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Chief's Address To The Nation



Chief George Thurman

Greetings,

On January 25th, the 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Budget was finally approved during a Special Governing Council Meeting for RAP after several earlier attempts to reach a quorum of 60 members had failed.

A continuing resolution for the first quarter of 2014 allowed some funding for services during the period of October 1 through December 31, 2013. The passage of the full RAP Budget almost 4 months into the fiscal year once again puts our committees, boards, commissions, and RAP programs and services behind. Those mentioned, plus other departments, now need to develop or modify their 2014 budgets for approval

by the Business Committee to allow further and new spending levels.

The practice has always been that Federal funding will be utilized first before any RAP funding is used.

I need to iterate that because of federal guidelines, many of our tribal membership are not eligible for assistance from our federal funding due to their residing outside of our tribal jurisdiction; thus our RAP programs and services, which are available to all tribal members no matter where you may reside, need to be available at the beginning of the fiscal year.

I will be scheduling meetings with the Business Committee, Sauk Business Enterprises, Finance Dept., RAP Dept., Property & Procurement Dept., Chief of Staff (COS), and other departments to work collectively to develop a process to be brought forward to Governing Council for input so this funding will be available at the beginning of the fiscal year. I want everyone to know that it is going to take a cooperative effort to accomplish this endeavor.

This month I am sharing information from the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Broadcast that is very informative and that affects our Sac and Fox Nation.

erally recognized tribes in the year 2010 is 1,969,167.

* The state with the highest population indicator was Oklahoma with 471,738 Native Americans living in or near the areas of federally recognized tribes. This is followed by California with 281,374, and then by Arizona with 234,891.

* The BIA region with the highest population indicator is Eastern Oklahoma, with 335,529, followed by the Pacific Region with 281,112, and then by the Northwest Region with 266,028.

* Approximately 28.1 percent of the service population is below 16 years of age, and there are slightly more boys than girls. Approximately 64.8 percent are between the ages of 16 and 64, with slightly more females. Those ages 65 and older represent only 7.1 percent of the population, and again there are more women than men (4.0 percent versus 3.1 percent).

* On average about 49-50 percent of all Native Americans in or near the tribal areas of federally recognized tribes, who are 16 years or older, are employed either full or part time in civilian jobs.

* According to estimated ranges based on a 90 percent confidence interval, in several states less than 50 percent of Natives Americans are working, among those who are 16 years or older and who are living in or near the tribal areas of federally recognized tribes. These states include Alaska, Arizona, California, Maine, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Utah.

* Approximately 21 percent of all Native American employees work for a government (federal, state, local, or tribal), though this too varies by tribe, state, and region. For example, it ranges between 8 and 12 percent in Iowa, and between 40 and 45 percent in South Dakota.

* An estimated 23 percent of all Native American families in the United States in 2010 earned incomes that are below the poverty line. The highest estimated rate of poverty is in South Dakota, with 43-47 percent of Native American families in 2010 earning incomes below the pov-



New Chief of Staff: The Sac and Fox Nation welcomes Ernest Clark as the new Chief of Staff. Watch for profile in March.

erty line. The next highest rates of poverty are estimated to be in Arizona (31-33 percent), Minnesota (30-33 percent), Montana (32-36 percent), and Nebraska (30-37 percent).

January 15, 2014 NCAI Broadcast

FY 2014 Omnibus Restores Some Funds to Tribal Programs
Bill Rejects Contract Support Costs Caps Proposal

House and Senate negotiators released a \$1.012 trillion FY 2014 Omnibus spending bill (HR 3547) on January 13, 2014 that provides directives for all 12 appropriations bills, including the Interior-Environment bill, which provides funding for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. The Senate cleared a three-day continuing resolution (H J Res 106) today to keep the government open through January 18. The current continuing resolution (PL 113-46) expires Wednesday and federal agencies require a stopgap bill to avoid a shutdown. Throughout the last year, tribes have urged policymakers to undo sequester reductions and avoid cutting even more deeply from key domestic investments, which include the solemn duty to fund the trust responsibility. The Murray-Ryan budget agreement reached in December (PL 113-67) partially replaces sequestration.

A majority of tribal trust and treaty promises are funded in the domestic discretionary bud-

get in the following appropriations bills:

* Interior-Environment: Bureau of Indian Affairs /Bureau of Indian Education, Indian Health Service

* Labor-Health and Human Services-Education: Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Education

* Commerce-Justice-Science: Department of Justice: Office of Justice Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement, Office of Violence Against Women, Community Oriented Policing Services

* Transportation, Housing: Housing and Urban Development, Indian Housing Block Grant, Indian Community Development Block Grant

The House passed the FY 2014 Omnibus bill today, 359-67, and the Senate is expected to clear it later in the week. The Omnibus does not include any continuing resolutions, the first time in many years for the Departments of the Interior and Health and Human Services. This analysis includes updates on many tribal programs addressed in the FY 2014 Omnibus bill.

Highlights

Contract Support Costs: Significantly, the Omnibus explanatory text (p. 19) states that "the agreement does not include statutory language carried in previous years that limits the amount available in any given fiscal year for the payment of (Continued on Page 3)

National News

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR | 2013 American Indian Population and Labor Force Report Released

On January 16, 2014, the US Department of the Interior released the 2013 American Indian Population and Labor Force Report with data primarily for 2010. This is the first time the Report has been released since 2005.

As different from past reports, the 2013 Report relies on both Census Bureau data and data collected from tribes through the 2010 Labor Force Survey. This means that the 2013 data cannot be compared to data in past Reports. Employment estimates in the 2013 Report are drawn from Census data and are not reported in relation to each tribe's service population because "there is currently no source of reliable data that exists at that level for each tribe" (p. 12). The 2013 Report provides estimates of the number of tribal residents who are employed and those who are available for work but not working (or jobless), but explicitly does not provide unemployment data.

NCAI previously submitted comments citing concerns about the use of Census data for tribal-level estimates. We retain those concerns and are pursuing discussions with senior Administration officials to identify solutions.

The main findings of the report as listed on page 10 are:

* The sum of population indicators associated with all fed-



Community Building Parking Update: Despite dealing with occasional outbursts of the Polar Vortex the Sac and Fox Community Building Parking lot is underway. Cement work has begun and with a little help from some Spring like weather should be completed in the near future. (SFN photo)

Upcoming Events 2014

February 9
Native American Church Dance

February 11
Sac & Fox Nation Veterans' Meeting
Elders Bldg Stroud
5 pm-

February 12
Elders Advisory Committee Meeting
Shawnee
10:00 Potluck

February 15
PowWow Committee
Indian Dice & Dance
Sac and Fox Gym

February 22
Special Petition
Governing Council
10 am
Sac and Fox Gym

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Obituaries



Randall James "Bito" Riley

Randall James "Bito" Riley, 55, of Shawnee, was born Saturday, July 26, 1958 and died Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014, in Oklahoma City.

Wake was held Sunday evening, January 12, at the Edgar Ellis Farm on Moccasin Trail. Burial was the following Monday morning at McKosato Farm on Moccasin Trail. Walker Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.



Randall James "Bito" Riley



SPECIAL PETITIONED GOVERNING COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 22, 2014 @ 10:00 A.M.
Sac and Fox Gymnasium

Sac and Fox Elders Activities

- Sunday - February 9, 2014**Native American Church Dance
- Tuesday - February 11, 2014** ..Sac and Fox Veterans' Meeting Elders Building Stroud 5 pm
- Wednesday - February 12, 2014**Elders Advisory Committee Meeting, Elders Building Stroud 10:00 am Potluck - Valentine Bingo After Meeting
- Saturday - February 15, 2014** Powwow Committees Indian Dice & Sweetheart Dance

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February 15, 2014 Saturday
1pm - Indian Dice Tourney
5pm - Box Supper
6pm - Sweetheart Dance

WHERE
Sac & Fox Gymnasium
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- East of Main Office across HWY on the Hill

ALL AGES
EVENTS

INDIAN DICE
TOURNAMENT
\$5 Entry Fee Per Player
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receives Half the Pot \$\$\$

BOX SUPPER
Best Decorated Box
Contest - 1st, 2nd, 3rd
place prizes awarded
Donated Box Suppers will
be auctioned off to the
highest bidder
Open to All Ages
Multiple Entries Welcome
Plan Boxes for 2 People

SWEETHEART
DANCE
Head Singer: Lloyd Hunter
Gourd Dance
Traditional Dances
Cake Walks, Raffle, 50/50

BENEFITING
Sac & Fox Nation Powwow
Committee to raise funds
to host the 51st Annual
Sac & Fox Nation Powwow

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Bureau of Indian Affairs: The Omnibus would provide \$2.531 billion for the BIA and BIE, \$18 million over the FY 2013 enacted level (pre-sequester and across-the-board rescissions). The Omnibus level is \$142 million over the post-sequester and post rescission FY 2013 level. The Omnibus level is the same as the FY 2012 enacted level.

Indian Health Service: The legislation funds the Indian Health Service at \$4.3 billion - \$78 million above the FY 2013 enacted level (pre-sequester and pre-rescission levels).

Health and Human Services: After taking reductions under sequestration, early childhood education initiatives received significant increases in the Omnibus. The bill provides \$8.6 billion for Head Start.

Division G - Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

The House Appropriations press release notes that the "bill helps to meet the nation's treaty obligations to American Indians and Alaska Natives by providing funding for health care, law enforcement, and education. The legislation funds the Indian Health Service at \$4.3 billion - \$78 million above the fiscal year 2013 enacted level - and the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Education at \$2.5 billion - \$18 million above the fiscal year 2013 enacted level."

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(Dollars in millions)	FY14 Request	FY14 Omnibus	Bill vs. Request	Bill vs. FY13, no sequester	Bill vs. FY13, w/ sequester
Operation of Indian Programs	2,183.8	2,378.8	195.0	11.0	134.9
(Welfare assistance)	74.8	74.8	0.0	0.0	3.9
(Forward-funded education)	596.2	591.2	-5.0	1.8	32.6
Contract support	230.0	--	-230.0	--	--
Indian self-determination fund	1.0	--	-1.0	--	--
Construction					
Education	52.3	55.3	3.0	2.4	2.5
Public safety and justice	11.3	11.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Resources management	32.8	32.8	0.0	0.0	0.1
General administration	10.8	10.8	0.0	1.8	1.8
Total construction	107.1	110.1	3.0	4.2	4.4
Indian guaranteed loan program	5.0	6.7	1.7	-0.4	0
Total BIA and BIE	2,562.6	2,531.3	-31.3	17.7	142.2

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Contract Support Costs

The Joint Explanatory Statement for Division G includes directions to the Department of Interior (as well as Health and Human Services in the IHS section) on contract support costs.

Contract Support Costs.- The agreement does not include statutory language carried in prior year appropriations bills, which limited the amount available in any given fiscal year for the payment of contract support costs, nor does it include the proposal put forth in the Administration's fiscal year 2014 budget request that would place a cap on the contract support cost amounts available for each tribal contract or compact.

That proposal was developed without tribal consultation and the Committees heard from numerous Tribes voicing their strong opposition.

Instead, the question of contract support cost amounts to be paid from within the fiscal year 2014 appropriation is remanded back to the agencies to resolve, while the underlying contradictions in current law remain to be addressed by the House and Senate committees of jurisdiction. Until such matters are resolved, the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations are in the untenable position of appropriating discretionary funds for the payment of any legally obligated contract support costs.

Typically obligations of this nature are addressed through mandatory spending, but in this case since they fall under discretionary spending, they have the potential to impact all other programs funded under

the Interior and Environment Appropriations bill, including other equally important tribal programs. The Committees therefore direct the Department of the Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services to consult with the Tribes and work with the House and Senate committees of jurisdiction, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Committees on Appropriations to formulate long-term accounting, budget, and legislative strategies to address the situation. In the Committees' view, each Department's solution should consider a standardized approach that streamlines the contract negotiation process, provides consistent and clear cost categories, and ensures efficient and timely cost documentation for the Departments and the Tribes. Within 120 days of enactment of this Act, the Departments shall develop work plans and announce consultation with Tribes on this issue.

Indian Health Service

The bill would provide \$4.4 billion for the Indian Health Service (IHS), which is about \$78 million over the FY2013 level (before sequestration and rescissions). The Omnibus IHS level is about \$304 million above the FY 2013 post-sequestration and post-rescission levels. The agreement provides funding for contract support costs in accordance with the Salazar v. Ramah Navajo Chapter Supreme Court decision.

(in millions)	FY13 post sequester	FY14 Request	FY14 Omnibus	Bill vs. Request	Bill vs. FY13 no sequester	Bill vs. FY13 w/ sequester
Indian Health Services	3,712.6	3,505.3	3,982.8	477.5	68.2	270.2
(Purchased/referred care)	801.3	878.6	878.6	0.0	---	77.3
(Loan repayment)	34.1	36.0	36.0	0.0	---	1.9
Contract support	---	477.2	---	---	---	---
Maintenance and improvement	50.9	53.7	53.6	-0.1	---	2.7
Sanitation facilities construction	75.4	79.6	79.4	-159.0	---	4.0
Health care facilities construction	77.2	85.0	85.0	0.0	---	7.8
Facilities and environmental health support	193.6	207.2	211.1	3.8	---	17.5
Equipment	21.4	22.6	22.5	-45.0	---	1.1
total facilities	41.9	448.1	451.7	3.5	---	409.8
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The Joint Explanatory text for IHS refers to the contract support costs discussion under "Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, Operation of Indian Programs." Moreover, the IHS is directed to submit an operating plan to the Committees within 30 days of enactment of this Act displaying funding allocations to the activity level.

I want to take this opportunity to wish all tribal members a "Happy Birthday!" that celebrated one during the month of January and those who will be celebrating theirs in February. Once again, I thank you for the privilege and opportunity to serve as Chief of our Sac and Fox Nation. Aho! George Thurman, Principal Chief



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FEBRUARY 2014 WORD MATCH WORDS TO DESCRIBE THOSE WE LOVE

Chahkwîhiwa	funny
Anakwiwa	skinny, bony
Wêwenethiwa	fat
Chêchahkwikiwa	friendly
Ahkanîhiwa	old
Ketepânene	generous
Chakethiwa	small
Ashkikiwa	intelligent
Keshâtethiwa	crazy
Kehchikiwa	tiny
Manâtethiwa	beautiful
Nawênihkwêwiwa	handsome
Shêshêhkothiwa	young
Nepwâhkâwa	I love you
Wêpethiwa	rich
Ênikitêhêwa	short

FEBRUARY 2014 WORD SCRAMBLE WORDS DESCRIBING THOSE WE LOVE

awîhkwicahh	_____
êchkwkcawiahih	_____
aakhcitweh	_____
hiikwkhac	_____
sohkêwsitêahh	_____
tpwhwaeiê	_____
waaiwank	_____
whanaîiakh	_____
mahâtieanwt	_____
ahkwnâwepâ	_____
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(Let's All Talk Sauk!)

FEBRUARY 2014
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(Snow Crust Moon)

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Stroud Community Classes Have Been Postponed
Until Spring.
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FEBRUARY 2014 WORD LIST

Chahkwîhiwa	Short
Anakwiwa	Fat
Wêwenethiwa	Beautiful
Chêchahkwikiwa	Tiny
Ahkanîhiwa	Skinny, bony
Ketepânene	I love you
Chakethiwa	Small
Ashkikiwa	Young
Keshâtethiwa	Friendly
Kehchikiwa	Old
Manâtethiwa	Rich
Nawênihkwêwiwa	Handsome
Shêshêhkothiwa	Generous
Nepwâhkâwa	Intelligent
Wêpethiwa	Crazy
Ênikitêhêwa	Funny

BIE Director Dr. Charles Roessel Announces Dr. Venida S. Chenault as Haskell President

WASHINGTON – Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) Director Dr. Charles M. Roessel today announced the selection of Dr. Venida S. Chenault as president of Haskell Indian Nations University (Haskell) in Lawrence, Kan. Chenault, an enrolled member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation in Kansas, had been serving as vice president of academic affairs at Haskell since December 2004. Her new appointment is effective Jan. 12, 2014.



Dr. Venida S. Chenault

“Dr. Venida Chenault is an experienced administrator whose leadership at Haskell Indian Nations University and strong commitment to American Indian higher education is well-known among her students and colleagues,” Roessel said. “Her familiarity with the needs of students, her respect for the school community and her vision for the institution itself has made her the right choice as Haskell president. I am proud to have her on my education management team.”

Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs Kevin K. Washburn also praised the appointment: “I am very pleased at the selection of Dr. Venida Chenault for Haskell president. This institution is one of the most important Indian higher education institutions in the country. Our search for new leadership at Haskell has led to a strong and able education professional, a person who has long been committed to this institution, and who will work towards its constant betterment.”

Chenault has held several positions at Haskell during almost 21 years of her association with the university. With degrees in social work, she started in 1991 as social work faculty and as an advisor where she taught and developed pre-professional courses and curriculum in social work, American Indian studies and addiction until August 2004. During that time, she also served as interim director of American Indian studies (June 1996 to July 1999); as acting associate dean for the Division of Instruction (December 1997 to June 1998); as acting director of

the Institute for Distance Education (April to August 2003); and as co-director of a Ford Foundation grant that Haskell held in conjunction with the University of Kansas, exploring the Native American experience.

From October 2008 to October 2009, Chenault served as a Visiting Scholar in Social Welfare at the University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, where she worked to advance research and scholarship on the topic of violence and abuse against Indigenous women. She also authored a book on the same topic during this period.

In December 2004, Chenault was named Haskell’s vice president of academic affairs, which gave her administrative oversight of a \$3-\$4 million budget and supervisory responsibility for all academic programs, budgets, faculty and staff within the Division of Academic Affairs. In her position she also served as acting vice president for university services from October 2009 to January 2010; acting Haskell president from January to May 2010; and at BIE headquarters in Washington, D.C., from September 2012 to April 2013. While with the Bureau, she helped lead key priority post-secondary education projects, including developing partnership agreements with tribal colleges and universities (TCUs) and working with the Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Office of Justice Services and the National Park Service to design professional development curriculum. From 2006 to 2007, she also held consultations and workshops on tribal sovereignty and self-determination as well as academic assessment and research for TCUs.

Chenault attended Haskell as a student in the Fall of 1975 and the Spring of 1984. She later attended the University of Kansas where she earned a bachelor’s degree in social work in 1986, a master’s in social work in 1990, and a Ph.D. in philosophy in 2004. She has given numerous presentations on the subject of violence and substance abuse activity and prevention within the American Indian community, and developed and taught courses on human behavior, community health social work practice, chemical dependency and social work as they relate to Native people. In addition, she has published numerous articles and reports on a variety of topics related to the study of American Indian societies and cultures.

She has received several awards, including Haskell Outstanding Alumni of the Year (Spring 2009) and the Crystal Eagle Indigenous Leadership Award, Center for Indigenous Studies, University of Kansas (Spring 2005). She was named both a Kellogg Minority Serving Institutions Leadership Program Fellow and an American Indian Higher Education Consortium Fellow in 2003, and an American

Indian College Fund Mellon Award Fellow in 2004. From 1998 to the present, she served at various times on Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Education, Social Services and Constitution committees, and the Nation’s Social Service Advisory Board.

Chenault will lead a BIE-operated university which has been educating American Indians and Alaska Natives from the nation’s federally recognized tribes for almost 130 years. Opened on September 1, 1884, as the United States Industrial Training School with a focus on agricultural education in grades one through five, the school was known as Haskell Institute throughout Indian Country until 1970 when it was transformed into a two-year higher education institution and renamed Haskell Indian Junior College. In 1993, the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs approved changing the school’s name to its current form.

Haskell has grown from its original 22 students to an average enrollment today of over 1,000 each semester from tribes across the United States. It offers associate and baccalaureate programs accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and integrates American In-

dian and Alaska Native cultures into its curricula. Students may transfer to another baccalaureate degree-granting institution or go directly into the workforce. For more information, visit www.haskell.edu.

The Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs oversees the Bureau of Indian Education, which operates the federal school system for American Indian and Alaska Native children from the federally recognized tribes. The BIE director is directly responsible for implementing federal education programs and laws, such as the No Child Left Behind Act, in 183 elementary and secondary day and boarding schools on 64 reservations in 23 states serving over 40,000 students. The BIE also funds or operates off-reservation boarding schools and peripheral dormitories near reservations for students attending public schools. In addition, the BIE provides post secondary education opportunities to American Indians and Alaska Natives by offering higher education scholarships, providing operational support funding to 26 tribal colleges and universities and two tribal technical colleges, and by directly operating two institutions of higher learning: Haskell and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute in Albuquerque, N.M.

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Behavioral Health Services.
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Effects on Mental Health, Dealing With Bullying!!

Informational booth will be set up in the lobby of the Black Hawk Health Center Friday Feb. 21st from 9am to 12pm. Promoting Bullying Prevention and Mental Health Prevention

We will be giving out prizes during this time!!!

February 2014 Wordsearch

DESCRIBING THOSE WE LOVE Use word List (English Words Not in Puzzle)

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From The Merle Boyd Center

Healthy Eating, Being Active

Lifestyle Balance Program

The Diabetes Prevention Program created the Lifestyle Balance curriculum to help prevent diabetes among those who are at high risk. The program meets once a week for sixteen weeks and focuses on weight loss, healthy eating, and staying active.

Sac and Fox Nation Special Diabetes Program

Brittany Crawford, RD/LD
Phone: 918-968-9531
E-mail: brittany.crawford@ihs.gov

Tentative meeting times will be Mondays at noon at the Merle W Boyd Center starting in October.

There will be ten spots available, please contact Brittany Crawford by September 30, 2013 if interested in participating.



It's American Heart Month

Submitted by LaDona Johnson, CHR Coordinator



February is American Heart Month. Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women, but heart disease is preventable and controllable.

Every journey begins with one step, whether it's climbing a mountain or preventing heart disease. This month we are going to discuss taking that first step that will lead us on the road to a healthy heart.

Let's Take One Step at a Time

As you begin your journey to better heart health, keep these things in mind:

- Don't become overwhelmed. Every step brings you closer to a healthier heart.

- Don't go it alone. The journey is more fun when you have company. Ask friends and family to join you.

- Don't get discouraged. You may not be able to take all of the steps at one time. Get a good night's sleep and do what you can tomorrow.

- Reward yourself. Find fun things to do to decrease your stress. Round up some colleagues for a lunchtime walk, join a singing group, or have a healthy dinner with your family or friends.

Plan for Prevention

Some health conditions and lifestyle factors can put people at higher risk for developing heart disease. You can help prevent heart disease by making healthy choices and managing any medical conditions you have.

- Eat a healthy diet. Choosing healthy meal and snack options can help you avoid heart disease and its complications. Be sure to eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables—adults should have at least 5 servings each day. Eating foods low in saturated fat, trans fat, and cholesterol and high in fiber can help prevent high cholesterol. Limiting salt or sodium in your diet also can lower your blood pressure. For more information on healthy diet and nutrition, visit CDC's Nutrition and Physical Activity Program Web site and ChooseMyPlate.gov.

- Maintain a healthy weight. Being overweight or obese can increase your risk for heart disease. To determine whether your weight is in a healthy range, doctors often calculate a number called the body mass index (BMI). Doctors sometimes also use waist and hip measurements to measure a person's body fat. If you know your weight and

height, you can calculate your BMI at CDC's Assessing Your Weight Web site.

- Exercise regularly. Physical activity can help you maintain a healthy weight and lower cholesterol and blood pressure. The Surgeon General recommends that adults should engage in moderate-intensity exercise for at least 30 minutes on most days of the week. For more information, see CDC's Nutrition and Physical Activity Program Web site.

- Monitor your blood pressure. High blood pressure often has no symptoms, so be sure to have it checked on a regular basis. You can check your blood pressure at home, at a pharmacy, or at a doctor's office. Find more information at CDC's High Blood Pressure Web site.

- Don't smoke. Cigarette smoking greatly increases your risk for heart disease. If you don't smoke, don't start. If you do smoke, quit as soon as possible. Your doctor can suggest ways to help you quit. For more information about tobacco use and quitting, see CDC's Smoking & Tobacco Use Web site and Smokefree.gov.

- Limit alcohol use. Avoid drinking too much alcohol, which can increase your blood pressure. Men should stick to no more than two drinks per day, and women to no more than one. For more information, visit CDC's Alcohol and Public Health Web site.

- Have your cholesterol checked. Your health care provider should test your cholesterol levels at least once every 5 years. Talk with your doctor about this simple blood test. You can find out more from CDC's High Cholesterol Web site.

- Manage your diabetes. If you have diabetes, monitor your blood sugar levels closely, and talk with your doctor about treatment options. Visit CDC's Diabetes Public Health Resource for more information.

- Take your medicine. If you're taking medication to treat high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or diabetes, follow your doctor's instructions carefully. Always ask questions if you don't understand something.

Together, we can prevent heart disease, one step at a time.

Information Provided By
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Road
Atlanta, GA 30333
800-232-4636

FEBRUARY 2014

Black Hawk Health Center Activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies 12:15 -exercise dvd 4:45 Cardio/core training	4 open 8-4:30 Anthony in Shawnee	5 11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies 12:15 -exercise dvd beginner's weight training class 4:45	6 11:15 - YOGA 12:15 -CIRCUIT TRAIN 4:45 Circuit Training	7 11:15 Sweatin to the Oldies 12:15 exercise dvd
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11:15 and 12:15 Lunch classes Monday - Thursday
4:45-6 P.M. after work classes.
Toning/weight training, low impact aerobics, core/cardio training, circuit training
MONDAY thru Thursday OPEN TIL 6 PM!!

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Anthony Ramirez
Exercise Specialist MBC

BENEFITS OF EXERCISE

- Lower Resting Heart Rate
- Increased vascularity and better oxygen delivery to muscles
- Increased tolerance to intense exercise
- Better body shape
- Better sleeping patterns
- Less stress
- Increased self esteem



<p>General Wellbeing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weight management • Increased energy levels • Reduction in stress levels • Improved heart & lungs (cardiovascular) • Improved strength & endurance • Increased flexibility • Enhanced bone and muscle 	<p>Helps to manage existing conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obesity • Anxiety • High blood pressure (hypertension) • Stroke • Coronary Heart Disease • Type 2 Diabetes 	<p>Reduces the risk of medical conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obesity • Coronary Heart Disease • Stroke • Type 2 Diabetes • Bone and joint problems e.g. Osteoporosis • Back problems • Certain types of Cancer
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Physical Fitness

The ability to function effectively in physical work, training and other activities and still have enough energy left over to handle any emergencies which may arise.

Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline

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Don't Forget The February Cooking Demo's

February 18
12:00 noon

February 20
11:00 am

Dates are Tentative

Brittany Crawford,
Registered Dietitian **MBC**

Sac and Fox Transportation Program

Criteria You Must Meet Before Being Eligible for Transportation:

- You must have an established chart at BHC
- You must have no other means of transportation
- You must have an active referral from a BHC provider to the facility where being transported

If you have Medicaid, please utilize SoonerRide SoonerRide's toll free phone number is

(877) 404-4500

EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT

One of the students enrolled in the Sac & Fox Higher Education program is Tribal member Lindsey Ashlock.



Lindsey Ashlock

Lindsey lives in Oklahoma City and attends Mid American Christian University, majoring in Business. We

asked her to talk about her future plans and what some of the challenges of going to college are.

“College has never been something that I saw as an option for my life. It has always been a must. My degree will be in Business Administration and with that I hope to at some point have my own business.

Many feel that you must know what you want to do before even going to college. I went in thinking I wanted to be a special needs teacher, but after some other factors in life, I realized that was not what I wanted. The pressure to know before college is such a headache, on top of being able to afford school. In college, professors forget that we do have lives outside their classroom and outside of school. Life happens to college students just like it does to adults and that can be the most stressful part of school. In the end though if someone is able to make it out of college with a degree than they can face any of life’s challenges.”

Lindsey Ashlock

Opportunity for Native Youth

On behalf of the National Park Service, Intermountain Region, we are excited to share with you a career development program the National Park Service (NPS) has designed in partnership with the Student Conservation Association (SCA) called the NPS Academy. The NPS Academy aims to recruit, engage and train the diverse young people who will lead our parks in the years ahead. The NPS recognizes that its workforce needs to better reflect the American public if it is to remain relevant into the 21st century.

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paths which exist within the NPS. Upon successful completion of the orientation, students are then placed into a summer internship with the NPS. Students also participate in a mentoring program to further enhance their experience of living and working in a national park.

If you have any questions regarding the NPS Academy or would like to provide a personal recommendation for a potential participant, please contact Susanne McDonald, Intermountain Region, Workforce Enhancement Specialist at (303) 969-2116 or Bill Tallbull, Intermountain Region, Indian Affairs & American Culture, Business Specialist at (303) 969-2922.

Please provide interested students with the link below to learn more about the NPS Academy and how to apply, <http://www.thesca.org/serve/program/nps-academy>. The deadline is January 18, 2014, but applications will continue to be accepted until the program has been filled.

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SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE

December 2013

Tobacco Tax.	\$16,070.40
Wholesale Tobacco Tax.	\$25,643.84
Beer/Liquor.	\$146.30
Motor Vehicle	\$1,920.00
Sales Tax.	\$11,773.10
Treasury.	\$520.00
Oil & Gas.	\$46.61
Gaming.	\$127,398.24
TOTAL	\$183,518.49

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 1:00 pm. 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

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FEBRUARY 2014

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
Sun. Feb 9 th Native Am. Ch Dance, SF Gym 2pm		Sat. Feb 15 th Powwow Comm. Box Supper, Squaw Dice	----- Tourney, & Dance at SF Gym.	
3 Hamburger Fries Veggies Peaches	4 Chicken & Dumplings Carrots Fruit Cocktail	5 Hoagie Sand. Chips Pea Salad Apple	6 Spaghetti Salad Green Beans Pears	7 Salmon Patty Hush Puppy Coleslaw Jello w/fruit
10 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Corn Mand. Oranges	11 Tater-tot Casserole Green Salad Fruit Cocktail	12 Hominy & Pork Frybread Sliced Tomatoes Applesauce	13 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Peaches	14 French Toast Sausage Milk Pears
17 President's Day OFFICES CLOSED	18 Beef & Noodles Carrot Salad Bread Pears	19 Sauerkraut & Polish Sausage Potato Wedge Tropical Fruit	20 Enchiladas Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Mand. Oranges	21 Fried Chicken Corn on Cob Salad Peaches
24 Lima Beans Corn Bread Potato Wedge	25 BBQ Pork Mixed Veggies Macaroni Salad	26 Ham Scalloped Pots. Corn	27 Tuna Sandwich Beets Chips Vanilla Pudding	28 Bacon Hash Brown Boiled Egg

Happy February Birthday Elders!!

- Sylvia A. Whittaker Butler
- Charlotte Kay Aswell
- Robert Jose Gutierrez
- Patsy Ann Grant
- Howard Ray Barada
- Gloria Ann Hawkins
- Curtis Dawson Jones
- Sherry Lyn Robbins
- Kathy Eileen Walker
- Carletta Henthorn
- Mary Jacquelyn Christensen
- Linda Kay Rogers
- Freda Lavern West
- Billy D. Ablin
- Vickie Jo Ebbe
- Kari Lea Fish
- Cynthia Joy Standlee
- Thomas James Myers
- Cheryl Lynn McClellan
- Connie Fay Gregory
- Nancy Ann Whistler
- Arlan Eugene Manatowa
- Debra Jean Sousa
- Kenneth R. O'Brien
- Terence John Alvarado
- Steven Edward Payne
- Mary Elizabeth Hammett
- Jackie Dean Keo
- Georgia Ann Wakole
- Richard Douglas Crain
- Frankie Dale Wakolee



- Johnelle Mische'
- Joseph G. Perez
- Terry Ralph Billiman
- Robert W. Davis
- Jo Rene M. Martinez
- Carlena Hagler
- Sherri L. McAllister
- Nicholas John Hovsepian
- Jeffery Alan Ponkilla
- Gary Don Norman
- Eugene Floyd Wilson
- Barbara Lee Strouss
- Tommie Ann Ford
- Patricia Denise Longhorn
- Alice Gay Steward
- Glenna Charlene McKinney
- Carl E. Conallis
- Muriel Renee Wheeler
- Harjo Cozzett
- Elizabeth Charboneau
- Sharon Kaye Warren
- David Louis Walker
- Sigrid N. Hennrich
- Cecelia Lois Washington
- Mary A. Felton
- Richard Howard Williamson
- Mary Ann Butler
- Curtis Grant
- Kenneth Freeland Wood
- Vera Mae Grant
- Cheryl Kay Clark

Mildred G. Marceleno



Four Seasons Display: Cathrine Walker, Historical Researcher for the Sac and Fox Nation recently set up a new display in the Sac and Fox National Library depicting the four seasons including some traditional items and information. If you're out looking for something interesting to do, stop by the Sac and Fox Library and check out this exhibit. (photo by SFN)

Stalking, One Aspect of the Family Violence Grant Currently Implemented by SFN Indian Child Welfare



*Vicki Wood Director
Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare*

January was National Stalking Awareness Month, a time to focus on a crime that affects 6.6 million victims in one year. This year's theme—"Stalking: Know It. Name It. Stop It."—challenged the nation to fight this dangerous crime by learning more about it.

Stalking is a crime in all 50 states, the U.S. Territories and the District of Columbia, yet many people underestimate its seriousness and impact. In one in five cases, stalkers use weapons to harm or threaten victims, and stalking is one of the significant risk factors for homicide of women in

abusive relationships.

Stalking is difficult to recognize, investigate, and prosecute. Unlike other crimes, stalking is not a single, easily identifiable crime but a series of acts, a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause that person fear. Stalking may take many forms, such as assaults, threats, vandalism, or burglary, as well as unwanted cards, calls, gifts, or visits.

Stalkers fit no standard psychological profile, and many stalkers follow their victims from one jurisdiction to another, making it difficult for authorities to investigate and prosecute their crimes. Most stalkers are known to their victims, such as friends, family members, acquaintances, spouses, or ex-partners or ex-spouses.

One aspect of stalking that we are seeing more of is the use of technology to stalk. With the rapid progression and availability of smart phones, tablets, downloadable apps, and GPS-enabled devices comes the misuse of these technologies by stalkers to stalk and harass their victims. Nationally, one in four victims report that the stalker uses technology, such as computers, GPS devices, or hidden cameras, to track the victim's daily activities.

Communities that understand stalking can support victims and combat the crime. For additional resources or to learn more about stalking visit www.stalkingawarenessmonth.org.

WHEN IT COMES TO FIREWOOD, BUY IT WHERE YOU BURN IT

Oklahoma Forestry Services is asking Oklahomans to buy firewood near the location where they will burn it to help prevent the spread of insects and diseases that can kill trees and devastate recreation spots.

OFS joins other states and national agencies in the effort to educate the public about the dangers of moving firewood. Many people are unaware that insects and diseases can live in healthy-looking firewood and that by moving firewood they are also transporting invasive pests. The "Promise Not to Move Firewood" campaign is focused on asking people to make a conscious decision not to move firewood and, instead, to buy wood cut as close as possible to the location where they will burn it.

"Normally, insects can't travel far, but when you haul firewood from one location to another, the insects that live inside the firewood are transported, sometimes hundreds of miles, and impact trees in the new location," said George Geissler, Oklahoma State Forester. "In some parts of the country, entire forests have been lost due to firewood movement, and we want to prevent that in Oklahoma."

One pest of particular concern for Oklahoma is the Emerald Ash Borer, an insect that has destroyed tens of millions of ash trees across the nation, and has now infested trees in Colorado, Kansas and Missouri. With a significant ash population, Oklahoma is at risk for an invasion of the insect, primarily through the



movement of firewood into the state by campers and hunters.

How can you help? Use these key points to help keep Oklahoma trees and forests healthy:

- Make the promise NOT to move firewood.

- Buy firewood that was cut near where you will burn it-- that means the wood was cut within 50 miles of where you will burn it. Whether buying firewood for camping or burning at home, always buy locally.

- If you have already moved firewood, the best action you can take is to burn it quickly and completely, making sure to rake all twigs, leaves and bark into your fire.

Oklahoma Forestry Services, a division of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, is committed to conserving, enhancing and protecting the forest resources of Oklahoma for present and future generations. To learn more about keeping Oklahoma's forests healthy, visit <http://www.forestry.ok.gov>.

Sac and Fox Nation Women's Auxiliary

The Sac and Fox Nation Women's Auxiliary meet the 3rd Thursday every month at 6:00 p.m. We have a pot luck dinner at every meeting. Our meeting locations alternate from the Stroud-Elder's Building to the Shawnee-Multi Purpose Building. If anyone needs information, they can contact Shawna Spoon by phone at 405-275-2581 or by e-mail at shawnaspoon@att.net.

Brown Family Reunion

Calling all heirs and descendants of Fryor and Margaret Brown!

We will be having our 2014 family reunion

June 6-8, 2014 at Stroud Lake.

If interested in attending, helping out and for more info, please call:

Glenda (Brown) Fuller @ 405 962-5732

Ronnie Lauderdale @ 405 765-2700

Twiggy (Wilson) Gregory @ 405- 434-9136

John Soap Jr. @ 405-585-968

Sissy Franklin @ 405 567-9254 and Margaret Franklin @ 405 481-5820

Thanks!

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.

Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Domestic Violence Program

Mission Statement

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's Domestic Violence mission is to eliminate violence in Native Country and to strengthen Native families to end the cycle of violence. Absentee Shawnee Tribe Domestic Violence program serves Native American families and Non-Native families by providing advocacy in the areas of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Dating Violence.



The Domestic Violence Department provides services to:

Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault (on call 24 hours per day), Stalking, and/or Dating Violence. We serve Native and non-Native victims as well as their children, as these problems affect everyone in our community. When a victim flees the situation they often leave behind all of their belongings, that's where we step in, offering a hand up to the victim. We offer advocacy for the victim, through the process of court, counseling, housing and utility assistance, referrals as needed (for services ASTDV does not provide), shelter, and transitional housing. We have four transitional houses fully furnished, where victims will be provided the opportunity to get an education and obtain job skills. Emergency transportation can be provided as well. For questions regarding necessary paperwork in order to receive assistance please contact the AST Domestic Violence Office.

Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801

Phone: (405) 275-4030 Fax: (405) 273-1192

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-4673

2014 HOLIDAYS DATE OF OBSERVANCE

PRESIDENT'S DAY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2014

SAC & FOX VICTORY DAY FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2014
MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY, MAY 26, 2014

INDEPENDENCE DAY FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2014

NATIVE AMERICAN DAY MONDAY, JULY 14, 2014

LABOR DAY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

VETERAN'S DAY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014

THANKSGIVING DAY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2014
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2014
(SUBSTITUTED FOR MLK'S BIRTHDAY)

(SUBSTITUTED FOR COLUMBUS DAY) WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2014

CHRISTMAS DAY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2014

SFN APPRECIATION DAY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2014

Office of Environmental Services

Ahō, nīhkānetike!

This is Andy Anderson here from the Office of Environmental Services department.



Andy Anderson

It has been awhile since I've talked about the nations recycling efforts. First I would like to express my appreciation for all of you who continue to help us collect recyclable material and keep our land a little cleaner. I know it can be easy to see recycling as a chore with no benefits, but I can assure you, even a little bit a day can amount to huge impacts in

the future. You may not be aware of how your recycling habits effect those around you. I've seen it, here at the nation, how one person's recycling habits have been passed on to others simply by observation.

This past year the recycling program may have encountered a few obstacles that had slowed our efforts a bit, but we still finished the year with 29,580 lbs of recycling. That is HUGE! Although we collected almost 15 tons, I know our numbers can be greater. We proved that in 2012 with 40,000 lbs of recycling. With a brand new year ahead of us, I don't see why we can't collect that, and more. This year we may see a recycling challenge or two, an E-waste event, and perhaps a wider range of collectable material.

Again, I would like to say 'Thank You' to those who have continued to help in our efforts, and to those who have been thinking about it, I encourage you to start simply. A little recycling here and there creates positive recycling habits that can have a ripple effect on those around you. Our actions speak louder than words.

If you have any questions about our recycling program, please contact OES at 918-968-0046. Or you can leave a comment online at oes@sacandfoxnationnsn.gov

Looking Back- Sac and Fox Rodeo Arena

Submitted by: Corrine L. Tsoodle

Recent events appeared in the Sac and Fox tribal newspaper in the last two months about the Sac and Fox Rodeo Arena. It was interesting to read about the new activities about one entity on the Sac and Fox Reservation. It is good to know the Rodeo arena is currently providing a place for public and tribal activities. When I visit the Sac and Fox reservation, I can't help but look at the arena and remember what a good time we all had making that happen.

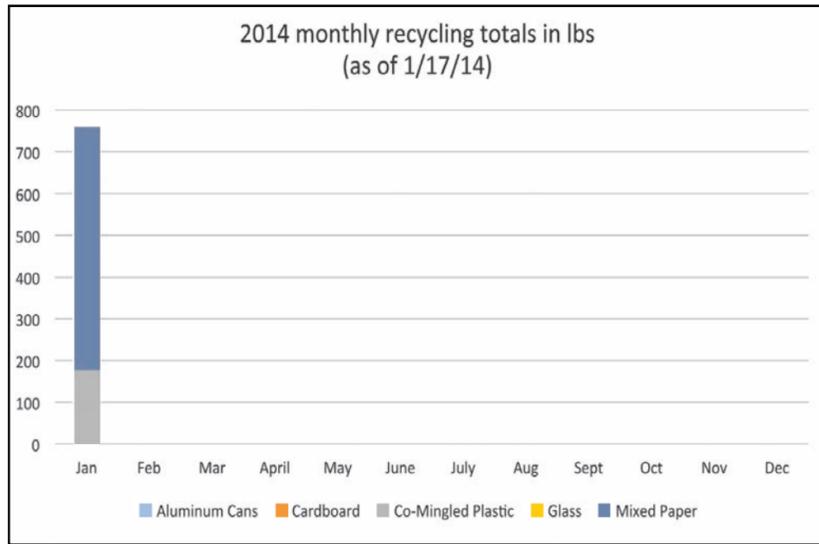
For everyone, I would like to share how originally the arena came into being. One cold winter evening in 1974, Ronnie Goodeagle, Sr. and Mitchell Tsoodle was visiting. Ronnie Goodeagle, Sr. was talking about his rodeo days when he used to ride bulls. Mitchell Tsoodle was not a bull rider. Casually they began to draw an arena on a piece of cardboard box.

Later in the long run, it came down to the idea of building an arena. Eventually, the idea was shared with Ronnie Harris, Sr. It was Ronnie Harris, Sr., who carried the idea on to the Sac and Fox Business Committee for approval. In the meantime we all were talking and discussing to make effort to go ahead with making it happen with building an arena. It was Ronnie Harris who coordinated the newly organized Sac and Fox Inter-Tribal Rodeo Club, as President. Ronnie Goodeagle Sr. served as Vice-President, Corrine Tsoodle, as Secretary. It was Ronnie Harris, with his expertise in the Powwow World, who led us to organize benefit dances all of 1975 for the building of the arena and the first Annual Sac and Fox Nation Rodeo in 1976.

Many Sac and Fox families were involved in the Rodeo Club, some of our first Cowgirls were the Morris/Warrior sisters, Caroline, May, Barbara, and all other family members. Florence Tiger, lone Bass. The Thurman family, the Thomas Morris family, Manatowa family (look for names of all the other family's) Ronnie Goodeagle, Sr. and Mitchell Tsoodle nominated Caroline Morris Kisketon for the 'First Rodeo Queen'. Those two were always giving Caroline a lot of teasing. In 1976, we received a per capita payment, which gave many of these families opportunity to donate funds to the Club. There were others and I apologize if I can't remember to mention them right now, but you know who you were. There were a lot of other tribes who were members of the rodeo club. They were always supportive to our benefit dances. Names of the members appear on the back of the First Annual Rodeo Program.

When the first day of building began and the first shovel full of dirt was turned, Chief Elmer Manatowa placed sacrament down on Mother Earth with prayer. During that day as we were working, an eagle came and circled over our activities. The eagle circled so low that one could see his talons. It was truly an experience to all who were present that day.

So, that is the way the Sac and Fox Rodeo Arena came into being. There is so much more to tell about, space will not allow. It was a good time and all the members who helped and have gone on to the big Rodeo in the sky. Aho.



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February 11, 2014
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Sac and Fox Nation tribal membership will be verified by the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department

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Type of Assistance Requested (Please Check All That Apply)

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I hereby authorize the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department to make any necessary inquiries relating to my account's which the RAP Department may be considering making payment on my behalf. I understand that I have the right to a hearing of any action of the Sac and Fox Nation, which I consider improper, and also any unreasonable delay in decision. (Request for fair hearings may be made in writing to the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation, 920883 S. Hwy. 99 Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079) I understand that any person who knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provides false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which he/she is otherwise ineligible to receive, may be subject to prosecution to the fullest extent to the appropriate Tribal statutes.

DATE _____	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR GUARDIAN _____	GUARDIAN FOR _____
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DATE _____	RAP SPECIALIST _____	DATE _____

Office of Environmental Services

Stay Warm, Stay Safe!

By: Environmental Specialist, Jeremy Fincher

With winter in full swing and with it being one of the coldest we've had in years, plenty of people have been cranking up the thermostat to stay warm. The warm months may not be that far away, but you should stay mindful of being safe and being winter aware.

In the past few months there have been several house fires, pipeline explosions, and natural gas and oil leaks. With that in mind I wanted to raise awareness of some potential dangers and share some ways to recognize a natural gas leak.

The best way to recognize a pipeline leak is by using your eyes, ears, and nose.

Look - Persistent bubbling in standing water or discolored vegetation are signs of a possible leak around the pipeline area. A pool of liquid on the ground; a dense white cloud or fog; a slight mist of ice; or unexplained frozen ground near the pipeline are also signs of a possible leak.

Listen - Be aware of any unusual noises like a hissing or roaring sound.

Smell - Be aware of any strange or unusual odor (the products will have a petroleum odor or smell like rotten eggs).

What to do if you smell natural gas OUTSIDE your home:

Step 1: Leave immediately on foot! Do not use electric switches, telephones (including cell phones) or anything that could cause a spark. Move in a crosswind direction away from the leak or vapor cloud and maintain a safe distance.

Step 2: Go directly to a safe location, and then call 911, then call the gas company if you have their contact information and report the leak.

Step 3: Warn others to stay away from the leak. Abandon any equipment being used in or near the area.

What to do if you smell natural gas INSIDE your home or building:

Step 1: Leave immediately on foot! Do not use electric switches, telephones (including cell phones) or anything that could cause a spark.

Step 2: Go directly to a safe location, and then call 911 and the gas company if you have their contact information. Do not use e-mail or the Internet to contact the company about a leak, and never assume someone else has reported the leak.

Step 3: Alert your neighbors. Some gas companies will check suspected natural gas leaks at no cost to you.

Step 4: Never try to repair a natural gas leak yourself. Leave all repairs to a trained technician.

If you have natural gas at your home or live close to a pipeline it is a good idea to have the gas or oil company's contact information already saved in your phone. Some other simple things to keep you safe and keep your heating system running efficiently is to remember and test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors weekly, use caution while using space heaters, keep at least 3 feet of free space around the heater and never leave a space heater on unattended, and also remember to change your central heating/air conditioning vent filter regularly. If you don't have a smoke detector, you can contact your local fire department and they may be able to assist you. As always, you can also contact any of the staff at the Sac and Fox Nation's Office of Environmental Services with any questions or comments at 918-968-3526. Here are some links to a few local gas provider websites where you can find additional information:

<http://www.oklahomanaturalgas.com>
<http://www.centerpointenergy.com>



Owen Ethan Grant

Owen Ethan Grant

Aaron and Priscilla Grant would like to announce the birth of Owen Ethan Grant.

Owen was born at the Yuma Regional Medical Center December 17, 2013 at 11:29 am in Yuma, AZ. He weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19 inches long.

He is the grandson of Sac & Fox Nation tribal member Kirby and Patti Grant of Yuma, AZ and the great-grandson of the late Sac & Fox Nation tribal member Ulysses Grant and Gloria Grant. He has 3 older brothers named Aidan, Mason & Liam that are all Sac & Fox Nation tribal members.

Deadline For March Paper is Thursday, February 20

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

A MEMBER OF THE TAX COMMISSION STAFF WILL NOW BE AT THE SHAWNEE MULTIPURPOSE CENTER TWICE A MONTH. THE TAX COMMISSION WILL BE THERE ON THE FIRST (1ST) AND THIRD (3RD) THURSDAYS OF EACH MONTH. WE WILL BE ABLE TO BETTER SERVE TRIBAL MEMBERS LIVING IN THE SHAWNEE AREA WITH MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND ANY OTHER SERVICE THAT WE CAN ASSIST YOU WITH.

Thank You

On behalf of the Revelation of Grace Church, located on Moccasin Trail, we would like to thank Truman Carter, Mason Williamson and the Sac and Fox Nation Employee Committee for donating Christmas toys to the youth of our church.

Save The Date
 May 10, 2014
 Sac and Fox Elders
 Mother's Day Dance

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Andrea Harrison, Plaintiff. 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 ¼ mile East of Stroud, Oklahoma on the 27th day of March 2014 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 January 9, 2014.

SAC AND FOX NATION, Court Clerk
 [SEAL] By: *Charlyze Barwright* Clerk/Deputy

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Dated: _____ Police Officer



Lagoon: The new lagoon is in the final stages of completion as contractors install fencing that will enclose the project area. (SFN photo)

Summer Internship Opportunities with Indian Land Tenure Foundation

The Indian Land Tenure Foundation (ILTF) is looking to hire up to three current undergraduate or graduate students as interns for the summer of 2014. The internships are full-time positions over the course of 10–12 weeks (400 hours). Beginning and ending dates are negotiable. Salary will be \$15.00 per hour with potential additional funds for living and relocation expenses. As temporary employees of ILTF, interns are not eligible for employee benefits.

- **Communication Intern:** Primarily responsible for formatting and uploading lessons to curriculum website using Drupal. Will also research news for social media postings and help with projects as needed. Applicant must have attention to detail and thorough knowledge of grammar, punctuation and MS Word.

- **Research Intern:** Conduct research and document data identifying various land ownership patterns of tribal lands by reservation. The intern must have knowledge of database technology (MS Access preferred).

- **GIS Intern:** GIS Analyst to work with ArcGIS software for GeoDatabase extraction and analysis of reservation lands with an end result of designing and producing various maps.

Application Deadline: February 14, 2014. We will inform applicants of selection no later than March 13, 2014.

Application Instructions: Submit letter of interest, resume and a list of computer programs with which you are familiar to: Patricia Chase, Office Manager, 151 East County Road B2, Little Canada, MN 55117

The University of Oklahoma revives Native American curriculum through Janux

Focusing on the history and cultural traditions of American Indians in Oklahoma

NORMAN, Okla. – The University of Oklahoma has announced it is offering Native Peoples of Oklahoma, a course on the cultural traditions and current conditions of the Native American tribes who reside in Oklahoma. The course will be offered at no cost this spring semester to anyone with Internet access through Janux, an online interactive learning community at OU.

“Native Peoples of Oklahoma was once a highly sought after and highly attended course at OU,” said Dr. Daniel Swan, a professor of anthropology at OU and curator of ethnology at the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History. “This semester, we’re reviving it and offering it to anyone who’s interested in American Indian culture. We think we have created the best course overview of Oklahoma American Indians available by bringing in our most renowned faculty experts and resources in the field.”

Originally, the course was taught for more than a decade by Dr. Robert Fields, a member of the Pawnee Nation and a professor of anthropology, until his retirement. Now, Swan and Dr. Joshua Nelson, a citizen of the Cherokee nation and assistant professor of English focusing on American Indian literature and film, said they feel there is no better time than now to see this course make a comeback.

“With a population of more than 300,000 Native Americans from 37 different tribes, Oklahoma is home to more American Indian tribal headquarters than any other state,” Swan said. “More than 8 percent of Oklahoma’s population is of American Indian or Alaska Native descent, so to offer this course helps further education and awareness for Oklahoma’s Native American tribes.”

With Swan and Nelson as professors, students will have access to the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History, the largest university-affiliated museum of its kind in the nation with the largest collection of Native American language curriculum and teaching materials in the world.

“These resources give students access to the best possible information and knowledge on these subjects,” Nelson said. “More Native American languages are taught for college credit at OU than any other university in the world, and OU is ranked among the preeminent institutions in the nation for the study of American Indian literature. Now, through Janux, we’re able to see this course offered to anyone in the world.”

Janux, along with OU’s Native American faculty and resources, is reintroducing the course and opening it up to students anywhere. Now, students can learn about Oklahoma’s deep Native American roots and also learn the roles that indigenous people in Oklahoma have played in national and global contexts. The 16-week course begins Jan. 13. For more information, visit janux.ou.edu.

About Janux

Janux is a new interactive learning community created by the University of Oklahoma. Janux connects learners and teachers through high-quality courses. Built in partnership with Oklahoma technology leader NextThought, Janux pioneers the field of social learning and is the first of its kind in open courseware. With Janux, students are able to use interactive learning tools and collaborate with other students and professors in real time. Videos, tests, quizzes and other learning resources are integrated in an online space. For more information, visit Janux.OU.edu.

About NextThought

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 Press 5..... for Behavioral Health
 Press 6..... for Merle Boyd Center
 Press 7..... for Transportation
 Press 8..... for CHRs
 Press 9..... for Administration
 Press 0..... for the Operator

Lose Your Glasses?

The Sac and Fox Nation Maintenance Department found a pair of prescription glasses lost during a recent funeral service at the Chapel

To identify and claim see Flo at the main office building or call
918-968-3526

Notice From The Editor

Due to the printing schedule of the Sac and Fox News any event or public notice of meetings that is going to take place during the first week of the month needs to be *published in the previous months newspaper*. It is our aim at the Sac and Fox News to keep the Nation informed of every event possible.

Ken Johnson,
 Editor Sac and Fox News

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Did You Know

Abraham Lincoln 1809 – 1865
16th President of the United States

Before Abraham Lincoln became the President of the United States, his only military experience came during the 1832 Black Hawk conflict when he served in the Illinois militia.

He was elected captain of the company but later said the only bloodshed he saw at that time was when he slapped a mosquito.

He never engaged in any action directly with the Sauk, but he did help bury the dead after two battles.

Soldiers were often given land grants for their military service. For his time in the Black Hawk conflict, Lincoln received a land grant in Iowa near what is now the Meskwaki Settlement, established in 1857 by the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa.

The survivors in Black Hawk’s band now reside in present day Oklahoma, where the flag of the Sac and Fox Nation honors his memory with the image of a hawk with a banner bearing his name above.

The conflict was the last Indian “war” east of the Mississippi.

Other well known persons involved in the Black Hawk conflict include 12th President Zachary Taylor, Confederate President Jefferson Davis, and Winfield Scott.



Captain Abraham Lincoln

BIA Grants Will Boost Tribal Preparedness and Resilience to Climate Change

WASHINGTON – The Department of the Interior’s Bureau of Indian Affairs announced today that it has awarded more than \$600,000 in grants to 18 tribes or tribal consortiums to support them in addressing the challenges of climate change as part of the President’s Climate Action Plan to reduce carbon pollution, move the economy toward clean energy sources and prepare communities for the impacts of climate change.

The grants are designed to assist tribal communities on preparedness, including through planning projects and by supporting participation in federal initiatives that assess climate change vulnerabilities and develop regional solutions.

“As part of the President’s Climate Action Plan, we are looking for ways that BIA can be a partner to tribes in preparing for the impacts of climate change,” said Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs Kevin K. Washburn. “American Indian and Alaska Native communities can be particularly vulnerable to impacts, so it is our hope that these grants will help bolster the efforts of tribal managers to adapt to climate change.”

In the near future, the BIA will solicit FY 2014 proposals for additional grants from federally recognized tribes to support community-based preparedness and resilience efforts.

“The Department of the Interior recognizes that tribes can often face disproportionate impacts from a changing climate,” said BIA Director Michael S. Black. “The planning and adaptation processes that these grants will support are important, not only for infrastructure, human health, and economic sectors, but also for the cultural and spiritual ties that tribes have with our land and natural systems.”

The Administration is implementing the President’s Climate Action Plan through a series of executive actions under Executive Order 13653, “Preparing the United States for the Impacts of Climate Change,” issued by President Obama on Nov. 1, 2013. As part of supporting community preparedness, all federal departments and agencies are expanding efforts to help tribes, states, cities and localities prepare for the impacts of climate change.

The projects receiving the FY 2013 BIA grants announced today will support climate preparedness planning not only for the 18 tribes and tribal organizations that received direct support, but also for an additional 32 tribes and two local governments benefiting or cooper-

ating in the projects.

BIA reports that numerous other tribes will benefit from the tribal capacity gained by these tribes as they pursue climate adaptation plans or advanced technical training. Individual plans will serve as templates as other tribes embark on the same planning journey and future tribal adaptation planning workshops will highlight the successes and challenges of these tribes.

Tribal grants can also have a broader impact through the participation of tribal technical professionals in Interior’s larger climate networks – including the eight regional Department of the Interior Climate Science Centers and most of the 22 interagency Landscape Conservation Cooperatives.

In choosing the FY 2013 grants announced today, BIA considered proposals for more than \$5 million and gave priority to those proposals that supported multiple tribes, among other considerations. The 2013 projects include:

- The College of Menominee Nation, in cooperation with the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, the Northeast Climate Science Center, and Pennsylvania State University, will build on a successful climate conference attended by 21 tribes presenting follow-ups on climate adaptation training in the Midwest.
- The Chugach Regional Resources Commission will coordinate regional adaptation planning for six tribes in Alaska.
- The 1854 Treaty Authority will coordinate a vulnerability assessment and adaptation planning for off-reservation hunting and gathering concerns for two tribes and the authority itself in the Midwest.
- The Quinault Indian Nation, in cooperation with the Quileute Tribe and Hoh Indian Tribe, will evaluate potential impacts on culturally and economically important natural resources in the Northwest.
- The Nooksack Indian Tribe, in cooperation with the Lummi Tribe, Whatcom County, and the City of Bellingham, Wash., will perform a Nooksack River salmon vulnerability assessment leading to an adaptation plan that may benefit tribes that depend on salmon both in the Northwest and Alaska.
- The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation will develop a comprehensive tribal government climate adaptation plan spanning the range of tribal government functions. The plan will also serve as a model for other tribes addressing similar challenges, including climate impacts on infra-

structure, hazard mitigation and human support systems.

- 13 tribes were awarded travel support for technical capacity-building through participation in interagency adaptation technical forums and implementation projects. The tribes include: Quinault Indian Nation, Upper Sioux Community, Walker River Paiute Tribe, Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, Pueblo of Taos, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa, Hopi Tribe, Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point

Rancheria, Gila River Indian Community, and the Cherokee Nation.

The Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs oversees the BIA, which is headed by a director who is responsible for managing day-to-day operations through four offices – Indian Services, Justice Services, Trust Services and Field Operations – that administer or fund tribally based infrastructure, law enforcement, social services, tribal governance, natural and energy resources, and trust management programs for the nation’s federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes and villages through 12 regional offices and 85 agencies.

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Plank, Wall-Sit and Squat Challenge

Start out with a fairly low number of all three exercises that you can do in the comfort of your own home! Build up your strength and endurance so that by the last day of February you can say you are healthier and more active than you began the month. Build your strength, endurance, and heart health. Using nothing but a wall, the floor, and your body weight (unless you want to add more resistance) these exercises can be done almost anywhere! Towards the end of the month if you can’t hold a position for the time, break it down into two sets, only if you have to. Push yourself for whatever results you want to achieve.

I wish you good luck and good health; please contact me if you have any questions. 918-968-9531 ext 3039,
Anthony.Ramirez@ihs.gov

DON’T LOOK FOR EXCUSES NOT TO; LOOK FOR EXCUSES TO EXERCISE AND TO LIVE HEALTHIER.

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Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Special Business Committee Meeting Mini-Minutes December 20, 2013

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee Meeting held on December 20, 2013. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

(1) Mary F. McCormick motion to accept the Recessed Regular Business Committee Meeting minutes of November 8, 2013. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: George-Yes, Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes, Stella-Abstain. Motion carried.

(2) (TABLED)-Sac and Fox Nation Women's Auxiliary By-Laws.

(3) Approved Resolution SF-14-65, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Office of Enrollment Burial Assistance Budget in the total funding amount of \$23,624.00, the funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Stella Nullake-motion, Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(4) Stella Nullake motion to approve the lease agreement with TP Smoke shop lease # 14-20-0208-17629 it is a five year lease. Jared A. King-2nd. Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

Orvena Gregory entered

meeting at 9:50 a.m.

(5) Stella Nullake motion to approve the renewal of contract #2008-06-03b with Medimpact Healthcare Systems per memo dated December 13, 2013. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes. Motion carried.

(6) (TABLED)-Improving Patient Care (IPC) Lateness Policy for appointments Black Hawk Health Center.

Break at 10:55 a.m.

Back from break at 1:22 p.m.

(7) Approved Resolution SF-14-66, a resolution approving amendments to the General Revenue and Taxation Act of 1982, deleting Section 206 (Evidence of Tax) and section 208 11Payment of Tax" of Chapter Two and amendments to the rules and regulations deleting rule 2.2.111Advance Payment required" Subsection (A) and rule 2.2.2 11Affixing Stamps-Notification to Commission Subsections (A), (B), and (C) of Subchapter 2.2. Mary F. McCormick-motion, Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes. Motion carried.

(8) Mary F. McCormick motion to accept the proposal for handling and dealing with the implementation of the

new tobacco compact, rebate will be on a graduated scale. The Nation is to review this in 60 to 90 days effective January 1, 2014. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.

(9) Mary F. McCormick motion to accept the request dated December 3, 2013 from Independence Tobacco Shop in Shawnee, Oklahoma for a (3) three month rent suspension. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: George-No, Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared-No, Stella-No. Motion failed.

(10) Stella Nullake motion to amend the Proposal Tax Act Implementation to read as follows. To accept the proposal for handling and dealing with the implementation of the new tobacco compact, rebate will be on a graduated scale and be advanced to the smoke shops operators after paperwork is submitted by smoke shop operators. The Nation is to review this in

60 to 90 days effective January 1, 2014. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Orvena-Absent, Mary-Abstain, Jared- Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(11) Mary F. McCormick motion to accept Meaningful Use Measures as recommended from the Health Director and has been meet. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared- Yes, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(12) Approved Resolution SF-14-67, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Activity Committee Budget in the total funding amount of \$5000.00, the funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Stella Nullake- motion, Mary F. McCormick-2nd. VOTE-George-Yes, Orvena-Absent, Mary-Yes, Jared-Yes, Stella- Yes. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Special Business Committee Meeting Mini-Minutes

January 9, 2014

Please be advised that the following official actions were taken by the Business Committee in a Regular Meeting held on the 9th day of January 2014 and they are to be followed-up by the appropriate department/personnel:

(1) Approval of the Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2013

Committee Member Nullake made a motion to accept the Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2013 as presented. Second Chief Gregory seconded.

Secretary McCormick wanted a notation added that Peggy Acoya asked if the Business Committee would consider assigning someone to the Grievance Committee.

VOTE: George Thurman – Yes, Orvena Gregory – Yes, Mary F. McCormick – Yes, Jared A. King – Yes, and Stella Nullake – Yes. Motion carried.

(2) Approval of the Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2013.

Committee Member Nullake made a motion to accept the Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2013 with corrections. Secretary McCormick seconded.

VOTE: Orvena Gregory – Yes, Mary F. McCormick – Yes, Jared A. King – Yes, Stella Nullake – Yes, and George Thurman – Yes. Motion carried.

(3) Approval of the Recessed Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2013

Secretary McCormick moved approval of the Recessed Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2013 with corrections. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

VOTE: Mary F. McCormick – Yes, Jared A. King – Yes, Stella Nullake – Yes, George Thurman – Yes, and Orvena Gregory – Yes. Motion carried.

(4) Approval of Executive Assistant #4 Position (Discussion) TABLED

(5) **Ratify Straw Poll:** Support Letter for IHS Technical Assistance Project Secretary McCormick so moved to approve the Straw Poll Vote that approved the Support Letter for the Indian health Service Technical Assistance Project. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

VOTE: Jared A. King – Yes, Stella Nullake – Yes, George Thurman – Yes, Orvena Gregory – Yes, and Mary F. McCormick – Yes. Motion carried.

(6) Grant Opportunity, Tribal Energy Development Capacity Grant Program

Item referred to Office of Environmental Services, Daniel Wind to follow-up.

(7) Approval of New Position and Job Description for a Temporary Laboratory/X-Ray Assistant II, Black Hawk Health Center

Secretary McCormick so moves that the Business Committee follows their request for this approval, approving a New Position and Job Description for a Temporary Laboratory/X-Ray Assistant II, salary to be \$17.57 per hour and the position will be funded from the Third Party Budget per memo dated January 6, 2014 from Tina Morris, Human Resources Director. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

VOTE: Stella Nullake – Yes, George Thurman – Yes, Orvena Gregory – Yes, Mary F. McCormick – Yes, and Jared A. King – Yes. Motion carried.

(8) Letters of Interest to Serve on the Gaming Commission TABLED

(9) EXECUTIVE SESSION HRP #2014-04

Second Chief Gregory made a motion to approve the request from Tina Morris per memo dated January 6, 2014 regarding HRP #2014-04. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

VOTE: Stella Nullake – Yes, George Thurman – Yes, Orvena Gregory – Yes, Mary F. McCormick – Yes, and Jared A. King – Yes. Motion carried.

Economic Development Position

This item is still being considered and needs further research.

The agenda is concluded. By consensus of the Business Committee the meeting is adjourned at 3:4 , interrupted by Secretary McCormick asking Principal Chief Thurman if he wants to announce the new governing council.

The January 11, 2014 Council was cancelled and rescheduled to January 25, 2014 starting at 10:00 a.m. and the gymnasium. So, with that we will adjourn at 3:45 p.m.



INTEREST TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND BOARDS

The Sac and Fox Nation's Business Committee will be appointed people to fill vacancies, as they occur, on various Committees, Commissions, and Board. If you are a tribal member 18 years of age or older, and wish to serve, please complete the information form below and return the completed form to the Tribal Secretary.

NAME: _____ Roll Number: _____

Address _____ Telephone: _____

CITY: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

I wish to be considered to serve on the following Committees, Commissions, or Boards, as prioritized below:

Priority #1: _____

Priority #2: _____

Priority #3: _____

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

HELP WANTED!

SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

Laboratory/ X-Ray Assistant II (BHHC Stroud) Temporary
Open Until Filled

Resident Advisor (Juvenile Detention Center/Stroud)
Open Continuously

Human Services Director (Stroud)
Open Continuously

Physician's Assistant
Open Until Filled

Administration Assistant (Language/PT)
Open until filled

Custodian II (SMPC)
Closing Date End of Business Day January 31, 2014

Chief Financial Officer (Stroud)
Open Until Filled

Compliance Officer (Gaming)
Closing Date End of Business Day January 31, 2014

Surveillance Technician (Gaming)
Closing Date End of Business Day January 31, 2014

Laboratory Manager (BHHC Stroud)
Open Until Filled

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

or contact Human Resources, Sac and Fox Nation, 920883 S Hwy 99, Bldg. A Stroud, OK 74079 or by phone (918) 968- 3526

2013 PER CAPITA PAYMENT INFORMATION



Sac and Fox Nation Police Department Safety Tips from Tribal Police Chief, Bob Roberts

- You must be enrolled by Monday, September 30, 2013 to be eligible for the 2013 per capita payment.
- The tribal membership roll will be certified by Monday, September 30, 2013.
- A complete Internal Revenue Service (IRS) form must be received by the Sac and Fox Nation Office of Enrollment before a check can be distributed.
- The Sac and Fox Nation Finance Department will mail the 2013 IRS form 1099 by Friday, January 31, 2014.
- No official date has been set at this time for disbursement of the per capita payment.
- All checks will be mailed, no exceptions.
- If Enrollment has a different mailing address for you, they will change their records to match what is listed on the W-9 form.

IRS Form W-9

It is critical that the IRS Form W-9 be completed correctly and thoroughly for each individual tribal member; not doing so could result in a delay of you receiving your per capita payment. The Office of Enrollment will verify all information including name, current mailing address and social security number. The form must be signed and dated. IRS Form W-9 can be found at <http://www.irs.gov>.

Required Legal Documents

Please ensure the Office of Enrollment has a copy of your social security card. The name and signature on the IRS Form W-9 must match the name on the social security card. If your name has changed due to marriage, divorce, adoption, etc., it is your responsibility to provide any legal documentation (including a social security card which reflects your new name) to the Office of Enrollment.

Minors

Parents or guardians are responsible for providing an IRS Form W-9 for minor children; not doing so could result in the minor's authorized amount of payment being deposited along with the remaining balance into the minor's trust fund account.

Contact information – Office of Enrollment

All completed IRS Form W-9s' must be submitted by mail or via facsimile only. For identity/security purposes, e-mailed forms will not be accepted. Contact information:

Sac and Fox Nation
Office of Enrollment
920883 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079

Direct fax: 918-968-9636

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Enrollment staff by phone at 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970.

Tax Liability Notification

What are the withholding requirements for distributions that are made per a Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP)? The first step is to identify the source of funds used for the distribution. Unless the source of funds is specifically exempt from taxation, the amounts that make up the distributions to tribal members are taxable.

Which funds get reported on Form 1099-Misc? Distributions could be derived from many sources, including the profits from a tribal business other than a Class II or Class III gaming operation, interest income on investments, or rental payments from tribal lands. All these payments require a tribe to prepare a Form 1099-MISC

When does a person receive a Form 1099-Misc, Statement for Recipients of Miscellaneous Income? If a person receives **\$600 or more in 1 calendar year** from the same source, that amount must be reported on a Form 1099, and that Form 1099-Misc. must be provided to the individual.

It is only the amount distributed from NET GAMING REVENUE that is subject to withholding. The Internal Revenue Code provides that "Every person, including an Indian tribe, making a payment to a member of an Indian tribe from the net revenues of any Class II or Class III gaming activity conducted or licensed by such tribe, shall deduct and withhold from such payment a tax in an amount equal to such payment's proportionate share of the annualized tax." The amount to withhold is provided in Withholding Tables found in IRS Publication 15-A, Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide.

If the Indian tribe anticipates making a distribution of any kind, the Indian tribe needs the tribal members' Social Security number before the distribution is made. If an Indian tribe does not know a tribal member's Social Security number at the time of distribution, the distribution is subject to "backup withholding" (at 28% in 2009). (Source: Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Indian Tribal Governments Frequently Asked Questions, Last Reviewed or Updated: April 22, 2013)

Per capita payments could affect any Tribal, Federal, State, and/or Local benefits you may receive or programs in which you participate. The Sac and Fox Nation encourage you to check with your tax accountant or benefit specialist.

Active shooter incidents, losing a loved one to a random act of violence is unthinkable. Unfortunately, recent events serve to remind us that we are not immune from these types of tragedies. An active shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area. In most cases, there is no pattern or method to their selection of victims. Most active shooter situations are unpredictable and evolve quickly. Because most incidents are over within minutes, we must be prepared to deal with the situation until law enforcement personnel arrive.

Recognizing Potential Workplace Violence

An active shooter in your workplace may be a current or former employee, or an acquaintance of a current or former employee. Managers and coworkers may notice characteristics of potentially violent behavior in an employee. Alert your supervisor or human resources department if you believe an employee or coworker exhibits potentially violent behavior.

Indicators of Potential Violence may include:

1. Depression/withdrawal

2. Repeated violations of company policies
3. Explosive outbursts of anger or rage without provocation
4. Behavior that may suggest paranoia (everybody is against me)
5. Escalation of domestic problems into the workplace
6. Talk of severe financial problems
7. Talk of previous incidents of violence

Report violent acts or threats of violence to your immediate supervisor, or human resources. Regardless of the type of workplace violence, the chances for prevention improve with increased awareness of potential warning signs and rapid response to a problem.

In conclusion, if you suspect a potential active shooter situation, you must quickly determine the most reasonable way to protect your own life. If there is an accessible escape path, attempt to evacuate the premises. If evacuation is not possible, you should find a place to hide where the active shooter is less likely to find you. Block entry to your hiding place and lock the doors. Use heavy items to barricade yourself if possible. And remember to remain quiet and silence your cell phone.

Beginning level Sauk language classes will begin November 4th

Classes will be on Mondays and Wednesdays
4:45 - 6:00 in the classroom
at the Cultural Center.

Potluck or refreshments

Hope to see you there!

↓ W-9 FORM MUST BE CUT ON DOTTED LINE BEFORE MAILING ↓

Form W-9
(Rev. December 2011)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

2013 PER CAPITA W-9

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) **X** _____ ROLL # **X** _____

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above _____

Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:

Individual/sole proprietor C Corporation S Corporation Partnership Trust/estate

Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ Exempt payee

Other (see instructions) ▶ _____

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) **X** _____

City, state, and ZIP code **X** _____

List account number(s) here (optional) _____

Requester's name and address (optional)
SAC AND FOX NATION
920883 S. HIGHWAY 99 BLDG. "A"
STROUD, OKLAHOMA, 74079

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line 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 **X** _____ - _____ - _____

Employer identification number _____ - _____ - _____

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 **X** _____ Date **X** _____

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 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.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE WATER AND SEWER ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Indian Health Service, Office of Environmental Health and Engineering, offers programs to install water and sewer facilities to qualified Indian Homeowners. Funding and construction of sanitation facilities, such as wells, water service lines, septic tanks and drain fields, wastewater lagoons and sewer service lines, are available.

Minimum eligibility requirements include:

- Property must be located within the local Indian Health Service jurisdiction: The greater portion of Oklahoma County; Pottawatomie County north of the North Canadian River; Cleveland County west of the Indian Meridian; Lincoln County; Logan County, and a portion of southern Payne County.
- You must be a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe, band or group;
- If renting, you must obtain a lease agreement (minimum of five years) and a copy of the landowner's deed/title and CDIB. Property owner must possess a Certified Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB).
- HUD homes must be paid in full before services can be provided.

Documentation of tribal affiliation and home ownership or long-term lease will be required with the application for services. Mobile homes must be tied down, skirted and wheels removed prior to service.

Absentee Shawnee and Citizen Potawatomi Nation tribal members must apply for services through their tribal OEH offices.

Please note that applying for service does not guarantee you will receive service. Service depends on the availability of funding.

Please call (405) 214-4200, or stop by our office at 14106 Highway 177, Shawnee, Oklahoma, for more information.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPPIR) NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2013)

The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income standard and the applicable SNAP standard deduction.

48 Contiguous United States:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction	=	FDPPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$958	+	\$152	=	\$1,110
2	\$1,293	+	\$152	=	\$1,445
3	\$1,628	+	\$152	=	\$1,780
4	\$1,963	+	\$163	=	\$2,126
5	\$2,298	+	\$191	=	\$2,489
6	\$2,633	+	\$219	=	\$2,852
7	\$2,968	+	\$219	=	\$3,187
8	\$3,303	+	\$219	=	\$3,522
each additional member					+ \$335

Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction	=	FDPPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,196	+	\$260	=	\$1,456
2	\$1,615	+	\$260	=	\$1,875
3	\$2,035	+	\$260	=	\$2,295
4	\$2,454	+	\$260	=	\$2,714
5	\$2,873	+	\$260	=	\$3,133
6	\$3,292	+	\$274	=	\$3,566
7	\$3,711	+	\$274	=	\$3,985
8	\$4,130	+	\$274	=	\$4,404
each additional member					+ \$420

FDPPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e)):

Earned Income Deduction	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.
Dependent Care Deduction	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
Child Support Deduction	Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.
Medical Expense Deduction	Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).
Home Care Meal-Related Deduction	Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. In Fiscal Year 2014, the amounts are as follows: 48 Contiguous U.S. States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013 = \$200 • November 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014 = \$189 For Alaska, please select appropriate link below. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013 • November 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014 See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.
Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

FY 2014 FDPPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Baseline by Region*

Region	States Currently with FDPPIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$400
Southeast/Southwest	Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas	\$300
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming	\$400
West	Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$350

*If the geographic boundaries of an Indian reservation extend to more than one region per the identified regional groupings above, then a qualifying household has the option to receive the appropriate shelter/utility expense deduction amount for the State in which the household resides or the State in which the State agency's central administrative office is located.



Indian Child Welfare Relocates: The Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare has relocated to the Tribal Complex in Stroud, Oklahoma. (West of the gym)

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

**A MEMBER OF THE TAX COMMISSION STAFF
WILL NOW BE AT
1st INDIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
CUSHING OKLAHOMA
1034 EAST WALNUT
ONCE A MONTH.**

**THE TAX COMMISSION WILL BE THERE
2nd THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
WE WILL BE ABLE TO BETTER SERVE TRIBAL
MEMBERS LIVING IN THE CUSHING AREA WITH
MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND ANY
OTHER SERVICE THAT WE CAN ASSIST YOU WITH.**

Food Distribution Program Updates



Regional Vendor Distribution Model Pilot: New Food Package

New food items from our OKC based vendor MDV Nash-Finch include Peter Pan peanut butter, Campbell's Soups, Hungry Jack mashed potatoes, etc., no more generic Black & White labeled items of the past. Holiday Hams will be in soon!

FDPPIR Income Guidelines:

New Deductions Expected to Boost Participation Nationwide

With our increased FY14 Net Monthly Income Standards, new income deduction rules were also approved in the CFR. Households that pay rent or utilities, regardless of amount, are now allowed a Standard \$300 Deduction of their Net Monthly Income that is measured against the USDA Net Monthly Income Standards. For elderly or disabled household members there is now a Medical Expense Deduction that can be claimed for all out of pocket medical expenses with no limit regarding the amount. Also there is a new Meal Deduction that can be claimed should a household member require the full time services of a home health worker.

For more information on these deductions or to see if you qualify please call **(866) 622-2310 Shawnee Office** or **(800) 256-3398 Stroud Office**.

Sac and Fox Nation Food Distribution Program

CALL TODAY
TO SEE IF YOU
QUALIFY!!!

STROUD OFFICE
(800) 256-3398

SHAWNEE OFFICE
(866) 622-2310

If at least one member of your household is Native American, you reside within our service area, and you meet our income guidelines...
You May Qualify. Call Today!!!

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Sac and Fox Nation Elders Winter Dance 2014

