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## Fallen Veterans Remembered With Memorial Day Salute

by Mike Brown

The Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard, and others in attendance, remembered and honored fallen United States military veterans with ceremonies conducted May 25 at the Sac and Fox Cemetery and the Sac and Fox Veterans Memorial.

Members of the Honor Guard

placed American Flags at the graves of veterans buried in the tribal cemetery, and the names of known fallen Sac and Fox veterans were read aloud by tribal member and U. S. Army Veteran Arlo Griggs. Sac and Fox Honor Guard Princess Taliah Switch placed a ceremonial floral wreath at the Sac and Fox

Veterans Memorial, located near tribal headquarters on Hwy. 99.

Among those presenting words of remembrance and appreciation at the memorial program were Honor Guard Member and Tribal Elder Francis Grant, Honor Guard Commander Norwood 'Sonny' Masquat, Sac and Fox Nation Second

Chief Audrey Rose Lee and Sac and Fox Nation Secretary Jacklyn King. Members of the Seminole Nation Honor Color Guard conducted a gun salute, and presented the playing of 'Taps.'

The Sac and Fox Honor Guard Auxiliary served lunch and supper in the Sac and Fox Community Bldg., and an eve-

ning of Gourd Dancing was led by: Head Singer Dwayne Topfi, Arena Director Jaime Cervantes and Master of Ceremonies Francis Grant. The evening activities also included the crowning of 2019-2020 Honor Guard Princess Taliah Switch of Norman, who has also served as princess during 2018-2019.



Pictured from left during the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard's May 25 Memorial Day program held at the Nation's Veterans Memorial on Hwy. 99 are: Former Principal Chief Don Abney, Honor Guard members Francis Grant, Sonny Masquat, Sac and Fox Nation Secretary Jacklyn King, Honor Guard

Princess Taliah Switch, Sac and Fox Nation Second Chief Audrey Rose Lee, and Honor Guard members Curtis Wakolee, Paul Wolf, Austin Grant Jr. and Arlo Griggs.

(Photo by Mike Brown)

## Justin Freeland Wood Elected as Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief in Primary Election Win

by Mike Brown

In the June 1, 2019 Primary Election, Sac and Fox Nation voters elected Justin Freeland Wood, of Shawnee, Okla., to a four-year term as principal chief. Wood won the principal chief's post after receiving over 50 percent of the total votes cast in the Primary.

Wood received 216 votes to prevail over incumbent Principal Chief Kay Rhoads, who received 58 votes; incumbent Second Chief Audrey Rose Lee who received 96 votes; and, Zachary Linn Butler, who received 33 votes.

Wood served in the Oklahoma State House of Representatives from 2012-2016. He was the first, and is still, the only Sac and Fox Nation tribal member elected to public office anywhere in the United States. He is married to Olivia, and they have four children: Joscelyn, Everett, Finley, and Harrison.

The newly-elected principal chief told the *Sac and Fox News*, "I'm eager to get started. The Sac and Fox Nation has a bright future, and it starts now. We have such a wide range of gifted tribal members and I encourage you to step up and offer

your expertise as we move forward."

"The time for standing still has ended. Our Business Committee will be holding itself accountable to all tribal members. I will be offering ideas and plans to generate revenue and create new industry and jobs. We will create partnerships with our career techs and colleges and universities to provide clear paths for tribal members striving for new career opportunities."

"I am seeking guidance and wisdom from our elders and new ideas from all tribal members. We will be bold and decisive and reach greater heights together."

(Editor's Note: At news deadline, an installation ceremony for the new principal chief was set for Wednesday, June 26 in the Sac and Fox Nation Community Building. Photos from the installation ceremony will be published in the August edition of the *Sac and Fox News*.)



Newly-Elected Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief Justin Freeland Wood and Family

## Construction of Transportation Bldg. to Begin July 8 in Stroud

Construction is set to begin July 8, 2019 on the Sac and Fox Nation's new transportation facility. The center will also house the Elders Program and the Nation's Veterans Honor Guard.

The public transportation facility includes a state-of-the-art design by using modern construction methods and the latest technologies. Safety, security, and energy-efficient equipment have been incorporated into the design.

The tribal project manager is Randle Carter. The architect for the project is Studio 45 Architects of Tulsa, Okla. Construction of the approximately 12,000 - square foot facility will be performed by Lambert Construction Company of Stillwater, Okla., at a cost of \$3,690,000.00. Federal transportation funds are being used for the construction. The anticipated completion date is June 1, 2020.

Preliminary site preparation has been completed and includes the property title examination, environmental assessment, release of existing easement, 4-pin land survey, soil testing,

and geothermal test wells. Upgraded electrical service and a 6-inch water line with 2 fire hydrants have been installed.

The building design is Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant and contains 2 above-ground storm shelters with a capacity of 150 persons. Included in the center, is a covered open-air porch area for relaxing, reading or visiting, as well as, a covered vehicle passageway to drop-off passengers.

In 1995, the Sac and Fox Nation purchased the 2.5-acre tract of land, located 1/4-mile south of US 66 on SH 99 in Stroud. The former oil company building, which housed the tribe's veterans and elders programs, was destroyed by fire in 2013.

"Representatives from the tribal elders group and veterans honor guard provided important participation and vital input and ideas into the planning and design of the facility to create a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere for members and visitors," said Tribal Project Manager Randle Carter.

## Principal Chief Kay Rhoads Address To The Nation

It has been my honor to serve as the Principal Chief of the Sac and Fox Nation for the past four years. Serving as a tribal leader requires compassion, understanding, resilience, courage, vision, knowledge, the ability to compromise and work as a team. I hope I have exhibited some if not all of these traits as I led our Nation.

The role of the Principal Chief is that of a leader, not a manager. It requires setting a goal and having a vision for the Nation. These two things are then shared with the staff to ensure programs are properly managed to meet the needs of our tribal members. This position serves

the Sac and Fox people but is also a voice for all tribal nations. This is evident by the past history of the tribe's leadership in taxation of car tags, tribal court and self-governance as we led the way for other tribes to exercise their sovereignty.

Any action taken by Sac and Fox has a direct effect on all tribal nations. The actions and leadership of a tribal leader should be and is a reflection of tribal government leaders everywhere.

As I leave the office of Principal Chief, I want to note some of the accomplishments achieved during the last four years by this

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Elizabeth Kay Rhoads  
Principal Chief  
Sac and Fox Nation

### Upcoming Events

**July 4**  
Sac and Fox Offices  
Closed for  
Independence Day

**July 11**  
Sac and Fox Nation  
Health Fair  
Sac and Fox Gym  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**July 11-14**  
56th Annual  
Sac and Fox Nation  
PowWow, Jim Thorpe  
Memorial Park

**July 12**  
J.O.M. Fun Day  
Sac and Fox  
Community  
Building

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## Obituaries

### Mark Ashton Brewer

Sac and Fox Nation tribal member Mark Ashton Brewer's life was filled with culture, music, knowledge, adventure, and the outdoors. He died May 11, 2019, and leaves behind his wife, Rhonda Brewer, his son Erik Brewer and stepdaughter Brittany, along with siblings Rene, Scott, Brad, Jacklyn, and Shauna. He joins his mother Billie Colleen Soby, father Don, and brother Bill in death.

He was born in Oklahoma on May 2, 1959, and lived in Oklahoma, Texas, and California, spending the last 15 years of his life living in Huntington Beach, California. He had a wide variety of careers

throughout his life, including working in construction, sales, public relations, television production, web-casting, and a small stint in local government politics.

He loved music, photography, traveling, and was always ready to lead the next adventure. He will always be remembered as the man behind the camera and for his ability to captivate any audience with his remarkable ability to tell a story. He was a loving husband, father, brother, son, uncle, cousin, and nephew.

A memorial service was held May 24 2019 at Fairhaven Memorial Park Mortuary in Santa Ana, Calif.



Mark Ashton Brewer

### Darrell Lee Gray

Darrell Lee Gray was born July 3, 1941 in Pawnee, Oklahoma and departed this life May 31, 2019 in Shawnee, Oklahoma at the age of 77.

Darrell was the son of David and Grace (Connolly) Gray. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1966. He was injured during training exercises at Fort Hood and was honorably discharged.

He was married to Ruth Ann "Susie" Donaldson on August 18, 1967 in Stroud, Okla. Darrell worked a career in law enforcement that spanned 20-plus years. He was the first Sac and Fox Nation police chief. In 2002, he retired after being elected Second Chief of the Sac and Fox Nation. He owned a barber shop in Stroud. Darrell loved horse racing and had owned numerous winners at Remington Park and Blue Ribbon Downs. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Susie Gray of the home; son John and wife Michelle Gray of Oklahoma City; two daughters, Charlotte and husband Jeff Valero of Stroud, and, Shellie Wooten of Stroud; five grandchildren, including Jacy Gray, Kristen Gray, Gunner Wooten, and many other family members and friends.

Funeral Services were held June 5, 2019 at Parks Brothers Funeral Chapel in Stroud, Okla., with Wesley Paul Coffee officiating. Burial followed at Sac and Fox Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Stroud, Okla.



Darrell Lee Gray

### 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.

### Darrell Allen Rogers

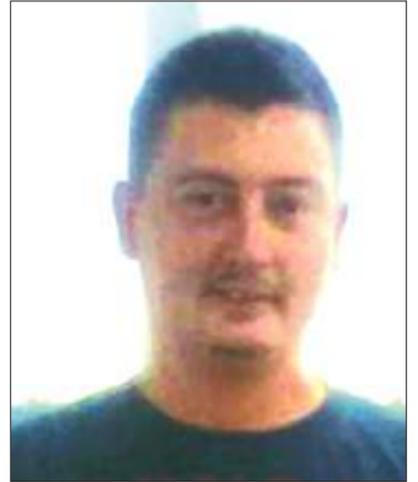
Darrell Allen Rogers was born on June 17, 1987 to Jim and Eudora Butler Rogers, and passed away on May 19, 2019 at the age of 31 years.

Darrell was raised and educated in Cushing and had worked in the oil fields for several years prior to his death.

He leaves behind Starla Rogers; daughters, Allie Belle and Lakota Rogers and his son, Darrell Rogers II; his parents, Jim and Eudora Rogers; sisters, Kerry Glimp (James) and Patricia LeVier, Michaelene Butler and Francis Butler; brothers James Rogers II, Dewey Butler, Jr. and his wife Tiwana, Thomas Butler and Hieme Butler; father-in-law Tommy Strader and friend Shannon Garrison; and, mother-in-law Lucille Strader; many aunts, uncles, grandmas, grandpas, nieces and nephews and many cousins that he called his brothers and sisters.

A wake was held in the Floyd Family Center, east of Davis Funeral Home in Cushing, Okla. on May 22, 2019. Funer-

al services were held May 23, 2019 in the Memorial Chapel of the Davis Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Butler Cemetery, east of Cushing, Okla.



Darrell Allen Rogers

### Anthony Craig Walker

Anthony Craig Walker, 54, of Horton, Kansas, passed away on Sunday, May 12, 2019 on the Kickapoo Reservation.

He was born on November 21, 1964 in Atchison, Kansas, the son of Stanford and Loretta Simon Walker. Anthony was an over-the-road truck driver. He was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma.

Survivors include: his companion of 39 years, Charlene Taylor of Lees Summit, Missouri; two sons, Robert Walker of Lees Summit, Missouri and Bradford Walker of Kansas City, Kansas; brother, Raymond Evans Walker of Kansas City, Kansas and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son, Phillip Walker and two sisters, Anita Walker and Shirley Hoskins. Funeral services were held at the Kickapoo Community Building on the Kickapoo

Reservation on May 18, 2019. Burial followed at the Kennekuk Cemetery on the Kickapoo Reservation on Sunday, May 19.



Anthony Craig Walker

### Sac & Fox Community Garden



**We need all the help we can get to keep the garden weeded.**  
**Everyone is welcome to come and help tend the garden.**  
**Tools will be provided.**

**Date:**  
**Every Tuesday and Friday**

**Time:**  
**8:30 am to 10:30 am**

**Location:**  
**East of Blackhawk Health Center**

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## Sac and Fox Honor Guard Remembers Fallen Veterans at Sac and Fox Cemetery

Sac and Fox Honor Guard members Curtis Wakolee, Austin Grant Jr. and Sonny Masquat are shown at lower right raising the Sac and Fox Nation Flag at the Sac and Fox Cemetery on May 25 as part of Memorial Day ceremonies conducted on tribal grounds. Pictured from left in the photo at right at Sac and Fox Cemetery while attending the memorial ceremony are: Honor Guard Commander Sonny Masquat, Second Chief Audrey Rose Lee, former Principal Chief Don Abney, Sac and Fox Nation Secretary Jacklyn King, Honor Guard Princess Taliah Switch, and Honor Guard members Austin Grant Jr., Bud McClellan and Curtis Wakolee.

(Photos by Mike Brown)



## Names of Sac and Fox Veterans Read Aloud at Cemetery Ceremony

Following is a list of names of known fallen Sac and Fox U. S. military veterans that was read aloud by Sac and Fox Nation tribal member and U. S. Army Veteran Arlo Griggs during a Memorial Day ceremony conducted May 25 at Sac and Fox Cemetery. Griggs served two tours of duty in Iraq and a tour of duty in Kosovo as a member of the 1st and 4th U.S. Army Infantry Divisions.

The Honor Guard asks tribal members to report to the Sac and Fox National Public Library the names of fallen veterans to be added to the list.

William "Pat" Abney - U.S. Navy; Leonard J. Alderson - U.S. Navy; Anderson Allen Jr. - U.S. Navy; Lee Bass Jr. - U.S. Air Force; James A. Blankenship - U.S. Army; Merle W. Boyd - U.S. Army Reserve; Aaron Brown - U.S. Army; Harry E. Brown - U.S. Army; Harry "Tunny" Butler - U.S. Army; Theodore "Chug" Butler - U.S. Army; Dennis Carter - U.S. Army; James Carter - U.S. Air Force; and, Josephine Carter - U.S. Army WAC.

Also, Kenneth J. Clark - U.S. Army; Charles Connelly Jr. - U.S. Army; Rex Connelly - U.S. Air Force; Orville Coutteau - U.S. Army; Allen L. Crain - U.S. Army; Charles L. Crane - U.S. Army; Edward M. Crane - U.S. Navy; Edward Cuppawhe - U.S. Army; Francis Deere - U.S. Marine Corps; George M. Dowd - U.S. Army/Air Force; and, Marcellus W. Duncan - U.S. Army.

Also, Robert Ellis - U.S. Army; Virgil R. Ellis Sr. - U.S. Navy; Emery Foster - U.S. Army; David R. "Sonny" Franklin - U.S. Army; Shannon Franklin - U.S. Army; Wilbur M. Frazier - U.S. Marine Corps; Johnnie F. Gokey - U.S. Army; Juanita Goodreau - U.S. Marine Corps; Austin Grant Sr. - U.S. Army; Charley Grant - U.S. Army; Chester A. Grant - U.S. Navy; Elmer H. Grant - U.S. Army; and, Lynn T. Grass - U.S. Marine Corps.

Also, Dewitt D. Harris - U.S. Army; Eugene B. Harris - U.S. Army; Marion R. Harris - U.S. Marine Corps; Ronald E. Harris - U.S. Army; Harrison Hunter

- U.S. Army; Donald F. Jennings - U.S. Air Force; Carnot T. Kelso - U.S. Army; Cecil D. Lewis Sr. - U.S. Army; Cecil D. Lewis Jr. - U.S. Navy; Glenn W. Lewis - U.S. Navy; Omer I. Lewis - U.S. Army; Donald W. Marland - U.S. Army; Anthony M. Masquat - U.S. Army; and, Norwood Masquat Sr. - U.S. Army.

Also, Alfred B. McAllister - U. S. Air Corps; Merlin D. McClellan - U.S. Army; Franklin A. McConnell - U.S. Army; Queton R. McConnell - U.S. Marine Corps; John B. "Jack" McCoy - U. S. Army; Roswell McCoy - U.S. Marine Corps; Wilson McKinney - U.S. Marine Corps; Allen K. Morris - U.S. Navy; Edward Morris - U.S. Army; Grover Morris - U.S. Marine Corps; Verl M. Morris - U.S. Army/Navy/Air Force; Zack T. Morris - U.S. Army; George Nullake Sr. - U.S. Army; Harry S. Pate - U.S. Army; and, David N. Pennock Jr. - U.S. Air Force/Army.

Also, William Pennock - U.S. Air Force; Vernon J. Pequano Jr. - U.S. Navy; Robert C. Person - U.S. Army; Riley E. Poodry - U.S. Army; Joseph M. Roubidoux - U.S. Army; Edgar L. Scott - U.S. Army; Leslie A. Scott - U.S. Army Medic; Thomas Scott - U.S. Army; James E. Stephans - U.S. Army; Ollie S. Studer - U.S. Army; George R. Switch - U.S. Army/RA; Grace F. Thorpe - U.S. Army WAC; Jack Thorpe - U.S. Army; Elba A. Tiger - U.S. Navy; Herschel M. Tiger - U.S. Army; Jack E. Tiger - U.S. Navy/Air Force; Lloyd F. Tiger - U.S. Army; and, Eugene L. Tyner - U.S. Army.

Also, Guy Wakole - U.S. Army; Hugh Wakole - U.S. Army; Barney C. Wakolee - U.S. Army; David L. Wakolee - U.S. Army; Leon B. Wakolee - U.S. Army; Benny M. Walker - U.S. Navy; Henry Walker Sr. - U.S. Marine Corps; Larry Walker - U.S. Army; Leonard Walker - U.S. Marine Corps; Luther Walker - United States AAF; Marvin Walker - U.S. Army; Mitch Williamson - U.S. Army; Bobby Wood - U.S. Navy; and Virginia I. York - U.S. Marine Corps.



## Happy July Birthday Elders!

Janet Zorina Patterson  
Saginaw M. Grant  
Corrine Hines Hull  
Sherry Lynn Beard  
Michael Gene Tully  
Francena Little  
Diana Jean Hopkins  
Richard Arthur Lexvold  
Mary Catherine Pleacher  
George Thomas Anderson  
Marilyn Eloise Rhodd  
Charlotte Ann Everett  
Stella Louise Wilson  
Debra Theresa Sord  
Beverly Y. Springer  
Lawrence Haney  
Patty Lynn Pendleton  
Connie Lee Schraeder  
Carolyn J. Baron  
Melissa Ann Denny  
Joseph Shane Davis  
James Edward Galloway  
Rema Jean Kaseca  
Kathleen Marie Cardenas  
Grace Nama Springer  
Maudella Renee Whitehead  
Vickie Ann Dupuis  
Delores Jean Barada  
Peggy Sue Rimando  
Oma Lee Boyd  
Janice R. Speers  
Ellen Milagros Ortega  
Scott Michael Ward  
Ronald Eugene Rushing  
Ruth Ann Garvin  
Steven Lee Harshberger  
Frank E. McClellan  
Steven Douglas Wakole  
Joseph Thomas Morris  
Vivian Sheets  
Teresa Ann Leclair  
Frederick A. McAllister  
Sharon Lee Hinds  
Esther Louise Armitage  
Dennis Wayne Bushyhead  
Freida Marie Taylor  
Lowell Eugene Wakole  
Mary Louise Estes  
Patricia Lee Ward  
Lana Jo Butler  
Michael Woodard Hackbarth  
Rilla Marie Maxwell  
Donald Lee Ulrey

Georgia Ann Lester  
Daryl Wayne Walker  
Sharon Kay Poodry  
Linda Sue Standing  
Shirley Ann Hoskins  
Shirley Marie McCormick  
Charles Alan Eldredge  
Bruce E. Long  
Maureen Keo  
Julie Ann Peck  
Marvin Clair Stevens  
Colleen Tiffany Collins  
Carole P. Nave  
Alden Randall Rhodd  
Mona Mae Gibbs  
Linda Lee Waller  
Thomas Darrell Reuben  
Sally Ann Louise Goniwicha  
Barbara L. Poodry  
Joe Paul Felton  
Theodore Gordon McCoy  
Dee Phillip Hocker  
Robert Marvine Boswell  
Ronnie E. Veach  
Angela Desiree Huffman  
Darrell Lee Gray  
Robin Lynne Titus  
Benjamin Franklin  
Paul C. Hocker  
Ronald Dean Fixico  
Joy Lynn King  
Randall Scott Hocker  
Jeanie Loveland  
Connie Len White  
Anna Joyce Walker  
Theresa Ann Walker  
Loretta Dean Cansler  
Roy Price  
Mary Emma Logan  
Sue Sanchez  
Jerald Edward Jones  
Lee Johnson Butler  
Jimmie Lea Tofpi  
Edna Dellceil Page  
Sharron D. Maurice  
Sherry Jean Macy  
Dan W. Yarbrough  
Hattie Francine Whitebreast  
Loretta Mae Ponkilla  
Trudy Renea Ferrell  
Tina Marie Morris  
Kirby Lee Grant



**JOM FUN DAY**  
JOIN US FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP  
ENTERTAINMENT: LIL MIKE BONE  
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED  
**07-12-19**  
SAC AND FOX NATION COMMUNITY BUILDING  
10 AM - 2 PM

## EDUCATION NEWS FOR JULY

By Barbara Ramos, Education Director Sac and Fox Nation

A thought-provoking quote for this month: "The snake which cannot cast its skin has to die. As well, the minds which are prevented from changing their opinions; they cease to be mind."  
-Friedrich Nietzsche.

JOM Education/Fun Day will be held on July 12, 2019 at the Community Building. The tentative agenda is as follows:

- 10 a.m. - Registration/T-shirts
- 10:10 - Round Dance
- 10:15 - Welcome
- 10:25 - Games: Archery Tag for older students. Puppets, Freeze Dance and Playground Game for younger students
- 11:10 - Motivational Speaker (tentative)
- 11:30 - Lunch, Hot dogs, chips, fruit, drinks and cookies

• Noon - Lil Mike Bone Entertainment (he was here in 2017 and the kids enjoyed him)

• 2: p.m. - Clean up  
Parents/Guardians will be required to complete and sign a Waiver form upon registering their child/children. Please make sure you provide staff with a good telephone number in the event your child/children have an accident or become sick.

Jean Lynam and I attended the Tribal REACHE Forum held at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma on May 14th. This was the first Tribal Forum on Attainment and Success of American Indian (A/I) students. Those in attendance worked in groups to answer questions about what activities, resources and ser-

vices would help to foster the retention and success of freshman A/I students to reach specific milestones in their college career.

Through the NASNTI HERITAGE Program they are looking at creating a perfect or nearly perfect Sovereignty Center or American Indian Cultural Center for tribal students. The different groups basically came up with a lot of the same ideas that we felt would be beneficial toward creating the type of environment that would help tribal students better assimilate into college life thus building the retention base.

The National Indian Education Association (NIEA) is currently working on a project with the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) to build capacity for both improving and creating Native Language Immersion Programs in schools across the United States. To accomplish this the NIEA will collaborate with local Native education partners that have a deep level and expertise about Native education at the state level.

According to NIEA teacher shortages are pervasive in Native schools across the country. As part of their commitment to improve educational opportunities for Native students, NIEA has developed the first-ever online job board where schools representing hundreds of tribal communities can post employment opportunities available across the United States. If you know any individuals who are teachers and looking for a teaching position encourage them to check out the - NIEA Job Board.

The Education Department recently received a copy of the National Indian Education Study (NIES). This study was designed to describe the condition of education for American Indian and Alaska Native students in the United States. NIES is under the direction of the National Center for Education Statistics through the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on behalf of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Indian Education (OIE). NIES is authorized under several Executive Orders with the latest being Executive Order 13336, American Indian and Alaska Native Education (2004).

The NIES study provides more in-depth reporting on the achievements and experiences of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) students in grades 4 and 8. This program provides tribal leaders, educators, policy makers, and researchers with reliable and accurate data regarding the education of AI/AN youth.

The report focuses on two major concerns that have been raised during the first decade of NIES:

- What contextual factors are associated with higher-and lower-performing AI/AN students?

• How do AI/AN students see themselves in terms of their Native languages (may be referred to as Heritage, Indigenous, Treasure, and/or Amerindian languages), culture, and aspirations for the future?

If anyone is interested in seeing/reading the report the report release site is: <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/nies>. You may download copies of the most recent NIES report (The National Indian Education Study: 2015).

The report provides a lot of good information on factors associated with higher-and- lower performing AI/AN students.

While going through some files, I happened to find the following article written by the Muscogee Creek Nation. I thought it was rather inspirational and wanted to share it with others:

### SUCCESS IS YOUR CHOICE

Your success is not a matter of chance: it is a matter of your choice. It is not something you wait for but rather something you achieve with effort and ambition. Success doesn't turn up in this world until you achieve your goals for success.

You can choose to be ambitious. Stop to think about your career choice. When you realize what your goals are, you stop chasing rainbows and you start to work digging gold. Decide now that you really want to achieve your goals. Doors open when you're the one with yourself.

If you really want to succeed in this world, look for the circumstance you want and, if you can't find them, make them. Your opportunities for success are all around you. If you look hard enough, you will find them.

The great opportunity in your life is where you are right now. Every situation, properly perceived, can become an opportunity for you. First, say to yourself what you would be. Then, do what you have to do. Success is right in front of you.

The deadline date for RAP and DOI College Applications to be submitted for the fall 2019 semester is June 30th. If you do not have all of the required documents readily available, please submit the application(s) along with whatever documents you have. Remember educational grants are based upon first-come, first-served basis. These documents are entered into a data base and we can readily identify those students who will more than likely be awarded an educational grant.

If you have any questions please contact either Jean Lynam, Education Specialist or Barbara Ramos, Education Director at (918) 968-3526. You may also e-mail me at: [barbara.ramos@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](mailto:barbara.ramos@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov).



## 403 Votes Cast in Sac and Fox Nation June 1 Primary Election

Tribal voters cast a total of 403 votes for candidates for Principal Chief in the June 1 Primary Election. Pictured from left at the Sac and Fox Nation Cultural Center polling site are: Election Board Member Mike Harris, Election Board Chair Georgia Nullake and Election Board Secretary Carrie Spang. Justin Freeland Wood received a total of 216 votes, and won a four-year term of office after receiving over 50 percent of the total votes cast. The 2019 Sac and Fox Nation General Election is set for Aug. 31, 2019. (Photo by Mike Brown)

## Vote Don Abney for Second Chief Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma

My name is Don Abney, and I am running for the Second Chief position. I started work for the Sac and Fox Nation in 1985, on the day after Pow-Wow. I also served 6 years as Principal Chief, 1997-2003. I offer experience in every phase of our Nation.

My opinion is: We need to know where we, as a Nation, hold our priorities, business or education. I think we need to start with education to bring our children up to be competitive with other races for educated jobs.

Our grounds here at headquarters need attention to perhaps establish a town here. We have no tribal residences established here.

Not-in-trust properties are still a problem. Stroud property is being pushed for a casino. Chandler property is not discussed. It holds enough acreage to establish a destination casino.

Cushing residents still need a community building established there. This Nation has opportunities not yet explored or discussed for possibilities.

**I am asking for your vote, so I can help in all our problem solving. You need to vote.**

**It is your right and privilege.**

Thank you,  
Don Abney

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## 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 form)
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 Ins.)
5. If your child has a Documented Disability, we will need a copy of his/her IFSP or IEP.

**Stroud CTSA Headstart**  
**Yellow Earth Learning Center**

## 2019 Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Gourd Dance Highlights



Head Singer Dwayne Tofpi and fellow singers and drums are pictured during the 2019 Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Gourd Dance conducted May 25 in the Sac and Fox Community Building. (Photo by Mike Brown)



Members of the Sac and Fox Nation and Seminole Nation Veterans Honor Guards were among those participating in the 2019 Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Gourd Dance. Serving as arena director was Jaimé Cervantes. (Photo by Mike Brown)

# Sac and Fox Nation

## 56th Annual POWWOW

### July 11-14 2019

### SCHEDULE

**Thur:** Traditional Night  
Senior Man & Woman Announced  
Men's & Women's Traditional Contest  
Tiny Tots

**Fri:** Juniors & Teens Contests  
Drum Contest begins  
Tiny Tots  
Stamp Dance  
Lil Miss SFN Special Contest

**Sat:** Women's Contests  
Golden Age Contests  
Switch Dance  
Richard Williamson Memorial Contest  
49 Contest.

**Sun:** Men's Contests  
Golden Age  
Switch Dance.

### HEAD STAFF

**MC:** RG Harris & Chris White  
**Head Singer:** Gene Logan  
**Head Gourd Dancer:** Ethan Tsoodle  
**AD:** Marshal Williamson & Cortney Yarholar  
**Head Man/Woman:** Selected Nightly TBA  
**Water Carriers:** Thursh Gasper Mac Deer & Elijah Harjo

...:GOURD DANCE: 2PM - 5PM SAT & SUN:...  
 ...:GRAND ENTRY: 8PM NIGHTLY:...  
 ...: FLAG RAISING: 8AM DAILY:...

**DRUM CONTEST BEGINS FRIDAY NIGHT**  
**1st \$3,000 2nd \$2,000 3rd \$1,000**

**VENDOR CONTACT**  
 Angela Gasper: 405-328-1327

**POWWOW INFO CONTACTS**  
 Mason Williamson: 918-290-0625  
 Bessie Morris: 918-290-0417  
 Ashley Pacheco: 405-585-9838

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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.*



### July 2019 Quotes

Martin Luther King said, "I have a dream." But we, Indians, didn't have a dream, we had reality.

Ben Black Elk, Oglala Lakota, (1899-1973)

The Great Spirit is everywhere; he hears whatever is in our minds and our hearts, and it is not necessary to speak to him in a loud voice

Black Elk, Oglala Lakota, (1863-1950)

When a man does a piece of work which is admired by all, we say that is wonderful, but when we see the changes of day and night, the sun, the moon and the stars in the sky, and the changing seasons upon the Earth, with their ripening fruits, anyone must realize that it is the work of someone more powerful than man.

Chased-By-Bears, Santee Yanktonai, 1893-1915

## July Scramble

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## July Comic



### July 2019 Word Match

Penâwi	There is a dance
Pâwâhiwa	Dances in a circle
Nîkânekêwa	Powwow
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Pemekêwa	Dances
Tetepekêwa	Dances slowly



### SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

**July 2019**  
**Penâwi**  
(Summer Moon)

*From the Sauk Language Department.*

Join us online or visit our website for Sauk words and to play games at

[www.talksauk.com!](http://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](mailto:Katie.Thompson@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov)



## Good Health and Wellness Grant Committee Gathers First Harvest From Community Garden



On June 4, members of the Sac and Fox Nation's Good Health and Wellness Grant Committee, and other volunteers gathered the first harvest of potatoes from the Community Garden, located east of Black Hawk Health Center. Potatoes and onions were planted in the garden on March 18 after the Tobacco Incentive Program was awarded a grant through the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board and Oklahoma Area Tribal Epidemiology Center. The grant is titled, 'Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country.' Good Health and Wellness Grant Committee members pictured from left with the harvested potatoes are: Andy Warrior with the Sac and Fox Nation Land and Cattle Dept., Leah Carver, DeAnna Densman, Anthony Ramirez and Josh Nooner, all with Black Hawk Health Center and Merle Boyd Wellness Center. Not pictured is Sam Spang with the Sac and Fox Nation's USDA Food Program. (Photo provided)



Pictured above are buckets of Red Pontiac and Yukon Gold potatoes and onions gathered recently in the first harvest from the Sac and Fox Nation's Community Garden. (Photo Provided)

### Sac and Fox Transportation Program

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- You must have an established chart at BHHC
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- You must have an active referral from a BHHC provider to the facility where being transported

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### July Word Search

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### Robert Williamson For Committee Member



Aho, Thâkîhichiki. Hello, fellow Sac and Fox people. Kapanikwe neteshitho. My Sauk name is Kapanihkwe. My name is Robert Williamson. Nnemêthiwitho. I am fish clan. It has been an honor to serve as your Committee Member. I respectfully ask for your vote on August 31st. As Committee Member, I will continue to focus on enhancing the quality of life of all members of the Sac and Fox Nation. My goals have been to provide employment training opportunities for our people, protect our land, and create partnerships that will benefit the Sac and Fox Nation. We have made progress, and I am asking for your vote so I can continue working on these projects. These are some of the initiatives I have been focusing on:

- Building relationships and establishing memorandums of understanding with employers and employment organizations to ensure our Sac and Fox tribal members have opportunities for employment here at home.
- Providing job training opportunities. Already this year, I coordinated a free Class-B truck driving training and certification course for tribal members. This training was held at the Sac and Fox Nation and was a partnership with the Teamsters National Pipeline. Due to the immense interest in this course, I am working on coordinating additional courses so all tribal members who are interested have an opportunity to participate. I am also working on introducing other valuable training programs in various industries.
- I am meeting with local energy companies to make sure the Sac and Fox Nation has a seat at the table. We must protect our land and resources by monitoring projects that could impact us. I have already met with numerous companies to educate them about the Sac and Fox Nation and discuss our concerns. Further, I have advocated for the hiring of tribal monitors. As of today, 14 total monitors have been employed on several projects, earning a total in excess of \$500,000. Currently, two monitors were still working on the Elk Creek Pipeline project, raising the estimation of this figure to more than \$650,000. Protecting our resources and employing our people are of utmost importance to me. I will continue to advocate for tribal monitors to be hired on all projects located on our jurisdictional lands.
- Educating companies operating in our area about the Sac and Fox Nation and our events. This advocacy was important during the Diamond Pipeline project and resulted in a \$6,000.00 donation from the Valero Corporation.
- I have worked to bring a \$10,000 grant to the Nation to provide for two emergency responder certifications for Sac and Fox Nation tribal members. The Plains All-American Pipeline Company offered a first responder grant program for communities near the pipeline's route. I assisted in applying for and securing this funding for the Sac and Fox Nation.
- I was honored to coordinate a trip to Tama, Iowa to obtain traditional seeds of corn, beans and squash. We have started a community garden with these seeds.
- I am assisting in the planning of land development projects, such as cedar clearing and prescribed burns, to ensure we have a sustainable land management program. We must continue to focus on land management and restoration to ensure our land is healthy for our children and grandchildren.

While I am determined to plan for the future to enhance the overall quality of life of the Sac and Fox people, I know it's important to educate the next generation about our history, culture, and traditions. By honoring our traditions and proud history, we can continue to advance the Sac and Fox Nation together. I'm committed to working hard on your behalf. Please contact me and share your ideas and concerns.  
Kewâwiyâmenepwa. I thank you all.

### July 2019 Word List

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### Sac and Fox Nation Telephone Extensions Main Number: 918-968-3526

**Chief - 1004 • Second Chief - 1005 • Treasurer - 1006 • Secretary - 1007  
Committee Member - 1010 • BC Front Desk - 1002 • Tax - 1043-1045  
Accounting - 1030-1036 • Property and Procurement - 1020-1039-1022  
Maintenance - 2063 • BHHC - 918-968-9531 • ICW - 1711 • Court - 2039  
Library - 2020-2021 • Language - 1075 • JUVI - 4000  
USDA - 2077 (WIC 2079)-2080-2081-2082 (Warehouse USDA 2089)  
Education - 2046 • IT - 2041 • Police - 2033 • Self-Governance - 1080  
Capitol Security - 1090 • Realty - 1050 • Enrollment - 1040-1041  
RAP - 2000 • Social Services - 2010-2011 • OES - 2091-2092-2094  
Veterans - 1065 • Newspaper - 1060 • Chief of Staff - 1001  
NAGPRA/Historic Preservation - 1070**

## Waterfowl Stamp Design Contest Is Underway

The iconic Canada goose is the subject for the current Oklahoma Waterfowl Stamp design competition, which is now accepting entries. Artists have until 4:30 p.m. Aug. 1 to submit artwork for this prestigious contest that has been conducted by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation since 1980.

The winning artwork will grace the 2020-21 Oklahoma Waterfowl Stamp, which is purchased by waterfowl hunters in the state and by collectors nationwide. The winning artist will receive a \$1,200 purchase award.

Because the Wildlife Department receives no general state tax appropriations, revenue from the Oklahoma Waterfowl Stamp and the Oklahoma Waterfowl License are important sources of funding for in-the-field habitat work that benefits waterfowl and other wetlands wildlife. Since the waterfowl stamp program began, thousands of acres of habitat has been purchased and much of that habitat has been enhanced, restored and maintained for the benefit of waterfowl.

Judges will consider each artwork in terms of anatomical accuracy, artistic composition and suitability for printing. Any background habitat depicted must be typical of an Oklahoma locale.

Entries are limited to one artwork per artist, and a \$20 nonrefundable entry fee and entry form are required. Mailed entries should be sent to Duck Stamp Competition Coordinator, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, P.O. Box 53465, Oklahoma City, OK 73152. For complete contest rules, go to [www.wildlifedepartment.com/hunting/species/waterfowl/duck-stamp-program/rules](http://www.wildlifedepartment.com/hunting/species/waterfowl/duck-stamp-program/rules).

## Don't Skimp on The 'Sunshine Vitamin'

The sunny days of summer bring on a slew of outdoor activities like cookouts, ballgames and time by the pool. But, sunshine and the vitamin D it delivers also play a key role in your health, said Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation physician-scientist Judith James, M.D., Ph.D. Sunshine is known to improve mood and help people sleep better at night. Exposure to sunlight also strengthens bones, bolsters the immune system and may lower the risk of conditions ranging from heart disease to cancer to Alzheimer's.

"It's called the sunshine vitamin for good reason, because sunlight produces vitamin D when the skin is exposed to ultraviolet rays," said James, who serves as OMRF's Vice President of Clinical Affairs and holds the Lou C. Kerr Endowed Chair in Biomedical Research. Vitamin D is essential to good health, but in this age of sun avoidance and indoor jobs, James said, more and more Americans find themselves lacking this vital nutrient.

And, said OMRF President Stephen Prescott, M.D., unlike many other vitamins, it's difficult to get enough vitamin D through diet alone. "Other vitamins and minerals are usually consumed in appropriate levels by eating a sensible, balanced diet," said Prescott. "But this isn't the case with vitamin D."

As a result, it's added to foods like milk, orange juice and breakfast cereals. Vitamin D supplements are also a safe, affordable option, said James. James said vitamin D protects you from a long list of possible health problems, especially in regard to bone health.

"A deficiency can predispose anyone, especially girls, to osteoporosis and other related bone health problems," she said. Making sure young girls get enough vitamin D is crucial for their ability to build maximum bone density, as everyone loses bone mass with age, especially women. If people lose too much bone mass, they are at higher risk of fractures, which limit mobility and are a major cause of mortality and loss of independence in the elderly.

New research shows low vitamin D levels can also raise the risk for developing autoimmune diseases like lupus. "In people who already have an autoimmune disease, if their vitamin D is low, data suggests their disease will be harder to control or they'll experience more disease activity," said James. Making sure you get enough vitamin D is important. Just remember to be safe in the sun. "Sunshine is important, but you can get too much of a good thing," said James. "Wear adequate sunscreen to decrease your chances of skin cancer, and most importantly, don't let yourself--or your children--get sunburned. Moderation is key."

## 6th Annual Family Fishing Day Highlights



Dale Miller, who serves as water quality specialist with the Sac and Fox Nation Office of Environmental Services, is pictured above speaking about the importance of environmental stewardship and preservation during the free 6th Annual Family Fishing Day held at Veterans Lake. "We are borrowing this lake from future generations," he commented. At left, Miller conducts a demonstration to emphasize the importance of maintaining a healthy shoreline riparian zone. Taking part in the demonstration from left are attendees Tegan Fincher and Addison Main. (Photos by Mike Brown)

## JULY AT BLACK HAWK CASINO

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## 2019 Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Day Ceremonies



Sac and Fox Nation elder and military veteran Francis Grant is pictured delivering a message of remembrance and appreciation at the May 25 Sac and Fox Nation Memorial Day program.



Members of the Seminole Nation Veterans Honor Guard are pictured conducting a gun salute in honor of fallen U. S. military veterans at the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial on Hwy. 99 on May 25.



Sac and Fox Veterans Honor Guard Commander Norwood "Sonny" Masquat welcomes those in attendance at the Memorial program.



Sac and Fox Nation elder and military veteran Austin Grant, Jr. is pictured placing American Flags on the graves of fallen veterans buried in the Sac and Fox Nation Cemetery. Also assisting with the placement of the flags were Sac and Fox Veterans Honor Guard members Bud McClellan, Sonny Masquat and Curtis Wakolee. (All Photos by Mike Brown)

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### DRIVER NEEDED!

Driver needed for Title VI Program, delivering meals to homebound tribal members. Contact Lolly Ashley, 918-968-3526, Extension 2012.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes are now accessible on the Website [sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](http://sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov) and Facebook

### SFN Activity Committee Meetings Set the First Tuesday Of Each Month

The Sac & Fox Nation Activity Committee is comprised of tribal member volunteers who have the desire to promote activities within our tribe.

The Activity Committee is open to all Sac & Fox tribal members as well as non-tribal members. Beginning in June 2019, the Activity Committee will hold a regular meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 5:45 p.m. in the SFN Cultural Building.

Meetings are open to the public. The Activity Committee encourages membership, ideas, suggestions and/or concerns of the organization and hosting events. Ketepi

## JULY AT SAC & FOX CASINO

  
**SUMMERTIME**  
PUNCHBOARD

**SATURDAYS**  
**7PM - 11PM**  
**EVERY 30 MINUTES**

**CHANCE TO WIN**  
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**OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT**

**SATURDAY, JULY 13TH**

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IN FRONT OF THE CASINO

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**Thank You!**

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**SHIRTS**

**JULY 12TH & 13TH • 2PM - 11PM**

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**RECEIVE 1 T-SHIRT PER DAY**

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 ELDERS ONLY	2 STROUD HD SHAWNEE HD ELDERS ONLY	4 SHIPMENT	4 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	5 ELDERS ONLY
8	9 STROUD HD <u>LATE NIGHT</u> SHAWNEE 12 pm - 6 pm	10 SHAWNEE HD	11 SFN POWWOW 8TH ANNUAL SAUK WALK & 5K RUN SAC & FOX NATION HEALTH FAIR	12 SFN POWWOW
15 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	16	17 SHIPMENT	18	19 LITTLE AXE TAILGATE 10 am - 12 pm
22 <u>LATE NIGHT</u> STROUD 8 am - 6 pm	23 <u>LATE NIGHT</u> SHAWNEE 12 pm - 6 pm	24	25	26 PERKINS TAILGATE 10 am - 1 pm
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<b>HOURS</b> MONDAY - FRIDAY CERTIFICATION 8:00 am - 4:30 pm STORE 8:30 am - 2:30 pm STORE AM INVENTORY 8:00 am - 8:30 am STORE PM INVENTORY 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm HOME DELIVERIES ARE FOR HOMEBOUND AND/OR DISABLED ELDERS. CALL OUR STROUD OFFICE TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.				



Sac and Fox Nation Office of Environmental Services Director Jeremy Finch discusses the identifying characteristics of Oklahoma native fish species and their habitat during the Sixth Annual Family Fishing Day held June 1 at Veterans Lake. (All Photos by Mike Brown)



The Oklahoma Dept. of Wildlife provided the fishing rods and reels for the Sixth Annual Family Fishing Day hosted June 1 at Veterans Lake by the Sac and Fox Nation's Office of Environmental Services (OES).



Sac and Fox Nation Second Chief Audrey Rose Lee, right, looks on as OES Water Quality Specialist Dale Miller catches a catfish during free fishing day activities on June 1 at Veterans Lake.

**ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS**  
 A member of the Tax Commission Staff  
 Will now be at:  
**The Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center**  
 Twice a Month  
 The Tax Commission Representative  
 Will be there on:  
**The First (1st) and Third (3rd) Thursdays**  
 We will be able to better serve tribal members living in the Shawnee area with motor vehicle registration and, any other service that we can assist you with.

**2019 Nutrition Services Schedule**

**Cooking Classes**

All classes will be held in the Sac and Fox Chapel unless otherwise posted. Class times are 11am-12pm and 12pm-1pm, both classes cover the same information.

**January:** Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>  
**February:** Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – Community Building  
**March:** Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>  
**April:** Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>  
**May:** Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>  
**June:** Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>  
**July:** Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup>  
**August:** Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>  
**September:** Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>  
**October:** Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>  
**November:** Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>  
**December:** Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Grocery Store Tours**

Tour will provide tips over successfully navigating the grocery store, healthy food ideas, reading and understanding food labels, and buying groceries on a budget. Tours will be limited to first 10 registrants.

**Williams, Stroud:** Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Anthony's Foods, Prague:** Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>  
**WalMart, Cushing:** Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>  
**FireLake, Shawnee:** Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

Please RSVP by using the sign-up sheets that are located at the front desks of both the Black Hawk Health Center and the Merle W. Boyd Center. You can also RSVP by emailing [josh.nooner@ihs.gov](mailto:josh.nooner@ihs.gov) or calling 918-968-9531 x3042.

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**405-275-1262**

## Activity Committee Hosts Princess Pageant and Royalty Honor Dance



2018-2019 Outgoing Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Royalty members are pictured with their Tribal Royalty Honor Dance cake presented June 15 following the 2019-2020 Sac and Fox Nation Princess Pageant held in the Community Building. Shown from left are: Miss Sac and Fox Nation Janae Grass, Junior Miss Sac and Fox Nation Leilani Walker-Pizano and Little Miss Sac and Fox Nation Quincie Barse-Presson. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)



Pictured from left at the June 15 at the Sac and Fox Nation Princess Pageant held in the Sac and Fox Nation Community Building are: Little Miss contestant Amira Walker-Pizano, Junior Miss contestant Breanna Butler, Miss contestant Patience Longhorn, Miss contestant Koriana Ivory-Pizano and Junior Miss contestant Leilani Walker-Pizano. (Photo by Mike Brown)

## FDPIR Director Pays Tribute to Late Innovator Larry E. Foley

by Sam Spang  
FDPIR Director  
Sac and Fox Nation

I hope you're all doing well, Ki-Men-Wi-Pema-Tethi-Pwa!! One of our long-time friends and a former veteran employee of the Sac and Fox Nation Food Distribution Program passed away recently. Mr. Larry E. Foley, born August 2, 1945 in Mt. Sidney, Virginia, passed away June 10, 2019 in Oklahoma City at the age of 73. (For full obituary, visit: <https://www.lehmanfuneralhome.net/notices/Larry-Foley>).

During Larry's employment with SFN, he was instrumental in the initial 1996 USDA Store Concept Pilot, which helped establish one of the first FDPIR stores in the United States right here at the Sac and Fox Nation Main Tribal Complex. Additionally, once the store was established in the early 2000s, Larry blazed forward and helped deploy a barcode scanning system developed by Synchronics called 'Food Flow' that tracked store inventory and was used in conjunction with AIS.

This system helped create great efficiency with turnaround time at the check-out. Most notably, this was one of the first barcode scanning systems deployed by a tribal FDPIR program nationwide, pre-dating the barcode scanning functions of our current AIS database developed by USDA by approximately 7 years. Although we scrapped Food Flow after AIS barcode scanning features finally became available years later, we had already learned so much about the store concept, inventory control, and barcode scanning through Larry's endeavors and innovative thinking, at a time when dial-up Internet, pay phones, and cassette tapes were still a thing.

Larry was a good friend and mentor to so many at Sac and Fox Nation, and our Southwest Region (USDA/FNS/SWRO) that had the pleasure of knowing or working with him throughout his years of service to our community. He came to Sac and Fox Country around 1991, and made many lifelong friendships in our community. Larry was well respected and befriended by many who are now tribal elders today, who welcomed him with open arms into our camps every year during our Sac and Fox Annual Powwow.

Larry, for the most part, made himself right at home at Mary Lee Brown's family camp every year, just north of the main entrance. His camp duty each year was to haul water for the whole weekend. So, he bought a 50-gallon water tank he'd fill up and drop off without question. As many Sac and Fox families do during powwow time, he would make his rounds from camp to camp, visiting, feasting, laughing and sharing stories throughout the weekend. Larry knew many of our Sauk customs and protocols around the powwow grounds and moved about free-



Larry E. Foley, 1945 - 2019

ly enjoying his time amongst the people during our homecoming.

Throughout his 23 years of service with the Sac and Fox Nation Food Distribution Program, Larry helped serve many, many families in their time of need with USDA food assistance, as the safety net of the Sac and Fox people and our surrounding tribal communities. He was always here to help those in need, whether our clients were just coming in to pick up their commodity food items or just needed to stop by for a good visit about life... Larry was an elder himself. He was always here with an open mind, a big heart, ready and willing to offer good words and solid advice when needed.

Larry will be truly missed. As we move forward, his legacy will live on through all of us at the Sac and Fox Nation Food Distribution Program, along with all the good memories he's shared with the members of our community. He was a dear friend of my mother, Janice Stevens, and all my aunts.

I can still see them laughing, joking and visiting at our camp during powwow time as our cook pots simmered over the open fire, gourd dance songs thunder on in the background. All while the aunts were nearing the end of their prep work with fry bread being carefully prepared, early evening and cooler temperatures easing in while family members begin to gather as the smell of fry bread fills the air, signaling to all that it's almost supper time.

Mr. Foley requested his ashes be scattered on his property, and that there be no formal service. As Larry travels on, we wish him a good journey as he joins his ancestors. May he rest in paradise... journey well Nikan (my friend)!!

Larry Foley: 23 years of service to the Sac and Fox Nation

- 1991-2006: Distribution Clerk, Warehouse Supervisor, & Inventory Manager, 15 years; and,

- 2008-2016: Program Support Specialist, 8years.



Sac and Fox Nation Activity Committee Officers are pictured with princess sashes, crowns and handmade wooden crown boxes, trophies and shawls presented during the 2019-2020 Sac and Fox Nation Princess Pageant held June 15. Activity Committee officers shown from left are: Secretary Courtney Plumley, Chairman Justin Morris, Vice Chairwoman Carrie LaDeaux and Treasurer Angela Warrior. (Photo by Mike Brown)



The 2019-2020 Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Royalty members selected at the June 15 pageant and shown from left are: Jr. Miss Breanna Butler, Miss Sac and Fox Nation Patience Longhorn, and Little Miss - Amira Walker-Pizano. See more pageant photos on Page 20. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)

**Business Committee Meeting Minutes**  
are now accessible on the Website and Facebook  
[sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](http://sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov)



# Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Recessed Special Business Committee meeting held on May 23, 2019. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1) Audrey R. Lee motion with corrections to approve the Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated May 1, 2019. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 2) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve the Recessed Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated May 2, 2019. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Absent, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve contract number correction for Tribal Emergency Home Repair Request Contract. Contract #2019-04-01 approved May 2, 2019 corrected to #2019-01-06. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 4) **Resolution SF-19-139**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Studio 45 Architects for the Black Hawk Health Center expansion. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 5) **Ratify Straw Poll Resolution SF-19-140**, a resolution to authorize, approve, and obtain services from Mr. Scott Sypolt in association with Ackerman Law Firm in the total amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) for period of May 1, 2019 through October 31, 2019. The funding source is identified as Treasury. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 6) **Resolution SF-19-141**, a resolution authorizing and approving Sac and Fox Nation's Office of Environmental Services to develop and submit a grant application for U.S. DOI FY 2019 Tribal Wildlife Grant Funding. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 7) **Resolution SF-19-142**, a resolution authorizing and approving Sac and Fox Nation's Office of Environmental Services to develop and submit a grant application for funding under the Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Resilience Grant Program. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 8) **Resolution SF-19-143**, a resolution authorizing and approving contract #2019-05-01 between the Sac and Fox Nation and Ecothrive, PLLC for professional services not to exceed \$50,000.00. The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2019 DOI Tribal Resilience Program Budget Modification #1 approved by the Budget Task Force, April 3, 2019. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 9) **Resolution SF-19-144**, a resolution changing blood degree for six (6) people on the Membership Roll of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Sac and Fox Nation. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) **Resolution SF-19-145**, a resolution adding four (4) people to the Membership Roll of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Sac and Fox Nation. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 11) **Resolution SF-19-146**, a resolution of three (3) denials from the membership of the Sac and Fox Nation. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 12) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve updated job description for the Medical Director at the Black Hawk Health Center. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Jared A. King motion to approve updated job description for the Medical Scanner position at the Black Hawk Health Center. Audrey R. Lee-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 14) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve updated job description for the Health Information Clerk at the Black Hawk Health Center. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 15) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve updated job description for the Medical Coder I at the Black Hawk Health Center. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 16) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve updated job description for the Medical Coder II at the Black Hawk Health Center. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 17) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve Tribal Emergency Home Repair Request Contract #2019-04-01. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 18) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve a sponsorship request in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to be paid for out of Public Relations line item. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve request for a four week Traditional Song/Dances event in the amount of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) to be paid for out of BC Contingency line item. Audrey R. Lee-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 20) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve the following requests to be paid from the RAP Government Donation line item: Shawnee Public Schools \$500.00, Sac and Fox Unity \$5,000.00, Stroud Tiger Football \$1,000.00, in the total amount of \$6,500.00. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 21) **Resolution SF-19-147**, a resolution appointing Yannah Meeks to fill the vacancy in position number one (#1), for the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a term of 4 years. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 22) **Resolution SF-19-148**, a resolution appointing Shawna Spoon to fill the vacancy in position number two (#2), for the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a term of 3 years. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 23) **Resolution SF-19-149**, a resolution appointing Peggy BigEagle to fill the vacancy in position number three (#3), for the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a term of 2 years. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 3:47 p.m.



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.

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2019 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019)

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	\$1,012	+	\$164	=	\$1,176
2	\$1,372	+	\$164	=	\$1,536
3	\$1,732	+	\$164	=	\$1,896
4	\$2,092	+	\$174	=	\$2,266
5	\$2,452	+	\$204	=	\$2,656
6	\$2,812	+	\$234	=	\$3,046
7	\$3,172	+	\$234	=	\$3,406
8	\$3,532	+	\$234	=	\$3,766
each additional member					\$360

### Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,265	+	\$281	=	\$1,546
2	\$1,715	+	\$281	=	\$1,996
3	\$2,165	+	\$281	=	\$2,446
4	\$2,615	+	\$281	=	\$2,896
5	\$3,065	+	\$281	=	\$3,346
6	\$3,515	+	\$292	=	\$3,807
7	\$3,965	+	\$292	=	\$4,257
8	\$4,415	+	\$292	=	\$4,707
each additional member					\$450

## FY 2019 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e)) Effective October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019

<b>Earned Income Deduction</b>	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.
<b>Dependent Care Deduction</b>	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
<b>Child Support Deduction</b>	Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.
<b>Medical Expense Deduction</b>	Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).
<b>Home Care Meal-Related Deduction</b>	Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. The home care meal-related deduction amounts are as follows:  48 Contiguous U.S. States = \$192  Alaska by Area Designations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban = \$232</li> <li>• Rural 1 = \$295</li> <li>• Rural 2 = \$360</li> </ul> See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.
<b>Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction</b>	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

## FY 2019 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Effective October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019

### Baseline by Region\*

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

## HELP WANTED! SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Chief of Staff
- Family Practice Physician
- Realty Director (Stroud)
- Medical Coder II
- Self-Governance Director
- Social Worker
- Resident Advisor
- Environmental Specialist

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

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

or contact Human Resources, Sac and Fox Nation, 920963 S. Hwy. 99, Bldg. A Stroud, OK 74079 or by phone (918) 968-3526

# Sac and Fox Nation 2019 Election Dates to Remember

**Sac and Fox Nation  
2019 Election Dates to Remember  
(Approved: December 3, 2018)**

**FILED**  
DATE 12-5-2018

SECRETARY  
SAC & FOX NATION

*Joseph K. King*

**Section 201. Election Days**

(c) Any such Primary Election shall be held at least thirty (30) days prior to the regular General Election.  
**Primary Election: Saturday, June 1, 2019**

**Section 201. Election Days**

(a) Regular General Elections of members of the Business Committee and Grievance Committee shall be held on the last Saturday in August of each election year. All other required Tribal elections shall be held upon call of the Business Committee.  
**General Election: Saturday, August 31, 2019**

**Section 208. Poll Watchers**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

Notification of Poll Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules.  
**DEADLINE: Friday, May 24, 2019 by 4:30 p.m. (No emails or faxes will be accepted)**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

Notification of Poll Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules.  
**DEADLINE: Friday, August 23, 2019 by 4:30 p.m. (No emails or faxes will be accepted)**

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

**Section 302. Voting List**

(a) It shall be the duty of the Tribal Secretary to compile from the Tribal membership rolls a list of all persons who will be eligible voters on the date scheduled for the Primary Election and General Election and to present sufficient certified copies of this list as requested to the Election Board no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Primary Election and no later than sixty (60) days prior to the General Election. The said copies are to be returned to the Tribal Secretary.  
(b) One copy of the voting list shall be maintained in the Tribal Office and be open to public inspection during Regular business hours no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election.

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Open to the public: Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**Open to the public: Tuesday, July 2, 2019**

**Section 303. Challenges to Voting Lists**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Deadline for Challenges: Friday, May 10, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**Deadline for Challenges: Friday, August 9, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 402. Filing for Office**

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

**OPENING DATE TO FILE FOR OFFICE:**

**Wednesday, January 2, 2019**

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Closing date to file for Office: Thursday, March 28, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 27, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 403. Petition for Office**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Deadline to Petition for Office: Thursday, March 28, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 27, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 406. Withdrawals**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Deadline to withdraw: Monday, April 8, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**Deadline to withdraw: Friday, July 5, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 408. Contest of Candidate Eligibility**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**If no Primary Election, deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 602. Application for Absentee Ballot**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**Requests will be accepted from Friday, March 1, 2019 and cannot accept requests after Thursday, May 2, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**Requests will be accepted from Thursday, May 2, 2019 and cannot accept requests after Thursday, August 1, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 706. The Tally**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

Notification of Tally Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules. **DEADLINE: Friday, May 24, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

Notification of Tally Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules. **DEADLINE: Friday, August 23, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

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

**Section 710. Certification of Election**

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, June 1, 2019  
CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, June 2, 2019**

**CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, June 12, 2019**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 31, 2019  
CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, September 10, 2019**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, September 1, 2019**

**CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, September 11, 2019**

**Section 802. Contest Petition**

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

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

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, June 1, 2019**

**THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, June 2, 2019**

**THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 31, 2019**

**THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**If the tally is completed on Sunday, September 1, 2019**

**THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**Section 805. Request for Recount**

Since the Election Ordinance provides for automatic recount of ballots, any request for recount of ballots must list the reasons therefore in writing and be submitted to the Election Board Chairman, or the Chairman's designated representative within five (5) days after the election. Such request must be accompanied by a non-refundable cashier's check of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) made payable to the Sac and Fox Nation. Said check

shall be forwarded to the Tribal Secretary-Treasurer to be credited against the cost of the recount. The Election Board shall meet and decide within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice whether or not the reasons listed in the request are sufficient to cause a recount of ballots.

**PRIMARY ELECTION:**

**The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, June 6, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**GENERAL ELECTION:**

**The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, September 5, 2019 by 4:30 p.m.**

**You're getting a new Medicare card!**

**Cards will be mailed between April 2018 – April 2019**

You asked, and we listened. You're getting a new Medicare card! Between April 2018 and April 2019, we'll be removing Social Security numbers from Medicare cards and mailing each person a new card. This will help keep your information more secure and help protect your identity.

You'll get a new Medicare Number that's unique to you, and it will only be used for your Medicare coverage. The new card won't change your coverage or benefits. You'll get more information from Medicare when your new card is mailed.

**Here's how you can get ready:**

- Make sure your mailing address is up to date. If your address needs to be corrected, contact Social Security at [ssa.gov/myaccount](http://ssa.gov/myaccount) or 1-800-772-1213. TTY users can call 1-800-325-0778.
- Beware of anyone who contacts you about your new Medicare card. We'll never ask you to give us personal or private information to get your new Medicare Number and card.
- Understand that mailing everyone a new card will take some time. Your card might arrive at a different time than your friend's or neighbor's.

**2018 PER CAPITA PAYMENT INFORMATION**

- Individual must be enrolled by September 30, 2018 to be eligible for the 2018 per capita payment.
  - Tribal members will need to submit a W9 to the Finance Department for the upcoming 2018 Per Capita Payment.
  - Once a W-9 form is received, it will be updated into our system and all payments due will be made at a time of disbursement.
  - If an individual is a NEW tribal member, or has had a NAME CHANGE, a copy of Social Security card is needed for our records.
  - There is NO deadline on submitting a W9. All checks will be mailed, no exceptions.
  - The IRS 1099 form will be mailed by January 31, 2019.
- NEW MINORS . . . PLEASE SEND COPY OF SOCIAL SECURITY CARD SO WE CAN GET TRUST ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED**

**W-9 Form**

It is critical that the W-9 Form be completed correctly and thoroughly for each individual tribal member. Be sure to fill out your NAME, MAILING ADDRESS, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, and then SIGN and DATE your form.

**Required Legal Documents**

If you have had a name change due to marriage, divorce, adoption, etc., it is important the Finance Department has a copy of your social security card. All other legal documents should be sent to the Enrollment Department so their records can be updated. Any guardianship or Power of Attorney documents need to be on file with the Finance Department.

**Minors**

Parents or guardians are responsible for providing a W-9 for minor children; not doing so could result in the minor's payment not being deposited into the minor's trust fund account in a timely manner.

**Contact information - Finance Department**

For identity/security purposes, a W-9 form will not be accepted by e-mail. Completed forms may be hand delivered, mailed, or faxed.

**Contact information:**

Sac and Fox Nation  
Finance Department  
920963 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A  
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079

Direct fax: 918-968-4528

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Department staff by phone at 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970 ext. 1033, 1038 or 1027.

**Tax Liability Notification**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**NOTICE**

**Why does a W-9 needed to be submitted yearly?**

If a tribal member receives income that is taxable, a 1099 must be issued for Tax Purposes. The W-9 also serves as a yearly address update.

Can the allotted minor payment be refused in order to have the entire per capita payment be deposited in trust? Yes, but in order to do so we must still receive a W-9 for the same reasons stated above. We would also need a written statement to that effect to be included with the W-9.

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

**Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification**

Form **W-9** (Rev. October 2018)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. **X**

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

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC

C Corporation

S Corporation

Partnership

Trust/estate

Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶

**Note:** Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

Other (see instructions) ▶

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

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

**Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)**

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

**Part II Certification**

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

**Sign Here** Signature of U.S. person **X** Date **X**

**General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

**Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.



**Mikayla Wildcat Receives Sports Awards; Signs With Connors State College**

Mikayla Wildcat, Sac and Fox Nation tribal member and senior at Varnum High School, recently signed a letter of intent to play fast-pitch softball at Connors State College. Sports awards earned during her high school career include: Native American All-State Fast-Pitch, OSSCA All-State Slow-Pitch, State Runner-up in fast-pitch and state champion in basketball. She is the daughter of Minnie Hopper and Dion Wildcat.

(Photo by Mike Brown)

**Tips Offered For Salvaging Documents**

by Trisha Gedon,

Agricultural Communications Services  
Oklahoma State University

Much of Oklahoma has experienced record-breaking rainfall, leaving much of the state under water. Many homes and businesses have been flooded or torn apart by tornadoes, leaving a wake of destruction and homeowners and business owners scrambling to recover important paper documents.

Cindy Clampet, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension family resource management assistant specialist, said it is possible to save important papers and books that have been damaged by flooding or rainwater.

“Despite living in a digital age, most all of us have important papers at home. Birth certificates, marriage licenses and titles for vehicles are just a few of the examples of important documents. Some may have a treasured book from their youth or even a family bible that has been handed down through the generations,” Clampet said. “For the best results, slowly dry papers and books. Wipe book covers with a solution of equal parts of rubbing/denatured alcohol and water.”

If you do not have time to clean and dry your papers and book immediately, put the papers and books in a plastic zipper bag in the freezer. This will help prevent mold and mildew. Place wax paper between the layers of papers or books so they can easily be separated when you are ready to clean them. When working on waterlogged books, place them on end with the pages separated. When partially dry, pile and press the books to help keep the pages from crumpling.

“Alternate drying and pressing the books until they’re thoroughly dry. This will help prevent mildew from growing,” she said. “You also may use a fan during this process to help the books dry faster.” Important documents damaged by flood water can be sprinkled with cornstarch or talcum powder to absorb moisture. Leave the powder there for several hours and then brush it off.

If you happen to have valuable books that are nearly dry, consider ironing the pages with an electric iron set on low. Clampet said this may be a tedious process, but depending on the value of the book, can be worth the effort. When completely dried, close them and use C-clamps to help them retain their shape.

“Keep in mind that even if your recovered papers appear to have dried successfully, they may disintegrate rapidly because of substances that were in the floodwater or rainwater,” she said. “In the event the documents start to fall apart, you may want to contact official agencies and start the process of replacing Social Security cards, marriage licenses, birth certificates and other important documents.”

**SAC AND FOX NATION  
2019 GENERAL ELECTION**

**REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT**

THE ELECTION BOARD MUST RECEIVE THIS FORM BY DEADLINE DATE OF THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2019

(FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, THIS FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED)

NAME (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Maiden) (Last)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL #: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

All requests must be returned by mail to the address below:

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

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

ELECTION BOARD USE ONLY  
GENERAL REQUEST

RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ MAILED BALLOT: \_\_\_\_\_

DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ REASON: \_\_\_\_\_

ELECTION BOARD

Chairman	Vice-Chairman	Secretary	Assistant Secretary
Member	Member	Member	Member
Member	Member	Member	Member

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

SAC AND FOX NATION  
2019 PRIMARY ELECTION

**FILED**

DATE 06-13-2019

JUNE 1, 2019

SECRETARY  
SAC & FOX NATION

**CERTIFICATION**

*Jacquelyn K. King*

DECLARES AND CERTIFIES  
THE  
2019 PRIMARY ELECTION AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER TWO  
GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Section 201. Election Days**

(d) Any candidate receiving the majority fifty percent plus one (50% + 1) of the votes in the Primary Election will be declared the winner of that office. If no candidate receives the majority of the votes, then the two (2) candidates with the highest votes cast in the Primary Election will advance to the General Election.

CHAPTER SEVEN  
CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

**Section 710. Certification of Election**

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

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

Justin Freeland Wood

ELECTION BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman	<i>Smith Wood</i> Vice-Chairman	<i>Carrie Spang</i> Secretary	<i>Rutha Carter</i> Asst. Secretary
Member	<i>Justin Wood</i> Member	<i>Michelle Hester</i> Member	<i>Shanara Boyd</i> Member
Member	Member	Member	Member

(Approved: 2013 SFNEB MINUTES-August 7, 2013 / Revised: July 6, 2014)

## Title VI - Elders Meals

### July Menu

Monday - Thursday: Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Friday: Breakfast is served from 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>01</b> Chicken fried Steak mashed potatoes Gravy broccoli side salad fruit	<b>02</b> Goulash Garlic bread green beans Side salad fruit	<b>03</b> Cheese burgers w/ fixings Potato salad Chips watermelon	<b>04</b> Holiday	<b>05</b> Pancakes' Sausage Boiled egg Juice
<b>08</b> Spaghetti with meat sauce green beans Garlic bread Side salad fruit	<b>09</b> Beef stroganoff	<b>10</b> Corn soup Fry bread Side salad Fruit	<b>11</b> Chicken salad sandwich chips Potato salad fruit	<b>12</b> Biscuit and gravy Sausage Boiled egg juice
<b>15</b> Holiday	<b>16</b> Chicken strips Mashed potatoes Gravy Corn side salad rolls fruit	<b>17</b> Meatloaf Mashed potatoes gravy Carrots Side salad fruit	<b>18</b> Turkey and cheese sandwich w fixings Chips fruit	<b>19</b> Sausage biscuit Hash brown Boiled egg juice
<b>22</b> Tator tot casserole Mixed vegetables Side salad fruit	<b>23</b> Grilled pork chops Au gratin potatoes Steamed broccoli Side salad fruit	<b>24</b> Sloppy joes Potato wedges fruit	<b>25</b> Tuna salad Sandwich Macaroni salad Chips Fruit	<b>26</b> Scrambled eggs sausage Biscuit w/jelly Hash brown Juice orange's
<b>29</b> Cheese burger mac Corn side salad Fruit	<b>30</b> Roast beef w potatoes and carrots Side salad Rolls fruit	<b>31</b> Indian tacos With fixings Fruit	<b>01</b> Chicken patty Sandwich w/ fixings Macaroni salad Chips fruit	<b>02</b> Whole grain Cereal Toast w/jelly Juice and milk

### MONTHLY TOBACCO CESSATION SUPPORT GROUP

- Held the 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## YOU CAN STOP SMOKING NOW



## HEALTH FAIR

**Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM-1 PM**  
**HEALTH INFORMATION, DIABETES AND**  
**CANCER AWARENESS, HEALTH SCREENINGS,**  
**OBI BLOOD MOBILE, DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLE**  
**DRAWINGS, AND MUCH MORE!**

Any questions please contact  
Anthony Ramirez 918-968-9531, ext 3039; Anthony.Ramirez@ihs.gov

Located at the Sac and Fox Gymnasium by the Black Hawk Health  
Center. 356110 E 930 Rd.  
7 miles south of Stroud, E 930 Road off highway 99

## 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 June 11, 2019. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1) **Resolution SF-19-150**, resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Lambert Construction Company, contract number #2019-05-03. The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2019 Department of Interior Government-to Government (G2G) Tribal Transportation Program Budget, Construction line item. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 2) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve with corrections the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated May 22, 2019. Jared A. King -2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Absent, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Jared A. King motion to approve the Recessed Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated May 23, 2019. Audrey R. Lee -2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Absent, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 4) **Resolution SF-19-151**, a resolution authorizing and approving the transfer of funds in the total amount of fifty-two thousand dollars (\$52,000.00) to the Sac and Fox Economic Development Holding Company a Sac and Fox Nation wholly owned limited liability corporation. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 5) **Resolution SF-19-152**, a resolution approving the Sac and Fox Nation's support to the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in its continuation to provide employment and training services. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 6) **Resolution SF-19-153**, a resolution approving the Nutrition Services Incentive Program Budget in the total funding amount of fourteen thousand one hundred forty-six dollars (\$14,146.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Grant No. 1723OKNSIT-02. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 7) **Resolution SF-19-154**, a resolution approving the Title VI Part-A, Elders Program Budget Modification #2 in the total funding amount of one hundred forty-six thousand eight hundred forty-four dollars (\$146,844.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Grant Document No. 1723OKT6NS Year 3 of 3. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 8) **Resolution SF-19-155**, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to The Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Services Calendar year 2020 Special Diabetes Program for Indians in the amount of five hundred twenty thousand five hundred ninety-nine dollars (\$520,599.00). Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes. Motion carried.
- 9) **Resolution SF-19-156**, a resolution for authorization to submit a grant to the Grants Management Branch of the Indian Health Service to obtain a small ambulatory grant for the Fiscal Year 2019 in the amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000). Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) **Resolution SF-19-157**, a resolution authorizing and approving Sac and Fox Nation's Office of Environmental Services to development and submit a grant application for Enbridge's Community Investment Grant Funding. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 11) **Resolution SF-19-158**, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant General Assistance Program Budget Modification #1 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. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Robert-Absent, Motion carried
- 12) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve Juvenile Detention Center Service renewal agreements for the following 19 counties; Alfalfa #2013-05-04f, Atoka #2013-04-07f, Beaver #2013-04-08f, Coal #2013-05-07f, Garfield #2013-04-14f, Garvin #2013-04-15f, Hughes #2013-04-19f, Latimer #2013-04-23f, Leflore #2013-04-24f, Love (2) #2013-04-25f, McClain (2) #2013-05-12f, Major #2013-04-26e, Murray #2013-05-15f, Nowata #2013-05-16f, Okmulgee #2013-04-30f, Pittsburg #2013-04-21f, Sequoyah #2013-04-32f, Texas(2) #2013-05-20f, Tillman #2013-04-33f. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-No, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Jacklyn K. King motion to approve proposed Two Year Lease of the Two Feathers Smokeshop, Lease Number 14-20-0208-17646, between the Sac and Fox Nation and Floyd and Kristina Townsend of the Hungry Horny Toad Trailer Concession. Audrey R. Lee-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jacklyn-No, Jared-No, Robert-Absent, Kay-No, Audrey-No. Motion failed.
- 14) **Resolution SF-19-159**, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to apply for funding of the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Sac and Fox Nation Pow-Wow through a Grant with the Oklahoma Arts Council. Audrey R. Lee-motion. Jared A. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 15) Jacklyn K. King motion to activate resolution SF-19-90 with J and J Dozer Service, Inc.; to proceed and execute contract. Audrey R. Lee -2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 16) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve the following requests to be paid from RAP Charitable Donation line item: Oklahoma Grit Baseball \$500.00, Chandler Route 66 Interpretive Center \$500.00 in the total amount of \$1,000.00. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Kay-Yes, Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 17) Audrey R. Lee motion to approve the following requests to be paid from the RAP Government Donation line item: Prague Chamber Of Commerce \$500.00, in the total amount of \$500.00. Jacklyn K. King-2<sup>nd</sup>. VOTE: Audrey-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes Robert-Absent, Kay-Yes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION  
Entered Executive Session at 4:42 p.m.  
Out of Executive Session at 5:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:49 p.m.

### Business Committee Meeting Minutes

are now accessible on the Website and Facebook  
[sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](http://sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov)

### ATTENTION HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE SAC AND FOX NATION APPLICANTS

#### Application Updates:

Applicants shall update their applications and supporting documents and maintain current contact information on file on an annual basis. This is the responsibility of the Applicant and not the HASFN. Applicants who have not updated their application within one (1) year of the original application date will be removed from the waiting list and will have to re-apply to be placed back on the waiting list. These Applicants will receive a new approval date. Inactive applications and supporting documents will be discarded after three (3) years.

## Stroud Man to Serve Two Years for Death Of Officer Graves

by Mike Brown

Justin Henley, age 23 of Stroud, is expected to be sentenced to two years of imprisonment and a fine on July 25, 2019 after entering a plea of guilty to second-degree manslaughter in the January 24, 2017 traffic death of Sac and Fox Police Officer Nathan Graves.

Officer Graves died north of Stroud on Hwy. 99 when his patrol car was struck head-on by Henley who was attempting to pass another vehicle in a no-passing zone.

Henley was originally charged with first-degree manslaughter, but a plea agreement to the reduced charge was reached Friday evening, June 14 after a Lincoln County District Court jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict in the trial.

## Okla. Wildlife is Significantly Affected By Spring Flooding

by Trisha Gedon

Oklahoma State University

Agricultural Communications Services

Flooding across Oklahoma has been devastating for state residents. Flood waters have taken their toll on homes and businesses, but the wildlife population also has been affected.

Dwayne Elmore, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension wildlife specialist and Bollenbach Chair in OSU's Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management, said flooding has affected most all aspects of wildlife.

"While flooding has been detrimental to our state's residents, some of our wildlife populations have been aided by all the extra water," Elmore said. "Amphibians such as frogs will benefit from the heavy rains due to prolonged standing water in ponds and wetlands, which allows time for larvae to mature. Aquatic turtles also have been helped with the additional habitat that has been created. Unfortunately, the flip side to this is road mortality has been high in some areas due to increased turtle movement. Watch for increased numbers of turtles on the roads and avoid hitting them when possible."

Flooding can be a boon or burden to fish populations. Flood waters can create important fish habitat and many fish benefit when the rivers run high. However, too much water at the wrong time can destroy fish nests, and fish also can get stranded once flood waters recede.

One group of wildlife that has been hit hard in the 2019 flood is ground nesting birds. Expect large declines in wild turkey in many areas of the state, which will have a big impact on turkey hunting season for the next couple of years. Elmore also said that although quail have been delayed in nesting, there is still time for them to have decent production this year.

"I don't see much of an impact on the deer population due to flooding," he said. "There may have been a few fawns lost, but the majority of the flooding occurred before most fawns were on the ground."

One of the positive aspects of the excess water found in much of the state is the impact it has on vegetation. The vegetation is in great shape and will provide a lot of food resources for many species of wildlife throughout the summer months.

"Something else to consider is some wildlife has been displaced due to the flooding. Don't be surprised to see wildlife in some unusual spots," Elmore said.

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## NOTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES

SAC AND FOX NATION  
 2019 GENERAL ELECTION  
 August 31, 2019

**FILED**

DATE 06-14-2019

SECRETARY  
 SAC & FOX NATION

*Judith K. King*

VOTING BEGINS: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- POLLING SITES:**
- SHAWNEE** Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center  
215 N. Harrison  
Shawnee, OK 74801
  - STROUD** Sac and Fox Nation Cultural Center  
920907 S. Hwy. 99  
Stroud, OK 74079
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Cushing, OK 74023

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# 8TH ANNUAL WA-THA-HUK 5K RUN & SAUK WALK

THURSDAY, JULY 11

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**Black Hawk Health Center**

**July is Minority Mental Health Month**

by Staff Writer,  
Ed Abuyog, LCSW

Were you aware that July is Minority Mental Health Month? The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services cites a 2016 study of the Center for Disease Control identifying a few interesting facts about American Indians/Alaska Natives. American Indians/Alaska Natives are more likely to experience psychological distress, symptoms of depression which may include sadness, hopelessness, worthlessness and poor energy, and anxiety. From the ages of fifteen to twenty four, the American Indian/Alaska Native has higher rates of suicide. Adolescents in particular, are twice as likely to die from suicide compared to the general population.

**What You Can Do:**

(1) **BE AWARE.** Get to know signs that a loved one may be experiencing depression or other mental health symptoms.

(2) **CONSIDER.** Encouraged your loved one to seek help.

(3) **ACT.** Help someone make a call to schedule with us or let your health care provider know what you are going through and ask about behavioral health. We are here to help.

For more information, contact the Behavioral Health Department, educational and counseling services are available to assist in preventing and treating the impacts of violence, substance use, major stress, depression, grief or other mental health problems.



Indian corn, squash and beans are thriving in the garden west of the Administration Building by the Sac and Fox Nation Land and Cattle Manager Andy Warrior. (Submitted Photos)

**Sac and Fox Land and Cattle Garden Is Thriving With Corn, Squash, Beans**

In February 2019, the Sac and Fox Nation Land and Cattle manager broke ground on the west side of the Administration Building to begin preparing a plot to plant traditional Indian corn, white with purple specks and other seeds. It was first turned over with a 3-bottom plow, then a disc was run over it several times and then a tiller was used to break the soil down into a fine bed in which to plant the seed.

On April 22nd, 40 rows of corn seed were planted, along with 3 rows of yellow squash, 3 rows of Kashaw squash and 2 rows of Red Pole beans. From the 40 rows of corn planted, 28 rows made. A majority of the squash came up and nearly every bean plant came up. Even

though all the rain that came through the month of May and June, the plants have survived.

Their growth was slowed for a little while but, with the recent intervals of sun and warm weather, they have really grown in the last 2-3 weeks. Some of the corn stocks have begun to tassel, the beans are vining and the squash plants have bloomed and are starting to make.

“We are hoping that the weather pattern has turned to where the sun is out more often, with an occasional shower. The plants would truly benefit from that and begin to make produce that could be enjoyed within a month’s time,” said a spokesperson.



Pictured is the garden located west of the Administration Building after being worked with a 3-bottom plow. The field was then worked with a disc and tiller prior to the planting of corn, squash and beans. (Submitted Photo)

**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Sac and Fox Nation is now accepting applications/resumes for the positions of District Judge. Judges are compensated on a per docket basis. For information on minimum qualifications please visit the Sac and Fox Nation Website at [sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](http://sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov), Tribal Court page Resources Tab or contact the District Court Clerk at (918) 968-2031. Applications shall be mailed to the Tribal Secretary, 920963 South Highway 99, Building A, Stroud, Oklahoma 74079. Deadline for receiving applications is July 12, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.

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TO PROMOTE 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 PARENTS AND TEACHERS MAY COOPERATE INTELLIGENTLY IN THE EDUCATION OF INDIAN CHILDREN AND YOUTH. (SHALL BE COMPOSED OF THREE (3) PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS OF ELIGIBLE JOM STUDENTS)

**RODEO COMMITTEE**

PLANS, COORDINATES, SCHEDULES, MONITORS AND EXECUTES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATION'S RODEO.

**SAUK BUSINESS ENTERPRISE BOARD**  
(Submission of Resume Required)

PURPOSE IS TO PROVIDE SOURCES OF REVENUE, REMEDY THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE OF TRIBAL MEMBERS, ATTRACT DIVERSIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND EXPAND THE NATION'S LAND BASE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL.

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Sac and Fox Nation  
Business Committee  
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## Principal Chief Kay Rhoads Final Address to The Nation Cont. From Pg. 1

Administration. Although we have not completed many of the goals I had envisioned for the Nation, we have completed some projects.

We have succeeded in getting plans and contracts signed to begin construction of the new Transportation Building and Elder's Center in Stroud. It has taken six years since the fire that destroyed the building and dislocated the Elders but by next year the building will be a reality.

We have also secured an architect firm to design the much needed expansion of the Blackhawk Health Clinic. This expansion will allow all medical services to be housed under one roof, along with the addition of dental service, optometry, extra exam rooms and storm shelter/conference room. Future plans are to convert the Merle Boyd Center into a dialysis center. The design and construction should be completed by the end of 2020. An access road is being developed to connect Road 930 to Road 926 to provide alternative access to the clinic in the event of an emergency.

The Yellow Earth Center was created to offer an Early Head Start and Head Start Program for children from birth to 5 years of age. This program is operated by the Central Tribes of the Shawnee Area (CTSA) and complements the program located in Shawnee and Cushing. The Absentee Shawnee Tribe, Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma and the Sac and Fox Nation has operated the programs for several years and just last year closed the Center in Norman which was then reestablished as the Yellow Earth Center.

The CTSA Program is also constructing a new facility in Shawnee to replace the old building that was infested by mold. The new building will be opening in August 2019. The work began early this year and was constructed in approximately 6 months. It will accommodate 100 children. These projects were led by the CTSA Executive Director, Sherry Marsh.

The construction of the new facility was made possible through Sherry's grant writing efforts and project oversight. The Sac and Fox Nation, Absentee Shawnee Tribe and Kickapoo Tribe owe her our gratitude for her perseverance and commitment for recognizing the problem and getting the facilities constructed in record time.

We have created a Land and Cattle Company, with several head of cattle. Land improvements have been made and after many years of trying to recondition the 80 acres across the road from the Sac and Fox Cemetery, the land has been cleared of brush, winter wheat was planted and cross fencing was built. The land around Veteran's Lake now has new fencing which allows the land to be used for grazing. Several controlled burns have been conducted to help improve the land and cedar trees have been removed from much of our tribal lands.

The Blackhawk Clinic also got involved in the land development by planting a community garden and are producing home grown food. A small patch of land behind the Business Committee Office was prepared for the planting of our traditional food, corn, squash and beans.

For years, our people have been asking for help with cleaning and maintaining the tribal cemeteries. Three of our most utilized cemeteries, Sac and Fox, Hunter and Wakolee Cemeteries will be cleaned and expanded to address the needed burial plots and road improvements. Other cemeteries will be addressed as funding becomes available. The work on these three cemeteries must be completed by September 30, 2019.

At the national level, the Department of Transportation will be publishing new regulations to create a Self-Governance Department. This has been a long fought battle and as one of the Co-chairs of the Tribal Negotiation Committee, we are ready to have the final rule presented for tribal consultations after July 1, 2019. Last year at this time the tribal negotiation team walked out of negotiations with the Federal Department of Transportation due to lack of meaningful consultation of

the negotiated rule making process.

On June 6, 2019, the full committee reached an agreement to submit our document to be reviewed by all tribes, then comments will be considered for inclusion before sending rule to the Secretary of Transportation and then to Congress for approval. This is a major accomplishment for Indian Country because it is the first Department that is partnering with tribes to help expand Self-Governance other than the Department of Interior and Health and Human Services that specifically services the BIA and IHS.

The Sac and Fox Gaming Commission and Casino has had the best review of their audit for many years. Last year we had nearly 100 audit finding and now we had only two that are being resolved. The NIGC auditors complemented the new management and Gaming Commission for their willingness to work as a team and make the necessary changes that make improvements to the gaming operations. We will look forward to positive impacts that can be made to grow our casino enterprise. We are now moving forward in the right direction.

There are several other accomplishments that are not included but have made improvements for the Nation. I hope the momentum for growth continues. We have recognized the need to expand economic development and have explored options to create a business venture in Illinois. This project, if follow-through is done, will make a complete change for our Nation and our future.

Another project that is proposed will create growth for our Nation is to construct a Regional Hospital at the Tanger site of the same magnitude of the Mercy Hospital in OKC and St. Francis in Tulsa. A medical center of this size will be essential to continue to support our people with more accessible and complete medical care. The hospital development will create a stronger economy for Stroud by the creation of more jobs, businesses and housing development. It will also help to retain the retired community that often leaves the area to be closer to full medical care facilities. This type of health enterprise not only creates diversity but allows the Sac and Fox Nation to be the visionary for the future of the Stroud area

while creating a stronger economic base for our Nation that will help to expand our current services to all of our people.

The casino development that has been discussed for Stroud should move to the 70 acres in Chandler to access the traffic that will be created by the 150 - 400 truck parking area and fuel stop for the I-44 traffic. The state of Oklahoma has begun construction of the truck stop next to the Nation's 70 acre tract. The number of trucks that will park at the new truck stop will increase the traffic at our newly developed casino and convention area. This will mean more revenue for our casino and with more acreage, will allow for expansion of a convention center and entertainment venue.

I had hoped to make all these ventures a reality but there is no reason the Nation cannot move forward. Don't let our tribe remain stagnant any longer. We have

started a movement, keep it going and continue to look and move forward.

I want to thank all the people who have supported my efforts and dreams. I also want to thank the many Sac and Fox employees that worked to help serve the Sac and Fox people. It has been my honor to serve as the Principal Chief of the Sac and Fox Nation. I wish success for our new Principal Chief, Justin Wood. He can be more successful if he can get your support to move forward. As tribal members, please be open-minded and look for solutions for the many problems that arise and focus on the positive rather than the negative.

Success can only be accomplished if we work toward solutions and, not be afraid of change. The Sac and Fox Nation belongs to all of us and we should all have the same goal: "to be a strong sovereign and independent Tribal Nation."



### Land and Cattle Dept. Prepares Garden West of Administration Bldg.

Pictured is the garden located west of the Administration Building after being worked with a 3-bottom plow, disc and tiller. The garden is now showing a promising upcoming harvest of corn, squash and beans. (Submitted Photo)



### SFN Drought Vulnerability and Response Plan COMMUNITY SURVEY



1. What is your primary source of drinking water?
  - Groundwater well(s)
  - Surface water (reservoir/river)
  - Not Sure
2. Who is your drinking water provider?
  - I own a well
  - Sac & Fox Nation
  - Rural Water District
  - City: \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is your primary use of water?
  - Residential: For household purposes
  - Agricultural: For crops, livestock, landscaping
  - Industrial/Commercial Business
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (Recreation, Ceremonial, etc.)
4. How do you know when you are entering a drought?
 

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5. What impacts have you experienced from drought: (Check all that apply)
  - Loss of lawns or cracked foundations
  - Property damage or depreciation
  - Crop, pasture, or forest damage
  - Losses to industrial/commercial business or property
  - Losses to agricultural, livestock, landscaping business
  - Losses of wildlife and threats to habitat
  - Increased fire hazard, including wildfires
  - Increased Need for Water
  - Reduced Water Quality or Quantity (If yes, please circle one or both)
  - Loss of Recreational Use (Fishing, Boating, Swimming etc.)
  - Illness or Other Health Effects
6. What concerns about drought do you have? What would you like to learn more about?
 

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## More Highlights From The 2019 SFN Princess Pageant and Honor Dance



Sac and Fox Nation Princess Pageant judges shown left to right are: Houston Stevens, Second Chief Audrey Lee & Gwen Wilburn. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)



2019-2020 Sac and Fox Tribal Royalty & escorts shown from left are: escort TyRique Wolf, Miss Sac and Fox Nation Patience Longhorn, Jr. Miss Breanna Butler, Little Miss Amira Walker-Pizano and escort Braeden Cozad. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)



Outgoing & Incoming tribal royalty and others are pictured during the gourd dance portion of the 2018-2019 Sac and Fox tribal royalty honor dance. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)



Pictured are Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Royalty Honor Dance Head Singer, Gene Logan and Singers. (Photo by Stephanie Walker)



Pictured at the June 15 pageant is the Outgoing Tribal Royalty Reflection Table. (Photo courtesy of Angela Warrior)



2019-2020 Tribal Royalty Pageant group photo including Tribal Royalty, Pageant escorts, Pageant judges, Emcee & Activity Committee members. (Photo by Colleen Longhorn)

### A Sincere Thank You!

The Sac & Fox Nation Activity Committee would like to express our deepest appreciation for all of those that made our 2019-2020 Tribal Royalty Pageant & 2018-2019 Tribal Royalty Honor Dance, a success.

We especially thank tribal members, our relentless volunteers, families/friends and co-workers, our Honor Dance head staff and head cook, pageant staff, Tribal Second Chief Audrey Lee, Tribal Secretary Jacklyn King, Michelle King and JB's Smoke Shop.

To our outgoing 2018-2019 Tribal Royalty Miss, Janae Grass, Junior Miss, Leilani Walker-Pizano and Little Miss, Quincie Barse-Presson: You beautiful ladies did an amazing job this past year. Continue to make your families and the Thawki people proud. We truly appreciate your service!  
Ketepi,  
Sac and Fox Nation Activity Committee

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SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE	
April 2019	
Beer and Liquor.....	\$226.73
State Tobacco Rebate.....	\$255,330.15
Motor Vehicle.....	\$8,738.04
Sales Tax.....	\$12,423.97
Treasury.....	\$1,295.00
Oil and Gas.....	\$00.00
Gaming.....	\$130,502.40
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