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Fitness Options Expanding

As summer comes to a close and cooler overnight fall weather finally returns, now is the perfect time to get back into fitness mode and work off those extra pounds. And the Diabetes Wellness staff has stepped up to the plate, installing new outdoor exercise equipment and rolling out an evening walking club to help those who want to “take it to the next level” and “stick with the program”.

Just about a week ago, an installer from “All About Play” delivered six new low impact fitness stations to the Diabetes Walking Park for community members. Assisted by Huffy Stevenson (a hard working Native who was passing through on the way from New Mexico to San Diego on his bike), “Richard” installed the stations on the southwest end of the park, just outside of the wide concrete running trail.

The six stations are special weather resistant machines which emulate indoor gym equipment, all powered by an athlete’s own muscles and weight as they work against the



Six new low-impact exercise stations have been installed on the west side of the running course at the Quechan Diabetes Walking Park. This is the third installation of new fitness/play equipment in the park over the past year, all of which were paid for through grant funding. QUECHAN NEWS Photo: William Isbell

force of gravity.

They include an Elliptical Trainer, an Air Stride walking machine, an Arm Press and a Leg Press, a Step & Balance station and a Core Trainer. There is also an information board nearby to guide people through the stations, and explain how to use them.

Richard and Huffy securely bolted down all of the gear into concrete footings to make sure nothing tips over or moves around, no matter how vigor-

ously it is used. So, the next time you’re at the park and you find yourself nearing the end of the trail on the southwest side, take a few moments to try it all out and burn a few extra calories while you’re at it!

Rosie Herrera is also starting a new evening walking club, which meets at the park every weeknight (except for Wednesday) through November. The club meets for about an hour and a half each evening, starting at 5:30 PM. The eight week

program begins October 1st.

Parks and Rec also has two adult co-ed leagues beginning in October, one indoors at the Community Center gym, and the other meets outdoors on the field behind the gym.

The indoor volleyball league is for Tribal employees to get a little exercise, while anyone who is interested is invited to try out for the adult softball league. See the ads on pages 2 and 4 in this issue, if you need more information.

Blue Route now connects at YCAT Downtown Yuma Transfer Center

With the recent move of the YCAT's Yuma Palms transfer hub to Downtown Yuma, bus service just got better for our Fort Yuma bus riders.

Our Blue Number 5 Route was realigned to serve the Downtown Yuma Transit Center at 3 minutes past the hour, on September 4th, which means riders of the Blue Route can now access the transfer hub without having to catch the Red Route to get there.

Access to the transfer hub also means riders can catch other YCAT buses to anywhere YCAT goes, which they could do before but only after getting on the Red Route 1 bus.

The change occurred when the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA), decided to close the Yuma Palms transfer hub. The Yuma Police had reported numerous incidents of buses blocking visibility for cars turning from Yuma Palms Parkway onto Castle Dome Avenue. Buses were also blocking visibility during YCAT service hours for five to seven minutes each hour for cars leaving the Target store driveway onto Castle Dome Avenue.

The Red Route, which also serves the Reservation and Winterhaven (though only on Wednesdays) include the following changes: The layover is now at the Downtown Yuma Transit Center. That route departs at 30 minutes past the



The new YCAT Regional Transit Center is located downtown at the old Hotel Del Sol building.

EDA Photo by Brian Golding

hour. Access to the Yuma Palms Regional Center is now served by bus stops on Castle Dome Avenue, 12th Street and Pacific Avenue. The Red Route schedule has received minor modifications due its new point of origin at the Downtown Yuma Transit Center.

Other YCAT routes giving access to the Yuma Palms have also been affected by the move. For instance, Gold Route 8 (I-8/Wellton) and Yellow Route 95 (San Luis) no longer serve the Yuma Palms and the Orange Route 2 (Foothills) now has a stop along 16th Street only.

For more information on all YCAT changes, please visit <http://www.ycipta.org/index.html>, or call Allyson Collins at the EDA at (760) 572-5270 for copies of the information.

In related YCAT Blue Route 5 news: Use of the temporary

bus stops located in the Old Subdivision has been extended until November 5, 2012, while construction there is still underway. One temporary bus stop is located just west of Sapphire Lane and Turquoise Circle; the other is at the east end of the Housing Office at Garnet Drive and Sapphire Lane. Both are marked with neon green temporary bus stop signs.

Also, the EDA's September 5, 2012, Public Meeting on the Proposed Regional Connector (to discuss a bus connecting Fort Yuma/Downtown Yuma to El Centro) was attended by six concerned community members. There were no comments made on the elimination of the current service (IVT's 3 East and 3 West routes). Those attending the public meeting expressed support for the proposed route, with the proposed days of service being Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday.

EDA appreciates your comments and will work on having the bus run on those days. If you need more information on this proposed route, please call Allyson Collins at EDA.

EDA reminds folks of the caveat "Use or Lose It." The YCAT bus services brought to the Reservation are only possible through grant funding. Ridership is critical to the success of keeping the services; therefore, we continue to encourage you to use the bus. YCAT – See Where It Takes You!

Employee Step Challenge Fall 2012



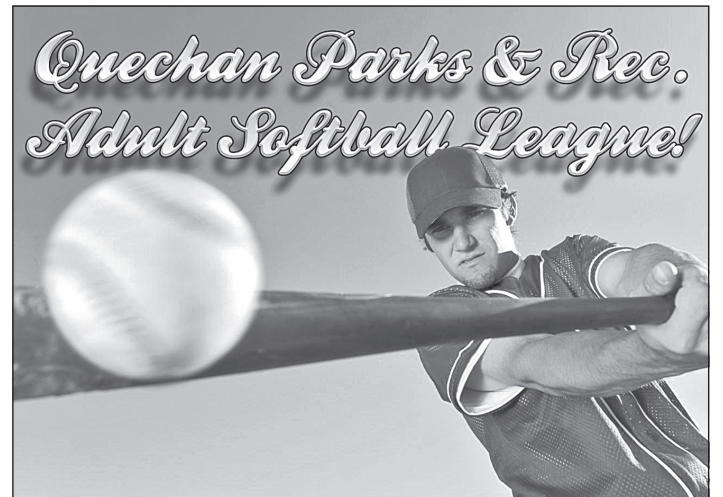
Team Captains! This is the final week to put together your Team of the four best walkers in your Department, to compete with all other Tribal Departments! Deadline for sign-ups is **Friday, September 28 at 5:00 PM!**

The Challenge Begins October 1st!

Call Rosie Herrera for Details: 760-572-4057/1286

Sign Up Now !!

*Quechan Parks & Rec.
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Entry Fee \$175/Team
Deadline: October 15, 2012

Office: 760-572-1242

Fax: 760-572-2752

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Have a story idea, or an event you want covered?

Quechan News is here to cover the special events and everyday lives of Quechan Tribe Members, and the issues that affect you in the world today. This newsletter is here to keep the lines of communication open, to expand opportunities, and uplift the Native Spirit of the Kwat'san Pipá. Your ideas and input are welcome!

Just call the Quechan News office Monday through Friday at (760) 572-3912, or email your stories and story ideas to w.isbell@quechantribe.com. I'm looking forward to hearing from you!



Culture & Heritage

Spirit Runners Take Part in 2012 Peace and Dignity Journey

“Peace and Dignity Journeys” is an Indigenous First Nation organization that first came together in 1990, when over 200 representatives of Indigenous nations from throughout the western hemisphere met for the first time in Quito, Ecuador. At that meeting, elders from North, Central and South America came together to recall a prophecy that foretold how we will come together and reunite as one.

That prophecy of the Eagle and the Condor says that when the eagle of the North and the condor of the South fly together, the Earth will awaken. It makes it plain that the eagles of the North cannot be free without the condors of the South.

The consensus reached at that meeting 22 years ago was that “we are like a body that was broken up into pieces and this body will come back together to be whole again.”

To take direct action and spread the word of that meeting of elders in Ecuador, in 1992 Peace and Dignity Journeys was created. Their mission is to continue in the spirit of the traditions of our ancestors.

Every four years Indigenous communities all over North, Central and South America take part in the tradition of receiving runners with ceremonies unique to each community, sharing stories, song, dance, and the wis-

dom that comes from community elders and ceremony.

Participating runners start simultaneously from both ends of the continent in Chickaloon, Alaska and Tierra del Fuego, Argentina. Traversing the entire continent by foot from community to community, their goal is to join together for a final gathering in Central America, Panama.

The 2012 run is dedicated to Water, reminding all who have forgotten that Water is an important resource and a shared resource for all.

“Philly” Emerson, of the Quechan Spirit Runners is the Yuma area coordinator for the 2012 Peace and Dignity Journey. On Saturday, September 1st, he and four other Spirit Runners (Dorothy Davis, Rod Escalanti, Alex Waters and Philly’s daughter, Lucy Emerson) took part in a ceremony on a Pacific Ocean inlet under the Coronado Bridge in San Diego.

They also joined other native runners for the start of a new leg of this year’s journey, from the California coast across the mountains and deserts of the American southwest, which will pass through as many reservations and native communities as possible. spreading the word about the need to honor Mother Earth by preserving and protecting our natural sources of water all along the way.



Accompanied by the Quechan Spirit Runners, the group departed from the parking lot above Anya Nitz Pak and headed over the Ocean-To-Ocean Bridge before taking the levee road south of the Colorado River east towards their destination on this leg of the 2012 run, Gila Bend. QUECHAN NEWS Photos by William Isbell

Phil takes up the story: “We came back to run our portion beginning in Ocotillo on Wednesday night (September 5th). We ran all night and got back here on Thursday.”

He says that everyone, Quechan members and guests

alike, shared a community potluck dinner at the Senior Nutrition Center before the out-of-town runners bedded down for the night at the Ironwood Community Center.

Bright and early the next morning, they gathered once

again for breakfast and then scaled Indian Hill to form up in the parking lot above the Anya Nitz Pak Park. Once a prayer had been said and the sage smoke passed over the participants, the runners headed out

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EVENING RUN/WALK CLUB AT THE DIABETES PARK



Open to Everyone in The Community!

Starting Monday, October 1st
From 5:30PM until 7:00PM
Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
Until The End of November!

Featuring Cooking Demos and Nutrition Advice!

New Members Will Receive Incentives
For Every 25 Miles Completed!



Walk or Run At Your Own Pace!

Questions?
Call Rosie Herrera at the
Quechan Special Diabetes Project
for Indians (SDPI):

(760) 572-4057 or
(760) 572-1286

For IHS Dental Appointments:
See Janice Emerson at IHS Public Health
or call her at (760)572-4234



And please be sure to
check in with
Janice Emerson at the
IHS Public Health Office
when you arrive
for your
appointment, too!

Peace and Dignity Journey

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Fourteen runners (and one tiny passenger) make their way down the levee north of Yuma and eastward into the rising sun, carrying the message that water is one of the most important gifts of our Creator, and it must be protected for our own well being, as well as for future generations. QUECHAN NEWS Photo by William Isbell

towards the Ocean-To-Ocean Bridge. With a caravan of support vehicles trailing behind, the runners crossed over the Colorado River, followed the canals and levees north of Yuma east to the Gila River, then headed north around the Tinajas Altas and on across Dome Valley, following old US80 to their planned destination beyond.

Once they were out of town, they began using a relay method to continue on for the main portion. "Everybody runs a mile (at a time) and then they hop in the pickup and someone else takes over for a mile, and they're picked up," says Philly.

"We hit the Interstate for a short stretch to Dateland."

While covering that stretch, the Highway Patrol stopped and talked to them for a bit, since they didn't have a permit to be pedestrians on the Interstate right-of-way, but Philly says, "He thought about it for a long time, but when he found out it was for a sacred run, he said, 'Okay, I'm gonna stick my neck out for you, and let you go on . . . you guys do what you're gonna do and have a safe run.'"

Philly says that was the only real obstacle along the way. "Our runners went all the way

to Gila Bend. We got there about five (in the evening). We came back for (another event that same night), and then we went back Saturday" to rejoin the others for another section.

Native communities are now scattered, having been pushed to the remote corners of the American continent. Projects such as the Peace and Dignity Journey exist to keep our communities connected in spite of that separation of distance, through the core traditions our ancestors have passed on through the years. These traditions not only serve as a binding connection to our communities, but provide us with the medium to solve our common problems.

Every four years, the Peace and Dignity Journey Run is dedicated to a specific theme: In 1992 the theme was 500 Years of Indigenous Resistance Dedicated to the Children; the 1996 run was Dedicated to the Elders; the year 2000 was Dedicated to the Families; and in 2004, Dedicated to Honor Women and the feminine spirit, particularly Mother Earth.

The 2008 journey is dedicated to the honoring of and preservation and protection of Sacred Sites.

And in 2012, the problem Peace and Dignity Journey wants to emphasize is the increasing privatization of water.

"Water is critical and necessary to the daily life of all human beings, but it is also an equally powerful element which private companies use to control our lives," they write, in their mission statement for the 2012 run.

"we must organize our communities towards a movement that will restore equal access to clean water for all, while at the same time ensuring that the water does not become private property for the personal profit of a few."

They are determined to keep water from being privatized within plastic bottles or behind concrete dams. They also say that our natural sources of water should be protected from contamination from mining, oil drilling and nuclear waste.

If you want to know more about their mission, or if you want to find out more about the importance of water as a shared resource of all human beings, you can visit their website and learn more about how to participate. Look them up at: www.peaceanddignityjourneys.com

Top High School ASB Officers Are Quechan Members

San Pasqual Valley Schools Superintendent Dr. David Bealer has informed the *Quechan News* that this year's Associated Student Body (ASB) officers include two Quechan Tribal members, holding the top two elected positions.

Jacob Emerson is this year's ASB President. This is his second year in ASB, having served as Vice-President last year. A junior at San Pasqual, Jacob has attended the San Pasqual schools since he was enrolled in Head Start at the age of 5.

His parents are Christopher Emerson, Sr. and Tina Lee Shields. He says that over the years, he seems to have built a sense of trust with everyone, having never really gotten into trouble.

He wants to use his position this year to help everyone realize that they all have potential, and they can rise to the challenges of life by simply getting up and taking action, and not being too shy to speak up when



The 2012/2013 San Pasqual High student council includes Secretary Noemi Tellez, Vice President Emily Durand, President Jacob Emerson and Treasurer Joey Sandoval. QUECHAN NEWS Photo by William Isbell

they have something to contribute. "ASB has also helped me become a leader and to learn to delegate jobs so that everything gets done within a deadline."

Emily Durand, a junior who served as sophomore representative last year, is this year's Vice-President.

She is also a Quechan Tribal member who says ASB has taught her some unexpected lessons. "For example, to always be prepared for any situation that may come up. It has

even helped me to get over my timid and shy nature."

Emily also says that she continues to grow more as an indi-

vidual daily, and that being in ASB has also taught her a great deal about friendship.

Her goals for this year's ASB are quite simple: to be a leader and to lead by example. She hopes to show the younger classes how to be responsible and mature individuals, while having fun and enjoying their roles as ASB members.

Senior Noemi Tellez was elected Secretary in her first year as a member of the ASB. "I ran for the position because I am very organized and take very good notes," she explains.

After graduating, she plans to attend AWC for two years

before transferring to a university to major in photography. "I love photography because I like taking random pictures of the beauty of nature and capturing objects around us that we may not even notice."

ASB Treasurer Joseph Sandoval came to San Pasqual from Yuma in 5th grade. "I ran for treasurer," he explains, "because I like handling money and I am a very reliable and honest person."

Joseph also serves as Secretary for the San Pasqual FFA, and says he joined the ASB because he wants to help make San Pasqual the best it can be.

Wildcats Get H.I.R.E.'d!



San Pasqual Middle School students who are the first to receive recognition for their Honor, Integrity, Respect, and Excellence in 2012 gather together for a group photo. QUECHAN NEWS Photo by William Isbell

Students at San Pasqual Middle School are implementing a new program known as the "Peace Builders for H.I.R.E."

The *Peace Builder* program is a well researched, science-based program geared towards reducing violence and aggression. It involves transforming the climate into one of cooperation, as well as being productive and academically successful.

To help students who are progressing through the *Peace*

Builder program, the school staff awards tickets to students who act in ways that demonstrate the values of Honor, Integrity, Respect, and Excellence (H.I.R.E.).

Each month throughout the upcoming school year, students will receive recognition for their accomplishments.

San Pasqual Middle School is very proud of our WILD-CATS! Congratulations to the September *Peace Builders for*

H.I.R.E. at San Pasqual:

Ryan Jefferson, Jasmine Castillo, Lavelle Gilmore, Jessica Roosevelt, Jesse Cortez, Randy Aguerro, Brendan McNeely, Stephen Johnson, Phillip Galindo, Alora Dugan, Calista Rey, Paris Montague, Layla Velasquez, Ricardo Bravo, Cesar Cerda, Margarita Velasquez, Erica Duncan, Melissa Cosela, Lewis Steele, James Robles, Katherine Cervantez and (not pictured) Kimana Wilson.

QUECHAN TRIBE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Director - Alcohol/Drug Abuse
Prevention Program**
Salary: \$65,000 - \$70,000 per year

Adult/Youth Substance Abuse Counselor
Salary: \$32,968-\$37,128 Annually
(Exempt; not eligible for overtime)

Both Positions Close:

Friday, September 28, 2012

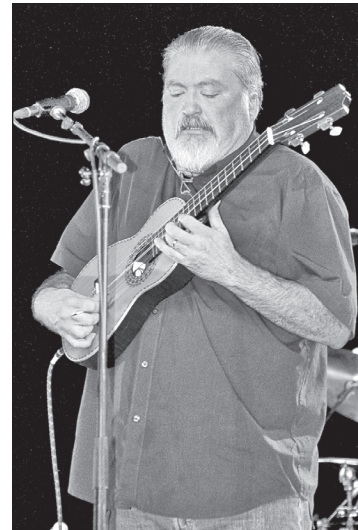
For Full Descriptions and Applications, Contact:



QUECHAN INDIAN TRIBE

**Fort Yuma Indian Reservation
HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT**
350 Picacho Drive - P.O. Box 1899 - Yuma, AZ 85366
Phone (760) 572-0213 - Fax (760) 572-0515

LATIN LEGENDS LIVE AT THE Q!



El Chicano led off the night's entertainment, with Mickey Lespron, Freddie Sanchez and Jerry Salas cranking out tunes new and old that had the crowd dancing in their seats. Soon after, Arcelio Garcia and Malo had them out of their seats, as Arcelio danced and sang non-stop during their time on stage. Finally, the great Los Lobos wrapped up the show. That's David Hidalgo, who plays nearly every instrument the band has available. He also provided the singing voice for Lou Diamond Phillips when he played Richie Valenz in *La Bamba*.

QUECHAN NEWS Photos by William Isbell

Hundreds of happy, dancing, clapping people filled the Pipa Event Center at the Quechan Casino ♠ Resort on Friday night, September 14th, to enjoy a marathon three-hour concert featuring three of the greatest latin bands of the past few decades.

The Latin Legends entertaining the crowd were El Chicano,

Malo and Los Lobos!

The show began just a couple of minutes after 8:00 PM, as Freddie Sanchez sauntered on to the stage, closely followed by Mickey Lespron, Jerry Salas and the rest of the band. They quickly kicked into great hits like *Brown Eyed Girl*, *Tell Her She's Lovely* and *Viva Tirado*.

They also took time to bring out their beautiful female back-up singer to showcase her talents for a favorite slow dance number, *Sabor a Mi* before finishing off with more great fast numbers.

Their 45 minute set complete, El Chicano dashed off stage to allow the road crew to move in

and swiftly rearrange the instruments for Malo, who continued the high-energy latin drive as Arcelio Garcia, in a spotless white suit stepped into the spotlight to dance, clap and boogie his way through hits like *Nena*, *Suavecito* and *Oye Mamá*.

With Arcelio's constant motion and the driving brass section

backed by an expert percussion group, Malo had the audience dancing in the aisle by the third song of their set.

But the best was yet to come: Los Lobos.

It took a little longer to rearrange the stage this time, but most of the audience used the break to dash for refreshments in the Pipa's lobby, and catch their breath from all the dancing.

Once Los Lobos took the stage and the house lights dimmed, it was a final hour of hit after hit, as David Hidalgo entered to take up his *guitarra de son* and the band kicked off their set with *Canto A Veracruz*.


The band spent the final hour of the concert ripping through their own hits, and hits they've covered and written themselves for a great number of film soundtracks over the years.

Among the biggest crowd pleasers were their versions of *Come On Let's Go*, and *La Pistola Y El Corazon*, which also had 'em dancing in the aisles!

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September 27 thru November 8, 2012

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Native Cry Sponsors "Music Is Life" Outreach Event



Rayna Madero, cofounder of the Native Cry Outreach Alliance (at left) speaks to the crowd at the beginning of the Saturday night music festival. Among the acts that entertained the collection of Tribal members and local community curiosity seekers were the Jewels of the Desert belly dance group, Quechan Tribal member (and hip hop recording artist) Magnus Titanium and Adrian Rios aka A-Dub. Magnus Titanium also spoke about his own struggles with depression, and the attempted suicide his past black moods led him into before he came to realize that he has control over his own path, and decided to develop his talents, rather than dwell on things he cannot change. QUECHAN NEWS Photos by William Isbell

As Armando and Rayna Madero prepare to officially open their Native Cry Outreach Alliance facility, they have begun to raise their profile with a series of community appearances and events.

Their latest effort at informing the Fort Yuma area that help has arrived for those battling depression and thoughts of suicide was their *Music Is Life* festival at the Quechan Evergreen Park on September 15th.

With the recent night time cooling trend (that arrived not a moment too soon!), those who turned out for the festival were

able to enjoy good food and good entertainment under starry skies and cool breezes.

The festival began with DJ Sqeme spinning tracks on stage, surrounded by booths offering both food and education. The Quechan Alcohol and Drug Abuse Awareness team brought over a collection of their educational materials and visual aids to set up in one booth on the south side, while others had burgers, hot dogs, tacos, snacks and drinks on the north side. Rayna stepped forward to fill in the crowd on Native Cry's plans to help troubled children,

teens and young adults in making better choices when dealing with depression brought on by traumatic events as soon as they have a permanent location.

She also let everyone know that they are already available and ready to help with personal contacts in the meantime.

But she promised that the whole point of the gathering was to engender good feelings and togetherness among her people, so she quickly introduced the Jewels of the Desert belly dancers, who performed a variety of middle eastern dances with swords, veils and

jingling percussion. They even went out into the crowd during one particularly fast number to draw Rayna back "on-stage" to dance with them!

Hip Hop acts that followed included Quechan Tribal member "Magnus Titanium", who also gave his personal testimony about his past battles with depression and finding the strength to keep going through accepting himself and the life he lives, regardless of the jibes of others.

Current acts who followed Magnus Titanium included A-Dub (with JRoc) True Breed,

Prime Philips and Legacy Uno.

"I would like to thank all the vendors and the belly dancers," says Rayna, "as well as Barbra Antone for speaking and our Tribal Vice President, Ronda Aguerro and all the singers for coming out and supporting us."

"Last but not least I want to thank the children who helped us in setting up and breaking down the event: Joe Madrid, Jr., Xavier Madrid, Sierra Madrid, Frankie Casarez, and Sonya, Antonia and Angelo Palone."

You can find more information on Native Cry on the internet at www.nativecry.org.

Hey Kids!
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QUECHAN INDIAN DAYS

2012

Thursday, Friday
and Saturday
OCTOBER 11, 12 & 13

BEGINS THURSDAY
EVENING WITH THE
2012-2013

MISS QUECHAN NATION PAGEANT

AT THE PARADISE
EVENT CENTER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12
AT THE EVERGREEN PARK:

- ◆ Morning Walk/Run
- ◆ Food Demonstrations
- ◆ Traditional Singing

- ◆ Games For All Ages
- ◆ Wellness Checks

- ◆ PSA By Native Cry
- ◆ Fry Bread Contest
(Sponsored By Kwatsan Radio)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13
AT THE EVERGREEN PARK:

- ◆ Morning Parade
- ◆ Men & Women Dance Contest
- ◆ Boys & Girls Dance Contest

- ◆ Baby - 7 Yrs Best Trad. Dress
- ◆ Traditional Singing
- ◆ BBQ Dinner
- ◆ Peon Tournament

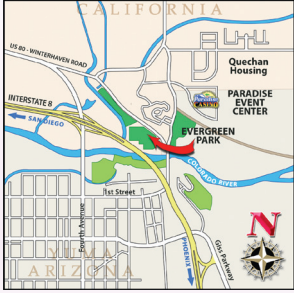
- ◆ Gomez Band (Chicken Scratch)
- ◆ Group Performances
- ◆ Announcements/Awards

For General Information about the Quechan Indian Days Celebration contact Tarryn Villacana @ (760) 898-5028

For Information and Entry into the Quechan Indian Days Parade contact Priscilla Prettybird @ (928) 261-8628

Vendors must obtain a valid Quechan Tribe Business Permit and submit a Booth/Vendor Reservation Application through the Quechan Economic Development Administration.

Call Brandy Cachora at Quechan EDA for additional information:
(760) 572-5270
Deadline is Friday, Oct. 5, 2012



The Fort Yuma Quechan Reservation


is just north of Yuma, Arizona, across the Colorado River. Exit Interstate 8 and take 1st Street EAST to the famous Ocean-To-Ocean Bridge. Turn LEFT at the north end of the bridge and head down the hill to Indian Days at Evergreen Park. Or - Turn RIGHT and go over Indian Hill past the Mission to get to the Paradise Casino!

The Application Deadline for the 2012-2013 Miss Quechan Nation Pageant is this Friday, September 28, 2012.

Applicants must be 18 to 25 years old and an enrolled Quechan member.

Applications are available at the Quechan Tribal Administration Office or by calling

Mrs. Eileen Valenzuela
(928) 581-6086



MUSIC IS LIFE

at the Evergreen Park



Hip hop recording artists A-Dub and J Roc were among those performing at the Native Cry Outreach Alliance's *Music Is Life* festival at the Evergreen Park on September 15th. See the story inside on page 7.
QUECHAN NEWS Photo By William Isbell

San Pasqual State Preschool is now enrolling!



Enroll your child today, space is limited.

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