

Apache Scout



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StrongHearts Native Helpline expands operating hours

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Native-centered help-line increases operating hours in response to need for culturally-based support for victims of violence in Indian Country and Alaska

EAGAN, Minnesota (March 6, 2019)— On its second year anniversary, the [StrongHearts Native Helpline](#) (1-844-7NATIVE) is announcing the expansion of its hours of operation, which are now 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CST, seven days a week, in order to better serve those impacted by domestic violence and dating violence in tribal communities across the U.S. Callers reaching out after hours have the option to connect with the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-SAFE) by selecting option 1. To date, the helpline has received more than 2,100 from vic-

tims, survivors, concerned family members and friends, service providers and more, helping to close a gap in culturally-appropriate resources for those facing abuse.

With the support from the [National Domestic Violence Hotline](#), the [National Indigenous Women's Resource Center](#), and the [Family Violence Prevention and Services Program](#), StrongHearts has established its first call center located in Eagan, Minnesota. With the expansion in services, StrongHearts has increased its staff of advocates in order to respond to callers, many of whom are seeking support as they navigate difficult barriers to justice and safety. Trained with a strong understanding of tribal cultures, sovereignty and law, advocates offer free,

peer-to-peer support and a connection to local, culturally appropriate resources.

"After hearing from so many tribes and advocates about their community needs, we are so pleased to expand our operating hours to better serve Native victims of relationship abuse," said StrongHearts Assistant Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). "[Domestic violence](#) impacts our relatives every hour of every day, so it's critical for us to be available as much as possible. Yet, we also understand we can't do this work alone. We are honored to be working alongside tribal advocates and programs doing this good work to help Native people seek lives that are free of abuse."

Domestic violence remains a severe issue

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About the StrongHearts Native Helpline

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in tribal communities, where half of Native American women and a third of Native men have experienced physical abuse by an intimate partner in their lifetime, [according to a study](#) by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). The study also found for those who had experienced violence, more than a third of Native women and more than one in six Native men were unable to access the services they needed, such as shelters, legal advocacy and medical services. "When victims can't access services, more specifically, services that understand their unique worldview and culture, it leaves little room for healing and restoration," Jump said. "Our people are strong and resilient, but it is crucial that we create spaces where survivors of violence feel safe and empowered to make the best decisions for themselves and their families along their healing journey, wherever it leads. We are here for our relatives. No one should have to face violence alone."

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Learn more about the StrongHearts Native Helpline at

www.strongheartshelpline.org.

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It has been a terrific March Madness Month, we enjoyed so many different basketball activities with our youth, such as the basketball dice game, NBA Bingo, making some jerseys, and enjoying our Rez Ball Skill Camp. We also had the opportunity to try Taekwondo with Shirley the Dietician from IHS, she was great with the youth and we appreciate her greatly.

With so much basketball in the air, we are so proud of the Mescalero Lady Chiefs, as well as the Tularosa Lady Cats for playing their hearts out in Albuquerque NM.

As we get into April our main focus is on "Keeping Mescalero Beautiful." We will be doing many activities that help to achieve this goal, so stay tuned for next month's Pictures. In the month of April we plan to take our club members to the UFO Museum in Roswell NM as well as, make a day field trip to the Gatherings of Nations in Albuquerque NM.

We love to see the smiling faces of our club members daily. If you would like your child to join please don't hesitate to pick up an application at either the Mescalero or Carrizo Site. We are always accepting applications. Please follow us on Facebook we update as much as possible. We hope you all have a Wonderful Easter!



Important Dates

Boys and Girls Club

- Club Closed Friday April 5, 2019- Chiricahua Pow's Day
- Club Closed Friday April 19, 2019- Community Easter Egg Event
- Family Fun Night 6-8pm - Thursday April 25, 2019

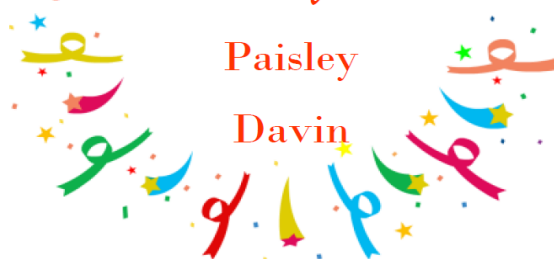
Mescalero School

- No School- Friday April 5, 2019
- No School Easter Break- April 19-22

Tularosa School

- No School Easter Break- April 19-22

Club Members of the Month



April Birthdays

Isdzane	River
Desmond	Abigail
Rueben	Diandra
Erikai	



Mescalero Youth Development

Recent News

We had a wonderful Valentine party. The students passed out valentines' cards, had some great treats and enjoyed a movie. Since the weather is warming up the students have enjoyed outdoor activities. We also toured the Alamogordo Zoo on one of these warm, beautiful days. We look forward for more outdoor activities.



Mescalero 4-H

Recent News

Spring is here and your Mescalero 4-H club is busy! We are beginning our Small Animal Livestock projects: pigs, chickens, rabbits, just to name a few. We are learning how to judge livestock, identify plants and vegetables, and are also working on Wildlife Identification for Otero County

contest. Members who compete there are eligible to go on and compete at the District level for the younger kids and at State Conference in June for our Senior (13 and up) members. There is always something going on! Rodeos for our members start later on this month

and will continue all summer. We will also begin our baking projects soon. Our monthly meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at the Youth Development classroom at 6 PM. We are always enrolling new members!





News from Girl Scouts

Our Mescalero Girl Scouts would like to thank the community for supporting our troop by purchasing Girl Scout cookies!

By purchasing Girl Scout cookies, you:

Helped them be a leader in their town

Helped them to be responsible for what they say and do

Helped them learn respect for themselves and others

Helped them buy badges and books

Helped their troop pay for their activities

Helped the leaders with training

Helped girls grow stronger.

THANK YOU!



Lady Chiefs play their hearts out at State

Recent News



With a huge crowd of Mescalero Lady Chiefs basketball fans filling the Dreamstyle Arena, a.k.a. The Pit, our ladies took the 2A Girls State Basketball Runner Up trophy.

Either outcome, we are ecstatic of the ladies accomplishments! This team is the first to take Mescalero to the New Mexico State Championships and they did so with grit. With multiple upsets as the ladies climbed the ladder to the championships, one of the biggest was defeating No.1 Texico in the 2nd round of the

State tournament. Not to mention, making school history being the first team to play in the State Championships!

Needless to say, we are very proud of these young ladies on a job well done and blazing the trail for generations to come - you are examples of hard work and dedication.

We also recognize other supporters of Mescalero Lady Chief basketball across Indian Country and we thank you for showing support!

At the celebratory pa-

rade held on March 19th fans, supporters, friends and family showed their support and helped celebrate the Mescalero Apache Lady Chiefs team.

Go Lady Chiefs!

Celebratory Parade



March 19th
Mescalero Parade Route

“I’ve come full circle”: New dentist at PMG Carrizozo returned to care for community

About Lincoln County Medical Center

Lincoln County Medical Center is a county-owned facility that has been leased and operated by Presbyterian Healthcare Services since 1972. This partnership is dedicated to improving the health of individuals, families and communities in Ruidoso and Lincoln County. Lincoln County Medical Center and Presbyterian Healthcare Services operate a hospital, a primary care and specialty clinic, three rural clinics and a county-wide ambulance service in Lincoln County. Lincoln County Medical Center is one of nine hospitals run by Presbyterian, which also has a statewide health plan and a growing multi-specialty medical group.

CARRIZOZO, N.M. - Dr. Felicia Frizzell Fontenot has returned to the area to provide care for patients at the Presbyterian Medical Group (PMG) dentistry clinic in Carrizozo, joining Drs. Jamie Dale Goad and Melinda Hall Hacker. She is a member of the Mescalero Apache Tribe and graduated from Ruidoso schools.

Fontenot knew from a young age that she was destined for a career in health care. In fact, she knew when she began volunteering at Lincoln County Medical Center while she was a student at Ruidoso High School.

It was in graduate school when she first became interested in dentistry. Fontenot earned a Bachelor's from Stanford University in California and a Master's degree from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in Maryland. At Johns Hopkins, she attended a presentation about underserved oral health needs among Native Americans and decided to combine her in-

terest in public health with rural dentistry.

After graduating from the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in California, she practiced at the Tséhootsooí Medical Center on the Navajo Nation, then moved to Ruidoso to be near family after her son was born in 2017. Now, she sees patients and mentors in clinic and in the community.

“It’s very rewarding to see people that I’ve known since I was a young person,” Fontenot says. “I feel like I’ve come full circle.”

“It is always exciting when we recruit a skilled clinician to the area, particularly one who has such strong ties to our community,” said Todd Oberheu, chief hospital executive, Lincoln County Medical Center.

Fontenot also hopes to inspire other young Mescalero Apache tribal members to go into dentistry.

“It is such a fulfilling career,” she says. “As a dentist, you possess the unique ability to treat people with the

work of your hands, often getting them out of pain, and improving their lives by giving them confidence through a healthy and beautiful smile.”

In addition to regular cleanings, Fontenot sees many patients with untreated dental disease, often related to side effects from conditions like diabetes. She encourages patients to see a dental provider at least annually, starting as early as age one, for an assessment and to develop an individualized treatment plan.

The PMG dentistry clinic, which accepts Medicaid and offers a sliding scale, is open 7 a.m.- 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For appointments, call 575-648-2317.

More News from the Hatchery

Courtesy Southwest Tribal Fisheries Commission Newsletter



An exciting event occurred at the hatchery— the purchase of a 2018 Ford F-150 4WD! This is the first time since the opening of the Mescalero Fish Hatchery, that staff have been able to acquire a new hatchery vehicle. This vehicle will be used for delivering fish to off road water bodies that normally require 4WD. Having a reliable vehicle to travel in, when going long distances, is very important.

Back in December, BIA was able to submit Right-Of-Way documentation for the application package to retrieve new electrical service from the county electric company. This was the final step needed in order for the Mescalero Fish Hatchery to get placed

on the electric service schedule. We have experienced new service to the Recirculating Tank House (RTH) since January. The MTFH's Fisheries Technicians worked on installing power supplies for the flow meters in the RTH, and also built brackets for the 5500 digital read-out system.

Hatchery Staff successfully delivered fish to San Carlos Apache (our longest haul at the moment!) in late January, and Sandia Pueblo in early February and cleaned out the MTFH supply of big trout. Almost 4,000 pounds of fish!! Everyone else will be getting smaller fish until they grow! On February 13th, the Hatchery staff assisted with the annual Fish Disease Testing pro-

cess. Deliveries are on hold until the results of the testing are received in approximately a month. We are all hoping for good news!!

Mora NFH were at the Hatchery on March 6 and 7. One biologist and one electrician helped us install a Dissolved Oxygen monitoring system in the Recirculation Tank House (RTH). They are working with our four Fish Techs. The Mora workers stayed in the MTFH living quarters that we have prepared for visitors/volunteers to stay in. Jimmy has taken the lead in working to get the RTH up and running. Thanks for all of your work!



Religion

Mescalero Reformed Church

Stinky Feet

Let me share with you a story from the *Jesus Storybook Bible*. You've probably heard it before, but trust me, we all need to hear it again. It goes something like this ...

It was Passover, the time when God's people remembered how God had rescued them from being slaves in Egypt. Every year they killed a lamb and ate it. "The lamb died instead of us!" they would say. But this Passover, God was getting ready for an even greater rescue.

Jesus and His friends were having the Passover meal together in an upstairs room. But Jesus' friends were arguing. What about? They were arguing about stinky feet. Stinky feet? Yes, that's right. Stinky feet. (Now the thing about feet back then was that people didn't wear shoes; they only wore sandals, which might not sound unusual, except that the streets in those days were dirty - and I

don't mean just dusty dirty - I mean really stinky dirty. With all those cows and horses everywhere, you can imagine the stuff on the street that ended up on their feet!)

So anyway, someone had to wash away the dirt, but it was a terribly dreadful job. Who on earth would ever dream of volunteering to do it? Only the lowliest servant should do it. "I'm not the servant!" Peter said.

"Nor am I!" said Matthew.

Quietly, Jesus got up from the table, took off His robe, picked up a basin of water, knelt down, and started to wash his friends' feet. "You can't," Peter said. He didn't understand what it meant for Jesus being the Servant King.

"If you don't let me wash away the dirt, Peter," Jesus said, "you can't be close to me." Jesus knew that what people needed most was to be clean on the inside. All the dirt on their feet was

nothing compared to the sin inside their hearts.

"Then wash me, Lord!" Peter said, tears filling his eyes. "All of me!"

One by one, Jesus washed everyone's feet. "I am doing this because I love you," Jesus explained. "Do this for each other."

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We all have stinky feet and we all have sin inside our hearts. As Jesus said it, we must be washed clean in order to be close to Him. During Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday, let each of us ... one by one, tears filling our eyes, allow Jesus to wash us with His love.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Mark

Please know that you are always welcome to worship God and experience His mercy at Mescalero Reformed Church. Our arms (and our doors) are open to you if you are looking for a

church home or just want to come visit.

Keep these dates in mind:

April 19, 2019

7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday worship

April 21, 2019

6:30 am - Easter sunrise worship at the Inn of the Mountain Gods

8:30 am - Breakfast at Mescalero Reformed Church

9:30 am - Sunday school

10:40 am - Worship

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Opportunities for Fellowship and Encouragement

Women's Bible Study

- first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.

Women's Gathering -

every Wednesday at 9:00 am in the church basement.

Youth Group for Middle and High School -

Sunday at 4:30 pm.

Kids' Club is our after-school program for 1st

-5th grade students

which meets on Thursday's at 3:30 pm in the church basement.

Come for a fun time of playing, praying, and singing.

Visit (and Like) our **Mescalero Reformed Church Facebook** page!

Email us at
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Sunday Worship

9:30 - Sunday School for Children and Adults

10:40 - Worship



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2019 SUMMER & FALL SEMESTER REGISTRATION DATES:



Designated Group or Classification	Day	Opening Dates
CRIMSON SCHOLARS (Senior and Juniors)	Thursday	April 4, 2019
STUDENTS W/DISABILITIES (must have Accessibilities approval)	Thursday	April 4, 2019
VETERAN STUDENTS (all levels - check with Veteran's Services)	Thursday	April 4, 2019
CRIMSON SCHOLARS (Sophomores and Freshman)	Friday	April 5, 2019
GRADUATE STUDENTS	Monday	April 8, 2019
SENIORS	Monday	April 8, 2019
JUNIORS	Tuesday	April 9, 2019
SOPHOMORES	Wednesday	April 10, 2019
FRESHMEN	Thursday	April 11, 2019
NON-DEGREE (and DUAL CREDIT)	Friday	April 12, 2019
READMITTED STUDENTS (last attended prior to Fall 2018)	Friday	April 12, 2019
NEW TRANSFER STUDENTS	Monday	April 15, 2019
NEW STUDENTS (Undergraduate and Graduate Students)	Monday	April 15, 2019
NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	Monday	May 6, 2019
SENIOR CITIZENS (NM residents 65 or older)	Wednesday	May 22, 2019
LATE REGISTRATION: \$25 late registration fee applies	May 22, 2019 (Summer)	

Classification	Requirement
Freshman	Successful completion of 1 - 27 credits
Sophomore	Successful completion of 28 - 59 credits
Junior	Successful completion of 60 - 89 credits
Senior	Successful completion of 90+ credits

SUMMER Semester Dates:

May 22 - August 4, 2019

FALL Semester Dates:

August 21 - December 13, 2019



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