

Indian Highways

Educating, Empowering, and Equipping Native Americans



Cook
NATIVE AMERICAN
MINISTRIES



WINTER TERM 2011

January 9-14, 2011

Classes will be held at

*The Casa/Franciscan
Renewal Center*

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Cook Update

By Cook Native American Ministries Transition Team

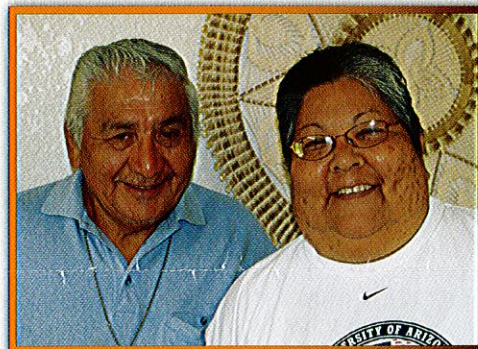
Cook is alive and well, having made steady progress through a period of transition. Our board is ever more committed to the mission of filling vacant Indian congregations with qualified lay pastors and encouraging Native leaders in both church and society.

Currently, Grand Canyon Presbytery endorses our program; de Cristo Presbytery is also encouraging their students to attend. Our board of directors has made the preparation of Indian lay ministers our highest institutional priority. Now and in the future Cook intends to provide significant resources to address this ministry opportunity.

To affirm these priorities, Gary Metoxen, Board Chair, met with the PC (USA) General Assembly in Minneapolis, MN, July 2-10. Gary also met with the Native American Consulting Committee and gave an update and report about CNAM. Board members, Stella Webster and Irvin Porter reported as well.

Rev. Martha Sadongei (PC) USA, serves CNAM on a part-time basis as Program Director during this transition period. She will oversee the 2011 Winter/Summer Terms and the CLP program that began in September of 2010.

Our goal has been to convert the land into a multi-million dollar endowment that will fund CNAM's core programs and also allow us to make seed grants for leadership development in Native congregations and communities. CNAM continues to be a good neighbor by allowing local fire departments, police and FBI, and ICE enforcement officers to train in our buildings, before the land is sold. This summer CNAM was recognized by the City of Tempe, AZ with a community service award for excellence because we made training facilities available. The Board has decided that the position of Executive Director will be posted and that a search will now begin.



*Gary G. Metoxen, Board Chair,
and Rev. Martha Sadongei,
Educational Program Director.*

Della Peña

Della Peña is back on board at Cook NAM as returning Administrative Assistant and newly Editor of "Indian Highways." She keeps contact with our donor/alumni and professional constituents.



What Is A Bequest?

A bequest, or gift by will, is an expression of your desire that a portion of your estate be used to create a legacy at Cook Native American ministries. Bequests may be direct gifts or in the form of trusts, which will allow you to provide for your family's financial future while assuring that your desire to benefit CNAM will be facilitated at a future date.

A bequest in your will lets you pass any amount you wish to CNAM free of estate tax. You can give cash or specific property, a dollar amount or a percentage of your estate, with or without restrictions. Ask your attorney about including a bequest provision in your estate plans.

Summer Term 2010

February 15-19, 2010



The Summer Term was held on July 19-23, 2010 at Franciscan Renewal Center. The Rev. Dr. Frances Taylor Gench, NT Professor from Union Seminary/PSCE, taught "Jumping Into John." (Gospel of John) and The Rev. Buddy Monohan, Chaplain at Menaul School, taught "Youth Ministry – Indian Style." There were eleven (11) students enrolled with (8) tribes represented. Some of the participants made the following comments:

"This is really, really, really, really, really, good! This will really help me as I begin the process of becoming a Deacon in my church."

Vivian Winter Chaser,
St. Augustine's Episcopal Church;

"This was so much more than I ever expected! It is just amazing! I've really enjoyed hearing the stories that the others have told."

Eugene "Chips" Ely,
Valley Presbyterian Church;

"I am really impressed how CNAM is providing educational opportunities for Native Presbyterians. I'm glad to be a part of it."

The Rev. Frances Taylor Gench,
Union Seminary.

Welcome New Board of Directors

Michelle Hale
Navajo/Laguna/Chippewa/Ottawa
Catholic
Phoenix, Arizona.

Betty Weston
Creek
United Methodist
Mesa, Arizona.

Al Wise
Creek
United Methodist
Laveen, Arizona

Gifts

Gift income for the first two quarters 10-11 is about the same as fiscal year 09-10 with approximately \$30,000 received from individuals and churches, not including the Christmas Joy Offering. We expect a significant increase in gifts in the third quarter of 2010 because one of our most generous donors has assigned to Cook the cash value of annuities she no longer needs. This gift, due on September 15, 2010 will be in the range of \$40,000. The donor is making this restricted gift to provide increased scholarships for more students in Cook's CLP (Commissioned Lay Pastor Program) approved by the PC (USA). Cook has also received a generous gift of stock in the Ute Distribution Company from the estate of a donor.

Scholarship Recipients

Grades 5-8

Cheyenne Fasana

(Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde)
7th grade, Willamina Middle School, Oregon

Eliot Gottfriedson-Baker

(Confederated Tribes of Umatilla)
6th grade, Sunridge Middle School, Oregon

Grades 9-12

Samuel Barba (Mayan)

Pueblo High School graduate, Arizona

Caroline Hawkins (Chickasaw)

Norman High School graduate, Oklahoma

Savannah Martin

(Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians)
Springfield High School graduate, Oregon

College/University

Candace Begody (Navajo)

University of Arizona, Senior

Joseph Sarcinella

(Hunkpapa Lakota, Assiniboine, Muskogee)
Arizona State University, College of Law graduate



Award Recipient

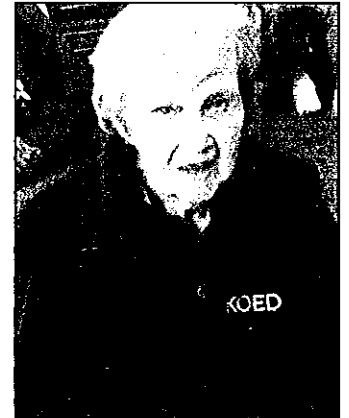
Bequest from Olga Pylypow

The CNAM Board gives thanks to God for the life of Olga Pylypow who left a generous bequest to Cook Native American Ministries.

Olga was born January 18, 1921 in a small town near Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, to a pioneering farm family. Her parental grandfather was a pioneer who explored Western Canada in the 1890's and returned to the Ukraine to bring his wife and children back to Alberta. Her maternal grandparents were also from the Ukraine they boarded a ship in Petrograd, Russia with their five children and on the ship her grandmother gave birth to a baby girl. They landed in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada in May of 1898.

Olga's father and mother were also farmers who raised 10 children on their farm. Olga worked on the farm until she was 21 years old then decided to go to Vancouver, British Columbia, to business school and later worked there as a bookkeeper for the Tax Board.

In 1953, Olga decided to settle in San Francisco and she continued to live here until her death last September. She worked at several companies and brokerage houses in San Francisco, that's where she learned how to invest her money. She did her own investing until her death last September at the age of 89. She was able to leave five thousand dollars to five Indian Schools, the Ukrainian Orthodox Church and two nieces in Canada. The remainder of her trust went to the church she was very active in, Calvary Presbyterian Church.





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Planning to move?

Please let us know your new address, so *Indian Highways* can follow you to your new home! Call: 480-968-9354, or email to office@cooknam.org

Keep In Touch

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Cook Now Offers On-line Giving!

The Cook website [www.cooknam.org] now provides a secure cost-effective way to support Cook Native American Ministries.

You may use most credit and/or debit cards or write an electronic check from your personal account to make a one time or a repeating contribution or pledge payments. You may allocate your gift to: Area of greatest need; Scholarships; Endowment; Memorials; or Other

Click on the word "Donate" and please encourage others to do the same!

The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with 'Home | Educational Programs | Donate | Board of Trustees'. The main heading is 'Giving to Cook' with the subtext 'Native American Ministries' and 'Continuing the Legacy'. Below this, it states: 'You can be a partner today and in the future of Cook Native American Ministries. Cook Native American Ministries relies on donations from individuals, churches, denominations, corporations, and foundations to support its programs. Without these gifts the Ministries would be unable to offer its programs that contribute so much to Native American communities in this country. We thank all those who have given. We encourage all those interested in giving to call us to learn about what Cook is doing and how you can help us. Cook only receives financial donations. Planned giving opportunities also exist in connection with Cook Native American Ministries by calling board member, Ron Lundeen, at 480.968.9354 ext.143. Cook Native American Ministries is a non-profit institution with a 501 (c) (3) IRS classification. Contributions may be tax-deductible. [Click here to donate now](#)

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