

APRIL

Northwestern Band of the
Shoshone Nation
2025

SAVE THE DATE:

- ◆ Weight loss challenge second weigh-in (April 7th-11th)
- ◆ Life Betterment Courses Begin (Mon. Apr. 7th @ 6pm)
- ◆ Easter Activity (Sat. Apr. 12th @ 11am-1pm)
- ◆ Council Meeting Pocatello (Sat. April. 26th @ 10am)
- ◆ Washakie Clean-up (Fri. May. 2nd @ 10am)
- ◆ Golden Spike Commemorative Ceremony (Sat. May. 10th)
- ◆ Lagoon Day Scheduled (Sat. Jun. 14th)
- ◆ North Shore swimming Activity (Sat. Jul 26th)

Council Meeting

Saturday, April 26th
@ 10am
POCATELLO

When you were super motivated starting your diet this morning but by the time you get lunch you regret your whole life



WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE

Hours 8:00am – 4:00pm

Second weigh-in **April 7th – 11th**

Third weigh-in **May 5th – 9th**

Final weigh-in June 2nd – 6th

- ❖ Monthly weigh-in incentive: Subway card.
- ❖ Reach end goal weight: \$200.00 gift card.
- ❖ Overall winner for male & female: \$300.00 gift card.

REQUIRED to show up in person for all weigh-ins and weigh-in monthly to qualify for end goal incentives and overall winner.

Courtney's RESOURCE CORNER

Growth Program: Life Betterment Courses

Will begin again April 7th

There will be 5 classes this round

April 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th & May 5th

Please contact Courtney Cmuir@nwbshoshone.com

if you would like to attend, Zoom is also an option.

You must complete a one-time survey before attending class.

Dinner is served for those attending in person.

Classes are Monday nights 6-7pm @ Ogden office

Alzheimer's community forum

Has been postponed.

We appreciate your understanding and will be announcing the new date soon. Stay tuned for updates and we look forward to your participation!

Thank you for your support!

Easter Activity

Saturday April 12th

@11-1pm

We will be serving lunch (Indian Tacos)

Easter egg hunt is for children 12 & under

Easter buckets will be provided.

Please RSVP by April 10th

435-734-2286 or Email

Beatrice@nwbshoshone.com

(Subject: RSVP Easter)

Address: 2500 W 4000 N St, Farr West

I-15 Take Exit 351 **Smiths Family Park** across the street, west of Smith & Edwards store.



HOUSING RESOURCES

DOWN PAYMENT/CLOSING COSTS & HOME REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE

Assistance funding is available through Housing Services **for first time homebuyers** and **homeowners with emergency repair needs**. For applications and income requirements, please contact Housing Services.

Housing@nwbshoshone.com

Diapers & Wipes

Available for a one time pick up by a Parent / Guardian. 1 Box of each item per child.
There will be no distribution in Idaho.

Pick up is available during business hours 8am-4pm
at the Tribal Headquarters in Ogden UT.



Notice of Upcoming Tribal Election Information for voters



Who is Eligible to vote?

All Enrolled members of the NWBSN who are 18 years on the date of the election have the right to vote pursuant to **Article XII, Section 1**, of the constitution of the Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation

ADDRESS

It is **your** responsibility to update your address

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Watch for Separate Election Mailings.

ANNOUNCING!!!

BEAR RIVER FAMILY DENTAL
ROY, UT OFFICE OPENING IN APRIL!
OPENING DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON!



BEAR RIVER FAMILY DENTAL
4902 S. 1900 W. SUITE 2
ROY, UT 84067
801-436-8000

WASHAKIE CLEAN UP

Friday, May 2nd @ 10 am – 3 pm

We're holding our annual staff Washakie Cemetery cleanup on the same day as Corner Canyon LX teams service project day to bring people together.

A few things below to help:

- There will be restrooms on site and a refillable water jug. Possibly bring your own sack lunch. Firm food plans TBD.
- Usually lots of manual labor, pulling/digging out weeds, trimming rose bushes, moving gravel, hauling rocks, just beautifying the cemetery to kick-off Memorial Month.
- Bring work gloves if you have them. We'll use the garden tools that we have here at the office.
- We'll have bug spray and sunscreen.
- Dress according to the weather of Plymouth, UT
- CC LX will be bussed, but have parent volunteers drive as well. We'll try to coordinate carpools as needed.

Hope you'll join us!

If you have any question,
please Email Maria - mmoncur@nwbshoshone.com



We would like to recognize our Graduates!

If you are a Tribal member and will be
graduating in May.

Please let us know by emailing hcrill@nwbshoshone.com
or calling 435-734-2286





Social Security Updates Recently Announced Identity Proofing Requirements In-Person Requirement Will Not Apply to Disability Insurance, Medicare, and SSI Applications

The Social Security Administration (SSA) is taking proactive steps to enhance the security of its services by implementing stronger identity verification procedures. The updated measures will further safeguard Social Security records and benefits for millions of Americans against fraudulent activity. In-person identity proofing for people unable to use their personal [my Social Security](#) account for certain services will be effective April 14, 2025.

“We have listened to our customers, Congress, advocates, and others, and we are updating our policy to provide better customer service to the country’s most vulnerable populations,” said Lee Dudek, Acting Commissioner of Social Security. “In addition to extending the policy’s effective date by two weeks to ensure our employees have the training they need to help customers, Medicare, Disability, and SSI applications will be exempt from in-person identity proofing because multiple opportunities exist during the decision process to verify a person’s identity.”

Under the updated policy beginning April 14, 2025, individuals applying for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Medicare, or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) who cannot use a personal [my Social Security](#) account can complete their claim entirely over the telephone without the need to come into an office.

Individuals who cannot use their personal [my Social Security](#) account to apply for benefits will only need to prove their identity at a Social Security office if applying for Retirement, Survivors, or Auxiliary (Spouse or Child) benefits. SSA will enforce online digital identity proofing or in-person identity proofing for these cases. The agency will not enforce these requirements in extreme dire-need situations, such as terminal cases or prisoner pre-release scenarios. SSA is currently developing a process that will require documentation and management approval to bypass the policy in such dire need cases.

Individuals who do not or cannot use the agency’s online [my Social Security](#) services to change their direct deposit information for any benefit will need to visit a Social Security office to process the change or can call 1-800-772-1213 to schedule an in-person appointment. The agency also recommends that individuals unable to apply online call to schedule an in-person appointment to begin and complete a claim for Retirement, Survivors, or Auxiliary (Spouse or Child) benefits in one interaction.

SSA recently required nearly all agency employees, including frontline employees in all offices throughout the country, to work in the office five days a week. This change ensures maximum staffing is available to support the stronger in-person identity proofing requirement.

The agency will continue to monitor and, if necessary, make adjustments to ensure it pays the right person the right amount at the right time while safeguarding the benefits and programs it administers. SSA plans to implement the Department of Treasury’s Bureau of Fiscal Service’s payment integrity service called Account Verification Service (AVS). AVS provides instant bank verification services to proactively and timely prevent fraud associated with direct deposit change requests. SSA will continue to fight fraud while balancing its program integrity responsibilities with delivering on its customer service mission to the American people.

People who do not already have a [my Social Security](#) account can create one at www.ssa.gov/myaccount/.