

NACNA President's Update Month of February 2025

Hello good day blessings and happiness all around!

It is truly an honor and blessing to serve on a national organization board, the NATIVE AMERICAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA (NACNA). The organization is going to host its 76th Annual Convention in Wisconsin Dells, WI, on June 12-15, 2025. NACNA activities will begin on Thursday, June 12, 2025. More details and plans will be posted as they become available.

Sending out a big thank you to all that attended the Mid-Year Business/ Informational Meeting on February 13-16, 2025, in Laredo, TX. It was a good turnout. Thank you to all that made the effort to travel the distance from your home place to be supportive and be around good loving relatives. To make it even more special was to have more Church Chapters affiliating with NACNA. Thankful to everyone for their good input and ideas. Philippians 2:2 reads . . . "God delights in unity among his people who have the same love, being of one accord of one mind". We, as church families, must keep the prayers going and keep everyone encouraged.

Thanks to the Peyoteros that attended the business meeting. Mrs. Morales sat in the meetings and heard for herself the reality of issues today. The Morales Family Ranch folks were awesome . . . extending warm hospitality and delicious home cooking –THANK YOU! We also want to express our appreciation for Mr. Knight of the Southern Ute Tribe who traveled to the meeting to seek written support from NACNA to present when he goes to his tribal government and Colorado representatives as a church elder. He is tired of seeing and hearing all these psychedelic mainstream companies trying make profit off our holy medicine.

Thanks to Mr. Sandoval on presenting a report on the peyote way of life and the movements they're doing in Colorado for state/federal recognized American Indian tribes and Indigenous community working groups through the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) who are responsible for licensing and regulating natural medicines in Colorado.

Thankful to all the ROADMEN that were willing to conduct the ceremonies Leland Ben, Art Hardy, Jonah Smokyday and Kenneth Begay, Creator bless you for leading the ceremonies. The family invited and will welcome everyone back next year for another weekend of prayer. NACNA appreciates everyone that made their travels to attend the business/ceremonies. Everyone was updated on business aspects and their hearts and spirits recharged being in the midst of the peyote gardens.

Also, it was a blessing to have Hazel Dayish in attendance. She expressed her gratitude and thankfulness that she made trips to Texas peyote gardens. She mentioned there was a lot of different scenery and disturbance to the land and fences. Thanks to her family and relatives with their continued support and prayers. In attendance was a gentleman named Benny, an advocate for protecting the medicine, as well as, wanting support to start a Native American Advisory Council in Texas. He lives in Texas and sees all that is taking place on a daily basis in Rio Grande City, TX. NACNA will continue with the efforts and strategize the next steps on all the federal government entities and landowners. There is lots to do relatives!

Gentle Reminders:

- ◆Save the date for the June convention: June 12-15, 2025, Wisconsin Dells, WI
- ♦NACNA will have a "soft" grand opening of the San Antonio office. Big thanks to the NACNA of Texas Chapter for being instrumental in this effort. After 76 years good relatives, NACNA will finally have a home. How awesome is that . . . in the Texas area where the good medicine grows. Details will be out soon on the grand opening.

Just wanted to express what took place in Texas and happy February to you all. May your fireplaces be clean and honest for the good medicine and the good spirit. Keep the prayers going it is what it is so keep your chin up and smile Creator God loves you all.

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Respectfully,

President, NACNA