a media con-

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sultant and owner of

Rez Media, a public relations firm.

Montessori School observes International Peace Day

BY DON DECKER,
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International Peace Day is celebrated on September 21st of each year. This event is a sanctioned event by the UN and has been observed annually since 1982.

On this date, the Peace Bell is rung at the UN Headquarters in NYC. The bell is cast from coins that were donated by children from across the world.

In observance of this day, the YAN Montessori School celebrated this special holiday on September 19 according to the

school's manager Merika Bach.

"We talked about ways to show peace and how to live with peace in our hearts".

The children congregated in front of the school and displayed a paper banner with the word, "One Happy Love Day" while holding flowered symbols made from the multi-colored imprint of hands to signify diversity.

"We explained that it does not mean to be in a place where there is no noise, trouble or hard



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work. Rather, it means to be in the midst of those things and still be calm in your heart," said Ms. Bach.

Ms. Bach said that the children shared the concepts of showing peace through patience, acceptance, empathy fairness and love.

Wellbriety Meeting Schedule: Tunlii Community Center (1520 E. Cherry Creek Rd., Camp Verde, AZ 86322)

Group:

(Every) Tuesday 6 PM – 8 PM

Group & Talking Circle:

Group (Every) Friday 5 PM – 6 PM

Talking Circle (Every) Friday 6:15 PM – 7:15 PM

For any questions please contact Glory A. Lewis-Garcia @ (928) 274-2546; E-mail: glorylg32@gmail.com Thank you!

Talking Circle will be Open to the Public.

Please bring your family for a time for healing.