

# EDCIC Monthly Newsletter

November 2017 Edition

## Nominations for EDCIC Board

At our November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting nominations were held for Board positions for the 2018 calendar year. Voting takes place at the December meeting. Board position terms are for 1 year and include Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Delegate-at-Large, and Elders (2). Members in good standing are eligible to vote and/or be nominated for a Board position.

## Upcoming Winter Gathering

Our annual Elders Dinner/Winter Gathering will take place on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Community Church in El Dorado. Starting time is 1:00 pm. The gathering is held each year to honor our Elders and come together as a community. This is a pot luck dinner, so if you wish to come to the dinner please bring a dish to share. Suggestions for dishes include a side dish, salad, or dessert. We are hoping for a good turnout for the gathering and we look forward to seeing you there.

## Council Meeting Schedule

The El Dorado County Indian Council, Inc will continue to hold meetings on the first Monday of each month unless it is necessary to move to an alternate day. Check the Web site, [www.edcic.org](http://www.edcic.org), for the current meeting schedule. Our next meeting is on **Monday, December 4th, at 6:00 pm** in the

conference room down the hall from our office.

## Summer Gathering

The annual summer gathering will be held on the first weekend in August, and will be in a new campsite. Our perpetual agreement with the El Dorado County Irrigation District to use the new Flash Mountain campsite along with Group Area 6 has been modified. We are now using Group Area 5 and the adjoining boat area and docks, along with the Event Center. Our perpetual agreement gives us exclusive use of these areas on the first weekend in August each year. We welcome our community to come and share the weekend with us. As in the past, we will have a dinner on Saturday evening and a breakfast on Sunday morning. Bring a dish to share at the dinner. The El Dorado County Indian Council, Inc. will provide the main course.



Gordon at the 2010 Summer Gathering.

## **Remembering Gordon Boswell**

Last month marked the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the passing of our elder and spiritual leader, Gordon Boswell. His guidance and spiritual leadership continues to give our community a sense of commonality and purpose. See our Web site for tributes to him. If you have remembrances that you wish to share, use the Form on the Web site.

## **Council Membership**

If you are interested in becoming a member of the El Dorado County Indian Council, Inc. come to one of our meetings and listen or take part in the discussions. The Council is open to any and all who wish to participate. Our meetings are short, and usually last about an hour. Our Board members will be happy to explain the Council By-Laws regarding membership and the process toward becoming a member in good standing and therefore eligible to vote and/or be nominated for a Board position.

## **Pow Wow Project**

We are in the early planning stage for our next Pow Wow. We had hoped to revive the Festival of the Americas last year, but circumstances prevailed and we were unable to find a suitable location. We are confident that we can do it in 2019, and we are beginning to lay the ground work for it.

## **Council Scholarship**

The El Dorado County Indian Council, Inc. is currently offering one \$500 scholarship available to El Dorado County Native Americans who will graduate at the end of the 2017-2018 school year and who have

been accepted to a 2-year or a 4-year collegiate or vocational program, or who are already enrolled in a current collegiate or technical program and who are continuing in that program during the 2018-2019 school year. The application form is available on the Council Web site at [www.edcic.org](http://www.edcic.org) in a PDF format. The deadline for filing the application either by mail or by email is April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## **Posting News in the Newsletter**

If you have any news, events, issues, or announcements that you would like to have posted in the monthly newsletter, use the Contact Us page on the Web site to send us the information. Include your name, email address or phone number, and your information and we will see that it gets into the newsletter. If you wish to have the Newsletter sent to you, include your email address and you will be placed on our email list.

## **EDCIC Office**

The El Dorado County Indian Council, Inc. office is located in the USFS building downstairs and around the corner from Indian Education. We are in office #113, and we hope to staff the office during the week on days and times to be specified soon. Go to the Web site for updates.