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Cheyenne Dae Brady Miss Indian World 2015-2016

“Sitoniqay” a member of the Thunder Clan and enrolled member of the Sac & Fox Nation of Oklahoma.

Cheyenne is the daughter of Jon”Poncho” and Rebecca “Tooky”Brady of New Town, North Dakota and the granddaughter of Don & June Hamilton Young Bird and Bryon & Florence Brady. She is the great-granddaughter of the late Charlie Smith (Sac & Fox) and Velma Peters Smith and great-great-granddaughter of Stella Barker. She is also a descent of

the Cheyenne, Kiowa/Apache, Pawnee, Otoe, Tonkawa, Arikara and Hidatsa tribes.

Cheyenne was the 2010 Valedictorian of her Senior Class at the New Town High School. She continued on to College at the University of Oklahoma for two academic years then transferred to North Dakota State University in Fargo where she will be graduating on May 16, 2015 with her Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology. She applied and is accepted into the NDSU Master of Public Health

Program, specializing in American Indian Public Health.

Cheyenne gives God all the praise and glory for all her accomplishments. She is so thankful for all the support from the Sac & Fox Nation, Three Affiliated Tribes, family she represents and friends from Oklahoma and North Dakota. She said she will humbly represent her people and family to the best of her ability as she travels across the world as our cultural ambassador of Native people as Miss Indian World 2015-2016!!



Cheyenne Dae Brady, Miss Indian World 2015-2016

Chief’s Address To The Nation

Greetings,
Congratulations to our graduating tribal members on all levels, from kindergarten, elementary, secondary, and post-secondary. Now that you have reached this stage of your educational pursuits, our Nation wishes you success with your future journey at the next level of education or entering the workforce.

Local News

Black Hawk Health Center

On April 23rd, the Business Committee approved two agreements, one with Flintco, LLC and the other with JHBR, both of Oklahoma City, OK, to move forward in the next stage of preparation for the construction of your new health clinic. We will schedule a “community meeting” for everyone who wishes to give input as to what

they see as needed in the clinic. This will be the opportunity for tribal membership to attend, and, if unable to attend, submit your suggestions in written form, and they will be read and submitted during this meeting.

Feasibility Study

On April 24th, the Business Committee met with Matt Robinson of Klas Robinson, a Michigan firm selected to conduct “best use” of five property sites. We met to listen to a verbal report, followed by written recommendations. The five sites selected were in Cushing, Chandler, Stroud, and two in Shawnee.

Economic Development Director Interviews

On May 8th, the PACE Group will meet with the Business Committee, Sauk Business Enterprises (SBE), and staff to evaluate and discuss potential applicants for this position. At that time we will select applicants to be interviewed on May 11th.

Sac and Fox Nation Housing Authority

The Oklahoma City Housing and Urban Development (HUD) office notified us that this year they will be using a “new” format for the 2016 annual Indian Housing Plan (IHP) and would like our Housing Authority to be one of few Housing Authorities throughout the Region and Nation to assist them in this process. Their reason for this request is that, for the past three years, this administration has produced IHPs that “required little to no corrections or denials”.

It is quite an accomplishment

when your funding agency acknowledges you as a well-functioning administration. Congratulations!

Investment Policy Statement

On May 4th, the Business Committee, Exencial Wealth Advisors, staff, and tribal members met to discuss and begin developing a Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Investment Policy Statement (IPS) which will be brought before Governing Council for approval later this year.

MIP Software

MIP consultants will begin the preparations to start our “set up” of the new software program on May 19-20. I reported on this software in an earlier article.

Congressional Testimony for Appropriations

On April 29th I submitted this written testimony to the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies for the FY 2016 Budget for Tribal Programs under the Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act (NAH-SADA):

“Chairwoman Collins and distinguished Members of the Committee, on behalf of the Great Sac and Fox Nation I am submitting this written testimony on the FY 2016 budget requests for Tribal programs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Sac and Fox Nation is the home of Jim Thorpe, one of the most versatile athletes of modern sports who earned Olympic gold medals for

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Chief Thurman and Sandra Massey Speakers at Sovereignty Symposium

Principal Chief George Thurman and Historic Preservation Officer Sandra Massey will be speakers on the “Repatriation and Legislating Respect in the Law” panel at the 28th annual Sovereignty Symposium in Oklahoma City on June 3rd.

The panel will be moderated by Suzan Shown Harjo, Indian activist and recent Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient.

At 6:15 p.m. that evening, the Sovereignty Symposium will present a staged reading of the play “My Father’s Bones”, a play based on the ongoing Jim Thorpe lawsuit and written by Harjo and playwright/attorney Mary Kathryn Nagle, at the Oklahoma Judicial Center, formerly the Oklahoma Historical Society, located by the Capitol building.

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The staged reading is open to the public, said coordinator Yvonne Kauger, Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice. “We would be especially proud to have the Sac and Fox attend.”

The Sovereignty Symposium will take place on June 3-4, 2015 at the Skirvin-Hilton Hotel in Oklahoma City. It is presented by the Oklahoma Supreme Court, the Indian Law Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association, the University of Oklahoma College of Law, the Oklahoma City University School of Law, and the Sovereignty Symposium, Inc.

Upcoming Events

May 13

Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Meeting Cultural Center

May 14

Sac and Fox Elders Monthly Meeting Shawnee

May (TBA)

Sac and Fox Genealogy Workshop Learning Center 2 pm - 6 pm

May 9

Sac and Fox Elders Mothers Day Dance Community Building

May 21

Sac and Fox Nation Womens Auxillary

May 23

Memorial Day Powwow 2 pm Powwow Grounds



Sac and Fox Police Chief, Bob Roberts, recently received “Law Enforcement Officer of the Year” award from the Lincoln County Coordinated Community Response Team. (Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault) (SFNews photo)

My Father’s Bones

Staged Reading Open to the Public (All attendees will have to go through security at entry)

June 3, 6:15 p.m., Oklahoma Judicial Center 2100 N. Lincoln Blvd. Oklahoma City

SAC AND FOX NATION 2015 ELECTION

NOTICE OF POSITIONS FOR ELECTION

The Sac and Fox Nation Election Board is declaring and officially posting the following positions that will be open for the 2015 election year.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE POSITIONS
PRINCIPAL CHIEF
SECOND CHIEF
COMMITTEE MEMBER
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE #3

Georgia Blanchard, Chairman Sac and Fox Nation Election Board Date

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Obituaries

Cody Ray Tyner

Cody Ray Tyner was born in Cushing, Oklahoma on November 11, 1988 and departed this life in Stroud, Oklahoma on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at the of 26 years.

Cody was the son of birth mother Margorie Alice Tyner. He was a resident of Stroud since 1994 and worked as a welder. He was preceded in death by his birth mother, father, Aaron Brown and Grandparents.

Survivors include, Mother, Mary Lee Brown of Stroud, Father, Jamey Noble of Stroud, Four brothers, Johnny Ray Riveras, Joseph Edward Estes of Cushing, Jim Estes of Nowata, Jerry Brown of Prague, Four sisters, Tammy Jo Brown of Stroud, Brandi Rae Brown of Stroud, Georgia Ann Noble of Stroud, Anita Stevens of Davenport, Numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Christian Service was at the Sac & Fox Community Center at Saturday, April 4 and Tribal Rites were Sunday. Burial was Monday, April 6, 2015 at the Sac and Fox Cemetery. Service were under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Stroud.



Cody Ray Tyner

Alberta "Peaches" Staley

Alberta "Peaches" Staley, was born October 14, 1928 in Cushing, Oklahoma and passed away February 12, 2015 in Kiefer Oklahoma.

Peaches went to school at Oak Grove and graduated Haskell in 1947 She was a barber and a waitress. She loved playing bingo and dressing up for Halloween, usually winning 1st or 2nd place.

She was a member of the Sac and Fox Tribe. Preceding her in death were: Parents John and Angeline Crane, sisters: Geraldine Adams, Jacquelyn Wolverton, brother Johnnie Crane, son "Dover" Staley.

She is survived by sister; Mary Hammett, daughter Brenda Floyd and husband Danny, grandsons; John "Tony" Floyd, Ryan Matthew Floyd and his wife Linda and great grand children, Jacob Floyd and Faith Floyd. nieces; Tommie Ford, Robin Brown and Gina Hughes. Extended family; Cathey Dickey, Toni McEntire and David and Chris McEntire. Cousin, Sandra Patton and "special granddaughter" Andrea Patton Kadish.



Alberta "Peaches" Staley

Last Wave

I know you love me, but I've gone where rose petals are my pillow. I know you cared for me as I got weak; I've gone where I can run again. I know you hoped my pain would ease, so I've gone where I can smile again. As I wave goodbye for the last time... I leave you with my words of encouragement... My memories. I leave with you my dreams, my warmth. Smile with me... As I go home to rest.

Dawn Macgregor-Bromfield

Walter Reece DePorte

Walter DePorte was called quietly to his heavenly home by his loving God and father on February 12, 2015. Walt was born October 22, 1926 in Los Angeles, California at Martha Lee Hospital also known as BonAir Hospital to Joseph and Rilla DePorte. He joined his sister, Mary Jane and brother, David in the family. Walt's alma mater was Gardena High School - the Mohicans. Rather than graduate with his class, Walt and his two closest friends, Earl and Bob, enlisted in the US Navy in June of 1944. He served aboard the USS Chenago, an escort carrier, during the last days of World War II. Walt completed his education at the school currently known as California State University Los Angeles with a bachelor degree. He followed his father into



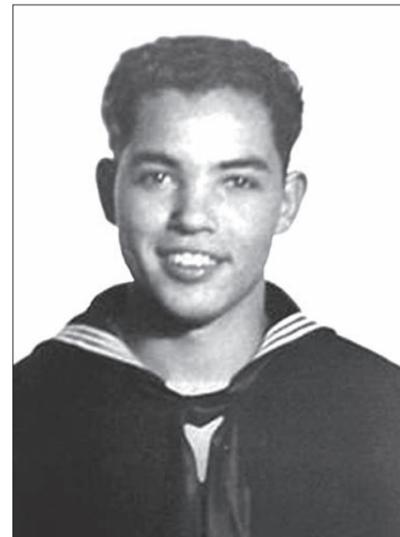
Walter Reece DePorte
Indian Name "Gray Eagle"

the printing business, owning his own shop for many years. Some of his clients included the Los Angeles Lakers and the Kings. He also managed the printing operations for Hollywood park, Disney and Sea World in December 1993. Walt lived the last 20 years in Oceanside, California where he loved the temperate climate and the closeness of his extended family.

Walt, a sports enthusiast, enjoyed playing and following football and golf. He was also a registered member of the Native American Sac and Fox tribe in Oklahoma where his mother was born. Walt also donated his time and energy to the following service organizations (among others): The American Legion, UIDA (Native American small business resources), The Indian center of Los Angeles, and the Gardena High School alumni newsletter.

Walt is survived by his loving nieces and nephews and first cousin. His family has always been an important part of his life and he will be remembered as a wonderful son, brother, uncle and friend. We - his family and friends - remember with love, the man who lived his life with integrity and a genuine concern for others.

Walter will be given military honors; his final resting place is Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside, CA



Walter Reece DePorte

Jeffery Allen Holley

Jeffrey Allen Holley was born April 9, 1993 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Robert Jeffrey and Regina Falls. He passed away March 15, 2015 in Crescent, Oklahoma at the age of 21 years, 11 months, and 6 days.

After graduating from Crescent High School, Jeffrey joined the US Army and upon completing boot camp at Ft. Sill he was stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska. Jeffrey was a BIG fan of the Oklahoma Sooners and absolutely loved playing football for the Crescent Tigers. He enjoyed fishing, riding horses, playing X-Box, and loved to sit down with his brother to watch their favorite TV shows and movies. He also enjoyed riding his mule named Red. Jeffrey had an extremely deep love for his family and friends.

Survivors include his mother, Regina Castro of Crescent; his father, Robert Jeffrey Holley and wife Niecy of Crescent; brother, Josh Holley of Crescent; four step siblings, Brady Butler, Brooke Taylor, Bailey Murray, and Desiree Castro; paternal grandmother, Joan Miser of Guthrie, Jerry and Cindy Boling; maternal grandparents, Michael Galvin of Oklahoma City and Bernice Galvin of Choctaw; four nephews and three nieces. He is preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Norman Miser and his uncle, Mike Green.

Funeral services were Friday, March 20, 2015 at the Crescent High School Gym with Rob McElroy officiating. Services were under the direction of Abernathy Aaron Funeral Home in Crescent, OK.

Memorial donations may be made in Jeffrey's memory at F&M Bank in Crescent.



Jeffery Allen Holley



Electin Bar d Members Swõ n-in: (Top L-R) Dustin Rolette, Georgia Blanchard and Principal Chief, George Thurman. (Bottom Left) Vera Grant (photo Lisa Camren)



On Friday, March 27, 2015, Cheryl McClellan (Left) was sworn in during a Special Board of Commissioners Meeting by Second Chief Orvena Gregory.

Sac and Fox Genealogy Workshop

Hosted by the Sac and Fox National Public Library and the Sauk Language Department

Learning Center
May 12, 2015
2 pm - 6 pm

Please Join Us!

Services Provided Include:

- Opportunity to purchase proofs of photographs from archives
- Research your family and lineage
- Free family vocabulary list, CD, and Sauk family tree template available
- Library and Language staff will be available to assist in family research
- Please bring any family information you may have • •

Also Monday July 6
For any questions, please contact Cathrine Walker at 918-968-3526 ext. 2022

Campaign Rally

for the Sac and Fox Nation 2015 Elections
Hosted by Dee Ann Manatowa

All Candidates and Council Members Invited

June 6, 2015
1:00 - 5:00 pm
Cushing Youth Center

June 13, 2015
Tulsa
God's Shining Light Church
9897 East 11

for information contact: Dee Ann Manatowa
918-565-7224

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

are now accessible on the Website and Facebook

sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



CHIEF THURMAN'S VISION

FOR OUR SAC AND FOX NATION SHARE THAT VISION WITH YOUR CHIEF BY ELECTING HIM TO A CONSECUTIVE THIRD TERM!

VOTE: JULY 25, 2015

"A Nation grows stronger when built upon shared visions!"

VISUALIZING OUR NATION'S GROWTH; DEVELOPING & IMPLEMENTING A PLAN; & THE NEXT 4 YEARS NURTURING & BRINGING THAT GROWTH TO FRUITION!

INVOLVING TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP IN DEVELOPING A SHORT & LONG TERM STRATEGIC PLAN(S) ! WE WON'T KNOW WHEN WE'VE ARRIVED WITHOUT KNOWING WHERE WE ARE GOING!

SOVEREIGNTY: TO UNDERSTAND THE WORD'S TRUE MEANING; CONTINUE DEFENDING & EXERCISING OUR INHERENT RIGHTS, NOT JUST PROCLAIMING BUT PRACTICING SELF GOVERNANCE!

INCREASING: SUPPORT FOR OUR YOUTH, WHO ARE OUR FUTURE; SUPPORT FOR OUR ELECTED LEADERS; SUPPORT FOR OUR ELDERLY & HANDICAPPED BY IMPROVING SERVICES!

OBTAINING OUR SELF SUFFICIENCY / RELYING LESS UPON FEDERAL FUNDING BY INCREASING OUR NET INCOME: CASH REVENUE / INVESTMENTS / ASSETS!

NAVIGATING OUR NATION FORWARD, WHERE OUR SHARED VISION WITH GOD LEADS US; AS OUR CREATOR BECKONS, FOLLOWING BY FAITH THROUGH MERCY & GRACE! AMEN!

Where there is no vision, the people perish... - Proverbs 29:18

DECORATION DAY

Memorial Day Pow-wow

Raffle • 50/50 Pots • Blanket, Raffle • Gas Card • And Other!

Pow-wow Grounds Arena
Dance & Activities
Saturday May 23, 2015 Stroud, Oklahoma
Sponsored by the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Organization
& the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Auxiliary

10 a.m. Reading of Names of Deceased Tribal Vets at the Sac and Fox Cemetery

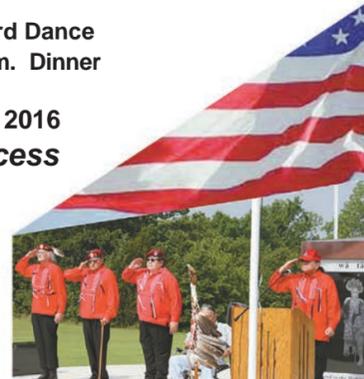
Head Staff

Head Singer	Mike Plumley
Head Gourd Dancer	Michael Tsotaddle Army
Head Lady Dancer	Ursula Hill
Head Man Dancer	Cecil Wahpekeche
M.C.	J.R. Patt Pawnee
A.D.	Russell Saunders
Water Boys	Anthoni Calderon & L.J. McKissick

2 p.m. Gourd Dance
5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Dinner

6 p.m. Crowning of our 2015 - 2016
Sac & Fox Veterans Princess

(Community Building)
6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Gourd Dance
7 p.m. Grand Entry
Dinner - Sac & Fox Auxiliary Organization
Concession - Sac & Fox Elders



Black Hawk Health Center

New Health Center

From Donald P. Whitehead, Health Director

In the fall of 2014, the Health Director was asked by the Business Committee to conduct a feasibility study to consider the construction of a new health clinic. A need was found to enhance the health services of the Black Hawk Health Center (BHHC) and Merle W. Boyd Center (MBC) by supporting existing services and adding additional services to better care for the Native American population. The feasibility study identified needed new services, cost of those services, and determined there is a need for a new facility.

Black Hawk Health Center (BHHC) and Merle W. Boyd Center (MBC) provide a limited range of outpatient services for the tribal members of the Sac and Fox Nation and Native American community. Services include primary medical care, behavioral health, pharmacy, community health, laboratory, radiology, diabetic education, nutrition counseling, podiatry, physical therapy, wellness and exercise therapy. The BHHC facility was completed in 1998.

As far back as August 4, 2003, plans were made to expand the clinic facility and add services. Other attempts have been made over the years with little or no success. The 1992 10 Year Plan identified expanding the "Black Hawk Clinic" to be a full service facility.

Services in the clinic have changed very little over the years. There have been positive upgrades in pharmacy, laboratory, and radiology, but the expansion of services has been held back by lack of adequate space and design. One of the major factors in physician recruitment is the existence of a modern, well equipped facility capable of providing the level of services necessary to support their practice. The current 20 year old design cannot address those needs. BHHC could provide a wider range of health services not currently available on campus and require a referral to other health care providers.

After discussion with the Elected Officials, it was recommended that a new facility be considered for construction with expanded services. The new facility should be contiguous with the Merle W.

Boyd Center (MBC). This would create a unified service, better provider-to-provider communication, and easier access for patients. Currently, patients seen at BHHC have to get back in their cars to go to MBC. For many patients, this is a physical hardship. Behavioral Health Services should also be housed in the new facility which would improve continuity of care. The new facility should have expanded dietary services to accommodate cooking classes, diabetic instruction and hands-on programs. The exercise program needs to be expanded to include space for exercise programs, added exercise equipment, physical therapy services, and other group activities. New services will include Dental and Optometry programs year 1 and Wound Care and Audiology programs year 2.

A selection committee interviewed architectural firms in January. After a lengthy process, JHBR Architects, Oklahoma City, was chosen. JHBR has a long successful record of designing health care facilities. In the process, it was decided that a Construction Manager (CM) Firm would be used throughout the design and construction process. The advantage of using a CM is better coordination of the design process, value engineering, and producing a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). Flintco, LLC out of Oklahoma City was selected. Agreements were negotiated and the Business Committee approved them April 23, 2015.

The stages of a construction project are: (1) Schematic Design (development of concept drawings, site location, facility size/orientation, and community input); (2) Design Development (site plans, floor plans, etc.); (3) Construction Documents (detailed plans with specifications of all aspects of the project that are used as bid documents by subcontractors); and (4) Construction.

This process needs community input. It is important that input is received from a wide variety of interested parties; patients, Elders, Veterans, and staff. Over the next several months, opportunities will be made available for groups to discuss the new facility.

Merle Boyd Center

Sac and Fox Nation Health Fair

Thursday July 9th from 10 AM-1 PM
Health information, diabetes and cancer awareness, health screenings, OBI blood mobile, door prizes, raffle drawings, and much more!



Any questions please contact
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Located at the Sac and Fox Gymnasium
by the Black Hawk Health Center.
7 miles south of Stroud, E 930 Road off
highway 99

Find Extra Flavor from Herbs By Elizabeth Burgess MS, RD/LD



Elizabeth Burgess MS, RD/LD

After months of cold weather, spring has finally arrived. Take advantage of the season by planting an herb garden. Herbs are great for people who may not have the ideal space to grow large plants or the time to care for more tedious crops.

For convenience, many home improvement stores carry pre-potted herb plants that only require maintenance and care. While an herb garden provides a healthy hobby, it also provides an abundance of healthy flavor. Substitute salt with a new herb from your garden. Listed below are common herbs with their nutritional benefit.

- Basil: is a very popular herb in Italian dishes, this plant provides magnesium that is helpful in managing cardiovascular disease
- Rosemary: great for flavoring chicken, pork, and salmon, it also is a great source of vitamin A
- Thyme: add this to vegetable dishes for extra flavor and vitamin C
- Oregano: garnish pizza, mushrooms, or omelets with fresh oregano to increase your vitamin K intake

SAC & FOX NATION					May 2015					Black Hawk Health Center Activities						
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Weight Management: The Hunger Games

Join us for a 6-week program focused on teaching you about weight management and making healthy choices! Have fun learning about nutrition while competing with others for a chance to be the Sac and Fox Hunger Games Champion!



Led By: Elizabeth Burgess, MS/Registered Dietitian
Phone: 918-968-9531 ext. 3042
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Tentative Meeting Times:
Mondays, June 22-July 27 at 11am

Location: Sac and Fox Nation Learning Center

Please contact Elizabeth by phone or email by June 15th if interested in participating.

Summer Youth Soccer Camp

June 17th and 18th ages 7-16

Any Tribal certified youth

Registration is open now until space runs out

Both days will run 2 hours

Space is limited to the first 30 kids to register

and those 30 will receive a free soccer ball after attending both days!



All sessions will be instructed by Dewayne Tiger

For questions or to sign up call or email:

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Presented to you by:
Sac and Fox Nation Special Diabetes Program
Seminole Nation Diabetes Program



Cooking May Class

Featuring:

Zucchini Pappardelle



Tuesday, May 19th at 11 am

Friday, May 22nd at 12 pm

Sac and Fox Nation Learning Center

Hosted by: Elizabeth Burgess MS, RD/L

Chief's Address To The Nation

the 1912 pentathlon and decathlon.

Congress has taken historic steps in recent years with the passage of legislation that is intended to improve the quality of life for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) people. However, the absence of sufficient housing for our people remains an unfilled promise that critically impacts us every day.

Forty percent of on-reservation housing is considered substandard (compared to 6 percent outside of Indian Country) and nearly one-third of homes on reservations are overcrowded. Less than half of the homes on reservations are connected to public sewer systems, and 8.6 percent lack complete indoor plumbing facilities. In some areas, up to 18.9 percent of Native homes are without phone service. Additionally, 23 percent of Native households pay 30 percent or more of household income for housing. Barriers to housing development in Native communities include land acquisition, limited private investment opportunities, low-functioning housing markets, and poverty.

NAHASDA consolidated Federal housing funds through direct block grants to Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) and have been successful in allowing Tribes the Self-Determination necessary to provide effective programs for Tribal citizens.

Tribal Specific Request:

(1) The Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Specific Request: Housing for Tribal Elders

To build affordable rental housing options that accommodate the special needs of Elder Tribal Members currently living in the area or who wish to return to the homeland of the Sac and Fox Nation

National and Regional Requests:

(2) The Sac and Fox Nation supports the FY 2016 Administration's requests:

- \$658 million for Indian House Block Grant (IHBG) and restore the Technical Assistance and Training Program
- \$2 million for Title VI loan Guarantee
- \$10 million for Section 184 Loan Guarantee Fund
- \$80 million for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG)

(3) The Sac and Fox Nation supports the collective requests of the National American Indian Housing Council and the National Congress of American Indians

About the Sac and Fox Nation

The Sac and Fox Nation is a Self-Governance Tribe headquartered in Stroud, Oklahoma. Our Tribal jurisdictional area covers Lincoln, Payne, and Pottawatomie counties. Of the 4,000 enrolled Tribal members, 2,600 live in Oklahoma. Our culture is based upon respect for the life within ourselves, our families, our communities, and all of creation. The Creator gave this way of life to the Sac and Fox people. The culture is the way things are done in relation to each other and all of creation. The Sac and Fox way of life is spiritually-based. We seek the guidance of the Creator in how to live. The oldest continuing religious practices are ceremonies like clan feasts, namings, adoptions, and burials. More recent religious practices include the Drum Dance, the Native American Church and Christianity.

As a Self-Governance Tribe, the Sac and Fox Nation is the best decision maker when it comes to addressing the local needs of our community and protecting our most value resources – our youth and our elders. Our elders are cherished and respected for their knowledge and experience. Our world is interconnected – everything is believed to live according to the same process. Each being has its own unique function and place in the universe, and every part of nature contains a spirit. While mainstream society has attempted to overcome/overpower nature, and tends to make material comfort an end goal in itself, Native American culture seeks a balance with nature wherein both can benefit from and support one another. Tradition dictates that knowledge and assistance is passed from elders to the young, primarily through the family.

Elder Assisted Living Complex on the Sac and Fox Reservation

In the Sac and Fox jurisdictional area, the costs' to construct a home for an average size family of four fluctuates at a cost of \$140K to \$150K based on the land that we are able to purchase, infrastructure, utilities, and actual construction. It is our intention to construct an "Elder Assisted Living Complex" in the area of the Nations

headquarters consisting of at least 20 units. We would like to provide our elders a wide range of services, including congregate and home delivered meals, transportation to meal sites and doctor's appointments, wellness programs, home health services, adult day care and family caregiver support, just to name a few. These services achieve the goal of assisting elders to remain in their homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Native American Housing Block Grant, Indian Community Block Grant, and Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Fund provide critical funding to empower Tribes to more effectively develop, implement, and manage strategies to meet the specific housing needs of our communities. The training and technical assistance provided through NAHASDA to address housing needs is an indispensable resource for Tribes and TDHEs and we urge Congress to restore these funds. NAHASDA policies have provided funding and guidance to develop innovative housing strategies to support Tribes as we construct and maintain housing for low-income, elders and families. Despite Tribes' heavy utilization of Federal housing assistance programs over the decades since these programs were enacted, Indian reservations still suffer from widespread poverty, inadequate housing, and homelessness.

Life expectancies for Native Americans and Alaskan Natives (AI/AN) are low relative to the general population. In addition to important differences between Natives and the general population, it is also very important to note that there is substantial variation among AI/AN in life expectancy across Indian Country. The shortage of decent affordable housing with social and medical assistance for the low- and moderate-income elderly is particularly acute in rural Tribal areas. Numerous issues impede the development of Tribally-owned and operated facilities, while the demand steadily grows as the adult population ages.

The complexity of the housing development process is compounded by the uncertainties in the delivery of individualized personal care services, particularly for very-low income elderly. In most instances the elderly population 75 years and older have incomes below 50% of the area median income, with more than half of them below poverty levels. This is the age group most likely to need assistance with activities of daily living such as meal preparation, bathing, dressing, etc. Their access to Medicaid-supported services is crucial to their continued wellbeing.

In addition to our programs that directly assist the elderly, we want to help those who care for the elderly and the disabled. The facility would be for those elders who wish to receive assistance in certain areas yet remain as independent as possible (pride). The area within proximity of the headquarters would give them access to the health clinic and other services that they would be able to utilize. At this point in time, our major "holdback" is land availability.

In our area, the acquisition of land is exceptionally difficult due to the stringent guidelines for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, with all of the activities of "pipeline installation", "oil well" drilling, and "storage", the guidelines keep us from purchasing land anywhere around those areas. The land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations, only benefits Tribes seeking to consolidate fractionated lands interests under the terms of the Cobell Settlement.

Based on the "formula" used to determine the amount of NAHASDA funds we receive annually, our allocation average is \$1.5 million. Due the sequestration cuts and appropriations, there has been no significant increases or adaption for rising inflation to these funds over the past 10 years. These funds are used for administration, operations and to maintain 200 housing units. We employ Tribal members as construction crews to get the very best quality work that we can for our citizens and tenants. We have been and continue to be innovative in identifying ways to generate resources to build more units for the approximately 100 families listed on the "waiting list"; more appropriations for these programs from Congress would go a long way to address a critical need.

During our visit to Washington, D.C. earlier this year to meet with Congressional staff and HUD representatives responsible for the distribution and partial allocation of certain housing funds to Indian

Country, we were alarmed by the 'gross incompetence of knowledge'. The lack of understanding by Federal representatives about regulations, distribution and partial allocations for Indian housing was disturbing. And, nothing as bad as them not knowing that there is a totally separate process for Public housing versus Indian housing – it was an astounding revelation for our Tribal representatives. There is a huge need to "educate" senior level and career staff within HUD about NAHASDA and how it works. Tribal representatives will bring this up at both the Regional and National annual housing conferences and during Tribal consultations.

In closing, Congress and the Administration should enact an amendment to the Budget Control Act of 2011 to fully exempt Indian program funding from future sequestrations to honor the Federal trust responsibility and the chronic and severe underfunding of all Tribal programs. This would be a show of good faith that 'great nations like great men honor their word'!

Thank you for accepting this written testimony for the record."

National News

Huge Announcement for Indian Nations

On April 14th, the U.S. Senate passed a two year renewal of the Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI). The renewal was contained in a larger bill called: "H. R. 2 - The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015." The measure was passed the Senate by a bipartisan vote of 92-8. This follows action by the U.S. House of Representatives on March 26, 2015, which also passed the legislation by a bipartisan vote. President Obama is expected to sign the legislation into law.

SDPI is one of many programs in this legislation. Other provisions included a two-year authorization of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and a permanent adjustment of the Medicare physician payment formula.

SDPI provides critical programs that are helping our Tribal communities address complications and burdens of Type 2 diabetes. The newly-passed legislation funds SDPI at \$150 million per year, which is the same as the current level. This program will now expire on September 30, 2017. IHS Acting Director McSwain is scheduled to meet with the Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee (TLDC) on May 14, 2015 to review national Tribal Consultation input and to receive the TLDC's recommendations. He will then make the final decisions about the SDPI FY 2016 funding distribution.

Interior Releases New Hydraulic Fracturing Rules for Indian Country: Another Step Backwards in the Federal-Tribal Relationship?

The United States Department of the Interior recently released final rules for the use of hydraulic fracturing (commonly known as "fracking") on federal and Indian lands. Thus far, these additional requirements have not been well-received either by energy developers or by Indian tribes and Indian mineral owners. The issues focus not only on whether the rules represent appropriate regulation of Indian country natural resources, but also on their potential impact on tribal development and on sovereignty.

In general, the rules set new standards for wellbore integrity, thereby requiring best practices for casing and cementing wellbores to ensure that water sources are protected. Operators must perform tests before, during, and after a frack to determine whether contamination of water sources is possible. If so, immediate remedial actions must be taken. Operators must also disclose the chemicals used in the fracking fluid and submit reports to the Bureau of Land Management (the "BLM") detailing the fracking operation.

The BLM, which oversees energy operations on federal and Indian lands, already has a large backlog of work compared with that of the state agencies that oversee energy development on private and state lands. For example, in 2014, the average time it took for the BLM to approve an application for a permit to drill was 227 days, while state agencies typically can process the applications in 80 days or fewer. Under the new fracking regulations, several new approvals will be necessary-including preapproval of the hydraulic fracturing design and the cement operation monitoring report-likely leading to additional administrative backlog and delays.

In addition to delays, the new regulations also create new paperwork and asso-

ciated costs for energy operators. Operators will be required to prepare and submit detailed reports concerning anticipated fracking operations, cementing operations, disposal water plans, fracking fluid composition, wellbore integrity tests, usable water protection, and fracking operation data. The BLM estimates meeting these new requirements will cost about \$15,000 per well, while operators say that estimate is far too low.

Whatever the additional costs may be, they will only add to the cost disparity that already exists between drilling on tribal lands, where an application for a permit to drill costs almost \$10,000 versus drilling on state and private lands, where applications cost under \$1,000.

The new delays and costs created by the hydraulic fracturing regulations are problematic for tribes that rely on energy production for economic development. Operators already avoid drilling on Indian lands due to the higher costs, longer delays, and regulatory uncertainty. Instead, operators drill on adjacent private lands where it can be done faster and cheaper. This deprives tribes of critical economic resources, and the additional costs and delays created by the new fracking regulations seemingly will only exacerbate the problem.

The new fracking regulations are also being viewed as an infringement on tribal sovereignty. While states have the authority to pass their own hydraulic fracturing rules, tribes are at the mercy of federal political policies. Even though some tribal leaders requested the ability to opt out of the federal fracking requirements and pass their own tribal fracking laws, the Interior Department rejected that approach. So unlike states, if a tribe wants to create a regulatory regime that can fit its needs and allow it to be competitive in the energy market it does not have the right to do so. Instead, because a tribe can only receive a variance when its regulations are equal to or more protective than the federal regulations, tribes essentially are being told by the government what is in their best interest. Historically, that approach to federal policy has not ended well for tribes.

The BLM's new fracking regulations will take effect on June 24, 2015.

This perspective was prepared by Daniel Carter, an attorney on the Conner & Winters Indian law practice team who previously addressed Indian country energy issues as a staff attorney for the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

For more information, contact Daniel Carter at: dcarter@cwlaw.com

Short Takes

* Welcome to Executive Assistant, Office of Government, Lisa Fuller, Cromwell, OK.

* The Oklahoma Cowgirls Association (OCA) barrel racing will be held at 2:00 p.m. May 25th at the tribal rodeo grounds. Admission is free.

* Our 2014 audit began April 27th, conducted by Midwest Professionals TLLC., Michigan.

* We submitted a proposal in April to the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant which is a multi-year grant with approximately \$230,000 in the first year.

* Congratulations to BHHC Dr. E. Hoyt, recently voted runner-up in the Shawnee News-Star paper for the People's Choice Awards Favorite Family Practice Doctor.

* Congratulations to Bob Roberts, who recently received "The Officer of the Year" award for Lincoln County Coordinated Community Response Team. (Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault).

* Congratulations to Office of Environmental Services Jeremy Fincher's appointment as an Alternate Representative to the National Tribal Air Association.

* Congratulations to Cheyenne Brady, Miss Indian World! Represent us well this next year.

I truly appreciate and thank our tribal governmental staff in all areas for the support and work that they do for our people. When they do their jobs well, it's a reflection upon the leadership and a service for you.

I thank you for the privilege of serving as your Principal Chief; continue to pray for our Business Committee, Sac & Fox Nation, and each other; may God continue to Bless us.

Sincerely,
George Thurman, Principal Chief

Election Board 2015 Dates to Remember

Sac and Fox Nation

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 Mary F. McCormick

Sac and Fox Nation FY2015 Election Dates to Remember

Section 201. Election Days

(c) Any such Primary Election shall be held at least thirty (30) days prior to the regular General Election.
Primary Election: Saturday, July 25, 2015

Section 201. Election Days

(a) Regular General Elections of members of the Business Committee and Grievance Committee shall be held on the last Saturday in August of each election year. All other required Tribal elections shall be held upon call of the Business Committee.
General Election: Saturday, August 29, 2015

Section 208. Poll Watchers

Each candidate may designate in writing one person, not a candidate, to watch the activities at the polls. Such designation shall be presented to Election Board Officials prior to the election. Such persons may not interfere in any way with the conduct of the election, but may observe only. Any poll watcher interfering with the election or attempting to electioneer, in any way, shall be rejected from the poll area by a Sergeant of Arms or law enforcement officer.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Notification of Poll Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, July 17, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Notification of Poll Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, August 21, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920883 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079

Section 302. Voting List

(a) It shall be the duty of the Tribal Secretary to compile from the Tribal membership rolls a list of all persons who will be eligible voters on the date scheduled for the Primary Election and General Election and to present sufficient certified copies of this list as requested to the Election Board no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Primary Election and no later than sixty (60) days prior to the General Election. The said copies are to be returned to the Tribal Secretary.

Administration (918) 968-3526 Fax (918) 968-4837 □ Office of Government (918) 968-1141 Fax (918) 968-1142

(b) One copy of the voting list shall be maintained in the Tribal Office and be open to public inspection during Regular business hours no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Open to the public: Tuesday, May 26, 2015

GENERAL ELECTION:

Open to the public: Tuesday, June 30, 2015

Section 303 Challenges to Voting Lists

(a) At any time more than twenty (20) days before the Primary Election and General Election, any person may challenge the voting eligibility of any person whose name appears on said list, or may apply to have their name added to said list by filing an application with the Election Board. The application shall clearly indicate the substance of the challenge, the specific names challenged, and the relief requested.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Deadline for Challenges: Thursday, July 2, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Deadline for Challenges: Friday, August 7, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 402. Filing for Office

To be eligible for election and have one's name placed upon the ballot Notice of Candidacy for an elective office must be filed with: The Tribal Secretary after depositing the candidate's non-refundable filing fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) (cashier's check only) with the Tribal Treasurer during regular business hours at the Tribal Office complex not later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the Primary Election and General Election. The Tribal Secretary shall notify the Chairman of the Election Board of all candidates who have filed for office.

OPENING DATE TO FILE FOR OFFICE:

Friday, January 2, 2015

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Closing date to file for Office: Thursday, May 21, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 25, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 403. Petition for Office

A petition of ten (10) or more members of Council may submit a written notice with required filing fees of two-hundred (\$200.00) non-refundable (cashier's check only), no later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the Primary Election and/or General Election stating the name of the candidate, age, birth date, and proof of actual residence and domicile.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Deadline to Petition for Office: Thursday, May 21, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 25, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 406. Withdrawals

Any candidate for office may withdraw by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the Election Board at any time within ten (10) days after the closing date of filing for office. Such notice shall contain the candidates name, the office filed for, a statement of withdrawal and shall be notarized or sworn to before a person authorized to administer oaths. (Required filing fee non-refundable)

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Deadline to withdraw: Friday, May 29, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Deadline to withdraw: Thursday, July 2, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 408. Contest of Candidate Eligibility

Any candidate or eligible voter may challenge a candidate's legal qualifications to run for office by filing a written petition with the Election Board within three (3) business days of the closing of the filing period. Each petition shall state with particularity the reasons the candidate is not eligible to file for office. There is a one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) non-refundable cashier's check contest fee.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 602. Application for Absentee Ballot

Qualified voters wishing to cast vote by absentee ballots shall notify the Election Board not sooner than ninety (90) days and not later than thirty (30) days prior to the election. Such notices must be in writing and must include the correct mailing address of the person making the request. Only one ballot per written request.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Requests will be accepted from Sunday, April 26, 2015 and cannot accept requests after Thursday, June 25, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Requests will be accepted from Sunday, May 31, 2015 and cannot accept requests after Thursday, July 30, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 603. Delivery of Absentee Ballot

As soon as the filing period for candidates has closed sixty-five (65) calendar days before the election, the Election Board will prepare a special ballot and send one to each qualified voter who has requested same. The Election Board shall maintain an accurate record of all absentee ballots so issued, including the name and address of the voter to whom the ballot was issued and the date of issue.

PRIMARY ELECTION: Thursday, May 21, 2015 GENERAL ELECTION: Thursday, June 25, 2015

Section 706. The Tally

The Election Board shall unlock the ballot box(es), shall remove the ballots one by one, and as each one is removed, the clerks shall read off the names of the candidates marked thereupon. At least two election officials shall view each ballot, and each counter shall keep a separate tally of the votes cast. Each candidate may select a watcher of their choice, not a candidate, to observe and keep a separate record of the tally of the ballots, and who shall not interfere with the tally process. After the tally is complete, all ballots, absentee ballots, voter registers, and ballot boxes shall be transported to the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Court House.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Notification of Tally Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election. **DEADLINE: Friday, July 17, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.**

GENERAL ELECTION:

Notification of Tally Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election. **DEADLINE: Friday, August 21, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.**

All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920883 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079

Section 710. Certification of Election

The election shall be certified by the Election Board immediately after the ten (10) day period for filing an election contest expires, provided, that if an election contest petition is filed within the time period allowed, then no Certificate of Election shall be issued until after such election contest is finally decided.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, July 25, 2015
 CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, August 4, 2015**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, July 26, 2015
 CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, August 5, 2015**

GENERAL ELECTION:

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 29, 2015
 CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, September 8, 2015**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 30, 2015
 CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, September 9, 2015**

Section 802. Contest Petition

A candidate or qualified voter contesting a Tribal Election shall, within ten (10) days after completion of the tally of the election and declaration of the results, shall deposit a two hundred dollar (\$200.00) non-refundable cashier's check contest filing fee with the Tribal Treasurer, file with the Election Board a statement in writing setting forth their particular grounds for the contest. The statement shall be verified by affidavit of the contestor (s) that they believe the matters and things therein contained are true. After the statement is filed the Election Board shall set a time for a hearing of the contest, no later than ten (10) days after the date on which the statement of contest was filed. Written notice of such hearing shall be mailed or delivered to each candidate for the office contested. Any party to the election protest and the Election Board shall have the right to view the election ballots and records in the presence of the Court Clerk in the clerk's office. Any party to the protest or a Tribal member shall be entitled to receive a photocopy of said documents certified as true and correct copies by the Court Clerk upon payment to said clerk of the normal and customary charges.

Said certified copies shall be received as evidence by the Election Board in like manner as an original. Alternatively the Election Board, upon request of a party or on its own motion, may convene a hearing for any protested election at the Tribal Courthouse for the purpose of review of said election materials. After hearing the proofs and allegations of the contestants, the Election Board shall make their findings and shall have authority to pronounce their judgment either setting aside, or confirming the election.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

If the tally is completed on Saturday, July 25, 2015

THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, August 4, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

If the tally is completed on Sunday, July 26, 2015

THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, August 5, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 29, 2015

THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, September 8, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 30, 2015

THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, September 9, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 805. Request for Recount

Since the Election Ordinance provides for automatic recount of ballots, any request for recount of ballots must list the reasons therefore in writing and be submitted to the Election Board Chairman, or the Chairman's designated representative within five (5) days after the election. Such request must be accompanied by a non-refundable cashier's check of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) made payable to the Sac and Fox Nation. Said check shall be forwarded to the Tribal Secretary-Treasurer to be credited against the cost of the recount. The Election Board shall meet and decide within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice whether or not the reasons listed in the request are sufficient to cause a recount of ballots.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, July 30, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, September 3, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

(Approved: September 30, 2013/Revised: July 16, 2014)

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.

SAC AND FOX NATION 2015 PRIMARY ELECTION

REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

**THE ELECTION BOARD MUST RECEIVE THIS FORM BY DEADLINE DATE OF
JUNE 25, 2015**

(FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, THIS FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED)

NAME (Please Print): _____
(First) (Middle) (Maiden) (Last)

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

ROLL #: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

All requests must be returned by mail (only) to the address below

**SAC AND FOX NATION ELECTION BOARD
P.O. BOX 240
STROUD, OKLAHOMA 74079**

PLEASE fill out EACH BLANK completely and return by deadline date.

**ELECTION BOARD USE ONLY
PRIMARY REQUEST**

RECEIVED: _____ APPROVED: _____ MAILED BALLOT: _____

DISAPPROVED: _____ REASON: _____

ELECTION BOARD

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Member	Member	Member	Member
Member	Member	Member	Member

(Approved: 2010 SFNEB MINUTES-May 17, 2010 / Revised: March 8, 2011)

Taylor McClellan To Graduate Rose State College in May

It is with great pride that the McClellan family announces the graduation of Taylor McClellan; daughter of Teresa Bible and the late Billy McClellan, Sr. Taylor will receive her Associates of Arts degree in Sociology with an emphasis in Counseling and Social Work from Rose State College in May of 2015. The graduation ceremony will take place at First Southern Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. Along with proudly

mothering her two small children, Ms. McClellan has been an active member of the American Indian Association (AIA), participates in the SMART Program, and is also an Oklahoma Foster Youth Advocate (OKFYA) for the State of Oklahoma. Taylor plans to continue her education this fall in order to receive her Bachelor's Degree and has accepted a position with Indian Child Welfare promoting safe and stable families.



Taylor McClellan

Office of Environmental Services



The Office of Environmental Services (OES) has some new faces from last year and we would like to introduce everyone to our staff. (From left to right) Dale Miller, Water Quality Specialist; Phillip Mee, Air Quality Specialist; Brent Shields, Environmental Technician and Jeremy Fincher, Environmental Director. Please welcome all of our new employees and feel free to contact OES if you have any environmental questions or would like to learn more about our grant programs. Also, keep an eye out for informative articles in the Sac and Fox Monthly Newsletter and flyers around the tribal complex addressing an array of environmental topics and program activities. Thank you. (SFNews Photo)



Sac and Fox Nation Office of Environmental Services

by Phillip Mee, Air Quality Environmental Specialist



Phillip Mee
Air Quality Environmental Specialist

healthy indoor air so a conscience decision can be made to reduce or eliminate the health risk to yourself and your loved ones.

For anyone that is concerned about their indoor air quality, We are seeking your input and for you to share your concerns to help give us insight on how to best address IAQ issues expressed by Sac and Fox Nation tribal members. This input will help shape our new IAQ project and to help us better understand and meet people's needs. In addition, we will be conducting workshop/s and providing outreach materials and information sheets on IAQ. Remember you are the one to insure that you and your loved ones are breathing healthy indoor air.

Funding is limited, so if you are interested in addressing your concerns for indoor air, please fill out and mail or return the request for information form in this month's newsletter to, OES or contact OES by phone (918-968-0046) or email and provide your concerns. I would also like to thank all of the people for showing interest in our new IAQ project.



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

For more information, please contact:
405-275-1262

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



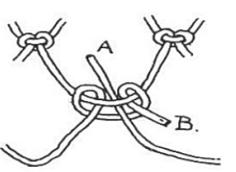
Sac and Fox Nation

Office of Environmental Services
In Partnership with the
Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation

Date: 05/08/2015

Family Fishing Day
2nd Annual







Southern redbelly catfish



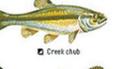
Common shiner



Alewife



Rainbow darter



Crested darter



Smallmouth bass



Striped bass



Yellow perch

This is an Educational Event

Come on out to the pavilion at Veteran's Lake !!
Bring the family~All ages welcome!!!

We will start at 8:45am:

- * Environmental stewardship
- * Fish Identification
- * Knot Tying
- * Family Fishing

Included:

- ◆ Rod and reels PROVIDED
- ◆ Bait is PROVIDED
- ◆ NO fishing license needed
- ◆ It's all FREE
- ◆ It's going to be FUN

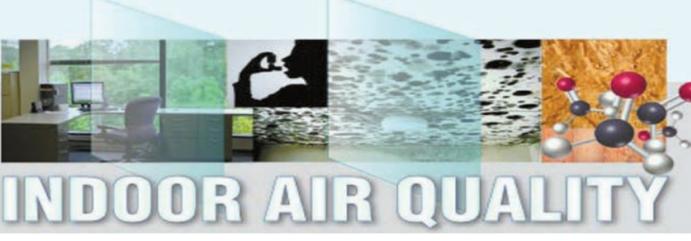
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Email: jeremy.fincher@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov
E-mail: dale.miller@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

*Veteran's Lake entrance is just North of the Casino on the East Side of Hwy 99 ** SEVERE WEATHER CANCELS **

Contact person: Dale Miller 918-968-0046

SAC AND FOX NATION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH CONCERNS ON



Please mail or return form to the address below.

You may also contact us via email, phone, or fax.



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Stroud, OK 74079

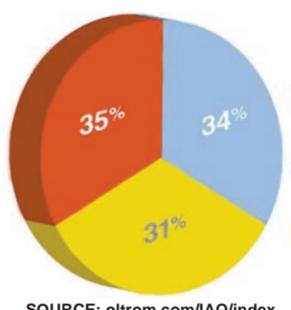
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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CONCERNS: _____

PHONE: _____



What's in your air?

- ◆ Particulates: dirt, dust, pollen spores, pet dander, candle soot
- ◆ Bioaerosols: viruses, mold, bacteria, living micro organisms
- ◆ Volatile Organic Compounds: odor causing contaminants, chemical gases, solvents

SOURCE: oltrom.com/IAQ/index

**We are seeking input from Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Members so we may address their concerns over Indoor Air Quality (IAQ). All respondents will be contacted individually to better understand their concerns and provide insight in project development. All personal information provided is confidential.*

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.



2015 May Quotes

"Without the language and without the children learning it, it is going to evaporate. And if we don't have a setting where children can learn their language, they are eventually going to lose it."

Sonia Kinequon, Cree

"One word could have a thousand meanings. It is coming directly from the heart. When you do it in your own language there is a feeling you are conveying that is much stronger than using the English language."

Muriel Scott, Hopi

"We believe, we firmly do believe, that the language was a gift from our Creator. As such, it is sacred to us. Without it, we cannot exist in the manner the Creator intended for us."

William C'Hair, Arapaho



2015 May Word List

wâwamani	Onions
meshwêha	eggs
Menôhkamîwi.	sliced bread
Menwikîshekîwi.	It's spring.
Nahâwiwi.	rabbit
Kehchiwâyâthowa pyêwa.	A tornado's coming.
ashkipwâhaki	hide (animal, inanimate object)
shekâkôhaki	squash
wînethikani	pork
wêpishkwêtêhi	It's good weather.
wîshkopaki	sweet potatoes
têhiminani	cake
shemekowâpikoni	dark (meat) gravy
kahkitôwa	It's warm and sunny.
kôhkôshiwîyâthi	strawberries

May 2015 Word Match

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Sauk Language Happenings and News



MAY

ÂPÂMINEHKÊHA
MOVING-CAMP MOON



13th Annual Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair
April 6-7, 2015

Congratulations to all our 1st/2nd/3rd place winners!



GO TIGERS!

SAUK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

CONGRATS TO ALL THE 2015 GRADUATES!

MAY 8TH - NO SCHOOL
MAY 22ND - END OF 4TH QUARTER

SAUK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

GO TIGERS!

Make sure you got your Sauk Language App!!!

The new Sauk Language App for all mobile devices is now available for downloading. Go to **GooglePlay** or **iTunes** and download your **FREE Sauk Language App** today.

And....

The 2014 Sac and Fox National Pow-wow Traditional DVDs are ready. Due to budget cuts, we have a limited number on hand at the Department, but will take requests for one copy per person when those are gone. Call or come by the Language Department to get your copy today. Sorry, we can only give out one per person.

May 2015 Word Scramble

âhôhishwykkôîit	_____
whpafoisck	_____
âsiwpihkkaah	_____
wkkiaatôh	_____
thêiêkwpêshiw	_____
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tneînhikiwa	_____
wawNâihi	_____
êniitmanh	_____
kekôhhkaâsi	_____
kMîshiwnikewei	_____
eînkwmôamhi	_____
easwhmhê	_____
âiwwmnaa	_____

STROUD SAUK LANGUAGE CLASSES WIN BIG AT OKLAHOMA NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH LANGUAGE FAIR

On April 7 2015 students from both of the Stroud High School Sauk Language classes attended the Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair, at the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History University of Oklahoma

in Norman, Oklahoma. These students have been working hard, using the Sauk language they've been learning in Katie Grant's high school courses to produce Sauk Language films, presentations, and comics.



In the category of 6th-8th & 9th-12th Film and Video, the Sauk II class won 1st place for their film, "The Boarding School Experience". In the same category, the Sauk I course won 3rd place for their film "Why We Speak".



In the category of Cartoons and Comic Books, Santana Spang won 3rd Place.



In the category of 9th-12th Powerpoint, Emily Nanaeto won 2nd place for her presentation "Nemesho (My Grandfather)"



In the category of Cartoons and Comic Books, Shania Berryhill won 2nd Place



The 2014-2015 Sauk I students are: Megan Bucktrot, Bailey Frye and Kate-Lyn Hill.

The 2014-2015 Sauk II students are: Andru Anthony, Shania Berryhill, Nova Franklin, Ben McKinzie, Emily Nanaeto, Ana Munson, Taylor Sartin, Moses Williams, Santana Spang and Harrison Spang.

These students worked hard on their projects, and should be congratulated on the successes they achieved.

The Sauk Language Department would like to acknowledge the generosity of the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee to the Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair, and the Stroud High School Administration for their every day support of these students.

The trip to the Sam Noble Museum and the luncheon afterward was provided through the Stroud ISD and the Administration for Native Americans grant funding.

May 2015 Wordsearch

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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.

Farewell to Honor Guard Princess Reagan Hill



Reagan Nichole Hill

maternal grandparents are Jubal Murdock and Lela Walker. My paternal grandparents are Dave and Shirley Hill.

My family who served on my mother's side of the family are: Marvin Boswell, US Army/Air Force; George "Fozzie" Switch, US Army/RA; Curtis Wakolee "Dagwood", US Army; Benny Walker, US Navy; William "Billy" Walker, US Marine; Elmer Walker, US Marine; Harry Walker Jr, US Army-Paratrooper; Henry Walker Jr, US Marine; Henry Walker Sr., US Army; James Walker, US Army/Air Force; Larry Walker; Leonard Walker, US Marine; Luther Walker, US AAF; Marvin Walker, US Army; Willard Walker Jr., US Army.

On my father's side: Dave Hill, US Army.

I have been the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard Princess for three years. I am Proud to represent my Sac and Fox Veterans, those that are with us and those that have gone on to the Spirit world.

I am very grateful to have shared time with the Sac and Fox Veterans Honor Guards.

I would like to say to the 2015 Sac and Fox Honor Guard Princess, "Congratulations be PROUD of who you are and who you are representing."

Kiwawiyamewa!

REMARKS: From Sonny Masquat/Commander

As the Commander of the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard, I would like to express to Reagan Hill "On behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard, we are Proud and Honored to have had you serve as our Princess for three years, you grew up with us!" You showed a good example for other Princesses. You were there at all events. We wish you the best of luck and we are proud you received a scholarship from St. Gregory's University.

Hoa, neteshitho, Mekothequah (Bear Climbing).

My name is Reagan Nichole Hill and I am 17 years old. I am a senior and will graduate from Harrah High School in May 2015. Softball, Basketball, Soccer and Swimming are my favorite sports.

In August, I will be attending St. Gregory's University in Shawnee Oklahoma. I received a Swimming Scholarship and I will be going for a Biology Major.

Shawn and Ursula Hill are my parents, Darian Hill is my sister. My great-great grandparents were Ben and Dora Walker. My great-grandparents are Willard (Margrove) and Henryetta Walker. My

Indian Child Welfare Department

Located at
Shawnee Multi Purpose Building
 215 North Harrison Ave
 405-275-1262

SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE February 2014

Beer and Liquor	\$167.09
State Tobacco Rebate	\$185,081.34
Motor Vehicle.	\$3,206.00
Sales Tax.	\$11,750.22
Treasury.	\$145.00
Oil & Gas.	\$759.05
Gaming	\$123,952.62
TOTAL	\$325,061.32

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 FOURTH (4th) THURSDAYS DECEMBER ONLY.

WE WILL BE ABLE TO BETTER SERVE TRIBAL MEMBERS LIVING IN THE SHAWNEE AREA WITH MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND ANY OTHER SERVICE THAT WE CAN ASSIST YOU WITH.



SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

FAX: 918-968-4207
 PH: 918-968-3526
 EXT: 2000 & 2001
 RAP APP Form#2011-01

NAME _____ PHONE # (____) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

BIRTHDATE ____/____/____ SOCIAL SECURITY # xxx-xxx-(____) SFN ROLL # _____

Sac and Fox Nation tribal membership will be verified by the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department

Please List Statement of Need: _____

Please Provide the Following:
 The bill you are requesting assistance with & proof of residence if the bill is not in your name.

Type of Assistance Requested (Please Check All That Apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Energy	<input type="checkbox"/> Elders Lawn Care	<input type="checkbox"/> Dental
<input type="checkbox"/> Hardship	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Appliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Dentures
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Orthodontic
		<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Aid

****NOTE****
 You must receive an award letter **PRIOR** to receiving any Health services requested above. If you receive services prior to an award letter being issued, you are responsible for the charges.

CLIENT'S STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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

DATE _____	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR GUARDIAN _____	GUARDIAN FOR _____
	PERSON ASSISTING WITH APPLICATION _____	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT _____
DATE _____	RAP SPECIALIST _____	

NOTICE CAMP CLEAN-UP

In preparation for Pow-Wow there will be two camp clean-up days
Weekend of May 9 and June 13

Please have trash ready for pickup by the roadway and larger items please mark with an X so we know to go into the camp for disposal. If you have limbs around your camp please pick them up so we can mow around the campsite.



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.



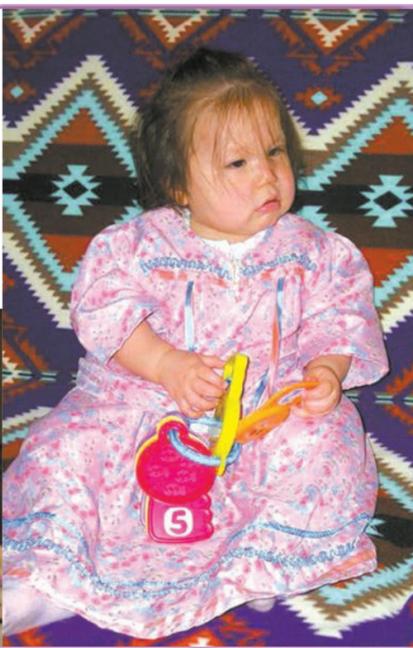
The Domestic Violence Department provides services to:

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

Happy 1st Birthday

Rosemary Celeste Massey



AIGC Now Accepting Cobell Scholarship Applications

Cobell Scholarship Application deadline is June 1st or the Fall term.

Albuquerque, NM – April 20, 2015 The American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) announced today that it is now accepting Cobell Scholarship applications through June 1, 2015, for the Fall 2015 term. Interested applicants can access the application and scholarship criteria at www.aigcs.org.

“We at AIGC are eager to fund applicants for the Cobell Scholars Program beginning with the Fall 2015 term. The provision of a scholarship program in conjunction with the Cobell Settlement was an inspired idea, and we are pleased to have been selected to administer the program,” said Sam Deloria, Director of the American Indian Graduate Center.

Established as a result of the Cobell v. Salazar litigation, the Cobell Scholars Program fund is intended to provide financial assistance in the form of scholarships to American Indian and Alaska Native students to defray the cost of attendance at both post-secondary vocational schools and institutions of higher education. The Cobell Board of Trustees, a Nonprofit created to manage the fund and oversee implementation of the scholarship program, is responsible for establishing the Cobell Scholars’ qualifications and award amounts.

The Department of Interior announced in early April a \$12 million transfer to the Cobell Education Scholarship Fund. The Department makes quarterly transfers to the Scholarship

Fund, which is expected to total \$60 million.

Cobell Scholars will be awarded to U.S. Federally-recognized American Indian and Alaska Native students who are vocational certificate-seeking or a degree-seeking students in full-time accredited non-profit institutions in the United States; and who are able to demonstrate financial need.

Preference will be given to original Cobell Settlement Class members or Direct descendants. All applicants are required to submit a Tribal Eligibility Certificate and Financial Needs Form available at <http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/online-application-instructions/>.

About the American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC)

AIGC is a national organization, based in Albuquerque, NM, providing educational support through scholarships since 1969. AIGC is a national provider of scholarships for American Indian and Alaska Native graduate and undergraduate students and has awarded more than \$2 million in scholarships since its inception over 45 years ago.

To build, promote and honor self-sustaining American Indian and Alaska Native communities through education and leadership.

American Indian Graduate Center, Inc. 3701 San Mateo NE, Suite 200, Albuquerque, NM 87110 (505) 881-4584 www.aigcs.org

UNITY Seeks Education and Career Partners for Expo at National Conference

Mesa, Arizona—Education institutions, armed forces, businesses, corporations and government agencies have an opportunity to interact with more than 1,200 American Indian and Alaska Native youth at the National UNITY Conference in mid-July in Washington, DC.

UNITY, which stands for United National Indian Tribal Youth, will host an Education Career Expo (ECE) on Monday, July 13, at the Renaissance Capitol Hill. The ECE promises to be a premier event that will highlight exhibitors and workshops to help youth create strategies that will lead to promising educational and career futures.

The goal of the Education Career Exposition is to provide American Indian and Alaska Native youth with a rich experience of meeting one-on-one with business leaders, federal programs, scholarship organizations, and various industries that may include manufacturing, aerospace and transportation business, arts, communications and information technology, health sci-

ence, human services and architecture/construction to further deepen their career planning experience.

Exhibitors and workshop presenters may apply online to participate in the Education Career Expo. Exhibitors also have the option of setting up for the duration of the five-day conference. Workshop presenters are also needed on Sunday, July 12 for a broad range of topics.

About UNITY

Established 39 years ago, UNITY—United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc.—is a national organization promoting personal development, citizenship, and leadership among tribal youth. UNITY is composed of 155 affiliated youth councils in 35 states, sponsored by tribes, Alaska Native villages, high schools, colleges, and urban Native centers.

For more information about the Education / Career Day Exposition and vendor opportunities, contact Ron Interpreter at (480) 718-9793 or r.interpreter@unityinc.org. For information about UNITY go to www.unityinc.org.

ATTENTION ALL SAC AND FOX VETERANS AND ACTIVE MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN!

The Sac & Fox Veterans Women’s Auxiliary is in the planning stages of creating a yearly calendar honoring all of our tribal Veterans, and the men and women currently serving in the military. We are requesting photographs of your veteran(s) along with any commendations they received (i.e., Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Medal of Honor Wounded in Action, Bronze Star with V(Valor) etc.). We are asking that you also provide the date of birth for each so that it may be denoted on the calendar. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in our endeavor. All correspondence may be sent to the following address: Sac and Fox Nation, ATTN: Sac & Fox Veterans Women’s Auxiliary, 920883 S. Hwy 99, Building A, Stroud, OK 74079.

APPLICATION

Sac and Fox Nation
Miss, Jr. Miss, and Little Miss Sac and Fox Nation
Application Due Date Extended to May 15, 2015

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

Sr. Man and Sr. Woman
Nominations Due

Application Due Date Extended to May 15, 2015

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:

Sponsored by the Sac & Fox Elders

Mother’s Day Dance

Saturday

May 9, 2015

Sac & Fox Comm. Bldg.-5.5 miles south of Stroud

We will be honoring tribal elder and elders advocate Mary F. McCormick, SFN Secretary

Head Staff

Master of Ceremonies	Francis Grant
Head Singer	Gene Logan
Head Gourd Dancer	Mike Tsotaddle
Head Man Dancer	Robert Lincoln
Head Lady Dancer	Tina Morris
Arena Directors	Wilson Harjo, Steve Ellis & Tristan McKissick

2:00pm-5:00pm	Gourd Dance
5:00pm-6:00pm	Supper
6:00pm-7:00pm	Gourd Dance
7:00pm- ?	Inter-tribal Dancing

BIG TICKET RAFFLE – 20+ Items
Raffles+Cake Walk+50/50+More!

Vendors welcome. For questions or information, contact:
Stella Wilson, EAC Chairperson at 405-412-8359.

Sac and Fox Nation Police Department
From Sac and Fox Tribal Police Chief Bob Roberts



Police body cameras will benefit both officers and public



front of the police officer's uniform. The great thing about the technology is that it provides a permanent video record of what happened.

Police departments everywhere are continuously getting use-of-force complaints, so the cameras will act as an accountability partner for officers. The cameras will serve as evidence that the police are doing their job correctly and also provide security against liability issues for the Sac and Fox Nation. The body camera will provide definitive evidence of an incident by providing video evidence. It is a great tool for law-enforcement agencies. It will assist us tremendously in the prosecution of our cases and ensuring that our officers are conducting themselves in a professional manner.

In conclusion, body-worn cameras are great tools to protect the public from the police and defend the police from the public. Hopefully the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Police Officers will be wearing these body cameras in the very near future as the officers will have to be trained and become familiar with the new policy. The funding was provided by the Department of Interior.

The policy for the use of the body cameras was approved by the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee on April 09, 2015. The cameras to be worn by the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Police Officers will benefit not only the public, but the officers as well. The body cameras are about the size of a deck of cards and will record both video and audio and will be attached to the



Oklahoma City Public Schools' Staff recently met with the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee to gain a better working relationship with the tribe. (From Left) Stella Nullake, Business Committee Member; Ashleigh Arnall, Community Relations (OK-CPS); Star Yellowfish, Native American Student Services (OKCPS); Tiernery Tinnin, OKCPS Communications; Mary McCormick, Secretary SFN; Rob Neu, Superintendent OKCPS; George Thurman, Principal Chief SFN and Jarod King, Treasurer SFN

Sac and Fox Transportation Program

Criteria You Must Meet Before Being Eligible for Transportation:

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

If you have Medicaid, *please* utilize SoonerRide
SoonerRide's toll free phone number is
(877) 404-4500

With Oklahoma's Promise, the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program, 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students whose family income is \$50,000 or less *can earn* FREE COLLEGE TUITION

Apply online at www.okpromise.org or
Contact the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education by e-mail at okpromise@osrhe.edu or by phone at 1-8-858-1840 (225-9152 in OKC)
Get an application from your counselor

Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline
1 800 QUIT NOW

Native Employment Works (NEW)

Native Employment Works Funds Available Now

The Sac and Fox Nation Human Services Department is currently taking applications for Native Employment Works. NEW is a federally funded program that helps low-income households with expenses while attending school or if underemployed. We encourage you to apply at our office in Stroud or at the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center. Please call us at the number on the bottom of this article, if you have any questions.

To qualify for NEW, you must be an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation and reside within the Sac and Fox Nation jurisdictional boundaries.

The NEW program eligibility includes teen parents, unemployed parent(s) if attending school, underemployed parent(s), and other tribal members if they have one or more Sac and Fox children.

PLEASE BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Tribal enrollment cards for all household members
- (Birth certificates for those without a tribal enrollment card)
- Driver's license if over 18 and not enrolled.
- Driver's license or photo ID for applicant.
- Social Security cards for all household members.
- School enrollment verification or employment verification.
- Proof of income – including paycheck stubs, Social Security or disability benefits, unemployment compensation, pension or retirement funds, etc. for all household members 18 years of age or older.

Other documents may be required based on your situation.

Sac and Fox Nation Human Services

920883 S. Hwy 99 Building A Stroud, Oklahoma 74079
Phone: 918-968-3526 • Extensions 2010 & 2011
Toll Free: 800-259-3970 • Fax: 918-968-0142

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.

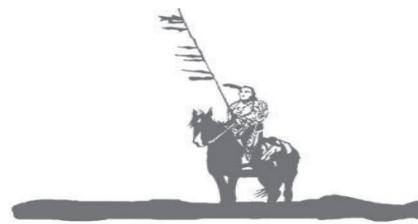
OKLAHOMA INDIAN LEGAL SERVICES, INC. Indian Wills Clinic

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

Tuesday, May 5, 2015
(10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

Sac and Fox Tribal Courthouse
Stroud, OK

Please call Norma to register @ 1-800-658-1497, (M-F 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.).
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.



Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

LIHEAP runs from Nov. 10 – April 15 for heating assistance and from May 11 – Sept. 11 for cooling assistance

LIHEAP Clients
Please allow 7-14 working days for your application to be reviewed, verified and processed for payment.
If you have a cut-off notice we ask that you make payment arrangements.
Thank you.

Sac and Fox Nation

920883 S. Hwy 99
Bldg A.
Stroud, OK 74079
Phone: (918) 968-3526
Extension 2011
Fax: (918) 968-0142
Toll Free: 800-259-3970

Sac and Fox Nation Human Services Department
918-968-3526

The Sac and Fox Nation Human Services LIHEAP Program is a federally funded program that helps low-income households with their home energy bills. LIHEAP can help you stay warm in the winter and cool in the summer. By doing so, you can reduce the risk of health and safety problems (such as illness, fire or eviction). We encourage you to apply at our office in Stroud or at the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center. Please call us at the number to the left if you have any questions. The program runs from Nov. 10 through April 15 for heating and from June 11 through Sept. 11 for cooling.

To qualify for LIHEAP, you must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe and reside within the Sac and Fox Nation jurisdictional boundaries.

PLEASE BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- CDIB cards for all household members (birth certificates for those without a CDIB)
- Social Security cards for all household members.
- Driver's license or photo I.D.
- Current utility bill or cut-off notice.
- Proof of income-including paycheck stubs, Social Security or disability benefits, unemployment compensation, pension or retirement funds, etc. for all household members 18 years of age or older. Other documents may be required based on your situation.



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Each of us has different talents, different dreams, and different destinations, but we all have the same power to make a new tomorrow.



SFN Members meeting to consider new issues which Governing Council needs to decide at the annual meeting

We Sac and Fox Nation tribal members need to inform ourselves about several issues before we can develop an investment plan which requires Governing Council approval. Council will have new responsibilities, and we need to prepare ourselves as quickly as possible to be ready to act at the annual meeting.

The initial meeting of interested tribal members will be held at the Multipurpose Building in Shawnee on Wednesday, May 13 beginning promptly at 1 p.m. so please come early.

The information presented will not be technical, and discussion will focus on 3 topics only.

1. What is a permanent trust fund? What are the advantages and disadvantages for SFN tribal members, B.C. and staff?

2. What will be Governing Council's

oversight responsibility? How can we use the experience of the former SFN investment committee?

3. How have other tribes handled this oversight requirement? What should we do first?

All interested tribal members are welcome and urged to attend. No prior preparation or experience is needed.

Although these will be non-political meetings every candidate and everyone considering filing for B.C. position is especially encouraged to attend to learn along with us what changes are required.

Again since this will be a non-political group working for the long-term benefit of the Nation the clan chiefs are invited to attend or send representatives.

Peggy Big Eagle 405.314.269
peggybig eagle@sbcglobal.net

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.

Inspiring the Imagination

Youth Trainer Chance Rush along with Emcee One will be conducting several youth workshops for ages 10-18 on various topics June 1, 2015 starting at 10:00 AM

Sac and Fox Nation Community Building Stroud, OK.

Lunch will be provided

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For more information contact
Jamie Barse -Tribal Youth Coordinator at 918-968-9531

May 2015				
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Tax Exemption for American Indians and Alaska Natives

Don Whitehead, Health Services Director

Starting in 2014, every person needs to have health coverage or make a payment on their federal income tax return called the "shared responsibility payment." Some people are exempt from making this payment. As a member of an Indian tribe, you can ask the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for this exemption before you file your federal income tax return. You don't need to ask for an exemption if you're not going to file a federal income tax return because your income is below the filing threshold. If you're not sure, you may want to ask for an exemption.

If you get this exemption, you can keep it for future years without submitting another application if your membership or eligibility for services from an Indian health care provider remains unchanged. You can use one application to apply for this exemption for more than one person in your tax household.

You will need documents showing tribal membership or eligibility for services from the Indian Health Service, a tribal health care provider, or a urban Indian health care provider, your Social Security numbers (SSNs), if you have them, and Information about people in your tax household. We ask for Social Security number and other information to make sure your exemption is counted when you file your federal income tax return. All the information you give will be kept private and secure, as required by law.

Your documentation, completed and signed application must be sent to the address below. They will follow-up with you within 1-2 weeks and let you know if they need additional information. If you get this exemption, they will give you an Exemption Certificate Number that you'll put on your federal income tax return. If you don't hear from them, visit [HealthCare.gov](#), or call the Health Insurance Marketplace Help Center at 1-800-318-296

Health Insurance Marketplace - Exemption Processing
4th Industrial Bldg.
Lund, KY 401

Black Hawk Health Center can assist you in filing for an exemption.

If you should need copies of the application with instructions, help with filling out the application, or a letter of eligibility for services from the Indian Health Service please contact the Black Hawk Health Center at (918) 968-9531. We will be happy to assist you in completing the forms.

Are you a Sac and Fox artist?

Would you like to display some of your artwork in our Cultural Center?

We are limited in size, but we would love to help you show off your best work! Items will be displayed inside the exhibit showcases.

For questions and queries, please visit or call the Sac and Fox National Public Library at 918-968-3526, extension 2021.

Some restrictions will apply.





Shawnee High School "Shawnee Wolves Basketball Banquet" Ninth grade and varsity teams: (From Left) Aliyah Thurman, Winter Johnson, Kilee Jones and their friend. The banquet was catered by Golden Corral. (Photo by Catherine Walker)

Keith Pike Planner/Grants Writer for Sac and Fox Nation

Keith Pike has a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies from Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA and a Graduate School degree in Community Psychology from Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, CA.

Since then he has studied federal Indian law, tribal government community development and business development with tribal governments over a period of twenty-five years.

He has over twenty-five years planning and development work with Tribal Governments. From September 2000 to the Present Pike was: Executive Management; Strategic Planning and Consulting tribes in California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, and Alaska. In 1984 to 1995, he served as Tribal Chairperson and Tribal Administrator for the Guidiville Rancheria, Ukiah, CA.

Keith has worked successfully with most of the federal agencies that provide competitive funding to Tribal Governments. He has worked with EPA, HUD, HIS, BIA, EDA, ANA and the De-

partment of Justice. He has also worked with private industry that desired to do develop business enterprises with tribes.

Keith has also worked on contract as an Executive Director of Tribal Operations. He has worked as Director of Planning for several Tribes. He has served on numerous boards for Indian Health Consortia. He also served on Housing Boards for a consortium of twenty tribes over the years. Additionally he has served on inter-tribal small tribal courts consortium of northwest tribes. He has also worked on entire community master plans for several tribes.

Keith has been involved with different creative types of economic development including solar, geothermal energy projects. He has also researched and developed bottled water plants for tribes.

He has also help tribes set up and implement tribal corporations for the general benefit of tribal members.

Keith would like to continue his education and finish his PhD. in Indigenous Entrepreneurial Economics.

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Sac and Fox Enrollment Department

is trying to locate the following Tribal Members:

Victor James Barnes DOB: 1902 Clyde Benjamin Davis DOB: 12/06/1933 Anthony Myron Mack DOB: 12/25/1940	Bridgette Jean-Marie (Harkins) DOB: 7/27/1980 Arthur H. LaBelle DOB: 1917 Glen Kenneth Morton DOB: 1927 Donald L. Tyner DOB: 12/08/1938
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If you have any information on them, please inform the Enrollment Department at 1-800-259-3970, extension 1040 or 1041. If they have passed away, send us a Copy, of their Death Certificate or Obituary.

MAY MENU 2015				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 Baked Ham Dressing Sweet Peas Cherry Crisp
4 Hamburger Pork & Beans Chips Fresh Veggies Pineapple	5 Navy Beans Zucchini Corn Bread Apple Sauce	6 Oven Baked Chicken Scalloped Potatoes Broccoli Pears	7 Pork & Hominy Squash & Corn Frybread Jello w/fruit	8 Sausage/ Biscuit Hash Brown Boiled Egg Orange Juice
11 Salisbury Steak Mashed Pots Green Beans Applesauce	12 Fish w/Tartar Sauce Coleslaw Corn on Cob Peaches	13 Meatloaf Potato Salad Zucchini Pears	14 Chili Dog Chips Fresh Veggies Plain Cake	15 Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Chips Pineapple
18 OFFICES CLOSED Sac & Fox VICTORY DAY	19 Polish/Potatoes W/Veggies Beets Fruit Cocktail	20 Spaghetti Pea Salad Garlic Bread Mand. Oranges	21 Pork Ribs Yams Green Beans Peaches	22 French Toast Bacon Boiled Egg Cranberry Juice
25 OFFICES CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY	26 Liver & Onions w/gravy Baby Carrots Fries Pears	27 Tuna Salad Carrot Salad Chips Tropical Fruit	28 Indian Taco Fresh Veggies Sour Cream & Salsa Applesauce	29 Pinto Beans Spinach Corn Bread Pineapples



Keith Pike Planner/Grants Writer (SF News photo)

ONABEN selects Tulsa, Oklahoma for the 2015 annual Native Trading at the River Conference

ONABEN

Portland OR -- ONABEN - Our Native American Business Network announces the city for the annual Trading at the River Conference and Native Marketplace. The conference, held for the last eleven years in Oregon and Washington, will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, May 2015. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation will host the conference and native marketplace at their properties, River Spirit Casino and RiverWalk.

Trading at the River is a two-day event that focuses on content to facilitate growing strong economies on tribal reservations and in communities through entrepreneurship, developing and growing small businesses and building partnerships.

Veronica Hix, ONABEN Executive Director, expressed her appreciation at the opportunity to bring Trading at the River to Oklahoma. "Trading at the River is a unique experience for entrepreneurs, small business owners and economic development practitioners to gather, exchange and grow. The change in venue next year will be a great opportunity to be able to share Trading at the River outside of the Pacific Northwest."

ONABEN Board Chairman, Jack Lenox, also commented that, "The Muscogee (Creek) Nation offered to host our event and, in line with ONABEN's growth and expanded services across Indian country, the ONABEN Board of Directors approved the city and venue change."

ONABEN will also partner with the Cherokee Nation TERO and Mvsokke Loan Fund to present Trading at the River. Anchoring the conference is a marketplace where Native artists, crafters and other vendors can showcase and sell their products and services.

ONABEN is a 501(c)(3) corporation headquartered in Portland, Oregon, and was created in 1991 by four Oregon tribes to encourage development of a private sector on their reservations. ONABEN provides curriculum, training and organizational consulting focused on developing entrepreneurship in Native communities. ONABEN serves Native business development organizations and entrepreneurs nationally through its Indianpreneurship® curriculum. The group is driven by its mission to strengthen Indigenous communities and individuals by increasing opportunities for economic growth through culturally innovative business solutions.

For more information about ONABEN and Trading at the River, please visit ONABEN.org and TradingattheRiver.com.

april@onaben.org telephone: 503-968-1500

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Tuesday, April 7th, 2015

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For accommodations on the basis of disability, please call (405) 325-4712.

Sac and Fox National Public Library Welcomes Visitors from Thailand

The Sac and Fox National Library had visitors from Thailand on Wednesday, April 15. The visitors included two university librarians, a translator, along with a driver.

Tribal Secretary Mary McCormick spoke to the group.

The hosts each received small purses that were made by natives of Thailand.

The visitors were escorted by the Tulsa Global Alliance under the auspices of the U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program.

This is the second time the SFNPL has received visitors from the Tulsa Global Alliance. We had visitors from Bolivia on July 10, 2012.

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We have added a number of items to the library in the past month, including a book on making fry-bread. Seven books have been added to the Juvenile shelf and well as more than 15 new DVDs.

Also, a generous patron donated more than 30 books, mostly for Young Adults.

Recently, the Sac and Fox National Public Library joined the Ok Virtual Library, a consortium of Oklahoma libraries providing digital collections.

You can now download e-books, audiobooks and music to your own e-reader be it an iPad, Nook, Kindle or smart phone.

Currently there are over 20,000 e-books and 4,500 audiobooks available.

This service is available for card-holding members of the Library. If you don't have a SFNPL card, we can set one up for you in a couple of minutes.

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Hoodies have been added to the items for sale in the gallery. The hoodies come in a variety of colors, including OU red, OSU orange, black and beige. All are zipped-up hoodies, except for the beige ones, which are pullovers.

We also have books, ball caps, tote bags and mugs for sale. All profits benefit the Library.

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And please sign up for a library card if you don't have one. Applications are available in the Library.

Also, you can visit the library's catalog at <https://sacandfox.biblionix.com/atoz/catalog/>. Our catalog includes all books available on OverDrive.

Come and check us out!



Painting Presented to Robert Williamson Family: Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member Steven Snake recently presented a painting to the family of Robert Williamson. The painting was dedicated in honor of Josh Williamson, who was a world-class dancer and performed at many state and intertribal events. The Sac and Fox and Shawnee people were allies since time immemorial and were in the America's along with the saber tooth tigers and mastodons. My painting transcends boundaries and political chaos. *Thank You, Steven Snake* (Photo by Boyd Cummings)

Oklahoma Youth Forestry Camp Accepting Registrations

Know a teen who needs to unplug from his or her electronic devices and enjoy an adventure in the forest? Oklahoma Forestry Services' 59th annual Youth Forestry Camp offers swimming, canoeing, hiking and the opportunity to make new friends, all while learning about the environment. Registrations are being accepted from boys and girls ages 13-15 through May 8. Camp takes place June 1 - 6 in beautiful Beavers Bend State Park in southeastern Oklahoma.

"Wood you Believe?" is this year's theme and campers will learn about the many resources that come from trees, including some that will surprise them. Hands-on activities with natural resource professionals will include wildlife management, forestry management and stream ecology. These professionals, who represent organizations such as Oklahoma Forestry Services, Oklahoma Dept. of Wildlife Conservation, Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, Oklahoma State University Research Extension, Lower Mountain Fork River

Foundation and Weyerhaeuser Company will also discuss career opportunities with the teens.

"This is a great chance for teens to enjoy outdoor activities in a beautiful setting," said State Forester George Geissler. "And the kids always leave with an enhanced understanding and appreciation of the environment, not to mention lifelong memories."

The fee for campers is \$5, which covers all costs, including lodging, meals, transportation at camp, field trips and workshops. A limited number of partial scholarships are available to help defray the cost. Camp staff applications are also being accepted.

Teens are encouraged to register now for this extraordinary camp experience, as space fills up quickly. Visit www.forestry.ok.gov/forestrycamp to get more information, register or view pictures from previous years. Those who are interested are also welcome to contact Camp Director Jeri Irby, at 405-522-6160 or irby@ag.ok.gov.



Campers enjoy canoeing in Beavers Bend State Park during Youth Forestry Camp.



One of the visitors from Thailand presents a native-made purse to Tribal Secretary Mary McCormick. (Photo by SFNPL)

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**12th Annual
 Tinker Inter-Tribal Council Pow-Wow**

"Honoring Our Veteran Warriors"
Saturday - June 13, 2015
Joe B. Barnes Regional Park
Midwest City, OK

8700 E. Reno Ave.
 (Between Midwest and Douglas Blvds on East Reno)

Honored Veteran:	Herbert Switch, USMC-Vietnam & USArmy-Korea
Master of Ceremonies:	Sammy "Tonkei" White
Head Southern Singer:	John G. Hamilton
Head Man Dancer:	Josiah Hair
Head Lady Dancer:	Cheryl McClellan
Head Gourd Dancer:	Lenny Medina
Arena Director:	Randy Frazier
Color Guard:	Absentee Shawnee Tribe Veterans Association

**Open Invitation to All
 Veteran Organizations & Princesses**

Tiny Tot Exhibition (0-5) CONTESTS: (Ages: 18 - 54) Men's Straight/Traditional Men's Fancy Dance Men's Golden Age (55+) Women's Southern Cloth/Buckskin Women's Jingle/Fancy Shawl Women's Golden Age (55+)	Family Event Fun - Free Open to the Public Bring your lawn chair	PROGRAM 1:00 pm Gourd Dance 5:00 pm Supper Break 6:00 pm Gourd Dance 7:00 pm Grand Entry "No Specials After Grand Entry"
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Arts & Craft Vendor Information:
 Kathy Tsay @ 405-734-1345 (work)
 405-625-3084 (cell)
 Email: tribalcouncil@sbcglobal.net

Sponsored by: Tinker Inter-Tribal Council and the City of Midwest City Parks & Recreation Department

Tinker Inter-Tribal Council not responsible for accidents, injuries, or thefts. No alcohol or drugs allowed. Security provided by the City of Midwest City Department.

The Pow-Wow will not be canceled due to weather

SAC & FOX NATION

**INTEREST TO SERVE
 ON COMMITTEES,
 COMMISSIONS, AND BOARDS**

The Sac and Fox Nation's Business Committee will be appointing people to fill vacancies, as they occur, on various Committees, Commissions, and Boards. 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 and a resume 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: _____

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Special Business Committee Meeting Mini-Minutes April 9, 2015

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee Meeting held on April 9, 2015. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

(1) Orvena Gregory motion to approve the minutes of the Special Business Committee Meeting on March 20, 2015 with correction. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes. Motion carried.

Break at 2 pm

Back from Break at 12 pm

(2) Approved Resolution SF-15-76, a resolution appointing Dustin Rolette to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board. Stella Nullake-motion, Orvena Gregory-2nd. VOTE: Orvena-Yes, Mary F. McCormick-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(3) Approved Resolution SF-15-77, a resolution appointing Vera Grant to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board. Orvena Gregory-motion, Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared- Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes. Motion carried.

(4) Mary F. McCormick motion to approve the New Position-CHR II. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes. Motion carried.

(5) Resolution SF-15-78, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2015 Black Hawk Center Third Party Billing Budget Modification 2. Stella Nullake -motion, Mary F McCormick -2nd. VOTE: Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes. Motion carried.

(6) Resolution SF-15-79, a resolution adding three (3) persons to the membership roll of the Sac and Fox Nation. Stella Nullake -motion, Mary F McCormick-2nd. VOTE: Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes, Jared- Absent. Motion carried.

(7) Resolution SF-15-80, a resolution to authorize the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation as Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Sac and Fox Nation all appropriate documents necessary to receive a Title VI

Loan Guarantee from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Government. Stella Nullake-motion, Orvena Gregory-2nd. Vote: George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes, Jared- Absent, Stella-Yes. Motion carried.

(8) Mary F. McCormick so moves to Ratify results of Straw Poll Vote regarding selection of Proposal for Feasibility Studies. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Orvena-Yes, Mary F. McCormick-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(9) Proposed Lease of Kip and Nanny's Smoke Shop for Review with corrections. Stella Nullake-motion, Orvena Gregory-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes. Motion carried.

(10) Stella motion to approve Contract Health Services Addendum to Dental and Optometry Cost Limits. Orvena Gregory-2nd. VOTE: Orvena-Yes, Mary F. McCormick-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes. Motion carried.

(11) Mary F. McCormick motion to approve Sac and Fox Nation Public Library Policy and procedures. Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Mary-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes. Motion carried.

(12) Addition of Pool Rental Agreement Changes. Orvena Gregory-motion, Mary-2nd. VOTE: Jared- Absent, Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes. Motion carried.

(13) Addition of Mobile Audio/Video Policy and procedures for the Police Department. Orvena Gregory-motion, Stella Nullake-2nd. VOTE: Stella-Yes, George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes, Jared- Absent. Motion carried.

Break at 2 pm

Back from Break at 2:30 pm

(14) Proposed Contract for Grant Development for Re-entry Program. Mary F. McCormick-motion, Stella Nullake-2nd. Vote: George-Yes, Orvena-Yes, Mary-Yes, Jared-Absent, Stella-Yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

It is the consensus of the Business Committee to adjourn at 2:51 p.m.



Long time SFN Food Distribution Program staff member, Bernita Haney, celebrated her last day at the office on March 30, 2015 after 22 years of dedicated service to the Sac and Fox Nation. Bernita has greatly enjoyed her job with the Nation over the past two decades and is forever grateful for the opportunity received working for the Food Distribution Program. Bernita's fellow staff members will greatly miss her veteran FDIR experience and wish her well in all her future endeavors. (From Left standing) Sam Spang, Quentin Creek, Carl Davis, Larry Foley, Tonya Wood and Scott Haney (Seated from left) Kim Creek, Bernita Haney and Channa Tiger.

A Word from Sac and Fox Nation Maintenance Department

Hello Tribal members, Family and Friends,

The spring season has arrived and our Landscapers are busy mowing and weeding the Nations grounds. They have been instructed to mow, weed and blow the grass off the sidewalks, to not get grass on any vehicles, to be courteous and polite. If a vehicle needs to be moved they are to contact the Maintenance Office and we will ask the department and or visitor to please move their vehicles so Landscapers can do their job. If you see a landscaper not performing their job or have a complaint of any kind, please contact the Maintenance Director 918-968-4271 or 918-968-3526 ext. 2063.

With the spring season comes many activities. We have opened the Comfort Stations at the Powwow grounds. If you or your family have an activity at powwow grounds please let Maintenance Department know so we can be sure the Com-

fort Stations are clean, stocked and in working order and we can provide a trash can for your use during the activity. The Maintenance Department tries to keep the powwow grounds as clean and picked up as possible. Remember Camp Clean Up days are the weekend of May 9 and June 13. We appreciate everyone's effort in keeping their personal camp areas clean as well. We are preparing to open the Pool and put up the Pavilion cover. Soon we will be busy getting ready for the Annual Powwow.

If you have any questions, or concerns please contact the Maintenance Department. 918-968-4271 or 918-968-3526 Ext. 2062 or 2063.

Submitted by J Paul Wilson, Maintenance Director and on behalf of the Maintenance Department Staff, we thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Sac and Fox Nation Receives Praise Reports

Principal Chief Thurman, and Business Committee:

From Mary F. McCormick, Tribal Secretary

Tribal Member Helen Crane called April 6, 2015 requesting that the Business Committee know of her "deep praise report" for tribal employee Rusty Brookshire, Indian Child Welfare Program at the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center (SMPC). Mr. Brookshire's assistance and help to Helen and her family " has been beyond the call of duty.

His work has just been excellent!" Mr. Brookshire has just been "right there" for her, and she deeply appreciates his work.

Tribal Member Helen Crane requested that her appraisal of Mr. Brookshire be listed in the tribal newsletter and the Principal Chief and Business Committee call Rusty and give him a word of encouragement, and tell him that we appreciate him, and his work.

Tribal member Helen Crane also named Sharon Robinson, and Karen Hamilton who were a great help to her.

Letter to Rick Quarry, Chief of Staff, from the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation

Mr. Quarry,

I want to take this time to express my appreciation for the timely support provided by Jeremy Fincher, a member of your staff, to the Housing Authority of The Sac and Fox Nation, in our effort to develop three single-family houses in a rural area just north of the City of Shawnee, Oklahoma. During the past two years, we have developed several housing scenarios for the use of approximately four acres of undeveloped land out on Westech Road, about 4.5 miles northeast of the city. In our initial environmental study, water quality and quantity testing, soils testing, and site analysis for a proposed water and waste water system for the area, we encountered numerous situations, which required various levels of expertise.

I am not certain how Jeremy came to us when he did, but we are glad he did. Over the past several months we have benefited from his interest in our housing project out on Westech Rd. as well as his expertise and knowledge about upkeep

and maintenance of public water and waste water systems; especially his willingness to share this knowledge with members of my staff.

We have just completed drilling three water wells, installation of electric boxes, and will be installing three separate DEQ certified E/TA Septic Systems and Drain Fields later this month. We hope to begin construction of three single-family houses on the site within a couple of months.

Jeremy stopped by our offices this morning to visit with the Development Manager, Compliance Officer and Procurement Clerk to discuss his observations about the new water system and made recommendations to ensure proper health and safety features are considered as we go forward with our housing project.

Again, Jeremy's interest in our behalf and his willingness to support our housing development efforts should not go unnoticed, thus this letter of appreciation.

ATTENTION: SAC and FOX TRIBAL MEMBERS

POWWOW TIME IS APPROACHING. If you plan on attending any of the events, and an unforeseen medical need should arise, Black Hawk Health Center is available for your use. The Black Hawk Health Center is located east of the tribal complex/headquarters, across the highway. If you do not have a medical record established, we will need the following documents to establish a medical record: CDIB (Certified Degree of Indian Blood); Photo ID (preferably a Driver's License); and a Social Security Card.

If you have any Insurance coverage (Insurance cards); Medicare card; and Medicaid or Sooner Care information, we would appreciate this information; but it is not needed to establish a medical record. The Health Fair will be on Thursday, July 9, 2015 – 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Blackhawk Health Center

Food Distribution Program Updates

FDPIR 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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Food Distribution Program

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CALL TODAY TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY!!!

STROUD OFFICE
(800) 256-3398

SHAWNEE OFFICE
(866) 622-2310

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

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NAME

PRINT CURRENT FULL NAME (First, Middle & Last) _____ ROLL NUMBER _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

A COPY OF THE LEGAL DOCUMENT CHANGING YOUR NAME AND A COPY OF YOUR NEW SOCIAL SECURITY CARD MUST BE ATTACHED.

PLEASE LIST PREVIOUS NAME (PRINT) _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR MINORS REQUIRE A W-9 FORM BE COMPLETED FOR THE BANK. PLEASE REQUEST A FORM FOR EACH CHILD FROM THE ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT, 918-968-3526 ext. 1040 or 1041.

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**FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)
FY 2015 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS
(Effective October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015)**

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		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$973	+	\$155	=	\$1,128
2	\$1,311	+	\$155	=	\$1,466
3	\$1,650	+	\$155	=	\$1,805
4	\$1,988	+	\$165	=	\$2,153
5	\$2,326	+	\$193	=	\$2,519
6	\$2,665	+	\$221	=	\$2,886
7	\$3,003	+	\$221	=	\$3,224
8	\$3,341	+	\$221	=	\$3,562
each additional member					+\$339

Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,215	+	\$266	=	\$1,481
2	\$1,639	+	\$266	=	\$1,905
3	\$2,062	+	\$266	=	\$2,328
4	\$2,485	+	\$266	=	\$2,751
5	\$2,909	+	\$266	=	\$3,175
6	\$3,332	+	\$277	=	\$3,609
7	\$3,755	+	\$277	=	\$4,032
8	\$4,179	+	\$277	=	\$4,456
each additional member					+\$424

**FY 2015 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e))
Effective October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015**

Earned Income Deduction	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.
Dependent Care Deduction	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
Child Support Deduction	Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.
Medical Expense Deduction	Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).
Home Care Meal-Related Deduction	Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. The home care meal-related deduction amounts are as follows: 48 Contiguous U.S. States = \$194 Alaska by Area Designations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban = \$227 Rural 1 = \$290 Rural 2 = \$353 See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.
Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

**FY 2015 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions
Effective October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015**

Region	States Currently with FDPIR 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.

Thank You

We would like to say thanks on behalf of Wilson "WC" Harjo who left us way too soon.

From his family, the "Thunder Girls", all the clan men, brothers; Raymond and Sam, Joe Estes, Stella, Jeff and J. Paul Wilson, Cheryl McClellan, Kicko, Bummie Walker, Anita Stevens, Vera and Lisa, all his friends, relatives and family.

If we forget anybody's name, we want to say our prayers and love goes out to all those.

Also a special thank you to the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guards, which W.C. was a member of.

A thank you to Pastor Paul Wolf, Redman, Jr. Wolf and Rick Deer for the prayer service, and all the women who helped, and for all the food and Monetary donations, and of course the Sac and Fox Nation.

*Thank You All
From W.C.'s family - Ellis and Harjos*



Wilson "WC" Harjo

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

are now accessible on the Website and Facebook

sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

HELP WANTED!

SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

Education Director (Stroud)
Seeking Immediate Placement

Resident Advisor (Juvenile Detention Center/Stroud)
Open Continuously

Certified Lifeguards (Stroud)
May 23, 2015 - September 6, 2015

Cashier (Finance/Stroud)
Seeking Immediate Placement

Administrative Assistant BHC (Stroud)
Seeking Immediate Placement

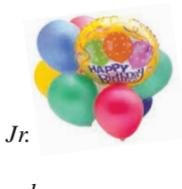
CHR II BHH (Stroud)
Seeking Immediate Placement

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

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



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Monty Bass
Sammy Lee Bass
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The United Nations Youth Council for the Sac and Fox Nation basketball tournaments

The United Nations Youth Council for the Sac and Fox Nation held two basketball tournaments this year as fundraisers to help with expenses for the National UNITY Conference coming up in July 2015 in Washington D.C. The first one was an Old School Women's 6 on 6 Tournament in Shawnee at

North Rock Creek School on February 21, 2015. The tournament was quite successful with many requests for another women's tournament soon. One of the highlights of the tournament was WNBA player, Angel Goodrich, from the Tulsa Shock, playing in our tournament.



First Place - Has Beens



Second Place - Iron Horse

The 2nd Annual Southern Hoops Men's Tournament was held in Stroud at the Sac and Fox Nation Gym on April 11, 2015. The tournament featured teams that played in our 1st Annual tournament last year, it also featured a three-point contest in which the winner was actually our tournament referee, John Stokes.



First Place - Fly Society



Second Place - Hawks



Third Place - Dawg



3 Point Contest Winner - John Stokes



SF UNITY with WNBA player, Angel Goodrich

Sac and Fox UNITY Says Thanks

We would like to thank everybody who helped with and participated in our tournaments. We would like to give special thanks to the Sac and Fox Nation and North Rock Creek School for allowing us to use their gyms for our tournaments, as well as the Black Hawk Casino for their donation of water for both events.

The United Nations Youth Council was also presented with a quilt made

and donated by Jamie McCraw and Ms. Zona at their officers meeting April 8, 2015. The quilt features the Sac and Fox Nation Logo and the youth council will begin selling raffle tickets for \$5.00 each, the drawing for the quilt will be held on June 13, 2015. You may contact any youth council members for tickets as well as Mrs. Bema (405-788-5191) or Joyce Paningsoro (405)-213-7014 you do not have to be present to win.



Presentation of Quilt to SF UNITY Officers: (Back Row) Ms. Jamie and Ms. Zona (Middle Row) Trey Bema and Santana Spang (Front Row) Kiana Paningsoro and Kylie Falls (photos submitted by SF UNITY)



Sac and Fox Nation Quilt



SF UNITY Logo

"PRINCESS DANCE CONTEST" "PAST AND PRESENT"

The Sac & Fox Veterans Organization and Honor Guard cordially invite all past and present princesses, regardless of age, to enter the dance contest specifically dedicated to the Royalty of the Pow-Wow arena and Tribal entities throughout. The contest will be held in conjunction with the 2015 Sac & Fox Veteran's Memorial Day Pow-Wow May 23, 2015 at the Sac & Fox Jim Thorpe Memorial Park located 5 1/2 miles south of Stroud OK. Come and enjoy good fellowship, food and dancing. Princesses, please come with your banners. Cash prizes to winners.