

Sovereign Nation of the Chiricahua Apache ~ SNOCA **Chiricahua Apache National Order, Mission & Alliance ~ CANOMA 501 (c3) Public Charity 170b**

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Nde Summer Solstice 2025

Ya'a'teh...Honda Relatives.

Was wonderful gathering with some our people for traditional Nde Summer Solstice Ceremony at Bobby Cruz, our Medicine Leader's homestead on our homelands.

On Friday, we met up for dinner in Truth or Consequences and joined in for a soak in the mineral hot springs along the Rio Grande. Saturday morning breakfast was on our traditional homelands in Monticello near Ojo Calliente our traditional springs and birthplace of the twins in our creation story. After meal and introductions to the lands, the fire was lit and prayers sung for you in traditional ceremony for all Nde, and all the people and beings for the highest good of all.

Meals included elk stew with dried corn and piñon, cornbread, melons, popcorn, oatmeal, pancakes, eggs, turkey sausage, maple syrup, berries, and more. There was also Indian tea and fresh water from deep underground.

At each changing of the seasons we pray in this good and old way.

To join in these or for other ceremonial requests, please email ChiricahuaInfo@gmail.com and your request will be forwarded to our Spiritual Leader.

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Next Open Council Meeting
September 17, 2025 ~ 6:30pm MST

Meeting link posted on

www.sovereignnationofthechiricahuaapache.com

Citizen participation welcome: questions, comments, concerns

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The Gathering

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Citizen's Corner



Huge Thank You to Joaquin Galvan, he put on a benefit concert with some of the proceeds being donated to CANOMA which helps to support our Chiricahua Apache spiritual activities.

Citizens' wellness!

We are pleased to offer organically grown herbal tea and Narcan nasal spray for our citizens. Contact Diane at dnaranjo1@msn.com for more details.