

My name is Clell Pete, and I am an enrolled Goshute Indian. I have resided on the Goshute Indian Reservation, nearly all my life, but now I live here with my wife Charlene Pete.

The first time I left the reservation, is when I went to Stewart Boarding School in Carson City, Nevada. When I graduated Stewart Boarding School high school in 1966, I went home and herded sheep for my dad Leo Pete. Then one day I received a draft notice from the U.S. Army, but I did not want to go into the Army. So, with the help from my brother Harlan Pete, I enlisted into the United States Air Force in 1967. I was sent to boot camp in San Antonio, Texas- Lockland Air Force Base. After boot camp, I was sent to Shepherd Air Force in Wichita Falls, Texas for Tech School. I went there to become a Cargo Specialist First Class. After tech school, they sent me back to Utah for 30 days leave before they sent me to Vietnam. I was Honorably Discharged in the fall of 1969.

After my discharge, I applied and went to the Brigham Young University under my GI-Bill. At first I went full time, and then switched to part time after marrying my first wife Nancy Hornbuckle, and from there having children, so, I had to work part time to support my family. I graduated from BYU, receiving two diplomas, an A.A. in Physical Education and a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology.

Having received my education, we moved to Ibapah, and I applied for a job for Shop Foreman for the Goshute Enterprise. During that that time, I ran for Tribal Council and won a position, I received the position of Vice-Chairman.

It was after my two years at Ibapah, with my growing family, that I thought I should payback what I received from Stewart Boarding School. So, I applied for a teaching position at Stewart. I was hired as a Math Teacher. I worked for SBS until it closed its doors.

From Stewart, I moved to Fort Collins, Colorado and worked as a Fabricator. Then I decided to move to Boise, Idaho and worked for Idaho Transportation Department. Being fairly close to home from Idaho, I decided to move back home. As soon as I moved back to Ibapah, I applied for and got the position of Tribal Planner. By this point, I decided to live by the Goshute By-Laws and began running livestock. I still run livestock to this very day. After working as the Tribal Planner, I applied for work as a seasonal worker for Goshute Housing. The work I did for GHA was repair and maintenance on the homes in and around the reservation. It was around this time; I met and married my wife Charlene LaTelle- Pete.

During this time, myself and Larry Moon applied to build the Goshute Clinic. It was around this same time, I decided to run for our Tribal Council again, I won and sat on the council as a member. Having finished the Goshute Clinic, I applied for the position of Goshute Environmental Technician, then the Environmental Specialist, to the position that I now hold which is, Goshute Environmental Protection Department Director. All in all, this is the department I have worked in the longest, (almost 10 years) and feel that it is near and dear to me and especially all the accomplishments and achievements that my team, Genevieve Fields-Cultural Specialist and Marjle Greymountain-Environmental Technician. We are due to receive an award for our Water Quality Standard in Arizona this fall. I would also like to say thank you to our outside team, Steve Johnson-Consultant and Willard Chin-EPA/GAP Project Officer. Without our team, we wouldn't have been able to achieve this award.

So, it is with this background that I now apply, once again for the Goshute Tribal Council. I feel that I have a lot of experience and confidence to bring to the council table. Thank you for considering me as a candidate.

Sincerely, Clell Pete