

# NAFFA 2023 Annual Report



Albert Pooley



It is my pleasure to present the Native American Fatherhood and Families Association's 2023 Annual Report.

We have expanded our training schedule to include several of our Certified Facilitator Trainers to train others in their communities to be facilitators. The big news from NAFFA is that we have finished our newest curriculum, Suicide Prevention and have started the training for facilitators in January 2023.

We are still using Zoom to connect with others around the world. This opportunity allows many to be trained online and saves on travel time, which has become more difficult. We also have facilitator webinars called Bi-Monthly Buzz, which addresses some of the issues facilitators might confront and how to solve them.

More local NAFFA seminars are being scheduled for 2023 to visit areas of the country to meet with facilitators and offer more training. We are thankful for the successes of 2023 and look forward to a great 2024.

## NAFFA Staff

- Albert Pooley: President/Founder
- Cheryl Honnie: Director of Training
- Malcolm Redhair: Facilitator Coordinator
- Shanda Billy: Training Specialist
- Neil Tift: Outreach Coordinator
- Valerie Hollobaugh: International/Public Relations Coordinator
- Sam Rossi: Financial Specialist
- Heather Woldberg: Personal Administrative Assistant
- Jane McCord: Grant Coordinator
- Susan Sharp: Receptionist
- Susan Ellsworth: Administrative Assistant
- Mike Sharp and Manuel Padilla: Grounds Keeper/Maintenance

## NAFFA Wellness Staff:

- Sherri Hicks: Executive Clinical Director
- Robin Hicks: Chief Administrative Officer
- Melody Billy: Wellness Coordinator

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## Overview of NAFFA

Established in 2002, Native American Fatherhood & Families Association (NAFFA) works with over 300 tribes and tribal agencies across the country and Canada, trained over 2,000 certified facilitators who have helped over 70,000 fathers and mothers strengthen and keep their families together, with limited direct federal or state funds.

It is the goal of NAFFA to create a synergistic environment and deliver information in the form of workshops, keynotes, webinars, presentations, seminars, professional training and social engagements that showcase and address the most recent information relating to building strong families and healthy communities.

Based in Arizona, NAFFA provides programs to strengthen, keep and unite Native American families through responsible fatherhood and motherhood. These unique programs create a passion in parents to take a leadership role in keeping families happy and safe. Through the programs' successes, NAFFA has found that their purpose and methods extend to people of all ages, cultures, and backgrounds.

Our four courses include:

### **Fatherhood Is Sacred®**, **Motherhood Is Sacred®** (FIS/MIS)

This is NAFFA's foundational program that helps strengthen families by empowering and uplifting fathers and mothers. The program teaches core principles to help strengthen them as parents. Native people believe in the sanctity of many things; animals, mountains, burial grounds, etc., but the most sacred is our role as a father and our role as a mother. FIS/MIS is a program for those wanting to improve family relationships, prepare them to become responsible parents, reduce recidivism and substance abuse, and improve safety for our children. We have the vision to pave our way into a future where fathers and mothers will experience a truly happy family. This course is uniquely designed with culturally relevant material to teach parents the vital impact of being responsibly involved in each child's life.

### **Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships®** (LGSR)

This curriculum briefly covers the foundation laid in Fatherhood Is Sacred®, Motherhood Is Sacred®. The program teaches the importance of linking generations to strengthen one's self-worth and identity. The significance of one's personal identity is critical in forming and maintaining healthy relationships. We discuss various forms of relationships: parent/child, spouse/significant other, friendships, workplace, etc. Included in the program, we address how to select, maintain, or dissolve marital relationships. This course provides tools that will bring happiness, stability, and security to individuals and families.

### **Addressing Family Violence and Abuse®**

NAFFA identifies domestic violence as **true identity theft**. Identity theft is illegal. This course covers how to support families struggling with domestic violence and describes the innovative and culturally relevant ways that address this vital issue. In addition, we discuss universal principles and provide unique insight into the challenges faced in dealing with this matter. The training will define this devastating problem, explore contributing factors, and discuss sensitive ways in which victims and abusers overcome the cycle of abuse. We address the necessary component of developing courage, which is critical for change to come. Changing fear to becoming fearless (courageous).

## Suicide Prevention (SP)

Suicide Prevention is a course that discusses the importance of hope and helps individuals recognize the beauty of life and living. Hopelessness is the reduction of hope and despair is the absence of hope, a state which affects our body, mind, and spirit. This course emphasizes strategies that help prevent suicide. Additionally, it identifies a range of factors and situations that can increase the risk of suicide. Furthermore, it provides ways to process the death of a loved one by better understanding ways of coping and healing from loss.

## Overview of NAFFA's Impact in 2023

NAFFA certified 468 new facilitators:

**234** for Fatherhood Is Sacred®, Motherhood Is Sacred®

**17** for Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships®

**83** for Addressing Family Violence and Abuse©

**134** for Suicide Prevention©

## NAFFA Partners:

### 1. NABEDC: [www.NABEDC.com](http://www.NABEDC.com) Contact: Kaaren Lyn Graves

Maintaining our third year with NABEDC, NAFFA continues to help those American Indians, Alaska Native, and Native Hawai'ian (AIANNH) business owners and entrepreneurs. Goals for NABEDC include fostering relationships and understanding the importance of entrepreneurship with those they nurture in their program.



NABEDC has signed a total of 478 business owners, entrepreneurs, and community partners in less than one year in operation which far exceeded their goal. This was based upon outreach efforts, community partnerships, and attending numerous events in person (pre-COVID-19) and online webinars. Visit [www.NABEDC.com](http://www.NABEDC.com) for more information.

### 2. BioMetrica Systems : Contact: Ka and Wyly Wade

This organization provides continuous monitoring of an individuals or groups of individuals for lawful investigations, national security or workplace safety locating missing or exploited persons.



### 3. Waterford.org: Contact: Tiarrha Huerta: [tiarhahuerta@waterford.org](mailto:tiarhahuerta@waterford.org)

This organization teaches children the skills they need to be prepared for kindergarten through their UPSTART program. This program is available at NO COST to families of all backgrounds and is proven to be effective. All children who receive their academic start with Waterford UPSTART begin on the path toward success.

Waterford is based out of Salt Lake City, Utah.



### 4. Kids Need to Read: Contact: Jessica Payne: [Jessica@kidsneedtoread.org](mailto:Jessica@kidsneedtoread.org)

<http://www.kidsneedtoread.org/>

Kids Need to Read works to create a culture of reading for children by providing inspiring books to underfunded schools, libraries, and literacy programs across the United States, especially those serving disadvantaged children.



## 5. Arizona Law Enforcement Outreach and Support

Contact: **Cindy Hill** <http://www.arizonaleos.com/>

Arizona Law Enforcement Outreach & Support is the first of its' kind in "Collaboration and Fundraising Hub" for Arizona law enforcement and community members. They create new outreach programs and collaborate with existing programs that allow the law enforcement and the community at large to strengthen positive bonds and serve community needs.



## 6. Palo Verde Republican Women

Contact: **President: Cindy Hill:** PVRWPresident@gmail.com

A like-minded group of Conservative Republican women working together to better our community.



## 7. Hopland Band of Pomo Indians

Contact: **Diana Billy-Elliott:** [delliott@hoplandtribe.com](mailto:delliott@hoplandtribe.com)

A community of Hopland Band of Pomo Indians located in the southeast Mendocino County of California. They are a community who help each other and practice the traditions of their forefathers.

## 8. Inter-Tribal Council of California Contact: Irvin Jim- Board

**President:** Irvin.jim@washoetribe.us

An organization of 35 tribes in California which develops and administers a wide range of programs to promote economic, educational, cultural, legal and social advocacy.



## 9. Monovi: Contact: Jake Poulsen: [jake.poulsen@monovotech.com](mailto:jake.poulsen@monovotech.com)

A company which has developed a virtual health system which integrates devices software, data and human infrastructure to deliver personalized care and support.

## Native American Fatherhood and Families Association Board of Directors



1. **Thomas Intrieri:** Peoria Chief of Police  
NAFFA Board Chair



2. **Steve Chucuri:** Arizona Restaurant Association  
NAFFA Board Secretary and Treasurer



3. **Kevin Pooley:** Salt River Pima Maricopa Prosecutor  
Office in Domestic Violence



**4. Rodney States:** Attorney at Jellison & Robens, PLLC



**5. Amy Fa'atoafe:** Natsuhealth: Clinical Director for Warrior Heart Recovery

**New Staff Hired in 2023:**



Heather Woldberg:  
Administrative  
Personal Assistant



Jane McCord:  
Grant Coordinator



Shanda Billy:  
Training Specialist

**Update on Training Department:**

With the expansion of over 2,000 trained facilitators, the Training Department has expanded it's staff:



Cheryl Honnie:  
Director of Training



Shanda Billy: Training Specialist



Malcolm Redhair: Facilitator Coordinator

We appreciate all of their hard work to help those in need of training and recertification.

## New Departments:

### NAFFA Wellness:



Melody Billy:  
Wellness Coordinator



Sherri Hicks:  
Clinical Director



Robin Hicks:  
Chief Administrative Officer

Naffa Wellness, LLC was established in December 2023 for the purpose of launching treatment programs to serve individuals struggling with addiction and mental health concerns. NAFFA curricula will be the highlight of these programs with the addition of master level professionals, peer support specialist and case managers.

NAFFA Wellness has teamed up with Monovo to oversee the medical and psychiatric needs of the participants. NAFFA Wellness employees include Sherri Hicks, LCSW, as Clinical Director; Robin Hicks, Chief Administrative Officer, and Melody Billy, RN, Health E-80, marketing as Wellness Coordinator.

In February 2024 Neil Tift will be joining the team as a trainer/facilitator. First programs launching are the Intensive Virtual Program, Outpatient Clinic, Sober Living Home and Youth and Young Adult Programs. See <https://www.aznaffawellness.com>

### International Relations:



Valerie Hollobaugh: International Relations Coordinator

After 20 years of strengthening fathers and mothers in over 300 Native tribes and communities, NAFFA will be spreading its wings to promote our programs internationally. Our vision has always been to inspire fathers and mothers to become models of parenting everywhere so now we are ready to spread our message to the world.

NAFFA has created a sister organizations with the same focus called the International Association of Families (IAF). This worldwide program of Fatherhood is Sacred® and Motherhood is Sacred®, Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships®, Addressing Family Violence and Abuse© and Suicide Prevention© will be adusted to a global focus with language translations. Training is being planned for all those who would like to facilitate for their communities.

Every country will see the value of the strength of the family, from Canada to Guatamala, from Iceland to Spain, international communities will begin to develop strengthening relationships. IAF has the opportunity to share Fatherhood is Sacred®/Motherhood is Sacred®, Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships®, Addressing Family Violence and Abuse© and Suicide Prevention© with global communities. Plans are in the works for a new website now under construction: [internationalassociationfamilies.org](http://internationalassociationfamilies.org)

## Interns:



**Jennette Jenkins** interning from Brigham Young University- Idaho campus during the summer graduating with a bachelor's degree in Marriage and Family Counseling.

**Briseyda Mateo** interning from Arizona State University winter semester and graduated with a Masters degree in Social Work (MSW) on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023



## Awards Received:

### Community Leadership Award for Al Pooley



**Mesa:** On September 9th, Al Pooley was presented the Community Leadership Award from the East Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (EVHCC) at their annual Adelante & Exito Gala. The EVHCC's mission is to promote the economic growth and empowerment of all business enterprises within the East Valley region of metropolitan Phoenix. A delicious dinner was served and the entertainment was magnificent. NAFFA is blessed to have such a great community leader like Al Pooley.

### Golden Rule Award for Native American Fatherhood and Families Association

Sponsored by the **Arizona InterFaith Movement**, Native American Fatherhood and Families Association was presented the **Strengthening The Family Award** at the annual Golden Rule Awards Banquet at the Mesa Convention Center. This prestigious award was given to Albert Pooley at a special gala dinner with over 1,000 people in attendance. NAFFA was honored to receive such an award. The NAFFA staff and family also attended to support the event.



### Certified Facilitator Trainers:

NAFFA is increasing the number of certified facilitator trainers to help with the expansion of our programs and services across the US and Canada. They include:

**Mike Duncan:** Round Valley Indian Tribes, Woodland California

**Katie Ray:** Round Valley Indian Tribes, Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indian Tribe (Lakeport, CA)

**Ian Petershoare:** CCTHITA Tribe, Juneau, Alaska

**Terry Medina:** Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, Winnebago, Nebraska

**Stephanie and Joseph White Eagle:** Ho-Chunk Nation, Baraboo, Wisconsin

**Jean Swanson:** Sitka Tribe of Alaska, Sitka Alaska

**Cheryl Bearchild:** Choctaw Nation of OK, Karuk Tribal TANF, Yreka California

**Chris Kill:** San Carlos Apache, Fountain Hills, AZ

**Collin Bird:** Saskatchewan, Canada

**Cheryl Honnie:** Diné (Navajo), Rough Rock, AZ

**David Pratt:** Gila River Indian Community, Sacaton, AZ

**Native Hoop Magazine:** This beautiful publication has requested NAFFA to contribute monthly articles about Native issues and strengthening the family. NAFFA submitted 12 articles in 2023. See: <https://nativehoop.org/>

**Webinars:** NAFFA continued the bi-monthly webinar series in 2023. Topics were Fatherhood Is Sacred®/Motherhood Is Sacred®, Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships® and Addressing Family Violence and Abuse®, The Process of Healing, Strengthening Families and . These webinars were presented in February, April, June, August, October and December.

**Bi-Monthly Buzz Meetings on Zoom:** With over 2,000 facilitators, NAFFA stayed in touch with our facilitators by scheduling periodic Zoom meetings. These meetings were an hour and half long and provided facilitators an opportunity to visit with other facilitators online, share ideas and receive instruction from Al Pooley and Malcolm Redhair, our new Facilitator Coordinator.

**Online Recertification:** The recertification of our curriculum is very important to keep the integrity of NAFFA's curriculum and the standard of teaching consistent. The cost of travel and time away from employment makes in-office recertification very difficult. Our online bi-monthly schedule of recertification meetings have been very successful for all facilitators as they are able to reconnect with NAFFA and review the important points of all four curricula.

## **Funding from Grants and Donations 2023**

### **Charitable Donations:**

There have been various charitable donations through third party organizations and personal accounts:

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| 1. GM-The BlackBaud Giving Funds:            | \$189.30             |
| 2. Fidelity Charitable: Michael Nowiszewki:  | \$50.00              |
| 3. Dr. Eric M. Ossowski Scottsdale:          | \$200                |
| 4. Friend of the Court, Mesa, AZ             | \$3,000              |
| 5. Albertsons Companies Foundation:          | \$2,000              |
| 6. Dr. Leland Fairbanks: Golden Rule Banquet | \$1,000              |
| <b>Total:</b>                                | <b>\$ \$6,439.30</b> |

### **Feeding the Homeless:**

Through the generous donations of Albertson's Foundation, we were given \$2,000 which was set aside for homeless lunches. With this funding, NAFFA staff was able to feed hundreds of Mesa homeless over the 2023 year and help them find housing and employment. We have fed those homeless in local parks and other homeless areas, and there was much gratitude from the recipients who received a sack lunch and bottles of water, especially during the summer months.

## **Events:**

### **Faith/Community Based Breakfast**

NAFFA sponsored our 5th annual Faith Community Breakfast on January 25th for members of the area religious and nonprofit community groups. Al introduced NAFFA and its programs with a power point presentation which was very well received. Twenty leaders from various faiths and health and human organizations were in attendance.



### **Criminal Justice Breakfast**

NAFFA sponsored our 5th annual Criminal Justice breakfast on January 26th which was well attended by surrounding police departments, judges and probation officers. This included Mesa PD, Gilbert PD, Apache Junction PD, and Tempe PD and justice departments from Phoenix. All in attendance enjoyed presentations by Al about NAFFA and Mark Pooley about his MMIP Fusion Center and Native Search Solutions.



### **Healing Together Conference**

Native American Fatherhood and Families Association sponsored the Healing Together Conference which was joined by Native Wellness Institute, White Bison, and Native Dad's Network in Mesa, Arizona. This conference was held on February 15-17 at the Double Tree Hilton in Mesa.

With four exemplary organizations of Indigenous programming, this conference was unlike any other. The combined professional experiences, skills, approach, and use of Indigenous culture made this conference well worth attending. Prevention, intervention, and treatment workshops filled the void in education and services in wellness and was a powerful and appropriate response to communities worldwide. There were over 350 in attendance from Native tribes all over the

country for this three day conference. Kilali's Polynesia Revue provided the lunchtime entertainment for one of the days. Donovan "Beef" Archambault gave a great comedy performance at a special evening event which kept everyone laughing for an hour.



**Picture above:** Fatherhood group calls on all men to stand in solidarity pledging to support the work of healing.

**Picture at right:** Attendees stand for the opening prayer.

## Addressing Family Violence and Abuse Seminar:

**June 8-9: Billings, Montana** NAFFA sponsored a seminar at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center in Billings Montana. This two-day seminar included presentations from Mark Pooley on Missing and Murdered Indigenous People. Al presented Addressing Family Violence and Abuse©, Suicide Prevention© and Fathehood is Sacred®/Motherhood is Sacred®. Special guests, Tara Walker Lyons presented Child Abuse Prevention and Amadna Little Sun from Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council for Violence Prevention presented Family is Tradition. There was also a panel of NAFFA Facilitators - Goldstein Little Eagle, Lea Wetzel, Jessica Anderson and Jacqui Mkee, that responded to questions to help attending facilitators learn how to improve their facilitating skills.

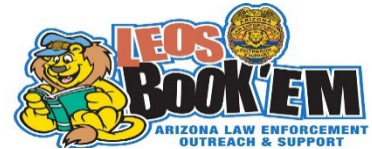


**Above left:** Mark Pooley speaks about Missing and Indigenous People.  
**Above right:** Tara Walker Lyons presents Child Abuse Prevention information

## LEOS Book 'EM



NAFFA partners the Law Enforcement Outreach and Support (LEOS) organization and “Kids Need to Read”, sponsored a “Book ‘Em event once a month. Volunteer Mesa Police officers read to children from picture books donated by “Kids Need to Read”. Popcorn and drinks are served, and children are given books to bring home.



**Eleventh Annual Native American Responsible Fatherhood Day** On June 17, NAFFA sponsored a special day to honor and celebrate the importance of fatherhood and the important contributions that dads bring to strengthening families and communities.

**Father's Day Festival:** As a promotor of fathers and families, NAFFA along with EVIT (East Valley Institute of Technology) in Mesa sponsored our first Father's Day Festival on Saturday, June 17th (the day before father's day) on the EVIT campus. Food, games, and lots of activities for fathers and their children were provided by 32 agencies. All fathers and the their families enjoyed an informative and fun day.



**NAFFA Art Market:**

To raise money for our Silent Auction at the Precious Gem Awards banquet, NAFFA sponsored the Second Annual NAFFA Art Market on October 14<sup>st</sup>. Due to the solar eclipse on this day, the art market had to be postponed until October 28. Some of the vendors could not make the postponed date and we only had 17 vendors of arts and crafts, jewlery, and food. Each vendor donated an item worth \$100 to offer in the auction.



**19<sup>th</sup> National “Fatherhood is Leadership” Conference**

November 7 through the 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
 Double Tree by Hilton in Mesa

With four areas of focus in workshop presentations, (Criminal Justice, Education, Health & Human Services, and Fatherhood and Motherhood) keynote speakers, and exciting entertainment, NAFFA’s national conference 2023 was a great success.

**Keynote speakers:**

**Patrice H. Kunesh** Ms. Kunesh has had legal and advisory experience serving Native Americans for many years.

Addressing the valuable lessons about fatherhood through a cultural lens of the Lakota Tiyospaye, Ms Kunesh says: “We measure our wealth by the abundances and well-being of our family.” Promoting fatherhood as an essential role in creating family abundance has been shown in studies to provide both practical support in raising children and serve as models for their development.



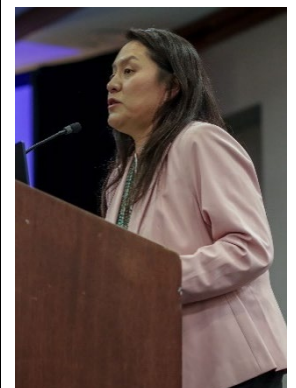


**Charles Flanagan:** As a retired Chief Probation Officer for the U.S. District Court, Charles Flanagan has insight of Native American violence, sex offense, substance use disorder and mental health issues on Native American clients. His report of Native Americans was the highest in caseloads of all 94 federal court districts. Mr. Flanagan reports that it is exciting that our district in Arizona and the 9th Circuit are focusing attention on these Native American Communities as these collaborations with specialty courts and tribal entities offer hope and improved relations and outcomes.

## Plenary Presentations



**Robert Johnstun from Monovo (right) and Melody Billy (left) from NAFFA Wellness** present information that would improve the health of Native Americans worldwide. Monovo, a health technology company outside the Salt Lake City, Utah area has developed innovative ways to improve the delivery of doctor's care for all people. NAFFA Wellness has been promoting positive emotional and physical health information since 2021. This includes Health E80 enzyme/mineral supplements. Both presentations were very helpful to all attendees.



**Terry Medina: Siouxland Human Investment Partnership, Iowa**

During the second morning of conference, Terry Medina spoke of his experience as a facilitator for over 20 years. His Fatherhood is Sacred/Motherhood is Sacred program has been known in the Nebraska/Winnebago tribal communities for many years. His exemplary service to the people has made a great impact in reducing recidivism in the local probation offices and prisons. NAFFA appreciates all of Terry's work over the years.

## Lunch Time Entertainment:



**ARTIFICIAL RED** entertained attendees with their powerful musical numbers of a Native American flute and guitar. Nominated for “Best Instrumental Album” with the Indigenous Music Awards of Canada , their music was very calming and pleasant as attendees ate lunch.

### TOLLESON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT MARIACHI BAND AND DANCERS

officially named “Mariahci Los Tigres De Tolleson” dazzled attendees with their musical talent of violins, guitars, cellos, trumpets and their

voices. Directed by Mr. Efrain Casillas, they entertained the conference attendees for 45 minutes of beautiful music and singing. All entertainment for the conference was sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank.



## Precious Gem Awards Banquet and Silent Auction

NAFFA had the opportunity to present five amazing people the “Precious Gem” award in honor of their life work. It was an honor to present these awards and learn of their unassuming, great examples of compassion, perseverance and positivity. These recipients have been a light to the world.



**Palo Verde Republican Women’s Club  
Cindy Hill: Pres.  
Rose Quartz Award**



**Maria Johnson:  
Chief Crisis Office for  
Pinal and Maricopa  
Counties**



**Julie Spilsbury:  
Mesa City Council  
Turquoise award**



Kaaren-Lyn Graves:  
CEO NABEDC  
Malachite Award



Thomas Intrieri:  
Commander  
Mesa PD  
Agate Award

**Silent Auction during the Precious Gem Awards Banquet:** Thirty-eight donated gift items and baskets created a wonderful array of many different items for our 2023 Silent Auction. Total sales for silent auction: \$1,920.

**National Conference Fatherhood is Leadership Sponsors**

<b>Organization:</b>	<b>Amount of Sponsorship</b>
Intertribal Council of California:	\$15,000
Palo Verde Republican Women Club:	\$ 2,375
Wells Fargo Bank	\$ 3,000
Desert Diaomnd Casino (Tohno O’odham Tribe)	\$ 3,000
Casino Arizona (Salt River Pima-Maricopa Tribe)	\$ 2,375
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$25,750</b>

**Social Media and Blog**

NAFFA has been active on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pintrest, Youtube and Instagram in 2021, posting inspiring messages, videos and events for our Parent Resource Center, seminars and workshops. Join us on any of those sites and get a message every day from NAFFA.

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/naffastaff> ; <https://www.facebook.com/Native-American-Fatherhood-Families-Association-203941116285466/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NAFatherhood>
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13571111/>
- Pintrest: <https://www.pinterest.com/nativeamericanfatherhoodandfam/>
- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@AZNAFFA8/videos>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/nativeamericanfatherhood/?hl=en>

- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native\\_American\\_Fatherhood\\_and\\_Families\\_Association](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_American_Fatherhood_and_Families_Association)

**NAFFA's Blog:** <https://www.nativeamericanfathers.org/blog> Check out our blog posts that offer inspiring messages for families.

### **NAFFA Online Store:**

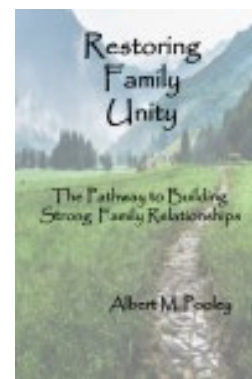
Our NAFFA Store is selling t-shirts, framed Native pictures, cooler carry bags and more. See our online store at: <https://www.nativeamericanfathers.org/shop-1>

**Restoring Family Unity:** Our book has been published over two years and has been a popular gift for many facilitators for those who finished their courses. A great gift for others who cannot attend classes.

**Overview:** Alcoholism, drugs, gangs and detachment are major issues in many families. Fatherhood is Sacred®/Motherhood is Sacred® by Albert Pooley has been teaching parents a role model not used by many therapists for the past 17 years. *Restoring Family Unity: The Pathway to Building Strong Family Relationships* is Fatherhood is Sacred®/Motherhood is Sacred® in book form.

Understand how parents can lay the foundation against divorce, drugs, alcoholism and gangs. Learn the five principles important for parents to know in keeping their children safe and happy. Read about the many lives changed when they followed this program. See the vision of a better world with stronger families.

**Total Book Sales for 2023:** 105 books sold (515 books sold total since August 2021)





# NAFFA 2024 EVENTS

UPDATED 1/11/2024



## Webinars

- Jan. 16, 2024
- Mar. 12, 2024
- May 14, 2024
- Jul. 16, 2024
- Sept. 17, 2024
- Nov. 19, 2024

## Bi-Monthly Buzz

- Jan. 17, 2024
- Mar. 13, 2024
- May 15, 2024
- Jul. 17, 2024
- Sep. 18, 2024
- Nov. 20, 2024

## Seminars

- Feb. 1-2, 2024, Honolulu, HI
- June 27-28, 2024, Location TBD\*
- Aug. 8-9, 2024, Albuquerque NM

## Conferences

- June 11-13, 2024 (HTC)
- Nov. 13-15, 2024 (FIL)

## Other

- Faith Comm. Breakfast
  - Feb. 14, 2024
- Criminal Justice Comm. Breakfast
  - Feb. 15, 2024
- 12th Annual NARF Day
  - Jun. 16, 2024

## Training

\*in-person only

- **FISMIS (Fatherhood Is Sacred/ Motherhood Is Sacred)**
  - Jan. 17-19, 2024, **Sacramento, CA**
  - Jan. 29-31, 2024, **Honolulu, HI \***
  - Mar. 25-27, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - May 6-8, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - June 24-26, 2024, **Location TBD\***
  - Jul. 9-11, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Oct. 21-23, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
- **LGSR (Linking Generations by Strengthening Relationships)**
  - Feb. 7-9, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Apr. 10-12, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Aug. 5-7, 2024, **Albuquerque, NM\***
  - Sep. 23-25, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Dec. 9-11, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
- **AFVA (Addressing Family Violence and Abuse)**
  - Feb. 5-7, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Apr. 8-10, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Sep. 25-27, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - Oct. 23-25, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
- **SP (Suicide Prevention)**
  - Jan. 29-31, 2024, **Honolulu, HI \***
  - Mar. 27-29, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - May 8-10, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual
  - June 24-26, 2024, **Location TBD\***
  - Dec. 11-13, 2024, Mesa, AZ/Virtual

## Recertification

- Feb. 20, 2024
  - Apr. 16, 2024
  - Jun. 25, 2024
  - Aug. 20, 2024
  - Oct. 15, 2024
  - Dec. 17, 2024
- Three ways to recertify:
1. National Conference attendance
  2. Two-hour Zoom Meeting
  3. Three-day Training, virtual or in-person

[www.nativeamericanfathers.org/events](http://www.nativeamericanfathers.org/events)

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