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Newsletter of the Barona Cultural Center and Museum

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

By Museum Committee Chairman, Beaver Curo

Haáwka (hello)! At this writing Barona Museum is well into its second year. We had a successful signup and great day at our Teachers Seminar on Southern California Indians, March 24. Topics included: An overview of the Language Groups in San Diego County, Lifestyles in Prehistory, Modern Indian Life, and Teaching Children about Stereotypes. Josephine and Jackie Whaley, and Cheryl Jeffrey will travel to St. Louis, MO in May to attend the American Association of Museums Annual Meeting. Cultural diversity and Indian topics were important last year and we expect them to continue to be the 'buzz.'

Our educational outreach keeps growing. We have done classroom visits from Rancho Bernardo to San Ysidro and tours to the museum. Please call us and schedule a tour or an outreach for your group—it is free!

In February, Barona hosted a very important meeting with the Smithsonian. Representatives of the National Museum of the American Indian, including Director Rick West, met with California Tribal leaders and educators. The California tribes expressed concern about how their groups would be represented at the new museum on the Mall in D.C. Rick West outlined plans for Kumeyaay and Hupa permanent exhibits. He assured other tribes of opportunities to be represented in the future. Thanks especially to San Manuel Reservation for spearheading this effort.

Our Valentine's Day Senior Lunch was the best yet. Elders and friends relived the Fifties with music and soda fountain style food. Tribal seniors, we look forward to seeing you again for the Ramona Pageant Trip. Invitations are in the mail. Thanks to **Myrna DeSomber** for her efforts in making the Senior lunches successful.

Our new newsletter has received accolades from other tribes, museums and historical societies. Malcolm Margolin, Publisher of Heyday and News from Native California (NNC) generously praised our efforts by donating a number of books on California Indians and natural history from Heyday to our research library. The Museum is to be featured in an upcoming issue of NNC. Thank you Malcolm Margolin and Heyday for our first major library donation.



Barona Museum hosted a breakfast meeting in February for the National Museum of the American Indian.

L to R: Curator Cheryl Jeffrey-Hinton, Barona Councilman Steve Banegas, Paul Cuero (Campo), Rick West NMAI Director, and Pablita Abeyta, NMAI Executive Assistant.

RAMONA PAGEANT

Attention Barona Community Seniors! A special senior event will take the place of May's Senior Lunch. We'll be lunching in Hemet. The Seniors are invited to join the Museum at the Ramona Pageant. It's a famous story that is very significant to southern California including San Diego County. Ramona was a real Cahuilla Indian woman whose husband was brutally murdered. The story has it that Ramona and her husband Juan Diego were married in Old Town. The rest of the world did not hear the story of Ramona and other California Indians until Helen Hunt Jackson wrote her famous novel. When the plight of the California Indians was set in a tenderhearted love story, people began to understand the terrible injustices. For many years the city of Hemet reenacts the story with the Pageant. It is the oldest outdoor drama in the US and the 'official California State outdoor play.' There is limited space for a senior and his/her spouse or guest: 25 total [Please no children under age 8]. Other tribal members will be placed on a waiting list. Please call to reserve your space and receive a trip packet. The date is Saturday, April 28.



Senior Lunch Valentine's Day 2001 at the Barona Community Center

PROGRAMS OPEN To everyone

Indian Visions

The Museum is featuring a new monthly activity for those who are interested in Indians in the arts. Who are the upcoming or influential Indian artists, filmmakers, musicians, poets, and writers? Call the Museum for information on who or what is being featured. We meet the third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Museum. Please call ahead to make sure the date and time are still in effect. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your ideas too. Topics coming up include: The true story of Ramona, a Cahuilla Indian from Riverside; The Lone Ranger and Tonto TV Indian Stereotype—what does Kemosabe really mean?; "The Autobiography of Delfina Cuero" by Florence Shipek. The next three are Monday evenings, April 30, May 21, and June 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

QUARTERLY QUESTION:

Each Quarterly newsletter we will present some research questions people are stumped on. Please call or write the Museum if you have an answer or even a small clue.

Does anyone know about the village of Kosoyi in Mission Valley?

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CHAIRMAN

The Museum Committee and the Tribe honored Charles 'Beaver' Curo at our First Anniversary Party on February 2, 2001. Chairman Clifford LaChappa presented Beaver with a pottery olla mounted on a platform. He thanked Beaver for his dedication in making the Museum a reality and for his service to the Tribe. Curator Cheryl Jeffrey also praised Beaver's leadership as the first Chairman of the Museum Committee. Thank you Beaver for all you do for this Museum.

SPRING BREAK FOR KIDS AT THE MUSEUM

The week of Spring Break April 9-15 will be celebrated with three special days of Indian activities for kids: see videos, make crafts and hear stories. Snacks are provided. Just drop in any time from Noon to 3 p.m. on the days listed below. **Members of the public:** parents must contact the Museum if you are going to drop off your children; there is a special emergency form to fill-out. Kids living on Barona Reservation are welcome to just drop in.

Terrific Tuesday April 10, Noon until 3 p.m.

The Museum is open this Tuesday only, especially for you.

Wonderful Wednesday April 11, Noon until 3 p.m. Tremendous Thursday April 12, Noon until 3 p.m.

These classes are free – a gift from Barona.

The museum is closed for the Holiday April 13th - 15th.

Happy Holidays!

GIFT SHOP CORNER

by Anna Navarrete

When visiting the Museum, be sure to take a peek at our gift shop! We have many books to choose from such as the classic Kumeyaay title *Indians of the Oaks*, as well as general California references like: Survival Skills of Native California.

The shop also carries gourd bowls, rattles, and ornaments of local artist Daleane Adams and a wide variety of Museum logo products including: t-shirts, ball caps, key-chains, and pens.

We are continuously expanding the shop inventory to suit the needs of our visitors and tribal members, so suggestions and referrals are always welcome!

STAFF AND Volunteer News

Our congratulations to Teri Martin, Museum Assistant, as she marks her first year as an employee of the Museum. Teri received her B.A. in History at Loyola Marymont and is a local graduate of Ramona High School.

NOTES FROM

By Cheryl

What is the Name of this Tribe? A Lesson

What are the names of the local tribes in our part of Southern California? This simple question often has a complex answer. This is because history and the political organization of tribes are complex issues. The Indians of San Diego County are divided into four language groups: Cahuilla, Cupeño, Kumeyaay, and Luiseno.

When non-Indians came into this country, they wanted to meet the tribal leaders. Outsiders looked at a group of Indians in a region and decided that they all belonged to the same tribe or nation. In Southern California (and in many places) this association with a larger political body was not true. The structure of Indian government was very different from the structure of states and nations in the European tradition.

Looking at San Diego groups specifically, the leader was often the headman of an extended family or clan. As leaders, headmen could only suggest solutions; they could never impose their own power or opinion on the group. The political organization of the people in this area was in semi-autonomous bands. Hypothetically, we could be talking about as many as 20 or 30 different headmen for San Diego and Baja California. It depended on the time period and how many families there were. We just do not know today because of the way Indian society was devastated.

Some of the names tribes have today reflect the reservation they live on. Many names are from someone else's language. Some names reflect a language group according

to anthropologists. Some names reflect a dialect in the people's language. The Spanish, the Mexicans, or the Americans named some groups. Several tribes have names that are in the language of the neighboring tribe. Explorers asked: who are those people over there?

Kumeyaay, 'lipay, Tipay:

Names have included: Diegueno, Mission, Northern Diegueno, 'Iipay, Tipay, Kamia, Kumeyaay.

This group is perhaps the most challenging to name. The Southern California group of Yuman languages called themselves 'the people.' There are three dialects: 'lipay, Tipay, and Kamia. At the beginning of the Mission era, the Spanish named the Indians of San Diego, the Diegueño for the San Diego Mission. Only the people living near the coast were missionized, but the name stuck for most of the Indians in the San Diego area. People have also called California Indians, Mission Indians, although only a portion was brought into the mission system. Eventually, the Federal government named many California Bands such as Barona: The Barona Band of Mission Indians. The Barona people were never in the mission system.

Another name for Barona that may be more accurate is 'lipay. This is the name of the dialect spoken by the people in the north, once called the Northern Diegueño. In the south county and Baja California, somewhere below today's Highway 8, the people spoke two dialects: Tipay and Kamia.

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'lipay and Tipay are translated as 'the people.' 'lipay aa means 'the language of the people.' Sometime in the 1970s the name Kumeyaay was adopted by some of the Indians in San Diego County. They wanted to emphasize to non-Indians that there was an organized group of people—a political force. However, there are some people such as the 'lipay who feel that this designation does not fit them. The people living in the south may more often accept Kumeyaay. People who have relatives from both dialect groups may also accept it. So, it depends on whom you talk to whether this is an appropriate term for that person's heritage.

It is always appropriate to say "the Barona people," "from Santa Ysabel," "a member of Viejas," and so on. Today there are 13 reservations of these dialect groups including Capitan Grande, which is no longer occupied. [In 1932 Capitan Grande tribal members were removed so that El Capitan Dam could be built in their valley. The members split into two reservations: Barona and Viejas (Baron Long Ranch)]. The reservations of this language group are Barona, Campo, Cosmit-Inaja, Ewiiaapaayp (Cuyapaipe), Jamul, La Posta, Manzanita, Mesa Grande, San Pasqual, Santa Ysabel, Sycuan, and Viejas.

Other Language groups: The only Cahuilla reservation in San Diego County is **Los Coyotes**, a Mountain Cahuilla group. The Cupeño are a small group that once lived in the mountains at Warner's Hot Spring and were removed to the Luiseño reservation at **Pala**. Kumeyaay are also listed as members there. The San Diego County reservations with Luiseño people include: **Pala**, **Pauma-Yuima**, **La Jolla**, and **Rincon**.

Thus there are 17 reservations in San Diego County: Barona, Campo, Capitan Grande (not occupied), Cosmit-Inaja, Cuyapaipe (also called Ewiiaapaayp), Jamul, La Posta, Manzanita, Mesa Grande, San Pasqual, Santa Ysabel, Sycuan, Viejas, Los Coyotes, Pala, Pauma-Yuima, and La Jolla. These reservations have 16 individual, independent, and sovereign tribal governments.

MUSEUM CALENDAR

Subject to Change, please call (619) 443-7003 x 219.

APRIL

April 4: Museum committee meeting Wednesday at 3 pm. Please call for information and to verify date.

April 10, 11, and 12 <u>Spring/Easter Break For Kids</u> (See Article Page 3)

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April 28 Ramona Pageant Senior Lunch. Join us for a delicious lunch and some good company. This event is for Barona Community members 55+. Bring a guest.

Look for your invitation in the mail.

April 30 Monday 6:30 pm Indian Visions: a series that includes literature, films and artwork to be discussed by the curator.

MAY

May 2 Museum committee meeting at 10 am. Please call for information and to verify date.

May 5-10 American Association of Museums: Barona Museum attends in St. Louis

May 21 Monday 6:30 pm Indian Visions: a series that includes literature, films and artwork to be discussed by the curator.

JUNE

June 6 Museum committee meeting Wednesday 10 am. Please call for information and to verify date.

June 25: Monday 6:30 pm Indian Visions: a series that includes literature, films and artwork to be discussed by the curator.



First Anniversary of the Museum (l to r) Chairman La Chappa and Curator Cheryl Jeffrey-Hinton honor Beaver Curo, the Museum's First Committee Chairman.

MUSEUM FIRST YEAR STATS....CONTINUED VISITORS FROM OTHER STATES, COUNTRIES, AND TRIBES

January 25 thru December 31, 2000

STATES

COUNTRIES

TRIBES

1. Alaska	21. Nebraska	1. Argentina	1. Algonquian	19. San Jose de la
2. Arizona	22. Nevada	2. Austria	(1 st Nation)	Zorra (Kumiai)
3. California	23. New Jersey	3. Australia	2. Agua Caliente	20. San Pasqual
4. Colorado	24. New Mexico	4. Canada	3. Cahuilla	21. Santa Ynez
5. Connecticut	25. New York	5. Denmark	4. Campo	(Chumash)
6. Florida	26. North Carolina	6. France	5. Cucapah	22, Santa Ysabel
7. Guam	27. Ohio	7. Germany	6. Jamul Indian Village	23. Six Nations
8. Hawaii	28. Oklahoma	8. India	7. La Jolla	24. Soboba
9. Idaho	29. Oregon	9. Japan	8. La Posta	25. Sycuan
10. Illinois	30. Pennsylvania	10. Kenya	9. Los Coyotes	26. Ute/Paiute
11. Indiana	31. Rhode Island	11. Mexico	10. Mesa Grande	27. Viejas
12. Kansas	32. Texas	12. New Zealand	11. Morongo	28. Wanaque
13. Kentucky	33. Utah	13. Singapore	12. Navajo	
14. Louisiana	34. Virginia	14. South Africa	13. Pala	
15. Maryland	35. Washington	15. Switzerland	14. Pauma	
16. Massachusetts	36. Washington, DC	16. The Netherlands	15. Pechanga	
17. Michigan	37. West Virginia	17. United Kingdom	16. Pit River Tribe	
18. Minnesota	38. Wisconsin		17. Pueblo of San Juan	
19. Missouri	39. Wyoming		de Guadalupe	
20. Montana			18. Rincon	

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DIRECTIONS

Take Highway 8 from San Diego going east to Highway 67. Going North to Ramona/Lakeside take a right on Willow Rd. (Circle K) and proceed to the intersection with Wildcat Canyon Rd. Take a left and go 6 miles to Barona Casino. Continue on Barona Rd. (Wildcat Canyon) for another mile and the Museum and Cultural Center are on the left.

HOURS

Closed Monday and Tuesday Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday: Noon to 5 p.m.

> Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call to schedule tours and research appointments.



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