Welcome to the third newsletter for the Stanford Powwow!

Given this year's monumental event as the 50th Annual celebration of the Stanford Powwow, we wanted to produce a monthly newsletter to provide a unique look into the history of the Stanford Powwow, the planning that goes into creating this Powwow, and highlight our amazing members of the Planning Committee, along with our wonderful sponsors.

Happy reading!
The Stanford Powwow Planning Committee has kept the COVID-19 pandemic in mind as we began our planning for this year’s event. After much deliberation, we have come to the decision that hosting an in-person event will not be feasible, and so we will be hosting our 50th Annual celebration virtually!

This decision was made with our commitment to the health and safety of our campus and broader community in mind. We want to be proactive in abating the spread of COVID-19 and protecting our Native communities as much as we can.

We are excited to bring the Stanford Powwow to you virtually! Our Planning Committee is working hard and we have great things planned for a bigger and better virtual experience.

If you have any questions related to Booth and the Virtual Art Market, please reach out to the Booth Committee at powwowboothstanford@gmail.com.

If you have any questions related to the Virtual Powwow, please reach out to the Stanford Powwow Co-Chairs at powwow-cochairs@lists.stanford.edu.

We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding during this time. Thank you for your support throughout these uncertain times! Stay tuned for our Head Staff announcement and Contesting flyer!
LSJUMB at the 48th Annual Stanford Powwow

On the Saturday of the 48th Annual Stanford Powwow, attendees were surprised with a performance by a unique Stanford guest. During the dinner break, when many people were strolling through the Art Market and Alumni were gathered for the annual Alumni Dinner, the Leland Stanford Junior University Marching Band (LSJUMB) made their way around the outskirts of the arena to play and perform for the crowd attending the Stanford Powwow.

There was a very special reason for the LSJUMB’s unique. For the first time in history, a Native American student was selected to be the "Stanford Tree" - the Band’s Mascot. Dahkota Kicking Bear Brown ('20, Miwok) used his platform in part to reclaim the University's history fraught with the "Indian Mascot" - which was Stanford’s mascot from 1930 until it was abolished in March 1972.

During this time, LSJUMB had several other Native students in prominent positions, such as the drum major, along with members in different sections, such as drums, tubas, saxophones, etc. The Stanford Powwow Planning Committee wanted to recognize the role that Dahkota Brown and the other Native students had in the Band by inviting them to participate in the Stanford Powwow weekend activities and what a blast that was!

To read more about Dahkota Brown’s journey as the Stanford Tree and the history of the Indian Mascot, view this Stanford Daily Magazine article. To view a clip of the LSJUMB performance at the 48th Annual Stanford Powwow, click here.
Stanford University’s Offices of Undergraduate Admission & Financial Aid

(Pictured: Graduates at 2019 Stanford Native Graduation)

Congratulations the Powwow Committee on the 50th Annual Powwow!

Stanford University is home to over 350 American Indian, Alaska Native, First Nations and Native Hawaiian students, representing more than 60 tribes and communities.

To learn more about freshman or transfer admission, please visit admission.stanford.edu

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Stanford University
The Office for Religious and Spiritual Life congratulates the Stanford American Indian Organization on the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow!

Congratulations!

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50th Annual Powwow

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Keeping Up With the Committee

Budget Committee

Seth Sandoval-Skeet

(Diné)

Seth is a junior from Gallup, NM majoring in Civil Engineering with a concentration in Water Studies. He is currently serving as the Financial Officer and Committee Head of the Budget Committee for the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow. When Seth was little, he wanted to be Spider-Man!

“I’m excited to help Powwow have a wonderful virtual presence and honored to be part of its 50th celebration.”
Keeping Up With the Committee
Booth and Volunteer Committees

Isabella Johnson
(The Coquille Indian Tribe)
Isabella is a senior from Seattle, WA majoring in Management Science and minoring in Native American Studies. She is currently the Committee Head of the Booth Committee for the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow. When Isabella was little, she wanted to be a lawyer!
“I am excited to set up and run the Stanford Powwow Virtual Art Market this year. I am happy to bring more Native artists together on a Native run website and I hope that our amazing booth vendors enjoy the online platform.”

Dagny Carlsson
(Shawnee/Kiowa)
Dagny is a sophomore from Houston, TX studying Architectural Design. She is currently a member of the Booth Committee for the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow. When Dagny was younger, she wanted to be a space architect and princess!
“I’m so excited to see Native resilience at the Powwow. It is imperative that we continue to suppose businesses during this difficult time!”

Sonny Dryden Kūʻehuiakpono Seto Myers
(Kānaka Maoli – Native Hawaiian)
Sonny is a junior from Kailua, Hawai‘i and San Rafael, CA studying Anthropology and Native American Studies. He is currently the Committee Head of the Volunteer Committee for the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow. When Sonny was little, he wanted to be a baseball player!
“I love any opportunity that we can get as Indigenous people to come together and render ourselves more visible.”

Juju (Juliann) Hallum
(Mvskoke Creek)
Juju is from Bakersfield, CA and co-terming in Lab Animal Science. She is currently serving as the Committee Head of the Volunteer and Ad Sales Committees for the 50th Annual Stanford Powwow.
“Powwow has always been one of my favorite events with the Stanford Native community and really brings everyone together. Going to miss being able to share frybread with all my friends on campus this year!”
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