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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

### AARP HONORS SAC AND FOX ELDER AT OKC CEREMONY; MARY SPOONER ELLIS AMONG HONOREES



Mary Ellis, Marjorie Lyons, and W. Lee Hammond

Sac and Fox member Mary Spooner Ellis was recognized at AARP Oklahoma's first Indian Elder Honors November 17th in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Ellis has been an active member of the Sac and Fox Veterans Women's Auxiliary since its beginnings in the 1950's. In her earlier days she was one of the tribe's traditional cooks, and is possibly one of the longest active/serving elders (42 years).

Many family members and friends were on hand to show their love and respect for such a dedicated servant and leader for the Sac and Fox Nation. Mary's kindness and generosity will always be an inspiration for those who know this great lady.

Cherokee Ballard served as the Mistress of Ceremonies. A member of the Cherokee Nation, Ms. Ballard is spokesperson for the Oklahoma Medical Examiner's Office and a former award-winning television journalist. Ms. Ballard is also considered a friend of many in the Sac and Fox Nation. After the ceremony, Cherokee took time to join in a picture with Mary, family, and friends from the Sac and Fox Nation.

Fifty American Indian Elder Honorees were recognized from more than 30 tribes at the event which featured the Oklahoma Fancy Dancers and attended by several hundred people.

The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers entertained the audience with an assortment of different dances, and a large Buffet Dinner was served. The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers danced with several from the audience while the food was being served.

Among the honorees were authors, poets, educators, chiefs, and governors, elders who have kept their cultures alive by saving traditional dance and language, those who have fought for federal recognition of their tribes and nations and veterans - - - including the last surviving Native American from the Bataan Death March.



#### 2009 SAC AND FOX NATION SPECIAL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING ALLOCATION PLAN BUDGETS

On November 21, 2009, Chief George Thurman, Principal Chief of the Sac and Fox Nation called for a Special Governing Council Meeting in the Community Building on the Sac and Fox Reservation at 10 a.m. in Stroud, Oklahoma. The purpose of the meeting was the Allocation Plan Budgets.

The meeting started at 11:30 p.m. when the quorum of 60 was met. The Veterans (Dennis Jennings and Elmer Walker) posted the colors and Mary Osburn opened with prayer.

Several announcements were acknowledged: Stella Wilson - Senior Woman of the Year, H. D. Wood - Senior Man of the Year, and Mary (Spooner) Ellis AARP Award Honoree. Congratulations!

All of the Directors, Brad Chumly (Investment Broker for the Sac and Fox Nation), and Michael Cox (Partner of 4 Him Construction) were introduced to the Council and visitors. The Directors were in attendance to answer questions about their departments, Brad Chumly was on hand to answer questions concerning investments, and Michael Cox was on hand to answer any questions concerning the Chapel.

Those in attendance were entertained with the showing of the 2009 Traditional Sac and Fox Nation Pow-Wow. The cooks prepared a delicious breakfast and lunch.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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MONDAY, DEC.  
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SAC AND FOX  
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BOARD, INC. HAS  
CALLED FOR A  
SHAREHOLDERS  
MEETING ON  
SATURDAY,  
JANUARY 30, 2010  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
SFN COMMUNITY  
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STROUD, OK  
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December, '09 SF News  
Article

Tribal members,

Tis the season.....  
December is the month that  
we celebrate our Lord and  
Savior's birth, so please

keep Christ within the word Christmas as you  
enjoy this holiday season! I wish everyone a  
very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
2010!

Our Sac and Fox Nation government has  
always recognized the freedom of religion for  
every tribal citizen to worship as they are led.  
We start every Business Committee,  
Governing Council, committee(s)  
meetings, and ceremony with prayer  
asking for guidance, wisdom, and  
mercy from our Creator. {Psalm 67}  
I am asking that our entire membership join  
me daily in prayer for our tribal government.  
{Psalm 55: 17,22}

Tribal news.....

Your Business Committee met November 16<sup>th</sup>  
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## Native American Indian Heritage Month observed

By Stacy A. Ouellette

Public Affairs Specialist

District Employees gathered to observe Native American Indian Heritage Month at the Clifford Davis-Odell Horton Federal Building, Nov. 13.

Sandra Kaye Massey and Vera Grant, two members of the Sac and Fox Nation, provided a presentation on their tribal history and demonstration of Native American Indian games.



Vera Grant explains a Native American Indian game to attendees.  
Courtesy photo by Stacy A. Ouellette

"By having these types of events, we are able to show our employees the diversity in our workforce," said Jennifer Thompson, District Equal Employment Opportunity Office Chief.

"We have three confirmed employees of Native American Indian descent so it is important to recognize everyone's contribution to the District," she added.

District Archeologist Jimmy McNeil and District Tribal Liaison, Dr. Robert Dunn work regularly with the tribe and assisted Thompson in organizing the event.

During her presentation, Massey explained how the Sac and Fox culture is based upon spirituality and relationships. There are a variety of different relationships that tie those within the nation together.

"Vera and I are sisters within our tribe, yet are not in the conventional sense as you

would assume," Massey said.

"Due to our relationships we are considered sisters and I am a grandmother also to her grandchildren, although I've never physically had a daughter or son," she added.

The Sauk and Fox nations were separate nations, who joined together in the 1700s. Today, they are known as the Sac and Fox. Their culture is based upon respect for the life within themselves, their families and communities and all creation.

The exhibit in the north lobby tells "The Story of the Twelve Boys." When the Twelve Boys went out to find food and water they could find was nothing. Each boy elected to serve his people in the form of gifts to benefit his people.

"The Story of the Twelve Boys was produced by the Sac and Fox Nation in partnership with the Missouri Humanities Council as part of the nation 'We the People' initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities," Dunn said

Massey is enrolled with the Sac and Fox Nation and serves as its Historic Preservation Officer. She learned of her tribal history and tradition from her grandparents, Henry and Mamie Butler Scott, who served the tribe as Second Chief and Senior Woman of the Year, respectively.

Her mother is Henrietta Scott Massey, Cultural Resources Secretary, a Senior Woman of the Year, and Language Preservationist. Henrietta's middle brother, Francis "Chibe" Scott, also served on the Cultural Resources Committee and as a language preservationist and was one of the two men who remembered The Story of the Twelve Boys presented in the Sac and Fox "Homelands" exhibit .

Grant is a Sac and Fox tribal member who grew up in Shawnee, Okla., where she spent much time with her grandmother, Jane Butler Foster, and grandfather, Grover Foster. Foster is the second man who remembered "The Story of the Twelve Boys."

Vera's presentation included examples of her ribbon work, crafted in Sac and Fox designs as taught to her by her grandmother. She also demonstrated the "Indian dice" game still popular among the Sac and Fox people today.

Vera currently works as a nurse at the Black Hawk Health Center, the tribal clinic where she has served the Sac and Fox Nation for 25 years.

Native American Indian Month is celebrated yearly in November. This year's theme was Understanding Native American Heritage, Now and Then.

The exhibit will remain in the North Lobby until Nov. 30. For more information please contact Thompson at (901) 544-3501.



Sandra Kaye Massey speaks to attendees about the Sac & Fox as part of the District's National Native American Indian Observance, held at the Clifford Davis-Odell Horton Federal Building, Nov. 13. Courtesy photo by Jimmie McNeil

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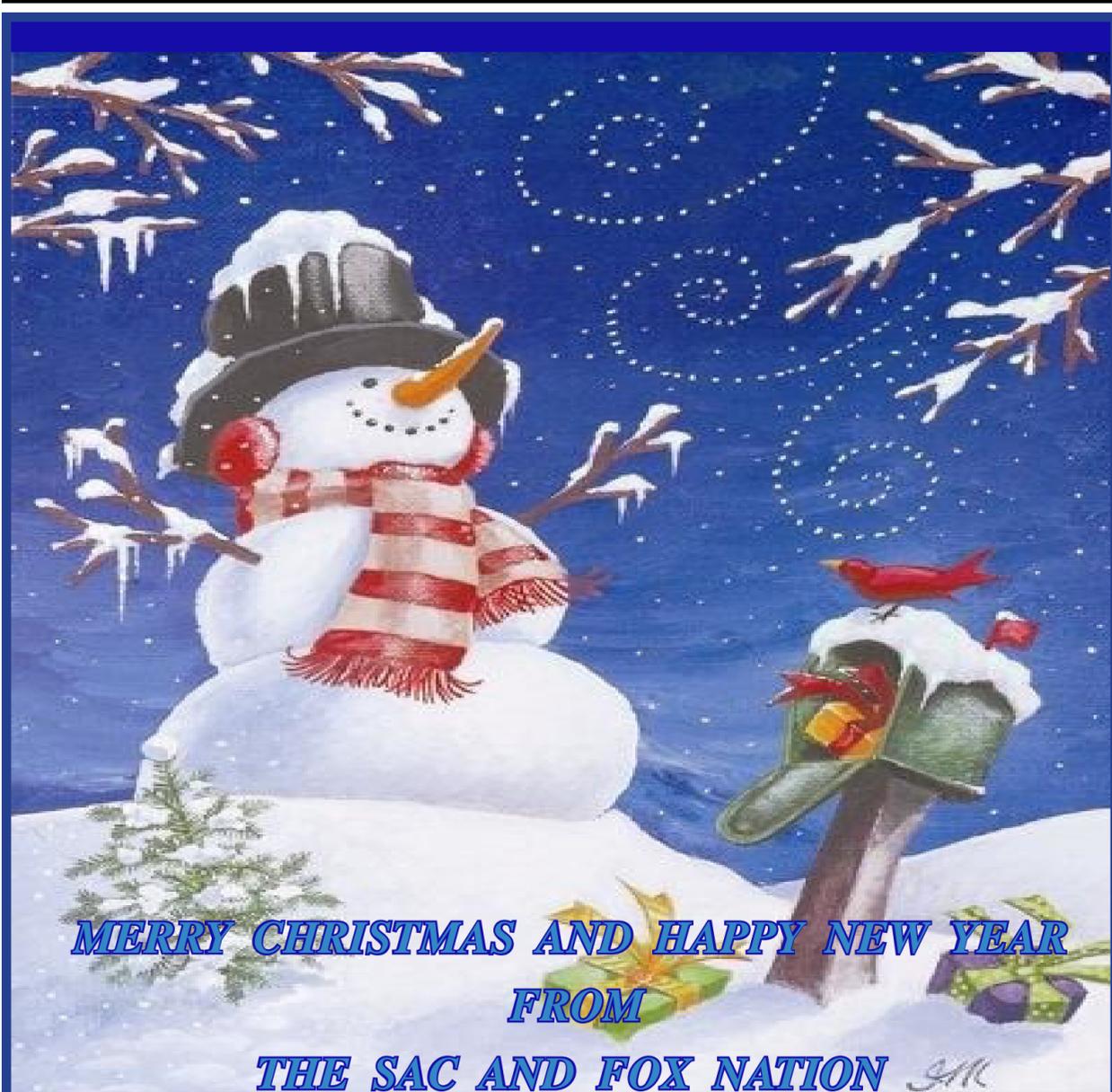
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**DRAKE REED AND ACEY MURPHY**

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Two Davenport Students from the school's Title VII Indian Education Program, attended the UCO College Career Fair for Native American Students Tuesday November 10, 2009.

**Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Member and high school senior Acey Murphy**, along with Drake Reed, freshman and Pawnee Nation Tribal Member participated in various workshops throughout the day to prepare them for college admissions, scholarships, scholastic opportunity, interview techniques, and career previews.

Acey and Drake joined over 500 other Native American high school students from schools across the state for this event.

Acey is currently making application to attend the Academy of Contemporary Music at the University of Central Oklahoma or otherwise known as the "School of Rock" this next fall as a guitar player.

**Veteran's All - Gourd Dance**

Saturday, November 14, 2009

Head Staff:

MC : Francis Grant

Head Gourd Dancer: Warren Hunter

Head Singer: J. Paul Wilson & Wildhorse

The event was sponsored by The Sac and Fox Nation Veterans.

Anita Stevens provided a stunning arrangement of pictures that reflected the remembrance of the Sac and Fox soldiers that lost their lives serving our country, and pictures of Sac and Fox soldiers serving our nation today.

The Veterans posted the colors and Francis Grant gave the prayer before the singing and dancing begun.

Raffle tickets were given out as you entered the building and many gifts were drawn during the dance. Chance tickets were also bought for different items and were drawn during the dance. The Veterans concession stand had several different food and drink items for those who danced up an appetite. Raffle tickets for a drawing that will take place at the Christmas Pow-Wow were also sold.

The All-Gourd Dance is a very poignant ceremony in remembrance of the lives lost during the different wars of the past and present. The dance is also a way of showing respect and honor to those in the armed forces today, and the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans.

The All-Gourd Dance depicts a coming together with family members and community to show respect and honor through songs and dance.

The singing and dancing was amazing, and the shawls that the women wore were absolutely beautiful. One of the mothers wore a shawl that depicted what division of the armed forces her son is serving, and a picture button of the soldier pinned to her shawl. Wow, the shawl definitely showed the honor, respect, and love this mother had for her son.

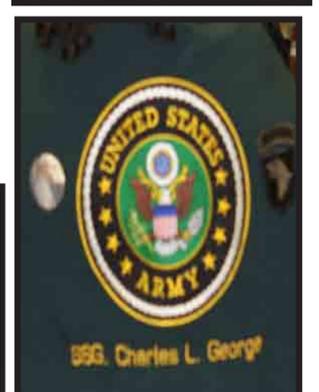
Young and old joined in the singing and dancing with such unity that gave respect and honor to those who have served this country. The unity reflected the stance the men and women took to protect their families and this great nation.

J. Paul Wilson & Wildhorse performed the music and singing for the dance with a lot of emotion reflecting the honor and respect for those who gave their life for such a great cause protecting our nation.



Top row: Sac and Fox Veterans  
Bottom row are guests:  
Juan - Columbia, Yutaro - Japan, Chi Hye Kin - South Korea, Jason - South Korea  
Jennifer Reynolds brought the students from the Shawnee English Institute. Jennifer is not in the picture.

**Pictures taken at the All-Gourd Veterans Dance:**





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# CHRISTMAS POW-WOW

**Saturday**  
**December 19, 2009**

**Sac and Fox Community Building**  
**Stroud, Oklahoma**

<b>M.C.</b>	<b>Jamie Noble</b>
<b>Head Singer</b>	<b>Jeff Wilson</b>
<b>Head Boy</b>	<b>Harrison Spang</b>
<b>Head Girl</b>	<b>Cherokee Brown</b>
<b>Co-Host</b>	<b>Sac and Fox Veterans</b>
<b>A.D.</b>	<b>William Pennock</b>

**SPECIAL GUEST WILL ARRIVE AT 7:30 pm!**

**BIG RAFFLE DRAWING - 9:00pm**

**\$1.00 per ticket - Need Not Be Present To Win**

DVD Player	Gift Basket	Comforter Set -Queen
Comforter Set/Full	Village Dress	Ribbon Shirt
Ribbon Work Chair	Brass Kettle	Fringe Wrap Shawl
Pendleton Blanket	Big Kid Toy	\$25 Casino Cash (4)
\$100.00 Gift Card (3)	\$50.00 Gift Card (3)	\$25.00 Gift Card (2)
32" Flat Screen TV	Wooden Bowl/Spoon	Ribbon Work Shawl

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## Happy December Birthday to the Following Elders!

ANNA ROSA TULLY	RAYMOND H. PRICE
ELIZABETH EXENDINE	ROBERT DALE GOKEY
NATOMA EMMA HUFFMAN	SUNNY HOPE ERICKSON
MARVINE WALKER BOSWELL	DENNIS JENNINGS
LEE ROY LONGSHORE	JAMES E. ALLEN
MARY ALICE PAYNE	JOHN DAVID LOGAN
HOWARD MIKE BARADA	BARBARA LOU REEVES
LAWRENCE KAHBEAH, SR.	LETHA DIANE MOATS
JOHNNIE MAE TALLBEAR	NANCY L. NULLAKE
RICHARD ALLEN THORPE	PEGGY A. ELLIS
HELEN LITTLETON	MARY ALICE WOOD
CLYDE BENJAMIN DAVIS	DONNA K. MCALLISTER
CARROL A. HAHN	CANDACE HOWARD
RICHARD C. CLARK	LINDA SLICK
VIRGINIA WAKOLEE-FIXICO	GINGER WOODALL
LINDA E. ELLERMANN	MABLE WALTON
DAVID LEE JONES	JAMES JOHN SPOON
DONALD LEE TYNER	MARY NANCY FLOYD
FORENCE SPAID	SAHARON SAULSBERRY
CURTIS WAKOLEE	DONNA LOUISE MERRELL
PENNY FAILES	SHERRIS JEAN MYERS
ANTHONY MACK	CHARLES DELLACALCE
LORETTA BIGBOW	MICHAEL E. JENNINGS
JAMES LEON WALKER	LYDIA FANNIE MCCONNELL
JAMES GOKEY	FRANCES JO TOPAUM
SHIRLEY WHITTINGTON	DEBORAH LEE PRIMEAUX
GENEVA DETWEILER	REGINA HUGHES
GEORGE HENRY GIBBS, JR.	BETTINA CONALIS-STANDISH
DELORES BYFORD	MARSHA C. MCLAIN
TAWANA GUTEIRREZ	MICHAEL O'BRIEN
BARBARA J. FIELDS	DARA JEAN TURNER
DAVID NELSON PENNOCK III	MARY ELIZABETH HARJO
THOMAS G. ALLEN, SR.	YVONNE LOUISE GALLAGHER
BERT WILEY GIBBS, SR.	PAMELA ANN MCCLELLAND
	MICKY LONGSHORE



We apologize if we left anyone off the list.  
Please let us know so we can add you to the next issue.  
Please call the Sac & Fox News. Thank You!

### A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU !!!

A very special thank you to my sister Anita Stevens, for helping cook for Moms birthday dinner. I could not have done it without you. You are such a blessing to our family!!!!

Love forever Sis, Tammy Jo

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAD !!**  
**LOVE**  
**MAGGIE**

### A VERY BIG THANK YOU!!!

To all the friends and relatives who helped us celebrate our mom and grandmother (Mary Lee Brown) at her surprise birthday party.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts,  
With all our love, Cody, Tammy, and Cherokee Brown

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY NEPHEW**  
**MIKE HARRIS**  
**KEEP ON KEEPING ON!!!**  
**LOVE, TAMMY JO & CHEROKEE**

You are cordially invited to attend the Sac and Fox National Public Library's

# ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

**Friday, December 18, 2009**

**11:00 am to 1:00pm**

**Sac and Fox National Public Library**  
**5.5 miles south of Stroud on Hwy 99/377**

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Sac & Fox Traditional meal to be provided:

- = Corn Soup = Pork & Potatoes = Squash & Corn =
- Fry Bread = Relish Tray = Cheese & Crackers
- = Cake + Punch =

**DOOR PRIZES + MUSIC + FOOD = FUN! FUN! FUN!**

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME AND CELEBRATE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON WITH GOOD FOOD AND CHEER.

Sponsored by the Sac and Fox National Public Library.  
Contact: Anita Stevens at 918-968-3526, ext. 1061.



**SPECIAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

**Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee Meeting held the 10th day of November, 2009.**

**These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.**

1. Accepted the minutes of the August 14, 2009 Special Business Meeting. (Vote: George - Yes, Cheryl - Abstain, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes)
2. Approved the request from the Stroud Chamber of Commerce to use the Activity Center on Thursday, March 25, 2010, the rental fee of \$250 to be paid out of Public Relations. (Vote: Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes)
3. Tabled the Indirect Cost Budget to the 12/8/09 Special Business Committee Meeting with directives for the CFO to provide the Business Committee with 'all' financial information regarding the budget; including projected revenues at the new Indirect Cost Rate by close of business on the 19th of November. The Treasurer will clarify for the CFO & TA on this budget. (Vote: Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes)
4. Tabled the General Operating Budget Modification #2 with the same stipulations as the IDC tabled budget by consensus.
5. Approved **Resolution SF-10-19**, a resolution approving the Sac and Fox Nation's Fiscal Year 2010 individual line items for the 0.5% Donations to Charitable Organizations and the 1% Local Government Operations from the Net Gaming Revenues referenced in Resolution SF/GC-10-02.
6. Approved **Resolution SF-10-20**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and 4 HIM Construction/Michael Cox, the funding source is identified as the Continuing Resolution SF/GC-10-03, Revenue Allocation Plan Chapel Committee budget for Fiscal Year 2010 per Contract #2009-10-06, not to exceed \$13,066.00. (Vote: Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes)
7. Authorized the Principal Chief to sign the Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement for fiscal years (FY) ending September 30, 2008, 2009, and 2010 at the rates of 49.62% for FY08, 34.21% for FY09, and 42.92% for FY10, agreement tracking # 2009-11-01, per the National Business Center letter dated 11-3-2009. (Vote: George - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes)
8. Approved the amended agreement for Catalyst Rx Medicare Part D, for contract #2008-04-017a, originally approved by Resolution SF-09-75 on November 12, 2008. (Vote: Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes)
9. Approved **Resolution SF-10-21**, a resolution authorizing and approving the Express Scripts Network agreement for the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Center Pharmacy, per contract #2009-10-03. (Vote: Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes)
10. Approved **Resolution SF-10-22**, a resolution authorizing and approving the Mor-Va! Healthcare agreement for the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center Pharmacy, per contract #2009-10-04. (Vote: Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes)
11. Approved the ICW request to hold the Minors Per Capita monies in their trust funds for the minors that are in long term out of home placements, and that the TA look at incorporating this into policy. (Vote: Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes)
12. Approved the request from the Shawnee Casino to purchase a Sac and Fox Nation flag to fly in their parking lot. (Vote: George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes)

- Yes, Stella - Yes)

13. Approved directives to the Finance and Enrollment departments to release the Per Capita payments from the Fiscal Year 2009 Net Gaming Revenues on November 20, 2009 to tribal members in accordance with the Revenue Allocation Plan and that any pending payments be released every Friday thereafter until the process is complete. (Vote: Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes)
14. Approved Administrative Leave for employees from 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. on November 25, 2009 and December 23, 2009 (the holiday lunches will begin at 12:00, leave will only be authorized for those employees signing in for the lunch and signing out when the clean-up is complete.) (Vote: Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - No, Cheryl - Yes)
15. By consensus of the Business Committee, all Directors with a request for FY2010 RAP funding are required to be at the Governing Council Meeting on Saturday, November 21, 2009. (The TA will send notification to the appropriate persons.)
16. Approved a new Acknowledgment of Responsibility as part of Appendix B, Exhibit 4 of the Travel Regulations and Policies which shall read: "If within thirty (30) calendar days from the ending date of travel, I fail to complete the actual travel form and attach the required items or I fail to pay back the balance due after completing the actual travel form, as an employee or elected official of the Sac and Fox Nation, I authorize the Finance Department to deduct the full amount remaining unliquidated from my paycheck or direct deposit at the next period's pay." And that this paragraph will replace the 5th paragraph of the Acknowledgement of Responsibility and the form is to comply with the Travel Regulations and Policies as established in the FMS Manual as approved by the Business Committee. (Vote: Stella - Yes, George - Yes, Cheryl - No, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes)
17. Approved to provide Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) financial assistance to the City of Prague for the React Ambulance Services from FY2010 RAP Local Government Operations budget. (Vote: George - Yes, Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes)
18. Approved the request to donate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) from the FY2010 RAP Donations to Charitable Organizations budget to the United States Marines Toys for Tots Drive. (Vote: Cheryl - Yes, Jackie - Yes, Randle - Yes, Stella - Yes, George - Yes)

**The following actions were taken after Executive Session:**

19. By consensus of the Business Committee; they will seek advice from the Tribal Attorney regarding the memo from the Tax Director dated 11/4/2009 and the Treasurer is authorized to send a follow-up letter.
20. By consensus of the Business Committee: upheld a PAN as recommended by the Human Resources Director in a memo dated 11/10/2009.

The following items were tabled:

FY10 IDC Budget	tabled to 12/8/09 SBCM
FY10 General Operating Budget Mod #1	tabled to 12/8/09 SBCM
FY10 EPA Clean Water Act Budgets	tabled to 11/24/09 RBCM
FY10 FDPIR Budget	tabled to 11/24/09 RBCM
CY 09 Special Diabetes Budget Mod #2	tabled to 11/24/09 RBCM
Riverside Indian School LOA	tabled for clarification

The meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

**Integrated Resource Management Plan Survey** Name (optional):

**The Vision: Bringing tribal departments together to work as one unit to improve, protect and nurture the culture, land, water, air and wildlife in harmony with the people of the Sac and Fox nation for future generations to come.**

Please answer the following survey questions; it is important to know your opinion to help the IRMP team develop a plan right for the tribe.

1. What would you like to see happen with tribal lands? (Circle all that apply)
  - a. Conserve resources
  - b. Preserve wildlife habitats
  - c. Develop into farm land
  - d. Build housing, retail and casinos
  - e. Leave it alone, keep the land the way it is.
  - f. Build recreational areas (Fishing areas, walking paths, hiking trails, challenge course, golf course, community park, skate park)
2. Do you feel unwelcome or excluded from using land owned by the tribe?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
3. Do you hunt, fish or gather on tribal land?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
4. How satisfied are you with the way tribal lands are being used currently?
 

\*With (0) meaning not satisfied and (10) being very satisfied.

Please circle one: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
5. Would you like to see preservation or controlled sites to bring back indigenous species of plants or animals important to the tribe or land?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
6. Would you like to see the tribe develop environmental codes to protect the land and animals from illegal activity on tribal land?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
7. Do you feel there is a need for a food development project or garden in your community?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
8. Are you concerned with current or future development around traditional

areas and/or ceremonial sites?

a. Yes

b. No

9. How concerned are you with air quality within the Sac and Fox boundaries?

\*With (0) meaning not concerned and (10) being very concerned.

Please circle one: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

10. How concerned are you with water quality within the Sac and Fox boundaries?

\*With (0) meaning not concerned and (10) being very concerned.

Please circle one: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

11. How concerned are you with global warming?

\*With (0) meaning not concerned and (10) being very concerned.

Please circle one: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

12. Do you think global warming is ...

a. Human caused

b. Natural

c. Human and natural caused

d. Is a joke, it isn't real

13. The tribe is currently creating a recycling center, would you like to see a solid waste dump created as well?

a. Yes

b. No

14. In the future would you like to see the tribe pursue possession of additional land?

a. Yes

b. No

15. Is it important to you that the tribe follow up on leased property to ensure the conditions and use of the land is being followed according to lease agreements?

a. Yes

b. No

**Please share any additional comments or concerns you may have, Please use the space provided below.**

\*\* Please return to the Office of Environmental Services\*\*

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## The Sac and Fox in Indian Territory

In November 1869 the Sac and Fox arrived in Indian Territory after a series of removals instigated by the American government. Homelands had been lost and stewardship over great spaces of land ended. The Sac and Fox would later return as a presence in the homelands but would never again live in them as a people; however, the spirit of the people lives on and changed the adversity of removal to the achievement of perseverance with tribal identity strong.

**Roaming.** According to his *Autobiography*, Black Hawk said the Sauk nation first came from the Montreal area of Canada, where his grandfather Nanamakee had been born. The Sauk and the Meskwaki lived beside the Saint Lawrence Seaway and entered what is now the United States along the eastern coast. For a time the Meskwaki (Algonquin) lived within the Iroquois Confederacy in a two mile by two mile area near the town currently known as Leicester, formerly known as Leister, in Livingston County, New York, in the vicinity of Mt. Morris. The area is now known as "Squakie Hill".

Oral history also says the Sac and the Fox met the pilgrims who arrived at Plymouth Rock in Massachusetts in 1620.

Two related but separate tribes, the Sauk (the people of the yellow earth) and the Meskwaki (the people of the red earth) allied in 1734 after the Fox Wars and have thereafter been known as one tribe, the Sac and Fox, although both retain their individual tribal identities and customs. Sac and Fox historic presence includes the states of New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Michigan (where "Saginaw" means "home of the Sauk"), Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma.

During Black Hawk's time the Sac and Fox lived in Rock Island, Illinois. The tribe forced the Illini (now the Peoria) out of the area in 1769 and lived there for nearly a century. Black Hawk was born there and his description of the wide territorial range states that the Sac and Fox occupied or oversaw all the land from Portage Des Sioux in Missouri to Wisconsin.

President Thomas Jefferson felt that tribal use wasted so many hundreds of miles of land that could be used for agriculture and devised a plan to procure property. The trading posts set up and furnished items on credit to the tribes for their large hunts and for the winter with payment in furs. However, tribes never received full credit for the value of the furs and to settle their debt the trading posts encouraged them to sign away land.

In 1804 the Sac and Fox were one of the first tribes encountered by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark during their famous expedition, which began at Wood River, located at the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

1804 also marks the year that changed everything for the Sac and Fox.

What the original cause may have been differs by account, but Sac and Fox warriors killed four trappers by the Cuivre River in Missouri. The American government through the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, demanded that the Sac and Fox responsible be delivered to the agency in St. Louis, Missouri.

The Sac and Fox complied, sending a delegation with the responsible parties to "cover the blood", a tribal custom that provided for the families of persons slain by the tribe. The tribal leaders fully expected the return of the warriors, and the delegation had no other authority than to escort and offer the provisions. They ended up ceding the lands by Rock Island by signing the Treaty of 1804.

Black Hawk protested this action as invalid, and his conviction led to *Resistance*.



### HOLIDAY HOURS

The Black Hawk Health Center will close at **12 noon on Wednesday, November 25** for the **THANKSGIVING** holiday and will **re-open Monday, November 30**.

Please check your medications in advance to be sure you have enough to last through this time. For your convenience, and to reduce your wait times for **prescription refills**, please call **1-866-968-0068** up to one week in advance of the day you wish to pick up your medications; in doing so you will not have to wait for the pharmacy to process your refill.

The Black Hawk Health Center will close at **12 noon on Wednesday, December 23** for the **CHRISTMAS** holiday and will re-open **Monday, December 28**.

Likewise, please check your medications ahead of time and call for refills in advance. This will help you save time during the busy holiday season.

**IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY DURING THE TIME THE CLINIC IS CLOSED GO TO:**

**CARL ALBERT INDIAN HEALTH FACILITY, ADA**

OR

**OKEMAH COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, OKEMAH.**

### Veterans Information Requested

The Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Organization is requesting information for all Sac and Fox Veterans. We have compiled a list of veterans who have volunteered their information. We are in the construction phase of the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial project which will be located on the reservation (just north of the new Chapel). We want to get as many names as possible to include in the memorial project to recognize our tribal veterans.

Please complete the attached form for yourself or any Sac and Fox veteran that you know of and return to: Anita Stevens, Sac and Fox Nation, Route 2, Box 246, Stroud, OK, 74079.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank at time of discharge: \_\_\_\_\_

War or Conflict?  Yes  No If yes, name: \_\_\_\_\_

Retired Military?  Yes  No

Medals/Honors/Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

### HELP WANTED!

#### SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITES

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF JOB VACANCIES WITH THE SAC & FOX NATION:

LANGUAGE COORDINATOR  
PHYSICAL THERAPIST  
(as of December, 2009)

Applicants must successfully pass an OSBI/National background check and drug screen. Preference in hiring is given to qualified Native Americans. Applicants claiming Indian Preference must provide a copy of their CDIB. For more information and to learn how to apply please visit our website at:

[www.sacandfoxnation.com](http://www.sacandfoxnation.com)

or contact Human Resources, Sac and Fox Nation, Rt. 2 Box 246, Stroud, OK 74079 or by phone (918) 968-3526



Cheryl McClellan  
[secondchief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov]

Season's Greetings!

The end of 2009 will be here soon. Hope you enjoy the holiday season with your family and friends.

For most of the past two years, I have been listening to and addressing the concerns, issues, and complaints from tribal citizens. These matters are confidential in nature and cannot be discussed. As an elected official, my concern is for long-term solutions to these issues, and my goal is to reinforce an infrastructure that will ensure we have a stable, thriving, sovereign government for our children, and our generations not yet born. For example, the latest source of revenue to our tribal members, per cap payments, is not an end in itself. True, we need to make full use of the opportunities provided by casinos. We also need to pursue other economic development opportunities. Protecting our status as a sovereign nation is an on-going situation and requires awareness and knowledge of laws and regulations passed at the federal, state, and city governments. Generating revenue that can be used to enhance tribal programs to benefit all tribal citizens, regardless of where we reside, could alleviate some of the issues raised by tribal citizens.

**Housing.** In April, I completed the Self-Monitoring Audit for our Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation for FY2008. This is a tool used to enhance internal improvement of organization procedures. I will be conducting the Follow-up audit before the close of calendar year 2009. As a TDHE (tribally designated housing entity), HASFN staff is preparing for their own FY2009 audit, while also diligently working to close audit findings from the years 2001 – 2007.

For those individuals who are on the waiting lists for housing needs or repairs, please keep in mind that the Force Account Crew gets the houses 'ready' for move-in and also does the approved home repairs. Depending on the condition of the house, this work averages 3 months per house, usually longer. Per housing procedures, the priority of the waiting lists is dependent on several factors such as elders, veterans, need, etc. With the completion of the new maintenance building across the street from Housing on Harrison, HASFN plans to increase their work crews.

The SFN Police request for computer upgrades was not included in the approved IT portion of the RAP budget. While less expensive laptops are available, the cheaper computers are slower and are not capable of handling the software programs necessary in security work. The approved budget for the police department that was approved allows for the purchase of other necessary security equipment. SFN Police are committed to responding to the needs and protection of the citizens; the response may be slower than we would like. None of us want a situation within SFN jurisdiction that occurred in Seminole earlier this year. To address the drug situations within our SFN jurisdiction, and the related crimes, our police force is teaming with our neighboring tribes, Potawatomie, Absentee Shawnee, and Kickapoo, to re-establish the Tribal Drug Task Force to become more effective in addressing crimes in our housing complexes and also to share information.

**Health.** Pam Kushmaul is the Health Director for Black Hawk Health Center. Filling this key leadership position is key to addressing the issues and concerns being raised regarding BHC services. True, more available dollars, and more effective use of available dollars will assist in better serving our BHC patients. One immediate area Ms. Kushmaul addressed was the work-in/walk-in situation. Ms. Kushmaul and her staff are doing what they can to see all patients. Complaints and issues can be used to improve the current way of doing business, and myself and Ms. Kushmaul appreciate your input.

**Assistant Secretary of Interior, Larry Echohawk.** In October, the Pawnee Nation hosted a Listening Conference with Asst. Sec. Echohawk. With the hospitalization of Principal Chief Thurman, I participated on the panel discussion, "Oklahoma Water Rights", along with David Gover (Native American Rights Fund), Robert Tippeconnie (Comanche Nation), and Susan Work (Hobbs, Straus). We spoke on the project we have actively pursued for the last 2 years regarding the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan. My talking points are listed below.

- Thank you to the Pawnee Nation, under the leadership of President Howell, for hosting this historic event. Greetings and a hearty welcome to Asst. Sec. Echohawk. I also want to relay the deep regrets of the Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief Thurman for not being able to attend today.
- The state of Oklahoma is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Water Plan, which is an analysis of OK water issues, resulting in a 50-year water plan to be voted on by the state legislature in 2011. The state process includes local and regional "input meetings", giving the citizens of Oklahoma the opportunity to provide input to the water planning needs of Oklahoma. The OK Governor has empowered the state agency, the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, the authority to move this input forward to the state legislature as recommendation for policy.
- At NCAI in 2007, water issues at the national level were discussed via the Indian Land Working Group/ Indian Water Working Group. Oklahoma tribes gathered and determined that we needed to convene and become familiar with up-to-date tribal water rights issues.
- The Sac and Fox Nation hosted two "Oklahoma Tribal Water Rights Summits" for tribal leaders. Both summits were held in Shawnee and about 20 tribes were represented. Oklahoma is unique, not just because we have 38 recognized tribes, each with its own treaty and jurisdiction, but our state is split – the eastern half of the state has riparian water rights, and the western half of the state falls under the prior appropriation system. We felt it was important that we educate ourselves, to get on the same page, in order to be better prepared to protect our sovereign rights as

tribes.

- The outcome of those water summits was the concern that the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan did not recognize the sovereign status of tribes, and more importantly, did not even address the tribal water rights retained by tribes. The consensus of the tribes represented at those water summits was that tribal members should be warned that the state may construe the sign-in attendance at the OWRB input meetings by tribal members participating in the input meetings, that their participation constituted the government-to-government dialogue required by our tribal sovereign status. It was also decided that tribes would send "letters of assertion" to the OK Governor, asserting tribal water rights within our tribal jurisdiction. The tribes also voiced a need for more education regarding tribal water rights.
- The 1980 version of the OK Water Plan stated (I'm paraphrasing) that Indian reservations did not exist within the borders of OK; therefore there was no tribal water rights issue. The 1995 version of the water plan recognized the 'need' to resolve Indian water rights. We, the Indian tribes of OK, have made some progress!
- Another result of the water summits was the appointment by the OWRB of Lindsey Robertson, Indian Law Faculty Director at the University of Oklahoma, as a liaison to facilitate tribal-state dialogue. Professor Robertson is not representing the state, nor is he conducting government-to-government dialogue. Professor Robertson is tasked with writing Chapter 7 of the OK Water Plan to serve as a resource for state legislature and policymakers. Professor Robertson's working group hosted three educational Tribal Water Workshops, held in Shawnee hosted by Citizen Potawatomie, Catoosa hosted by Cherokee, and Lawton hosted by Comanche.
- The themes of the Water Plan to-date are
  1. Balancing Supply and Demand
  2. Water Conservation
  3. Water Availability
  4. Surface-Ground Water Relationships
  5. Land Use Practices
  6. Water Sales and Transfers
  7. Inter-Governmental Water Resource Management (this is the chapter addressing sovereign tribal water rights)
  8. Inter-Agency Water Resource Management
  9. Stakeholder Involvement and Conflict Management
  10. Consideration of Local and Regional Issues in the State Plan
 It is important that the Indian tribes be involved in the discussion of the OK water issues, and be aware of the water planning that is taking place. Yet, the state has made a conscious effort to not address tribes as sovereigns, and we are being excluded in this water planning effort.
- Using myself as an example, I was considered a participant of the local input meetings. After the water summit, and because of my position as Second Chief, I relinquished my position as a participant of the OWRB input meetings but I am allowed to attend the meetings as an "anonymous observer" – not allowed to speak or participate. I continue to attend, and encourage other tribes to attend, to gain the information on the issues and concerns resulting in the OWRB water planning meetings. The next step in the state's process is the Town Hall being planned for May 2010.
- I request your attention on these points:
  1. Because the state's process for the OK Water Plan is being restricted to 150 individuals who have participated in the Local and Regional Input Meetings to date, the Indian Nations are automatically eliminated from the Town Hall discussions where recommendations to the State Legislature will be generated. Please use your influence to give Indian Nations an opportunity to participate in the Town Hall and recommendation process for the OK Water Plan.
  2. With TAS (Treatment as a State), tribes are required to obtain agencies' approval of their tribal water codes and quality standards. With the Inhofe "midnight rider", no approvals are being provided. Please use your influence to lift this moratorium on tribal code and tribal ordinance approval.
  3. Because "regulated reparianism" is becoming the 'norm', giving government agencies more power and authority, please use your influence to protect our sovereign tribal right to regulate within our own jurisdiction.
  4. Please use your authority to provide funding to assist tribes with water planning, i.e., quantification. One option is to re-establish the BIA Office of Water, with proper staffing, funding and authority, as a professional and technical office for this crucial and central support of our Indian Nations.
  5. Please increase the BIA support of tribal allottees' trust obligation. This land issue directly impacts the water rights concerns.
  6. Last, but not least, please use your influence to enforce the message of tribal sovereignty, to re-establish sound government-to-government relationships.
- On behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation, I thank you for the opportunity to be among this distinguished group of leaders of our Indian Nations. I look forward to the rest of today, to tomorrow, and to the future of our Indian Nations under your leadership.

**Water Rights.** Why are water rights discussions important to the Sac and Fox Nation? There are several tribes in the US who have been, or are in the process of court proceedings to determine their tribes' allocation of water resources on their tribal lands. The SFN needs to assert its tribal water rights, to implement its water code, its water management plan and environmental quality standards, as soon as possible, to minimize the state's desire to allocate water to other interests. Court proceedings are extremely expensive and can take years (25+) to resolve.

Our own SFN Environmental staff is highly involved with enforcing the SFN tribal water rights. Daniel Wind has been extremely instrumental in coordinating the Tribal Water Workshops held during 2009.

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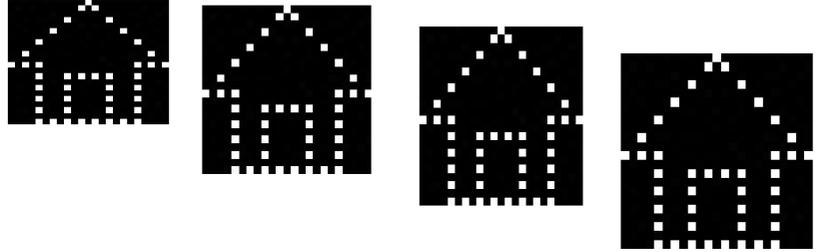


Per Cap Distribution time is here and we do not have correct addresses for the following individuals. Their checks will be held until their addresses are updated with a new IRS W-9 Form with the Office of Enrollment.

It is each member's responsibility to keep the Sac and Fox Nation informed of their current mailing address. Please update your address with the Office of Enrollment.

Phone (918)968-3526 Mailing address: 920883 S Hwy 99 Bldg A, Stroud, OK 74079

Rachel Allen	Christopher McEntire
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Miichelle Brown	Richard Phillips
Stewart Brown	Payton Rice
Anthony Buckley	Janice Riche
Chockatak Crane	Brooks Rogers
Brigette Cummins	Timothy C. Rogers
Clyde Davis	Timothy P. Rogers
Jerre Degraw	Diane Schexnider
John Eason	Kendall Snake
Brittanie Garson	James Spoon
Jacob Gibbs	Sandra Tate
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Jazmine Grass	Charles Tiger, Jr.
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V. Samuel Honeyestewa	James Tyner
Matthew Ives	Presleigh Wade
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Tracy Lauderdale	Derek Ward
Anthony Mack	Clarissa Williams



SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION  
REVENUE

OCTOBER 2009

TOBACCO TAX.....	\$29,462.40
WHOLESALE TOBACCO TAX.....	\$86,280.28
MOTOR VEHICLE.....	\$3,172.50
SALES TAX.....	\$9,218.60
TREASURY.....	\$110.00
OIL & GAS.....	\$208.00
GAMING.....	\$158,965.20
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$287,416.98</b>

PER CAPITA HOTLINE

The Finance Department has set up a **per capita hotline** with this number: **918-968-3526 extension 1031**. This is a voice messaging service that will record your question or concern. Our Finance Department is dedicated to returning your call within 24 hours. If you call during a weekend, the call will be answered on Monday. If you call on a holiday, the call will be answered the next working day. By utilizing this service, we can ensure your questions or concerns are addressed. We will provide an answer to your questions or concerns when we return your call. Just be sure to leave a call back number and a time of day between 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. that would be most accommodating for you.

Please be advised Finance cannot answer questions regarding the address; your per capita check will be sent to the last address on file with the Office of Enrollment.

Submitted by:

**W-9**  
(Rev. October 2007)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Request for Taxpayer  
Identification Number and Certification**

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Name (as shown on your income tax return) Tribal Roll #

Business name, if different from above

Check appropriate box:  Individual/Sole proprietor  Corporation  Partnership  Exempt payee  
 Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶

Requester's name and address (optional)  
Sac and Fox Nation  
Rt. 2, Box 246  
Stroud, OK 74079

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)  
City, state, and ZIP code  
List account number(s) here (optional)

**Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)**

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number or Employer identification number

**Part II Certification**

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Signature of U.S. person ▶ Date ▶

**General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Purpose of Form**

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

**Note.** If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,

# NATIVE AMERICAN AWARENESS DAY POW-WOW AT THE SAC AND FOX NATION JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER



George Coser

The Juveniles at the Sac and Fox Detention Center were in for a treat. George Coser and Tracy Haney provided a Traditional Native American Pow-Wow with music, singing, dancing, and food for the detainees and visitors.

Tracy Haney the director of the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center related his thank you for all that turned out for the Pow-Wow.

George Coser started the Pow-Wow with introductions and explained to the detainees and visitors how the program would progress. The visitors were: J. Paul Wilson, Jeff Wilson, Sonny Tiger, and Forest Walker drummed and performed several songs, Burt Patadel - from the Pottawatomie Tribe; Marilyn Spoon - Sac and Fox Tribal Member, Marie Tubbs - Seminole Creek Freedman, Joyce (Big Soldier) Miller from the Iowa Tribe are dancers; Anita Stevens and Mary Brown were the cooks that prepared the Native American Lunch. Burt Patadal was also one of the dancers. Mr. Coser introduced the students from Muscogee Creek Nation College: Steve WhiteCloud, John Skeeter, Mekko Tyner, Trish Fields, and Amy Williamson. The students entertained the detainees and visitors with Native American songs and dances. Steve WhiteCloud performed several songs on the flute, one of the songs was a courting song. The detainees and visitors were asked to dance with the dancers to several Native American dances; this gave the detainees a chance to experience the Native American Culture in song and dance.



J. Paul, Jeff Wilson, Sonny Tiger, Forest Walker, and Steve WhiteCloud drummed and sang songs.



Marie Tubbs, Marilyn Spoon, & Joyce (Big Soldier) Miller



George Coser, and other dancers with the detainees.



Muscogee Creek Nation College performers and other dancers performed several Native American Dances for the detainees and visitors.



## SAC AND FOX NATION LIBRARIAN AND ARCHIVES TECHNICIAN VISITS DAVENPORT SCHOOLS



Sac and Fox Librarian and Archives Technician Marlena Starr and assistant Stephanie Fields from Stroud High School went to Davenport Schools to speak to the KG - 4th grades about Native American culture on Tuesday November 24, 2009. Marlena read to each group of students from Native American story books from the library, and spoke about her Sac and Fox culture. Stephanie wore her regalia and performed a traditional dance for the students.

Davenport Students were educated about the traditional ways of the Sac and Fox people and learned about famous tribal members such as Black Hawk and Jim Thorpe. This program was in honor of November being National Native American Month.



Davenport Students listening and observing Marlena and Stephanie.



Marlena showing students Stephanie's Native American regalia.



Marlena reading to the students from a Native American Book.





## SAC AND FOX NATION HOUSING AUTHORITY NEW BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Second Chief Cheryl McClellan swore into office Shanarae Boyd as Treasurer on the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation November 23, 2009.

**The New Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation are:**

Shanarae Boyd - Treasurer

George Harjo - Secretary

Jimmie Carol Tiger - Chairman

Pam McClellan - Vice, Chairman

Cheryl McClellan - Business Committee Liaison



## THANKSGIVING DINNER



The Sac and Fox Employee Committee and the Title VI Elders co-hosted the 2009 Sac and Fox Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center on November 25, 2009. Sac and Fox members, employees, and family members were invited. The event was a huge success as 250 plus was on hand to enjoy the dinner.

Jeff Wilson was the emcee. Treasurer Randle Carter and Secretary Jackie Williams along with the Tribal Administrator Rusty Brown each had a few words of encouragement for the coming year with a special thank you to all who prepared the dinner, and a special thank you to those who turned out to enjoy the Thanksgiving Dinner.

Raffle tickets were sold for a drawing of \$86.00, and Lena Clark was the winner. Everyone was casting their vote for Female Employee of the Year and Male Employee of the Year. The results will be announced at the Christmas Dinner.

**Pictures were taken at the event:**



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The surface and ground water within our jurisdiction can also be an investment opportunity as storage projects and strategies develop to satisfy the demand for water in the western United States. We need to be proactive on the legislative, legal, and technical aspects of the water rights issue.

Wind. Highlights of the Wind Conference are:

- there are no "wind laws" like there are for water resources;
- a common method of acquiring land for the capture of wind resource is "imminent domain", yet only established utility companies can utilize this method;
- most of SFN jurisdiction is in Level 1 category, meaning that the wind is 'negligible' regarding a potential wind resource,
- the Shawnee area is in Level 2 category, which is 'marginal' for potential wind resource;
- it takes about an acre of land to set up a residential wind turbine and capture wind as an energy source;
- the cost of using wind as an energy source is in the transmission system to deliver the electricity to the point of use;
- there are processes being set in place by private companies and individuals to capture and market "wind".

Why are discussions of 'wind' important to the Sac and Fox Nation?

The federal government could identify a transmission system across the US similar to the interstate highway system. SFN is in a possible transmission path from the western part of the state that generates wind electricity and the eastern US, who are the end user of the electricity.

Unlike water, marketing wind is solely dependent on the land area.

(Usable water is dependent on upstream water users.) The sole beneficiary of any monetary gain (revenue) from marketing wind is the landowner who owns the land that has the wind turbine on it. Yet, neighboring landowners can feel the adverse effect of the wind turbine. Wyoming has set precedence in establishing cooperative 'landowners associations', allowing all landowners in the vicinity of the wind turbine(s) to benefit from the revenue generated by marketing wind. SFN members reside across the US, and should be aware of the wind markets that may be near their land.

The wind that crosses our SFN jurisdiction can also be an investment opportunity as transmission systems and strategies develop to satisfy the demand for electricity in the eastern United States. We need to be proactive on the legislative, legal, and technical aspects of the market for wind.

Unity of OK tribes. The SFN, along with other tribes in OK, can best leverage our sovereignty through some type of tribal consortium to address water rights and wind resources, while maintaining our tribal sovereignty and internal tribal autonomy. True, all 39 tribes will not agree on all issues, or support the same political views. But a unified group can carry a stronger voice to express the concerns and issues of tribal members. A unified group can also share information and resources. There are precedents set by other states which could be used by the Oklahoma tribes to establish some sort of tribal coalition, or consortium, such as the California Water Planning effort and the Western State Governors' Association.

Again, Season's Greetings for a happy and safe holiday season!!

Thank you, Cheryl!

"WINTER WONDERLAND" was the theme of the float for the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation in the Christmas Parade on Thursday evening in Shawnee. Housing staff and their children/grandchildren rode on the float. The float won 2nd place



# IRMP PUBLIC MEETING

**Date: 01/28/2010**

**Time: 12:30 pm**

## OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INTEGRATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

STROUD COMMUNITY BUILDING

\*\*\*FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED\*\*\*

- **Concerned with the future of natural resources?**
- **Want to create recreational or preservation areas?**
- **What do you see happening with tribal lands in the next 50 years?**
- **Concerned about the rivers and land?**
- **HELP CREATE A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF THE TRIBES RESOURCES!!!!**

**Your opinion is important in order to produce a document to show leaders current and future what the people want. Please become a part of this process.**

**Office of Environmental Services**

**If you have any questions please call or email.**

**Phone: (918) 968-0046; Fax: (918) 968-0049**

**E-mail:**

**Daniel.Wind@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov**



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departments which comprise important functions of our tribal government.

The Business Committee as a whole will be liaisons for: \*Grievance Committee \*Human Resources \*Information Technology \*Newspaper \*Property & Procurement.

I will be the liaison for:

- \*Education Services
- \*Environmental Services
- \*Sac and Fox Tribe, Inc
- \*Indian Child Welfare / Foster Home Licensing Commission
- \*Juvenile Center
- \*Police / Homeland Security / Capitol Security / Court
- \*Self Governance
- \*NAGPRA / Repatriation
- \*Rodeo Committee.

This next year I will attempt to keep you informed through my monthly article of news affecting these areas of our government. I am encouraging the rest of the Business Committee members to submit a monthly article to inform our members of the areas of government that they are liaison.

Elsewhere within this month's newspaper is the complete list of liaison roles and if you have any questions please feel free to contact us. Let's keep communication open between the Business Committee and our membership.

I will continue to update our membership on national news that affects our Sac and Fox Nation which could affect you as individual citizens.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as Principal Chief this past year! Aho!

Sincerely,  
George Thurman, Principal Chief

Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee	Principal Chief Second Chief Secretary Treasurer Committee Member	George Thurman Cheryl McClellan Jackie Williams Randle Carter Stella Nanaeto
Committee, Board, Task Force or Department		<b>Business Committee Liaison / Alternate</b>
<i>Activity Committee</i>		Jackie Williams / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Adult / Indian Education</i>		George Thurman / Cheryl McClellan
<i>BHHC, Health Advisory Board</i>		Cheryl McClellan / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Chapel Committee</i>		Randle Carter
<i>Elders Committee / Title XI</i>		Stella Nanaeto / Jackie Williams
<i>Election Board</i>		Jackie Williams
<i>Employee Committee</i>		Jackie Williams / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Enrollment</i>		Jackie Williams
<i>Environmental Services</i>		George Thurman / Cheryl McClellan
<i>Facilities / Grounds (Maintenance)</i>		Randle Carter / Jackie Williams
<i>Finance / RAP Budgets</i>		Randle Carter / Cheryl McClellan
<i>Gaming Commission</i>		Randle Carter / Cheryl McClellan
<i>Housing, Housing Commission</i>		Cheryl McClellan / Randle Carter
<i>Indian Child Welfare/Foster Home Licensing Commission</i>		George Thurman / Randle Carter
<i>IRR Program</i>		Randle Carter / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Juvenile Facility</i>		George Thurman / Randle Carter
<i>Language</i>		Stella Nanaeto / Jackie Williams
<i>Library</i>		Stella Nanaeto / Jackie Williams
<i>NAGPRA / Repatriation</i>		George Thurman / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Police, Homeland Security, Capital Security, Court</i>		George Thurman / Randle Carter
<i>Powwow Committee</i>		Cheryl McClellan / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Realty</i>		Jackie Williams / George Thurman
<i>Rodeo Committee</i>		George Thurman / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Sac and Fox Tribe, Inc</i>		George Thurman / Cheryl McClellan
<i>Sauk Business Enterprises, Inc</i>		Cheryl McClellan / Randle Carter
<i>Self Governance</i>		George Thurman / Randle Carter
<i>Social Services</i>		Stella Nanaeto / Jackie Williams
<i>Strategic Planning Task Force</i>		Cheryl McClellan
<i>Tax Commission</i>		Randle Carter / George Thurman
<i>USDA</i>		Jackie Williams / Stella Nanaeto
<i>Veterans Organization</i>		Stella Nanaeto / Randle Carter
<b>Grievance Committee</b>		<b>Business Committee</b>
<b>Human Resources</b>		<b>Business Committee</b>
<b>Information Technology</b>		<b>Business Committee</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>		<b>Business Committee</b>
<b>Property &amp; Procurement</b>		<b>Business Committee</b>

**Exercise classes for the New Year**

It's a new year with new beginnings. Below is a list of the new exercise schedule that will start on Monday January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Beginner circuit training- M, W, F**  
11-11:40; 3:00-3:40

**Moderate circuit training- M, W, F**  
12-12:40

The circuit is a low impact group of exercises designed to help burn fat and tone. Each exercise is done for 1 min. This class is designed to get your heart pumping and calories burning. This is a class designed for all fitness levels. I have changed the class to make it suitable for all. \*\*G\*\*

**Chair exercises with thera- bands- Tues/Thurs**  
12:00-12:30

These exercises will be done sitting with some standing exercises. Thera-band exercises are great for older adults. The exercises help to increase muscle strength. These exercises are great for people that have arthritis or just want to gain some strength. \*\*MBC\*\*

**Stepping with pedometers- Tues/Thurs**  
3:00-3:30

Stepping with pedometers is a class designed for people who love to walk. We will be using the gym and on nice days we will be walking outside. We will be using pedometers to help track how many steps we walk. Each stepper with the highest amount of steps at the end of each class for one month will be rewarded with a prize. \*\*G\*\*

**Abs Circuit- M/F**  
10:00-10:20

The abs circuit is a variety of abdominal exercise that is done to help tone and strengthen the midsection. \*\*MBC\*\*

Please obtain an exercise referral from a black Hawk physician before starting any of these exercise programs

For questions please call Jenny McDaniel, Exercise Specialist 918-968-9531 ext 208

Classes will be located either in the Learning Center Gym east of the Merle Boyd Center or at the Merle Boyd Center exercise room.

\*\*G\*\*- GYM  
\*\*MBC\*\*- Merle Boyd Center

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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27	28 SHAWNEE 8:30-2:00  WAREHOUSE 8:30-2:00	29 SHAWNEE 8:30-2:00  WAREHOUSE 8:30-2:00	30 <b>CLOSED FOR INVENTORY</b>	31 <b>CLOSED FOR INVENTORY</b>		

