

The Hollowing Out of America's Military

This letter was received by Dora S. Young from Senator John McCain and submitted for publication in the Sac and Fox News by permission from CAGW

Dear Ms, Young:

I believe I owe you this letter:

I owe you this letter because Congress—the Congress I serve in—is engaged in a budgetary shell game that undermines the way on terrorism and weakens our nation's defenses.

Let me explain what has been going on, why I am writing you on behalf of Citizens Against Government Waste (CAGW) and why it is important that you complete and return the enclosed CAGW National Defense Readiness Survey today.

As you have most likely heard, in the face of four straight years of \$1 trillion-plus deficits, Congress and President Obama have made very deep cuts in defense spending. To compound and make matters worse, of the remaining dollars appropriated by Congress to wage the war on terrorism, billions and billions of those appropriations were earmarked for pork-barrel projects that the Pentagon neither wanted nor needed. The purpose of these pork-barrel projects was to help the re-election chances of their congressional sponsors.

That's right. At the very same time we face serious threats around the world and our nation's military has been declining size, and its equipment and technology have been aging at an alarming rate, some members of Congress have been siphoning off vital and increasingly scarce defense dollars for their own parochial projects.

You would think Congress would be using the Defense Budget to re-equip our fighting men and women or care for those who were wounded battling to keep us safe. But tragically, that's not the case.

This waste of our vital defense dollars is outrageous, immoral and more than a

slap in the face to everyone who wears our nation's uniform. It potentially endangers their lives and our safety. I want to put a stop to these selfish pork-barrel projects and I also want your help in doing everything possible to salvage every available dollar for equipment, training, weapons and technology for our men and women in uniform.

You may not be aware of how bad the situation has become for our Armed Forces. Let me share with you the findings of the bipartisan Quadrennial Defense Review Independent Panel. This blue-ribbon panel, made up of our nation's best defense minds, found:

"Over the last two decades, in the wake of the Cold War and the collapse of the Soviet Union, the size of the U.S. armed forces delinked by roughly a third. In 1990, U.S. ground forces consisted of 28 active and reserve Army divisions . . . Today, the United States has 18 Army divisions . . . Similarly, in 1990 the Navy consisted of 566 ships . . . Today, the Navy consists of 282 ships . . . There is increased operational tempo for a force that is much smaller than it was during the years of the Cold War. In addition, the age of major military systems has increased within all the services, and that age has been magnified by wear and tear through intensified use . . . the Armed Forces are operating at maximum operational tempo, wearing out people and equipment faster than expected, using the reserve component more than anticipated, and stressing active duty personnel in all the military services."

To be continued in June's paper with closing comments by Ms. Dora S. Young 12529 Ns 3520 Seminole, OK 74868-5883



Sac and Fox Maintenance Says Be Snake Aware This Spring

This unwelcomed visitor was found lurking near the maintenance shop recently. The photo was taken by Russell Saunders as Robert Barrett manhandled it.

NOTICE

The Veteran's Administration is partnering with the Pawnee Indian Health Center to enroll all Native American and non-Indian Veterans for health care benefits the third Thursday of every month from 10:30 am to 1:00pm. Veterans will be able to get questions answered about their benefits without traveling to Tulsa, Muskogee or Oklahoma City. The Pawnee Service Unit is located on the Pawnee Nation Tribal Reserve, 1201 Heritage Circle, in Pawnee, Oklahoma 74058, for more information call (918) 762-6724.

"Thank You"

The Activity Committee would like to say Thank You to our Amazing families, who always help support us, the Unity Group that always volunteers for us, our wonderful cooks, the maintenance team, they are life savers! And a special Thank you to Ken and Ladonna Johnson, Shawn Brown, Sahloman Godwin, and Mitch Loveland.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SAC AND FOX NATION
356159 EAST 926 ROAD, STROUD, OKLAHOMA 74079
PHONE: (918) 968-2031
Andrea Harrison, Plaintiff -vs- Case No. JFD-10-00067 Billy Jack Harrison, Defendant.
Summons
THE SAC AND FOX NATION TO:
Billy Jack Harrison
Address Unknown
Greetings:
You are hereby notified that a PETITION FOR DIVORCE has been filed in the Sac and Fox District Court. You have twenty (20) days from the date of service to file an Answer.
You are hereby summoned and notified that the Court will hear the evidence in support of and in opposition to the granting of said Petition for Divorce at the Sac and Fox District Courthouse located 5 miles South and 1/4 mile East of Stroud, Oklahoma on the 27th day of JUNE 2013 at the hour of 9:30 a.m..
YOU MAY SEEK THE ADVICE OF AN ATTORNEY ON ANY MATTER REGARDING THIS SUIT OR YOUR ANSWER.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on April 29, 2013.
SAC AND FOX NATION, Court Clerk By: Clerk/ Deputy Audrey Mitchell

ATTENTION:

PAST

SAC & FOX PRINCESSES, SENIOR SAC & FOX WOMEN, LADIES AUXILLARY

GET YOUR SHAWLS READY TO PARADE IN DURING OUR

50TH SAC & FOX POW-WOW
JULY 11-14 2013

ROBERT WILLIAMSON POW-WOW CHAIRMAN

Congratulations Graduates Mitch & Shawn!

Mitch Loveland, congrats on graduating from Central Tech with your Drafting Design Degree, and landing your dream job at Will Bros Engineering !

Shawn Brown, congrats on graduating from Stroud high School, and your accepts to OSU-IT majoring in Diesel Technology!

We are so very proud of you both, with all our love, Mom, Dad, Grandma, and all your aunts & uncles! Popo is smiling down from heaven, so proud of the great men his grandsons are becoming!

Muscogee (Creek) Nation WIC Program Stroud Clinic

USDA Building 920883 S. HWY 99
Open 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each Month
Hours: 9:30am - 3:30pm
Closed for Lunch 12:00pm - 1:00pm
1-800-648-2302 or 918-968-1784 for information
Closed last business day of each month for staff training.
Standards for participation are the same regardless of age, race, sex, color, national origin or handicap.

