

**Tribal bribe**



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In this Aug. 11, 2008, file photo, Robert Salgado, chairman of Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians, speaks at a meeting in San Jacinto, Calif., Salgado was arrested Oct. 23, on charges that he allegedly took more than \$250,000 in bribes from tribal vendors and misreported his income to the federal government.

# Decolonizing is pueblos' first step

By Manuel R. Cristobal  
Santa Ana Pueblo

SANTA ANA — On Aug. 10, 2008, we honored the Ohkay Owingeh (formerly San Juan Pueblo) leader Pope who led the Pueblo Indian Revolt, which took place Aug. 10, 1680. It was not simply a revolt as portrayed in New Mexico's colonial history, but the only successful indigenous revolution against the powerful sovereign of Spain, and long before the American Revolution of 1775 - 1783.

We also commemorate this historic anniversary to all the warriors, the Keres, Walatowa, Tiwa, Tewa, Zuni, Hopi, Apache, Comanche, and Diné. I would like to honor this day with a peaceful gesture, a symbol of hope. In this spirit and contemporary time, we are all here to address the impact of Spanish colonialism 400 years afterward and the ramifications on the Pueblo people today. The majority of the public have no comprehension of the psychological "brainwashing" still prevalent within pueblo communities.

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Most recently, King Juan Carlos of Spain presented the Spanish canes to the All Indian Pueblo Council. Former New Mexico Gov. Bruce King affirmed the same recognition with a presentation of 19 canes to the pueblos. In 2007, Spain gave the Pueblo of Acoma a cane, so tribal officials would not contest the controversial, three-story-tall bronze statue "The Equestrian" in El Paso, Texas.

Another example of such an interpretation of Spanish influence today is the patron Saint Santiago (the saint of conquest) who appears in a drama acted out during some pueblo feast days. Santiago appears in the ceremony wearing Spanish style clothing, carrying a sword and a cross while riding a puppeteer horse. He is called "sandro" (Spanish soldier) by the Pueblos who impersonate him. "Santiago" is also a Spanish war cry, which echoes an eternity of human suffering. Is this the perception of celebration?

Who are we honoring this day? What is wrong with this picture?

Here in the pueblos, colonialism remains alive with civil obedience to Spanish morals and "morality dramas" of the reconquista (reconquest). Miles away in El Paso, "The Equestrian" remains a controversial memorial to the genocidal Conquistador Juan De Onate. We can define annihilation of the Pueblo people through colonization and forced assimilation. How detrimental to continue to empower the concepts of the Spanish institutions.

We are at a time in the "conscious thought" of the Pueblo people to begin to bring an end to the system of colonization, and move towards independence from symbolic "Spanish canes" and exercise our inherent right to decolonize from the Proclamation of 1620. Most Pueblo people need to assert their right to self-determination and take a stand with a democratic constitution.

Nothing creates more talk and disagreement than our Pueblo Indian women's "lack of human rights." True, some Pueblo women serve on tribal councils and have served as governors only when their pueblos have written a Constitution. Other Pueblo women have no voice in tribal councils in a system molded after the 1620 Spanish civil government. When these exclusions of rights do not exist, there are many hidden exploitations that Pueblo women endure today. Women in Iraq have more political rights and that is the right to vote.

The Pueblo people will look upon this "controversial issue" of historical trauma, and will see the truth and acknowledge the manifestations of the pervasive Spanish institutions, including the legacies that still indoctrinate the Pueblo

today. Keeping this issue of sovereignty alive is a real concern today. We must focus on abstaining from participating in Santa Fe's 2009 and 2010 Cuarto Centenario, which celebrates four centuries of Spanish influence. Support of this event would give the impression that Pueblo people endorse and validate events that commemorate the "genocide" of indigenous people of the Southwest.

As Pueblo people, we must secure our right to speak the truth without fear of intimidation and retaliation for speaking out. It is time to speak the truth and decolonize our Pueblo minds.

The opinions expressed in this editorial do not represent the Santa Ana Tribal Council or the 19-Indian Pueblo Council.

The Federal Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 states, "No Indian tribe exercising powers of self-government shall make or abridge the freedom of speech or the press."

Today, I exercise my First Amendment right to free speech.

**Legal Notice**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Gallup-McKinley County  
New Mexico

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the McKinley County Board of Commissioners will consider the adoption of AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR SECURED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROPOSED BY RAMAH NAVAJO FOODS LLC.

The meetings where this proposed Ordinance will be discussed are those regular meeting held in November and December of 2009. Publication of the meetings will be made pursuant to the Open Meetings Resolution of McKinley County.

This meeting will be held in the Commissioner Chambers, Third Floor of the new McKinley County Courthouse, 207 West Hill, Gallup, New Mexico. Normally the meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month with a work session at 6:00 pm, and the Meeting at 7:00 pm. A copy of the agenda will be available 24 hours prior to the meeting in the Manager's Office and the County Clerk's Office.

Auxiliary aides for the disabled are available upon request; please contact Robin J. Rangel at (505) 722-3868 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

All interested parties are invited to attend; or, make written comment on the Ordinance, or the project participation agreement and mortgage.

Done this 05 day of October 2009

**Legal Notice**

McKINLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/S/ David Dallago, Chairperson

Legal #11146 Published in The Independent November 2 & 9 & 16, 2009.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Window Rock-Apache County  
Arizona

**REQUEST FOR BID**  
09-10-716LE

The Navajo Nation Purchasing Services Department is soliciting for bids from qualified vendors on an RFP for:

Desktop Computers and Laptop Computers with Docking Stations

To obtain Bid No. 09-10-716LE Contact: The Navajo Nation Purchasing Services Department, PO Box 9000, Window Rock, AZ 86515 Telephone: (928) 871-6317 or Fax: (928) 871-7778.

Closing Date: November 13, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. Any bids received after this time/date will be returned to sender.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Kayenta-Navajo County  
Arizona

RFP: All qualified applicants.

Kayenta Township is requesting proposals for geotechnical engineering evaluation for two roads with an approximate linear distance of 0.7 miles. All inquiries regarding this RFP are to be made to: Don Jackson, Civil Engineer, Kayenta Township, 928-697-8451, or by e-mail: [djackson@kayenta-township.net](mailto:djackson@kayenta-township.net). Bid packets must be delivered to the Kayenta Township no later than Friday, November 6, 12:00 pm local time. Accepted methods of submittals are hand delivery, mail, or an overnight express service. The mailing address is P.O. Box 1490, Kayenta, AZ 86033.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Milan-Cibola County  
New Mexico

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Milan Board of Trustees on Thursday, October 29th, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 623 Uranium Ave., Milan, and the following Ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE #225, an Ordinance amending Ordinance #210 providing a system of Merit for the Employment and General Regulation of Village Employees.

This ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after publication. To obtain a copy or for further information please contact the Village Clerk at 623 Uranium Ave. or 285-6694.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Kayenta-Navajo County  
Arizona

RFP: All qualified applicants.

Kayenta Township is requesting proposals for proposals an RLS (AZ, UT, or NM) to review, seal, and sign the surveys for the Township surveyor. All inquiries regarding this RFP are to be made to: Don Jackson, Civil Engineer, Kayenta Township, 928-697-8451, or by e-mail: [djackson@kayenta-township.net](mailto:djackson@kayenta-township.net).

Sealed bid packets must be by mail and/or an overnight delivery service and are due no later than 12:00pm (local time), November 6, 2009. Put the bid packet to the attention of: Don Jackson, Kayenta Township, P.O. Box 1490, Kayenta, AZ 86033.

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up to 1¢ a pound

**03. Lost & Found**

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**Lost and Found**  
Runs for Free for 3 days. 4 line limit: 20 characters per line.  
• Special is 1X only, any runs after will be charged reg. rate.

**04. Help Wanted**

**Wholesale Indian Jewelry**  
Located at 1005 W. Coal Ave. Gallup, NM (In old Paramount Curio. Building across from Bank of America, next to Running Bear, near the "West Y") is now hiring experienced Silver-smith inquire within.  
T&R Market has an immediate opening for a Texaco Manager. Salary based on experience. Applications accepted at H.R. Office 6 miles North on Hwy 491.

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Full time Service Driver position available. Must have clean driving record and background check. Pick up application at 210 Nizhoni Blvd.

Looking for a career? A challenging full-time position that can lead to an exciting opportunity? An opening is currently available at Four Corners Welding & Gas Supply. The position requires a Class A CDL license with HAZMAT endorsement. Drug testing required. Able to lift 75 lbs. Pick up application at 606 E Hwy 66 Gallup NM. NO PHONE CALLS.

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**10. Babysitting**

**Family Want Ads**  
\$10.50 Run for 3 days  
Babysitting, Yardwork, Ect. (No Commercial Account)  
• Special is 1X only, any runs after will be charged reg. rate.

**13. Miscellaneous For Sale**

Nordic Track CX 985  
Elliptical Trainer  
\$300  
call 870-3887

Pick up metal tool box made by weather guard fits wide bed. \$50.00  
870-8909 or 863-5711

Behrenger Pro Audio P.A. Amplifier for sale, 1500 WATTS, Brand new in box. Asking \$1500.00. 505-488-8709

Set of used double pane windows for home. Good condition. Asking \$300  
Call 722-4226 ask for Bill.

## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	37 Had followers	51 Second showing
1 Shapely legs, slangily	1 Crystalline stone	38 "___ you kidding?"	52 Chiropractor's target
5 Peak	2 Beyond bad	39 Cow sound	53 Secures using a key
9 Makeup maven	3 Cosa Nostra	41 Military command center	55 Synagogue leader
14 Actor McGregor	4 NBC show with Baba Wawa	45 Stop in on	56 Muslim's faith
15 Flightless South American bird	5 Military forces	47 Ad to lure you in	57 Tractor maker John
16 Not cloudy	6 IOU	49 ___ of joy: new baby	60 Letters in a box
17 *Like secret military facilities, to civilians	7 Queens ball team	50 Popular PC interface before Windows	61 Singer Guthrie
19 *Lucy, you got a ___ 'splainin' to do!"	8 Unchallenging college course		65 Lawyer: Abbr.
20 High on the hwy.	9 Oblong cream puff		
21 Scatterbrained	10 *One-armed bandit		
22 Gillette razors	11 Prefix with -cycline		
23 Slip by	12 Trouble greatly		
25 Give life to	13 Clear, as a tape		
27 Artist's support	18 "My guess is ..."		
30 401(k) cousin, briefly	24 *Movie that evokes prior times		
31 Like horror films	26 TV's Nick at ___		
34 Not worth debating	28 'Zine on the Net		
36 Chowder ingredient	29 Runner-up		
40 Actress Spelling	31 Initials on a Cardinal's cap		
41 Moisten the bird	32 Dove sound		
42 One who saves the day	33 Golf ball path		
43 Screwy	35 Other, in Mexico		
44 Golden ___: senior citizen			
45 Part of VCR			
46 Souse's affliction, for short			
48 Red-breasted bird			
50 "The Avengers" heroine, to Steed			
54 Log-on need			
58 Old photo tint			
59 Muscat resident			
62 Suffix in enzyme names			
63 Towels (off)			
64 *Furniture with folding legs, usually			
66 1/16 of a pound			
67 Cancel, as a newspaper story			
68 Ski slope lift			
69 Villainous look			
70 ___ gin fizz			
71 Given moment, which can begin both parts of the answers to starred clues			

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

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## Cook Position

4-5 yrs. experience  
Line Cook  
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Apply in person see Brian.

## Cocina De Dominguez

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## 45. Autos & Trucks For Sale

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For Sale  
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Mike  
870-1401

1984 Dodge P/U  
\$1,600 truck  
Mike  
870-1401

77 Dodge  
P/U \$1,500 truck  
Mike  
870-1401

For sale - 94 Aerstar Van loaded  
\$1,600  
Mike 870-1401

1997 Ford Expedition 4X4.  
\$5,000  
call  
505-879-0838

## 46. Motorcycles

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