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Oil painting by John Wesley Jarvis (1781-1840) of Black Hawk and his son Whirling Thunder, 1833.
(Gilcrease Museum, Tulsa, Oklahoma)

Black Hawk: A Famous War Leader of the 19th Century

by Juaquin Hamilton,
Sac and Fox Ambassador
and Historical Researcher

Black Hawk (1767-1838) was born in Saukenuk, Illinois. A member of the “Sauk”, present-day Sac and Fox tribe, he was of the Thunder Clan.

Mâ-ka-tai-me-she-kià-kiàk was known as the historical figure Black Hawk, a famous war leader of the 19th century. Black Hawk was famed for his warrior reputation and his campaign to resist the takeover of his people’s homelands in Saukenuk. (Present day: Rock Island, Illinois) The largest village known on the Upper Mississippi, Saukenuk was more of a small city of over 100 lodges and some 5,000 residents.

It was in the treaty of 1804, that these homelands of Black Hawk and his people were ceded to the United States by Quashquame, a Sauk chief. This was a treaty that was resented by the Sauk people and Black Hawk, who felt that the chief was not in a position to sign the treaty that led to many Sauk siding with the British during the War of 1812.

Following the treaty of 1804, most of the Sauk and Fox people had resettled to present-day Iowa. By 1830, the tribes fell under the leadership of Black Hawk’s younger opponent, Keokuk. Recognized for his moderation and cooperation, Keokuk was more of an ally for the relocation of the Sauk and Fox tribes. Black Hawk did not acknowledge these treaties and the war leader began his campaign to fight against its terms and return to their homelands.

In 1831, displaced to pres-

ent-day Iowa, Black Hawk joined with some of his followers to cross the Mississippi and reclaim their home in Illinois. This did not sit well with officials in the territory.

Militia units used the threat of force to cause Black Hawk to sign the “Corn Treaty”. This would, once again, push Black Hawk and his people to retreat to Iowa.

Black Hawk gained notoriety in American history after the “Black Hawk War” of 1832. Following a harsh winter, Black Hawk led 400 warriors and their families to the Rock River where they would plant corn for the coming year. The Illinois governor John Reynolds called up the militia and requested regular U.S. Army soldiers, even though the majority of these followers were children, women, and elderly. In search of allies, Black Hawk and his band continued up the Rock River only to be met by uncooperative tribes and skirmishes. Black Hawk led members of the Sauk and Fox tribes east across the Mississippi to try to reclaim the land they were forcefully removed from. The coalition was seeking refuge from its enemies and found conflict with white settlers. Most of the members of Black Hawk’s party were killed in August 1832 at the “Battle at Bad Axe”, as they tried to flee back across the Mississippi.

The war on Black Hawk effectively ended his campaign for reclamation of their homelands in Illinois. He will always be revered for his strength and dedication to his people.

Chief Justin Freeland Wood’s Address to the Nation

Remember Those Who are Hurting at This Time

I want to begin this month sharing from my heart. Finding a calm in the calamity isn’t easy. There is no checklist or self-help book qualified to ready ourselves for a worldwide pandemic.

We have loved ones being furloughed, maybe you have lost your main source of income. We aren’t able to join church services and worship in person with our friends and family. It just isn’t easy. In fact, it is downright hard. Our lives have been turned upside down and our plans have been altered.

“Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand.” - Proverbs 19:21

I have never been shy about sharing my faith in Christ, and no pandemic can change that. Those of us who share a faith in Christ have a responsibility to always rise above circumstances. We rise above not on our own strength but through a supernatural strength provided by Christ.

“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.” - 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

I wear a copper cuff on my right wrist inscribed with 2 Cor. 12:9-10 as a reminder of the sufficiency of Christ. I have a tendency to lean on my own strength when met with temptation or struggle. But, I am especially susceptible during times

of uncertainty. I covet your prayers for myself and entire Sac and Fox Nation as we maneuver these trying times. We desire our Creator’s wisdom, discernment, and strength.

It is important that we remember those who are hurting at this time. We lost a Sac and Fox tribal citizen to the virus in April. My heart aches for that family. I am not naïve enough to believe it is our first COVID-19 death, but it was our first confirmed loss. We have tribal members suffering from cancer, diabetes, and other sicknesses that have continued without regard to the pandemic. We need to find creative ways to help those who need it the most. Even a phone call to a loved one could mean all the difference.

The Business Committee considered the needs of our most vulnerable tribal citizens while creating our response plan. It is why we decided to continue essential services across our tribal jurisdiction. Food delivery for our homebound elders, USDA Food Distribution, the RAP Department, Police, and the Clinic have remained open over the past several weeks. These employees take a risk every day to leave their homes, their families, and come into work to serve our tribal citizens. For that I say “Thank You.” We are daily reviewing the timeline for reopening our services. Please check our Facebook or website for the current status of Tribal Government operations.

Our Tribal Government operation depends on federal funding. During this mess it is still very important to complete U.S. Census information. Your participation could very well im-

pact our funding during the next decade. Information on how to submit your household information can be found in this May edition.

In closing, I would like to provide you with a fun resource for learning for those of you who have suddenly become home-school parents. If you search “Pioneer Library System” in Youtube, you will find a broad range of STEM, book talks, art projects, exercise videos, story time, and more.

I appreciate each and every one of you. I am praying for you constantly. My hope is that we will be able to gather together soon at our Pow wow and that this virus will be in our rear view mirror. Until I see you again – God bless and please follow all CDC recommended guidelines to protect yourself and others.



Sac and Fox Nation
Principal Chief
Justin Freeland Wood

CARES Act Provides Unprecedented \$8 Billion Relief for Indian Country

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, or CARES Act, signed into law by President Trump on March 27, provides critical relief for Indian Country to address the COVID-19 pandemic, including over \$500 million in direct appropriations to Indian Affairs and an unprecedented \$8 billion for tribes.

The \$8 billion will be allocated to Tribal governments with eligible expenses through the Department of the Treasury, in consultation with the Department of the Interior and Tribal governments. These consultations will help ensure that the funds will be allocated effectively to Tribes most in need of critical aid.

“The CARES Act provides a critical infusion of supplemental funding for Tribal Communities, as we rapidly respond to the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Tara Sweeney. “Coupled with the nearly a half billion dollars in direct appropriations to Indian Affairs, the historic \$8 billion tribal set-aside will provide urgent financial assistance. I want to thank President Trump as well as U.S. Senators Murkowski, Sullivan, Daines, McSally and Congressman Tom Cole for their collective efforts to include American Indians and Alaskan Natives in this historic

bill.”

“Arizona’s tribal communities rely heavily on the industries hardest hit by the fallout created by the COVID-19 outbreak, including tourism and hospitality,” said Senator Martha McSally (R-AZ). “Our tribes are already feeling significant strain. This legislation provides immediate cash relief and strong assistance to tribal communities impacted by this so workers and families can pay their bills. I will continue to work with the Administration to ensure this relief is administered quickly, efficiently and in a manner that works best for tribal communities.”

“As the Coronavirus pandemic impacts millions of Americans across the country, we cannot ignore one of our most vulnerable populations, Native Americans,” said Senator Steve Daines (R-MT). “I thank President Trump for signing the Coronavirus economic recovery package into law which includes my request of strong funding for our tribal communities. I look forward to getting Indian country the resources they need during this global pandemic.”

The CARES Act provides \$453 million for essential services to help prepare for and respond to the pandemic, ensure continuation of government operations, and aid individual Native Americans. The legis-

lation provides funding needed to support assistance to individuals facing loss of income, ensure law enforcement and detention center employees have necessary personal protective equipment, and implement required deep cleaning of facilities or quarantines as needed. The CARES Act also provides specific set-asides for health, housing and nutrition assistance programs that will be critical to supporting Indian Country during this time.

The legislation also provides \$69 million for education-related needs, including salaries, equipment, online curriculum development and other costs. To supplement the funds directly appropriated to Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), the CARES Act also provides support through the Education Stabilization Fund. In consultation with the Secretary of the Interior, the legislation directs the Secretary of Education to allocate \$153.75 million to Interior for programs operated or funded by BIE.

The CARE Act’s historic funding will provide urgent financial assistance to tribal communities, as the Department of the Interior works to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in Indian Country. This landmark set-aside is larger than the Cobell Settlement.



Free Family Fishing Day is June 5

Plan now to attend the 7th Annual Family Fishing Day at Veterans Lake on June 5. Sac and Fox Nation Office of Environmental Services Director Jeremy Fincher is pictured speaking at last year’s event. Find more information on this year’s event on Page 9 of this edition. (File Photo)

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Obituaries

Betty Lou Wano

Betty Lou Wano, 72 passed away on April 8, 2020 in Shawnee, Okla. She was born on September 11, 1947, in San Bernardino, Calif., to Eugene and Cora (Carter) Wano.

She graduated high school in Harjo, Okla. Betty was a proud member of the Sac and Fox Tribe. Betty enjoyed life, she loved to laugh and have a good time with her friends and family as they came to visit. And, she was an avid fan of the Oklahoma City Thunder and the OU Sooners.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Jerry Cline Jr.; a daughter, Michelle Walker; brother, Kenneth Wano; and sister, Connie Wano.

Betty is survived by her daughters and one son-in-law, Donna Pennock of Shawnee, Okla., Ewonne and Tony Berryhill of Prage, Okla. and Tashina Walker of Phoenix, Ariz; son and daughter-in-law, Rickey and Joyce Cline, of Shawnee, Okla.; a brother, Ronnie Wano, of Meeker, Okla.; 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, and many other family and friends.

A memorial service was held April 10, 2020 at Mrs. Wano's residence, with Paul Wolfe and Hershel Davis officiating.

Dean Ray Tartsah

Dean Ray Tartsah was born on April 2, 1960 in Pawnee, OK and departed this life on April 16, 2020 in Stroud, OK at the age of 59.

Dean was born to Celestia Morris of Stroud, OK and Vernon Tartsah of Anadarko, OK. He graduated from Stroud High School and went to Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KS on a football scholarship and then proudly served his country by enlisting in the United States Navy.

Dean Ray worked most his life in the oilfield and loved camping, hunting and fishing and almost anything outdoors. He was a known artist whose work can be found hung in the Oklahoma State Capital. He was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents and sister(s) Chenenia Mae Morris LaDeaux, Barbara Warrior, Regina Davis, Shirley Alexander and brother(s) Russell Big Bow, Morris Gene Warrior, George Nullake Jr. and Antowine Warrior. Adopted father, Ronnie Goodeagle Sr.

He is survived by his son, Adam Tartsah and granddaughter, Alexis Tartsah of Stroud, OK, daughter, Rebecca Rae Tartsah and granddaughter, Ayvrie Gordon and grandson, Lennox Gordon of Stillwater, OK and grandson, Owen Tartsah of Cushing, OK.

He is also survived by adopted mother, Yvonne Goodeagle of Cushing, OK; uncle Thomas Morris Jr. and wife, Beatrice Morris of Stroud, OK; sister(s) Angela Standing Gasper and husband Patrick Gasper of Jones, OK, George Faye Nullake of Meeker, OK, Ida Parish Nullake of Shawnee, OK, Rona Kay Goodeagle and husband, Tuffy Chaino of Cushing, OK and Minnie Masquas of Shawnee, OK.

Also, brother(s) Thomas Warrior and wife, Barbara Warrior of Ft. Cobb, OK, Michael Harris and wife, Sandy Harris of Stroud, OK, Ronnie Harris Goodeagle Jr. of Cushing, OK and niece, Carrie R. LaDeaux and husband, Shannon Barnes and grandkids, Elijah G. LaDeaux, Aislinn Barnes, DeAngelo Barnes, Izabella Barnes, Gabriel Dean Barnes and Nheenia Barnes of Stroud, OK and, many other close family and friends.

Traditional Services were held April 19, 2020 at the Sac and Fox Traditional House in Stroud, OK, with burial April 20, 2020 at Sac and Fox Cemetery under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Services in Stroud, Okla.

Major Don J. Couteau

Major Don J. Couteau passed away February 2, 2020 at his home in Corpus Christi, Texas. He was 94 years old.

Don served as a part of the war effort in Europe as a member of the Carpetbaggers. This was an air support group devoted to dropping "spies and supplies" over Europe. This group was part of the OSS, which later became the CIA.

Two years after the war ended, Don returned to service and went through the Air Force Cadet program. He was commissioned as an officer and spent the next years as an instructor pilot and the pilot of C54s. Don loved flying and had learned to fly during the two years he was out of the service.

He is preceded in death by his son, Clark Couteau. Don is survived by his wife of 75 years, LeNell; daughters, Donna Couteau Cross (Joe) and foster daughter, Audrey Tunches; two sons, Mark (Mary) and Christopher Couteau, five grandchildren, Aimee, Steven, Anne,

Sarah and Amanda, and great-granddaughter, Lilah Miles.

A graveside service was held on February 8, 2020 at Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery.



Major Don. J. Couteau

Eugenia Kay Walker

Eugenia Kay Walker of Prage, Okla., passed away on March 30, 2020 in Oklahoma City at the age of 41. She was born on October 2, 1978 in Shawnee, Okla. She was the daughter of Richard Eugene and Evelyn Ann (Smartlowit) Walker.

She was a graduate of Prage High School and was a proud member of both the Sac and Fox Nation and the Yakama Nation. She was a caring daughter, sister and friend and will be missed by many. Eugenia was known for her good luck. She enjoyed testing out her good luck by going to the casinos. She also enjoyed attending pow wows. She was great at making friends everywhere she went.

Eugenia was preceded in death by her father, Richard Eugene Walker.

She is survived by her mother, Evelyn Walker of the home; her life partner, Stacy Haney; four sisters, Angela Gamez of George, Stella Nanaeto of Shawnee, Okla., Josephine Walker of Prage, Okla. and, Christina Walker of Shawnee, Okla.;

three brothers, Billy Walker of Shawnee, Okla., Edward Walker and his wife Patricia of Shawnee, Okla. and Jubal Walker of the home.



Eugenia Kay Walker

Happy May Birthday Elders!

Bertha Lynn Brown-Hill
Vicky Harley

Joseph V. Irigoin McCreless

Rona Kay Goodeagle

Paula Iris Winlock

David Glenn West

Judy K. Stephens

Vada Rose Meek

Bobbie L. Shaw

Byron Keith Wakole

Imogene Haley

Melva Ladawn York

Edgar Thomas Butler

Harry Dewynne Wood

Marietta Reynolds

Letha Dawn Leadercharg

Ronald M. Bemo

Michael John Pimley

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Carla Dean Honeystewa

Cecil Dewayne Littlehead

Mary Sue Truitt

Robin Gaye Brown

Ricky Dean Brice

Sonja Renee Hanson

Jeffrey Wayne Rumbaugh

Myra K. Bohannon

Monty Eli Tasier

Cathleen Dolores Mikulski

Theresa Sue Ferguson

James Lee Goniwicha

Debra Elaine Wakole

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Billie F. Berry

Randall Keith Tiger

Neecy Twinem

Elizabeth Denise Natseway

Barbara Ladon Hale

Peg Ann Dixon

Francis Leroy Grant

Robert David Chaney

Monica Lee Lenzini

Pauline Sue Webb

Katherine Sue Hig

Rosalyn G. Clinkenbeard

Glennister Charles Brown

Patricia Ann Holland

William Cliff Jones

Gwendolyn J. Switchen

Elvita Louise Jefferson

Jeffrey Alan Whipple

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Gloria Gay Williams

Bertha Lynn Brown

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Harvard Project Releases Preliminary Economic Impact Report

A team of Harvard Project researchers has released the preliminary results of its study of the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on the economies and governments of the country's 574 federally-recognized American Indian nations. Writing to Secretary of the Treasury Mnuchin, researchers Randall Akee, Eric Henson, Miriam Jorgensen and Joseph Kalt report that the COVID-19 crisis poses an immediate threat to three decades of steady improvement in economic conditions across Indian Country.

Under federal policies of self-determination through self-government, tribes now routinely undertake and largely self-fund the full array of basic governmental services that any state or local government is expected to provide. Yet, tribes lack traditional tax bases. Instead, they overwhelmingly rely for funding on the earnings of their gaming and non-gaming business enterprises.

To protect the health of their citizens and the communities around them, the tribes have now closed all tribal casinos and many of their non-gaming businesses. In the wake of these closures, tribes are facing massive layoffs, their workers' losing insurance coverage, dipping into hard-earned assets, and building up debt.

The Harvard Project team estimates that, directly and through spillover effects into surrounding communities, tribal gaming and non-gaming enterprises and tribal governments together support more than 1.1 million jobs and more than

\$1.5 billion in annual wages and benefits for American workers. Moreover, more than 900,000 of these jobs are held by non-Indians, with associated annual wages and benefits worth fully \$40 billion. Even state, local and federal tax revenues are facing severe hits from the impact of the current crisis affecting tribes – to the tune of \$1.4 billion per year at the state and local level, and \$59 billion federally.

With the US Treasury Department

working rapidly to disperse response funds to tribes, the Harvard Project team recommends guidelines for fund allocation. The team stresses that 30 years of Harvard Project research finds that self-determination through self-government works. Accordingly, tying tight federal strings around COVID-19 federal response funds for tribes will be counterproductive. Beyond that, it is clear that tribes make extremely large economic contributions to their own reservation

and the broader states and regions in which they are embedded. The need for COVID-19 response funds is correspondingly great.

The preliminary study findings are available at www.hpaied.org

The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development is based in the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Read the Fine Print on Loan Payment Forbearance Agreements

by Trisha Gedon

OSU Agricultural Communications Service

As part of the COVID-19 financial relief efforts, some creditors are offering forbearance on some loan payments for a few months. That could be a good deal for some consumers, but they must read the fine print of the agreement, said Cindy Clampet, Oklahoma State University Extension assistant family resource management specialist.

"Institutions such as mortgage or car finance companies, credit card companies and even some banks are allowing customers to skip payments during this time of crisis. Some companies may even offer this deal with no additional interest during the time of forbearance, which could be up to nine months," Clampet said. "Although many individuals and families are in need of financial relief such as this – especially those who are now without jobs – it's important to be

very careful with these offers."

When working with a lending agency, Clampet said it is important to read all of the fine print. Consumers may discover the entire amount of the deferred payments is wrapped up in a so-called balloon payment, one large amount, that is due at the end of the deferment.

In addition, she said if the entire sum is not paid by that deadline, the deferred interest could be added on as well. The risk is that a consumer's best intentions to minimize costs and penalties by taking advantage of the offer could turn into a larger liability. The debt could be turned over to a collection agency.

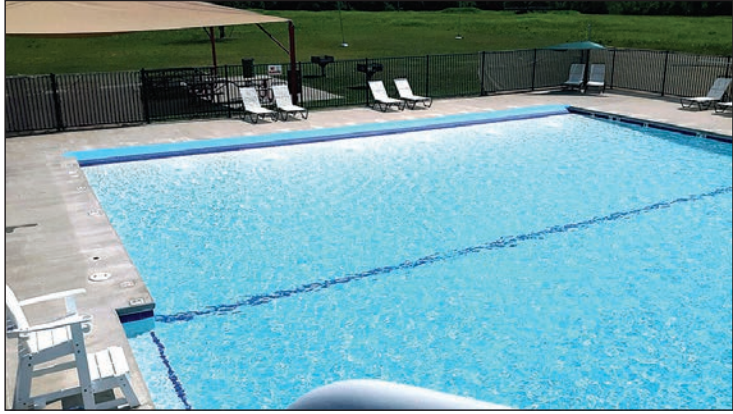
"You could be putting your home or car in danger of repossession, as well as lowering your credit score," Clampet said.

For example, consider a homeowner who makes a monthly mortgage payment of \$1,000 and the mortgage company

offers a three-month forbearance with no additional interest. Clampet said customers who opt to skip payments in April, May and June will still owe the mortgage company \$3,000 on July 1. Missing that target opens the door to interest accrued for those three months as well.

"It's so important to carefully read the terms of any agreement you sign. Not all forbearance agreements work the same way," Clampet said. "Some may add the deferred payments to the end of your loan. Keep in mind the word forbearance isn't the same as loan payments being forgiven. You'll have to pay at some point. This is why you must be careful about what you sign. Be sure you understand all the terms of the offered contract before signing in an effort to avoid putting your financial health at risk. Consumers who aren't able to reasonably meet the terms of the contract shouldn't sign it."

Sac and Fox Nation Swimming Pool Rules and Hours



Sac and Fox Nation Swimming Pool Opening Memorial Weekend!!

Tentatively Set May 23, 2020 Check FaceBook For Updates!
Pool hours are:

12 pm to 6 pm Tuesday through Sunday
Closed on Mondays

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

We hope that everyone is doing well and staying safe. The Education Department has been closed since March 18, 2020 due to COVID-19, but continuing the Every Student Success Act Consultations with various public schools by virtual consultations from home.

Here is a list of schools that I have had consultations with: Cushing Public School, Guthrie Public School, Clewiston Public School, New Castle Public School, Deer Creek Public School, Mustang Public School, Piedmont Public School and Tulsa Public School.

This has been a different experience for me with virtual meeting and being home to see that work load continues to be conducted. We may see this being the new way of how our work will be done in months to come, if not years.

CARES Act Provides Millions in Emergency Indian Education Funding to address COVID-19 Pandemic: Congress and the President have

worked together to enact three laws responding to the COVID-19 to the COVID-19 pandemic. Laws are COVID relief Phases 1,2 and 3. Phase 1 and 2 were comparatively smaller and generally focused on funding for the immediate medical response and for vaccine research. Phase 3, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or CARES Act (PL. 116-136) is the largest of the three, costing more than \$1 trillion.

We are keeping a close eye on what is in the upcoming days and weeks of how funding will be allocated and distribute for Indian Education. We have sent in letters to U.S. Department of the interior, in Washington DC regarding the Allocation and Distribution of CARES Act Indian Education Funds. As I have mentioned we will need to keep a close watch on upcoming consultations on the funding for Indian Education and JOM Funding. As details unfold we will keep you updated.

The Kindergarten and Senior Stoles are completed and ready to be mailed out. As we receive your application, we can mail a stole out, once we are back in our office.

I would like to thank Gwen Switch and Janet Jeske, Sac and Fox Tribal Members, for all your time in completing the stoles for our Sac and Fox Kindergarten and Senior Graduates of 2020!!!!!!

BE SAFE AND SEE EVERYONE SOON!!!!!!


Thank you,
Edwina Butler-Wolfe
Education Director
Tribal cell number: 68-9

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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 1/2 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

MONTHLY TOBACCO CESSATION
SUPPORT GROUP

Held the 1st Wednesday of every month

12-1 pm

Learning Center Conference Room

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

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

Sessions will also include peer interaction and recovery support.

For more information, Please contact DeAnna in Behavioral Health.

YOU CAN STOP SMOKING NOW





Kindergarten Graduation Stole



High School Senior Graduation Stole

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

are now accessible on the Website and Facebook

sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Tribal Members Urged to Participate in 2020 U. S. Census

by Mike Brown

Sac and Fox Nation Secretary Jacklyn King is noting the importance and encouraging all tribal members to participate in the 2020 U. S. Census as information that is gathered impacts federal funding for various tribal programs.

Following is census information provided by the Native American Rights Fund (NARF), the oldest, largest non-

Impacts Federal Funding for Tribal Programs

profit legal organization defending the rights of Native American tribes, organizations, and people:

On April 1, 2020 the U.S. Census Bureau conducted a count of all people living in the United States and the Tribal Nations in the United States.

Alaska Natives are among the first Americans being counted, beginning in January, with the Nunakauyarmiut Tribe (formerly known as the Nativ Village of Toksook Bay) in Alaska. The 2020 Census is being taken in Alaska earlier than elsewhere because many villages are in remote areas and residents often leave their communities in April for subsistence fishing and hunting and warm-weather jobs.

•NATIVES NEED TO BE COUNTED TO SECURE FEDERAL DOLLARS: About \$60 billion in federal funding is distributed annually based on population counts obtained by federal agencies. Each person counted equals \$3,000 in funding for your community.

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In 2016, federal funding disbursed based on people counted in Census surveys included \$361 billion for Medicaid, \$40 billion for roads, and about \$37 billion in programs for families and children, including TANF, CHIP, and WIC.


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The 2020 Census at a Glance



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- It determines how many representatives each state gets in Congress.
- Communities rely on census statistics to plan for a variety of resident needs including new roads, schools, and emergency services.
- Businesses use census data to help provide more local jobs and places to shop.

Each year, the federal government distributes hundreds of billions of dollars to states and communities based on U.S. Census Bureau data.

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The Census Bureau is the leading source of statistical information about the nation's people. We provide snapshots on population size and growth and detailed portraits of our changing communities.

Foundation of a Successful Census



Establish Where To Count

- Using aerial imagery and in-field work to identify new homes and buildings
- Partner with U.S. Postal Service
- Local governments input through the Boundary Annexation Survey and Local Update of Census Addresses
- Comprehensive review of all addresses



Motivate People To Respond

- Partner with community leaders and trusted voices
- Use tailored messages
- Encourage self-response



Count The Population


- Respond online, by phone, or by mail
- Visit households that do not respond
- Online forms in multiple languages
- Mailed Individual Census ID is not required for online response



Release Census Results

- Deliver apportionment counts to the President by December 31, 2020
- Release counts for redistricting by April 1, 2021
- Make it easier for the public to access data

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Scientists Continue to Research Covid-19 Immunity Question

As the number of cases of the new coronavirus continue to grow, people who recover are increasingly asking one question: Am I now immune to future infection?

The answer, say experts at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, is not yet clear. But based on preliminary information about the virus, they are hopeful.

When you're exposed to a virus or bacteria, your body tries to rid itself of the intruder by creating proteins known as antibodies. These antibodies seek and attempt to destroy the trespassers, and the body keeps some antibodies on hand ready to fight if you're exposed again.

"We already know that people make antibodies to the new coronavirus," said Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation immunologist Linda Thompson, Ph.D. "However, we don't yet know if these antibodies are protective, especially long term."

A study in macaques infected with SARS-CoV-2 as the new virus is technically known, suggested that once infected, the monkeys produce neutralizing antibodies that help them resist further infection. But it is unclear how long they might remain immune.

"For example, immunity to SARS, another closely related coronavirus, does protect patients from a second infection for a couple of years," said OMRF physician-scientist Hal Scofield, M.D. "But, after that, they can be infected again."

That's because some viruses evolve over time, allowing them eventually to dodge the immune system, Scofield said.

"Luckily, for typical virus infections, people who recover usually have some protective immunity against repeat infection, at least for a short period of time," said Thompson.

Still, even if antibody protection were temporary and people eventually became reinfected, the next bout would likely be milder than the first. Even after the body stops producing antibodies, immune memory cells can trigger an effective defense.

"Chances are, you'd make a strong immune response before you even become symptomatic again," said Scofield. Even in at-risk individuals, the disease might no longer be life-threatening.

Commercial kits for testing for SARS-CoV-2 antibodies have been used in Asian countries, and the tests have recently become available in the U.S. They will enable testing to determine people who have been exposed to—and recovered from—the virus.

"So, at least in the short run, antibody-positive doctors and nurses could likely attend to COVID-19 patients without risk of reinfection," said Scofield, who also serves as associate chief of staff for research at the Oklahoma City VA.

Using the antibody tests, scientists at OMRF will initiate studies to determine what antibodies the immune system produces to the coronavirus. They'll also look at what protections, if any, the antibodies offer, and they'll use this information to help inform the development of new treatments and a vaccine against SARS-CoV-2.

For example, identifying recovered people with powerful antibody responses could allow doctors to inject antibodies extracted from their blood into those who are ill. This method has been used successfully in the past, as long ago as the Korean War.

More recently, it's also served as an important stopgap during outbreaks of contagious disease. "Before vaccines were developed, this approach was used to treat people infected with Ebola," said Thompson.

But such approaches, cautioned Thompson, will require time and careful analysis. "Because this coronavirus is so new, we don't yet have the data to know how protective antibodies will be."




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



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Tips Offered for Tornado Sheltering During the Covid-19 Pandemic

by Trisha Gedon
OSU Ag Communications Service

While the country is right fully concerned about the COVID-19 pandemic, Oklahomans have another concern this time of year – tornado season.

For those who typically take cover in public storm shelters or generously invite neighbors to share their own, what is the proper protocol during a time of social distancing?

Wes Lee, Oklahoma State University Extension assistant specialist with the Oklahoma Mesonet, said there are no definitive answers.

Lee suggested the members of every household take time to customize and implement emergency management at home before it is needed. Have a home emergency plan, he said, and prepare the home for likely threats Oklahoma faces every year, especially at the beginning of tornado season.

"Right now, where you choose to shelter and with whom is an individual decision based on underlying health and the expected severity of the tornado risk," Lee said. "Therefore, the answer is going to be different for each individual during each storm occurrence."

"However, my recommendation during this period of continued community spread of COVID-19 is to shelter for tornadoes at home, preferably in a storm shelter or basement. For those who live in manufactured housing or on an upper floor in an apartment building, you must seek shelter elsewhere," he said.

For those without a shelter at home, Lee recommended sheltering with a close neighbor who is open to the idea. If that is not possible, he recommended going to the lowest level interior room or closet, staying close to the floor and taking cover under blankets and pillows. He also suggested wearing a bicycle helmet, long pants, long sleeves and sturdy shoes.

Gina Peek, OSU Extension housing and consumer specialist, said it is important for everyone to have an emergency preparedness kit that can be grabbed easily and taken to the shelter.

"Obvious items to include are medications, a flashlight, extra batteries, a battery powered weather radio and some nonperishable foods," Peek said. "But in light of the pandemic we're in, you also should include masks, tissues, disposable gloves and hand sanitizer. It's also a good idea to include a plastic bag to dispose of used tissues."

Should anyone in the shelter cough or sneeze, Peek said the person should do so in a tissue or in the sleeve of the long sleeved shirt they are wearing. Oklahomans have learned to prepare for storm season and other emergencies, so the COVID-19 pandemic should not be that different, Lee said.


"Safety is the main ingredient in being prepared for a storm. With the situation we currently are in, you must take a few extra precautions," he said.

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Advanced Planning Necessary for Older Adults’ Storm Sheltering

by Trisha Gedon
OSU AgC communications Services

Oklahomans are well-versed in what it takes to prepare for severe weather such as tornadoes. Advanced planning is a must to help ensure everyone’s safety. This is especially important for special populations such as older adults.

An emergency contingency plan is a great way to help reduce risk, said Gina Peek, Oklahoma State University Extension housing and consumer specialist.

“We know we don’t always get a lot of advance warning of a tornado. This is why it’s important for older adults to have an emergency plan in place,” Peek said. “Preparing ahead of a storm can help provide older adults the extra time needed to move to their safe place.”

The most complete family emergency plans address the unique needs of each person, and for older adults, that could include taking into account their strength and mobility. For guidance on how to create a family emergency plan, visit www.ready.gov.

Peek said a basic emergency kit should include enough water and food for three days, weather appropriate clothing to change into, a flashlight with extra batteries, a first aid kit and a weather radio. Do not forget to include other special items such as medications, extra glasses, assistive devices, oxygen and hearing aids and extra batteries.

“Keep copies of important documents such as medical insurance, Medicare and Medicaid cards, wills and power of attorney in a waterproof zipper bag in the emergency kit,” she said.

Since any kit much larger and heavier than a simple storm emergency bag could be difficult to move, families may consider preparing two kits – one for sheltering at home during emergencies and a smaller, lighter one that is easier to maneuver in the event the family has to take cover somewhere outside the home.

Something else to consider is the type of container to use for the emergency kits, she said.

“As you’re thinking about what items to put in an emergency kit, also consider

the type of container to hold all the supplies,” Peek said. “For instance, people with arthritis may choose a case with wheels instead of a large plastic tote with handles.”

Be sure to store the emergency kit in a location with quick and easy access. Peek said storing it on a high shelf or in the back of a crowded closet is not the best option.

Finally, when it comes to seeking safety, some older adults may not have the mobility to get underground.

“Anyone worried about making it to the basement, cellar or below-ground shelter may think about picking another safe space in their home,” Peek said. “If you can’t get underground, look for another safe space on the lowest level of the house. Interior rooms such as closets or hallways work best. Avoid doors, windows and outside walls.”

OMRF Development Could Extend the Life of Brain Cancer Patients

An experimental brain cancer compound developed at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation is being used in a new study that could considerably extend the lives of glioblastoma patients.

In a study at the University of Oklahoma’s Stephenson Cancer Center, the OMRF compound OKN-0 is being combined with Temodar, the current standard-of-care medication for glioblastoma. Researchers hope to learn if it can enhance Temodar’s effectiveness for a longer period of time.

Glioblastoma is an aggressive form of brain cancer with no cure. Even with surgery and chemotherapy, patients typically live only 12-18 months after diagnosis. Only 1 in 10 glioblastoma patients will live five years. Temodar has been proven to work, but in most cases, patients tend to become resistant to the drug after approximately three months.

In combination, OKN-0 allows Temodar to remain effective for longer with less resistance, thus extending treatment well beyond the three-month window, perhaps indefinitely, said OMRF Vice President of Technology Ventures Manu Nair.

“Several additional months of treatment with Temodar can dramatically prolong the lives of patients and keep them from enduring other grueling treatments that can compromise their immune systems,” said Nair.

OKN-0 had been in trials to determine safety and efficacy since 2013. The compound was developed by OMRF scientists Rheel Towner, Ph.D., and Robert Floyd, Ph.D., as a novel therapeutic that dramatically decreased cell proliferation (spread) and angiogenesis (formation of new blood vessels), and it turned on the process of removing damaged cells so they can’t become cancerous.

“OKN-0 has been promising but until now, it was only used in very late-stage cancer where patients are out of other options,” said Nair. “By combining it with Temodar, it offers a longer, more effective treatment regimen.”

The new study is led by James Battiste, M.D., Ph.D., medical director of the Comprehensive Brain Tumor Program at the Stephenson Cancer Center.

An estimated 120,000 Americans are diagnosed with glioblastoma each year, according to the American Brain Tumor Foundation. The standard treatment regimen involves surgery to remove as much of the tumor as possible, followed by radiation and chemotherapy. Still, the tumor almost always grows back.

“By combining Temodar and OKN-0 following initial surgery to have the brain tumor removed, we see potential for these patients to added benefit from an existing drug already proven to work, but for a much longer period of time,” said Nair.



2020 Nutrition Services Schedule



Cooking Classes

Cooking demonstrations showcase low-carbohydrate and low-sodium budget friendly recipes. All classes are held in the Merle Boyd Center unless otherwise posted. Class times are 11-12pm and 12-1pm, both cover the same information.

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U.S. Cattle Industry Lost \$13.6 Billion Due to Covid-19

by Brian Brus
OSU Ag Communications Service

The U.S. cattle industry lost an estimated \$3.6 billion by early April this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and more economic damages to agriculture are likely, according to a study commissioned by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

The research conducted by Oklahoma State University identified revenue losses of \$7 billion so far this year in the cow-calf sector alone, the equivalent of \$12 per head for each breeding animal in the country. If that impact is not offset, long term damages to producers are projected to rise by another \$5 billion, or total loss of about \$10 per head, according to Derrell S. Peel, Breedlow Professor of Agribusiness and OSU Extension Livestock Marketing Specialist.

Similar economic damages will ripple through the stocker and feedlot sectors and across other aspects of the industry. The news comes as lawmakers in Washington, D.C., struggle with an economic stimulus bill known as Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, or the CARES Act.

The recently enacted \$1 trillion legislation has earmarked \$1 billion in agricultural aid, of which \$950 million is intended to provide relief for producers, specialty crops and regional agricultural systems, and \$4 billion will go to renew the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation spending authority.

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue recently said his department will have to wait until at least summer to distribute an additional \$4 billion in aid, although tapping the CCC is also possible.

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association will share the research conducted by Peel's committee with the USDA and policymakers to help lay plans for further recovery efforts.

"This study confirms that cattle producers have suffered massive economic damages as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak and those losses will continue to mount for years to come, driving many producers to the brink of collapse and beyond if relief funds aren't made available soon," NCBA Chief Executive Colin Woodall said. "This study also clearly illustrates the fact that while the relief funds provided by Congress were a good first step, there remains a massive need for more funding."

Thomas Coon, vice president of OSU's Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, agreed that the report confirms more legislative action is needed. The cattle industry suffered a significant disruption from drought about eight years ago and needed assistance to recover.

"These market disruptions pose a serious threat to the future of our beef and other protein industries and the livelihoods of many farmers and ranchers and the rural communities whose livelihood depends on their success," Coon said. "Federal intervention, led by Congressman Frank Lucas, made a difference in 2014. It's inconceivable that the industry can weather this disruption without federal action today."

Blayne Arthur, secretary of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, said the release of Peel's report is obvious, given the struggles of producers to maintain the country's food supply systems.

"The difficult economic situation our nation currently faces is not entirely new to agriculture, though certainly worsened by the COVID-19 pandemic," Arthur said. "Beef producers have faced a variety of challenging market factors for some time. The most recent hit brought on by the coronavirus further risks the financial health and continued operation of many of our cattle producers."

Although the report focused only on cattle, Peel said other agricultural sectors are hurting just as much.

Of the nation's 94.4 million head of cattle, more than 80 million are involved in beef production. Cattle are found on nearly 883,000 farms, and within that total about 79,000 farms have beef cows. The U.S. beef cattle industry had \$7.2 billion in sales in 2017, data shows.

Since federal, state and municipal governments started enacting virus-control safety measures urging people to stay home, retail spending and food consumption patterns have changed significantly, driving a glow in the economy.

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



2020-2021 Sr. Man & Sr. Woman Nominations

Nomination deadline: June 5, 2020

I, _____, Roll No. _____ hereby nominate the following

Man: _____. He should be the Sac & Fox Nation Sr. Man because:

I, _____, Roll No. _____ hereby nominate the following

Woman: _____. She should be the Sac & Fox Nation Sr. Woman

because: _____

Mail nomination to: Activity Committee OR E-mail nomination to: carrieladeaux@gmail.com
920883 S. Hwy. 99
Stroud, OK 74079



**Sac and Fox Nation
Office of Environmental Services
In Partnerships with ODWC/NRCS/USDA**

**Date: 06/5/2020
Friday
Time: 10:00-14:00**

7th ANNUAL Family Fishing Day



This is an Educational Event

Come on out to the pavilion at Veteran's Lake !!

Bring the family and friends~All ages welcome!!!

***Children must be accompanied by guardian at all times**

We will start at 10:00am:

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



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



Thanks to NRCS/USDA for funding

- Included:**
- ♦ Rod and reels **—Loaned** for event by ODWC (Must be returned to OES)
 - ♦ Bait is PROVIDED
 - ♦ NO fishing license needed
 - ♦ It's all FREE

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

Contact person: Dale Miller 918-968-0046

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Inclement weather will cancel and reschedule.

FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M				
FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDIR) FY 2020 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020)				
The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income standard and the applicable SNAP standard deduction.				
48 Contiguous United States:			Use this Amount	
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction	FDIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,041	+	\$167	= \$1,208
2	\$1,410	+	\$167	= \$1,577
3	\$1,778	+	\$167	= \$1,945
4	\$2,146	+	\$178	= \$2,324
5	\$2,515	+	\$209	= \$2,724
6	\$2,883	+	\$240	= \$3,123
7	\$3,251	+	\$240	= \$3,491
8	\$3,620	+	\$240	= \$3,860
each additional member				\$369
Alaska:				
Use this Amount				
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction	FDIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,300	+	\$286	= \$1,586
2	\$1,761	+	\$286	= \$2,047
3	\$2,222	+	\$286	= \$2,508
4	\$2,683	+	\$286	= \$2,969
5	\$3,144	+	\$286	= \$3,430
6	\$3,605	+	\$300	= \$3,905
7	\$4,065	+	\$300	= \$4,365
8	\$4,526	+	\$300	= \$4,826
each additional member				\$461
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FY 2020 FDIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e))
Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Earned Income Deduction	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.
Dependent Care Deduction	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
Child Support Deduction	Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.
Medical Expense Deduction	Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).
Home Care Meal-Related Deduction	Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. The home care meal-related deduction amounts are as follows: 48 Contiguous U.S. States = \$194 Alaska by Area Designations <ul style="list-style-type: none">Urban = \$238Rural 1= \$304Rural 2 = \$370 See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.
Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M		
FY 2020 FDIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020		
Baseline by Region*		
Region	States Currently with FDIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$450
Southeast/Southwest	Arizona, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah	\$350
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming	\$450
West	Alaska, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$400

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

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

Committee/Boards/Commissions

Openings

Rodeo Committee

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

Indian Education Committee- JOM

Promotes the welfare of Indian children and youth in home, school, community and Tribe; raise the standards of school achievement of Indian Children; and bring into closer relationship the home and the school so that the parents and the teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of Indian children and youth. Must be parent or legal guardian of eligible JOM student.

SAC & FOX NATION

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June 2020

SAC AND FOX NATION
FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROGRAM

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 Elders Day	2 Elders Day	3 Shipment	4 Elders Day	5
8 SHAWNEE LN 2 PM - 6 PM	9	10	11	12
15	16	17 Shipment	18	19
22 SHAWNEE LN STROUD LN 2P- 6 P	23	24	25	26
29 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY	30 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY			

HOURS

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.

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In preparation for Pow-Wow, there will be two Camp Clean-Up Days:
May 8 and June 19

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

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