COMMUNITY UPDATE

Division of Community Development Newsletter

Newsletter

This is the August 2016 issue of the DCD newsletter. The newsletter is meant to be a resource for DCD employees to stay informed on DCD events, issues, and resources.

Did You Know...

As a defense mechanism, the horned lizard can squirt blood out of its eyes for a distance of up to 5 ft.

Upcoming Events

August 11: ASC/ASU Land Use Planning Work Session - Fire Rock Casino

August 12: ASC/ASU Land Use Planning Works Session - San Juan College, Farmington, NM

August 13: ASC/ASU Land Use Planning Work Session - Twin Arrows Casino

August 15: HOLIDAY: Navajo Nation Code Talker Day

August 30: Navajo Nation Primary Election Day

September 5: HOLIDAY: Labor Day

Crystal Chapter "Back to School" Summer Event

By: Kasey Perkins, ASC Office Specialist



I got the chance to interview Yolanda Fuson, Office Assistant of Crystal Chapter. The chapter had a back to school summer event which was a great success. The chapter got together with their community from the Crystal, Window Rock, Naschitti, Wheatfields, and Ganado areas to host the event for kids in different age groups. It was a two day event starting on Thursday July 28, 2016 and ending Friday July 29, 2016.

The first event consisted of an evening family get together. The chapter hosted a movie night for the children and their parents who were participants as well. The evening feature was "Zootopia". Popcorn was passed out to snack on during the movie and afterwards everyone went outside to enjoy the rest of

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the evening to roast yummy s'mores and hot dogs on an open camp fire under the stars.

Mr. Robert M. Begay, ASC's Department Manager II was also in attendance sharing stories during the storytelling with the children and parents. They really enjoyed the stories that were shared. Everyone helped clean up afterwards and drove home to await Friday's events.

The second event took place the following day starting at 8:30 a.m. The kids and parents were excited for the new event to start with 100+ students and parents from surrounding areas. The children enjoyed their morning snacks and then they were separated into age groups to do various activities including a water balloon fight. Due to cloudy weather, they all came inside and baked cakes to enjoy or take home.

Back packs and school supplies were passed out to kids who attended. All the children played games during the day. When the evening arrived there were 200+ attendees for the evening dinner and entertainment. The dinner menu included spaghetti, a

dinner roll, salad, and water.

The night ended with some entertainment from Joe Tohonnie & Apache Crown Dancers which the chapter said was awesome. The dancers gave away free cd's. People participated in the dancing and received blessings from the dancers.

Everyone all came together and made the event a success! The community was very helpful and the children were thankful for everything



they received before the new school year starts. The chapter officials and staff proudly agreed and said "it was great meeting new people, interacting with the community and seeing the little smiles from kids of all

age groups". It felt very rewarding to give back to the community and host this school event for the kids. The community does not go unnoticed with Crystal Chapter.

The Division of Community Development is happy for the success of Crystal Chapter's back to school event. We encourage all Chapters to host community events like this, to give back to the children, to let them



have fun, and to provide them with much needed school supplies. Congrats to Crystal Chapter again for giving back to their community with a fun event and remember "School is Cool"!

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DCD TAKES PART IN PRESIDENT BEGAYE'S COMMUNITY PROJECTS INITIATIVE



President Begaye has introduced a new community projects initiative during all the Navajo Nation fairs to provide assistance with much needed community projects such as housing repairs for elderly. The President has asked the Navajo Nation divisions to help with these community projects. The President's Office will select deserving projects to be tackled by the participants during





On Saturday, July 26, after assisting in the Eastern Navajo Nation Fair Parade, DCD employees participated in President Begaye's initiative by helping replace the roof of an



elderly resident of Becenti Chapter. Several people from the various DCD departments were out in force late Saturday morning to begin the roof

r e p l a c e m e n t operation. The team worked all day in the searing heat and into the evening to try to get the job done. The workers were able to completely replace the roof in one day. Much appreciation to all who helped put forth such a great effort and accomplishment.



ASC and ASU Preparing Land Use Planning Handbooks



The Administrative Service Center in partnership with Arizona State University is in the final stages of developing a handbook for Navajo Nation chapters that will provide the chapters with much-needed guidance on preparing land use plans and updating land use plans. Many chapters in the past used consultants to help them develop their land use plans. In some cases, the consultants did not work closely with the chapters and the resulting land use plans were not used because it did not really fit the community's needs.

On Thursday, July 28 at the Window Rock Quality Inn, the ASC planners met with Dr. David Pijawka from ASU to discuss some final details about the handbook before the document is finalized. The team consisted of Dr. Pijawka and ASC planners: Ed Kaibetoney, Marlene Hoskie, Wilbur Nelson, Faye Nez, and Troy Hunt. Also in attendance were Casey Begay from CIO and Norbert Nez from DCD Administration. The purpose of the review was to go through all the sections of the handbook to make sure that all information was accurate and up-to-date.

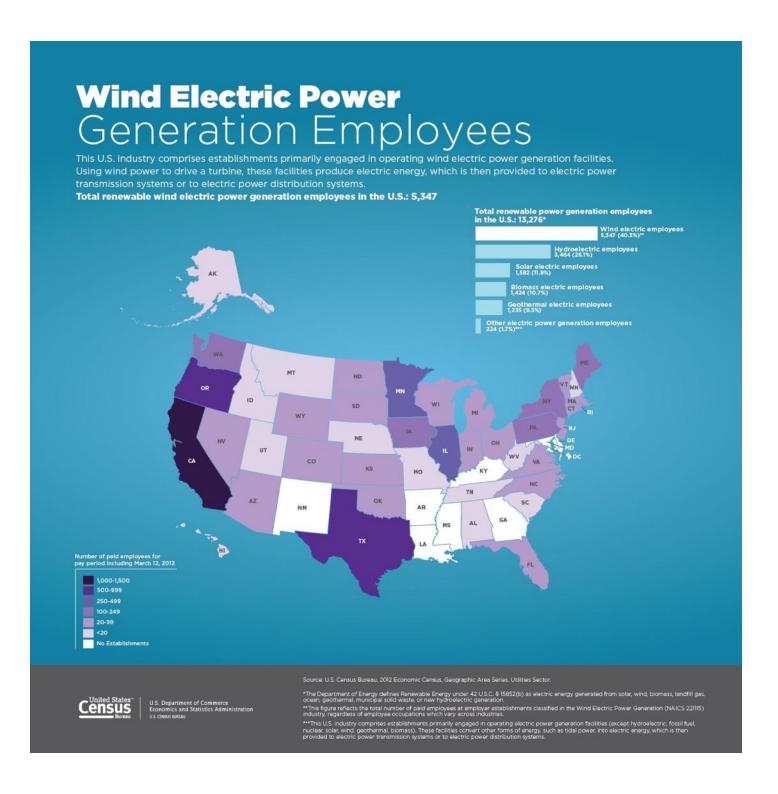
The team will be holding a series of workshops for chapters from August 11-13 at Fire Rock Casino, San Juan College in Farmington, NM, and at Twin Arrows Casino. The team will be sending out flyers and notices to chapters in the coming days.

SUPPORTING OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL



We as Navajo Nation citizens often take for granted the protection, peace-keeping, and service to communities that our police force provides. Our Navajo Nation police officers sacrifice and endure so much as they carry out their duties. This issue is more obvious on the Navajo Nation where there is so much land and so few officers. Each officer has to cover a wider area than in other places around the country. They are underpaid, overworked, and hardly praised for the work they do. They deserve an occasional high-five or some token of gratitude to make them feel appreciated and lighten the heavy burden they carry every day.

This was what Mr. Carl Smith was thinking when he noticed four police officers eating at one of the local restaurants. In a spur of the moment decision, he decided to pay for the lunch tab of the officers to show his thankfulness for the hard work our police officers do. "These guys go through so much and put up with so much. Sometimes we have to give something back to show our appreciation", said Mr. Smith. The officers were very thankful for the gesture.



Administrative Service Center Work Session

By: Kasey Perkins, ASC Office Specialist



The Administrative Service Center had a successful staff meeting/ work session that took place at the Fire Rock Casino on Friday, August 5, 2016. The meeting participants included: Mr. Carl Smith, Division Director; Mr. Casey Begay, CIO Department Manager; Mr. Lorenzo Curley, ASC Attorney; Mr. Norbert Nez, IT Manager; Mr. Leonard Chee, OPVP Executive Staff Assistant; Mr. Robert M. Begay, ASC Department Manager; and all the ASC staff.

spoke words of encouragement to help the staff keep a steady mindset.

Next up to speak was Division Director, Mr. Carl Smith, who went over the reorganization of ASC and that it is going to take place around October

2016. He reassured the staff that the reorganization is going to be more effective with meeting expectations and goals. It will be a better method for the ASC planners to prosper with their job expectations.

Mr. Lorenzo Curley spoke next and went over the NNDOJ reports and updates. The guest speaker, Mr. Leonard

Chee, spoke last. He encouraged the staff as well and admired them for their hard work and dedication. He told the staff to remain positive and that the President's Office is in full support of ASC.

After everyone spoke, all the staff got together and worked on the Title 26 amendment for policy and procedures. This was a great experience to watch the staff all working together with Mr. Robert Begay. The meeting ended with a luncheon. Everyone had a great meal and enjoyed each other's company. It closed with good thoughts and goals in mind from the speakers. ASC staff is doing a great job, keep up the good work and remain positive.

Robert M. Begay giving the staff an update about the new payroll system with Wells Fargo, his involvement with the veteran's projects and also motivated the staff to keep their spirits up. He

Google Tips of the Month

Upload files, folders to edit, collaborate and share with others using Google Drive. Upload original formats for archive or storage.

Drag files into Google Drive

- 1. On your computer, go to drive.google.com
- 2. Open or create a folder
- 3. To upload files and folders, drag them into the google drive folder.

Use the Google Drive Application for your PC.

- 1. Install the application on your computer.
- 2. On your computer, you'll see a folder called "Google Drive".
- 3. Drag files or folders into that folder. They will upload to Drive and you will see them on <u>drive.google.com</u>.

Convert documents into Google formats

If you want to upload original files you can change a setting to convert files to Google Docs, Sheets or Slides. Converting files allow you to edit, collaborate and share files with others.

Note: you can only change Google Drive settings from your computer.

- I. Using a computer, go to <u>drive.google.com/drive/settings.</u>
- 2. Next to "Convert Uploads", check the box.

Files you can store in Google Drive

Files sizes

Documents: Up to 1.02 million characters. If you convert a text document to Google Docs format, it can be up to 50 MB

Spreadsheets: Up to 2 million cells for spreadsheets that are created in or converted to Google Sheets

Presentations: Up to 100 MB for presentations converted to Google Slides.

General Files	Adobe files	Microsoft files
Archive files (.ZIP, .RAR, tar, gzip)	Autodesk AutoCad (.DXF)	Excel (.XLS and .XLSX)
Audio formats (MP3, MPEG, WAV, ogg) Image files (.JPEG,.PNG,.GIF,.BMP)	Illustrator (.AI) Photoshop (.PSD)	PowerPoint (.PPT and .PPTX) Word (.DOC and .DOCX)
Markup/Code (.CSS,,HTML, .PHP,.C, .CPP, .H, .HPP, .JS)	Portable Document Format (.PDF) PostScript (.EPS, .PS)	XML Paper Specification (.XPS)
Text files (.TXT)	Scalable Vector Graphics (.SVG)	
Video files (WEBMMPEG4, . 3GPP, .MOV, .AVI, .MPEGPS, .WMV, .FLV,	Tagged Image File Format (.TIFF) -	
.ogg)	TrueType (.TTF)	

PERSONNEL NEWS

OPEN POSITIONS WITHIN DCD

Administrative Service Center Accountants:

Region 3, Shiprock, New Mexico Region 4, Shiprock, New Mexico

Administrative Service Center Senior Planner:

Region 10, Chinle, Arizona

Chapter Community Services Coordinators:

Hardrock, Arizona
Round Rock, Arizona
Tohajiilee, New Mexico
Crownpoint, New Mexico
Whitehorse Lake, New Mexico
Coyote Canyon, New Mexico
Klagetoh, Arizona
Shiprock, New Mexico

Chapter Accounts Maintenance Specialists:

Rock Point, Arizona
Lukachukai, Arizona
Tsaile, Arizona
Alamo, New Mexico
Church Rock, New Mexico
Standing Rock, New Mexico
White Horse Lake, New Mexico
Jeddito, Arizona
Navajo Mountain, Arizona
Tolani Lake, Arizona

Design & Engineering Services Dept:

Engineering Technician, Window Rock, Arizona



New CHID Program Manager

Mr. Marlon Stevens has joined DCD as the new Program Manager II for the Community Housing and Infrastructure Department. Mr. Stevens has had several years of experience working with various Navajo Nation departments so he will be able to hit the ground running. Coming to the CHID department, Mr. Stevens will be responsible for overseeing several programs including Community Development Block Grant funded by HUD, Housing Improvement Program funded by BIA, Weatherization program funded by Department of Energy and APS, and a housing program funded by U.S. EPA.

We extend Mr. Stevens a warm welcome to the Division!



FLASH FLOODING HAZARDS

With the increased rainfall in the past few days comes the possibility that flash flooding can occur. If you see running water, please do not attempt to cross it. These flash flood streams are powerful and can tip over vehicles. Please be safe as you drive out there!

NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL CONSIDERS REGIONALIZA-TION LEGISLATION 0220-16

On Monday, August 8, 2016, the Navajo Nation Council held a special session to consider Legislation 0220-16 which aims to put the question of regionalization before the Navajo people for a referendum vote. The Council voted 11-6 to approve the legislation.

PRESIDENT SIGNS DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

President Russell Begaye and Vice President Jonathan Nez signed a Declaration of Emergency on Sunday, Aug. 7, ordering the heads of all Navajo Nation Divisions and Departments to immediately respond to those communities impacted by the heavy rainfall caused by the recent monsoon storms. Shiprock experienced heavy flooding on Friday August 5.

ASC HOLDING WORK SESSIONS FOR CHAPTERS ON LAND USE PLANNING

The Administrative Service Center in conjunction with Arizona State University will be holding three work sessions for chapters on land use planning from August 11-13, 2016.

August 11 - Fire Rock Casino, Church Rock, NM August 12 - San Juan College, Farmington, NM August 13 - Twin Arrows Casino, Flagstaff, AZ

An agenda and flyers will be forthcoming.

Local Governance Certified Chapters

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2 Steamboat	Ft. Defiance	5/30/03	2 San Juan	Northern	3/7/0
3 Cornfields	Ft. Defiance	7/14/10	3 Tse'Daa'Kaan	Northern	6/21/0
4 Naschitti	Ft. Defiance	11/22/10	4 Sheepsprings	Northern	8/24/0
5 Lupton	Ft. Defiance	11/24/10	5 Tolikan	Northern	11/29/1
6 Dilkon	Ft. Defiance	12/21/10	6 Toadlena/Two Grey Hills	Northern	1/10/1
7 Greasewood Springs	Ft. Defiance	12/21/10	7 Burnham	Northern	7/11/1:
8 Kinlichee	Ft. Defiance	12/29/10	8 Beclabito	Northern	1/10/1
9 Teesto	Ft. Defiance	7/11/11	9 Mexican Water	Northern	2/7/1
0 Ganado	Ft. Defiance	12/2/14	10 Upper Fruitland	Northern	2/28/13
1 Houck	Ft. Defiance	12/2/14	11 Aneth	Northern	3/31/1
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2 Tuba City	Western	12/27/04	2 Pinon	Chinle	2/21/12
3 Kayenta	Western	8/6/10	3 Whippoorwill Springs	Chinle	12/2/1
4 Bodaway/Gap	Western	12/21/10	4 Nazlini	Chinle	2/17/1
5 Birdsprings	Western	7/11/11			TOTAL: 4
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