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## 2009 ANNUAL SAC AND FOX NATION GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING



The 2009 Annual Governing Council convened shortly after 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 29 in Stroud, OK. A quorum of 60 was met, the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard presented colors and the meeting started. The meeting was recessed at approximately 12:30. The following pictures were taken at the Annual Governing Council.

### Activities

#### Historic Preservation activities

From July 29th through August 3rd the Sac and Fox Nation made it's historic presence known through events in our former homelands in Illinois, Iowa, and



Wisconsin.

The main events were the reopening of the Apple River Fort in Elizabeth, Illinois *continued on page 4*

### Announcement

FY09 RAP Reports and FY10 RAP Requests are available to tribal members for review. The packet is 204 pages long with all reports and all requests or there is a 4 page summary. To request a copy via electronic email, please notify Shelly Wilson in the Office of Government at [swilson@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](mailto:swilson@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov), or 918-968-3526. Those that have computer access are encouraged to request an electronic copy as the cost to mail the entire packet is \$5 each. You may also request a paper copy to pick up at either Stroud or Shawnee. Please specify if you want only the summary pages or the entire packet.

### Announcement

#### PUBLIC NOTICE PER ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS, SECTION 2 OF THE SAC AND FOX NATION CONSTITUTION

PRINCIPAL CHIEF  
THURMAN

HAS CALLED  
A SPECIAL  
GOVERNING  
COUNCIL MEETING

ON SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 3, 2009  
AT 10:00 A.M.

IN THE COMMUNITY BUILDING  
OF THE SAC AND FOX NATION  
RESERVATION,  
STROUD, OKLAHOMA

FOR THE PURPOSE OF:  
REVENUE ALLOCATION PLAN  
NET GAMING REVENUE  
BUDGETS

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### EDITORIALS



CHIEF THURMAN  
ADDRESSES THE NATION

Tribal Members, I hope this month's report finds you and your family well. The following is a recap for the month of August:

**AUGUST 29TH ANNUAL GOVERNING COUNCIL** – Capitol Grounds, Stroud, OK. Because the tribe had families in mourning, I asked Council to conduct themselves accordingly, in respect to the families, as we began the meeting. The aggrieved family had granted permission to continue with the scheduled meeting, and I want to convey condolences from the Nation at this time, to all of our tribal members and families who have lost loved ones this year. May God continue to comfort you as our prayers

go out for you. We reached a quorum shortly after ten a.m., addressed the agenda, and adjourned after approximately two hours. We stayed focused on the agenda, took care of the business at hand, and were able to go home at a decent hour to enjoy the rest of the day with our families. All Governing Council meetings should be conducted in this manner: ready with a quorum by 10 a.m.; addressing the prepared agenda items by a motion, a second, then discussion (in that order) limited only to the subject at hand.

In future councils I will keep the discussion on the subject. Tribal members can still freely join the discussion, but you must keep your comments on the topic. Straying off topic could only confuse the members who will be voting on the motion. If you're at the microphone and your comments go off topic, I will ask you to redirect yourself to the agenda and focus on that item only. For those who may think so, keeping you on topic is not a violation of your constitutional rights but instead is to protect the constitutional rights

of all. My constitutional duty is to have general supervision over the meeting and getting Council through the agenda. I will be appointing a parliamentarian to assist in keeping the meeting moving smoothly.

The August 29th Council meeting has not been typical of our annual Governing Council meetings. In the past tribal members have used Governing Council to vent their frustrations. I have heard comments from upset tribal members who say they are going to take their issue to Council! They direct their anger towards the Business Committee, towards each other, towards an employee of the Nation, or verbally attack an existing policy/procedure. Members, this is not the place or times to address these issues. Contact the people elected to represent you to discuss your concerns in



private, not at Council.

Many issues can be handled at the tribal offices through the proper departments or personnel. Your elected leaders can direct you to the right contact. Otherwise, you only disrupt and prolong the meeting and create hard feelings toward yourself from other tribal members who are tired of seeing this occur. Some tribal members refuse to come to a Council meeting for these very reasons. Stop and think before you approach the microphone and have your motion ready so we can save time.

I have issued a call to have a Special Governing Council Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Meeting for October 3, 2009 at the Community Building starting at 10 a.m. sharp. This will be a long meeting so please make every attempt to arrive on

**SARAH FRANKLIN**



**Sarah Franklin  
Sac and Fox Senior Woman of  
the Year 2003-2004**

Shawnee resident Sarah Franklin died Monday, Aug. 10, 2009, in Shawnee at the age of 74. She was born Jan. 4, 1935, in Pawnee to George and Minnie (Ellis) Franklin.

Sarah attended Haskell Institute in Lawrence Kansas, and business college.

She was the administrator for the Sac and Fox Tribe, and she was the Sac and Fox Senior Woman of the Year 2003-2004.

Sarah lived in Shawnee most of her life and loved spending time with her great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband, Edmon Riley; one son, Michael Kaskuske; one grandson; five brothers; two uncles and two aunts.

Survivors include five sons, Randall Riley, Dino Riley, Franklin Riley, Wayne Riley, and Gary Riley, two daughters, Jeanne Gregory and Tawana Biswell, stepsons, Irving Riley and Vincent Riley; two stepdaughters, Teresa Riley and Felicia Riley; one sister, Margaret Stevens; 28 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

**Clara Ratliff**

Clara Ratliff, a former Cushing resident most recently of Palisade, CO, died on August 15, 2009 in Palisade, CO at the age of 88 years.

Graveside services have been entrusted to the Palmer Marler Funeral Home and will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 25, 2009 in the Euche Valley Memorial Park, Cushing, OK. Visitation hours will be from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday in the Palmer Marler Funeral Home.

The daughter of the late Jacob Wyman and Mary Shaquaquot Wyman, Clara was born on January 27, 1921 in Cushing, OK. She was a Sac & Fox Tribal Member and graduated from the Chilocco Indian School.

Clara was united in marriage to Earl Ratliff on February 2, 1946 in Stroud, OK. Earl preceded her in death on September 14, 1997.

Clara enjoyed gardening in her spare time.

Survivors include one daughter, Janice Riche on Montrose, CO; one granddaughter, Michele Gonzalez of Laredo, TX; three great-grandchildren, Curtis, Victoria, and Andrew Gonzalez; and other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, Clara was preceded in death by one sister, Rose Allen.

**Ricky Franklin**

Our family would like to say "Thank You" to the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Color Guard Group, Sac and Fox Nation Maintenance Dept., Rev. Don Abney and Rev. Wayne Wilson, our cousin Raymond Pen-nock, Parks Brothers Funeral Home in Stroud, OK, Only Way Baptist Church, and the Iowa Tribes Social Services Dept., and everyone else for the basket of groceries, the green plant, flowers, thoughts, and prayers.

Funeral Services were held Friday, June 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Parks Brothers Funeral Chapel in Stroud, OK with Rev. Don Abney and Rev. Wayne Wilson officiating. Burial was at the Sac and Fox Cemetery.

Ricky was born in Pawneee, OK. on July 31, 1961. Ricky passed away May 28, 2009, in Coleman, Florida. Ricky was son of the late David Rowe and Beatrice Franklin.

Ricky attended school at Happy Valley and Stroud High School. Ricky was a member of the National Guard and a Sac and Fox Tribal Member and a member of the Only Way Baptist Church. Ricky also was a horse trainer for Max Thomas.

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents and great-great grandparents. Survivors include one brother, Shannon Ward of Heavener, OK, three sisters, Sherry Robbins and Anna Franklin both of Cushing, OK, Angela Kidwell of Lee's Summit, MO. Six Nieces, Three Nephews and Six Great Nephews and Tree Great Nieces and Grandma Mary Ellis.

Ricky had two very good friends that kept in contact with him through the years (Mary Harjo and Nadiene Kline).

**Clark Couteau**

The family of Clark Couteau expresses a heartfelt gratitude for the generosity of those who helped honor Clark's wish to make his final journey home.

A special thank you to Wallace (Bud) McClellan, Stella Nullake-Nanaetto, and Dennis Jenkins for guiding us through the tribal rites.

Our appreciation also goes to Speaker Raymond Massey, Grave Digger Wilson Harjo, and Grave Diggers Joey Heminokeky, Franklin Riley, Derek Abney; Head Cook Andra K., Cooks Vera Grant, Geannie C. Riley and Lisa Fixico.

Thank you also to the administration and staff of the Sac and Fox Nation, as well as Mabel Walton and all our Oklahoma family for food, support and donations.

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**NEW MANAGING EDITOR**

Delilah Morehead is the current Managing News Editor.

Delilah is a graduate of Seminole State College where she worked while attending college. She was a supervisor for Wrangler Jeanswear in the Seminole Division for several years.

Delilah a member of The Muscogee (Creek) Nation.





**Dolores Elaine Holland**

### Dolores Elaine Holland

Dolores Elaine Holland, 77, a resident of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma died on August 29, 2009 at home. She was born on November 3, 1931 in Pawnee, Oklahoma to Charles John Miles and Paulene Edith Baker. She devoted her life to her family. She was employed for several years at Memorex Telex. After retirement, she worked for the Union school district in the before and after school care. She found great joy in visiting with loved ones and friends, Indian Art and many other crafts.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Paulene Miles, brothers; Jack Miles, Joe Miles, and grandson; Alexander Holland.

Dolores is survived by one daughter; Dara Jean Turner and her husband, Rex of Tulsa, Oklahoma; three sons Charles Arthur Holland and his wife, Mona of Ann Arbor, Michigan; David James Holland and his wife Sally of Cleveland, Oklahoma; and Bryan Wade Holland of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Memorial services for Ms. Holland was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Add'Vantage Funeral Service. She has been laid to rest at Fairview Cemetery in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Arrangement were under the direction of Gary Kelly's Add'Vantage Funeral and Cremation Service of Tulsa.



**Robert Lee Thomas III**

### Robert Thomas III

Robert Lee Thomas III, was born on December 6, 1970, in Lawton, and departed this life on Thursday, August 27, 2009 in Oklahoma City at the age of 38.

Robert the son of Robert Lee Thomas Jr. and Gloria Jean Ellis, was a resident of Shawnee. He married Valerie Lynn Harjo on September 25, 1992 in Seminole, Oklahoma. Robert worked as a slot tech assistant manager at Firelake Grand Casino. One son, Robert Lee Thomas IV, and one brother, Taj Thomas, preceded Robert in death. He is survived by his wife, Valerie Lynn Thomas of the home; father, Robert Thomas, Jr.; mother, Gloria Jean Ellis; sons, Nathan Ross Harjo of Shawnee and Christian Tre Thomas of Shawnee; daughters, Whitney Sunrise Thomas and Madison Louise Thomas of Shawnee; brothers, Miles Thomas and Joel Thomas of Shawnee and sister, Tera Lynn Harjo of Shawnee.

Tribal services were held 7p.m. Sunday, August 31, 2009 at the Sac and Fox Community Center in Stroud. Burial was at 2 p.m. Monday, August 31, 2009 at the Sac and Fox Cemetery in Stroud.

Services were under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Prague.



**Carmen Sue Grass**

### Carmen Sue Grass

Carmen Sue Grass was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma on June 8, 1944 and died in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on Sunday, August 2, 2009 at the age of 65 years.

Carmen was the daughter of John and Helena (Brady) Grass. She was a resident of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for 30 years. Carmen was a member of the Nagawee Indian Methodist Church and worked as an Electronic Technician. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother and one sister. Survivors include, one son and daughter law, Larry and Alexia Grass of Konawa, Oklahoma; one daughter, Anita Thorpe of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; four brothers and sisters in-laws, John and Joanne Grass of Shawnee, Oklahoma, Samuel and Billie Grass of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Richard and Loretta Grass of Wewoka, Oklahoma, Jeffrey and Elizabeth Grass of Ponca City, Oklahoma; five sisters and sisters in-laws, Sharon and Riley Poodry of Fullerton, CA, Mary and Don Abney of Davenport, Oklahoma, Latricia Switch of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Gloria Grass of Shawnee, Oklahoma, and six grandchildren; Nickolas, Jarred, Larra, Wayne, Dakota, and Alec John, and six great grandchildren, relatives, and friends.

Wake service was at the Sac and Fox Community Building on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at 7 p.m. Burial was at the Sac and Fox Tribal Cemetery on Wednesday August 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Mike Grass officiating.

Services were under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Stroud, Oklahoma.



**Larry Joe Pate**

### Larry Joe Pate

Larry Joe Pate, age 63, a longtime Cushing resident, passed away at his home in Cushing on August 13, 2009. Prayer services were held at 6 p.m. on Sunday evening at the Palmer Marler Funeral Home. Graveside service will be held on 10:00 a.m., Monday, at Pate Family Cemetery in Cushing. Arrangements were entrusted to Palmer Marler Funeral Home in Cushing.

Larry was born on November 19, 1945 in Cushing to the late Harry Samuel and Martha Jane (Keller) Pate. He grew up in Cushing.

Larry attended Olive Schools, graduating from Olive High School in 1963. Larry drove a truck most of his life. He retired from Melton Trucking in Tulsa. Larry loved attending rodeo's, especially enjoyed watching the horses. He was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation. Larry liked to go fishing. He loved spending time with his two favorite pets "Lonesome and Tippy".

Larry is survived by his sons James Pate of Arizona and Larry Joe Pate II of San Antonio, daughter Laura Jo Hendricks of Tahlequah and Kim Barnes of Peggs, brothers Samuel Pate and wife Chris of Boise, Idaho, sisters Carol Childers of Cushing, Brenda Nicholas and husband Vernon of Drumright, Diana Hopkins and husband Danny of Cushing, grandchildren; Ty Miller, Caylea Jo Coles, Tedi Barnes, Albert Barnes, Dalton, Kelle and Gabrielle Pate, Hannah, Haydan, and Colton Pate, and also survived by the Butler Family. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, his granddaughter and a niece.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you to those who voted in the last General Election. I appreciate those who were supportive of me for the Secretary position. I was honored to serve as an appointed Secretary for the Nation. I look forward to serving the Nation someday in the future.

Gwen Wilburn

## ELECTION BOARD ALTERNATES



Carrie Spang, J. Paul Wilson, Shirley Alexandra, Karen Spaid, and Chief Thurman

## Chandler Rodeo August 2009 Open Bull Riding



Cody Morris wins Championship Buckle in the Junior Open Bull Riding Division.

Sac and Fox member, Cody Morris is 12 years old and attends North Rock Creek School in Shawnee, OK.

Cody is the son of Greg and Carla Morris of Stroud, OK, and Angela Morris of Los Lunas, NM. He is the grandson of Rev. Thomas and Beatrice Morris of Stroud, Fred and Linda Standing of Jones, OK.

## World Series 2009 12-under Slow-Pitch Tournament



Cierra Harjo competed in the 2009 Slow-pitch 12-under World Series. She is a member of the Seminole Elite Team. The Seminole Elite won the division title game, and Cierra won the Defensive Most Valuable Player Award for the tournament.

Cierra, a Sac and Fox member, is the daughter of James Harjo of Shawnee, and attends school at North Rock Creek in Shawnee, OK.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACTIVITIES

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on July 31st and the "Lincoln's Frontier" encampment on the grounds of Villa Louis in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin on August 1st and 2nd, both based not only on Sac and Fox history but in particular on history involving Black Hawk and featuring Black Hawk descendant George Thurman.

The flag of the Sac and Fox Nation flew in the homelands during these activities.

Apple River Fort. The Apple River Fort State Historic Site is located in Jo Daviess County and is the only fort Black Hawk himself attacked during the conflict of 1832. The settlers built the fort specifically as protection against Black Hawk, and it stood until 1847. The current fort is a reconstruction that stands beside the site of the original and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Volunteers reconstructed the fort using the same techniques as the settlers, which included stripping logs, splitting shingles, building ladders by hand, and digging trenches to hold walls.

Displays at the Apple River Fort Interpretive Center and along the trail provide histories of the Sauk and the Meskwaki and the Black Hawk conflict as well as those of the settlers and the village of Elizabeth, including Abraham Lincoln's presence there after the battle at the Apple River Fort. Lincoln's only military experience was in the state militia during the Black Hawk conflict.

The Apple River Fort was one of the historic sites in Illinois closed by the budget cuts implemented by former Governor Rod Blagojevich. Black Hawk State Park, another Illinois site relevant to the Sac and Fox, had also been closed by the cuts. Current Governor Patrick Quinn restored the funding that allowed for the site to reopen on July 31st.

The theme of the Grand Reopening of the Apple River Fort was Kimachipena ("Let's Get Together"), the phrase provided by the Sauk Language Department and signifying the importance of the fort's history to both the Sac and Fox Nation and the Village of Elizabeth.

Speakers at the event were Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief George Thurman, President of the Apple River Fort Historic Foundation, Inc. Carl "Skip" Schwerdt-

feger, who served as Master of Ceremonies, Illinois State Representative Jim Sacia, Elizabeth Village President Mike Dittmar, and Illinois State Senator Tim Bivins.

tribes. The acknowledgment of the event was part of Wisconsin's Lincoln-based programming in commemoration of Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday in 2009. As Lincoln never visited Prairie du Chien, the town's tie to him is through the Sac and Fox and his service during the Black Hawk conflict.

The "Lincoln's Frontier" encampment focused on the events on the frontier when Lincoln was in Wisconsin and provided an opportunity for the tribal representatives and public to interact. A marker placed during the event recognized the landmark in Indian law.

The August event presented the histories of the treaty signing, Abraham Lincoln, and the Sac and Fox. Speakers and their topics were Principal Chief George Thurman – Sac and Fox Nation, Site Director Michael Douglass – Prairie du Chien History through the War of 1812 (with a focus on the fur trade), Curator Susan Caya-Slusser – Treaty of 1825, and interns Josh Wachuta – History of the Sauk and Meskwaki and Alan Hanson – Lincoln history.

Tribal representatives also included Second Chief Cheryl McClellan and daughter Lyndee, Committee Member Stella Nanaeto and granddaughter Elizabeth, Veterans Honor Guard member Dennis Jennings, Videographer Arlan Manatowa, and Historic Preservation Officer Sandra Massey.

Villa Louis is located beside the Mississippi River and is also not far from Black Hawk's surrender site (he surrendered to federal agent Joseph Street rather than to the military). It is also the only site in Wisconsin to be connected to the War of 1812 in which the British band of Sauk participated.

"We wanted to put human faces on history," Douglass said of the event, "with different perspectives woven together."

Site visits. In addition to the Apple River Fort Grand Reopening and the Lincoln's Frontier Encampment, tribal representatives had the opportunity to visit other significant sites.

Black Hawk Trail, Illinois. Skip Schwerdtfeger served as tour guide along the trail Black Hawk took in the area and included a stop at the Apple River Fort where the Sac and Fox finally gained entry and met a family of



"HOMELAND: Northeast Missouri and the Sac and Fox Journey Home", the exhibit created in partnership between the collective Sac and Fox and the Missouri Humanities Council through funding provided by the National Endowment of the Humanities, was on display at the fort's interpretive center during the reopening events.

Villa Louis. The Villa Louis is a designated National Historic Landmark located in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin and is the site of the Treaty of 1825 in which the Sauk and the Meskwaki were signatories. The council tree still stands in the yard of Villa Louis. The treaty assigned property boundaries on tribal lands with the intent to cease war among the



## VETERANS MEMORIAL PAD

Steve Potter Construction Company pouring the slab for the Sac and Fox Veterans Memorial Pad.





**Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk Underscores President Obama's Message of Working Hard and Setting Educational Goals to BIE Students at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School.**

**Bismarck, N.D.** – Surrounded by fourth through eighth grade students at the Theodore Jamerson Elementary School, who joined him in viewing President Obama's address on the importance of learning to their future, Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk underscored the President's message by relating to them the importance of education in his own life.

"I come from a family that places a high value on education," Echo Hawk said. "The path through the school door led me on a journey of learning and experience that I enjoyed. It has led me to being here with you today as the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. I know that same path leads through every school door. With hard work and dedication, it, too, can take you on a journey as rewarding as mine has been."

The Theodore Jamerson Elementary School is a K-8 day school funded by the Interior Department's Bureau of Indian Education. It is located on the campus of the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, where for 35 years it has served to educate the children of UTTC students.

"Theodore Jamerson is complementary to and a critical part of UTTC's education mission," said Principal F. Sam Azure. "We support UTTC students as they pursue their academic goals by ensuring that their children have the same opportunity for a better life through education."

The school, which is comprised of six buildings on approximately one and a half acres within the campus grounds, follows the North Dakota standards of learning for instruction and assessing student performance. The current school year enrolled student population of 175 represents 20 tribes from Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota and Wyoming.

Since taking office, the President has repeatedly focused on education and his belief in its critical role in building a new foundation for the American economy and in improving the lives of all Americans. He has challenged the nation's students to work hard, set educational goals and take responsibility for their learning.

He also has called for a shared responsibility and commitment on the part of students, parents and educators to ensure that every child in every school receives the best education possible – one that will bolster America's competitiveness in the global economy and prepare individuals to become productive members of their communities and the nation.

The Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs oversees the Bureau of Indian Education, which operates one of two federal school systems (the other is managed by the Department of Defense). The Bureau funds 183 elementary and secondary day and boarding schools located on 64 federal Indian reservations in 23 states serving approximately 42,000 American Indian and Alaska Native students. The Bureau also services American Indian and Alaska Native post secondary students through higher education scholarships and support funding to 26 tribal colleges and universities, including UTTC, and directly operates two institutions: Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kan., and the Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute in Albuquerque, N.M.

**"Kiyakapati aki"**  
(Take care of the earth)

**The GRANDEST works to become the GREENEST**  
**Submitted by: Ginger Standing**

In efforts to reduce waste the Office of Environmental Services placed recycling kiosks throughout the arena for the 46<sup>th</sup> annual Sac and Fox Nation Powwow. The kiosks colored in bright green and yellow were designed to collect plastic bottles and aluminum cans for recycling. It was the first time the Office of Environmental Services has implemented an effort to recycle at the Powwow and its hopes are to continue the effort for many more years with growing results.

Recycling reduces waste and also reduces the carbon footprint left behind by tribal members and visitors of the Powwow. Whether the plastic bottles and aluminum cans came from the Powwow arena, camps or the 49 grounds the purpose was met. The choices we make in our homes, our travels, the food we eat, and what we buy and throw away all influence our carbon footprint and can help ensure a stable climate for future generations. A carbon footprint is a measure of the impact human activities have on the environment in terms of the amount of greenhouse gases produced, measured in units of carbon dioxide.

This year during the Powwow the Office of Environmental Services collected **47 pounds of glass, 153 pounds of plastic and 61 pounds of cans** with a total of **261 pounds of waste** to be recycled. The kiosks are for events; if there is an event the tribe will be hosting or assisting in please come to OES and see about using one. While the recycling effort was initiated by the Office of Environmental Services we would like every department to become involved in the effort. The more we can collect the less goes into landfills. To create change we have to be the change; the Sac and Fox Nation has an opportunity to take a stand and illustrate to other tribes the importance of reducing waste and recycling.

The Powwow was a start...a good start. We will continue our efforts and with the help and support of tribal members we hope to reach a point where all glass, plastic and aluminum are recycled and we not only host the grandest powwow but also the greenest! Thank you to all of those that contributed we appreciate your efforts as does Mother Nature.

**Sac and Fox Artist Sylvia Exendine**

Sac and Fox artist Sylvia Exendine, a former Sac and Fox Princess, is known for her bead art. This example is one of her purses.

Sylvia has traveled to different locations crafting her art for several different tribes in New Mexico, Panama, and the Rain Forest.

Sylvia beads clan caricatures for different tribes. She made a gift for the War Chief of the Legume Tribe and was the Featured Artist at the State Fair in New Mexico. She also beaded a purse for the Parrot Clan that won several awards.

Sylvia is from Shawnee, OK. Her sister, Tammy Grant who is blind, taught Sylvia the art of beading.

Sylvia plans to open her own gift shop, so she can share her art of beading with others.





# September 2009

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| 27  | 28<br>SHAWNEE<br>8:30-2:00<br><br>WAREHOUSE<br>8:30-2:00                              | 29<br><b>CLOSED FOR INVENTORY</b>                                       | 30<br><b>CLOSED FOR INVENTORY</b>                                       |  |  |     |

## Sac and Fox Nation

Route 2, Box 246 Stroud, OK 74079



Principal Chief GEORGE THURMAN  
 Second Chief CHERYL L. McCLELLAN  
 Secretary GWEN McCORMICK WILBURN  
 Treasurer MICHAEL W. HACKBARTH  
 Committee Member STELLA NULLAKE NANAETO

August 28, 2009

Dear Tribal Leader:

On October 26 through 30 the Indian Land Working Group (ILWG) will hold its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Land Symposium in Catoosa, Oklahoma at the Cherokee Lodge and Casino. As you all know there are very serious considerations to discuss regarding fee-to-trust, rights-of-way, easements, fair market valuation, taxation and other matters. Another area of significant importance involves Indian Water Rights. While some tribes in the Missouri River Valley Basin (MRVB) have litigated and others have negotiated water rights, many have yet to do either. Although our lands and allotments have been diminished, there is a large amount of water in this basin to which tribes and allottees are entitled.

State water engineers and federal agency water managers are continually approving new water appropriations and permits without a full determination of how much water tribes and allottees are entitled to in the major rivers basins in the West. The wise exercise of our tribal sovereignty compels us to claim, manage, and protect our water resources for the benefit of coming generations. In addition, it is our sincere belief that sovereignty wisely used is strengthened when we work together as Tribal Nations and place heavy emphasis on the unique political and legal relationship which demands government-to-government consultation and discussions.

A recently formed committee of the ILWG is the Indian Water Working Group, which will be bringing together Tribes to discuss water rights issues, the importance of adopting Tribal Water Codes, major issues of Federal Reserved, ancestral and aboriginal water rights, basin-by-basin coordination and other topics. The Sac and Fox Nation would be honored by your presence as we work with the tribes in the MRVB to ensure state governors and federal agencies understand that Indian Water Rights are alive and well! The longer we wait, the more difficult it will become to secure water for our homelands, traditional beliefs, cultural needs and the unborn.

Please join with us to learn, talk and share so we may form allies in the battle ahead to secure and protect water rights.

Respectfully,

Cheryl L. McClellan  
 Second Chief

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Regarding the Repeal of the disastrous Constitutional Amendment passed in a Secretarial Election on August 20, 2004, I am sponsoring a Super Petition that is requesting the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, to call a Secretarial Election to REPEAL this constitutional amendment that essentially, took away the power of the Sac and Fox Governing Council! WHY is the Super Petition necessary? Simple - to put the power back to the Sac and Fox people - the Supreme Governing Body (Governing Council).

Now supporters of this dangerous and totally unneeded constitutional amendment will tell you that it did not take away the power of the Governing Council - that the Governing Council can still vote on the actions taken at Council meetings, by Referendum Elections and that way every Council member can have a vote on action taken at Council meetings. Indeed, this argument was touted to us by past Administrations and continues on today.

However, this argument fails because we've never voted on any tribal business by Referendum Election. Not to mention the costs of sending ballots out by U.S. Mail to every tribal member, no matter where he or she lives in this world.

Too, in order to understand certain tribal issues, a Council member needs to be at Council meetings to hear the Pros and Cons of any subject matter! You know that and besides, 60 Council members (which constitutes a Quorum to do business) are there and deal with any issues as best as they can from the discussion and paperwork provided to them.

Council members, this is why this costly and disastrous Constitutional Amendment of 8/04 will never work - and WHY we need to REPEAL it ~~and~~ as soon as possible.

To this end, I will soon be sending out the Super Petition - Super because this will require 30% of the Governing Council, who currently number about 1,900, which would require at least 700 signatures to meet the 30% requirement, BEFORE it can be submitted to the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D.C. These figures are still being checked as Enrollment figures change often! If, after you get the Super Petition and have any questions please call me at 405-382-7941. If need be, leave a message.

Thank you,

DORA S. YOUNG, Roll # 1210  
 Sponsor - Super Petition  
 12529 NS 352  
 Seminole OK 74868

### ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

The Black Hawk Health Center

Is proud to be moving toward the use of a better and more complete medical record

**"Where is my Medical Information Stored Today?"**

Right now, all of your medical information is safely stored in a big folder called a Medical Chart. All of these charts take up a lot of space. As charts get larger, they become hard to carry. The information in large charts is sometimes hard to find and read. Every time you come in to see a healthcare provider at the clinic, a hand-written note is made about the care you receive. This piece of paper is put into your Medical Chart so that we will have a record of your concerns and treatments.

Some of the information about your visits is already stored in the computer in a system we call RPMS. Our new computer system will be able to hold all of your medical information. This will mean that we no longer have to keep hand-written information in a big Medical Chart. It also means that your electronic medical record will be able to be seen from any of the Black Hawk Health Facilities. This will allow your physician to have an up-to-date copy of all of your medical records.

**"What Changes Can I Expect?"**

When you meet with somebody at the clinic, you may see them typing away on computers. Information about your visit to the clinic is available right away for other service providers to see. Our new computer will help speed up all of the treatment you receive. It will also speed up getting medicines from the pharmacy.

**"Who Can See what's in My Record?"**

Only authorized providers and staff will be able to look at your Electronic Health Record. Your information is protected by two passwords.

**"When is ALL of this Going to Start Happening?"**

Our healthcare providers will begin using the new Electronic Health Record, in early 2010. You may notice that your visit to the clinics may be a bit slower at first while we all get used to the new system. Gradually, we'll get the hang of it and will be able to serve you and your family much more quickly and accurately.

**"Ok, so what if our Big Computer Crashes?"**

Our expanded system is backed up daily and always has a second, buddy system recording the very same information in case something goes wrong with the main system. That way your health information is always secure and available.

We appreciate your confidence in our great staff!

The Black Hawk Health Center is striving to provide the best healthcare in Oklahoma



The following mini-minutes are official actions approved by the Business Committee in a Special meeting held the 14th day of August 2009 and are to be followed up by the Director and/or Coordinator in whose departments they pertain to:

1. The June 10, 2009 Special Business Committee Meeting minutes were approved as presented.
2. The June 25, 2009 Emergency Special Business Committee Meeting minutes were accepted as presented.
3. Resolution SF-09-317, a resolution adding seven persons to the membership rolls of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the constitution and laws of the Sac and Fox Nation.
4. Resolution SF-09-318, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Pesticide Program Budget Modification #2 in the total amount of \$25,031.00; the funding source is identified as the United States EPA Grant #X8-96665601-0.
5. Resolution SF-09-319, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Project Budget Modification #1 for the total amount of \$96,500.00; the funding source is identified as the United States Environmental Protection Agency Agreement No. 1-96682401-0.
6. Resolution SF-09-320, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Modification #1 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency General Assistance to Tribes Grant Program (GAP) for the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$130,000.00; the funding source is identified as the

United States Environmental Protection Agency Agreement No. GA-96607401-1.

7. Resolution SF-09-321, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2009 Emergency Management Budget Modification in the total amount of \$26,820.00.

8. Resolution SF-09-322, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2009 Gaming Commission Budget Modification #3 in the total amount of \$1,797,516.00; the funding source is identified as Treasury Appropriations.

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9. Resolution SF-09-323, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Gaming Commission and Sean W. Satterlee to perform an information etechnology audit per Contract #2009-07-24; the funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2009 Gaming Commission Budget.

10. Resolution SF-09-324, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Stroud Public Schools District 1-054 to provide education services to all juvenile students for the school year 2009/2010 per Contract #2009-07-25.

11. Resolution SF-09-325, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Cimarron Medical Informatics, LLC per Contract #2009-07-28 not to exceed \$10,000.00; the

funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2009 Indian Health Services Compact Budget.

12. Resolution SF-09-326, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Konica Minolta Medical Imaging, Inc. per Contract #2009-08-02 not to exceed \$1,440.00 during the next three years; the funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2009, 2010 and 2011 Indian Health Service Compact Budgets.

13. Resolution S F - 0 9 - 327, a resolution authorizing and approving the Interconnection Security Agreements between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and the Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service per Contract #2009-08-04 and #2009-08-05.

14. Resolution SF-09-328, a resolution approving the Title VI Part-A Elders Program Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of \$162,635.00; the funding source is identified as Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Grant Document No. 09230K2689 and carryover from Grant No. 08230K2689.

15. Resolution SF-09-329, a resolution approving the Title VI Part-C Caregiver Support Program Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of \$76,415.00; the funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Ser-

vices, Administration on Aging, Grant Document No. 09230KT6GC and carryover for Grant Document No. 08230KT6CG.

16. Resolution SF-09-330, a resolution authorizing and approving American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Project Funds for Detention Center Maintenance and Repairs.

17. Resolution SF-09-331, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2009 Revenue Allocation Plan Grant Writer Program Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of \$88,062.00; the funding source is identified as the approved Governing Council Resolutions SF/GC-09-05 and SF/GC-09-06.

18. The new position job description for Realty Director was approved with two corrections!

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19. The Sac and Fox Nation Indirect Cost Proposal for the year October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 was approved to be submitted to the National Business Center.

20. The Fiscal Year 2010 proposed indirect cost rate of 43.84% as identified in the Fiscal Year 2010 Indirect Cost Rate Proposal was approved.

21. The position of a temporary administrative clerk not to exceed four months at Grade 6/Step 1 to be funded from Indirect Cost was approved.

22. The amount of \$21,116.39 was approved to be paid from Treasury to fund the Special Diabetes June budget deficit.

23. Resolution SF-09-332, a resolution authorizing and approving a sole source agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Steve Potter Construction for the Veterans Memorial Project per Contract #2009-05-17 not to exceed \$4,238.00; the funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2009 Revenue Allocation Plan Veteran Memorial Budget approved by the Business Committee Resolution SF-09-213.

24. The action taken by straw poll on July 22, 2009 to authorize emergency assistance for a tribal member from the Fiscal Year 2009 RAP Contingency line item was ratified.

25. The action taken by straw poll on July 29, 2009 to authorize assistance for a tribal member from the Fiscal Year 2009 RAP Contingency line item was ratified.

26. The action taken by straw poll to authorize a waiver of the three bid process to purchase from Allied Steel Building was ratified.

27. A business card size ad to be put on posters for the Shawnee High School winter season sports for one season was authorized to be purchased in the amount of \$300.00 and paid out of the Public Relations line item.

28. Resolution SF-09-333, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2009 Revenue Allocation Plan Indian Child Welfare Program Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of \$37,066.00; the funding source is identified as the approved Governing Council Resolutions SF/GC-09-05 and SF/GC-09-06.

29. A request dated August

11,2009 for the Behavioral Health Services Program to use the Community Building on October 14, 2009 and waive the fees was approved.

30. Resolution SF-09-334, a resolution approving the United States Department of the Interior Self-Governance Compact/Annual Funding Agreement for Fiscal Year 2010 in the initial estimated base amount of \$2,886,444.00 for the various programs, functions, services, and activities as specified, including the Fiscal Year 2010 Annual Funding Agreement, the Indian Reservation Roads Program and Budget Program Addendum and the Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of Special Trustee for Real Estate Appraisal Services.

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31. Resolution SF-09-335, a resolution requesting, authorizing and approving the Bureau of Indian Affairs to complete all road construction projects for the Sac and Fox Nation through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

32. HRP A #2009-53 was approved as presented.

The following items were tabled:

- RAP Donation Requests
- HRP A #2009-54, Executive Session
- West Wind I, Inc. Agreement, Executive Session

**PER CAPITA PAYMENT FOR MINORS**

Minors' checks for the Per Capita payment will NOT be mailed until the Office of Secretary receives a written statement from the parent or guardian who has actual physical custody of the child and is authorized to receive funds on behalf of the child.

Please send your statement on the form furnished below, along with all supporting legal documents to:

**Office of ENROLLMENT  
Sac and Fox Nation  
Route 2, Box 246  
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079**

------(CLIP HERE)-----

**AUTHORITY TO RELEASE PER CAPITA PAYMENT OF A MINOR**

| MINORS' NAMES     | SOCIAL SECURITY | ROLL # | DATE OF BIRTH |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|---------------|
| First Middle Last | ___/___/___     | #      | ___/___/___   |
| First Middle Last | ___/___/___     | #      | ___/___/___   |
| First Middle Last | ___/___/___     | #      | ___/___/___   |
| First Middle Last | ___/___/___     | #      | ___/___/___   |

(To list additional children please complete information (full name, date of birth, SS# and roll #) on a separate sheet and attach to the back of this form.)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ have physical custody of the above named child/children who were enrolled as of September 30, 2008 and have the authority to receive funds on their behalf.

PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY PUBLIC:**

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_ SS.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBE before me on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

(SEAL) Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**W-9**  
Form (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) ▶ .....  
 Other (see instructions) ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) \_\_\_\_\_ Requester's name and address (optional)  
 City, state, and ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_ Sac and Fox Nation  
 Rt. 2, Box 246  
 Stroud, OK 74079

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.

**Part II Certification**

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. 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
2. 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
3. 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.

Sign Here \_\_\_\_\_ 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:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. 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.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

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.

Cat. No. 10231X Form W-9 (Rev. 10-2007)



## Happy August Birthday to the Following Elders!

Henry Lee Jones

Don Couteau

Leota Morris

Anthony Lasley

Mercedes Lewis

Harold Clark

Mary E. Osborn

Mary Jane Dezeuw

Dorothy Jean Tiger

Jackie Carter

Maxine Trubshaw

Yvonne Goodeagle

Henrietta Massey

Clarita Retherford

Margaret Stevens

Judith Walding Harris

Emma S. King

Michael Harris

Carol Childers

Lawanna Louise Malone

Don Wayne Abney

Gaylon Wakolee

Leroy Ellis

Robert Roubidoux

Marilyn Kindsvatter

Julia Ellis

Sara K. Dye

Nancie Poodry

Florence Owen

Daniel T. McCoy

Betty Wano

Dianna Hamilton

Coleen Beck

Samuel T. Pate

Christopher Miles

Jerome Hodgens III

Janet Neff

Pamela Kincade

Gary E. James

Donna L. Haney

Delores J. Carter

Joyce Ann Ivy

Hiram Slayton Falkner

Mary Ann Godfrey

Johnnie Harwood

John Curtis Pell

Wayne Gordon Snodgrass

Maxine Carter

Dale Warren Wilson

Duane C. Falls

Lela Walker

Rose Mary Smith

Gregory Lewis

Jellene Lue Factor

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



## HELP WANTED!

### SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITES

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

GRANT WRITER/PLANNER  
HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR  
HEALTH INFORMATION APPOINTMENT CLERK/RECEPTIONIST  
REGISTERED/LICENSED DIETITIAN  
HEALTH INFORMATION CLERK  
PHYSICAL THERAPIST  
RESIDENT ADVISOR  
WARD CLERK

(as of September , 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

## Elder's September News

The funding for the Elders Tribal Energy Program has been depleted, so we will no longer be able to pay for any more electric bills. However, it was a big success as it paid heating bills for 40 Elders, and helped 44 Elders pay one of their electric bills this summer.

We still have funding for the Handyman/Appliance Program. For guidelines or questions on this, please contact Jean Lyman at (918) 968-3562, ext. 1054.

## VACANCIES FOR COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS as of September 10, 2009

The Business Committee invites you to volunteer to serve on one of the Nation's committees, commissions and/or boards. The list below identifies their purpose, terms of service and other pertinent information.

To express your desire to serve, please forward a letter or interest to Secretary, Sac and Fox Nation, Route 2, Box 246, Stroud, OK 74079. Letters of interest are due Friday, September 25, 2009. If you apply for more than one committee, commission or board, please indicate the order of your preference. The Business Committee will make appointments trying to utilize as many of the Nation's members as possible, thus you may only be named to one committee, commissions or board.

**FOSTER HOME LICENSING COMMISSION** - Five members appointed by Business Committee. Terms of office are for five (5) years and staggered. Provides child welfare services; provides support services to families and children; and provides foster home care services. (Per the Sac and Fox Nation Foster Home Licensing Commission Act). Currently Available: 5 Vacancies

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE** Hears complaints of misconduct in office by members of the Business Committee and performs other duties as assigned by tribal law. Three-member committee: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary. Must be a member of the Sac and Fox Nation, at least twenty-one years of age and reside in the state of Oklahoma. Terms of office are for four (4) years and staggered. (Per the Sac and Fox Nation Constitution) Currently Available: Position #3 - Term expired August 2009; however, the incumbent, Wynona Boyd-

Evans, may continue to serve until filled by the Business Committee. New term will be for September 2009 - August 2013.

**HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD** - Five members appointed by the Business Committee. Oversees and advises matters regarding the comprehensive health service delivery of the Sac and Fox Nation Health Services Department in a manner that recognizes cultural values and promotes modern medicine. Board membership will include a total of five voting members with a minimum of three Sac and Fox Nation tribal members and the remaining two members may be Native or non-Native. Terms of office are three (3) years and staggered. Officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary elected from among the members each October. (Per Revised Sac and Fox Nation Health Act and by-laws of 2008) Currently Available: Position #1 - Vacancy, term expires September 30, 2011 Position #5 - Term expires September 30, 2009; however, the incumbent, Wynona Boyd-Evans, may continue to serve until filled by the Business Committee. New term will be for October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2012.

**HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** - Five member Board appointed by the Business Committee. May be a member or a non-member of the Sac and Fox Nation and must be at least twenty-one years of age. Committee Officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer; chosen by Board members. Terms of office are four (4) years and staggered. (Per Sac and Fox Housing Authority Act of 1993) Currently Available: Position #1 - Term actually ended August 30, 2008;

however, the incumbent, Austin Grant, Jr., may continue to serve until the position is filled by the Business Committee. Term will be for September 1, 2008 - September 2012.

Position #2 - Term expires September 30, 2009. George Harjo, Jr. may continue to serve until the position is filled by the Business Committee. New term will be for October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2013. Position #4 - Vacancy, term expires September 30, 2011.

**SAC AND FOX TRIBE, INC.** - Five members appointed by the Business Committee. Purpose is to safeguard the rights and powers of the Sac and Fox Nation; advance the standard of living of the tribe; promote the general welfare of the tribal members; provide revenues; attract industry; engage in commerce; create and manage tribal business enterprises; consolidate fractionated land holdings; and the acquisition of additional lands. The Board shall be composed of at least five (5) members. A Board member may be a member or non-member of the Sac and Fox Nation and shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age. Persons with one or more college degrees or business management experience shall be preferred for appointment. Terms of office are for five (5) years and staggered. (Per Sac and Fox Tribe, Inc. Act of 2007) Currently Available: Position #1 - Term expires September 30, 2009; however, the incumbent, Mary F. McCormick, may continue to serve until the position is filled by the Business Committee. New term will be for October 1, 2009 - 2014.

**SAUK BUSINESS ENTERPRISE BOARD** Purpose is to provide sources of revenue, remedy the un-

deremployment rate of tribal members, attract diversified business enterprises and expand the Nation's land base and economic development potential. (Per 2007 Sauk Business Enterprises Act)

At present, board members are appointed by Governing Council; however, beginning with the August 2009 elections, board members will be elected by the members of the corporation (Sauk Business Enterprises). Officers are the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Member, and will hold office for 2-year terms. A Board member may be a member or non-member of the Sac and Fox Nation and shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and legally capable of entering into a binding contract. Currently Available: Position #1 - Term expired August 2009, however, the incumbent, Georgia Noble, may continue to serve until the position is filled. New term is for September 2009 - August 2011; Position #3 - Term expired August 2009; however, the incumbent, Cortney Yarholar may continue to serve until position is filled. New term is for September 2009 - August 2011.

**TAX COMMISSION** - Five members appointed by the Business Committee. Purpose is to provide for licensing and regulation of certain conduct and the levy and collection of certain revenue and taxes. Five member Commission composed of a majority of tribal members. Terms of office are five (5) years and staggered. (Per the General Revenue and Taxation Act) Currently Available: Position #1 - Vacancy, term expires September 30, 2013 Position #3 - Term expires September 30, 2009. New term will be for October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2014.

## MEET NEW DIETITIAN MELISSA HEUER

Melissa is very excited to be working with the **Special Diabetes Program** at the Merle Boyd Center.

Melissa was born and raised in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She earned a degree in psychology from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. After college, she worked as a social worker for the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for four years. Melissa then worked for a non-profit organization, Child Advocates Inc. in Houston, Texas. While she enjoyed her years of work with families, she had a strong desire to work in the field of food and nutrition. Melissa and her husband returned to Oklahoma in 2007, so that she could attend the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Melissa graduated with a Master's degree in Dietetics in December 2008, and completed her dietetic internship at OU Medical Center in July 2009.

In Melissa's free time, she enjoys watching sports of all kinds, but especially OU football. Melissa enjoys cooking and hopes to increase the use of the kitchen at the Merle Boyd Center through cooking demonstrations and nutrition education. Some project ideas that Melissa is working on are meals geared towards diabetic patients, and families that use commodity foods. Please let Melissa know if you have ideas or needs for other nutrition programs that she may create.

Melissa can be contacted at the Merle Boyd Center at (918) 968-9531 ext. 203.

**Come join the Merle Center staff on Friday, October 9th from 9-10 a.m.**

**I look forward to meeting you there!**



**CHIEF THURMAN**  
ADDRESSES THE NATION  
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time so I can declare a quorum on time.

**AUGUST 29TH  
GENERAL ELECTION.**

Congratulations to the winners Secretary Jackie Williams and Treasurer Randle Carter! I welcome you to the Business Committee as you begin your terms as public servants to our people. I reach out to you to offer my assistance, experience, contacts, support, and prayers as you start your tenures of office, and I believe I will receive the same from each of you. I also ask for your loyalty as we unite as a team, Business Committee, for the betterment of our people, the Sac and Fox Nation. I am issuing a public acknowledgement to Gwen Wilburn and Mike Hackbarth for the time and effort that each of you put forth

**AUGUST 28TH  
NORTH ROCK CREEK  
SHAWNEE, OK.**

This elementary school in the Shawnee community wished to recognize our donations made from our RAP. The Nation received a plaque and signed football from the school as their initial elementary football season began with a new scoreboard and aluminum bleachers (our donations) for the spectators. This was yet another positive outlook and outreach for our Nation.

**AUGUST 27TH  
ROTARY CLUB LUNCHEON  
CUSHING, OK.**

This civic group invited our Nation to share with the community the many endeavors and projects that

we have attempted and succeeded in accomplishing. This was another opportunity for the Sac and Fox Nation to tell our story to the public and to let the community know what a good partner we can be in achieving joint endeavors with their city and surrounding areas. I thank Sandra Massey, Historic Preservation Officer, in scheduling this opportunity and Boyd Cummings, Information Technology Manager, in updating the slide show used during these presentations.

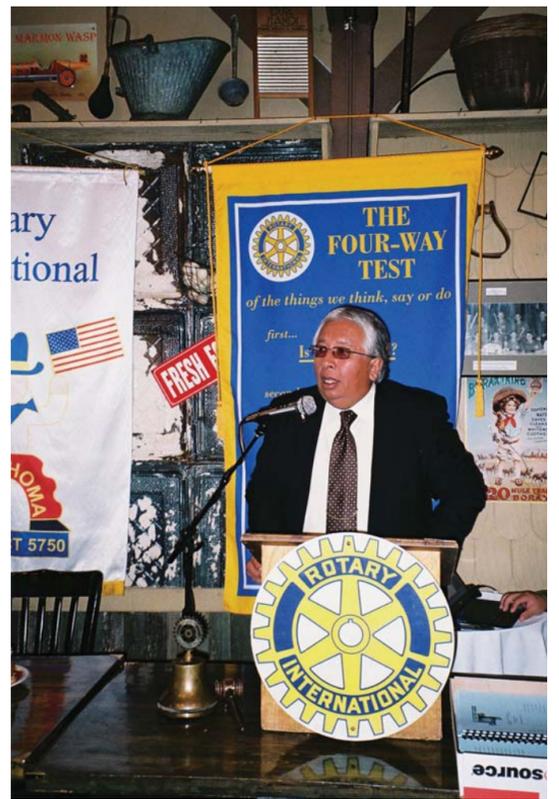
**AUGUST 19-20  
INTERTRIBAL MONITORING  
ASSOCIATION (ITMA)  
BOARD MEETING  
POLSON, MT.**

The topic of probates was the focus of this meeting as ITMA has a pilot project initiative to address this most important subject. This topic in addition to fractionation of tribal lands are some of the hottest issues in Indian

Country today. The Sac and Fox Nation ranks very high among tribes nationally in the amount of our lands that are fractionated. I also submit for your information the pilot project proposal ITMA presented to the Secretary of Interior.

I hope the new school year is going well with our tribal students from pre-school through college. On behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation, I wish you the best this school year and may you set your goals high and have success at achieving your dreams! Remember to notify the Sac and Fox News of your accomplishments this year so our tribal membership can celebrate with you and your families.

Sincerely,  
George Thurman,  
Principal Chief



**INTERTRIBAL MONITORING ASSOCIATION  
PROPOSAL TO UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR  
FOR CONTINUATION AND EXPANSION OF THE ESTATE PLANNING and CONSOLIDATION AGREEMENTS AT PROBATE  
FOR INDIVIDUAL INDIAN TRUST LANDOWNERS.  
IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE FRACTIONATED LAND OWNERSHIP IN INDIAN COUNTRY**

Submitted to the Secretary of Interior  
August 19, 2009

**INTRODUCTION**

The InterTribal Monitoring Association is a non-profit national organization comprised of \_\_\_ federally recognized Indian Tribes that was organized to monitor the efforts of the United States Department of Interior to manage the Indian trust. In this role, ITMA engages in numerous activities to inform Indian trust beneficiaries, both Tribes and individuals, of DOI reforms to improve management of the trust, provides services to assist Tribes with claims related to the Indian trust and monitors Congressional acts that impact the trust. ITMA has also hosted seventeen (17) 'Listening Conferences' throughout Indian Country to allow direct interaction between trust beneficiaries and DOI to resolve issues. The ITMA Board of Directors is committed to undertake efforts that will improve DOI's management of the Indian Trust that result in a benefit to beneficiaries, both Tribes and individuals. Consistent with this commitment, the ITMA Board is focusing on the ownership of trust land in fractionated interests throughout Indian Country. The burden of managing the substantial fractionated interests impairs DOI's ability to effectively manage the total Indian trust and deliver critical services to Tribes. As you are aware, ITMA previously submitted a proposal to work directly for DOI utilizing the tools provided by the American Indian Probate Reform Act, specifically, the consolidation agreement at probate in an attempt to reduce the further fractionation of

trust lands. DOI funded a pilot project for the Rocky Mountain Region with the goal of reducing fractionation through consolidation agreements at probate. ITMA has actively worked with willing families on the Pilot Project on the Blackfeet Reservation, Fort Belknap Reservation and the Crow Reservation. To date, the results have been quite successful. However, the Pilot Project expires on September 30, 2009. After discussing the Project's initial success, the Board is requesting DOI's further funding during the next fiscal year. Further, in addition to the Blackfeet Reservation, Fort Belknap Reservation and the Crow Reservation, the Board would like to expand the Pilot Project to include the Fort Peck and Fort Berthold Reservations. Based upon the level of success to date, the Board expects the expansion of the Project will reveal a decrease in fractionation as well as a decrease in DOI's consequent responsibility to manage the fractionated interests. In addition to the consolidation agreements negotiated and approved by the Probate Judges, ITMA also created two brochures that explain AIPRA's impact on trust land ownership as well as the importance of estate planning for Indian Land Owners. Both brochures were prepared for DOI's use in educating owners of trust land as part of the overall Pilot Project. As part of the continued and expanded Pilot Project, ITMA proposes to utilize the brochures as a crucial educational component during the next fiscal year. As you recall, Tribal leaders and individual Indians have long recognized the growing concern of fractionated

lands. However, tribes have not considered fractionated lands a 'front-burner' issue, most likely because tribes have not managed fractionated lands. Instead, tribes have relied on DOI to manage the fractionated lands and to find solutions to the problem. Both tribes and individual Indians are now concerned about the serious impacts of fractionation including:

- Highly fractionated lands have become economically and socially useless to their owners;
  - Fractionation results in lost opportunities for conservation and cultural preservation;
  - Fractionation results in restricting access to the fractionated tract as well as surrounding lands;
  - Fractionation limits tribal governmental authority over the lands.
- DOI has been forced to develop systems and processes to manage fractionated lands utilizing a significant portion of the available budget for BIA services to tribes and individual Indians; specifically DOI expends approximately \$7,800 for every trust land probate case. With approximately 3,500 deaths of Indian landowners per year, the total cost for probates of Indian lands is approximately \$27 million per year. Further, as a result of fractionation, DOI faces:
- Increased costs to maintain and manage interests;
  - Increased workload;
  - Increased need for beneficiary services;
  - Increased records management responsibilities;
  - Increased need to obtain, maintain and manage ownership information. Without efforts to reduce

current fractionated lands and prevent future fractionation, the cost will soon outweigh the benefits and Congress will be forced to consider drastic measures that will likely prove harmful to Indian Country. During the Pilot Project, ITMA has specifically concentrated on the use of consolidation agreements at probate as one tool to reduce fractionation. The process has been implemented and utilized as follows:

**CONSOLIDATION AGREEMENTS AT PROBATE**

I. In General. Consolidation agreements among the heirs at probate is a tool that has shown the ability to greatly reduce fractionated land ownership, reduce the length of time an estate is the probate process and simplify associated title work, all of which will result in a cost savings for DOI. AIPRA provides the following at Section 3, (9) Consolidation Agreements:

(A) IN GENERAL.- During the pendency of probate, the decision maker is authorized to approve written consolidation agreements effecting exchanges or gifts voluntarily entered into between the decedent's eligible heirs or devisees, to consolidate interests in any tract of land included in the decedent's trust inventory. Such agreements may provide for the conveyance of interests already owned by such heirs or devisees in such tracts, without having to comply with the Secretary's rules and requirements otherwise applicable to conveyances by deed of trust or restricted interests in land.

(B) EFFECTIVE. - An agreement approved under subparagraph (a) shall be considered final when implemented in an order by a decisionmaker. The final probate order shall direct any changes necessary to the Secretary's land records, to reflect and implement the terms of the approved agreement.

(C) EFFECT ON PURCHASE OPTION AT PROBATE.- Any interest in trust or restricted land that is subject to a consolidation agreement under this paragraph or Section 207(e) (25 U.S.C. 2206(e)) shall not be available for purchase under section 207(p) (25 U.S.C. 2206(p)) unless the decision maker determines that the agreement should not be approved."

ITMA has utilized the above statutory provisions during the Pilot Project to allow trust land owners to avoid the lengthy probate process and to allow landowners to consolidate interests resulting in ownership of larger, more beneficial interests instead of numerous small undivided interests in land. The consolidation agreements have also stalled further fractionation of land upon the death of the interest owner.

II. Process to date.

1. The Office of Hearings and Appeals "OHA" conducts the initial hearing on a decedent's estate to identify all the heirs and devisees. Referral does not occur prior to the first hearing to avoid unknown heirs who sometimes surface at the initial hearing.
2. OHA determines if the decedent had a 25% or greater interest in any parcel of land and less than 20

- possible heirs.
  3. OHA ascertains the interest of the heirs to avoid probate and attempt a consolidation agreement.
  4. OHA stays the case for 90 days and formally refers the heirs and devisees to ITMA for development of a consolidation agreement.
  5. ITMA will obtain releases of information from participating heirs and devisees to allow for an exchange of ownership interests outside the decedent's estate that may be included in the consolidation agreement.
  6. ITMA attorneys will meet with family and explain benefits of a consolidation agreement, assist heirs and devisees to fully understand decedent's estate and estimated value of interests in trust land.
  7. ITMA attorney will ascertain preferences of heirs and devisees for certain interests in the decedent's estate and assist with negotiations between the heirs and devisees.
  8. ITMA attorney will develop a written consolidation agreement that reflects the negotiated agreement between the heirs and devisees to dispose of the decedent's estate.
  9. ITMA attorney will obtain signatures of all heirs and devisees after insuring that all heirs and devisees are fully informed regarding all aspects of the consolidation agreement.
  10. ITMA attorney will submit the consolidation agreement to OHA for approval by the judge.
- III. Proposal. ITMA proposes to continue the Pilot Project for an additional fiscal year with expanded services to the Fort Peck and Fort Berthold Reservations

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACTIVITIES**

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re-enactors, Janice Myelle, her daughter Elizabeth, and son Alan. Thurman, Manatowa, and Massey were able to walk right on a remnant of the path taken by our ancestors and also saw a thunderbird mound, currently the only known effigy mound in Illinois. The tour included the Apple River Fort Interpretive Center and a visit with Site Manager Dan Tindell and volunteers. Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa. Effigy Mounds Superintendent

Phyllis Ewing and Chief Ranger Ken Block arranged for rangers Merle Frommelt and Maria Wenzel to give the Sac and Fox tours of areas in the national park, including the well known Marching Bears site where bear and bird effigies remain a quiet presence as they have for centuries. The Sac and Fox did not create the effigy mounds at the park but were the last tribe to live in that particular area. As such, the Sac and Fox have been responsible for repatriations of human remains at Effigy Mounds. Villa Louis. Built in 1871

atop an Indian mound on St. Feriole Island, the Dousman Mansion had been named Villa Louis in honor of one of its owners, Louis Dousman. In addition to the Treaty of 1825, the site was the location of the Battle of Prairie du Chien in 1814 during the War of 1812 when Fort Shelby stood on the mound and also of the first Fort Crawford. Also located on St. Feriole Island next to Villa Louis is the Mississippi River Sculpture Park where statues of historic figures created by artist Florence Bird surround a central fire circle.

The exhibit's concept envisioned all the persons linked to the layers of history at the site gathering around a fire to tell their stories. On October 3, 2005 Black Hawk was the first statue placed in the park. Tribal representatives visited Black Hawk's likeness and toured the Dousman Mansion. BadAxe Massacre Site. The Sac and Fox visited the Bad Axe Massacre site on August 1st, the 177th anniversary of the first day of battle and happened to arrive there at the very hour it started. An informational kiosk stands at



the site but the area is open for public recreation under the supervision of the St. Paul District Corps of Engineers, who agreed to work

with the Sac and Fox Nation to set aside a "no use" area to commemorate the 1832 event.





*Its Flu Season*

*Protect the family and You!*

*The CHR's and Case Manager from the Merle Boyd Center of Sac & Fox Nation will be giving Flu vaccinations.*

Presenter: Merle Boyd Center  
 When: September- 16th, 23rd, 30th  
 October- 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th  
 Where: Merle Boyd Center  
 Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Hope to see you there!  
 Please Join us for Nutrition & You afterwards  
 For questions call  
 Kristi Prince RN CM 918-968-9531



*Fresh Start*

*Nutrition and You!*

Come learn how to read food labels, plan low cost meals, stretch your food dollars, find new ways to prepare food and learn how to eat healthy.

Presenter- Sharon Phillips- Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service  
 When: September- 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th  
 October- 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th  
 Where: Merle Boyd Center Kitchen  
 Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Hope to see you there!  
 For questions call  
 Jenny McDaniel 918-968-9531

**THANK YOU!!**

**I WANT TO THANK ALL THE  
 VOTERS IN THE RECENT  
 SAC AND FOX NATION ELECTIONS**

**RANDLE CARTER**



*Start an Exercise Program  
 TODAY!*

Come to the Merle Boyd Center and take advantage of all of our September programs. Fall is approaching. Join an exercise program to help you stay on track for the holidays

Exercise- Monday-Friday 8:00am -4:30pm  
Boot camp- Mon, Wed, Friday-Gym-  
 11:00am-12:00 / 12:00-1:00 pm  
Walking Program- Tues and Thurs- Meet MBC  
Nutrition/Food Demo- 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30

\*\*Exercise referrals from the Black Hawk Clinic are required to attend any exercise program at the Merle Boyd Center\*\*  
 Call Jenny McDaniel-Exercise Specialist at 918-968-9531 ext 208



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**News Release**

Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Date: August 26, 2009  
 Contact: Nedra Darling  
 202-219-4152

**Assistant Secretary Larry Echo Hawk's Statement  
 on the Passing of Senator Edward M. Kennedy**

WASHINGTON – Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk issued the following statement today on the passing of Senator Edward M. Kennedy:

"Indian Country, as indeed all Americans, has lost a great friend in the passing of Senator Kennedy. His dedication to ensuring the well-being of every member of our great nation remains the hallmark of the legislation he championed for over 40 years in the Congress. His support for improving the lives and futures of the American Indian and Alaska Native people, particularly through education and health care, will be remembered warmly by all who knew him. He will be sorely missed, and our thoughts and prayers go out to the Kennedy family."

-DOI-

**PRESS RELEASE ----- PRESS RELEASE**

Haskell Alumni Association of Oklahoma  
 Haskell Indian Nations University  
 Lawrence KS 66046

*Invites All Haskell Alumni & Friends to join us at the Annual*

**HASKELL REUNION 2009**

Oct 9-11, 2009

Radisson Inn, 10918 E. 41<sup>st</sup> Street (near Garnett & 41<sup>st</sup> Streets), Tulsa OK

*"Honoring our Haskell Alumni Veterans"*

Contact: Flo Spotted Bear, 918-948-2505



**PRESS RELEASE PRESS RELEASE PRESS RELEASE**

# 2009 PER CAPITA PAYMENT

## SCHEDULE

Enrollment Office finalizes Membership Roll  
for Gaming Per Capita issuance .....September 30, 2009

**Last day to submit forms for 1<sup>st</sup> check run. .... October 30, 2009**  
(Forms must be in the Enrollment Office by 4:30 p.m.)

Per Capita checks printed and mailed .....by December 17, 2009

2009 IRS1099's mailed by Finance Dept. to tribal members,,,,,,January 31, 2010

**IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD(REN) HAVE NOT HAD A NAME CHANGE AND/OR  
ADDRESS CHANGE SINCE OUR LAST PER CAPITA PAYMENT,  
YOU DO NOT NEED TO SUBMIT ANY FORMS.**

All children under 18 will receive a \$100 check and the rest of their per capita payment will be put into a Trust Account in their name at Stroud BancFirst.

**SINCE OUR LAST PER CAPITA PAYMENT, IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD(REN)  
HAVE HAD A NAME CHANGE AND/OR ADDRESS CHANGE, INCLUDING  
NOW USING A 911 ADDRESS; OR IF YOU ARE A NEW TRIBAL MEMBER,  
PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT(S):**

- **Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification** included in the newspaper or on the Nation's Website at; <http://www.sacandfoxnation.com>. The address listed on the W-9 is where you per capita check will be mailed. For a child, the parent or legal guardian will have to sign the W-9 form.

Purpose of Form:

The Nation is required to file an information return with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to report income (per capita) paid to you. We must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN). For individuals this is your Social Security Number (SSN).

Specific Instructions for "Name" on W-9: You must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social card, and your new last name. (Source: IR'S Instructions for Form W-9.)

Please provide copies of legal documentation to support any name change in the last 12 months (marriage licenses/ divorce papers). Please write your Roll # in the upper hand corner of the form.

- **Social Security Number:** If the Nation does not have a copy of your Social Security Number on file, please include a copy with your W-9 Form.

**FOR THE NATION TO UPDATE YOUR RECORD BEFORE YOUR CHECK IS  
ISSUED,PLEASE RETURN DOCUMENT(S) BY OCTOBER 30, 2009, TOO;**

April Marble, Enrollment Specialist  
Sac and Fox Nation  
920883 S Hwy 99 Bldg A  
Stroud, OK 74079  
FAX: 918-968-9636

## TAX LIABILITY

Under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), net revenues from Class II or Class III gaming activities conducted or licensed by an Indian tribe may be used to make per capita payments to members of the tribe only if four conditions are met. Condition 4 states: The per capita payments are subject to federal taxation and the tribe must notify members of such tax liability when payments are made. The Social Security number of all payees should be secured prior to making payments. Otherwise, the tribe is potentially liable for backup withholding provisions pursuant to IRC section 3406. (Source: Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) Gaming Tax Law and Bank Secrecy Act Issues for Indian Tribal Governments)

Per Capita payments are subject to federal taxation and require the Sac and Fox Nation to prepare IRS Form 1099-MISC, *Statement for Recipients of Miscellaneous Income* when payment is made to the tribal member. (Source: National Indian Gaming Commission's Frequently Asked Questions)

Other Income, i.e. Per Capita Payment, may make a difference on your tax reporting; it could affect any State and/or Federal Benefits you may receive or programs in which you participate. The Sac and Fox Nation encourages you to check with your tax accountant and/or benefit specialist.

