

6th Annual
Men and Women's Gathering



July 21-23, 2015
Talking Stick Resort
Scottsdale, AZ

Dr. Anton Treuer



Dr. Anton Treuer (pronounced troy-er) is Executive Director of the American Indian Resource Center at Bemidji State University and author of 13 books. He has a B.A. from Princeton University and a M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. He is Editor of the Oshkaabewis (pronounced o-shkaah-bay-wis) Native Journal, the only academic journal of the Ojibwe language. Dr. Treuer has presented all over the U.S. and Canada and in several foreign countries on Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Were Afraid to Ask, Cultural Competence & Equity, Strategies for Addressing the “Achievement” Gap, and Tribal Sovereignty, History, Language, and Culture. He has sat on many organizational boards and has received more than 40 prestigious awards and fellowships, including ones from the American Philosophical Society, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Science Foundation, the MacArthur Foundation, the Bush Foundation, and the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation. His published works include Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Were Afraid to Ask, Ojibwe in Minnesota (“Minnesota’s Best Read for 2010” by The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress), The Assassination of Hole in the Day (Award of Merit Winner from the American Association for State and Local History), Atlas of Indian Nations, Mino-doodaading: Dibaajimowinan Ji-mino-ayaang, Naadamaading: Dibaajimowinan Ji-nisidotaading, Wijiikiiwending, Ezhichigeyang: Ojibwe Word List, Awesiinyensag: Dibaajimowinan Ji-gikinoo’amaageng (“Minnesota’s Best Read for 2011” by The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress), Living Our Language: Ojibwe Tales & Oral Histories, Aaniin Ekidong: Ojibwe Vocabulary Project, Indian Nations of North America, and Omaa Akiing.

Waylon Pahona



Waylon Pahona was raised on the Hopi/Tewa reservation. He spent more than nine years within the Gila River Indian Community employed by WIA (Workforce Investment Act), as a Youth Coordinator for four years, and five years with Gila River Health Care as a Lead Staff Trainer.

Waylon is well known for transforming his life and being the founder/creator of Healthy Active Natives (HAN's). The HAN's social networking group on Facebook currently has over 50,000 HAN members nationally and internationally. Waylon's journey has motivated and inspired so many people across the nation to join the HAN's movement.

He was diagnosed with Spondylosis and Facet Disease (Spinal Arthritis). When Creating Healthy Active Native's in 2012, Waylon's vision was for HAN's to be a space where Natives welcome all fitness levels and uses positive reinforcement to pick each other up when it seems impossible to make positive changes. He has become a supportive, motivating movement in Native communities. Waylon and his wife Janis, and their two sons Jayden and Kaiyou currently reside in Tempe, AZ. As a family they enjoy baseball, running, and hiking together.

Caren Trujillo



Caren Trujillo is of Yaqui decent whose roots have been deeply nourished in Native American culture. Her perspective of wellness branches into global understanding and blossoms into the potential for health and balance that is within us all. For many years, Caren has worked closely with spiritual teachers, healers, elders and others patiently acquiring knowledge of herbal, traditional and natural methods of healing. She lives close to the earth in Arizona where she collects some of the many useful plants she uses in her work. Caren's gift empowers each individual to make choices toward wellness and to realize a vision of harmony within themselves.

Caren is certified in Body, Mind Clearing and is trained in a variety of diverse natural healing methods. She works individually with each person to develop a personalized treatment plan utilizing natural methods according to their specific needs. Caren holds a degree in Social Work from San Diego State University and has worked in the human service field for over twenty years. Her areas of focus has been in: Natural Wellness, Alternative Healing Remedies, Medicinal Herbs, Indigenous People's Issues, Women's Issues, Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Environmental Issues.



Tuesday July 21, 2015

10:00-1:00pm Pre-Registration

(Ballroom Foyer)

1:00-4:00pm Pre-Conference Workshop: Healing and Strengthening Our Native Families

This highly interactive workshop will look at the strengths within our Native communities. This will be an opportunity to hear firsthand what other communities are doing to make an impact. Audience will work collectively to develop and action plan that they can take back to their community to implement or advocate for our Native families.

*Life Enhancement and Resource Network Staff
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)*

5:30-8:00pm Cultural Exchange

An evening of ceremony with various dance and singing groups. Conference participants are encouraged to participate by providing traditional songs or dance from their Native Communities. The evening will end with a traditional O'Odham give away. *If you are interested in providing a dance or singing group please contact conference staff.
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)*





Wednesday July 22, 2015

8:00-9:00am **Registration/Continental Breakfast**
(Ballroom Foyer)

9:00-9:30am **Blessing, welcome and opening remarks**
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

9:30-10:45am **Keynote Address - Dr. Anton Treuer**
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

11:00-12:00pm **Keynote Address - Waylon Pahona**
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

12:00-1:30pm **Lunch (provided)**
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

1:30-3:00pm **Concurrent Breakout Sessions I** *(conference room level downstairs)*

Roadrunner A **GRAFFITI 101**

Most people don't understand how dangerous graffiti is and how it impacts their community. Graffiti 101 is a basic class on reading and understanding graffiti. The audience will learn ways to be proactive at combating graffiti.

Elliot Sneezy, Elliot Sneezy Education & Empowerment, LLC

Roadrunner B **HEALTHY MEN, HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**



This interactive workshop will focus on issues facing males in our communities, including the roles of fathers/grandfathers, maintaining positive interpersonal relationships and taking care of our physical and emotional health. Attendees will: learn positive ways to interact with their children; learn positive ways to interact with their mates; learn about the varied roles of community elders; learn some responsibilities of community elders; be encouraged to review their own emotional health issues and be encouraged to review their own physical health issues.

Michael Connor PhD., CSPP Alliant International University

Roadrunner C

REAL FAMILIES WITH A FOCUS ON ISSUES WITHIN THE NATIVE COMMUNITY

The workshop will address many aspects of family to include types of families, positive parenting, inter-racial families, GLBT families, guardianship, foster care, kinship placement, multi-family homes and Special needs families. We will address risks and ways to successfully advocate for your families. The presentation will be fun, informal and interactive with supportive material and the ability to shift focus to the areas attendees need the most. There is an opportunity to develop specific strategies to address issues that are current concerns to attendees.

Diana Terrell Culver, Kids Klub, Inc.

Quail D

TAKING ACTION OF YOUR MIND, BODY, SELF

Attendees will learn insightful ways to find balance by building confidence and overall self-improvement to stay healthy. Mind, body, and soul. This workshop will include ways to start your fitness journey and also get you out the door.

Waylon Pahona, Healthy Active Natives

Quail E

PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER

This session will discuss the resiliency of Native people and their struggles following a tragic event involving domestic violence and how the incident forever changes a family and community. Especially if we come from a home with violence and abuse painful feelings are often debilitating and devastating. March 2006, her family was hit with a very horrible event when her older sister was murdered by her husband. Vurlene, now dedicates her work on domestic violence to honor the life of her late sister. This presentation will provide insight to domestic violence victim/survivors to



be aware of the signs of abuse and to get the assistance that is needed. Vurlene turned her faith to God to help comfort her during this time and continues to ask for his comfort and guidance.

Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community

Quail F

ADDICTION-DRUG AWARENESS-LIFE AFTER INCARCERATION

Attendees will hear my story of what I went through with my battle to overcome my drug addictions. They will see that no matter what you've been through you can change for the better and inspire those who are going through similar battles.

Patrick Carrizosa Jr., Kumeyaay Viejas

3:00-3:15pm

BREAK

3:15-4:45pm

Concurrent Breakout Sessions II (conference room level downstairs)

Roadrunner A

THE ART OF STEP PARENTING 101

Step parenting can be very rewarding and yet also challenging. Combining families is much more than two parents with children coming together expecting everyone to just get along and live happily ever after. There are often barriers and stepping stones that must be crossed to achieve an acceptable balance and harmony among blended families. This workshop will provide participants with knowledge and skills to manage the Art of Step Parenting.

Warren Kontz, Life Enhancement and Resource Network, SRPMIC

Roadrunner B

COACHING CONFLICT: WHAT PROBLEM?

The purpose of this workshop is to empower the listener to view problems or issues as potential opportunities to bring resolve. Conflict is a part of life. This workshop will empower you to learn how to best navigate through conflict and bring about change.

Juan A. Garcia, Juan Garcia Enterprises



Roadrunner C

SUCCESS STRATEGIES FOR EDUCATION AND IDENTITY DEVELOPMENT: A CHALLENGE TO PREVAILING ASSUMPTIONS

Dr. Anton Treuer (Ojibwe from Leech Lake, Minnesota) will share strategies from several successful tribal education programs and schools to show how educational success and positive indigenous identity development go hand-in-hand.

Dr. Anton Treuer, Bemidji State University

Quail D

FAMILY REUNIFICATION AND FAMILY PRESERVATION

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community FR/FP Program team will present the history of the program. Participants will be familiarized with the model of service delivery, specific services that are provided, as well as, Parent Aide curriculums used with the families. In addition, participants will learn how services are coordinated, what some of the challenges, are as well as, successes of the program.

Ralph Wilson, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Quail E

LEADING THE WAY – THE IMPORTANCE OF NATIVE MEN

Historically, Native men have been excellent providers, protectors, and teachers. Through recent decades lifestyles, social expectations, and economic needs have changed the Native family dynamic. With these changes have come new barriers and adversities that have steered many men away from who they once were. This workshop will address barriers to economic self-sufficiency faced by today's Native men and how community based fatherhood programs can help rebuild our Native men to the pillars they once were. Participants will hear firsthand experiences and benefits from program participants.

Kevin Poleyumptewa, SRPMIC O'odham Piipaash Fatherhood Program, Participants (TBD)

Quail F

COUPONING 101 AND FAMILY BUDGETING

In this workshop participants will gain the knowledge and skillset to create a grocery list, coupon and price match items to increase their family savings. Participants will learn how to maximize savings and have a basic stockpile to meet the needs of their



household. Participants will take home couponing tips, coupons, family recipes on a budget and saving tips for a "rainy day."

Amy Miguel, SRPMIC, Esther Moya, SRPMIC

6:00-8:00pm ZUMBATHON (Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

Zumba, the energizing dance craze that is sweeping the country, will infuse Hip Hop, Marimba, Salsa, and the latest for a fun-filled workout. For Zumba lovers, those that are looking to get fit this summer, and those that just love to move their hips to good music this one is for you!!! Join us for 2 hours of calorie burning fun with some of Arizona's best Zumba instructors.





Thursday July 23, 2015

8:00-9:00am Registration/Continental Breakfast
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

9:00-10:15am **Keynote Address – Caren Trujillo**
(Ballroom 1, 2, 3)

10:15-10:30am Break

10:30-12:00pm **Concurrent Breakout Sessions I** (conference room level downstairs)

Roadrunner A **POSITIVE PARENTING AND FAMILY FUN IDEAS FOR A HEALTHY HOME**

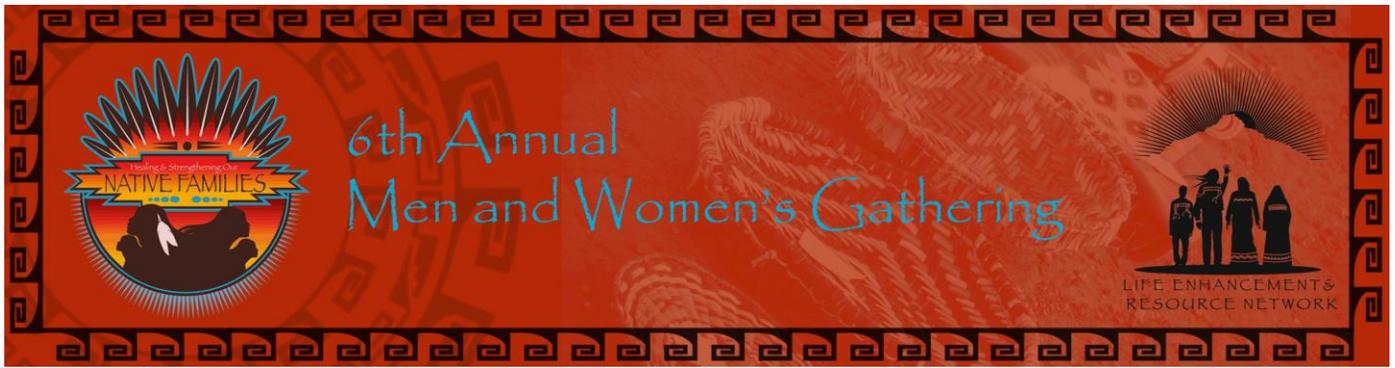
Participants will gain great ideas that will help to promote a fun, positive family environment for family members of all ages.

Felicia Jimerson, SRPMIC Education Department, MaryLynn Marshburn, SRPMIC Education Department

Roadrunner B **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION - PERSONALITY DOES MATTER**

Conflict Resolution is a way for two or more parties to find an amicable solution to a disagreement between them. Whatever the disagreement, personal or professional, there are techniques that can be used to enhance the change process with individuals with strong personalities. We will exam the four different types of personality styles and identify strategies to understand each other's styles. By using the techniques of Effective Communication we can listen and direct ourselves to identify and adjust our style to resolve disagreements and negotiate peace in the work environment.

Denise Beagley, Arizona State University, CABHP



Roadrunner C

RAISE YOUR FAMILY, NOT YOUR FIST

Participants are offered the chance to examine the emotional impact that fathers have upon their children and recognize male socialization factors that contribute to appropriate and inappropriate expressions of emotions. Participants will explore conflict resolution, healthy methods of emotional expression, and examine some of the consequences of conflict and violence upon children and families.

Neil Tift, Child Crisis Center

Quail D

START BY BELIEVING – A MESSAGE OF SUPPORT FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

This workshop will highlight the Start By Believing Campaign message of support for survivors of sexual assault and accountability for offenders. The connection of a victim's need to be believed and listened to when they choose to report a sexual assault and their emotional, mental health, physical health, and other recovery needs will be emphasized in this workshop. How all stakeholders in the community, not just criminal justice, can adopt and apply the start by believing message and change their local communities for the betterment of victims. Attendees will learn the research behind the campaign and why it is effective. Attendees will also learn of the various resources available for those who choose to adopt the campaign. Of particular importance, attendees will learn about the connection of this campaign and the Native Culture of respect and honor for women and girls.

Jerald Monahan, Prescott Police Department, Deanna Monk, Helping Hearts

Quail E

WHEN PLEASING OTHER IS HURTING YOU

In this workshop participants will examine the characteristics and benefits of healthy relationships and the characteristics of unhealthy relationships. Participants will also learn about the importance of effective communication, including the potential impact of technology on effective communication.

Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty, SRPMIC



Quail F

SUPPORTING OUR NATIVE FOSTER YOUTH

The state of Arizona has over 17,000 children in foster care and over 1,000 are Native American. This workshop will motivate and inspire our people to be active and preserve our kids to keep them safe. Three Precious Miracles workshop will focus on the importance of being involved with our foster children and families. Our kids are being juggled around from group homes and shelters every day with absolutely nothing. Listen to words from a mother and father that are licensed with the Gila River Indian Community and now have five wonderful children that no longer need to be in the system. Our babies need FOREVER homes.

Elisia and Tecumseh Manuel, Three Precious Miracles

12:00-1:30pm

LUNCH (provided)

1:30-3:00pm

Concurrent Breakout Sessions II (conference room level downstairs)

Roadrunner A

NAC WELLNESS CENTER – HEALING MIND, BODY, AND SOUL

Opening in 2016, the NAC Wellness Center will incorporate Native American traditions and design elements to create a welcoming, holistic environment for men and women who are looking for quality recovery services. The Wellness Center will include 64 residential treatment beds for men & women; specialized services for pregnant & post-partum women; integrated medical care; traditional healing; and support services for dependent children and extended family members. Attendees will gain insight into the need for integrated primary and behavioral healthcare with alternative healing including Native arts and acupuncture; the importance of providing culturally sensitive programming; and best practices in residential recovery.

Diana Yazzie Devine, Native American Connections

Roadrunner B

MESSAGES OF MASCULINITY

It starts at birth and continues throughout their lives. Boys of all cultures are socialized to conform to specific images by those who raise them to fulfill their definition of manhood. This workshop will explore the messages that shape the



development of boys to men today and help parents and staff determine which messages they want to pass on and those they do not.

Neil Tift, Child Crisis Center

Roadrunner C

NATIVE AMERICAN INTERGENERATIONAL WELLNESS

This workshop will teach the participants about the topics that impact the Native American Family. Topics highlighted include physical activity, nutrition, health disparities, worksite wellness, community wellness, and how to enhance emotional and psychological wellness.

Candace Johnson Hampton, Brain Body Fitness, Tyler Gerardi, Brain Body Fitness

Quail D

WHY ME? GAINING WISDOM THROUGH THE LENS OF POSITIVITY

Throughout the ebb and flow of life, we encounter life stresses and events that can put strain and hardship on our personal development and growth. Unfortunately, we cannot avoid every future negative event and stressor, however, we have the choice to view them as a learning and growing experience, or have a "Why does everything bad happen to me?" complex. Learn and discuss some tools of using wisdom and positivity to gain valuable and sustaining growth to overcome barriers. The start of empowering yourself to change your lens starts with you!

Melody Delmar, SRPMIC

Quail E

THE CIRCLE OF HEALING-RETURNING TO THE TRUTH THAT WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE SACRED-TAKING A STAND AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT IN OUR TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

Native American Communities are rich in culture and uniquely different from tribe to tribe. In order to strive towards self-determination and enhance the stability of Tribal Sovereignty, the perspective of family values, beliefs, culture and the reality of - the present state - crimes against children and women, requires honest evaluation to advance towards justice. Understanding the American Indian historical trauma and how it affects the culture and healing from past trauma, while building stronger communities for the future. Traditional values are accomplished when everyone in the "circle" contributes.



Lynette Grey Bull, "Not Our Native Daughters", Valaura Imus, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Quail F

TALKING CIRCLE ABOUT VALUABLE, APPRECIATED, USEFUL INTERVENTIONS TO STOP DIABETES

The numerous health providers from the Human and Health Services offer a variety of programs and interventions concerning the diabetes issue. Unfortunately, the number of participants is unintelligibly low. In this workshop the presenter wants to address the diabetes issue in the community by brain-storming and discussion about what kind of interventions are appreciated, what kind of changes might be successful, and what roadblocks keep the concerned people from taking care of their health. Furthermore, this workshop should evaluate the possibilities to include other tools into a future program that go beyond power point presentations and blood sugar testing. Results of the talking circle should be integrated into future holistic plans to decrease diabetes in the community and strengthen a healthy population from within. If possible there should be follow up meetings to develop a solid acceptable intervention program.

Anja Lauer, SRPMIC

3:00-3:15pm

BREAK

3:15-4:45pm

Concurrent Breakout Sessions III (conference room level downstairs)

Roadrunner A

THE IDEA OF FEAR

The workshop is designed to shift participant's perspective of fear and how it hinders them from being successful professionally and individually. They will learn how we can address our fears but not let them take control of our actions and thoughts through open discussion.

Quentin Begay, SRPMIC Life Enhancement and Resource Network



Roadrunner B

THE INS AND OUTS OF QUALITY CHILD CARE

Work or school attendance sometimes means that your child(ren) have to be in someone else's care so that you can earn a living to support your family. Whether your child(ren) go to friends and family, or to a daycare provider, learn what you can do to ensure that they are in a safe, supportive and **QUALITY** environment. Also learn how to address concerns that may come up while your child(ren) are in someone else's care.

Tallerita Tunney Rogers, SRPMIC

Roadrunner C

BUILDING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND APPROPRIATE BOUNDARIES – THE TRANSITION FROM FOSTER TO RELATIVE HOME AND KEEPING YOUR SANITY

This workshop will provide personal experiences and examples on providing a safe environment where the children can live and thrive from as well as building appropriate boundaries for them. The goal of this session is to give each attendee at least two topic points to take home and implement with their family and community. We also hope that each participant will return home knowing they are not alone in this season of their life in caring for their loved ones and believing there is hope and "light at the end of the tunnel."

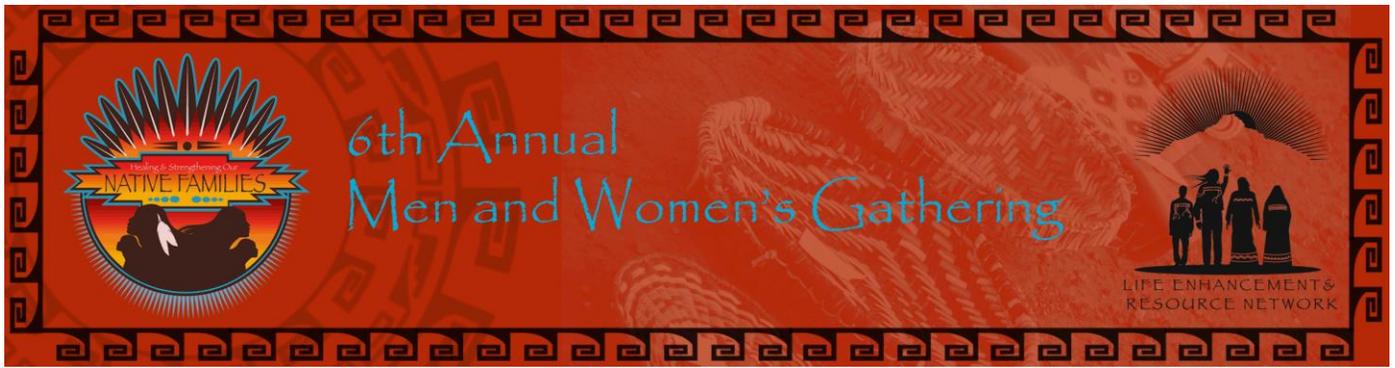
Amy Miguel, SRPMIC

Quail D

WHEN PARENTS SPEAK UP, KIDS LISTEN

Kids really do listen, when parents speak up. As parents, grandparents, guardians, and educators share a common responsibility to guide adolescents as they navigate important life choices, including choices regarding sexual behavior. Join us in this interactive workshop about how we can better communicate these sensitive topics for youth.

Glenda Tovar, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona; Gwenda Gorman, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona



Quail E

A LESSON IN LOVE

Participants will be able to discover how identifying and meeting your most important needs will deepen your love and desire for each other through interpreting Dr. Gary Chapman's five love languages. Attendees will learn how to become irresistible to their significant other in five ways to express love emotionally. Each person has a primary love language that we must learn to speak if we want that person to feel love.

Robert Hickem, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Quail F

TRIBAL TANF 101: CREATING A PATH TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY

In 1996, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) had replaced the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC). Tribes were then able to establish and run their own Tribal TANF programs. Tribal TANF allows for federally recognized tribes to apply for the funding necessary to operate a TANF program of their own, as well as, design a welfare program to promote self-sufficiency amongst families. As of January 2015, there are approximately 70 tribes across the United States that have established their own TANF programs. Tribal TANF programs operate under four purposes: 1) provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes, or the home of relatives, 2) reduce the dependency of needy parents by promoting job preparation, work and marriage, 3) prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies, and 4) encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families. In this interactive session we will discuss the basics of Tribal TANF and what it means in Native communities. We will also discuss the differences between State and Tribal TANF programs. Utilizing personal experience and research the workshop will educate those who are unfamiliar with Tribal TANF programs.

Anna Luna, SRPMIC

Workshops are subject to change without notice



BIOGRAPHIES

Amy Miguel is a Senior Environmental Specialist for the Environmental Compliance program and has been in the environmental sciences field for over seven years. She previously worked in the medical field for over ten years before leaving her love of the medical lab sciences at Scottsdale Healthcare in 2008. She is the proud mother of four spirited children. Amy loves the STEM fields and shares her love with her children. She also loves to share the trials and tribulations she and her family have and are still enduring within the system. She is outspoken and candid in sharing her personal victories and wrong choices in life with others so they can learn from her experiences and walk away knowing they met another friend and supporter. Her heart is with her community, its families, especially the culture and livelihood of its children and she values her time with them as a Sunday School Teacher for the Salt River Assembly of God church.



Anja Lauer got her degree in nutritional science and home economics in 1995 in Germany. From 2000 to 2012, she owned a small wellness studio where she offered nutritional counseling, special fitness classes, yoga, and relaxation classes. Deeply impressed by the desert and looking for new horizons she came to ASU to earn her master's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies, with a focus on the diabetes issue of American Indians. Coming from a completely different culture and social system, she faced a lot of surprises, setbacks, but also new perspectives that helped her to address her field of study with new ideas and direction. Recently she is working for the Health and Human Services of SRPMIC to serve the community and help finding new solutions that may be also rooted in the past.



Anna Luna, MSW, has been actively working in social services and the native community since 2010. Born to the Acoma reservation she received her Master of Social Work degree from Loma Linda University in 2014. During her two-year program she was an intern and with the Morongo reservation in their Social Services and Tribal TANF program. She was then hired permanently with the Tribal TANF program shortly after her graduation. Currently, she is a Senior Social Worker with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community where she continues her work in the Tribal TANF community.

Candace Johnson-Hampton is a mobile wellness trainer that specializes in special populations and intergenerational wellness. Her extensive work in the Native American Community includes volunteering for the Phoenix Indian Medical Center and providing workshops in the Ft. McDowell, Yavapai and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Communities. Her specialty also lies in addressing the psychological aspect of



physical activity, nutrition and motivation. Lastly, her mobile wellness business Brain Body Fitness serves Arizona and clients all across the United States.

Deanna Monk holds a bachelor of Science Degree majoring in chemistry and her professional experience for many years was working as a chemist. The loss of two of her loved ones from a domestic violence incident in 2007 inspired her to change careers. Since then, she has actively participated in advocacy work throughout the state of Arizona with agencies such as the County Attorney's Office, the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women, many city police departments and family advocacy centers, as a Board of Director, and later as the Director of Operations at the same domestic violence shelter, Deanna currently serves as a consultant to the National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative. She participates with End Violence Against Women International on their "Start By Believing" Campaign. She is an Advisory Board Member of the National Center for the Prevention of Community Violence. Currently she is working as the Assistant Administrator for Helping Hearts, a residential outpatient program serving the mentally ill population.

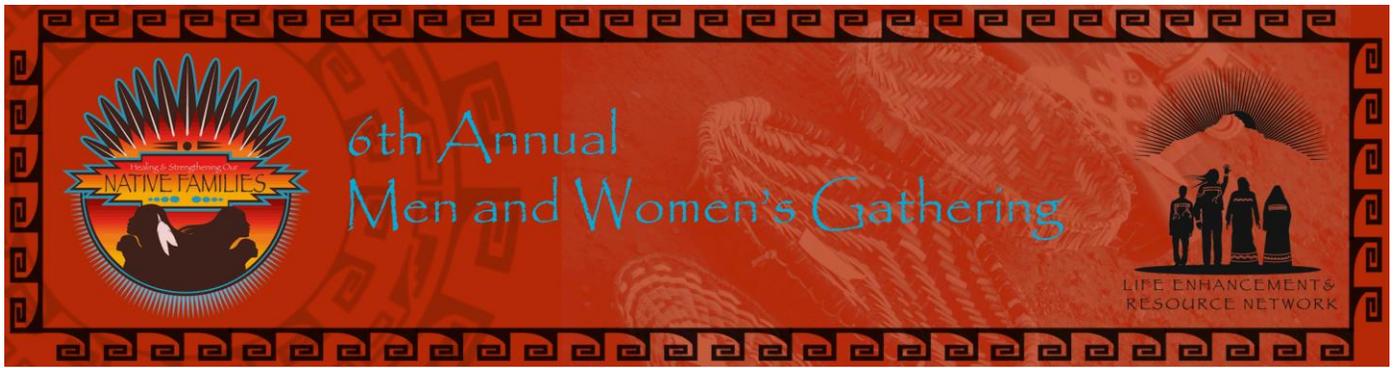


Denise Beagley Denise is a Training and Curricula Development Program Manager at Arizona State University's Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy. Denise has worked within the behavioral health system since 2002. Prior to her work in Arizona, she completed her Master's degree in Counseling Psychology at Trinity College Dublin, in Ireland. She has over 15 years of experience working in the areas of Co-occurring Disorders, Psychiatric Disorders, Cultural Competency, Suicide Prevention, Motivational Interviewing, Hearing Voices Workshops, Compassion and Correctional Fatigue, and is a certified Master Level Trainer for ASAM, Cultural Competency, and ASIST. This is the third year that Denis has presented at the Annual Men and Women's Gathering.



Diana Terrell Culver, M.ed. Has a BA in management, a M.A. in Education Intervention, and is a PhD Candidate. Diana is the single mother of 10 diverse children. Diana has worked with and volunteered with children for over 39 years. Her primary business is children and families. She is an expert in parenting, diversity, educational and behavioral intervention, mediation and advocacy. She is the author of Real Families, Voice, Value and Respect.

Elisia Manuel is the Founder and Executive Director of "Three Precious Miracles." Elisia has a big heart for children and loves to give back to the community. She is a dedicated mother, wife, sister, and friend that would do anything possible to help others in need. Elisia has five children that she considers her pride and joys of life. Elisia is very active in advocating for fostered youth to streamline services throughout Native communities. Mrs. Manuel has dedicated 10 years of her professional life's work to empower the lives of families, youth, and adults throughout the community. Mrs. Manuel's efforts will be to supporting families and advocating for Native foster youth.



Elliot Sneezy Since 1994 events in Law Enforcement changed the life of Elliot Sneezy and influenced him to focus on gangs in Indian Country. Elliot has worked different types of gangs both in and outside of Indian Country. His training and experience led him to develop classes, seminars, and conferences for both law enforcement and non-law enforcement professionals. His focus is in the area of enforcement, prevention, and intervention. With the influence of his wife Isabella, daughter Aili and his passion for teaching, Education and Empowerment Trainings LLC was created to help everyone with personal goals and family development. Elliot Sneezy is a member of the San Carlos

Apache Tribe and is a 4th generation law enforcement official. He graduated from Globe High School and proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. In 1994 Elliot started his Law Enforcement career with the San Carlos Police Department. In 1998 he transferred to the Prescott Police Department then to the Maricopa Police Department in 2007. Elliot is currently a Sergeant and has worked several positions throughout his career: Patrol Officer, Detective, Bicycle Officer, Youth & Gang Officer, and S.W.A.T. He is a General Instructor, physical fitness instructor, firearms instructor, and rifle instructor for law enforcement.

Esther Moyah is the Outreach Coordinator for the Community Development Department for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. She has been employed with Salt River for 10 years and prior to that worked for the Gila River Indian Community for 20 years. Esther has been providing training and group facilitation for the last 25 years and enjoys watching group dynamics as people come together to learn new things and share ideas. She is married to Courtney Moyah and between them have eight children, 28 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Felicia Jimerson is a Tribal member of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (mother Marilyn Richards and father Jerry Williams), an education employee, and mother of four. She hold a para-professional degree in early education from the University of Arizona.



Glenda Tovar (Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, Absentee-Shawnee and Choctaw) serves as a Health Promotions Coordinator at the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, (ITCA). She received her Bachelors of Arts in Sociology from Arizona State University. She has worked for the past 16 years with ITCA to promote individual health and healthy American Indian communities. She enjoys working with both youth and adults to reduce teen pregnancy rates and sexually transmitted diseases.



Gwenda Gorman (Navajo) is the mother of two children. She believes her family traditions and the teachings of her parents are major contributors in raising her children. She enjoys working with both youth and adults when it comes to communicating sensitive topics. Gwenda is the Health and Human Services Director at ITCA and has worked with the Tribes in Arizona for twelve years.



Jerald Monahan Chief Monahan has been actively addressing issues of violence against women since 1996. He is a 37 year old public safety professional, and service includes 10 years on the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women, serving as Chairperson for the Commission for three years. He has been actively promoting and speaking on the Start By Believing Campaign since 2010 and received and the Visionary Award for his work on SBB at the April 2015 End Violence Against Women International conference in New Orleans.

Jessica Holmes has worked with the SRPMIC Certificate Program since the program began 5 years ago as a pilot program. Jessica is also the Enrollment Technician for the Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC). Jessica assists eligible families in enrolling in the Child Care Certificate program.



Rev. Juan A. Garcia holds a B.S. degree in Human Services and a B.A. degree in Psychology with a concentration in family counseling. He worked for the National Head Start organization in Paterson, NJ and performed intake and assessment with social services. Rev Garcia is a Certified Fatherhood Practitioner for the U.S. Department of Human Services; serves as a City Coordinator for the DeVos Urban Leadership Initiative; Board member for Free Teens and Institute for Relationship Intelligence New City Kids; on the Advisory Council for Inter Varsity, NJ/NY and a mentor and life coach. Rev. and Mrs. Garcia have been married since 1996 and have 2 children, Jordan and Hanna. They reside in New Jersey.



Kevin Poleyumptewa is the Fatherhood and Family Resource Specialist for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. He facilitates the Fatherhood and Healthy Relationships Programs both in the community and in the Salt River Department of Corrections. As program coordinator Mr. Poleyumptewa has improved the capacity of an existing program to assist fathers, families, and children in creating stronger relationships, economic self-sufficiency, and an understanding of cultural importance all while serving community and non-community members. He has assisted the U.S. Attorney's Office-Arizona District in developing an Anti-Gang PSA targeting the Native American Community in Arizona. Mr. Poleyumptewa has also provided workshops for



the Arizona Native American Gang Task Force at their annual conference. Workshops provided information to law enforcement and community officials in Indian Country on how community based programs can assist in creating safer communities and provide Native children opportunities for greater success.

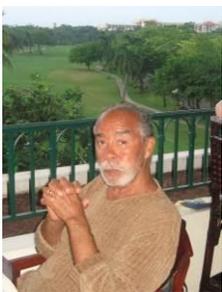
Lynette Grey Bull is Founder and Director of the non-profit organization “Not Our Native Daughters”. Due to working on eradicating human trafficking for several years, Lynnette has developed an organization focused on Native American victims of sexual assault and sex trafficking. Lynnette has a personal passion working with the Native American communities, she has over ten years' of experience in community relations mostly with the federal correction facility in Florence, Arizona. Lynnette has served the women unit as counselor in the mentorship program. Ms. Grey Bull has survived the many obstacles of being a victim herself, which drives her passion to advocate for Native youth.



MaryLynn Marshburn holds a Masters Degree in Public Health as well as Master Health Educator Certification. She is known as “Miss MaryLynn” by the first graders at the SRPMIC Elementary School for whom she provides Health and Wellness lessons. MaryLynn has a wide variety of experience with Health Promotion in both the public and private sectors. She has worked with SRPMIC for 7 years.



Melody Delmar is a social worker serving Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Melody has worked with families as a Domestic Violence Advocate, Elementary School Social Worker, and Parent Educator specializing in Early Childhood. Melody is from Northern Arizona and received her B.S. in Psychology from Northern Arizona University. Melody has served as a community board member of Girls on the Run of Northern Arizona, and the Alliance for Children's Early Success.



Michael Connor PhD. earned a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Hawaii and a Clinical License (State of California). He was Tenured Professor of Psychology at California State University, Long Beach until retiring with Professor Emeritus status. While teaching Dr. Connor maintained a part-time private practice providing clinical services to children and their families with focus/emphasis on father interactions within their families. Professor Connor began offering workshops for working men, across cultures and racial groups, who desired improved relationships with their children early in his career. He developed and taught a university level course, "Fathers and Fathering," which was offered for 30+ years at Cal State Long Beach. This course was one of few university level classes on Fathers (which was part of the regular curriculum and counted towards college degree) in the country. Later, Dr. Connor commenced working with the California's Black Infant



Health Program of the MCH, which resulted in the development of a best practices model for the Role of Men program. He took a break from Long Beach to move to Monterey where he was one of fourteen founding faculty members at a new campus, Cal State University, Monterey Bay. Dr. Connor is an active lecturer, has authored numerous publications, conducts workshops, and is active with a variety of community programs. He has a long history of involvement as relates to issues impacting cultural diversity, the impact of sport-athletics on the community, leadership training, and parenting. Currently, Dr. Connor is a professor at the California School of Professional Psychology, San Francisco campus. Dr. Connor has two daughters, two granddaughters, one grandson, and resides with his wife in the East Bay.



Neil Tift is the Father Involvement Program Director for the Child Crisis Center in Mesa, AZ. He served as Director of Training for three national fatherhood organizations in Washington D.C. and Mesa Arizona, including NAFFA. He was the founding Director of the Fathers Resource Center in Minneapolis from 1990 to 1998. For over 20 years, Neil was Adjunct Professor of Family Studies at Metropolitan State University in St. Paul Minnesota, teaching ethics, child psychology and human service administration. He also taught at St. Mary's University and Century College in Minnesota and currently teaches at Chandler Gilbert Community College. Neil has

contributed chapters for six books and written numerous articles on fatherhood and related issues. Neil earned an M.A. in Counseling Psychology and is a fatherhood trainer, parent educator, college instructor, men's therapist, game developer, and overweight jogger. Neil is the father of three, the grandfather of 11, and a foster father of many.



Patrick Carrizosa Jr. Nine years in prison, seven years sober. Living life after prison successfully. Currently working as Foreman for Swinerton Builders.



Quentin Begay is an alumnus of Arizona State University School of Social Work, recipient of a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work. He is Zuni-Edgewater born for the Deer Spring Clan. Upon graduating from ASU he worked under the Center for Disease Control's Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Healthy (REACH) grant addressing obesity and diabetes prevention, access to healthy food options, and work site wellness among urban Native American communities of Maricopa County.



Tallerita Tunney Rogers enjoys helping families find stability through any means available. Currently, as the Certificate Program Liaison at the Early Childhood Education Center, Tallerita assists families to access affordable childcare through the Child Care Assistance Certificate Program, a federally funded subsidy program.

Tecumseh Manuel is the Co-founder and Board of Director Chair for Three Precious Miracles. Tecumseh is an enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community from District 3. He is a proud, devoted and loving husband with five wonderful children. He has over 10 years of experience volunteering his time with youth and attending Indian Nations Camps for several summers. Mr. Manuel is dedicated to his community and giving back in any way possible. He currently is attending college at Chandler/Gilbert Community College and pursuing his Master's Degree at ASU in business.

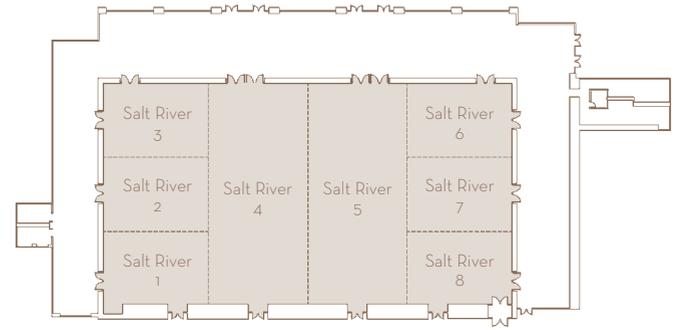
Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty is a member of the Jicarilla Apache Nation in Dulce, NM. Prior to returning to school full time she worked for the Pueblo of Zuni for 15 years as a Substance Abuse Counselor/Prevention Specialist. In April 2011 she earned her BS in Human Services from the University of Phoenix and was hired as a Health Educator by SRP-MIC. Currently Mrs. Notsinneh-Bowekaty provides community education and awareness on domestic violence and other health related topics to the schools and community members. She also heads the Coordinated Community Response Team for (DVSA), a 20 member group that consist of various professionals within SRPMIC that has provided several activities, events, and workshop events.

Warren Kontz is Creek and Navajo and was born in Fort Defiance, Arizona on the Navajo Nation. He has a Bachelor's degree in Counseling Psychology from San Diego Christian College and a Master's degree in Social Work from Arizona State University. He has worked for over 28 years in the field of Social and Family Services. His major work experiences include working as the Director of the Fort Defiance Agency of the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services, as the Welfare Reform Coordinator for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, as the Human Services Systems Director for the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc., as the Evaluation Coordinator for the Native American Fatherhood and Families Association and presently as the Program Manager of the Life Enhancement and Resource Network within the Social Services Department of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

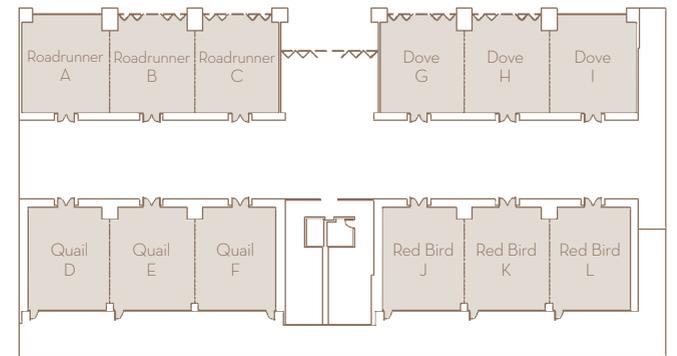
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