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## Chief's Address To The Nation 4 Tribes Unite To Address City of Shawnee Tax Demands

Tribal Members,  
This Winter has produced some very cold and recurring weather patterns to the United States that has affected many regions across America, including our tribal complex. We are fortunate that we have been able to avoid closing the offices due to the inclement weather. The decision to stay open to provide services for our membership versus asking our employees to come to work in inclement weather is very hard to make, but I assure you that we will not risk our employees' safety whenever the weather is so severe that it is too treacherous to travel.



Chief George Thurman

### Local News

On February 4, 2014 our Nation received via email a letter from the City of Shawnee Mayor Wes Mainord, addressed to Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief George Thurman, Absentee Shawnee Tribe Governor Edwina Butler Wolf, Citizen Potawatomi Nation Chairman John Barrett, and Kickapoo

Tribe Chairman Gilbert Salazar. The letter is Mainord's stated argument for the tribes to pay taxes to the City of Shawnee. He begins the letter by pointing out that the City of Shawnee's sales tax revenues have decreased while noting "the increase in Tribal Enterprises selling commercial goods and services within the Shawnee city limits."

He claims 1) "Under federal law, Tribal Nations are not exempt from collecting state and municipal sales taxes from sales to non-Indians and non-members." He cites several Supreme Court cases that he says "require Indian retailers on reservations [to] collect and remit sales tax earned on sales made to non-Indians or to Indians who are not members of the tribe governing the reservation", that this collection of taxes is permissible because of the tax on the non-Indian customer, and that this collection of taxes does not violate Tribal sovereignty.

(2) Mainord's letter states, "The City's operating budget relies heavily on sales tax revenue." The City of Shawnee has a Tax ordinance which levies "an excise tax of three percent upon the gross proceeds or gross receipts derived from all sales taxable under the sales tax law of the state". He said the ordinance

provides that the vendor shall collect the tax, which provides revenue to support the functions of city government such as the police, fire, and emergency services and that "your citizens 'benefit from generalized governmental functions performed by the' City with its sales tax revenues".

(3) Mainord's letter also sets the amount to be claimed not at three percent but at 8.5% - the 3% city sales tax, a 1% county sales tax, and a 4.5% state sales tax - on all sales to non-tribal members and remitted to the Oklahoma Tax Commission. He acknowledges that the Oklahoma Tax Commission is not demanding the tribes collect and remit and states that the City of Shawnee is "prepared to take action" including "filing a lawsuit in federal court".

(4) In the very next sentence Mainord claims that "in the interest of continuing to develop and maintain the positive relationship the City values with each of your Tribal Nations and to avoid unnecessary transactional costs for all parties" the City wants a separate Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) agreement with each Tribe. The City set forth its expectations for the terms for those agreements.

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## Jim Thorpe Native American Games Moves to Shawnee

An exciting week of athletic competition will take place in Shawnee during the month of June in honor of one of Oklahoma's greatest athletes. The 3rd annual Jim Thorpe Native American Games will take place June 8-14, 2014 at different venues throughout Shawnee including: Oklahoma Baptist University, St. Gregory's University, the Ballfields at Firelake, Firelake Golf Course, and Shawnee High School.

Athletes representing over 70 Indian nations, bands and tribes from across the United States will gather to share their talents in the spirit of the "World's Greatest Athlete" and Native American Legend...Jim

Thorpe.

Over 1,500 Native American athletes are expected to participate in 10 different sports throughout the week that will include basketball, softball, tennis, wrestling, track and field, cross country, golf, martial arts, beach volleyball, and stickball and lacrosse exhibitions.

In addition to these 11 sports, a Jim Thorpe Native American All-Star Football Game will take place on Friday, June 13, 2014 at Oklahoma Baptist University. The football game will showcase Native American high school seniors from across Oklahoma. The new Firelake Arena will be the host site for

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**Press Conference:** (From Left) Annetta Abbott, Executive Director Jim Thorpe Native American Games; Scott Hill, Direct Access Sports; Linda Capps, Vice Chairman CPN; Robert Davenport, Athletic Director OBU; Bill Thorpe, son of Jim Thorpe; Wesley Mainord, Shawnee Mayor and George Thurman, Principal Chief SFN (Photo by Sac and Fox News)



(From Left) Tribal attorney Steve Ward and associate Daniel Gomez at the federal courthouse in Philadelphia. (photo by Sandra Massey)

## Update: Thorpe v. Borough of Jim Thorpe Litigation

by Steve Ward Tribal Attorney

On February 14, 2014, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, heard oral arguments in the landmark litigation, Thorpe v. Borough of Jim Thorpe, et. al. The Sac and Fox Nation and the surviving sons of the Olympic champion Jim Thorpe won a determination in federal court last year that the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) applies to the Borough of Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania and to the famous athlete's remains. If affirmed on appeal, the ruling will clear the way for the sons and the Nation to repatriate Jim Thorpe's remains for burial in Sac and Fox country.

The great athlete died from a heart attack on March 28, 1953, in Lomita, California. Historians record that Thorpe's estranged third wife, Patricia Askew Thorpe (known as "Patsy"), initially wanted nothing to do with her husband's funeral, and donations of money and mortuary services had to be enlisted to prepare for his burial. At the request of Thorpe's brothers, his remains were returned to Shawnee, near where he was born. On Sunday, April 12, 1953, members of the Sac and Fox Nation tribal community gathered at a farm near Shawnee for the beginning of a two-day funeral conducted in accordance with Sauk burial customs and traditions. However, after the ceremonies began, Patsy Thorpe, accompanied by law enforcement officers, arrived and had the casket removed. The Sauk funeral was therefore never completed.

In the following days and months, Patsy Thorpe pursued a macabre odyssey of shopping her husband's remains to a city or town that would best meet her demands. Eventually, she reached an agreement with two digging Pennsylvania coal mining

towns, Mauch Chunk and East Mauch Chunk, to bury her husband there, although Jim Thorpe is never known to have visited them.

Grandiose plans were made to use the body of Jim Thorpe to reverse the town's economic fortunes. Local leaders agreed to merge the communities into a single borough, to be named "Jim Thorpe". Other plans called for the commercialization of the Jim Thorpe name, to include a football shrine, a museum, a 500 bed hospital, an Olympic stadium, and a sporting goods factory. None of these plans were ever realized, and the Borough of Jim Thorpe continues in decline today. The athlete's grave, located at the edge of the town on a secondary road, is seldom visited.

On April 19, 2013, United States District Judge A. Richard Caputo, of the Middle District of Pennsylvania, entered a ruling that NAGPRA is applicable to the Borough and to Jim Thorpe's remains. The Borough appealed the decision to the Third Circuit. A panel of three appellate judges, including Chief Judge Theodore A. McKee and Judges Michael A. Chagares and Patty Schwartz, are hearing the appeal.

Steve Ward, an Indian law attorney at Conner & Winters, LLP, in Tulsa, who represents the Nation and Richard and William Thorpe in the case, said following the arguments that one of the Borough's primary arguments is that NAGPRA was not intended to apply to so-called "modern" burials. Ward said no distinction was made in NAGPRA between ancient and more recent burials, and that each repatriation stands on its own merits.

"NAGPRA is one of the most important civil rights statutes ever adopted to address some of (Continued on Page 3)

## Upcoming Events 2014

**May 10**  
Mothers Day Dance  
Sac and Fox Gym

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

**March 12**  
Elders Advisory  
Committee Meeting  
Stroud  
10:00 Potluck

**March 29**  
Special Petition  
Governing Council  
10 am  
Sac and Fox Gym

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## Obituaries

### James Reuben Pawpa

James Reuben Pawpa was born January 29, 1944 in Shawnee, Oklahoma the son of Jerome and Florence (Carter) Pawpa. He graduated from Meeker High School. He spent most of his career working at various dry cleaners in the OKC area.

He was married to Shiley Walker, later married Frances Marie Yeahpau, and later married Lorena Spoon.

He was a member of the Sac and Fox Tribe, an avid O.U. fan, loved football and basketball, fishing, and loved his Mo-town oldies music. He lived his life to the fullest, was a kind, caring, and loving husband, father, and grandfather.

He was preceded in death by: Lorena Spoon, and a daughter, Lori Pawpa. He is survived by his children: James R. Pawpa Jr. and wife Sandra, Michele L. Pawpa and Timothy Pawpa; his grandchildren: Jamie Pawpa, Jarrett Thorpe, Jacey Pawpa, Josiah Pawpa, Paul J. Pawpa, Jacob L. Pawpa, Aedian L. Billie, Timothy J. Pawpa, Jr., Kaige E. Pawpa, Josh Pawpa, Tae R. Pawpa, Alexis Pawpa, Caleb Pawpa, Evie L. Pawpa, and Adream, Cano.

Services were 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 13, 2014 at the Angie Smith Methodist Indian Church in Oklahoma City with Alvin Deer officiating.



James Reuben Pawpa



### Katherine Hildreth Franklin

Katherine Hildreth Franklin was born on January 1, 1938, in Pawnee, Oklahoma, and departed this life on February 19, 2014, in Midwest City, Oklahoma, at the age of 76.

Katherine, the daughter of Fryor and Margaret (Christjohn) Brown, was a long-time resident of Prague. She married Shannon Franklin on May 30, 1963, in Chandler. They were married 32 years until his death in 1994.

Her parents, husband, one daughter, Jamie Franklin, four brothers and three sisters preceded Katherine in death.

Survivors include: sons and daughters-in-law, Douglas and April Franklin of Davis and Steven David and Bess Franklin of Stroud; daughters and sons-in-law, Lousia Michelle and Joe Jordan of Prague, Lisa Ann and Raymond Harjo of Prague, Shannon Rochelle Franklin of Prague and Rita Poorbuffalo of Apache; sister, Virginia Wright of Shawnee; numerous loving grandchildren and great grandchildren; other family and friends. Graveside services were held on Saturday, February 22, 2014, at 10:00 AM at Sac and Fox Tribal Cemetery in Stroud. A guest book is available to share your memories on-line. Please visit [www.ParksBrothers.net](http://www.ParksBrothers.net)



Katherine Hildreth Franklin



### William "Bill" Glanniester Foreman

William "Bill" Glanniester Foreman, a resident of Wynnewood, OK was born on August 9, 1938 in Shawnee, OK to Delphine Malinda (Brown) and Leonard Foreman. He passed away at his home east of Wynnewood on Friday February 14, 2014. Mr. Foreman worked most of his life as a rancher and horseman. He was also an ordained minister through a cowboy church in Henrietta, TX. He started cowboy fellowships on Navajo Reservation and ministered many places. Through his work in the ranch and horse industries Mr. Foreman had lived many places including Albuquerque, NM, Georgia, and several places in Oklahoma over the past 35 years. On August 11, 1982 Bill married Alberta Mae (Robnett) in San Antonio, TX. They spent over 31 good years together. Mr. Foreman was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, a sister, son - Kenneth Dean "Cowboy" Foreman, one grandchild, and 2 great grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Alberta Mae Foreman of their home in Wynnewood, OK; 4 Daughters - Rosella Wilson of Shawnee, OK; Billie Foreman of Carnegie, OK; Owassa Davilla of Carnegie, OK; Simona Foreman of Carnegie, OK; 2 Sons - Leonard Foreman of Carnegie, OK; Matthew Foreman of Anadarko, OK; Numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and other surviving family members.

Services were held on Tuesday February 18, 2014 at 2:00 PM at the Wynnewood Rodeo Arena (Chuckwagon dinner preceding at 12:00 PM at Wynnewood Rodeo Arena) officiated by Kevin Duck. Burial followed at Corley Cemetery south of Stratford, OK. Services were under the direction of DeArman Funeral Home of Wynnewood, OK. Please send online condolences to [www.dearmanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dearmanfuneralhome.com)



William "Bill" Glanniester Foreman

## New Chief of Staff; "I'm excited to be here, I encourage all staff to be a part of finding solutions' to every issue" Ernest Clark Chief of Staff Sac and Fox Nation



Ernest Clark  
Chief of Staff Sac and Fox Nation

Mr. Ernest R. Clark has recently been employed by the Sac and Fox Nation in Administration as Chief of Staff. The Administration Office/Chief of Staff oversees all of the Tribal Services Offices of the Sac and Fox Nation. Mr. Clark also acts as the liaison to all Federal, State and Granting and Regulatory Agencies and Offices. Mr. Clark will be responsible and provide Administrative oversight for approximately 20 different programs and departments within the Sac and Fox Nation. These departments and programs include the Black Hawk Health Clinic, Human Resources, Self-Governance, The Merle Boyd Health Center, Education Program, Cultural Center, Indian Child Welfare, Sac and Fox National Public Library, Food Distribution

Center, Maintenance Department, Sauk Language Department, Nation Newspaper, Realty, Juvenile Delinquent Center, Office of Environmental Services, Human Services, Information Technology Department, Sac and Fox Nation Membership, Sac and Fox Tax Commission, Property and Procurement Department, and RAP (Revenue Allocation Plan).

Mr. Clark comes to Sac and Fox Nation with 25 Years of CEO/Administrative experience. Mr. Clark has served as Assistant Superintendent of Schools and Superintendent of Schools in the Public School sector. Mr. Clark has also served in Higher Education Administration at The University of Oklahoma within the College of Continuing Education. Mr. Clark has served administratively at the Federal Government Level with The United States Department of the Interior/Bureau of Indian Education as well.

Mr. Clark holds a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Masters Degree in Administration. Mr. Clark has completed Post Graduate Studies in Business Administration, Philosophy, and Budget and Finance from The University of Oklahoma.

Mr. Clark has said recently, "I am excited to join and be a part of the Sac and Fox Nation family. My main focus will be to provide the highest quality of services to all our Tribal Members and Elders. We must concentrate our efforts in providing the highest quality of Health Care to our Elders and Tribal Members. I truly believe that high quality Health

Care must be a priority in this Administration. My administration will focus on assisting our Elders and Tribal Members with Housing issues. Our Education Department needs to be expanded to include educational opportunities to all those tribal members and secondary students who desire to expand their educational horizons. I hope to work with the Business Committee in building the nation's Economic Development opportunities. We must continue to employ highly qualified, knowledgeable, and experienced Program Directors to direct all our programs and particularly in Health Care and Education".

Mr. Clark is a 1/2 Degree Cherokee and a proud member and registered voter of The Cherokee Nation. He is the grandson of William and Sadie (McCoy) Bolin. William Bolin was a renowned and gifted Bow maker from the Sallisaw and Marble City, Oklahoma area. William Bolin was known state wide for his skill in making the straight bow. Mr. Clark is the son of George William and Bertie Mae (Bolin) Clark. Mr. Clark's mother was a full-blood Cherokee and Bilingual. She attended Boarding School at Dwight Mission, which was a BIA Administered Indian Boarding School. Mr. Clark campaigned for the Cherokee Tribal Council Seat in 1985 and 1995.

He and his wife Karen live in Shawnee. They have three married children and four gifted and beautiful granddaughters.

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(5) In his closing sentences Mayor Mainord states the "City would like to avoid litigation" and set the response date of February 14, 2014 or the City will "proceed with other legal options".

I immediately informed our Business Committee, tribal attorney, and staff through e-mail. The Business Committee conferred and decided to contact all four tribal nations to schedule a joint meeting. The Citizen Potawatomi Nation offered to host this meeting, and all four nations met with attorneys and staff in attendance.

This was truly an historical meeting with all the central tribes of the Shawnee area and their respective leaders in one room to join together to provide unity in a collective effort to protect our sovereignty.

The tribes jointly decided to answer the Mayor with a letter signed by each tribal leader.

The letter from the tribal leaders points out that 1) after careful review of Mainord's letter, it appears, at first glance, "to be based on a number of incorrect premises, both factual and legal, that will need to be reviewed more thoroughly before we can discuss your concerns", and 2) "the proposal does not allow for sufficient time for analysis".

The joint tribes proposed that the Mayor, his staff, the tribal leaders of the four tribes and their staffs, meet to discuss concerns on March 24, 2014 at 10 a.m., hosted by the Citizen Potawatomi Nation.

The letter from the joint tribes also requests that the mayor provide "the data used to support the premise that the City of Shawnee sales tax revenues are declining"; "the data used to support the premise tribal economic development is directly responsible for any declining City sales tax revenues"; "tax incentives and/or rebates offered or provided over

the last five years to non-tribal enterprises by the City of Shawnee or by the State for development or preservation of businesses within Shawnee"; and "donations, contributions, payments in lieu of taxes, and similar assistance provided over the last five years by the aforementioned Tribes to the City of Shawnee".

This was sent to Mayor Mainord under date of February 14th, and as of Monday, February 23rd, no response has been received.

The Sac and Fox Nation has two smoke shops and a casino located within the Shawnee city limits.

### Short Takes

- I'm issuing a public welcome to our new Chief of Staff (COS) Ernest Clark, Shawnee, OK and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Phillip Ellis, Pawnee, OK.

- The Community Building parking lot is nearing completion. Use of the building and events should resume taking place by May 1st.

- The new lagoon located northeast of the pow-wow grounds should be completed by mid-March.

- Self-Governance training for our Business Committee; governmental staff; and tribal membership is in the planning stage and to have the national Self-Governance Communication and Education Tribal Consortium (SGCETC) staff conduct this training. The SGCETC office has been relocated to McAlester, OK and Sac and Fox Nation has a seat within this board.

Our Sac and Fox Nation is progressing. The groundwork has been put into place to move our Nation forward, and the struggle to protect our sovereignty continues - from the taking of our ancestral lands, removal to Oklahoma, and our right of self-governance as we continue our fight for our sovereignty.

Sincerely,  
George Thurman, Principal Chief



Bill Thorpe addresses those attending the Jim Thorpe Native American Games press conference. (Photo by Sac and Fox News)

## Jim Thorpe Native American Games From Page 1

the Opening Ceremony that will include a Parade of Nations, children's activities, health fair, and a stickball exhibition.

Thousands of Native American athletes, primarily young people, will participate in the Jim Thorpe Native American Games; making it one of the largest events of its kind.

"We are very excited about the opportunity to make the move to Shawnee. This community takes great pride in their ties to Jim Thorpe, and have welcomed the event with open arms," said Annetta Abbott, (Choctaw) Executive Director.

"The Native American communities know the importance and value of supporting healthy lifestyle choices for their youth. Some of the many benefits of the Games will include promoting leadership development, increasing cultural awareness and most importantly - motivating young people to achieve great things," said Abbott. "Our young people are not only the leaders of the future; they are the leaders of today."

The Jim Thorpe Native American Games are proud to welcome as presenting sponsors Nike N7, Muscogee

(Creek) Nation and the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. "Without the support of the corporate community and the tribes the Games would not be possible," said Abbott.

"I want everyone to know that I am very excited to hear that the Jim Thorpe Native American games are going to be conducted in our city this summer. I am always amazed at what can be done in a community when so many people pull together and what great things they can make happen," said Wes Mainord, Mayor of Shawnee.

"With Shawnee being the home of Jim Thorpe of the Sac and Fox Nation and his family, we are honored to host this event highlighting the athletic accomplishments of this Native American legend," stated Kinlee Farris, Executive Director Shawnee Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Our hotels, attractions, restaurants and retailers have come together to volunteer, provide sponsorships, and support this event. Without them, none of this would be possible."

For additional information on the Games call 405-208-9253 or info@jimthorpegames.com or visit their website www.jimthorpegames.com .

**SPECIAL PETITIONED GOVERNING COUNCIL**

March 29, 2014 @ 10:00 A.M.  
Sac and Fox Gymnasium

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the wrongs and injustices done to Indian people," Ward said. "It was written broadly by design. The circumstances surrounding the intended use of Jim Thorpe's remains as tourist attraction are among the many types of injustices committed in the past that

this law is intended to remedy."

The Borough has cited numerous legal grounds for its desire to keep the remains, Ward said, including arguing that it owns the remains as it would other property and that it has a constitutional right to keep them. Ward said the Borough's reasons do not have a sound basis in law. "From all appearances, the Borough is fighting the repatriation to keep the remains for basically the same reasons some schools have fought to keep Indian mascots," Ward said. "The case does not have any impact on the Borough's ability to keep the name Jim Thorpe." Ward, a former law clerk to the chief judge of the Tenth Circuit, said it is not known when a decision will be issued by the Third Circuit. He said the federal appeals courts attempt to issue decisions fairly quickly, but the process can often take a few months, due to the judge's overall caseloads and the fact that they may have to address other urgent matters quickly.



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## SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Indians are born speaking our languages. For some of us, they lie dormant within our bodies. They are looking for a way out. God gave us these beautiful languages. All of us hold them in a sacred manner within. There is no such thing as an Indian person who cannot speak Indian.

Our language programs find these languages within our bodies. They bring them out through our mouths and deliver them to their rightful resting places within our hearts.



**Talk Sauk.**  
**SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT**

## Sauk Language Instructors First To Be Certified

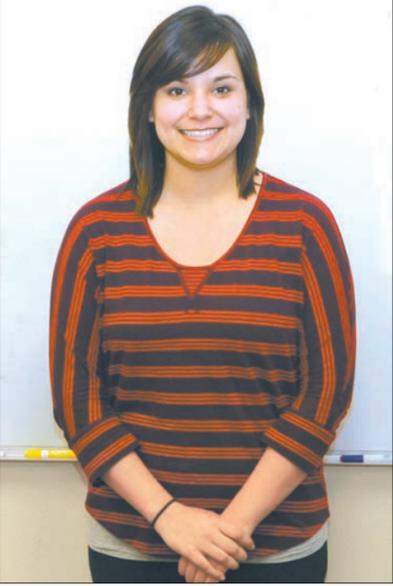
On February 1, 2014, the Sauk Language High School Language Instructors became the first to be certified by the Oklahoma State Department of Education as Public School Native Language Instructors, under the new Native American Language (NAL) certification rule.

The Director of the Sauk Language Department, Jacob Manatowa-Bailey, worked on the NAL committee with the Oklahoma State Department of Educa-

tion on creating the new rule change, on behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation.

The Native American Language Certification Rule for Public School Education was re-formatted and approved by the Legislature in May 2013.

This rule is a first for Oklahoma, and congratulations to the two Sauk Language Instructors, Katie Grant and Mosiah Bluecloud, for once more making the Sac and Fox Nation proud.



Katie Grant



Mosiah Bluecloud

### March 2014 Native American Quotes

**"Education is really the long-term solution to other social issues."**  
-Dan King, Ojibwe

**"Toss a stone into the water and the ripples are felt far away. In the same way, the decisions before us today will be felt in tribal life for seven generations, and beyond."**  
-Jefferson Keel, President, National Congress of American Indians

**"There are not enough words to give to tell you how important language is to our sacred traditions."**  
-Phil Cash, Umatilla

**"...Get an education, graduate and go to college. Then bring what you learned back to us and share it with your community."**  
-Teresa Harvey

**"You have the values that come with the language. Never trade off for something that is foreign. Your legacy should be good enough."**  
Rhonda Hopkins, Chippewa

**"Optimistic, hopeful people view barriers and obstacles as problems to be solved and not as the reason to give up or turn back. Positive people never, ever give up."**  
-Wilma Mankiller, Cherokee

### Feeling the Last of the Winter Blues

|                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Netêwehkwe             | I'm hoarse              |
| Panênetamwa            | (S)he's coughing        |
| Netakikwâpya           | You look well           |
| Akikwâpyêwa            | I don't feel well       |
| Nekenîkitêhe           | I've got a headache     |
| Kenîkitêhêwa           | (S)he's got a fever     |
| Châhchâmowa            | I've got a cold         |
| Nepîshkwe              | Are you feeling better? |
| Pathâhkothowa          | (S)he's sneezing        |
| Mêmenatamwa            | (S)he's got a cold      |
| Nâpi keteshipemâtethi? | (S)he's fainted         |
| Mâmaya kîhnêthê!       | (S)he's vomited         |
| Nemenwipemâtethi       | I've got a cough        |
| Kemenwinâkothi         | Are you doing okay?     |
| Kemenwipemâtethi?      | Get well soon!          |

**MATCH THE SAUK WORD TO THE ENGLISH PHRASE.**

### Feeling the Last of the Winter Blues Word Scramble

March 2014

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## KĪHTHĀKĪWĀTOWĒPENĀ!

(Let's All Talk Sauk!)



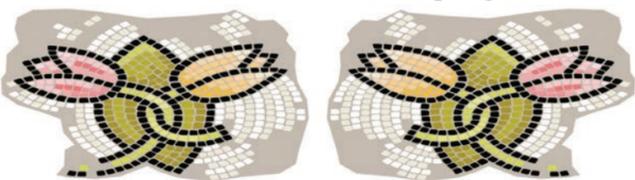
**Pâpôhkwîha**  
(Half-and-Half Moon)  
March 2014

The Sauk Language Department would like to express our gratitude to our high school Language Instructors, Katie Grant and Mosiah Bluecloud, who became the first Oklahoma State certified Native Language Instructors for public schools.

Good luck in April at the Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair!

Oklahoma EMI Programs Featured on local PBS station featured our own Sauk language high school classes. Go here to see for yourself.  
< <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bgk-3Xwp370> >

Menôhkamîwi! (It's Spring!)



**The Sac and Fox Nation Pow-Wow 2013 Traditional Night DVD Is Available**  
Call or come by the Language Department to pick up your copy.  
918-968-0070  
language@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

# Pow Wow Committee Benefit Indian Dice Tourney



## March 2014 Wordsearch

Feeling The Last Of Winter Blues 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.

## March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

LaDona Johnson, CHR Coordinator



Among cancers that affect both men and women, colorectal cancer (cancer of the colon or rectum) is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. Every year, about 140,000 Americans are diagnosed with colorectal cancer, and more than 50,000 people die from it.

### How Can You Reduce Your Risk?

The risk of getting colorectal cancer increases with age. More than 90% of cases occur in people who are 50 years old or older. Colorectal cancer screening saves lives, but many people are not being screened according to national guidelines.

If you're 50 years old or older, getting a screening test for colorectal cancer could save your life. Here's how—

\*Colorectal cancer screening tests can find precancerous polyps so they can be removed before they turn into cancer. In this way, colorectal cancer is prevented.

\*Screening tests also can find colorectal cancer early, when treatment often leads to a cure.

### What Are the Symptoms of Colorectal Cancer?

Precancerous polyps and colorectal cancer don't always cause symptoms, especially at first. You could have polyps or colorectal cancer and not know it. That is why having a screening test is so important. Symptoms for colorectal cancer may include—

\*Blood in or on the stool (bowel movement)

\*Stomach pain, aches, or cramps that do not go away

\*Losing weight and you don't know why

These symptoms may be caused by

something other than cancer. If you're having any of these symptoms, the only way to know what is causing them is to see your doctor.

### When Should You Begin to Get Screened?

You should begin screening for colorectal cancer soon after turning 50; then keep getting screened regularly until the age of 75. Ask your doctor if you should be screened if you're older than 75.

Some people are at a higher risk than others for developing colorectal cancer. Having any of these things may increase your risk—

\*Inflammatory bowel disease

\*A person or family history of colorectal polyps or colorectal cancer

\*Genetic syndromes, like familial adenomatous polyposis or hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer (also known as Lynch syndrome)

If you think you may be at high risk for colorectal cancer, talk to your doctor about when and how often to get tested.

### What Are the Screening Tests for Colorectal Cancer?

Several tests are available to screen for colorectal cancer. Some are used alone; others are used in combination with each other. Talk with your doctor about which test or tests are best for you. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends these tests to screen for colorectal cancer—

\*Colonoscopy (every 10 years)

\*High-sensitivity fecal occult blood test (FOBT), stool test, or fecal immunochemical test (FIT) (every year)

\*Sigmoidoscopy (every 5 years)

Take time out for these screenings, it just may save your life.

Information Provided by:

CDC

1600 Clifton Road

Atlanta, GA 30333

800-232-4636

## March 2014

### Black Hawk Health Center Activities

| Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Tuesday                                                                                                     | Wednesday                                                                                                   | Thursday                                                                                                        | Friday                                                               |
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| <b>3</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>5:00 Cardio/core training                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>4</b><br>open 8-4:30<br>Anthony in Shawnee                                                               | <b>5</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>beginner's weight training class 4:45  | <b>6</b><br>11:15 - YOGA<br>12:15 -CIRCUIT TRAIN<br>4:45 Circuit Training                                       | <b>7</b><br>11:15<br>Sweatin to the Oldies<br>12:15<br>exercise dvd  |
| <b>10</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>5:00 Cardio/core training                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>11</b><br>open 8-4:30<br>Anthony in Shawnee                                                              | <b>12</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>beginner's weight training class 4:45 | <b>13</b><br>11:15 - YOGA<br>12:15 -CIRCUIT TRAIN<br>4:45 Circuit Training                                      | <b>14</b><br>11:15<br>Sweatin to the Oldies<br>12:15<br>exercise dvd |
| <b>17</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>5:00 Cardio/core training                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>18</b><br>Demo dates are Tentative<br>open 8-4:30<br>Anthony in Shawnee<br>Brittany Cooking Demo @ 11 am | <b>19</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>beginner's weight training class 4:45 | <b>20</b><br>Closed 12-4:30 for In-service Training<br>Brittany Cooking Demo @ 12 noon<br>4:45 Circuit training | <b>21</b><br>11:15<br>Sweatin to the Oldies<br>12:15<br>exercise dvd |
| <b>24</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>5:00 Cardio/core training                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>25</b><br>open 8-4:30<br>Anthony in Shawnee                                                              | <b>26</b><br>11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>beginner's weight training class 4:45 | <b>27</b><br>11:15 - YOGA<br>12:15 -CIRCUIT TRAIN<br>4:45 Circuit Training                                      | <b>28</b><br>11:15<br>Sweatin to the Oldies<br>12:15<br>exercise dvd |
| 11:15 - Sweat in to the Oldies<br>12:15 -exercise dvd<br>5:00 Cardio/core training<br>11:15 and 12:15 Lunch classes Monday - Thursday<br>4:45-6 P.M. after work classes.<br>Toning/weight training, low impact aerobics, core/cardio training, circuit training<br><b>MONDAY thru Thursday OPEN TIL 6 PM!!</b> |                                                                                                             |                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                 |                                                                      |

**Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline**

1 | 800 | QUIT | NOW

The Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare continue the quest for foster parents.

For more information, please contact:  
918-968-3526 ext. 1713

BE THE REASON....THEY FEEL LOVED, THEY HAVE HOPE, IT GETS BETTER!

## Don't Forget The March Cooking Demos

**March 18**  
11:00 am  
**March 20**  
12:00 noon

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**

### Ready to make a healthy change?

- Tuesdays at the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Building
- Exercise on brand new equipment
- Learn the correct posture, balance and coordination needed
- **Have fun and be healthy!!**

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

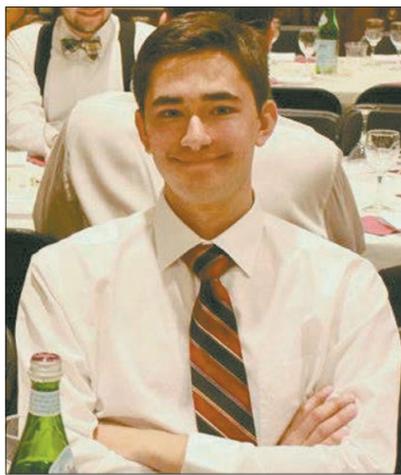
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| <b>General Wellbeing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weight management</li> <li>• Increased energy levels</li> <li>• Reduction in stress levels</li> <li>• Improved heart &amp; lungs (cardiovascular)</li> <li>• Improved strength &amp;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

## EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT

### Tribal Member Zachery Garcia Attends Princeton *by Zachery Garcia*



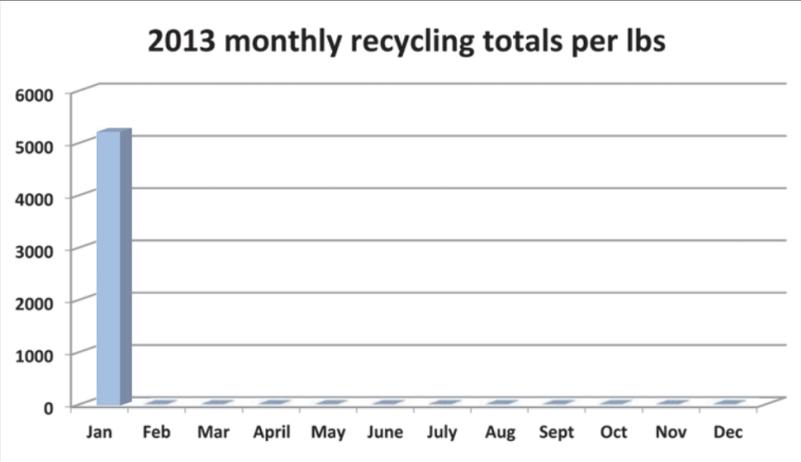
Zachery Garcia

academically, but to become acquainted with many of the future leaders of America and the world. In addition, I've been able to find internships and job opportunities through programs offered at school that have given me great work experience during my summers and helped me land a full-time job at Microsoft that I'll begin this September after graduation.

The network of alumni that I'll have access to after graduation will be incredibly valuable as well, and is another great reason to attend college. Also, my college experience has been a ton of fun, and at Princeton I've definitely been able to "work hard, play hard". All in all, I wouldn't trade going to college for anything, and I encourage students currently in school to strongly consider college as an option for moving forward in life. The hard work you put in now will pay off down the road. Lastly, I want to thank the Sac and Fox Nation for helping pay for some of my college expenses as attending college in today's world has certainly not been cheap.

College has probably been the greatest experience of my life so far. It's enabled me to leave my hometown, meet a ton of interesting, intelligent people, and learn a great deal through my classes. I feel particularly thankful to have gotten into Princeton, because there I've had the opportunity not only to challenge myself

## Office of Environmental Services



**Deadline For April Paper is Thursday, March 20**

### SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE January 2014

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Wholesale Tobacco Tax | \$63,922.88         |
| Beer/Liquor           | \$628.31            |
| Motor Vehicle         | \$3,055.75          |
| Sales Tax             | \$10,633.86         |
| Treasury              | \$255.00            |
| Oil & Gas             | \$1,806.87          |
| Gaming                | \$120,422.34        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>          | <b>\$200,725.01</b> |

## SAVE THE DATE

The Tribal Youth Coordinator and the Sac and Fox National Public Library Will Have

### Spring Break Activities

**March 20 & 21**

#### OKLAHOMA INDIAN LEGAL SERVICES, INC. (OILS)

Attorneys from Oklahoma Indian Legal Services will provide free will preparation services for eligible tribal members who own interest in Indian Trust or Restricted Land.

### WILL PREPARATION CLINIC

DATE: MAY 2, 2014

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### SAC AND FOX NATION TRIBAL COURT

356159 EAST 926 ROAD

STROUD, OKLAHOMA 74079

Please call Norma (M-F 8:00 am - 3:00 pm) to register  
1-800-658-1497

You must have an appointment to talk to an attorney

Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Inc. is a non profit law firm funded principally by the Legal Services Corp. For additional information regarding other legal services, please call Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Inc. 1-800-658-1497.

## 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

## Happy March Birthday Elders!!



Timothy Schexnider  
Mary Lynne Deweese  
Kenneth Wayne Edmonson  
Emily S. Conner  
Isabelle Edgin  
Saginaw Grant  
Elizabeth A. Manatowa-Mastel  
William Dale Allen  
David Daniel Harris  
Dorris Kay Ashlock  
Sandra Sue Johnson  
William Kyle Tyner  
Mary Elizabeth Meadows  
Patricia Donahue  
Jessica Dawn Patterson  
Sandra Kay Rolette  
Mary Alice Sam  
Jay Von Conallis  
Melanie Diane Jones  
Leslie Dean Gibbs  
Isaac Benjamin Littleton  
Frankie Theresa Whaley  
Robert A. Musgrove  
Sharen E. Merchberger  
Geraldine Louise Riska  
Stacy Ann Root  
Austin Grant  
Clifford Ray Blanchard  
Jackson Ellis  
Shalah Louise Rowlen  
Marie Lynn Neilsen  
Louis James Gokey  
Gloria Jean Ellis  
Linda Sue Orona  
Emerson E. Falls  
Patricia Frances Carson  
Eugene Henry Masters  
Tony Ray Brice

Martha Ann Burnside  
Patricia Nell Yarholar  
Stephen Anthony Pettit  
Darrell Victor McClellan  
Veronica Lynn Wallace  
Mark Wayne Person  
Lela J. Lopez  
Raymond Evans Walker  
Barbara Marie Johnson  
David Harris  
Billy Thurman Wakole  
Virginia Wright  
Terry David Riska  
Gail Lynn Depue  
Patsy Diann Simpson  
Samuel William Kanen  
Mary Ann Crook  
Daniel O'Brien  
Alwanda M. Ross  
John Terry Blankenship  
Charles Robert Carter  
Barbara Sue Hawkins-Ramos  
Kai Joseph Giffin  
Rosemary Maurer  
Charlene Given  
Cleda Mageline Curley  
Marcelle Judy Maker  
Gloria Ann Grass  
Terri Elaine Klein  
Pauline Louise White  
Cynthia Armstrong  
Susan E. Safford  
Joseph Bass  
Robert F. Delaware  
Georgia Ann Noble  
Marcy Ann Chavez  
Lou A. Garcia  
Louis E. Ortega

## Happy St. Patrick's Day

### MONTH OF MARCH 2014

| Monday                                                                                                       | Tuesday                                                                                      | Wednesday                                                                           | Thursday                                                                                   | Friday                                                                                     |
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| <b>Contact Info:</b><br>Anita Stevens,<br>Elders Coord.,<br>918-968-3526 or<br>1-800-259-3970,<br>ext. 2012. | Call the Kitchen if you want to cancel your meal for the day or period of time at ext. 2014. | Gear up for stormy weather – prepare your shelter.                                  | The monthly EAC Meeting will be held on Wed. March 12 @ 10am at the Elders Bldg In Stroud. | <b>NOTICE</b><br>As the weather gets warmer, be sure to put a cold pack in your ice chest. |
| 3<br>Hamburgers<br>Fresh Veggies<br>Fries<br>Peaches                                                         | 4<br>Polish Sausage w/potatoes<br>Carrots<br>Bread<br>Pears                                  | 5<br>Indian Tacos<br>Fresh Veggies<br>Mand. Oranges                                 | 6<br>Chicken Cass.<br>Peas<br>Crackers<br>Jello w/fruit                                    | 7<br>Cereal<br>Toast<br>Sausage<br>Milk                                                    |
| 10<br>Salmon Patty<br>Hush Puppy<br>Coleslaw<br>Applesauce                                                   | 11<br>Sloppy Joes<br>Stewed Carrots<br>Chips<br>Fruit Cocktail                               | 12<br>Fried Chicken<br>Corn on the Cob<br>Salad<br>Peaches                          | 13<br>Liver & Onions<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Green Peas<br>Tropical Fruit                    | 14<br>Spaghetti<br>Salad<br>Beets<br>Pears                                                 |
| <b>St. Patrick's Day</b><br>17<br>Lima Beans<br>Green Beans<br>Bread<br>Jello w/fruit                        | 18<br>Tater-Tot Cass.<br>Green Salad<br>Cake                                                 | 19<br>Pork Chop<br>Hash Browns<br>w/gravy<br>Carrots<br>Peaches                     | 20<br>Tuna Sandwich<br>Salad<br>Chips<br>Cookie                                            | 21<br>Biscuit & Gravy<br>Bacon<br>Egg<br>Mand. Oranges                                     |
| 24<br>Salisbury Steak<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Mixed Vegetable<br>Peaches                                       | 25<br>Pinto Beans<br>Rice<br>Frybread<br>Fruit Cocktail                                      | 26<br>Chef Salad w/ chicken/turkey<br>Cottage Cheese<br>Crackers<br>Vanilla Pudding | 27<br>Meatloaf<br>Scalloped Potato<br>Corn<br>Pears                                        | 28<br>BBQ Pork Sand.<br>Pea Salad<br>Chips<br>Apple                                        |
| 31<br>Catfish<br>Fries<br>Spinach Salad<br>Peaches                                                           |                                                                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                            |                                                                                            |

# Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Regular Business Committee Meeting Mini-Minutes December 12, 2013

Please be advised that the following official actions were taken by the Business Committee in a Regular Meeting held on the 12th day of December 2013 and they are to be followed-up by the appropriate department/personnel:

(1) Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2013

Secretary McCormick so moved to approve the Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2013 with a correction. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(2) Recessed Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2013 Secretary McCormick so moved to approve the Recessed Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2013 with additions. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(3) Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2013

Secretary McCormick so moved to approve the Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2013. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(Treasurer King entered the meeting after this vote, 11:34)

(4) Interest to Continue to Serve on the SFN Gaming Commission

Committee Member Nullake made a motion to accept the request to continue to serve on the Sac and Fox Nation Gaming Commission. Secretary McCormick seconded.

VOTE: Jared A. King – No, Stella Nullake – Yes, George Thurman – Yes, Orvena Gregory – No, and Mary F. McCormick – No. Motion failed.

Lunch break taken at 11:40 a.m.  
Returned back from lunch at 1:18 p.m.

(5) Approval of SFN Women's Auxiliary By-Laws

(Treasurer King returned to the meeting at 1:20 p.m.)

TABLED by-laws to the December 20th meeting.

(6) Approval of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy and Procedures

Secretary McCormick so moves to approve the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy and Procedures as recommended. 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.

(7) RESOLUTION SF-14-47, Agreement between the BHHC and Inlinedi, LLC

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-47, a resolution authorizing and approving an Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Inlinedi, LLC to provide health services. The funding source is identified as the Third Party Billing, Contract #2013-11-02. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(8) Contract #2008-11-06e Renewal Agreement between Debra Mee, M.D. and the SFN BHHC

Committee Member Nullake made a motion to approve the Renewal Contract #2008-11-06e as presented on the memo dated November 21, 2013 from the Health Director. Secretary McCormick seconded.

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

(9) Contract #2012-07-01a, Renewal Agreement between Action Physical Therapy and the SFN BHHC

Committee Member Nullake made a motion to approve the Renewal Contract #2012-07-01a with the memo dated November 20, 2013 from the Health Director. Secretary McCormick seconded.

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

(10) RESOLUTION SF-14-48, FY2014 RAP Women's Auxiliary Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-48, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Women's Auxiliary Budget in the total funding amount of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(11) Request for Fee Waiver for Use of the Gym by BHHC Behavioral Health and the SFN Library

Secretary McCormick so moves to approve the request. 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.

A break was taken at 2:34 p.m.  
We returned back from break at 2:55 p.m.

(12) RESOLUTION SF-14-49 Approval of FY2014 DOI Compact Welfare Assistance Budget Modification #1

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-49, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Department of Interior Compact Welfare Assistance Budget Modification #1 in the total amount of Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$17,196.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Annual Funding Agreement with Carryover from Fiscal Year 2013, received after 2014 began. 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.

(13) Contract #2013-02-04a, Renewal Agreement for Detention Services between the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma and the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center

Second Chief Gregory made a motion to approve Contract #2013-02-04a, a Renewal Agreement for Detention Services between the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma and the Sac and Fox Nation. 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.

(14) RESOLUTION SF-14-50 Authorizing and Approving an Agreement between the SFN and Windstream Communications for the Juvenile Detention Center, Contract #2013-11-01

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-50 a resolution authorizing and approving an Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Windstream Communications. The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2014 Juvenile Detention Center Operating and Juvenile Substance Abuse Budgets, and they are a sole provider. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(15) RESOLUTION SF-14-51, Employees of the Year

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-51 a resolution naming the two (2) Sac and Fox Nation

Employees of the Year for Fiscal Year 2014.

Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(16) RESOLUTION SF-14-52, Elders Advisory Committee Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-52 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Elders Advisory Committee Budget in the total funding amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(17) Contract #2013-03-01a, Renewal Agreement between Mary Brown and the SFN Business Committee

Second Chief Gregory made a motion to approve Contract #2013-03-01a, a Contract between the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation and Mary Lee Brown. This Contract is made and entered into this 12th day of December 2013. The funding source for this contract is identified as the approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(18) RESOLUTION SF-14-53 Approving FY2014 RAP Newspaper Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-53 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Newspaper Budget in the total funding amount of Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$12,725.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(19) RESOLUTION SF-14-54 Approving the FY2014 RAP Indian Child Welfare Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-54 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Indian Child Welfare Budget in the total funding amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(20) RESOLUTION SF-14-55 Approving the FY2014 RAP Pow-Wow Committee Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-55 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Pow-Wow Committee Budget in the total amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(21) RESOLUTION SF-14-56 Approving the FY2014 RAP Library Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-56 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Library Budget in the total funding amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council

approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(22) RESOLUTION SF-14-57 Approving the FY2014 RAP Education Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-57 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Education Budget in the total funding amount of Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$87,500.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(23) RESOLUTION SF-14-58 Approving the FY2014 RAP Food Distribution Program Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-58 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Food Distribution Program Budget in the total funding amount of Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,750.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(24) RESOLUTION SF-14-59 Approving the FY2014 RAP Office of Government Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-59 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Office of Government Budget in the total funding amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(25) RESOLUTION SF-14-60 Approving the FY2014 RAP Maintenance Facilities and Grounds Department Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-60 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Maintenance Facilities and Grounds Department Budget in the total funding amount of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$62,500.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(26) RESOLUTION SF-14-61 Approving the FY2014 RAP Department Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-61 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Department Budget in the total funding amount of Forty-One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$41,575.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(27) RESOLUTION SF-14-62 Approving the FY2014 RAP Human Services Budget

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## Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Regular Business Committee Meeting Mini-Minutes  
December 12, 2014  
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Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-62 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Human Services Budget in the total funding amount of Eighty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars (\$88,440.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(28) RESOLUTION SF-14-63 Approving the FY2014 RAP Veteran's Honor Guard Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-63 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Allocation Plan Veteran's Honor Guard Budget in the total amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04. 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.

(29) RESOLUTION SF-14-64 Approving the FY2014 RAP Tribal Court Budget

Second Chief Gregory made a motion by Resolution SF-14-64 a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014

Revenue Allocation Plan Tribal Court Budget in the total funding amount of Thirty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$36,900.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Continuing Resolution SF/GC-14-04.

Committee Member Nullake seconded.

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

(30) Procedure for RAP Funds for Economic Development at 9%

Chief said, OK, we are going to recommend to council that they approve depositing this 9% Economic Development from the RAP Funds into a separate account, quarterly? Or once a year? Gaming Ordinance says transfer funds quarterly.

(31) EXECUTIVE SESSION  
(In at 3:42 p.m.) (Out at 4:22 p.m.)  
a. HRP #2014-03

Second Chief Gregory said, regarding HRP #2014-03, the Business Committee referred the matter to the Tribal Law Enforcement and they advised that the individual file a formal complaint with their department.

b. The Business Committee concurs with the findings of the Tribal Law Enforcement regarding the RAP Department inquiry and considers the matter closed.

It is the consensus of the Business Committee to adjourn at 4:23 p.m.

## Urgent Need For Foster Families Within Sac and Fox Nation

Submitted by Vicki Rutledge

Currently, there is an urgent shortage of foster families capable and willing to foster infants, teenagers and sibling groups within the Sac and Fox Nation. If you have love in your heart, a warm home, and want to make a difference in the life of a child, please contact the Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare department. 918-968-3526 ext. 1713.

Bringing a child or children into your home and effectively raising them requires an incredible amount of time and effort on the part of foster families. Why choose to do this? Choose this path and give a child a second chance at a happy, healthy, and safe childhood.

Acts 20:35 In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus him-

self said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'



Vicki Rutledge Director  
Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare  
918-968-3526 ext. 1713

## Leadership Awards Program Announced

Mesa, AZ – One of the Nation's largest Native American youth organizations has announced a new awards program that will honor Native American and Alaska Native youth at its annual national convention. The United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc., better known as UNITY, will honor, recognize and celebrate the achievements of young Native people between the ages of 14 and 25 who embody UNITY's core mission and exudes living a balanced life developing their spiritual, mental, physical and social well-being.

"We are excited to launch this new program and give Native youth a platform to be recognized for their achievements" said Mary Kim Titla, Executive Director of UNITY, Inc. "UNITY has seen many talented youth come through our program over the last 38 years, it is our hopes that success stories of those recognized through the "25 Under 25" program will inspire other youth to reach for dreams, be proud of their ancestors and maintain the best of their traditions."

In addition to being recognized, each awardee will receive special training by UNITY over the period of one year that is designed to build on their individual achievements. The inaugural class will be recognized as UNITY ambassadors, serving as stellar examples of Native youth leadership and representative of

the future of Indian Country.

The UNITY 25 Under 25 Native Youth Leadership Awards program was unveiled during a press event at UNITY's Midyear Conference on Friday, February 28, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, VA. Applications will be available on UNITY's website mid-March, with selections being announced in May. Awardees will officially be recognized at a formal banquet during the 2014 UNITY National Convention at the Portland Convention Center on July 2, 2014 in front of more than 1,500 peers.

Those interested in nominating an individual for the recognition program are encouraged to visit the UNITY website mid-March at [www.unityinc.org](http://www.unityinc.org) or call UNITY headquarters at (480) 718-9793 for detailed information on the application and process.

About UNITY, Inc. United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc. (UNITY) is a national 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to fostering the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of American Indian and Alaska Native youth and to help build a strong, unified, and self-reliant Native America through greater youth involvement. UNITY has impacted more than 150,000 Native Americans through its programs since 1976. For information about UNITY, Inc. please visit [www.unityinc.org](http://www.unityinc.org).

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#### 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

Surveillance Observer (Gaming)  
Open until filled

Custodian II (SMPC)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Compliance Officer (Gaming)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Surveillance Technician (Gaming)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Laboratory Manager (BHHC Stroud)  
Open Until Filled

Medical Director (BHHC Stroud)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Substance Abuse Counselor (JDC/Stroud)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Re-Entry Program Specialist (JDC/Stroud)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

Re-Entry Program Specialist Assistant (JDC/Stroud)  
Seeking Immediate Placement

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

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

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

### LIHEAP Funds Available

Liheap funds are available for tribal members (all federally recognized tribes) that live within the jurisdiction and are within the income guidelines. The Tribal Energy guidelines state that Liheap is to be used first if people are eligible and funds are available. There are copies of the Tribal Energy guidelines available at the Sac and Fox Nation Social Services Building and also at Shawnee Housing Center.

918-968-3526 Ext. 2001 & 2011



### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# YOU DECIDE - ADVANCE DIRECTIVES ARE YOUR MEDICAL VOICE by Gene Hoyt JD, MD

*(Editors Note) Dr. Gene Hoyt is a well known physician at Black Hawk Health Clinic. Few people know he is also an attorney. A former Oklahoma Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate and Trial Judge, he continues to write and lecture about topics in Law and Medicine.*

Who wants to write a Will? No one! It is not pleasant to sit down and think of End of Life issues. But, it should be done by each of us. Like the Will that passes property, your Living Will allows you the opportunity to voice your desire for medical treatment at the end of life. Many think that Living Wills also called Advance Directives are only for the old folks. Not true! Illness and trauma can occur at anytime and at any age. Your voice needs to guide your caregivers through an emotional time. If you have a Living Will you decide on what care you want and spare your family of the grief of decision making. Many people complete Living Wills at the time they devise real and personal property with a traditional Will. The State of Oklahoma provides us with simple and concise forms for Living Wills and Durable Powers of Attorney which I will discuss.

A Living Will is your expression of medical care you want or don't want if you have a terminal illness. The Living Will is a relatively new document. In the past your spouse or other family members spoke for you. But, now you must speak for yourself. If you do not have a Living Will, the state presumes you want all appropriate medical care to include cardiopulmonary resuscitation which may include chest compression, ventilator care to breathe for you, and tube feeding to maintain nutrition. Your family can overcome this presumption only by obtaining a Legal Guardianship over you. You can spare your family of this time consuming and costly legal proceeding by having a Living Will. If you have a Living Will and have appointed a Healthcare Proxy (someone who acts for you) there can be little doubt of your intentions and you save the family much emotion and grief. Your cultural and religious beliefs can also be expressed in your Living Will.

Just as with a property will the maker of a Living Will must be 18 and of sound mind. A Living Will must be witnessed by two disinterested people. As long as you are competent you make your own decisions and your decisions for ongoing care must be followed regardless of your illness or condition. A Living Will

becomes effective only if you are unable to make informed decisions and have a Terminal Condition. A Terminal Condition is defined as an incurable condition from which a person will die within 6 months, even if treatment is administered. Two physicians must certify a Terminal Condition and document in the medical record before a Living will becomes effective. Your medical decision maker, someone you know and trust, is called your Proxy. The Proxy will make all health care decisions in your place. The Proxy must follow all instructions you have given in your Living Will. The Proxy speaks with your voice, Always, Always talk to your Proxy and tell them what you want or don't want as part of your medical care. You should also appoint an Alternate Proxy to act if the primary is unable.

The Oklahoma statute allows you to Will your body or organs for transplant or research and education.

A unique feature of the Oklahoma Living Will statute allows a pregnant woman, who is in a Terminal Condition, through her Proxy, to decline and refuse all life sustaining treatment including respiratory support and nutrition. Through a Living Will a pregnant woman can specifically provide for treatments to be withheld or withdrawn.

Another document you should know of is a Durable Power of Attorney. The term durable means the Power of Attorney will be valid if you can no longer make decisions for yourself. A Power of Attorney may be general or specific. A Durable Medical Power allows your chosen representative to authorize your medical care in other than Terminal Conditions. If you are unconscious from illness or trauma, the Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare allows your delegate to make decisions on your behalf until you are able to make medical decisions for yourself.

These documents are important to you and to your family. Talk to your family. Talk to your physician and to your attorney. Let your voice be heard through your Living Will and Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare.

Many articles have been written concerning Advanced Directives. One of the best articles and the article which is the basis of this article is "Your Right to Decide". It is much more complete than my summary and provides you with Oklahoma forms and virtually line by line instructions to complete Living Wills and Durable Powers by yourself. The article is found at [www.senior-law.org](http://www.senior-law.org)



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

It is time again to prepare for the possibility of severe weather and be as prepared as we possibly can be. It is always good to be proactive instead of reacting to a situation.

Tornadoes are one of nature's most powerful and destructive forces. Here's some tips on how to prepare for a tornado and what to do if you are caught in a twister's path.

1. Prepare for tornadoes by gathering emergency supplies including food, water, medications, batteries, flashlights, important documents, road maps, and a full tank of gasoline.

2. When a tornado approaches, anyone in its path should take shelter

indoors-preferably in a basement or an interior first-floor room or hallway.

3. Avoid windows and seek additional protection by getting underneath large, solid pieces of furniture.

4. Avoid automobiles and mobile homes, which provide almost no protection from tornadoes.

5. If you are caught outside you need to lie flat in a depression or on other low ground and wait for the storm to pass.

Most tornadoes are 400 to 600 feet wide, travel four or five miles and last just a few minutes. We know in Oklahoma how destructive tornadoes can be, please be prepared.

## Princess Competition

Will Be

Sunday, May 31, 2014

Sac and Fox Nation Community Building

6:00 P.M.

### APPLICATION

Sac and Fox Nation

Miss, Jr. Miss, and Little Miss Sac and Fox Nation Application Due April 30, 2014

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRIBAL MEMBER

Sac and Fox Roll No.: \_\_\_\_\_

#### DESCENDANT

If not an enrolled tribal member, please describe Sac and Fox lineage:

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name & Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

Maternal Grandparents Name & Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

Paternal Grandparents Name & Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.

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Get an application from your counselor

## ATTENTION

TRIBAL MEMBERS



Sr. Man and Sr. Woman Nominations Due

April 18, 2014

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Roll # \_\_\_\_\_ hereby

nominate the following Man: \_\_\_\_\_

He should be the Sac and Fox Nation Sr. Man because: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Roll # \_\_\_\_\_ hereby

nominate the following Woman: \_\_\_\_\_

She should be the Sac and Fox Nation Sr. Woman because: \_\_\_\_\_

# Honoring, Helping and Protecting Indian Elders



By Looking Back and Forward **By Dr. John Edwards**  
Former Governor, Absentee Shawnee Tribe AARP Oklahoma Executive Council



Dr. John Edwards

According to Native American tradition, leaders should always look seven generations behind and seven generations ahead when making decisions. It's a way of making sure that our past is always connected to our future.

What can we learn from the past? As Indian people, we are taught the ways of our people through stories, song and language. We know the value of respecting and honoring our elders and the importance of passing on their wisdom to future generations.

For the past six years, AARP Oklahoma has honored Indian elders in a special program held annually in the fall. The AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors brings together all 39-federally recognized tribes and nations in a spirit of harmony and unity to celebrate the contributions of our elders.

Past honorees have included artists, dancers, language preservationists, ministers, tribal leaders, mothers and fathers. You can nominate an Indian elder to be recognized by AARP at: [www.facebook.com/aarpok](http://www.facebook.com/aarpok) or by calling 1-866-295-7277 to receive a printed nomination form. Nominees must be living and must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe in Oklahoma. Deadline for nomination is June 30th.

But AARP's work with Oklahoma's Native American community is not limited to the past. During my six years as

a member of the AARP Oklahoma Executive Council, I have had the chance to work on projects that are planting seeds for the future.

A good example of this seed planting is AARP's partnership with the Osage, Choctaw, Chickasaw, Muscogee Creek and Cherokee nations, the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center to present the 7th Generations Conference April 14-16th in Midwest City.

Native Americans in Oklahoma suffer greater health disparities than most other people in the state. The 7th Generations Conference will focus on improving health access and disparity in Indian Country and caregiving. AARP will also present a healthy cooking demonstration that will offer education on how to break the cycle of unhealthy nutrition among Indian people. World-renowned Chef Loretta Barrett Oden, a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, will present the demonstration.

Finally, I want to encourage my fellow tribal members to consider getting involved with the AARP Oklahoma Inter-Tribal Community Group. We're working on projects and events – including health, cultural preservation and the Indian Elder Honors – that will help fulfill AARP's mission in the Native American community: to enhance the quality of life for all as we age.

For more information on the Inter-Tribal Community Group, the 6th Annual AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors or the 7th Generation Conference visit: [www.aarp.org/okindiannavigator](http://www.aarp.org/okindiannavigator).

(Dr. John Edwards is former Governor of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe. He has served as a member of AARP Oklahoma's Executive Council for six years, is a minister and a Peacemaker in the Chickasaw Nation's Peacemaking Court.)

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# PARALEGAL SERVICES NOW AVAILABLE

The Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Court is pleased to announce that paralegal services are now being offered at the Sac and Fox Nation Justice Center. This service is to help alleviate the pressure placed on the prose litigants, litigants who may not be able to afford the luxury to hire legal assistance. Without the aid of legal expertise, litigants often enter the judicial system unprepared for the complicated process and may leave dismayed by the results. In recognition of this problem, the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Court and Oklahoma Indian Legal Services have been in collaboration to provide the tribal members with a paralegal to offer

assistance to prose litigants in preparing their legal documents and understanding the judicial process.

The paralegal provided through Oklahoma Indian Legal Services is on-site three (3) times a month to assist enrolled tribal members with preparation of legal documents, help in understanding the judicial process, assisting court administration in issuing Orders and Decrees, directing litigants to outside organizations for further assistance, preparation of wills and referrals for further legal advice.

Contact the Court Clerk's Office at 918-968-2031 for dates and times.

## 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

## Attention Black Hawk Health Center Patients

We have a new phone system and our extensions have changed

When you call the clinic please listen to the menus

- Press 0..... for the Operator
- Press 1..... for Merle Boyd Center
- Press 2..... for Black Hawk Health Center
- Press 3..... for Contract Health
- Press 4..... for Pharmacy
- Press 5..... for Medical Records
- Press 6..... for Nursing
- Press 7..... for Behavioral Health
- Press 8..... for Administration

**Sac and Fox Elders**  
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**Fatherhood is Sacred/Motherhood is Sacred training in Mesa, AZ:** (From Left) Albert M. Pooley, Program founder; Vicki Rutledge, Director SFN ICW; Juan York, SFN Child Welfare Specialist II; John Fowler, Torres Martinez; Tribal TANF and Cash Johnson, Tribal TANF. (Photo provided by ICW)

## Sac and Fox Nation ICW Staff Attend Training in Mesa, Arizona

The first week of February, the Staff of Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare attended the Fatherhood is Sacred/Motherhood is Sacred training in Mesa, AZ. By and through this training, the Sac and Fox Nation is now a certified agency which will enable the Indian Child Welfare staff to facilitate training. The program is in development stages and training to the public will be available soon.

### Overview

Native American Fatherhood & Families Association (NAFFA) is an Arizona based non-profit 501(C) (3) organization founded in 2002. This organization began with the purpose of strengthening Native American families through responsible fatherhood. Native Americans are a great people and they come from greatness, a great heritage, history and culture. We have to be reminded of it at times, but when we take hold of those principles of greatness, we harness the power of change.

Greatness must start and be taught and cultivated in the home!

### The Need

There is an immediate need to bring Native American men back to strengthening families by

- Understanding that they are not the problem but rather the solution
- Their innate leadership abilities and understanding of the sacredness of families
- Taking the lead in keeping families together

Native fathers are the greatest untapped resource for their families and communities. With correct information and support they can find their true potential. Desperation can be transformed into hope and discouragement into self-worth and purpose. To truly honor the past we must improve upon the present by having hope and confidence in our fathers to strengthen families and bring unity to our Native Nations.

### THE SOLUTION

As a representative of the indigenous people of this great land NAFFA is positioned to take the leadership role in restoring the vision of the importance and value of families back to native people. Families are the heart of Native Ameri-

can cultures. There is no work more important than fatherhood and motherhood. From this position, NAFFA initiated the Fatherhood Is Sacred program designed to strengthen individuals and families by laying a strong foundation of direction and purpose in life. By filling life with Hope – Gratitude and Understanding there is a powerful effect in attitude and behavior change. It inspires and ignites self-motivation in bring that change to a person.

At the request of many of the men in the Fatherhood Is Sacred Program, and their desire for the mothers to learn the same principles they were learning, thus, Motherhood Is Sacred was developed. By sharing this vision between men and women, they work together to bring happiness and safety to their families.

### THE CHALLENGE

Little attention has been paid to the unique needs of the Native men as they struggled to become valuable family participants. NAFFA is striving to change that. In recent years most services and programs focused primarily on the needs of women and children.

Our programs are being embraced by Native people across this country, recommended by community and government agencies, utilized by tribal programs and recognized by the White House as a leading resource for their fatherhood initiatives. America is feeling the impact of the erosion and breakup of the family and its great effects on society. Native Americans are feeling this as well.

NAFFA has trained and certified over 300 facilitators in the Fatherhood/Motherhood Is Sacred programs, who lead a 12 week course offered to mothers and fathers in over 90 tribes and 12 urban centers across the United States. Since 2002 approximately 9,000 Native fathers and mothers have participated in Fatherhood/Motherhood Is Sacred with outstanding results. NAFFA is trusted and respected among Native Americans and their communities.

Vicki Rutledge  
Director, Sac and Fox Nation  
Indian Child Welfare  
918-968-3526 ext. 1713

## Sac and Fox Nation Hosts State Tribal Victims Services Roundtable Discussions

Vicki Wood, Director Sac and Fox Nation Indian Child Welfare

As part of the ongoing outreach initiative from the District Attorneys Council to Native American violent crime victims, Brian Hendrix, State-Tribal Crime Victim Liaison, District Attorneys Council, planned and presented the fourth in a series of State Tribal Victims Services Roundtable Discussions. The idea behind these meetings is to provide an informal forum in which tribal victims' services providers, victim witness coordinators/victim witness assistants, and area victims' service providers can meet, talk about respective services offered, and discuss any gaps in delivery of resources/support to victims.

In addition, this discussion included a presentation highlighting VOCA/VAWA and other grant funding available through

the District Attorneys Council.

The Sac & Fox Nation of Oklahoma hosted the roundtable discussion on Tuesday, February 18, 2014. The following tribes were invited to attend this regional meeting: Absentee-Shawnee, Alabama Quassarte Tribal Town, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Iowa, Kialegee Tribal Town, Kickapoo, Sac & Fox Nation, Seminole Nation, and Thlopthlocco Tribal Town. Representing the Sac and Fox Nation were: Chief George Thurman, Attorney General Gregory Bigler, Court Administrator Charlotte Cartwright, Director of Indian Child Welfare Vicki Wood Rutledge, and Child Welfare Specialist II Juan York. Chief Thurman both opened and closed the meeting with prayer.



District Attorneys Council to Native American violent crime victims, recently presented State Tribal Victims Services Roundtable Discussions at the Sac and Fox Nation (Photo by Harriett Nanaeto)

## 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](mailto:shawnaspoon@att.net).

## Brown Family Reunion

If you plan on attending please call one of the people listed below to RSVP by May 1. We are trying to get a count on how many plan to make it. Also if you would be interested in Tee shirts let us know that too. Thanks!

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



## 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

## 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.



Healthy Heart Information Booth: The Merle Boyd recently hosted an information booth at Black Hawk Health Center. (From Left) Angel Early, CHR; Anthony Ramirez, Exercise Specialist and Sandy Harris, Transportation (Photo by Sac and Fox News)

## Job Announcement - Houseparents

Murrow Indian Children's Home, a Faith-Based Non-profit facility is seeking a mission minded married couple to be Christian, loving and nurturing parents to American Indian Children. Murrow Indian Children's Home is a level B-Residential facility that provides a home for Native American Children. Residents do not have serious behavior problems, but are children in need of a stable, loving home environment.

Houseparents are responsible for maximum of 8 children in a cottage style setting. Consistency is of the utmost importance and a one year commitment is desired. A private apartment, utilities and most meals are provided for the couple or family. Houseparents will attend and support cultural events and activities. Houseparents will actively support children's cultural in the home.

**Requirements:**

- Must possess a valid driver's license and a clean driving record.
- Must be 25 years of age \*
- Fingerprinted Background Check\*

- Out of State Background Check (if Applicable)\*
- Child Care Restricted Registry Check (CCRR)\*
- 24 hours Cottage Instruction\*\*
- First Aid/CPR\*\*
- Managing Aggressive Behavior\*\*
- Medication Administration Tech (MAT) Training\*\*

- Prior to employment
- \*\* Prior to cottage placement

Married Couples interested in providing a safe, loving, nurturing, and Christian environment, may submit their resume to [murrowhomedirector@gmail.com](mailto:murrowhomedirector@gmail.com)  
 Closing Date: Open until filled  
 Salary: Competitive Salary  
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 Vacation, Health and Life Insurance, an apartment and most meals are provided.  
 Murrow Indian Children's Home  
 2540 Murrow Circle  
 Muskogee, OK 74403  
 918-682-2586  
 918-682-1170 (fax)

## Honoring Our Sac and Fox Veterans

### Willard Walker Jr.

*Submitted by Willard Walker Jr.*

Sa-No-Kwa-Te (Thunder Clan) is a member of the Sac and Fox Nation. I am an active member of the Sac and Fox Honor Guard. My service time was in the US Army from September 1969-1971. Serving in South Vietnam in Cantho, Mekong Delta, assigned to the 1st Aviation Brigade, 235th unit AHC/AWC, Helicopter Unit Delta Devils, Cobras and Slicks. I completed basic training at Fort Polk, La., and then I continued advanced individual training in Aberdeen, Proving Grounds, MD.

"We all gave some, and some gave all" is a quote that sums up our sacrifice.

I am a disabled Veteran, because I was exposed to an herbicide called Agent Orange that was used in Vietnam. Because of my exposure, I now have terminal Cancer.

My wife, JoAnn and I have been happily married for thirty-nine years. We have four children, six grandchildren, and two great-grandsons.

Kiwawiyamewa-to all of you for your time. Willard "Poncho" Walker Jr.



*Willard Walker Jr.*

*A message from*

### Norwood Masquat, Jr., Commander of Sac and Fox Nation Veterans' Organization

From the December 10, 2013 minutes: "No new DD214's have come in. We need 214's for our next monuments. A large community conference of all tribal veterans and their families and anybody else who is interested has been scheduled for March 22, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Our goal is to educate the tribal public on the need to have their relatives' 214's on

hand (and perhaps a photo of their relative in uniform).

Also we want the input of tribal members for ideas and concepts for the monuments and for the memorial park.

We want to complete the four monuments for WWI, WWII, Korea and the Women's monuments by the fall of 2014.

### **Information Needed** to Find a Person's DD214

- ✓ Veteran's Name
- ✓ Date and place of birth
- ✓ Branch of service
- ✓ Time and term of service
- ✓ Service number if available
- ✓ Social Security number, if available

With this information we can track down an individual's DD214, enabling us to see his or her service record.

## NOTICE CAMP CLEAN-UP

In preparation for Pow-Wow there will be camp clean-up days in May & June

It's That Time Again!  
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### Sac and Fox Elders Mother's Day Dance

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Gourd Dance 2:00 p.m.  
 Supper 5:00 p.m.  
 Intertribal Dancing 7:00 p.m.

Head Singer: *Poncho Walker*  
 Head Gourd Dancer: *Francis Grant*  
 Head Man Dancer: *Francis Sweetwater*  
 Head Lady Dancer: *Gwen Wilburn*  
 Emcee: *Russell Saunders*  
 AD: *Joe Estes and Jeremy Johnson*  
 Veteran Color Guard: *Sac and Fox Veterans*



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## Sac and Fox Veterans Memorial Conference

March 22, 2014  
 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
 Sac and Fox Gymnasium

*Lunch Provided*

- Come Share Your**
- Ideas
  - Suggestions
  - Input

**For the Sac and Fox Veterans Memorial**

For Information Contact:  
 Commander Norwood Masquat Jr.  
 @ 918-225-2214  
 Secretary Dennis Jennings  
 @ 405-395-7426

## Landmark Court Case Settled in Favor of Tribal Online Lenders

Louisville, Colorado—Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP, a national tribal law firm announced this week a victory in the state of California for two Tribal online lenders: the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and the Santee Sioux Nation of Nebraska. The California Court of Appeals has affirmed the dismissal of a suit by the State of California against online lenders owned by the two federally recognized Indian tribes. The suit was an attempt by the State to shut down the sovereign Tribes' online lending businesses and impose penalties for alleged failure to comply with the California laws governing short-term loans.

This case comes in the wake of a series of other states' efforts to shut down various tribal lending operations around the country. States have mounted campaigns to restrict and control tribal lending operations in their state even though federally recognized Indian Tribes are not subject to state laws in general and are regulated primarily through Federal Indian law. This issue has gained widespread publicity around the country in the last several months.

This California case has now re-affirmed that federally recognized Indian Tribes are sovereign nations, not subject to state control. The court decision will significantly impact other states and other Tribes throughout the country as the issue of tribal sovereignty has been under attack on many fronts over the last several years.

In this case, California claimed that loans made by the Tribes are not enforceable under California law because the Tribes are not licensed in California and the loan fees exceed California's enforceable rates. In a ruling issued on January 21, 2014 the Court of Appeals rebuffed the State's claims, finding that the Tribes' lending activities "are subject to tribal laws governing interest rates, loans and cash advance services," and that California's lending laws are not enforceable against the Tribal lenders. The Court went on to find that "there can be little question" that the Tribally-owned lenders "function as arms of their respective tribes" and therefore are not subject to the jurisdiction of the State of California.

The Court observed that due to the relocation of these Tribes to remote and severely depressed regions, revenues

from these loans are "essential to maintaining a functioning tribal government able to provide necessary services to the tribe's members."

The decision marks the second appellate court ruling in favor of these sovereign Tribal lenders in less than a month. In December 2013, the Colorado Court of Appeals dismissed the State of Colorado's appeal of the lower court's nearly-identical finding that these sovereign Tribal lenders were arms of their respective Tribes and are not subject to that State's jurisdiction. In both the California and Colorado proceedings, the Courts affirmed the imposition of monetary sanctions against the respective states for their litigation misconduct committed during the course of the litigation.

The Miami Tribe of Oklahoma operates its sovereign lending business through MNE Services, Inc., a 100% tribally-owned subdivision and arm of the Miami Tribe. MNE Services, Inc., which is licensed and regulated by the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, does business under the tradenames Ameriloan (www.Ameriloan.com); USFastCash (www.USFastcash.com); United Cash Loans (www.unitedcashloans.com); Advantage Cash Services (www.advantagecashservices.com); and Star Cash Processing (www.starcashprocessing.com).

The Santee Sioux Nation operates its sovereign lending business through SFS, Inc., a 100% tribally-owned subdivision and arm of the Santee Sioux Nation. SFS, Inc., which is licensed and regulated by the Santee Sioux Nation, does business using the trade name OneClickCash (www.oneclick-cash.com).

The tribal lenders were represented in both appeals by Fredericks, Peebles & Morgan, LLP. Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP is dedicated to the representation of American Indian tribes and Native American organizations throughout the United States. Legal services provided by Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP include a wide spectrum of services related to Indian concerns in the areas of business transactions, litigation, and governmental affairs. For more information on the firm, please visit their website at www.ndnlaw.com.



Tribal member Nathan White, son of Geoff and Marla White, grandson of the late Henry B. Walker, Sr. and Great-grandson of the late Willard "Margrove" Walker. Nathan was the "Student of the Month" for January 2014 at the Cherokee Elementary School in Tahlequah, OK. Congratulations Nathan, job well done....

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## Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Organization Meeting

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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. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                    |
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## 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                   | = | <b>\$1,110</b>                     |
| 2                      | \$1,293                          | + | \$152                   | = | <b>\$1,445</b>                     |
| 3                      | \$1,628                          | + | \$152                   | = | <b>\$1,780</b>                     |
| 4                      | \$1,963                          | + | \$163                   | = | <b>\$2,126</b>                     |
| 5                      | \$2,298                          | + | \$191                   | = | <b>\$2,489</b>                     |
| 6                      | \$2,633                          | + | \$219                   | = | <b>\$2,852</b>                     |
| 7                      | \$2,968                          | + | \$219                   | = | <b>\$3,187</b>                     |
| 8                      | \$3,303                          | + | \$219                   | = | <b>\$3,522</b>                     |
| each additional member |                                  |   |                         |   | <b>+ \$335</b>                     |

**Alaska:**

Use this Amount

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

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

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| <b>Earned Income Deduction</b>                    | Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Dependent Care Deduction</b>                   | Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Child Support Deduction</b>                    | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Medical Expense Deduction</b>                  | 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).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Home Care Meal-Related Deduction</b>           | 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:<br><br>48 Contiguous U.S. States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013 = \$200</li> <li>• November 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014 = \$189</li> </ul> For Alaska, please select appropriate link below. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">October 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">November 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014</a></li> </ul> See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska. |
| <b>Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction</b> | 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.

## SPECIAL PETITIONED GOVERNING COUNCIL

March 29, 2014 @ 10:00 A.M.  
Sac and Fox Gymnasium

## 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**.

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