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The mission of the Kayenta Township is to create a sustainable community for future generations.

Vision:

The vision of the Kayenta Township is to create a strong community and empower our future.






Navajo Studies Symposium 2017: Moving Kayenta's Economic Prosperity Forward

By: Dr. Wendy Greyeyes, Ph.D.

(President, Dine Studies Conference, Inc.)

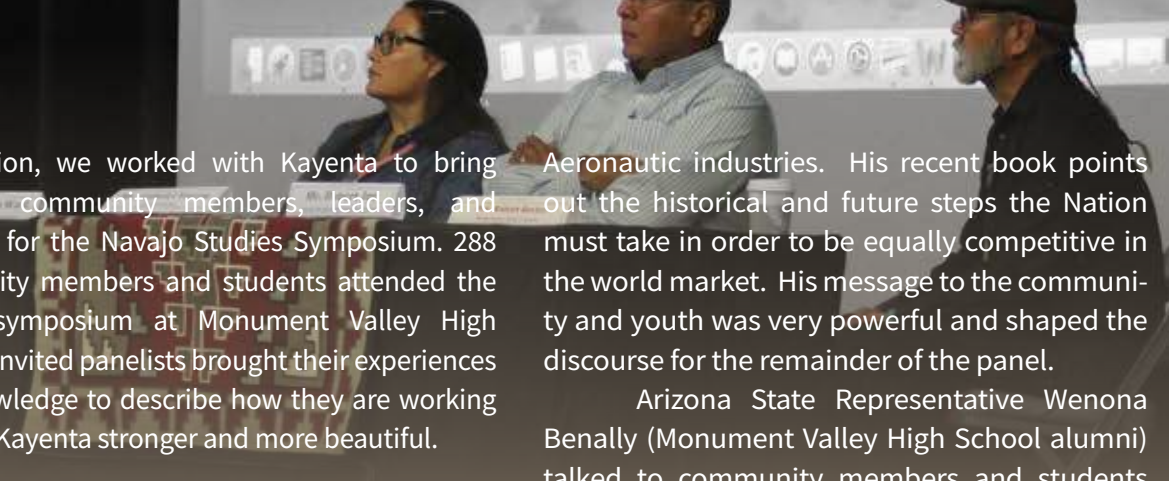
Introduction



Kayenta is a dynamic town that makes moves when others say no. Kayenta's community leaders have a big heart for their town and the courage to take risks. This was the one of the many messages emphasized during the Navajo Studies Symposium on October 27, 2017.

Navajo Studies Conference, Inc. (NSCI) was established in 1986 with the goal of unifying Navajo research and researchers together to build a canon of knowledge and to create opportunities to exchange ideas. Ideas are the seeds of creative and innovative thinking. The symposium is intended to select one community on the Navajo Nation and to work to understand the primary issues and concerns of the community. This year, NSCI chose Kayenta because it sits as the gateway to many tourist attractions, however, more importantly, it also serves as a major hub for the surrounding communities.

In the summer of 2017, NSCI conducted a survey to gain a better picture of the people, the issues, and the overall aspects of Kayenta. Our survey results had input from Navajos that drove in from other communities. They come to pick up supplies, gas, groceries, and to grab something to eat. It's a busy intersection attracting tourists and many people from as far away as Chilchinbeto, Dennehotso, Oljato, Shonto, and Pinon. This is also supported by data provided by Kayenta Indian Health Services CEO Patricia Whitethorne. Whitethorne reports the new hospital serves nearly 19,000 patients. The 2015 American Community Survey also reports Kayenta has a population of 4,702 members. Kayenta's economy is its people including tourism and the continuous and constant visitors from the surrounding communities. With all this



information, we worked with Kayenta to bring together community members, leaders, and students for the Navajo Studies Symposium. 288 community members and students attended the all-day symposium at Monument Valley High School. Invited panelists brought their experiences and knowledge to describe how they are working to make Kayenta stronger and more beautiful.

Symposium

The Navajo Studies Symposium opened with a greeting from Mr. Jack Gilmore, Principal of Monument Valley High School. He shared some encouraging and thoughtful views on the future of Kayenta and his school. His presentation was followed with the history of the town of Kayenta from Lillian Smith. She shared her experiences growing up in Kayenta and her personal stories.

The Economy of Kayenta and the Nation

Our first panel discussion focused on the theme The Economy of Kayenta and the Nation. Mr. Robert Joe, Office of the President and Vice President, opened the panel with his work on the Navajo Nation's economy. He discussed the Navajo Nation's infrastructure challenges impeding the growth of the Nation's economy. Although the Nation has built up its infrastructure such as roads, electricity, and water systems, the progression has been very slow and has not kept pace with business needs. Joe's work led to the development of The Navajo Nation Economic Road Map; outlining the many challenges to Navajo economic development. Global industry leaders have remarked this is a game changer. Businesses are asking how can we do business with the Navajo Nation. Joe described how elected leaders do not quite understand the demands of doing business and it's simply not just about politics.

Mr. Joe appealed to the youth to consider their next moves to involve learning about aeronautics. He stated Navajos have a knack for detail, which is demonstrated with their work on silversmithing and weaving. These skills are in high demand in the Technology and

Aeronautic industries. His recent book points out the historical and future steps the Nation must take in order to be equally competitive in the world market. His message to the community and youth was very powerful and shaped the discourse for the remainder of the panel.

Arizona State Representative Wenona Benally (Monument Valley High School alumni) talked to community members and students about her first electoral loss, which was very humbling, but she continued. She discussed her work at the state level to keep public school funding moving forward for the Navajo Nation. She also recognized other Navajos working at the Arizona State Legislature; Mr. Eric Descheenie (Arizona Representative) and Ms. Jamescita Peshlakai (Arizona Senate). As a team, they are working to protect the interests of their communities in the largest rural district in Arizona. She announced in the upcoming 2018 fiscal year, the state of Arizona would experience a shortfall of \$104 million dollars. Kayenta will be impacted by this shortfall.

Mr. Gabriel Yazzie (Monument Valley High School alumni), Kayenta Township Manager, spoke about future steps for the Township. They are working on developing corporations, enterprises, and bringing infrastructure to encourage tenants to set up businesses. Businesses are not wanting to establish in Kayenta because of the lack of infrastructure so instead of waiting for these companies to move to Kayenta, the Township is taking a pro-active approach to attract businesses to the community. In addition, the Township will offer bonds to small businesses to help expand their establishments.

Mr. Jarvis Williams (Monument Valley High School alumni) explained the impact of the closure of the Peabody Coal mine. At the height of Peabody's impact, over 800 employees worked on site and now, only a little over 300. The closure of Black Mesa and eventually Kayenta mine has had and will continue to have an impact for the people. The biggest effort now is at the national, state, and tribal level to keep the mine open.



Jodonna Ward (Monument Valley High School alumni) discussed her strategy as a small business owner. She does not cater to tourists only but promotes her business for the local community. Her business plan places the community at the center of her efforts.

Lastly, Mr. Michael Parrish, Coordinator of the Diné Policy Institute, discussed his own research of the informal economy, which depicted the least discussed type of economic development: home economics; people selling from home or at the flea markets. Overall, this panel articulated the future of the Kayenta economy and the Navajo Nation and they left the question to the students of how will they remain competitive and keep the community flourishing.

The Changing Meaning of Work

The second panel centered on the changing meaning of work, focusing on the changing demands of the labor force. The future of the Navajo Nation relies on the adaption of new skills and knowledge required for the workforce. The panel had the privilege of talking directly to the youth to encourage their future plans. Recently, Kayenta established a new hospital, correctional facility, a solar panel farm, a beautification project, and the development of new businesses like Church's Chicken. The main question posed to the panelists was what type of workers do these facilities need.

Honorable Nathaniel Brown, Navajo Nation Council Delegate, opened with a discussion about the role of the Kayenta Chapter and the Navajo Nation Council. His commitment to the community reflected a great interest in collaborating with schools, businesses and community members to increase more participation in the creation of an apprenticeship program.

Vircyntia Charley from Navajo Tribal Utility Authority raised many social concerns about what students should learn. She discussed her background in the military and how her skill set does not match the current demands of the work. The audience asked about how the solar farm project will change the types of jobs needed in the community. The skills for managing the Kayenta solar project require strong technological knowledge.

Mrs. Delores Greyeyes from the Kayenta Department of Corrections discussed the establishment of the new facility. She pointed out there are many jobs available at the facility with just a high school degree. Unfortunately, she discussed how some applicants aren't able to obtain those jobs because they can't pass the background clearance or drug tests. This is an additional challenge for a future labor force.

Mrs. Priscilla Whitethorne, Kayenta Indian Health Services, outlined the expansion of services from the old clinic to the new hospital. The hospital has added new jobs and is constantly seeking qualified applicants to work in the field of medicine. She described additional services provided to nearly 19,000 patients annually.

The panel discussed the challenges of the new labor force. They all voiced a common message to the youth; student should be thinking about going to and graduating from college.

Recommendations to Community Leaders

The final part of the symposium was a dialogue with community members to discuss, "What We Can Do: Building Kayenta to Promote Economic Prosperity". This conversation first outlined the challenges to economic prosperity. A list of issues from the need for more housing, improved transportation, childcare, increased internet, lack of

employment for local members, lack of rehabilitation services, limited law enforcement, education for labor force was formed. They then focused on what Kayenta can do to resolve the challenges with existing resources.

The community highlighted the need to find creative solutions, the integration of more traditional teachings, to encourage unemployed to work from home, develop a local pick up system similar to a Navajo Uber, changing the community mentality, increase the culture of customer service, increase more local training for manual trades like welding and electrical work, work with youth at an earlier age to help determine their academic goals or trade training, increase the positive environment with law enforcement, and build good relationships.

Finally, the community discussed ways to engage existing leadership from Kayenta Township, Kayenta Chapter, and other governing boards. They discussed the chapter and township should come together to make the community stronger; there should be better education and understanding of the roles of the chapter and township. A comprehensive study on the local work force and community needs has to be conducted to understand the types of jobs that exist now and are needed for the future.

Conclusion

Overall, the Navajo Studies Symposium helped start to create an active dialogue between panel discussants, elders, students, and participants. Community leaders talked and connected with one another to consider strategies for moving Kayenta forward. The symposium is intended to create a space for the exchange of ideas and reflection. It's through ideas and reflection that help plant the seeds for fundamental change for Navajo communities. We believe Kayenta has started on this path and will flourish in developing what they need to move forward.



PHOTO: WWII Navajo Code Talker Samuel Holiday

It was standing room only....

By: Marsha Whitehair

Vietnam Veteran/retired KMS Liaison, Wesley Simpson, assisted WWII Navajo Code Talker Samuel Holiday through the packed auditorium to his seat of honor. A loud order rang out signaling nine United States/US Military flags to be posted on stage by our Kayenta Veterans Group .

Mrs. Bradley’s 5th graders said the Pledge of Allegiance in Navajo flawlessly, followed by a Moment of Silence for MacKenzie Tsosie (by KUSD Transportation Supervisor Carol Todecheene). Marine Veteran/KUSD District Health Specialist, Paulson Bronston, shared the history of the US Marine Corps and the Navajo Code Talkers. He also gave a very moving biography of Samuel’s significant role in winning World War II and being Kayenta’s “treasured” grandfather.

When the microphone was handed to Samuel to speak, you could hear a pin drop. His voice clearly showed his sadness in the loss of his older brother that very morning; however, he said the beautiful faces of all the children before him lifted him. At one point all of the

children in the auditorium waved their flags in unison for Samuel. It was breathtaking.

After the assembly, students left to make their parade line. Over 500 students clapped and waved flags while Samuel walked by to the KMS Library.

Christopher Hampton, KMS Librarian, directed the dedication of the library. He explained the difficulty in being a published author: “To write and publish a book is not an easy task; it takes a lot of stamina, foresight and perseverance.”

Before the ribbon cutting, KMS Student Council presented gifts to Samuel (MV jacket & traveling bag). Once the ribbon was cut, Wesley Simpson assisted Samuel in blessing “The Samuel Holiday Library/Media Center.” The Kayenta Township is donating a plaque for the doorway of the library, and Mr. David John

will be painting a mural in the library honoring Samuel Holiday and his book “Under the Eagle.” It was a great day!



“A Modern Hairstyle with the Small Town feel”

By:Preston Holiday

The Beauty Way, a professional salon nestled in the remote community of Kayenta offers all the services you can find in the big city. Owner, Patricia Yazzie, understands that not all people are able to drive 2-3 hours to get services they can get locally. The Beauty Way is a unique, family-oriented salon focused on helping people put their best foot forward; for a job interview, first day of school, or high school reunion, they can come here to feel good about themselves.

The road wasn’t always easy, Patricia experienced the struggles of business ownership on the Navajo Nation. The Beauty Way Salon has been her dream since she became a Licensed Cosmetologist in 1998. The hardships, sacrifices, and stress have helped her build stability in an economy facing so many challenges. Although, her salon is the only establishment of its kind in Kayenta, there still is the drive to maintain her business. She relies on the loyalty of her customers, giving back to the community, and providing top-notch customer service.

Patricia’s business-savvy allowed her to get a business license through the Kayenta Township, and remain in existence for 4 years thus far. Although business management is one goal she has accomplished, her true passion is teaching. In addition to managing the Beauty Way, she is part of the Cosmetology Advisory Board at Chinle High School, where she is able to introduce young minds to the world of cosmetology. She emphasizes the lessons of hard work, commitment, and professionalism.



Patricia credits her staff along the way to maintaining her business, she strives to strengthen their skills by finding their niche. She enjoys helping her staff reach their goals, and often motivates them to continue learning. Her team is comprised of Lee Benally, Helen Bia, Leticia Prieto, Jaclyn Krueger, Jaquella Bearbow, and Joseph Bishop. Her team is able to offer a full service salon that includes: manicures, pedicures, colors, stylish cuts, perms, highlights, and barber services.

The community also plays an important role to her business, in the cold winter months she coordinates a Jacket Drive and during Christmas organizes a Toy Drive for the less-fortunate. Additionally, she offers discounts for the elderly and those who serve or have served in the military.

Ever consider starting or owning a business, here is some advice from Patricia, “think about the sacrifices, commitment, and financial implications”. She states, “to be ready for challenges, keep an open mind to change, and always remember your passion”. The hardest lesson she has learned is that it takes up to four years to finally feel comfortable in establishing a stable business foundation.

If you are in need of a new hair-do, a friendly conversation, or some business advice, give the Beauty Way a call at (928) 697-8536. You can also find them on Facebook, search @TheBeautyWaySalon.

KAYENTA ANIMAL CARE CENTER

Responsible Stewardship Through Veterinary Care

By: Preston Holiday

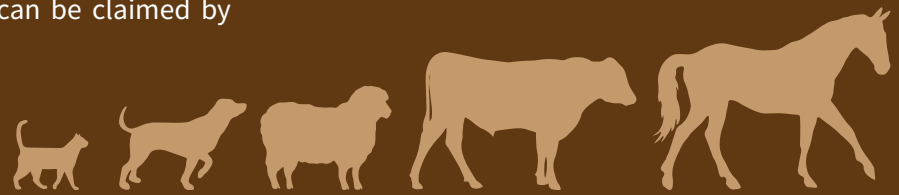
Animals and pets are an integral part of our lives; many depend on them for economic and safety reasons, and for others, companionship. We depend on them to take care of us, and in return we care for them. The Kayenta Animal Care Center is the only Veterinary Hospital on the Navajo Reservation with specialty services. Dr. James Eubank, DVM grew up on a Kansas crop farm that raised Angus cattle, now manages this premier facility that offers a variety of services.

The Kayenta Animal Care Center (KACC) provides General Medicine and Surgery for horses, cattle, sheep, goats, dogs, and cats. The unique trait of

this center is that it offers an FFA/Veterinary Technician Assistant Program. The KACC in partnership with the Monument Valley High School Future Farmers of America Agri-Center, work together to provide health and wellness to Kayenta's animal population. All surgery and medical treatment is performed at the Agri-Center on the Kayenta Unified School District Campus. The KACC facility also holds stray animals, who can be claimed by owners or set-up for adoption.

The Kayenta Animal Care Center is comprised of: Dr. James Eubank, DVM, Raycita

Clark, Veterinary Technician, Savanna Coolie, Kennel Technician, and Savanna Speck, Kennel Technician. The KACC is open Monday through Friday from 8am-12pm and 1pm-5pm. Animals are seen by appointment only, and day time emergencies are accepted with a small fee. They can be reached at (928) 697-8444.



Always Here, Always Ready, Serving Kayenta with Pride and Excellence



By: Preston Holiday

The perception of firefighters are often men sitting around the table at the firehouse playing cards, waiting for the next fire to occur. Nowadays, Fire Departments have evolved into a multi-faceted public service agency with an ever-growing workload. In addition to firefighting, firefighters today are expected to have knowledge and maintain skills including: emergency medical treatment, hazardous materials, computers and technology,

public education, public administration, physical fitness, and public relations. The perception of the firefighter has evolved.

Locally, the Kayenta Fire Department has been providing emergency services to the town of Kayenta and its vicinity since 1963. There have been hundreds of volunteers who have answered the call, risking their lives to protect the citizens of Kayenta and the

surrounding communities. Majority are volunteers who are tasked with covering 5,000-square miles of rural and remote land. Like many communities across the Navajo Nation, most homes do not have running water, electricity, and often time communicate through government subsidized cellular phones.

Giving back to the community is the cornerstone of this department. Whether they are giving out toys during Christmas, feeding the community during the holidays, or conducting presentations on fire safety; these heroes are here to serve.

For many, firefighting is a family legacy that has been passed down from generation to generation. In efforts to sustain this tradition of community service, the Kayenta Township is taking steps to ensure the Fire Department is open to answer the call. They currently fund 2 full-time firefighters and 1 Fire Chief. When responding to an emergency, up to 12 fire fighters are compensated by the Kayenta Township.

Additionally, the Kayenta Township covers the costs of operations and maintenance of the Fire House and fire truck.

Recently, the Kayenta Township took ownership of the Fire Department, ensuring community members the human right of emergency response. Additionally, legislation has been presented to the Navajo Nation to increase the sales tax by 1% to help fund local fire departments across the nation. This additional funding will help struggling communities with emergency services.

The Kayenta Fire Department is comprised of Fire Chief Chris Claw, Sr. Firefighter Bobby Denny, Firefighter Martin John, and Recruit Volunteers: Chazz Blackwater, Dominique John, Hope Bia, Jeffery Ellis, Jarvis Black, Jerome Begay, Julian Blackwater, Melissa Allen, Evan Luna, and Jay Hewey. To contact the Kayenta Fire Department please call, **(928) 697-3350**.

KAYENTA TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

“Never Procrastinate on anything.”

Learning from your past for a brighter future is a common “lesson learned” for most college students, the same is for Shane Ramsey. The 18-year old college student at Utah State University, knows all too well about the impact of procrastination, “never procrastinate on anything no matter how simple or difficult the task”, he explained. He is one of three recipients of an academic scholarship provided by the Kayenta Township.

The son of Victoria Yazzie and

Franklin Ramsey, Shane is working-toward a dual Associate’s Degree in Business and Dental Lab Technology. The need for dental services is hard to find and wait times can be difficult on the reservation, “which is why they are going off to the cities to get their dental work done” explained Shane. He understands the demand in the health care field, and with an education in Dental Lab Technology, he hopes to fulfill that demand.

As a graduate of Monument Valley

High School, he was born in Mesa, Arizona, but grew up in Tsegi, AZ. He is proud of his Navajo heritage; by getting a higher education he hopes to create a better image for Native Americans everywhere.

Success to this young mind is defined as being happy, getting a career you enjoy, and “to make payments without stressing”. Often times we put a monetary value on success, but to this young man, it is the service you provide that creates your sense of pride.

SHANE RAMSEY



“To Keep Going Further..”

To learn and continue learning, success to Kyran Parrish is “when you feel you have accomplished a goal and to keep going further”. Because of his excitement on how the body functions, the 18-year old Utah State University student wants to become a Pharmacist.

The son of Bryan and the late Jennifer Parrish, he is from Kayenta, Arizona and graduated from Monument Valley High School. As recipient of the Kayenta Township Academic Scholarships,

KYRAN PARRISH

*not pictured

he plans to utilize the assistance to help pay for books. So far, his college experience has been fulfilling, realizing the direction he would like his career to go; classes in Anatomy and Physiology sparked his drive into the medical field. Using Utah State as a stepping-stone, Kyran would like to experience a large-scale university with more students. Upon completion of his studies, Kryan plans to return to Kayenta and work for Indian Health Services.

“To Break Out of My Shell”

Growing up in the remote community of Kayenta, Tyra Holiday strives to seek new experiences in an ever-changing society. “I want to experience, explore, and discover things outside of the reservation”, stated the young, starry-eyed 19-year old college student.

As the oldest of three siblings, Tyra has ambitions of becoming a Registered Nurse. Her passion stems from taking care of her grandmother, instilling in her the natural instinct to help people. The daughter of Tyrone and Corinne Holiday, Tyra attends Northland Pioneer College in

TYRA HOLIDAY

*not pictured

Showlow, AZ. She is currently in the Associate’s of Arts Degree Program in the medical field.

Her goal of becoming a nurse is getting closer each day; she recently became a Certified Nurse’s Assistant. She is currently seeking employment to expand her nursing experience. Tyra is one of three recipients to receive the academic scholarship that is awarded every semester.

In a time of hard financial constraints for higher education, she plans to use this funding toward tuition and other school-related fees.

Every year the Kayenta Township offers scholarships to help with financial costs of a higher education. Whether you are in a nationally accredited undergraduate, graduate, certificate program, or in a technical or vocational school you may apply.

Here is the eligibility criteria and application process:

- You must be a registered voter of the Kayenta Township or the Kayenta Chapter, and provide proof.
- You must be a high school graduate (or have an equivalent of a G.E.D.) with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- You must be enrolled part- or full-time and must be maintain satisfactory progress.

All first time applicants must submit the following:

- Completed and signed Scholarship Application.
- Copy of your CIB.
- An official school transcript (high school and/or college as appropriate).
- Submit your letter of admission.
- A one page letter of interest.
- Copy of your Social Security Card.
- A 500-word essay on how your education will benefit the community.
- Letters of recommendation, this may impact decision on awardees.
- Proof of outstanding educational awards will also support your application.

Applicants continuing from the previous semester must provide:

- Official transcript indicating final grades and GPA standing from the previous semester.
- The next semester’s course schedule.

Deadlines for the the scholarship are as follows:

- Fall Semester: April 25th
- Spring Semester: November 25th
- Winter Session: November 25th
- Summer Session: April 25th

**Applications submitted prior to February 28th will cover the entire academic year.*

For more information regarding the Kayenta Township Scholarship Program visit the KTC website at www.kayentatownship-nsn.gov.



Kayenta Community Christmas Dinner

“An Evening focused on Community”

By: Preston Holiday

In its third year, the Kayenta Township in collaboration with the Monument Valley High School National Honor Society, hosted the Community Christmas Dinner. Over 900 hundred community members filled the MVHS Nash Center for an evening of fun, entertainment, and food.

Children were treated to a visit by Santa Claus and received a toy from the Toys for Tots Foundation and the Kayenta Police Department. Families were able to pose for pictures with the man from the North Pole.

The entertainment featured Master of Ceremony and Comedian Tito Hoover, who reminded us that laughter is a way for us to come together.

The musical group, The Plateros filled the atmosphere with their bluesy unique, eclectic style of music. Touring across the country, The Plateros made a stop in Kayenta for this special evening.

Traditional Musician and Storyteller Talibah Begay, shared stories and sang songs from the Navajo culture. “It is during the winter when we share our stories and wisdom for the coming new year”, stated Talabah.

The evening ended with Joe Tohannie

and the Apache Crown Dancers, whom dazzled the crowd with their blessings from the White Mountains. People gathered in circular-fashion, offering prayers and thanks to our visitors from the east.

Navajo Nation Vice-President Jonathan Nez, made a special guest appearance; he spoke to the community about the importance of family during the holiday season. He reminded the crowd to remember the reason for the season; to give back to your community and to be thankful for the life you have.

The Kayenta Township provided catering services by Coalmine Canyon Catering; with a menu that featured: turkey, ham, and all the fixings. Additionally, Santa Bags filled with fruits, nuts, and candy were distributed.

Every year the Kayenta Township strives to give back to the community by providing events that bring people together in positive fellowship. It is during these times that strengthen the meaning of Ke'. Community is defined as “members who reside in a specific location, share government, and have common cultural and historical heritage”. Kayenta came together this evening, and strengthen that bond.

“Get Off the Couch, Get Out the Door, and Begin your Journey”

A new year is upon us, thus the resolutions begin. Whether you're a couch potato or an avid fitness junky, we each started our journey for different reasons. Some are active for health and wellness, other for strength and endurance; but for many getting started is the toughest challenge. There is no magic pill to transform your body, no genie to grant you three wishes; all there is the motivation to get out the door. Where do you get your motivation? Motivation is defined as, “the general desire or willingness of someone to do something”. Becoming motivated, getting motivated, and staying

motivated seems like a workout in itself; yet we find ourselves in the same place. To really make changes in your fitness journey, you have to understand what stage of behavior change you are in. Researchers have found that there are five stages to changing your behavior. Take a look at these stages and identify where you are. There are plenty of opportunities and services to get started; the Kayenta Fitness Center and Kayenta Wellness Center are great places to start. Each facility have fitness professionals who can help you along the way. Get off the couch, get out the door, and begin your journey.

Stage 1: Precontemplation - is a stage where you are not even thinking of starting any type of exercise. Typically, individuals are sedentary and do not see the benefits in exercise.

Stage 2: Contemplation - is a stage where individuals are thinking of considering getting started. These individuals are still sedentary, but are beginning to think of the health consequences of not being physically active.

Stage 3: Preparation - is a stage where an individual is getting ready to start exercising. This individual is no longer sedentary, and perhaps has started walking or began some other form of exercise.

Stage 4: Action - is a stage where you have been exercising regularly for less than six months. Individuals in this stage are ready for new goals; most are able to handle obstacles and make plans to exercise part of their daily routine.

Stage 5: Maintenance - is a stage where you have been exercising regularly longer than six months. If you are in this stage, you maintaining your daily physical activity and easily handle challenges and barriers.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

The Kayenta Fitness Center offers a variety of opportunities for exercise such as cardio, endurance, and strength equipment. Community members can jump on a treadmill, utilize the squat rack, bench press, free weights, and circuit machines. Staff members are readily available to show you how to get started.

Additionally, the Kayenta Fitness Center strives to get the

community involved by providing the 10,000-Minute Power Challenge. So far over 30 people have taken the challenge, which focuses on heart health, weight training, and health coaching. Staff conducted weekly updates on progress and provided support to achieve goals. Get started today with an initial assessment.

Stop by the Kayenta Fitness Center to start your membership

for \$2 per day or \$35 for the entire month.

The Kayenta Fitness Center staff consist of Fitness Leader Joanne Begay, Fitness Aides Suzanne Staley, Clay Young, and Aggie Donald. The Center is open Monday to Friday from 6am-9pm and Saturdays from 8am-5pm.

For any questions or concerns call (928) 697-8487.

KAYENTA FITNESS CENTER



KAYENTA WELLNESS CENTER at the KAYENTA HEALTH CENTER JANUARY TO MARCH 2018 GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	HOURS:
6:15am - 6:45am	SPINNING Instructor: Marvin	TRX Instructor: Marvin	Cardio Workout Instructor: Ernie	50/50/50/50 Instructor: Ernie	Aerobics Instructor: Marvin	MONDAY 6am-7pm
9:00am - 11:00am	Open Workout	Senior Fitness	CLOSED 8am - 12pm	Senior Fitness	Open Workout	TUESDAY 6am-7pm
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Noon Walk Instructor: Ernie	Zumba Instructor: Dorothea	SPINNING Instructor: Marvin	ZUMBA Instructor: Dorothea	Kettlebells Instructor: Spy	WEDNESDAY 6am-8am 8am-12pm (closed) 12pm-7pm
5:30pm - 6:15pm	Bodyweight Instructor: Betty <i>Kayenta Business Center</i>	Open Workout	Bodyweight Instructor: Betty <i>Kayenta Business Center</i>	Open Workout	Kayenta Wellness Center	THURSDAY 6am-7pm
5:30pm - 6:30pm	BOOT CAMP Instructor: Spy		KICKBOXING Instructor: Spy		CLOSED @ 5pm	FRIDAY 6am-5pm

*Classes and/or instructors subject to change without prior notice.

* Age requirements: Youth ages 14-17 permitted with parent/guardian and medical consent. Ages 13 and under, call or visit Wellness Center for more information.

* All group fitness classes are on a first come-first serve basis. Exercise/Aerobic Room limited to (10) people.

* The Wellness Center will begin closing procedures at 6:45pm, Monday-Thursday; and at 4:45pm on Fridays. Clients need to begin cool-down at those times.

GET INVOLVED AT THE KAYENTA TOWNSHIP

Regular Kayenta Township Commission Meeting

2018 Dates: 01/08, 02/12, 03/12, 04/09, 05/14, 06/11, 07/09, 08/13, 09/10, 10/08, 11/13, 12/10.
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Kayenta Town Hall

This monthly meeting with the Kayenta Township Commissioners focuses on decisions impacting the town of Kayenta. Such discussion include: upcoming Navajo Nation Legislation, home site lease approvals, land withdrawals, etc. These meetings give you direct access to your representatives at the Kayenta Township. As a community member you can become involved in the decision making process along side these elected officials. These meetings occur every second Monday of every month at 5:30pm at the Kayenta Town Hall.

Community Stakeholder Meeting

March 28, 2018; Kayenta Town Hall; 10am

This meeting is comprised of several community stakeholders who are focused on making Kayenta safer. The stakeholders are comprised of public safety agencies, community programs, local businesses, and community members. Discussion at this meeting focuses on public safety, capacity building, and community planning. Although the meetings are in its initial stages, you can still become involved. Please contact the Kayenta Township Office for more information.

Native Movie Night

2018 Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 6pm Location: Kayenta Town Hall

Native Movie Night features short stories, movies, and documentaries produced by Native American Film Companies. Recenting showings included: Fifth World, Imprint, and Barking Water. Many of these movies are shown at various film festivals off the Navajo Reservation. Don't miss out these award winning productions. Contact Shonie De La Rosa for movie titles and show times. These showings occur every Thursday at 6pm at the Kayenta Town Hall.

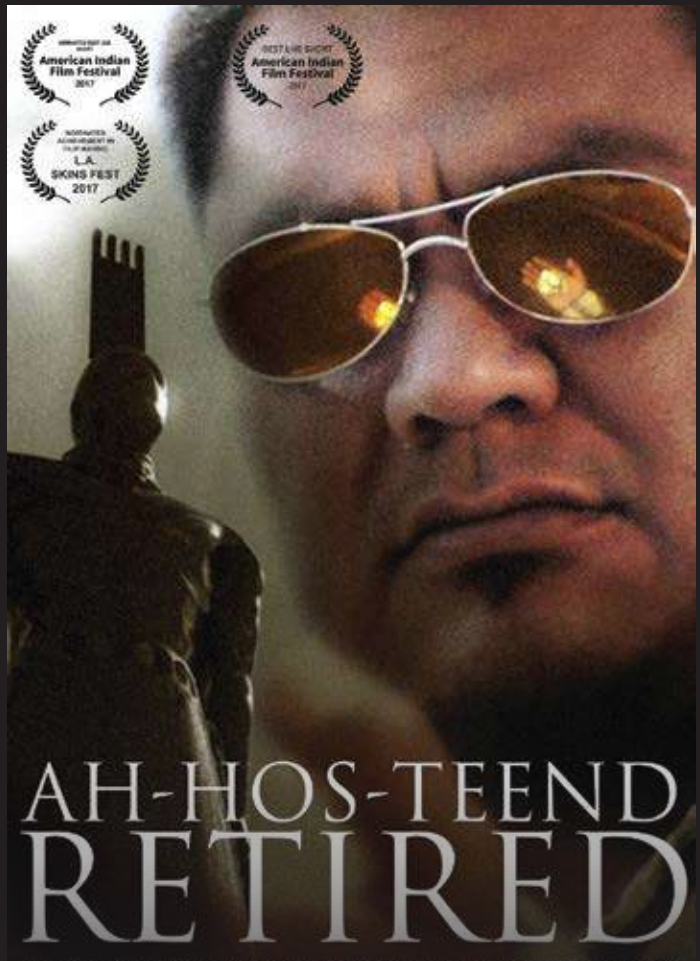
Community Partnership Meeting

February 14, 2018; Kayenta Town Hall; 9am

This meeting is comprised of several community programs who focus on developing recreational programs, targeting health and wellness activities for the community of Kayenta. All community programs are invited to attend and become part of this networking opportunity. Please contact Preston Holiday at the Kayenta Township Office for more information.



Call the Kayenta Township at (928) 697-8451



AH-HOS-TEEND RETIRED

A RUNNING DOG LACKEY AND SHEEPHEAD FILMS PRODUCTION
STARRING GERALD VANDEVER, ERNEST DAVID TSOSIE III, JAMES IJUNES
WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY CHRIS KIENZ AND SHONIE DE LA ROSA

On November 11, 2017, the short film “Retired AH-HOS-TEED” won “Best Short Live” at the 42nd Annual American Indian Festival in San Francisco, CA. The film stars the late Gerald Vandever and Ernest David Tsosie III. The film also was written and directed by, Kayenta’s own, Shonie De La Rosa and Chris Kientz.

The short film “employs the conceit of a world where gods still live among men to explore questions of individual belief and cultural identity”. It is currently being featured at several film festivals across the country.

This is the third award for Sheephead Films Production Company whom assisted in production of the film.



EMPLOYMENT AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Business Site Leasing Committee Member

Opening: For One (1) Committee Member

Due Date: Open Until filled (OUF)

If you are interested in applying to serve on the BSL Committee please submit your letter of interest and resume.

Office Aide

Dept: Kayenta Animal Care Center (KACC)

Closing Date: Open Until filled

Recreation Coordinator

Dept: Town Manager

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

To apply submit the following:

1. Kayenta Township Employment Application
2. Resume
3. Copy of Degree/Certificates
4. Three (3) Letters of Recommendations

All applicants are subject to background checks and drug testing. All positions require a valid state Driver’s License. Housing will not be provided. Navajo Preference will be taken into consideration.

Visit the Kayenta Township Website at www.kayentatownship-nsn.gov for an application, how to apply and full job description.

Kayenta Township, P.O. Box 1490; Kayenta, AZ 86033

Phone: (928) 697-8451 Fax: (928) 697-8461

TRANSFER STATION

The Kayenta Township offers Residential and Commercial Solid Waste collection and disposal on a weekly basis. Here is more information regarding this service:

RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE

Fees and Payment:

- The Kayenta Township will provide a 96-gallon trash container at a fee of \$21/ month.
- Payments are due the 1st of each month, payments not paid by the 15th will result in discontinued service by the Kayenta Township and removal of trash container.

Rules and Regulations:

- The Kayenta Township will provide service for residential customers within the Township boundaries every Wednesday from 9am-5pm, expect holidays.
- Items ACCEPTABLE at curbside: Bagged household trash only. No loose trash.
- Items NOT ACCEPTABLE at curbside: Hazardous waste, liquid waste (oil), medical or bio-waste, dead animals, tires, batteries, automobile parts, and large appliances.
These items may be brought directly to the transfer station.
- Residents will be responsible for placing 96-gallon trash can by curbside for trash collection.

COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE

These rates are based on bin size, quantity, and the number of service calls. There are no Holiday or Weekend service, they are set within 24-48 hours based on availability, and invoiced monthly. Rates are as follows:



**40-cubic Yard
Open Bins**

\$656.00 per pull
Roll off Bins

For: home remodeling, roofing, construction projects, community clean-ups, and schools.



**20-cubic Yard
Open Bins**

\$481.00 per pull
Roll off Bins

For: home remodeling, roofing, construction projects, community clean-ups, and schools.



8-cubic Yard

\$56.00 per pull
Roll off Bins

For: office solid waste, business waste, etc.

** These bins are available outside of the Township boundaries with additional fees including mileage and delivery.*

**VISIT THE KAYENTA TOWNSHIP WEBSITE:
www.kayentatownship-nsn.gov for more information
or call, (928) 697-8404**

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JANUARY "THE THAWING OF SNOW" Yashnit'ees

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY "BIRTH OF EARLES" Atsábiyáázh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

MARCH "FIRST DAY OF EARLES" Wóózhch'íid

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

APRIL "GROWTH OF EARLY PLANT LIFE" T'ááchil

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

MAY "BIG LEAVES" T'ááts'oh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

JUNE "PLANTING OF EARLY CROPS" Yáishjáashch'ili

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

JULY "PLANTING OF LATE CROPS" Yáishjáastsoh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

AUGUST "RIPEING OF EARLY CROPS" Biniánt'áatsózi

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

SEPTEMBER "RIPEING OF LATE CROPS" Biniánt'áats'oh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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OCTOBER "SEPARATION OF SEEDS" Ghaaji

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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NOVEMBER "SMALL WINDS" Nitch'its'osi

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

DECEMBER "BIG WINDS" Nitch'its'oh

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

KAYENTA TOWNSHIP COMMISSION

RODGER GREY - President

ED SEATON - Vice-President

JARVIS WILLIAMS - Secretary

GEORGE E. SISCO III - Commissioner

JODONNA HALL-WARD - Commissioner

ADMINISTRATION

GABRIEL YAZZIE - Town Manager

MARTY BAILEY - Receptionist

SHONIE DE LA ROSA - I.T. Media

GERI LAUGHTER - Principal Economic Development Specialist

TRINA LIPSCOMB - Librarian

PRESTON HOLIDAY - Public Information Officer

FLORA DONALD - Custodian

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CORINNE HOLIDAY - Accounting Manager

SHAYLIN ARTHUR - Accounting Maintenance

ROBERTA CHARLEY - Accounts Payable

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

HESTON ZONNIE - Department Manager

MARK JOSEPH - Building Official

GENEVA LUNA - Home Site Leasing

TYLER GLASSES - Project Coordinator

KAYENTA ANIMAL CARE CENTER

DR. JIM EUBANK, DVM - Veterinarian

RAYCITA CLARK - Veterinarian Technician

SAVANNA COOLIE - Kennel Technician

SAVANNA YAZZIE - Kennel Technician

FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHRIS CLAW - Fire Chief

BOBBY DENNY - Senior Firefighter

MARTIN JOHN - Firefighter

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

VACANT - Recreation Coordinator

JOANNE BEGAY - Recreation Leader

SUZANNE STALEY - Fitness Aide

PUBLIC WORKS

BOAZ BLAIR - Supervisor

CHRIS ATENE - Sr. Building Maint. Worker

VACANT - Sr. Building Maint. Worker

CLIFTON CLARK - Heavy Equipment Operator

RAYMOND FATT - Mechanic

TRANSFER STATION

KENNETH LEE - Truck Driver

IVAN ETSITTY - TS Operator



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