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Yale Univ. Students Visit During 'Oklahoma Sovereignty Tour'

by Mike Brown Sac and Fox Nation tribal member and Yale University student Anna Smist was among a group of students paying a

Present Jim Thorpe Play, 'My Father's Bones'

Nation capitol on March 10 as enous Performing Arts Propart of an 'Oklahoma Soverspecial visit to the Sac and Fox eignty Tour.' The Yale Indig-

gram group staged a reading of Cherokee playwright Mary Kathryn Nagle's play about the controversy following the 1953 death of world-famous athlete Jim Thorpe titled, 'My Father's Bones.'

Tribal members were invited to attend the event held in the Sac and Fox Nation Community Building. Serving as master of ceremonies for the program was Juaquin Hamilton, who serves as ambassador and historical researcher for the Sac and Fox Nation. Also taking part in the program were Sac and Fox tribal members Dennis Jennings, who offered an opening prayer and, Forrest Walker, who presented a traditional prayer in song. Sac and Fox Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Director Christopher Boyd also spoke during the program.

Hamilton and Sac and Fox Nation IT technician Nick Jennings presented a slide show featuring Sac and Fox tribal history, tribal wars, the clan system and a relocation time line.

A panel of the visiting Yale students read aloud Nagle's play. Following the reading of the play, University of Pennsylvania Constitutional Law Professor Maggie Blackhawk, presented a brief overview of the lawsuits filed by Jim Thorpe's children and the Sac and Fox Nation after Thorpe's body was taken during funeral ceremonies in Oklahoma and buried in a mausoleum in Pennsylvania.

Professor Blackhawk noted that she is a member of the Fond du Lac Band of the Lake Superior Ojibwe Tribe, and is not a descendant of the late Sac and Fox Chief Black Hawk.

Anna Smist and well-known Sac and Fox artist Tony Tiger presented commemorative t-shirts to the visiting students.

Following discussions and questions from the audience, a traditional meal was served to everyone in attendance.

The student group's tour was scheduled during their spring break, and they were accompanied by two university professors, and a student services representative.



Members of the Yale University Indigenous Performing Arts Program are shown in the Sac and Fox Community Bldg, as they

Sac and Fox Transportation Bldg.

Construction Ahead of Schedule

staged a reading of Cherokee playwright Mary Kqthryn Nagle's play, 'My Father's Bones.' (Photo by Mike Brown)

Outdoor Warning System Installation Completed

have authorized the purchase door/indoor) and installation of a more pow-

Sac and Fox tribal leaders erful Mass Notification (outand Warning System for the Tribal Capital

Grounds. There are 2 phases to the installation process.

This new system will replace the single outdoor pole siren located at the RV Park. The Sac and Fox Police Department is in charge of activation and maintenance of the new system.

Installation of the outdoor warning system (Phase1) was completed on March 6, 2020. The existing RV Park siren was relocated to the Veterans Lake area. This siren was converted from electric-power to solar power.

New poles with sirens were installed at the RV Park and the Justice Center. The new outdoor sirens are solar powered with battery power lasting up to 30 minutes of continuous service if needed. The new sirens have audible, visual and voice capabilities. The system will provide a variety of notifications, warnings and alerts for staff and visitors who are outdoors.

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Pictured is the Hwy. 99 bridge over Salt Creek in Stroud. The 1933 bridge will be replaced, with construction expected to begin in June 2020. (Photo by Mike Brown)

Tribe and ODOT Partner To Replace SH 99 Salt Creek Bridge

Officials of the Sac and Fox Nation and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation have executed a Memorandum of Agreement to reconstruct the bridge over Salt Creek on State Highway 99 north of Stroud. The location is 1.26 miles north of US 66.

State highway officials have

determined the current bridge is structurally deficient with a load rating of 43/100, and is functionally obsolete. The current bridge, built in 1933, has an average daily traffic count of 3300 vehicles.

ODOT will provide engineering design, construction man-

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The 12,000 sq. ft. Sac and Fox Nation Transportation and Elders Center being constructed in Stroud, Okla. is nearing completion in coming weeks. Construction Inspector Cecil Bernard, left, talks with Israel Aguilar, of Stolhand Wells, the company installing a geothermal heating and air system in the state-of-the-art facility. In the foreground is a outdoor fire

pit situated in the complex area way. (Photo by Mike Brown)



Construction Inspector Cecil Bernard, left, is shown in the Transporation Bldg. Plan Room with Billy Allender, of D.J. Cabinets. The project general contractor is Lambert Construction Company of Stillwater, Okla. (Photo by Mike Brown)

Chief Justin Freeland Wood's Address to the Nation

Books have the ability to take you anywhere - regardless of station in life.

If you've known me for less than five minutes, you know how important books are to me and the role they've played in my development as a man and leader. I'll never forget reading the Hardy Boys Detective stories as a boy. My grandmother would purchase a set of five Hardy Boy books and I would spend the next few weeks reading and awaiting the next drop-off.

I eventually became a fan of poetry and historical biographies, but my first love will always be mysteries and detective

Over the course of my years in public service, I have always taken the opportunity, when granted, to encourage young people to read. This time, I am encouraging our parents and grandparents to begin reading to your children with a new vigor. Our kids are the future of our people. They will be making the decisions that will impact our next 100 years and beyond.

Reading sharpens numerous other skills including communication. Reading to your kids will also strengthen the bond between you and your child. I hope you'll join me in raising up a whole new generation of leaders who read! Over the past month, I was afforded the opportunity to attend my first and third grade children's classes to read to them. I'm hopeful you will consider doing the same in your schools.



Sac and Fox Nation **Principal Chief Justin Freeland Wood**

Upcoming Events

April 7 Sac and Fox **Business Offices to** Re-Open With Full Staff

April 9 Cooking Class 11 a.m., 12 p.m. Merle Boyd

Center

May 9 Elders Mother's Day Dance, 2 p.m. Sac an Fox Community Bldg.

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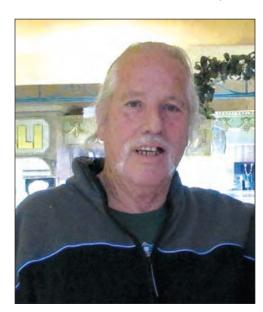
Obituaries

Charles Vincent DellaCalce

Charles Vincent DellaCalce, age 70, Thee'nagh 'eh underwater panther/beaver clan, passed away suddenly on Feb. 14, 2020 in Las Vegas, Nev. where he lived.

He leaves behind his devoted daughter, Jennifer DellaCalce of Las Vegas; sister, Sunny Erickson and brother, Paul DellaCalce, both of Orange, Ca.; his niece and nephew, Kristin and Alec and their families. He was preceded in death by his parents, Vincent J. DellaCalce and his mother, Josephine Hope Manatowa DellaCalce.

Charlie was proud of his Italian and Sac and Fox traditions. He loved fishing, golf and any sport you can think of. He returned to Oklahoma all his life, both



Charles Vincent DellaCalce

Salt Creek Bridge

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agement, inspection, and maintenance services. Cost estimates are \$2.5 million, with the Sac and Fox Nation providing 33% of the costs through a grant-in-aid to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.

The ODOT Highway Commission will award a construction contract in March. Construction is scheduled to begin in May or June 2020 and, the contractor will have 180 days to complete the bridge construction.

The highway will have two lanes remaining open to traffic during the construction period. A 'shoofly detour' will be built on the west side of the current bridge. The new bridge will include 2 twelve-foot traffic lanes with 8 foot improved shoulders. This is a state-tribal partnership project of the Tribal Transportation Program.

History Center To Present 'The Stories Of Cesar Chavez' in **History Alive! Series**

On Thursday, April 9, the Oklahoma History Center will present "The Stories of Cesar Chavez" in the latest installment of its History Alive! series. Fred Blanco will portray Chavez, who was a symbol of hope for millions of farmworkers in the United States.

The OHC will offer two public performances on April 9. The first will begin at 2 p.m., with doors opening at 1:30 p.m. The second performance will begin at 7 p.m., with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. There is no reserved seating, so early arrival is recommended. Tickets are \$10 for members of the Oklahoma Historical Society and \$20 for the general public, and may be purchased by calling 405-

Cesar Chavez is revered as a folk hero, particularly by workers in the California grape fields. In 1962 he and a few others set out to organize a union of farmworkers. Nearly everyone told them that this was an impossible task, but they succeeded with the formation of the National Farm Workers Association, later known as the United Farm Workers. Chavez was one of the most inspirational labor leaders of the 20th century, with influence that stretched far beyond the California fields.

Fred Blanco is an actor/playwright based in Los Angeles, Calif. He has toured the Theatre Festival circuit in the United States and abroad, receiving critical acclaim for his solo show, "The Stories of Cesar Chavez."

The popular History Alive! programs are a series of presentations by highly acclaimed re-enactors that portray various historic figures such as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Eleanor Roosevelt and many others.

as a child and adult, to the Manatowa Farm, outside of Cushing, to powwow each July and fish any piece of water you could throw a fishing line in.

Many friends and family in Nevada. California where he grew up, and Oklahoma loved him dearly and will miss

Frederick Conklin Ingham Jr.

Dec. 18, 1964 and died Nov. 3, 2019

Fred was born and raised in Oklahoma City. He graduated from Classen High School in 1982. He is preceded in death by wife, Donna (Drevecky) Ingham and grandmother, Irene Jones (Harris).

He is survived by three children: daughter, Lacy Rice (Ingham) and husband Joshua of Oklahoma City; son, Coltyn Ingham of Lawton, Okla. and, daughter, Caitlynn Ingham of Lawton, Okla.; sister, Bonnie and husband Matt Stewart of Oklahoma City; mother, Karen Ingham of Oklahoma City; father, Fred Ingham, Sr. of Yukon, Okla.; uncle, Harold and Lura Jones of Oklahoma City; and one granddaughter, Madison Markstone of Oklahoma City; along with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cous-

Fred was a commercial truck driver, and was a member of the Sac & Fox Na-

Frederick Conklin Ingham Jr. was born tion. A graveside service was held Friday, Nov. 15, 2019 under the direction of Memorial Park Funeral Home in Oklahoma City, Okla.



Frederick Conklin Ingham Jr.

Emilio Zachary Mejia

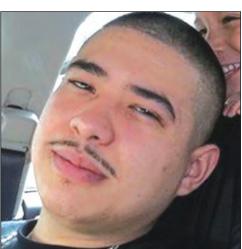
Emilio Zachary Mejia, age 29, of Kansas City, Kan. and member of the Sac and Fox Nation, passed away Friday February 21, 2020 in Gallup, N. Mex.

Emilio is survived by his high school sweetheart Tiffany Essex of the home; his sons, Emilio Zachary Mejia Jr., 8 years and, Elias Zaverio Mejia, 10 months; daughter, Elise Zariah Mejia 4 years; father, Zaverio J. Mejia of Kansas City, Kan.; mother, April M Perez; and stepfather, Ralph Perez, both of Wichita, Kan.; 2 brothers, Rafael A Perez and Valentine A.W Perez, both of Wichita, Kan.; 3 sisters, Desiree N. Mejia of Wichita, Kan., Amanda T Mejia of Kansas City, Kan. and, Reighna E. Perez of Wichita, Kan.

He is also survived by 6 nephews and 3 nieces, mother-in-law Debra Essex and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandmother Charlotte Blacksmith, maternal grandfather Larry Brown and paternal grandmother Carmen Mejia.

Funeral Services were held Feb. 28, 2020 at KC Church of Christ in Lenexa, Kan. Burial followed at Maple Hill Cemetery in Kansas City, Kan.



Emilio Zachary Mejia

Happy April Birthday Elders!

Colleen Lisa Decker Barbara Thomas McIlvaine Smith Sherry Lynn Teague

Eva Jordan Jessie Lee Walker Carol Ann Holmes Larry Dewayne Wallace Francis Leroy Grant Ruby Mae Vandever Lisa Leaellen Longshore

Sheila Ann Huyghe Elizabeth Ahkeahbo Gordon Mark Ponkilla Margaret Lee McIntosh Sharon Lee Ebbinga

Sheryl Jane Rowe Donn Whistler Lisa Lea Ann Carr Debra Yvonne Reim Tina Jean Blackburn

Marvin Warren Thurman Gregory Wayne Berryhill Wanda Yvonne Brown Annabell Wiseman Joseph Todd Jones

Larry Wayne Grass William Wayne Sarber Robert Levi Parham Raymond Lee Harris Aaron Fryor Wilson Leva Marlene Ellis Charles Dewayne Lasley

William Scott McCoy Earnest L. Hocker Rose Marie Bean Shari Lynn Andersen Terry Kent Raines Phillip Joseph Manatowa

Vonda Joyce Bryce

Galle Rae Adkins Carl Wayne Anderson Michael Harry Deer Leo Elmer Gokey Ruby Irene Harris Pamela Dale Frazier Patrick Wood Hernandez Rudy Keo George Mitchell Marez Annette Miles Scott Eugene Harshberger Wallace H. Allen David Allan Edmonson Ronnie Eugene Wano Jimmy Kent Waller Beverly Sue Gibson Ralph Maurice Hamblin Harriett Oresa Rice Katherine Margaret Wilson John Grass Ramona Nadine Rico Robin Denise Tiger Donald Chad Monday Shelly Ann Barron Patricia Ann Wakolee Dorene Katherine Keo Robert V. Hocker Rose Marie Thompson Tommy Ray Moore Dianna Sue McCaulla Wallace Buster McClellan Dean Ray Tartsah Charles A. Poitras Sean Patrick Beall Deborah Kay Givens Naomi Denise McCoy-Shognosh Ricky Wayne Hocker Alma Faye Northrup

'Red Earth' Announces Efforts **To Include Community Events**

For nearly 40 years Red Earth Inc has focused its efforts on the operation of the Red Earth Art Center in Oklahoma City and the annual summer Red Earth Festival that attracts visitors from throughout the globe. The non-profit organization has announced efforts to expand its programming starting in 2020 to include events in communities throughout Oklahoma. A series of collaborative efforts are planned with tribal and arts organizations in Shawnee, Tulsa, Wewoka, Oklahoma City and Claremore.

"This is a significant time for Red Earth," said Vickie Norick, Chairman of the Red Earth Board of Directors. "Beginning in 2020, Red Earth Art Center operations will change from being housed in a single 'brick and mortar' location to a dynamic range of off-site offerings.

"We are so pleased to expand our events to include sites outside of central Oklahoma," she said. "We're going to bring the Red Earth to the people."

MVSKOKE VOICES, a collaborative art show with the Seminole Nation Museum in Wewoka is the first of a series of Red Earth events and shows presented throughout the state. The collaborative MVSKOKE VOICES art show will run April through mid-June 2020 featuring original works by some of the nation's most prominent Creek and Seminole artists. Since opening almost four decades ago, the Seminole Nation Museum has hosted over a half million visitors from every state and over 100 foreign coun-

Red Earth will work alongside the Will Rogers Memorial Museum and with the Claremore Chamber of Commerce to present the new Red Earth Spring Market April 17-18. The event will feature an arts and crafts market, children's activities, storytelling and social dances both inside the expansive museum and on the lawn overlooking the City of Claremore and Rogers State University.

Red Earth's annual marque event, the Red Earth Festival scheduled June 13-14, 2020 will relocate to the Native-owned Grand Event Center at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort in Shawnee for the 34th annual event. Recent Red Earth Festivals have had an economic impact of over \$4 million to the state.

'Our 34th annual Red Earth Festival will feature America's best and most accomplished artists - the same quality artists our guests have become accustomed to seeing each year," said Norick. "The Festival will also include our other popular events including 'Ask the Expert,' Native dancing, storytelling and music performances.

The Red Earth Youth Art Show & Competition will move to the fall when the Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory Art Gallery at Myriad Gardens plays host to the children's art show September 10 -October 20 in downtown Oklahoma City. The art education event is open to Native youth, ages 8-18, competing in three age divisions for prize money in categories including pottery, painting/drawing, graphics/photography, sculpture, basketry, bead work, cultural items and jewelry.

A significant new event celebrating

Why the 'nsn.gov' **Designation?**

From time to time, a question has been asked as to why the Sac and Fox Nation uses such a special exclusive (and longer) native sovereign nation dot gov Internet designation and name:

The "nsn dot gov" (nsn.gov) designation carries with it more significant levels of legitimacy, trust, and authority than a commercial, "dot com" domain name.

"NSN DOT GOV" confirms that it is an official government website that has been certified, verified, and recognized by the United States Government.

Of course, commercial sub-entities and public political subdivisions of tribal government may also use a commercial dot com designation for commercial-oriented purposes.

Truman Carter

Oklahoma City's Indigenous People's day will kick off with the popular Red Earth Parade on Saturday, Oct. 17 and will culminate with an Arts & Crafts Market and Pow Wow celebrating Native art and culture at the Myriad Botanical

"We're thrilled to present Red Earth FallFest at the 17-acre Myriad Botanical Gardens in downtown Oklahoma City," said Norick. "It's a beautiful park that was awarded the title of Best Urban Open Space by the Urban Land Institute in 2015 in a competition that included parks from all over the world. Red Earth FallFest will be Oklahoma City's first major Indigenous People's Day celebration."

A partnership with Tulsa Community College in downtown Tulsa Red Earth will feature a Contemporary Art Exhibition at the Center for Creativity during the month of October 2020. A workshop for students enrolled at the C4C School of Visual and Performing arts is scheduled in conjunction with the event.

The Student Center at Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City is the site for the Sixth Annual Red Earth Treefest scheduled November 13 through December 11, 2020. Red Earth Treefest features 18 Native tribes from throughout Oklahoma invited to participate in the annual holiday event by creating handmade ornaments and art objects for their own tribal Christmas Trees made to highlight their distinctive cultures.

"Every one of our projects are designed to educate," said Norick. "During Treefest, we utilize the ornaments on the Christmas trees as teaching tools to tell each tribe's distinctive heritage."

Red Earth has garnered numerous accolades through its 40-year history. Red Earth was a finalist for the 2018 ONE Award for the Arts presented by the Oklahoma Center for Non-Profits, and the Oklahoma Travel Industry Association has twice named Red Earth Oklahoma's Outstanding Event.



Sac and Fox Artist Tony Tiger and tribal member and Yale University student Anna Smist hold commemorative t-shirts given to student visitors from the Yale University Indigenous Performing Arts Program during the group's 'Oklahoma Sovereignty Tour' conducted during their spring Break. (Photo by Mike Brown)

SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE

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Beer and Liquor.			\$220.02
Motor Vehicle			\$7,521.03
Sales Tax			\$16,055.14
Treasury			\$260.00
Oil and Gas			\$10.08
Gaming			\$106,940.40
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Gymnasium

Community Building

Shawnee Multipurpose Building



SAC AND FOX NATION UPDATE ON COVID-19: March 18, 2020

The Sac and Fox Nation is closely monitoring the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The Business Committee is working diligently to ensure the safety of tribal members, employees, and guests. In accordance with the most recent guidelines from the National Center for Disease Control (CDC) and public health officials, the Business Committee is announcing temporary adjustments to operations.

The following adjustments to operations at the Sac and Fox Nation will go into effect at 4:30 p.m. (CST) on Wednesday, March 18, 2020. These adjustments are in place until Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. (CST).

- Essential services will still be provided and essential departments will be operational.*
- If you are visiting the Nation for essential services, we ask that you come alone (unless you need the assistance of a caretaker). This will help us provide essential services, while adhering to the social distancing and safety recommendations set forth by the CDC.
- Remote work protocols will be enacted for employees that do not provide essential services to tribal citizens.
- The following buildings/facilities will be CLOSED:
 - Exercise Room at Merle Boyd Center
 - Cultural Center
 - Library
 - Tribal Court (please reference Orders from the Sac and Fox
- Supreme Court) The following services will be by appointment only:
 - **Food Distribution**
 - Child Welfare
 - Black Hawk Health Center
- The Elders Kitchen will be closed for in-house dining, but food will be available for previously established homebound delivery and pickup.
- Tribal Court instructions will come from the Sac and Fox Supreme Court; please refer to the Supreme Court's orders for instructions on dockets, filing, scheduling, etc.
- The Sac and Fox Casino and the Black Hawk Casino are open. National Indian Gaming Commission guidelines and CDC recommended environmental cleaning and sanitization practices are in place.
- The Exercise Room at the Merle Boyd Center is CLOSED, but the Merle Boyd Center is operational and providing services.

The Sac and Fox Nation is actively monitoring the situation and working with all of its departments. The health and safety of our tribal citizens and employees is our number one priority. As the situation develops, the Business Committee will provide updates. If you have questions, please call 918-968-3526.

*Essential services/departments have been identified as follows. Please be advised this list may change as the situation evolves:

- Black Hawk Health Center
- Child Welfare
- **Custodial Services**
- Elders Kitchen (previously established delivery and pick up only)
- Enrollment
- Finance
- Food Distribution
- **Human Services**
- **Juvenile Detention**
- Center
- Maintenance
- Office of Government
- Police
- Property & Procurement
- RAP
- Realty/Land and
- Cattle Tax

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

Greetings!

The Education Department is sad to inform everyone that we are going to have call off this year events that we had planned to have with the recognition of the Sac and Fox Nation Kindergarteners and High School Seniors stoles due to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Graduates can still request stoles through the mail. We can mail out stoles or you may pick them up at the Sac and Fox Education Office. We hope that the 2020 Spring graduating classes will get their request forms into the Education Department for their tribal stole. A stole from the Nation is well deserved for our students.

- APRIL 18, 2020 SAC AND FOX KINDERGARTEN RECOGNITION -CANCELLED
- MAY 1, 2020 SAC AND FOX HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR BANQUET - CAN-**CELLED**

The Education Department would like to remind our Sac and Fox graduates in eighth grade with a diploma, high school senior with a diploma, college degree and vocational certification, you can receive a one-time incentive: 8th grade \$100; senior graduate \$200; college degree recipients \$1,000; and, \$750 receiving certification from a vocational school.

To receive incentive, each student will

- Copy of their diploma or transcript (8th graders can bring in a copy of their report card);
- Send in copy of your Sac and Fox tribal membership card;
- Application and privacy statement. INCENTIVE MUST BE APPLIED FOR WITHIN 60 DAYS OF GRADUATION

The month of March has been very busy with the ESSA Consultations with various public schools.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND **CULTURAL PRESERVATION**

The area Nations and Tribes education departments were invited to a meeting with the Shawnee Public School in February on discussion of having area tribes more involved in the Shawnee Public School and of educating the staff, administrators, and students on the history of our Nation. At our first meeting, the Sac and Fox Nation and the Citizen Band Potawatomi Nations was present.

To get this on the road map the Sac and Fox Nation was the first to start this plan with the suggestion of the school wanting to implement more involvement of tribes and nations in the school system. The Sac and Fox Education Department worked with the Cultural Preservation Department to come up with a plan for a presentation.

On March 5, 2020 Juaquin Hamilton, CP and I met with the Shawnee School principals and we did a presentation. I talked about diversity inside and outside of school and what not to say that would offend our American Indian students. I stressed strongly how our American Indian students felt when hearing words of weapons and seeing offensive gestures. I also talked about the Land Run reenactment that schools like to practice in history and that it should not be happening in the schools. My view is that it is a one-sided history that is being taught in school and the reenactment of the land run is not acceptable.

Juaquin informed the Shawnee Public Schools principals of the history of the Sac and Fox Nation and also went in depth about the Land Run. Juaquin shared with the staff of how he and his family was upset by how the school here in Shawnee still practiced the reenactment of the Land Run. He gave a comparison of how the Mexican children are being treated today at the border. It's in the same line for our American Indian students being treated when practicing the reenactment of the Land Run.

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT CONSULTATION AT THE CITIZEN BAND POTAWATOMI NATION

The public schools that were presenting: Shawnee Public School, McLoud

Public School, Tecumseh Public School, North Rock Creek Public School, Seminole Public School, and Noble Public

The Shawnee Public School was the first school to present their profile. Mr. Graham Primeaux, Indian Education Coordinator and Dr. Teresa Wilkerson Assistant Superintendent, presented the federal programs that Shawnee Public School has to offer to our American Indian Students. Dr. April Grace, Superintendent, was present at consultation. The Shawnee School System has 5 elementary schools, 1 middle school, 1 high school, and 1 alternative school with a total of 8 schools. The number of total students is 1,063. The percentage is 29% American Indian Students, with 47 different tribes represented. There are 23 American Indian students enrolled in the Jim Thorpe Alternative School, 68 students listed as being homeless. There are fourteen Native American Teachers and 10 Title VI Indian Education staff.

The number of American Indian Students in Pre-K- 49, Kindergarten 60, first grade 59, second grade 64, third grade 62, fourth grade 89, fifth grade 86, Middle School sixth grade 88 with 4 listed as Sac and Fox students, seventh grade 83 with 13 listed as Sac and Fox students, eighth grade 69 with 7 listed and Sac and Fox students, ninth grade 92 with 6 listed as Sac and Fox students, tenth grade 71 with 5 listed as Sac and Fox students, eleventh grade 105 with 12 listed as Sac and Fox students and twelfth grade 86 with 11 Sac and Fox graduates. We did not receive the break down by tribes or number of Sac and Fox students in Early Childhood and the 5 elementary sites.

North Rock Creek Public Schools

Dr. Denise Smith, Principal, gave the presentation on the federal programs that North Rock Creek receives. Dr. Blake Moody, Superintendent, was present. There is a coordinator employed for the Title VI Program. North Rock Creek has a total of 911 students attending NRC with 19 different tribal nations represented. Twenty-nine percent are American Indian students. Twelve certified teachers are listed as being American Indian, 3 support staff, 2 administrators and 23 staff under Title VI Education staff.

An overall total amount of students per grade was not included, only the number of American Indian students per grade. We have 32 Sac and Fox students attending North Rock Creek School: Kindergarten 2, first grade 2, second grade 1, third 1, fourth 3, fifth 5, sixth 2, seventh 3, eighth 5, ninth 4, and tenth 4.

McLoud Public Schools

Mrs. Jami Eddings, Indian Education/ Student Services Director gave the presentation for McLoud School. Superintendent was not present. McLoud has a total of 1,690 students. 498 are listed as American Indian students with 25 different tribal nations, 17 in state and 8 out of state. With 6 certified teachers listed as being American Indian and 4 staff in the Title VI Indian Education staff. Sac and Fox Nation has 11 students enrolled at McLoud Public School. There is no

and Fox students are enrolled. Tecumseh Public Schools

break down by grade as to where our Sac

Mr. Victor Cope, Title VI Coordinator presented the Tecumseh profile. Mr. Tom Wilsie, Superintendent was present. There is a total of 2,084 students enrolled with 821 listed as American Indian students. Thirty different tribes are represented. Twenty title VI students are homeless. Tecumseh has 26 certified teachers listed as being American Indian and 3 full time and one part-time in the Title VI Indian Education Department. Sac and Fox Nation has 31 students at-

tending Tecumseh Public School. 2 Pre-K, 3 Kindergarten, 3 first, 3 second, 4 third, 2 fourth, 2 fifth, 4 sixth, 2 seventh, 2 eighth, 1 ninth, 1 tenth, 1 eleventh, 1 twelfth.

Seminole Public Schools

Mr. David Dean, Federal Program Advisor made a presentation and Mr. Bob Gragg, Superintendent, was present.

Seminole has total of 1.501 students and 619 as listed American Indian students with a population of 41% American Indian and 21 different tribes represented. Seminole Public School has 10/22 certified teachers and 11 out of 80 support staff listed as being Native American. The Title VI Indian Education Program has one staff member.

Enrollment by grade breakdown by tribe was not available at the time of consultation. Pre-K had 28 students, Kindergarten 43 students, 1st grade 41, 2nd grade 38, 3rd grade 52, 4th grade 38, 5th grade 46, 6th grade 55, 7th grade 48, 8th grade 45, 9th grade 41, 10th grade 54, 11th grade 42, 12th grade 48, as a total of American Indian students who had complete 506 forms.

Noble Public Schools

Ms. Cynthia Davis, Title VI Coordinator, gave a profile for Noble Public School. Mr. Frank Solomon, Superintendent, was present at consultation. There are 2,830 total students attending Noble School with 361 listed as American Indian Students, 20 different tribes represented, 12 certified teachers listed as American Indian and 6 support staff and 6 staff in the Title VI Indian Education Department.

This is the first year that I have sat through an ESSA Consultation with Noble Public School and Seminole Public School. I was glad to see both schools be part of the group of public schools ESSA Consultation. There were many nations and tribes present: Sac and Fox Nation, Choctaw Nation, Kickapoo Tribe, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Chickasaw Nation, Cherokee Nation, and Absentee Shawnee Tribe. Also present was Mr. Julian Guerrero, Education of American Indian, Oklahoma State Department of Education.

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

Each school made a presentation of their federal programs that they had at their school. The Shawnee Public School and Tecumseh Public School Title VI Indian Education Program joins together in an annual Education pow-wow each year in June and both schools have an annual stomp dance that they do at separate times and locations during the school year. Each of these schools put a lot of work into cultural awareness in their programs that they offer to students at their schools.

It's nice to see that both Title VI coordinators are joining together to implement a better understanding, not only in

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Fry Bread Chefs Make Fund-Raiser Sizzle

Sac and Fox Education Dept. staff member Mary Brown and Sauk Language Dept. staff member Houston Stevens are pictured preparing fry bread for the Education Dept.'s Indian taco fund raiser held Feb. 21 in the Sac and Fox Learning Center. Proceeds from the well-attended event are being used to purchase stoles for Sac and Fox students graduating this spring from kindergarten, high school or college. In addition to Brown, the fund raiser was coordinated by Education Dept. Director Edwina Butler-Wolfe and Education Specialist Jean Lynam. (Photo by Mike Brown)

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Applications for College - Vocational and Adult Education are on the Sac and Fox Nation Web site -Click on Education for downloads.



Coming soon near you Central Tribes of the Shawnee Area, Inc.



CTSA HEADSTART We are proud to let you know we are opening a New Head Start in Stroud, OK

Applications are being taken at the Sac & Fox Education Dept.

Directions: Sac & Fox Education Dept. 5 ½ miles south of Stroud on 930 RD. Go past the clinic on top of the hill. It is located south of the gym.

For more information, please call the CTSA Main Office at (405)275-4870 Required Documentation:

- 1. Proof of income (at least 2 checks stubs/Income letter/TANF letter/Income tax
- 2. Proof of residence (Utility/phone bill, Housing lease—MUST show physical address)
- 3. CDIB card, SNAP, WIC or any assistance you are receiving
- 4. Shot records and Birth certificate and Source of Health Care (Tribal/IHS, Private
- 5. If your child has a Documented Disability, we will need a copy of his/her IFSP or

Stroud CTSA Headstart Yellow Earth Learning Center

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



Sac and Fox Nation Ambassador and Historical Researcher Juaquin Hamilton served as master of ceremonies for the program presented by students with the Yale University Indigenous Performing Arts. (Photo by Mike Brown)



University of Pennsylvania Law Professor Maggie Blackhawk speaks following the Yale University Indigenous Performing Arts students presented the Mary Kathryn Nagle play, 'My Father's Bones.' (Photo by Mike Brown)

Red Earth Seeking 'Emerging Artist Award' Applications

Red Earth, Inc, the non-profit organization that produces the annual Red Earth Festival has announced a call for applications for the Red Earth Emerging Artist Award. The annual award grants funding to emerging Native American artists, allowing them to participate in Oklahoma City's award-winning Red Earth Festival.

The award is presented for the 34th Annual Red Earth Festival scheduled June 13-14, 2020 at The Event Center at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort in Shawnee, OK. The Emerging Artist Award provides booth space at the Festival Art Market, an opportunity to compete in the Red Earth Festival art competition and \$150 for expenses. Deadline to apply for consideration is Friday, April 10, 2020.

Past recipients have included Amber DeBoise (Navajo) and Kaitlyn Tingle (Choctaw) in 2018, and Steven Morales (Cherokee) in 2019.

To qualify, applicants must be a US Citizen, at least 19 years of age and be able to provide proof of tribal membership in a federal or state-recognized tribal entity. Applicants are not required to be enrolled in a school or fine arts program.

Applicants must fill out an Artist Application, provide 3-5 images of artwork, submit a one-page resume of art education, experience and achievements, and an Artist Background. Visit www.Red-Earth.org or call (405) 427-5228 for additional information.

Red Earth has garnered numerous accolades through its 40-year history. Red Earth was a finalist for the 2018 ONE Award for the Arts presented by the Oklahoma Center for Non-Profits, and the Oklahoma Travel Industry Association has twice named Red Earth Oklahoma's Outstanding Event.

The January 2020 issue of COW-BOYS & INDIANS MAGAZINE lists Red Earth Festival in their "Best of the Fests" story, while USA TODAY has named the Red Earth Festival one of 10 Great Places to Celebrate American Indian Culture. Red Earth has also been recognized by the American Bus Association a Top 100 Event in North America, joining a list that includes the Rose Bowl Parade, Calgary Stampede and the Mardi Gras celebration in New Orleans.

Red Earth, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization with a mission to promote the rich traditions of American Indian arts and cultures through education, a premier festival, a museum and fine art markets. The organization is an Allied Arts member agency and AdventureRoad Travel Partner. Red Earth is funded in part by the Chickasaw Nation, Choctaw Nation, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, James H & Madalynne Norick Foundation, Kirkpatrick Family Fund, Oklahoma's News 4, Myriad Botanical Gardens, Oklahoma's Adventure Road and Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City.

Red Earth, Inc. is recognized as the region's premier organization for advancing the understanding and continuation of Native American traditional and contemporary culture and arts.

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Sac and Fox tribal elders and others are pictured with tribal member Anna Smist and other members of the Yale University Indigenous performing Arts Program

who visited the Sac and Fox Nation capitol on March 10 as part of the students' 'Oklahoma Sovereignty Tour conducted during their spring break. (Photo by Mike Brown)







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SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

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

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

April Scramble

hwâkphâaap	
kiêphtêo	
kaêpainw	
hhîphkeîca	
imawkmehôîn	
hwsswwââamek	
apaatkwmi	
iêhaakinwhskp	
tpaiônekimaw	
hêweâiwwwikwnâ	

April 2020 Word Match

Pâpahkwâha It is springtime

Pakinêwa Yarn belt Menôhkamîwi April

Pakitamwa Clouds are beautiful

Pakitamôweni Cowboy bread

Wêwenâhkwâwiwi Ceremonial adoption

Kehchîpîha Bread

Meshkwâswâwa Holds ceremonial adoption

Pahkwêshikani Adoption
Pêkotêhi Woven belt

SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

April 2020 Pâpâhkwâha (Bark Peeling Moon)

From the Sauk Language Department

The new Sauk I and Sauk II online courses are now available for high school students who want to learn Sauk. If you are interested in taking these courses, please contact the Sauk Language Department to learn more.

The Sauk Language Department now has 3 free downloadable, stand-alone language apps for both Android and iPhones. Go to Google Play Store or iTunes to get yours today, and start learning Sauk.

Join us online or visit our website for Sauk words and to play games at www.talksauk.com!



Suggestions and comments from tribal members are always welcome on programs you have attended, or would like to see scheduled.

Call 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970, or email at:

Katie.Thompson@sacandfoxnation—nsn.gov



April 2020 Quotes

A great vision is needed and the man who has it must follow it as the Eagle seeks the deepest blue of the sky.

Crazy Horse, Oglala Lakota (c. 1840-1877)

Our land is more valuable than your money. It will last forever. It will not even perish by the flames of fire. As long as the sun shines and the waters flow, this land will be here to give life to men and animals.

Chief Crowfoot, Siksika (c. 1825-1890)

We are going by you without fighting if you will let us, but we are going by you anyhow.

Chief Joseph, Nez Perce (1840-1904)

April Comic







Black Hawk Health Center

April is Alcohol Awareness Month

by Clinical Staff Writer, Ed Abuyog, LCSW

Did You Know?

Drinking too much alcohol increases people's risk of injuries, violence, drowning, liver disease, and some types of cancer. This April, during Alcohol Awareness Month, the Black Hawk Health Center encourages you to educate yourself and your loved ones about the dangers of drinking too much.

In Oklahoma alone, there have been 607 drunk driving fatalities in 2019. To spread the word and prevent alcohol abuse, the Black Hawk Health Center is joining other organizations across the country to honor Alcohol Awareness Month

If you are drinking too much, you can improve your health by cutting back or quitting. Here are some strategies to help

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you cut back or stop drinking:

- Limit your drinking to no more than 1 drink a day for women or 2 drinks a day for men.
 - Keep track of how much you drink.
- Choose a day each week when you will not drink.
- Don't drink when you are upset.
- Limit the amount of alcohol you keep thome.
- Avoid places where people drink a of
- Make a list of reasons not to drink.
- If you are concerned about someone else's drinking, offer to help. What You Can Do.
- (1) Be aware. Learn more about alcoholism and how much you are drinking.
- (2) Consider. The risks for alcoholism, to your health and impacts on your loved ones.
- (3) Act. If you are not sure if you drink too much, or if you know you are drinking too much, please don't hesitate to schedule an assessment with Behavioral Health.

We are here to help. For more information, contact the Behavioral Health Department, educational and counseling services are available to assist in prevention and treatment.

April Word Search

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NOTICE!

Update on RAP applications: There are a few changes set out as follows: Hardship applications will have a W-9 attached that needs to be filled out and turned in with the application. Tribal Energy applications will need the bill to be attached to the application. Emergency Appliance applications need to include three (3) quotes and the quotes can come from Lowe's. T.E.H.R. (Tribal Emergency Housing Repair) applications need to include three (3) estimates from a contractor, copy of your house deed and an electric bill attached to the application.



Kids and Grandkids Are G-R-E-A-T!!



We want to feature the scholastic, academic and athletic awards or achievements of your child or grandchild of the Sac and Fox Nation!

Send all pertinent information, such as name of student, town, school and grade attending, explanation of award or achievement, and names of parents and/or grandparents, along with a current photo of the student to:

newspaper@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov or: Sac and Fox News, 920963 S. Hwy. 99 Stroud, OK 74079

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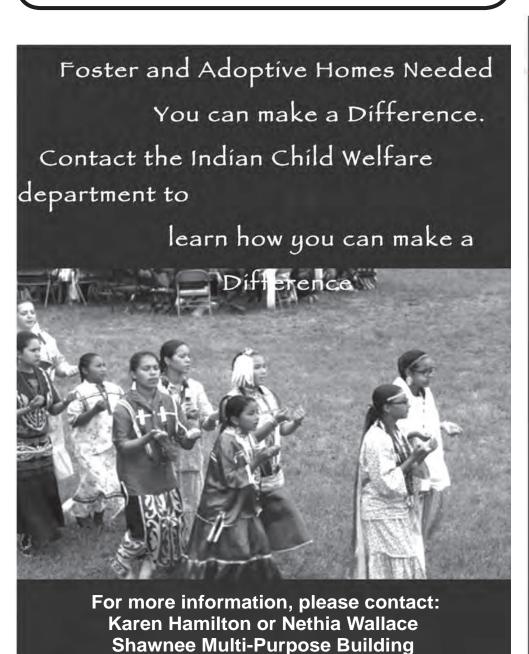


Date Electronic File Was Updated

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The Sac and Fox National
Public Library has used
paperbacks (and a few
hardbacks) for sale.
Paperbacks are three for \$1,
or 35 cents each.
Hardbacks are \$1 each.

Bread



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Staff Initials

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Regular Business Committee Meeting held on February 19, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve with corrections the Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated January 15, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated January 30, 2020. Don W. Abney -2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Resolution SF-20-96, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and EST, Inc., for Engineering services. Contract #2020-01-09. The funding source is identified as the G2G Transportation budget. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 4) Resolution 5F-20-97, a resolution authorizing and approving the need to correct and mitigate the parking lot flooding problems at the Juvenile Detention Center. The funding source is identified as the G2G Tribal Transportation budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Sesolution SF-20-98, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Interior Compact Welfare Assistance budget in the total amount of eight thousand five hundred sixty-two dollars (\$8,562.00). The funding sources are identified as FY 2019 carryover and current funding from the Department of Interior Compact Multi-Year Funding Agreement. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Ye, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 6) Resolution SF-20-99, as resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Sauk Business Enterprises Board budget in the total amount of fifty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$54,500.00). The funding source is identified as Casino Operations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 7) Resolution SF-20-100, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan Elders Advisory Board budget in the total funding amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-20-05. Jacklyn K. Kingmotion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-101, a resolution of six (6) denials from the membership of the Sac and Fox Nation. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes Motion carried.
- 9) Resolution SF-20-102, a resolution adding two (2) persons to the membership roll of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Sac and Fox Nation. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) Resolution SF-20-103, a resolution approving, authorizing, and launching the Sauk Pollinator Project/Monarch Butterfly Habitat Project Plan located on land described as the WSWSWSW of Section 22, Township 14 North, Range 6 East of the Indian Meridian, Lincoln County, Oklahoma containing 5 acres more or less and launching the project. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 11) Resolution SF-20-104, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Sauk Pollinator Project budget in the total amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). The funding source is identified as Grant award funded by Enbridge Energy. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 12) Resolution SF-20-105, a resolution approving the limited waiver of Sovereign Immunity, and providing an independent waiver of Sovereign Immunity in the same form, between the Sac and Fox Nation and the Native American Agriculture Fund (NAAF), provided for the sole purpose of complying with NAFF's requirements for limited waiver of Sovereign immunity in order to support execution of a Grant agreement between NAAF and the Sac and Fox Nation. Robert E. Williamsonmotion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Resolution SF-20-106, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to the United States Department of Justice Office for the coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) Fiscal Year 2020. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 14) Resolution SF-20-107, a resolution authorizing an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Windstream Communications for a new service location at the Transportation building. Contract #2020-01-07. The funding sources are identified as the G2G Tribal Transportation, Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Elders Advisory Board, and Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Veteran's Honor Guard budgets. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 15) Resolution SF-20-108, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan 9% Economic Development Tanger Property budget in the total remaining funding amount of two hundred twenty-eight thousand three hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$228,327.00). The funding source is identified as the approved Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-19-07. Jacklyn K. Kingmotion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 16) Resolution SF-20-109, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and Logan County of Oklahoma. Contract #2020-01-08. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 17) Resolution SF-20-110, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and Jackson County of Oklahoma. Contract #2020-02-04. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 18) Resolution SF-20-111, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 General Operating budget modification #3 in the total funding amount of one million two hundred forty-three thousand four hundred eight dollars (\$1,243,408.00). The funding source is identified as Treasury Appropriations. Don W. Abney-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Resolution SF-20-112, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Department budget modification #1 in the total funding amount of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2020 Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-20-05. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 20) Resolution SF-20-113, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program budget modification #1 in the total amount of one hundred fifty-five thousand three hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$155,337.00). The funding source is identified as the 10% allowable carryover from the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Programs Grant #G-19JOOKLIEA and the new award #20PLOKLIEA. Don W. Abney-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 21) Resolution SF-20-114, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Interior Compact Library budget modification #2 in the total funding amount of one hundred forty-eight thousand nine hundred ninety-one dollars (\$148,991.00). The funding sources are identified as the US Department of Interior Compact Multi-Year 2018-2021 Funding Agreement, with prior year's carryover. Don W. Abney-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 22) Resolution SF-20-115, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Historic Preservation budget modification #1 in the total amount of fifty-eight thousand eight hundred forty-nine dollars (\$58,849.00). The funding source is identified as Treasury Appropriations. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-116, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Interior Compact Realty budget modification #1 in the total amount of two hundred fifty-eight thousand seven hundred seventy-seven dollars (\$258,777.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Multi-Year 2018-2021 Funding Agreement. Jared A. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

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- Resolution SF-20-117, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Juvenile Detention Center Operating budget modification #3 in the total amount of one million six hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred forty-six dollars (\$1,682546.00). The funding sources are identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Multi-Year Funding Agreement, DOI Carryover Facilities Improvement and Repair Funds, Tribal and County Detention Service contracts, and the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd, VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 25) Resolution SF-20-118, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Sauk Language Department budget modification #2 in the total funding amount of three hundred forty thousand dollars (\$340,000.00). The funding source is identified as Treasury Appropriations. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 26) Resolution SF-20-119, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Child Welfare Services, Title IV-B, Subpart 1 Match budget in the total funding amount of four thousand nine hundred fifty-two dollars (\$4,952.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Indian Child Welfare budget. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 27) Resolution SF-20-120, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Promoting Safe and Stable Families, title IV-B, Subpart 2 Match budget in the total funding amount of twelve thousand four hundred ninety dollars forty-five cents (\$12,490.45). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Indian Child Welfare budget. Don W. Abneymotion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 28) Resolution SF-20-121, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant General Assistance Program budget modification #3 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand three hundred three dollars (\$121,303.00). The funding source is identified as the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant #BG-01F034001-1. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

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Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Recessed Regular Business Committee Meeting held on February 20, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1) Resolution SF-20-122, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Tribal EM, PLLC. The funding source is identified as the Indian Health Services Compact budget. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-123, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center revised Employee Health Policy and Procedures. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King -2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-124, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Patient Registration Quality Management and Improvement Plan. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-125, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Medical Nutrition Therapy Quality Management and Improvement Plan. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 5) <u>Resolution SF-20-126</u>, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Laboratory Policy and Procedures. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent. Motion carried.
- 6) Resolution SF-20-127, a resolution authorizing and approving the revised Patient Registration Department Policy and Procedures for the Black Hawk Health Center_Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 7) Don W. Abney motion to ratify Straw Poll for the Land and Cattle Independent Contractor Renewal Agreement, contract #2019-10-02a. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 8) Jacklyn K. King motion to ratify Straw Poll for the Land and Cattle Independent Contractor Renewal Agreement, contract #2019-10-03a. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 9) Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the Renewal Agreement #2008-09-02h with Tribal Data Resources for Progeny10-Membership Data Management Software for the Office of Government Enrollment department. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the revised job description for Chief Financial Officer position. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent. Motion carried.
- Don W. Abney motion to approve the job description for a new part-time position for the Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) department. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve modification #2 to the Central Tribes of the Shawnee Area (CTSA) lease agreement #14-20-0208-17641. Don W. Abney-2nd, VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Don W. Abney motion to approve the Prague Chamber of Commerce membership renewal for 2020 in the amount of \$100.00. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 14) Don W. Abney motion to approve the Davenport Chamber of Commerce membership renewal for 2020 in the amount of \$50.00. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the following requests to be paid from the Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Government donations line item: Moore Public Schools \$1,000.00, Prague Public Schools \$2,000.00, Riverside Indian School \$1,000.00, Stroud High School \$500.00, Shawnee Middle School \$100.00, Stroud Municipal Golf Course \$395.00 for a total amount of \$4,995.00. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the following requests to be paid from the Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) Charitable donations line item: Oklahoma Inter-tribal Diabetes Coalition \$300.00, Stroud Habitat for Humanity \$1,000.00, Cargo Ranch Mentorship Program \$1,000.00, Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence \$500.00, Native American Church of the State of Oklahoma \$1,800.00 for a total amount of \$4,600.00. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.



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Researchers Urge **Producers to Use Common Practice** Flood Irrigation

by Donald Stotts Oklahoma State University

Agricultural Communications Services Flood irrigation has been a common agricultural practice for 5,000 years, but an Oklahoma State University researcher contends producers who use it can still benefit from enhancements that maximize limited water resources.

"Surface or gravity flood irrigation is used in nearly one-third of irrigated acres in the United States, so continuing to provide producers with new advances is essential to water conservation efforts," said Saleh Taghvaeian, an assistant professor and water resources specialist with the university's Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Taghvaeian and cooperating scientists at OSU, Mississippi State University, Utah State University and the University of California will be evaluating and instilling new technologies in flood irrigation for the next two years, thanks to a U.S. Department of Agriculture grant of more than \$860,000.

"While a number of producers take advantage of more advanced technologies that make irrigation scheduling easier, such as sprinkler and drip systems, flood irrigation still accounts for about 43% of total irrigation water applications in the United States," said Taghvaeian, who is serving as the study's principal investi-

However, only 10% of federal financial assistance for irrigation best management practices has been dedicated to flood irrigation, underscoring the importance of the study as a tool to help agricultural producers and promote environmental stewardship.

Taghvaeian said the characteristics of flood systems in the four collaborating states allow for identification and evaluation of technologies that can be adopted in other parts of the United States, and certain regions worldwide.

"This study is an example of innovative research that will take an old technology of flood irrigation and improve the efficiency and water use to meet current agricultural needs," said Keith Owens, associate vice president of the statewide Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station system, the division's official research arm. "Agricultural producers are very interested in conserving resources and take responsibilities as stewards of the land very seriously."

According to the nonprofit World Bank, irrigated agriculture represents 20% of the Earth's total cultivated land, but it contributes 40% of the total food produced worldwide. It is estimated that agricultural production will need to expand 70% by 2050, when the world population is projected to surpass 10 billion people.

The USDA grant has been allocated through the Natural Resources Conservation Service's competitive Conservation Innovation Grants program.

NRCS Chief Matthew Lohr said the grants program funds projects that tackle critical challenges head-on and will result in new science-based tools useful in helping farmers and ranchers improve the health of their operations while protecting natural resources.

Why the 'nsn.gov' **Designation?**

From time to time, a question has been asked as to why the Sac and Fox Nation uses such a special exclusive (and longer) native sovereign nation dot gov Internet designation and name:

The "nsn dot gov" (nsn.gov) designation carries with it more significant levels of legitimacy, trust, and authority than a commercial, "dot com" domain name.

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Of course, commercial sub-entities and public political subdivisions of tribal government may also use a commercial dot com designation for commercial-oriented purposes.

Truman Carter

Sac and Fox Elders Advisory Committee

Mothers Day Dance

Saturday, May 9, 2020 2 p.m.

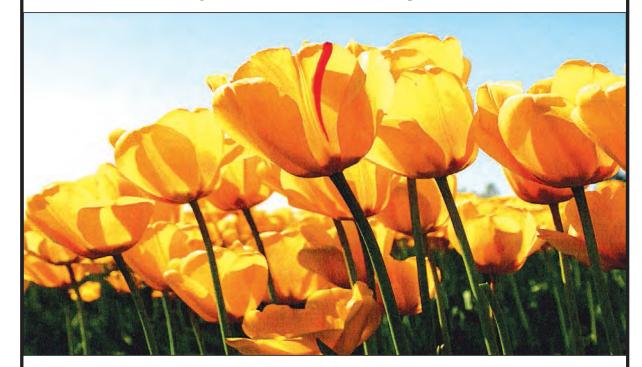
Sac and Fox Nation Community Bldg., Stroud, Okla. Gourd Dance 2 p.m., Supper 5 p.m., Gourd Dance 6 p.m.

> Emcee: R.G. Harris, Head Man Dancer: TBA **Head Lady Dancer: Peggy Big Eagle**

Head Singer: Joe 'Fish' Dupont, AD: Steven Ward, Randy Tiger

2020-2021

Elder Mother of the Year - Ms. Margaret Ellis-Stevens



Arts & Craft Venders are Welcome! (No Set-Up Fee, Donation of a Raffle Item)

Raffles, Cake Walks, Not Responsible for Accidents or Thefts! SFN Elders Advisory Committee Officers:

 Stella Nullake, Chairperson Melissa Butler-Denny, Vice Chairperson •Georgia Harris-Noble, Secretary •Elizabeth Butler-Wolftongue, Treasurer •Reneé Butler-Buckley, Committee Member



Sac and Fox Nation

Office of Environmental Services In Partnerships with ODWC/NRCS/USDA Date: 06/5/2020

Friday

Time: 10:00-14:00

7th ANNUAL





This is an Educational Event Come on out to the pavilion at Veteran's Lake!!

Bring the family and friends~All ages welcome!!! *Children must be accompanied by guardian at all times

We will start at 10:00am:

- Lake Area Development Ideas
- **Environmental Stewardship**
- Fish Identification
- **Water/Fishing Safety**
- **Family Fishing**



Hotdog Cook-Out Lunch!! 11:30-13:30



Thanks to NRCS/USDA for funding

Included:

- Rod and reels —<u>Loaned</u> for event by ODWC (Must be returned to OES)
- · Bait is PROVIDED
- NO fishing license needed
- ♦ It's all FREE

Sac and Fox Nation Office of Environmental Services 356263 East 926 Rd Phone: 918-968-0046 Fax: 918-968-0049 E-mail: dale.miller@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Contact person: Dale Miller 918-968-0046

*Veteran's Lake entrance is just North of the Casino on the East Side

Inclement weather will cancel and reschedule.

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2020 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020)

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	\$1,041	+	\$167	=	\$1,208
2	\$1,410	+	\$167	=	\$1,577
3	\$1,778	+	\$167	=	\$1,945
4	\$2,146	+	\$178	=	\$2,324
5	\$2,515	+	\$209	=	\$2,724
6	\$2,883	+	\$240	=	\$3,123
7	\$3,251	+	\$240	=	\$3,491
8	\$3,620	+	\$240	=	\$3,860
each additions	al member	11			\$369

Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,300	+	\$286	=	\$1,586
2	\$1,761	+	\$286	=	\$2,047
3	\$2,222	+	\$286	=	\$2,508
4	\$2,683	+	\$286	=	\$2,969
5	\$3,144	+	\$286	=	\$3,430
6	\$3,605	+	\$300	=	\$3,905
7	\$4,065	+	\$300	=	\$4,365
8	\$4,526	+	\$300	=	\$4,826
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FY 2020 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e)) Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

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
	 Urban = \$238 Rural 1= \$304
	• Rural 1= \$304 • Rural 2 = \$370
	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).

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FY 2020 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Baseline by Region*

Region	States Currently with FDPIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$450
Southeast/Southwest	Arizona, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah	\$350
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming	\$450
West	Alaska, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$400

^{*}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.

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

Committee/Boards/Commissions

Openings

Rodeo Committee

Plans, Coordinates, Schedules, Monitors and Executes Activities Associated with the Nation's Rodeo.

Indian Education Committee- JOM

Promotes the welfare of Indian children and youth in home, school, community and Tribe; raise the standards of school achievement of Indian Children; and bring into closer relationship the home and the school so that the parents and the teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of Indian children and youth.

Must be parent or legal guardian of eligible JOM student.



Please submit Interest to Serve to:

Secretary, Jacklyn K. King Business Committee Sac and Fox Nation 920963 S Hwy 99 Stroud, OK 74079 secretary@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

April 2020

SAC AND FOX NATION FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1 ELDERS ONLY SHIPMENT	2 ELDERS ONLY	3
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NOTICE CAMP CLEAN-UP

In preparation for Pow-Wow, there will be two Camp Clean-Up Days:

May 8 and June 19

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.



Sgt. Dibble and K9 Bristol Attend Police Working Dog Conference

by Sac and Fox Police Sgt. Kim Dibble

"What happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas!" After March 3,4,5th, 2020, the classic turn of phrase didn't hold true, and that was exactly the point. I had the honor of taking K9 Bristol to the 6th Annual Police Working Dog Conference in Las Vegas, Nev., hosted by Police K9 Magazine.

The Sac and Fox Nation was able to take advantage of the abundance of information related to police working dogs (K9's) at this year's conference by sending its own K9 Team to the training. K9 Sergeant Bristol and I made the 17 hour journey to Las Vegas in order to network and learn as much as possible to bring back and put in practice for the benefit of The Nation. Prior to the conference Police K9 magazine sponsored several photo contests for K9 handlers and their K9's to allow them to win an entry pass, and K9 Bristol won her pass by a landslide on their February 5th contest through Facebook.

Police K9 Magazine's objective is simple; bring together world class instructors, some of the top experts in their field, and over a 1,000 K9 handlers from across the nation and the world and give them the opportunity to learn, network, and train, in order to bring that education back to their communities and put it into practice making them safer. What better way to do that than with dogs!

Dogs have a distinct advantage when it comes to public relations. Most people love dogs and they draw positive attention. For law enforcement this can be used to their benefit by opening communication opportunities that may not otherwise be available. Children and adults love to pet and interact with dogs and K9 handlers love to talk about their dogs, its a true win- win situation, and K9 Bristol embodies all the highly valued attributes that comprise a true human-canine partnership.

For those of you who have not had the chance to meet K9 Bristol, or have only heard about her or seen her at a distance, she has a very interesting story.

K9 Bristol is a 10 year old American Pit Bull Terrier, who is a single purpose narcotics canine. For most people's frame of reference her breed would simply be designated as a 'pit bull'. This label is fraught with myth and misunderstanding, and that is part of K9 Bristol's advanced skill set. She is a master at public relations and helping to dispel common misconceptions related to the pit bull type dog. (Yes, you read that right, pit bull is not actually a specific breed of dog, but only a breed type that encompasses similar traits and attributes across many breeds!)

K9 Bristol has been my personal dog since she was 8 weeks old. All her obedience and socialization training has been done by me personally. Early on she showed an intensity to work that many K9 handler's look for, but is often hard to find in a dog that isn't bred specifically for law enforcement work. She has high level ball drive and enjoys interacting with people in general which made her very easy to train for narcotics work.

K9 Bristol started her drug dog training because I thought she had something extra, and I thought what better way to showcase the great things that pit bull dogs are capable of than if they could partner up with law enforcement! Bristol started her training as a 4 year old and excelled in finding drugs and was started on tracking.

However, at that time, I worked for another department, where Bristol would never have been allowed to work as a police K9. It was as simple as she just didn't fit the look of a 'real' police K9. Besides, who would want to take a chance on a pit bull dog? Because of that she sat unused for almost 5 years, until I came back to work in law enforcement, and hired on with the Sac and Fox Police. I am thankful and proud that The Sac and Fox Nation saw the past her breed and gave her the chance to serve the Sac and Fox community.

True to her breed, K9 Bristol has the tenacity to work hard, and is happy to please people. She is very social and looks for a kind word and hands to pet her whenever she is not working. It is rare in police K9s to see a dog of her age still at work, but Bristol has no off button and truly embodies that 'age is just a number'.

While in Las Vegas for the Police K9 Conference, K9 Bristol was definitely an ambassador for her breed and for the Sac and Fox Nation. At this particular conference dogs are welcome to be with their handler's if they are well behaved, and are also allowed to attend the classes

Conducted by World-Class Experts, Instructors

and social gatherings. In a room full of German Shepherds and Belgian Malinios, a little pit bull in her work vest with her Sac and Fox Nation Police patches definitely stands out! Many people were confused and asked if she was actually a working police K9 and wondered if her breed could even be used successfully in narcotics work, while others were well versed in the knowledge that there are a handful of pit bull type dogs in police work across the United States. Whatever their education they stayed and talked, petting Bristol, and asking about the Sac and Fox Nation. By the end of the conference she was well known and recognized, and had posed for multiple pictures!

We returned from Nevada on Friday, March 7th and brought with us more knowledge on how to do our jobs better as a working police K9 Team. K9 Bristol and myself will continue to learn and train in our new position, until it is time for her to officially retire. She will be used in the local schools and on the street when we work each night.

We would like for people to ask to meet K9 Bristol if you ever see our patrol unit out in your neighborhood or the community, she is here to help bridge



Sgt .Kim Dibble and K9 Bristol

the relationship between your Sac and Fox Police Department and the Sac and Fox community. You will undoubtedly see her at Pow Wow again this year, and we would love for the kids and adults to come say "hello." Please remember, we are here to make your communities safer and look forward to serving you!

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MONTHLY TOBACCO CESSATION SUPPORT GROUP

- · Held the 1st Wednesday of every month
- 12-1 pm
- · Learning Center Conference Room

Group sessions will be open to members of the Sac and Fox Community, tribal employees, and TIP Group Members.

Sessions will cover multiple areas of tobacco cessation including creating a quit plan, healthy behaviors, the truth about tobacco, changing behaviors, coping with cravings, and maintaining change.

Sessions will also include peer interaction and recovery support.

For more information, Please contact DeAnna in Behavioral Health.



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Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Regular Business Committee meeting held on March 18, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve, with corrections, the Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated February 19, 2020. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the Recessed Regular Business Committee meetings minutes dated February 20, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve, with corrections, the Special Business Committee meeting dated March 9, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the pipe fence bid specifications dated February 28, 2020 as presented. Don W. Abney 2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes.
- Resolution SF-20-130, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Lambert Construction, Contract #2020-03-02. The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Interior Government-to-Government (G2G) Tribal Transportation Program Budget, Construction line item. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the revised Lawn Care Service Agreement for use as part of the RAP Elders Lawn Care Assistance Program. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-131, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and United Health Care Insurance Company. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-132, a resolution acknowledging receipt of the conditional relinquishment of a tribal member from the Membership of the Sac and Fox Nation. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-No, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-133, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency performance Partnership Grant General Assistance Program Budget Modification #1 for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$128,866.00). The funding source is identified as the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant #BG-01F034001-2. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) Resolution SF-20-134, a resolution authorizing and approving Sac and Fox Nation's Drought Vulnerability Assessment and Response Plan as prepared by The Office of Environmental Services. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 11) Resolution SF-20-135, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year 2020 Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP). Robert E. Williamson -motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-136, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between The Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Police Department and the 23rd District Attorney's Office, Jared A. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Resolution SF-20-137, a resolution authorizing and approving the establishment of the Critical Incident Command System for the Sac and Fox Nation Jurisdiction. Jared A. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-138, a resolution authorizing and approving the establishment of the Critical 14) Incident Command System for the Sac and Fox Nation Jurisdiction. Jared A. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-139, a resolution approving the Calendar Year 2020 Special Diabetes Program for Indians budget in the total amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars. (\$257,663.00). The funding source identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services, Special Diabetes Grant # H1D4IHS0027-23-00 with Calendar Year 2019 carryover. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney - 2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-140, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan Activity Committee budget in the total funding amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2020 Governing Council approved Resolution SF/GC-20-05. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 17) Resolution SF-20-141, a resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Sac and Fox Nation Land and Cattle budget modification #2 in the total funding amount of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$180,582.00). The funding source is identified as Oil and Gas Royalties Revenue. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jared A. King motion to approve Renewal Agreement #2011-03-06i between the Sac and Fox Nation and Data Video Systems. Robert E. Williamson- 2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Resolution SF-20-142, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Johnson Controls Fire Protection, LP. Contract #2020-03-05. The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2018 one-time distribution from the Department of Interior. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve request by the Land and Cattle Manager to process seven (7) of the Nation's steers. Four (4) to be distributed as rations for the 2020 Pow Wow. Two (2) for use by Land and Cattle during outreach events, and one (1) to be split and donated to the Veterans and Elders to be used at their discretion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve Cushing Chamber of Commerce 2020 Membership in the amount of two hundred seventy dollars (\$270.00) to be paid from General Operations Budget, Membership Fees and Dues line item. Robert E. Williamson -2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve American Indian Chamber of Commerce Oklahoma 2020 Membership in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to be paid from General Operations Budget, Membership Fees and Dues line item. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve a Letter of Recognition be sent to Jason Smalley for his years of service in the Oklahoma Legislature. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 24) Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the donation of a Tribal Souvenir Plate to the Shawnee Middle School for display by the Indian Education Program. Don W. Abney 2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

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- 25) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve Robert Letka's Rodeo Committee Interest to Serve request. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve Matthew Butler's Activity Committee Interest to Serve 26) request. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 27) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve Zachary Butler's Activity Committee Interest to Serve request. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared- Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 28) Resolution SF-20-143, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, Contract #2020-03-05. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 29) Resolution SF-20-144, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) Fiscal year 2020 Community-Scale Air Toxins Ambient Monitoring Funding Opportunity. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

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Resolution SF-20-145, a resolution declaring a State of Emergency in the Sac and Fox Nation. Don W. Abney-motion. Jared A. King-2nd, VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.

RAP Application Forms Provided Here



SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

PH: 918-968-3526 EXT: 2000 & 2001 RAP Application

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ings may be made in writing to the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation, 920883 S. Hwy. 99 Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079) derstand that any person who knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provides false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which he/she is otherwise ineligible to receive, may be subject to prosecution to the fullest extent to the appropriate Tribal statutes.

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SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

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Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee meeting held on March 9, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

 Resolution SF-20-128, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to the United States Department of Interior, National Park Service Fiscal Year 2020 Tribal Heritage Grant program. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Absent, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Entered Executive Session at: 12:14 p.m. Out of Executive Session at: 1:00 p.m.

Action taken:

- Resolution SF-20-129, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Juvenile Detention Center Operating budget modification #2 in the total amount of two million thirty-one thousand nine hundred eighty-six dollars (\$2,031,986.00). The funding sources are identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Multi-Year 2018-2021 Funding Agreement, DOI Carryover Facilities Improvement and Repair Funds, tribal and county detention service contracts, the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs, Deferred Revenue and FY 2018 DOI one-time distribution of funds. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Absent. Motion carried.
- Revised job descriptions and organization charts for Sergeant and Juvenile Detention Center Director. Jacklyn K. King-motion as amended. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Absent, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting
Minutes are now
accessible on the Website
sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov
and Facebook

Warning System

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Phase 2 work continues and involves the installation of indoor notification equipment to be located inside the common areas of tribal buildings. These will serve persons indoors and will have the same notification capabilities to our staff and visitors. This is a public safety project of the Tribal Transportation Program.



Pictured center, foreground is the new utility pole and warning siren system installed near the Sac and Fox Nation RV Park. Another unit has been installed at the Sac and Fox Nation Justice Center.

(Photo courtesy of Truman Carter)

Sac and Fox Nation Swimming Pool Rules and Hours





Sac and Fox Nation Swimming Pool
Opening Memorial Weekend!!
May 23, 2020
Pool hours are:
12 pm to 6 pm Tuesday through Sunday
Closed on Mondays

(Children Under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult)

Admission prices are \$2.00 for the general public, \$1.00 for Sac and Fox Nation tribal members Season Pass Available Through the Maintenance Dept.

Private Parties are in the evenings from 6 pm until 8 pm Parties are required to fill out proper paperwork for rental agreements as well as for scheduling 24 hrs in advance and Full Payment Must be Received

Arrangements will be administered through the Maintenance Department (918) 968-4271

Pool rental prohibited during the week of the Nation's Annual Celebration

Rental prices are \$75.00 (2 hours) for general public, \$50.00 for Sac and Fox Nation tribal members Certified Lifeguards with CPR/First aid training will be on duty No waiving of fees. No exceptions.

Sac and Fox Nation Education Dept. News

(Continued from Page 4) the school but in the community in our American Indian cultural heritage. I see some schools lacking the understanding of our American Indian students' heritage, and this is where the miscommunication develops between parents, students and teachers to administrators in schools.

One of the many questions that was asked was about how much participation they have with the Native American parents and do they have an active Indian parent committee in their school. Response was some have little and no participation and some do have an active committee. A request from the floor was that the schools that only have 2 Indian parent committee meetings during the school year change it to have them

Indian parent committees in the public school system plays a very vital role in the area of Indian Education. I have stressed that in my previous articles and that is something we will help with in the next school year, but will be working on now how to implement into the public school and to talk to parents in those different schools.

On March 12, 2020 the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department was invited for ESSA Consultation at the Little Axe School. The Sac and Fox Nation has no students in the Little Axe Public School as I had received the data. We do need to have input as a sovereign nation, as there may be some Sac and Fox students that may attend next school term.

There are many public schools out of Sac and Fox Nation area that do invite the Nation to sit at the table of discussion on Indian Education and that is our duty, to sit and discuss and input our concerns. It's better to be active than non-active for our future leaders.

On March 10,2020, the Education Department was invited to talk to all American Indian Students at the Shawnee High School Assembly in the morning then we went to the Shawnee Middle School in the afternoon. The Sac and Fox Nation and Absentee Shawnee Tribe, Kickapoo Tribe, and Citizen Band Potawatomi Nation informed students on services and programs that is offered at each nation and tribe for our students.

The assemblies were very rewarding to all, as we actually had one on one conversations with our Sac and Fox students after the assemblies. This activity was a full day and I like to thank Jean Lynam, Education Specialist, Sac and Fox Nation

and Juaquin Hamilton, Cultural Preservation for their presentation to our American Indian Students.

I feel this is the beginning of open communication with the Shawnee Public School and with the Nations and Tribes. I'd like to mention that it makes it easier when public schools have a Title VI Indian Education Department that can relate to our American Indian Students' issues. We thank Graham Primeaux, Title VI Indian Education Coordinator, Shawnee Public Schools and Shawnee School staff for their work in making this assembly happen and for future events.

Another upcoming event will be that each tribe as mentioned above will have a day set aside to teach a full day of history in classes at the high school and the middle schools. The Sac and Fox Education Department will be in the history classes at the Shawnee High School on March 24, 2020 and on April 2, 2020 we will be in the Shawnee Middle School. Both days will be an all-day event. I have asked Juaquin Hamilton to conduct both days for the Sac and Fox History. The Education Department will be talking on the current issues and events.

On March 9, 2020 the Education Department set up a booth at the Pleasant Grove School in Shawnee for pre-enrollment 2020-2021 school year. When I came to work in the Education Department, I had noticed that there was hardly any JOM applications for Pleasant Grove and Grove Schools in Shawnee. I have reached out to both schools by person to person and established contact.

We have agreed that the Sac and Fox Nation will be on site when enrollment starts in August at both schools. When visiting Mr. Scott Roper the Superintendent of Pleasant Grove School about the JOM Program, he was happy to know that we will be servicing his students at Pleasant Grove.

When meeting with Mr. Mark Bowlan, Superintendent, Grove School, he was supportive of Sac and Fox Nation Education Department being on site when enrollment starts in August. Grove School has around 500 plus total students. I will be meeting with Sally Brownell at Grove School to get data on how many American Indian Students are enrolled.

The Education Department hopes that everyone stays safe and well while this corona virus is taking effect in the United States. God Bless you!!

Edwina Butler-Wolfe **Education Director** Cell number: 405 328-0402



Katrina Garcia, of Virginia Beach, Va., is pictured during a recent yard sale she coordinated in support of the Sac and Fox Nation Education Dept.'s efforts to provide graduation stoles to current Sac and Fox Nation graduating (Submitted Photo) students.

Yard Sale Raises Funds for Education **Dept. Graduation Stoles Program**

of Florence Carter, granddaughter of Jimmie Griggs Garcia, and daughter of Commander Ruben Garcia, USN Retired, has mentioned often that she wanted to attend the Sac and Fox Pow Wow.

Living in Virginia Beach, Va. has made it pretty difficult to achieve, but she still has hope before heading to college in a few years. In the meantime, this 16-yearold wanted to have some connection to her tribe, other than the Sac and Fox News she reads. She thought a fund raiser might be a good idea.

Katrina's mom, Kim, reached out to Jean Lynam, education specialist, to see if there were any fundraising needs the tribe could use. Mrs. Lynam mentioned that the high school seniors were trying to raise funds to purchase Sac and Fox graduation stoles for this year's ceremonies, in addition to a graduation banquet. As a high school sophomore, Katrina could identify with this and quickly went to work clearing out closets for a yard

Her intention was to have the sale late March, when the weather warmed up, but the "Virus that must not be named" had

Katrina Garcia, great-granddaughter forced other ideas. As schools and business were closing down, and events and travel were being restricted, she decided to move up the date to March 14th (Pi Day -3.14). It was either now or never as far as timing. Advertising everything from A to Z (except toilet paper), she and her parents, unloaded the garage at 8 a.m.

> At 45 degrees outside for the first hour, it was a slow start, and she wondered whether the virus and social distancing would affect turnout. However, most people just wanted to sleep in and started showing up around 9 a.m. when it turned sunny and warm.

> She raised \$250.00 including \$35 in cash donations in response to the sign advertising her cause. Quite a few people asked about the Sac and Fox Nation, and she was able to educate locals, more familiar with our Coastal tribes (Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Nansemond, Pamunkey).

> Juaquin Hamilton's recent Sac and Fox News article about Jim Thorpe was helpful, as nearly everyone had heard of him. Katrina feels pretty good about using her time for this purpose and hopes to do more fund raising in the future.



HELP WANTED!

SAC & FOX NATION

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF JOB VACANCIES WITH

THE SAC & FOX NATION:

Self-Governance Director **Chief Financial Director** Resident Advisor (Juvenile Detention Center)

Land and Cattle Laborer **Head Cook**

Economic Development Director Meal Delivery Driver (Part-time) Custodian - BHHC

Custodian - Maintenance Licensed Clinical Social Worker - BHHC Transportation Driver

Certified Pool Operator Manager Lifeguard

> Landscaper/Laborer **ICW Specialist**

RAP Assistant - Part-time

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, 920963 S. Hwy. 99, Bldg. A Stroud, OK 74079 or by phone (918) 968-3526

Monday's | 5:30-6:30pm Sac & Fox Multipurpose Building 215 N Harrison Ave Shawnee

Thank You!!!

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOW-ING INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES FOR THEIR DONATIONS AND TIME ON FEBRUARY 21, 2020 FOR MAKING THE TACO SALE A SUC-CESS FOR OUR SAC AND FOX NATION STUDENTS!!

SPECIAL THANKS TO MARY BROWN AND HOUSTON STEVENS AND GEORGIA NOBLE FOR THE FRY BREAD!!! IT WAS GOOD!! THANKS TO THE WORKERS: GWEN SWITCH, JEAN LYNUM PUT-TING THE TACO TOGETHER AND THE DOOR GREETERS (CA-SHIERS) ROLAND KERNELL AND DUSTIN ROLETTE.

Mary Brown, Houston Stevens, Gwen Switch, Georgia Noble, Sac and Fox Housing, Billy Boy's Bar-B-Q, Gigi's Donuts, Vicki Wilson, Dustin Rolette, Roland Kernell, Ashley Pacheco, Lana Butler, Angela Warrior, Briana Wakolee, Karen Simmons, Jellene Morehead, Kay McCoy, Leah Carver, Deanna Densman, Diane Berry, Sam Spang, and Karen Simmons' Church Family.

Jean Lynam, Mary Brown and I would like to thank everyone for coming out and supporting the Sac and Fox Students. It was nice to have the Sac and Fox Veterans, elders, employees and visitors and also the tribal members for their kind donations and buying a taco.

The Education Department is very happy to say we made \$707.00 on the Taco Sale. The proceeds will go toward the stoles. We are looking at many more events to do in the Education Department in the upcoming months. If you should have a concern or an idea you would like share with us please call the office 918 968-3526, ext: 2046 or my cell number 405 328-0402.

> Edwina Butler-Wolfe **Education Director**