MEDIA PRESS RELEASE

ANNOUNCEMENT:
Crownpoint Chapter, for the 2nd Year, has planned a “Eastern Navajo Agency Treaty Day Celebration” on June 20th, 2018 (Wednesday) and June 21st, 2018 (Thursday) to commemorate the signing of the 1868 Navajo Treaty.

DESCRIPTION:
Many of our people do not understand and know about what took place between 1863-1868, when the Navajo defended their land against Mexican and New Mexican slave traders and livestock raiders. In 1848, the U.S. Army arrived. Between 1863-1866, the Army marched about 9,000 Dine people 400 miles to Bosque Redondo, New Mexico. In 1868, the Navajo signed the Treaty and thereafter, returned home. Though it may have been much suffering amongst the Navajo, they were happy and able to return home.
The event, more or less celebrates the brave men and women, who fought hard to bring their people home. It is a historic event that all Navajos should have knowledge about.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
Wednesday, June 20, 2018
7:00 A.M.    Fun Walk/Run Registration at Crownpoint Chapter by Navajo Special Diabetes Program, Crownpoint Office
8:00 A.M.    Fun Walk/Run –beginning at Crownpoint Chapter
             2 mile Walk
             3 mile Run
1:00 P.M.    1st Session on History of the Treaty- Place: Crownpoint Chapter by Leonard Perry
             Story Telling / Questions & Remarks
6:00 P.M.    2nd Session on History of the Treaty- Place: Crownpoint Chapter by Leonard Perry
             Story Telling / Questions & Remarks

Thursday, June 21, 2018
Commemoration of the Treaty Signing: Eastern Agency BIA Building front yard
7:15 A.M.    Posting of Colors – Veterans
7:30 A.M.    Invocation/Blessing by Johnny Perry
             Purpose- Eastern Agency Superintendent –Lester Tsosie
             Welcome- Rita Capitan, Crownpoint Chapter President
             Proclamation- Signing of the Treaty / Leonard Perry, Martin Link, volunteers
             Closing Remarks- Rita Capitan, Crownpoint Chapter President
             Closing Prayer- Herbert Enrico / Land Board
8:30 A.M. Parade Line Up (South of the 2 Story BIA Agency Building & East side of OEH Parking)
9:00 A.M. Parade (From the BIA Building to the Crownpoint Middle School Parking Lot (Programs, Departments, Businesses are invited to do Floats, Horse Riders, and Walkers for free) Call Crownpoint Chapter at (505)786-2130 for Entry Forms. Political Candidates -$50.00

10:00 A.M. Fair Grounds Activity’s
Song and Dance- M.C. & Host, Irwin Jim-Whiterock, NM
Royalty Meet & Greet
Community Health & Information Booths
Kiddy Rodeo- Marjorie Lantana

12:00 P.M. Lunch to be served by Division of Behavioral & Mental Health Services
1:00 P.M. Fruit Scramble (3 age groups) by Little Water Chapter
2:00 P.M. Open Mic
Closing Remarks and Benediction

CONTACTS:

Information for the Treaty Day events, can be forwarded to Crownpoint Chapter at (505) 786-2130