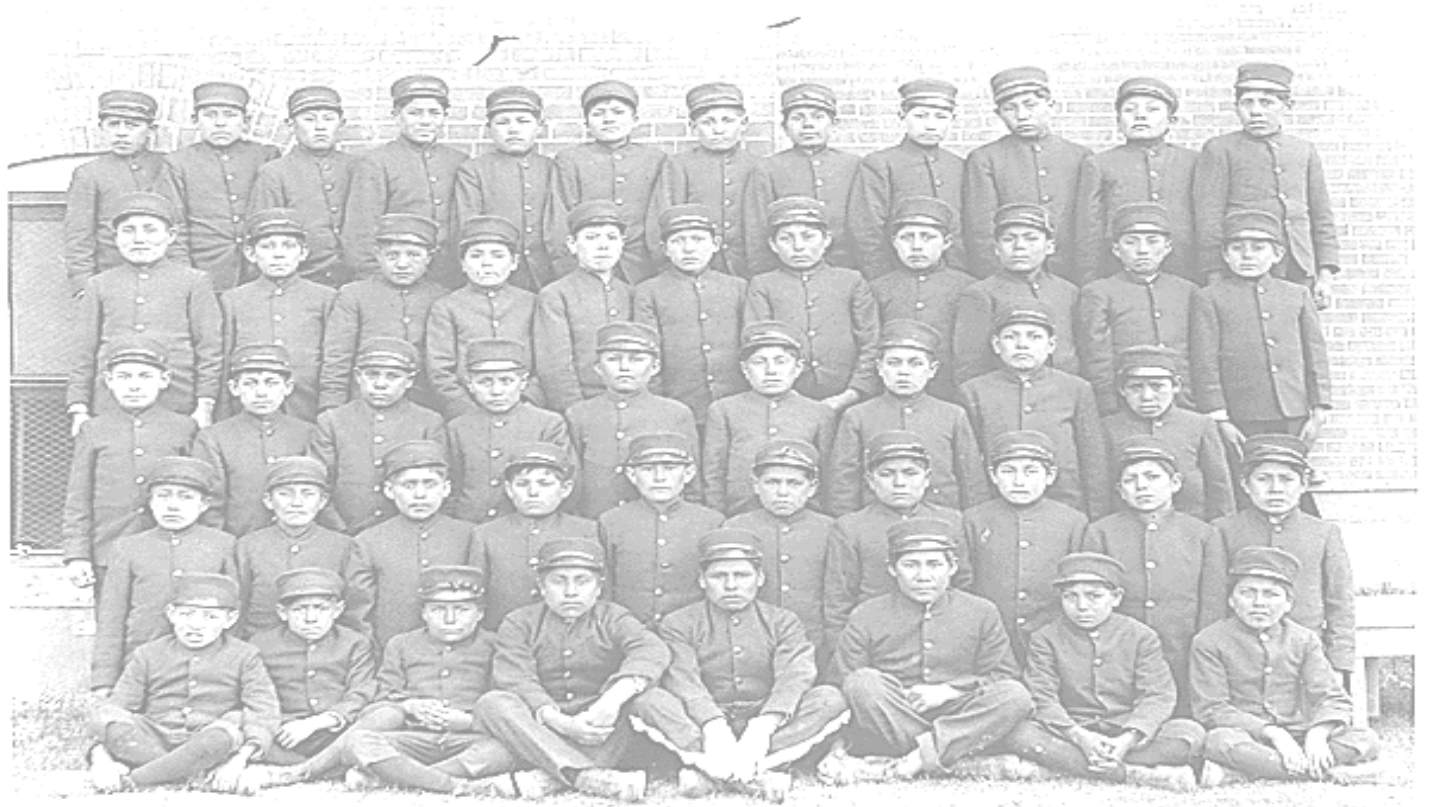


# **The 2009 Wellbriety Journey for Forgiveness comes to Albuquerque**

**Sunday, May 31 • 9am - 3pm  
Indian Pueblo Cultural Center  
2401 12th Street NW, Albuquerque NM 87104**

Join us for a presentation by Don Coyhis, President of White Bison, guest speakers, panel discussions, and a healing ceremony



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Healing the Boarding School Legacy...Yes, We Can!

**W**ellbriety Journey for Forgiveness, a national campaign to promote awareness, dialogue and forgiveness among Native peoples for the historical trauma, believed to be at the root of substance abuse, suicides and domestic violence plaguing Native American communities today is being planned for 2009.

**S**pearheaded by White Bison, a Colorado-based Native American 501©3 non-profit organization, the 2009 Wellbriety Journey for Forgiveness is a 40-day, 6,800 mile cross-country journey to 23 present and former Indian school sites. The cross-country journey will begin from Salem, Oregon on May 16th with its final visit to the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. on June 24th. Led by the Sacred Hoop of 100 Eagle Feathers, it will carry the message that historical trauma can be healed—and prevented from being passed on to yet another generation—through a willingness to “forgive the unforgivable”. Daylong workshops are planned at the school sites to share educational information about the schools, encourage open discussion in a facilitated Talking Circle format, and to conduct healing ceremonies involving local Tribal Elders and mental health professionals.

**W**hite Bison is asking for your help and support in making this event a success for your community - Albuquerque, NM. There are a number of ways you can help. We are soliciting donations from local businesses, Tribal entities, local casinos, Tribal community members to cover food catering for 100 people, refreshments for coffee breaks, including volunteers to assist at registration, handing out programs, assisting guests, etc. All donations would be recognized as donated from the respective establishment at this event. We are also seeking interested speakers to share the history, memories, stories, trauma & grief, and impact of local school on community. If you could contribute in any way please contact your local event Coordinator, Terri Clah @ (505) 730-0297.

You may also contact WHITE BISON if you are interested in helping us with this journey, contact White Bison @ 1-877-871-1495, or call 1-719-548-1000. Please feel free to visit the White Bison website at [www.whitebison.org](http://www.whitebison.org) for additional information.

