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Our Mission

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Tribal Youth Court, TYC, aims to cultivate wellness-based responses to low status offenses. The TYC centers on educating tribal youth about tribal restorative justice practices and empowers them to engage in these practices in service of their communities.

Hello Readers,

We hope you have all been enjoying the cool, wet weather that February brought. Some of us have even had the pleasure of experiencing some snow fall, which is quite rare in most parts of Southern California.

While we enjoy staying home, cuddling up with warm blankets and listening to the rain safe and dry inside our homes, driving is inevitable and it can be rather daunting in this weather. Though it can be a task, we are lucky to have mechanisms in our cars that keep us safe and make it possible to drive in cold and wet weather.

Did you know that car heaters and wind shield wipers were invented by females? March is Women's history month, and we will be infusing this month's newsletter with some fun facts and stories about inspiring and influential women, past and present!

In 1893, Margaret Wilcox, an American mechanical engineer, developed the car heater. Taking advantage of heat that was already generated as a byproduct of combustion, Wilcox invented a way to heat cars by channeling air over the engine and into the cab. Though car

heaters were not installed into vehicles until 1917, it was Wilcox's design that engineers would follow. Twelve years later, that same design was installed in all Ford vehicles. In 2020, Inventor's Digest named Wilcox's patent for the car heater one of their top ten patents by women. Can we all take a moment for a collective thank you to Margaret for this gift of heat?! The car heater makes for much warmer and more pleasant drives lately! Thank you, Margaret!

In 1903, an American real estate developer, Mary Anderson was granted the first patent for an automatic car window cleaning device, called the windshield wiper. Prior to her invention, many people stuck their hand outside of their vehicles to dry or clear off their windshields. She tried to sell her device, but was ultimately denied, being told that the wipers lacked practical value, and her patent expired in 1920. It would be another ten years before the automatic wipers would be standard equipment in vehicles. Now, we'd be lost without them! In 2011, Anderson was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

Here's what to look for in March:

March 2nd: National Read Across America Day March 2nd is the birth date of Dr. Seuss. It is a day to remember his legacy and cultural impact of the beloved author's timeless stories and to celebrate the joy of reading. Adults and children around the nation come together to read and celebrate literature together!

March 8th : International Women's Day This is a global day celebrating the historical, cultural and political achievements of women. It also serves to remind us that, things may be better, but women are still not treated as equals, around the globe. Take this day to celebrate how far women have come, celebrate their accomplishments, and continue to raise awareness for women's equality.

March 12th: Daylight Savings Time Daylight Saving times begins on the second Sunday in March and will end on the first Sunday of November. On this day, we will set our clocks one hour forward, losing one hour, but gaining a whole lot of sunshine for spring and summer months!

March 17th: St. Patrick's Day St. Patrick's Day, or the feast of St. Patrick, is a religious and cultural holiday held on March 17th, the traditional death date of St. Patrick, who is the patron saint of Ireland. Many legends have grown around him. It is believed he drove the snakes out of Ireland and used the clover to explain his teachings. This day is celebrated with religious services and feasts.

March 20th: International Day of Happiness We celebrate this day to share delight, smiles, and good vibes. In 2011, the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution that made it a "fundamental human goal" to give happiness a priority. And in 2013, the UN celebrated the world's first Day of Happiness, and it has continued to grow since.

Month of March: Women's History Month Women's history month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture, and society. It has been observed annually in the month of March in the U.S. since 1987. It is a time to reflect on the often overlooked contributions of women in U.S. history.



Coordinator's Corner

Last month, Disney released the trailer for their new live action movie, Peter Pan and Wendy, a fresh and updated version of the original cartoon movie, Peter Pan, released in 1953. Though this movie remains one of Disney's classics, there were some parts of the movie that would not "fly," today. Specifically, the movie's uncomfortable and racist depiction of the Native characters. They actually included a song called, "What Makes the Red Man Red." In the original movie, Tiger Lily is Peter Pan's friend. She comes from the Neverland tribe, but her character is a pretty blatant caricature of a Native.

This time around, Disney brought in a cultural consultant team, and the role of Tiger Lily, went to Alyssa Wapanatâhk, of the Bigstone Cree Nation. Wapanatâhk says this new portrayal of Tiger Lily is a complete turnaround. "She is bold. She's brave. She's beautiful. She's a protector. And, she loves with all her heart," Wapanatâhk says of her character. Ultimately, Wapanatâhk is hoping fans of the beloved film will embrace the new film, and she hopes she redeems the Tiger Lily from the original. From what I've seen, it's looking like she has! Peter Pan and Wendy starts streaming next month.

Not So Current Events>>>

Law in the News



A Look Back: We usually use this feature to cover current law related news Stories, but we are taking it back to the 1900s...

★ Eliza, Lyda, Conley was the first woman admitted to the Kansas bar. She was a member of the Wyandotte Tribe and descendent of a chief. Her mother, a member of the Wyandotte nation, married an English farmer. She is most known for her attempts to protect the Huron Indian Cemetery, located in downtown Kansas City, Kansas. Conley, whose mother and sister, along with hundreds of her Wyandotte tribesmen were buried there, entered the school of law in preparation for the fight to protect the cemetery. Conley graduated from Kansas City School of Law in 1902. She was the only woman in her class. Conley appeared before the Supreme Court in 1910 and argued that the 1855 federal treaty with the Wyandotte prevented the U.S. from selling the land. Despite her efforts, she ultimately lost in court, but never stopped fighting. And, after many years, the cemetery was named a National Historic Landmark in 2016.

Tribal Youth Court: Honoring Some of the Greats

Tribal Youth Court would like to use this space to quote some of the great ones, honoring some of the women among us, and those who have come before us. All of us have the ability to make a difference!

“My mission in life is not merely to survive but to thrive and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style.” – Maya Angelou

“Women can help turn the world right side up. We bring a more collaborative approach to government. And if we do not participate, then decisions will be made without us.” - Wilma Mankiller

“Technique and ability alone do not get you to the top; it is the willpower that is most important.” – Junko Tabé

“I raise up my voice—not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard. ... We cannot all succeed when half of us are held back.” – Malala Yousafzai

“Women belong in all places where decisions are being made. ... It shouldn't be that women are the exception.” – Ruth Bader Ginsburg

“Nothing is worth more than laughter. It is strength to laugh and to abandon oneself, to be light.” – Frida Kahlo

“There is no social-change fairy. There is only change made by the hands of individuals.” - Winona LaDuke



Ask the court >>>

Question: Will I get help while completing my wellness plan?

Answer: The Youth Court Coordinator (YCC) will be monitoring all participants throughout their wellness journeys. There will be regularly scheduled check-ins and ways to reach out to the YCC, if assistance is needed within any aspects of your wellness plan.



Intertribal Court of Southern California

The Tribal Youth Court is a division of the Intertribal Court of Southern California (ICSC). Please refer to this section to find current news and updates about the court.

About the Court...

The ICSC serves as a consortium of tribes from across Southern California. ICSC currently serves the thirteen of its member tribes hearing cases on public safety issues, tort claims, family law, conservatorships and more. We highlight one of our member tribes below.

Lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel

The Santa Ysabel Reservation is located in a rugged area, 40 miles east of Escondido. The reservation was founded in 1893. The rugged, wooded area of the reservation provides a sense of solitude for the residents. The Santa Ysabel Band is part of the Kumeyaay Nation. The Lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel is recognized by the U.S. as a sovereign government. They are governed by an elected Tribal Council that consists of a chairperson, vicechair and a treasurer.

Please visit www.intertribalcourt.org to learn more about the court and its member tribes.

Final thoughts...

Fun Law Fact: Dogs cannot bark after six o'clock in Little Rock, Arkansas capital. If the dog barks then the owner may be arrested

Court Comedy: What are clowns commonly jailed for?
- *Mans-laughter*

Announcements:

SAVE THE DATE: Our AIR/TYC Summer course at Palomar College starts June 26th! More details to come!



Coming Soon >>>

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