

SAC and FOX NEWS

Nemishâtenemo êhthâkiwiyâni



Phone: 918-968-3526 • 920963 S. Hwy. 99, Bldg. A • Stroud, OK 74079 • Vol. 43 • No. 9 • September 2021

The Late Major Don Couteau Receives French 'Legion of Honor' Award

by Mike Brown

Family members and friends of the late Don Couteau were in attendance July 21, 2021 as the late U. S. Army Air Corps Major was recognized by the French government for "his personal contribution towards the liberation of France" during World War II.

Couteau, a Sac and Fox Nation tribal member, took part in the operation "Carpetbaggers," as a member of special operations air groups that provided aerial support behind enemy lines throughout Europe. The top-secret missions were only declassified within the last 15 years.

Major Couteau received many ribbons and medals for his active service following WWII. However, he had not received formal recognition of service from France until the Sac and Fox Nation and Sac and Fox Honor Guard hosted an awards ceremony at the Sac and Fox Nation's Veterans Memorial Plaza followed by lunch and a program in the Sac and Fox Community Center.

Sac and Fox Nation Ambassador and Historical Researcher Juaquin Hamilton served as master of ceremonies for the awards programs.

France Consul General Alexis Andres was in special attendance to present the 'Legion of Honor Award' with the rank of 'Chevalier' (Knight) to Major Couteau's daughter, Donna Couteau, and the Couteau Family. Also present were current Honorary France Consul for Oklahoma Grant Moak, and former Honorary France Consul for Oklahoma Barbara Thompson.

Remembered as "A True Hero of The Greatest Generation"

In his comments while presenting the Legion of Honor Award, Consul General Andres said, "Today, I have the honor to recognize the courage Don Couteau displayed so many years ago on a land, my land, that was so foreign to him, and yet for which he was prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice."

"I thank Don Couteau for his personal contribution towards the liberation of France, and I recognize him as a true hero of the Greatest Generation to whom France is forever indebted," he added.

Consul General Andres also presented a brief history of the Legion of Honor Award, and noted the "brotherhood" for over two centuries between the United States and France. He said Major Couteau "demonstrated virtue, bravery and strong commitment to a noble cause."

After receiving the 'Legion of Honor Award' in recognition of her late father, Donna Couteau presented the award to the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard for display in the new veterans program facility.

Following the program at the Veterans Memorial Plaza, the lunch program at the Community Building included a slide show prepared by Historical Researcher Juaquin Hamilton, which featured historical photographs of tribal life, elders and former chiefs.

Speakers included former Sac and Fox Principal Chief and Secretary Mary F. McCormick, who recalled it was an inquiry from Don Couteau in 1975 that resulted in the development of

the first Sac and Fox tribal membership enrollment book.

Following an exchange of gifts among the Couteau Family, the visiting French dignitaries,

the Sac and Fox Honor Guard and Sac and Fox Business Committee, the master of ceremonies expressed appreciation to everyone in attendance, those

who helped with the meal and those who helped coordinate the event, including Sac and Fox Honor Guard Charter Member Dennis Jennings, Pamela Patterson of the Sac and Fox Business Committee office and others.



Pictured from left at the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Plaza are: Honorary Consul of France for Oklahoma Grant Moak; Michael James, a nephew of Donna Couteau; France Consul General Alexis Andres; Joe Cross, Vietnam War Veteran and husband of Donna Couteau; and, Major Don Couteau's daughter, Donna Couteau. James and Consul General Andres are holding a shadowbox prepared by Donna Couteau and, she and her husband are holding the 'Legion of Honor' award and certificate presented by France in recognition of her late father, Don Couteau. See more photos inside. (Photo by Mike Brown)

Saginaw Grant, Hereditary Chief, Actor and Author Dies

M. Saginaw Grant, 'Wapime' (grey fish), walked on to the spirit world on Wednesday, July 28, 2021. A long-time resident of Los Angeles, Saginaw passed away from natural causes in North Hollywood, California. Born July 20, 1936 in Pawnee, Okla. to Sarah Murray Grant and Austin Grant, Sr., Saginaw was the oldest of four children.

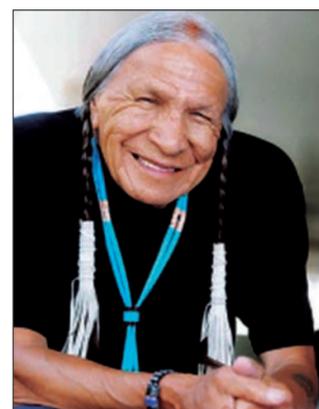
He attended Pawnee Indian School before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1953 at the age of 17. He proudly served his country for three years until 1956. Best known as an actor in film and television, Saginaw's talents were far-reaching. His occupations were as varied as his talents. He worked as a dry-cleaner and went on to become an author,

public speaker, spiritual leader, and using the public recognition gained from his work as an actor, he became an ambassador for many causes which were important to him.

His film and television credits found him working with some of the biggest names in the acting world, on movies and shows like THE LONE RANGER, BREAKING BAD, THE WORLD'S FASTEST INDIAN, AMERICAN HORROR STORY, SHAMELESS, THE RIDICULOUS 6, VEEP, WINTER IN THE BLOOD, COMMUNITY, MY NAME IS EARL, SAVING GRACE and HARTS OF THE WEST. His long career brought him various awards and accolades.

As hereditary chief of the Sac

and Fox Nation, Saginaw was a respected elder who was very active in the Native American community. His love of dancing (Continued on Page 2)



Saginaw Grant



Lambert Presents 'Build Oklahoma' Award to Sac and Fox Leaders

Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief Justin F. Wood holds an Associated General Contractors of Oklahoma (AGCOK) 'Build Oklahoma' award after it was presented to tribal leaders on July 27, 2021 by Mark Lambert, right, of Lambert Construction of Stillwater, Okla. Other Sac and Fox Nation leaders pictured from left are: Business Committee Member Robert Williamson, Second Chief Don Abney, Secretary Jacklyn King and Treasurer Carla Wallace. As previously announced, the AGCOK recently presented the award to Lambert in recognition of the unique shape and overall exterior architectural design of the new Sac and Fox Nation Transportation Building in Stroud, Okla. Architect for the development was Studio 45 Architects of Tulsa, Okla. (Photo by Mike Brown)

BIA Modernizes How it Maintains Titles to Indian Trusts

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) announced Aug. 18, 2021 the finalization of updates to regulations modernizing how it maintains titles to federal Indian trusts and restricted fee lands.

Among other important modifications, the BIA's Land Title and Records Office (LTRO) now maintains title documents electronically with a framework for its continued operations and future electronic maintenance. The regulations were published in the Federal Register on August 16, 2021.

The LTRO maintains title documents for land the United States holds in trust or restricted fee status for American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes and individuals, similar to how counties and other local governments

maintain title documents for fee land within local jurisdictions.

"One of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' most important jobs is the maintenance of records for all federal Indian trust and restricted fee lands, which, in itself, is a fundamental element of the federal trust responsibility to Tribal and individual American Indian and Alaska Native trust beneficiaries," said Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs Bryan Newland.

"This final rule is better suited to ensuring these records are preserved and maintained properly for the benefit of current and future generations."

The final rule also allows the LTRO to more efficiently address title-related actions that support Indian land transactions.

This includes a title examination to take land into trust and allowing workloads to be shifted among regional LTRO offices to more promptly address requests and prevent the risk of processing backlogs.

Another update addresses changes over the past 40 years that removed requirements for Secretarial approval of certain title documents in support of Tribal self-governance and self-determination as previously announced in the HEARTH Act.

The final rule also reflects Tribal input on the proposed rule that was received during Tribal consultation, including two virtual consultation sessions held earlier this year.

NOTICE!

An application form pertaining to the **American Rescue Plan Act** can be found on Page 8 of this edition of the *Sac and Fox News*.

Sac and Fox News

The Sac & Fox News is the monthly publication of the Sac & Fox Nation, located on SH 99, six miles south of Stroud, OK.

Mailing address:

Sac and Fox Nation
Administration Building
920963 S Hwy 99 Bldg A
Stroud, OK 74079
Phone: 918-968-3526
Fax: 918-968-4837

The Sac & Fox News is the official publication of the Sac and Fox Nation. Our mission is to meet all tribal members information needs concerning the Nation.

The Sac & Fox News is mailed free, one per address, to enrolled Sac and Fox tribal members. Paid subscriptions are available for \$12.00 annually.

Editorial statements, guest columns, and letters to the editor published in this newspaper contain the opinions of the writers. These opinions do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Sac and Fox News staff or any elected official or department of tribal government or administration.

The Sac and Fox News reserves the right to refuse publication of letters to the editor. All editorials and letters to the editor become the property of the Sac and Fox News.

Submissions for publication must be signed by the author and include an address and contact phone number. They are limited to 300 words. The staff will not edit editorials or letters to the editor to fit the 300-word limit.

Deadline for the October issue is:
Monday, September 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Reprint permission is granted, with proper credit to the Sac and Fox News, unless other copyrights are shown. Articles and letters may be submitted to the newspaper either by mail or Fax to the address provided above, - or by e-mail: newspaper@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

Address corrections & changes are accepted by The Business Committee at the address listed below.

Managing Editor
Mike Brown

For information:
918-968-3526 x1060
newspaper@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Publisher: Sac and Fox Nation
Member of
Native American Journalists
Assn - Since 1988
Member OPA

Tribal Officers:
918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970

Principal Chief:
Justin Freeland Wood
Telephone (918) 968-3526
Ext. 1004
chief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Second Chief:
Don Abney
Telephone (918) 968-3526
Ext. 1008
secondchief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Secretary:
Jacklyn K. King
Telephone (918) 968-3526
Ext. 1007
secretary@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Treasurer:
Carla Wallace
Telephone (918) 968-3526
Ext. 1006
treasurer@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Committee Member:
Robert Williamson
Telephone (918) 968-3526
Ext. 1005
cmember@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Business Committee
Mailing Address:
Sac and Fox Nation
Administration Building
920963 S Hwy 99 Bldg A
Stroud, OK 74079
Visit us on the web @
sacandfoxnation.com
click news

Obituaries

Howard James Murie, a longtime Cushing, Okla. resident, passed away on Monday, August 2, 2021 in Cushing with his family by his side at the age of 61.

James was born on June 23, 1960 in Cushing, Okla. to his mother, Hilda Alice (Nullake) Murie. James grew up and attended school in Happy Valley and then Stroud High School. He attended Central Vo-Tech in Drumright, Okla. where he was certified in Heavy Equipment Operating.

James met the love of his life, Denise Pratt, in July of 1999. They married on January 23, 1981 in Miami, Okla. and, from this union 2 children were born, Damean and Hailee. James worked with heavy equipment all over Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas on all types of oil field jobs. He also did dirt work on pools, landscaping, and ponds. He was

Howard James Murie

passionate and precise while working a job.

He shared his love of working heavy equipment with his son, as his grandfather before him did. He was an avid O.U. Fan, Yankees fan, and fisherman. James was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation/Fish Clan. James loved to spend time with his family, especially his grand kids and will be greatly missed.

James is survived by his wife Denise of the home, son Damean Murie and daughter Hailee Murie, step-up dad, Warren Duane Pratt, siblings Theresa Ferguson and Wilma Seigle, grandchildren Abigail Murie, Fisher Murie, Andrew Seigle, Kate Boss Seigle and Olivia Seigle and numerous other nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

A Wake service was held August 5, 2021 at the First Indian Baptist Church in

Cushing. Funeral services were held August 6, 2021 at the First Baptist Church, Cushing, Okla. Arrangements were entrusted to Palmer Marler Funeral Home, Cushing, Okla.



Howard James Murie



Dale Miller

Dale Lee Miller

Dale Lee Miller, age 49, died on Sunday, August 1, 2021, in Tulsa, Okla. due to Covid-related issues. He was born in Roswell, New Mexico to his mother, Sherry Baldwin, on June 14, 1924.

Dale enjoyed many things, the outdoors, hiking, camping, hunting and fishing. He was married to his wife, Donna on March 27 1992, and they went on to have three children. Dale graduated from Goddard High School and obtained a Bachelors in Environmental Engineering from American Public University, while caring for and raising three children.

Dale worked for the Sac and Fox Nation as an environmental engineer. He was saved and was a member of Higher Praise Outreach in Stroud, Okla.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Donna Miller; his 3 children, Stephanie, Krystyl and Daxton; as well as, his grandchild, Kalliope. He is also survived by his brother and sisters, David Miller, Lisa (Miller) Sullivan, and Cynthia (Miller) Najera, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Mary and Albert Kitchel, his mother Sherry Baldwin, and his sister Wendy Shaline Smith. A wake was held August 4, 2021, at Stroud Lake. Care services were provided by Parks Brothers Funeral Services in Stroud, Okla.

Why the 'nsn.gov' Designation?

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

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

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

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

Truman Carter

Saginaw Grant

(Continued from Page 1)

took him around the pow wow circuit where he was known for his gourd dancing, grass dancing and Southern straight dancing.

Saginaw is survived by his brothers, Francis Grant, Sr. of Cushing, Oklahoma, Austin Grant, Jr. and his wife Vera of Cushing, Oklahoma, daughter Lisa Grant and her wife Ann of Duncan, Oklahoma, daughter-in-law Dodie Kent of Van Nuys, California, grandchildren Della Grant, Cassandra Kent and Vanessa Kent, great-grandchildren Joseph Grant Soutter, Sherry Jo Soutter, Stephen Soutter and Micah Littlecrow, adopted daughter Mariana Tosca of Los Angeles, CA,

publicist Lani Carmichael of Los Angeles, California, and adopted family Rick, Heather and Chayton Mora of Scottsdale, Arizona. Saginaw was preceded in death by his mother and father, Sarah and Austin, son Robert Benjamin Kent, sister Stella Wilson, and nephews Jeffrey Wilson and J. Paul Wilson.

A memorial service was arranged in Los Angeles through Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills. Traditional tribal services were held at the Sac and Fox Nation Community Building in Stroud, Okla., under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Service. His burial and final resting place is at the Sac and Fox Tribal Cemetery in Stroud, Okla.

Happy September Birthday Elders!

Mā ine Ca ter
Reg nū dī m es Hue y
Vicki SW ilson
KennetR g Bruno
Robert Bu ler Wolf
Kimberly Mich lle Boone
Ha ry Mich l Foster
Penny Gū l S evenson
Gregr y Lynn Lewis
LindK g e Brown
Jennie Kū Bemo
Coleen Beck
Gū l Elizbe tB arnes
Jue Vlu
Eli F.F orema
Henry Lee Jones
Rosema y ſi ith
Terry Jea T hm a
HenriettaM .M assey
ſi a l Rū Wh tebed
Jae t Gū l Neff
Clifford Ea l Allmond
Za k T.M orris
Yvonne Ma y Good g e
Ja kie ſ rley Carter-Morrison
Aa on Lee McKinney
Clā issa ne Littleh d
Lela olene Wū ker
Ma isd lond unca
Thm a ine Betsy Wild tū
Joyce Ann Ivy
ſi cK .D ye

Ch istoſ r Ala Cotu eu
Mich l Eg ne Long hr e
Ph llip oſeſP etitt
Joſetta vonne Hea ton
Vickie TeresaW ylie
Don Wū ne Abney
AnitM a ie Thr p
Albert Ala Lorentz
Rich d Allen Gra s
RetdG g Limore
Annette Lou se Hae y
Raſ E.P ood y
Eid e Roch lle Cox
Peter Dea E th onson
Joh C n tis Pell
Ma th w Jm es Sh ets
Freid e Alexnd r Cū teel
Little Joe Conū lis
Clā itK g Yost
Ca ol J.C h ld rs
Cū ſ Le Jue Cole

Ga y Lee Morg
Leroy Vernon Ellis
Leona dM cCoy
Jellene La Moreh d
ſid dM a ie Exenid ne
Nac ie EstellaP ood y
Lonnie Rū Dowd
LindK g Bontrg r
Jerome H.H oſ ns
ſi a l Dea B rown
Robert L.R obi dū
Pm eld ee Ortiz
Clā issa Ann William s
Anna Alma Rū sell
Edr ſB elle Rog rs
LindL ee Orteg
Jū tP ſ ette Ha ris Wū il ng
Kimberly Ma ie Wū ker
Mā ine Renee Alexnd r
Ma ciandL isā hm p on
Brend enell Owens
Mich l Allen McCoy
LisD ian I ga z
Tra i Jū d ne Hoch
TeresaE lū ne Rune ls
Doroſh Jea T ig r
Lw adL ou se Mh one
Ph llis Ann Biſe y
Dū icE ſ a ſ ofi e
Ma g et Elizbe tſ evens
Mich l Brown Ha ris
Dai el T.M cCoy
Florence Anne Mā on
Lois Kū S mp on
Raſ Wū ne Rowell
Jerri Renee McClellad Wū d p
Diand ne Hm ilton
Kā en Denise ſ d
La dM a ie Gā tineu
Johnſi ith
Ch istoſ r Thm a Miles
Johni e S erlingH a wood
Dae C.F h ls
Wū ne Gordn ſog a s
Ma ilyn Yvonne Drobenū re
Ga y E.J m es
Ma y Ann Goſl rey
ſid dL ee Tū e
Pm eldK incd
Rentu d o Tig r
Hirm S ſ ton Weis
Ma ilyn Kū Kind vū ter
Gerh d Lac e Avus

OSU to Engage Native American Students in STEM Career Development

by Alisa Boswell-Gore
Oklahoma State University

Agichitah Communications Services
Starting this fall, Oklahoma middle school students will learn how to use virtual reality (VR) thanks to a \$1.4 million grant from the National Science Foundation for a four-year program to engage Native American students in STEM career development.

Faculty from the Ferguson College of Agriculture at Oklahoma State University are teaming up with College of Education and Human Sciences faculty members to start after-school technology labs over the next three years at three tribal nation middle schools - the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in Shawnee, the Pawnee Nation and the Chickasaw Nation.

"We are excited about the opportunities this program will offer our students," said Jenny Jasper, curriculum coordinator at Shawnee Public Schools. "The skills they can learn from this STEM initiative will help them with their futures in college and career development."

Nicole Colston, professor and researcher with the OSU Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management, said the VR program will be introduced to the Citizen Potawatomi Nation this school year with the other two school districts joining the program in its second and third years.

Along with Program Coordinator Cynthia Orona, OSU Mixed Reality Lab Director Tilanka Chandrasekera and OSU Emerging Technologies and Creativity Research Lab Director Tutaleni Asino, Colston will work with after-school teachers on the program in the fall, with teachers taking over in the spring semester.

"It's not agricultural research in the traditional sense; it's STEM education research," said Colston, who has a background in formal science education. "The project is about developing technology experiences that advance students' and teachers' capabilities."

Colston said the goals of the program are to increase the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) interests of Native American youth and to collaborate with after-school educators to develop strategies for implementing the program and other equitable science learning into public schools. From a research perspective, the goal of the program is to learn how VR activities influence how students think about their future careers and their attitudes toward science. Another goal is to learn how VR activities can support cultural learning happening in tribal nation after-school programs.

"There's a big gap in Native American STEM education in Oklahoma. There are programs to introduce students to science, but there's a real call for programs that introduce science in culturally relevant ways," Colston said. "Even more important to Native American tribes is to place culture as the center of learning and use STEM learning to support that."

In a 2018 pilot program, Chandrasekera introduced a VR program to Pawnee fifth graders in which they designed college residential rooms as a means to tell a cultural story interpreted through architecture. Students learned about spatial design in which they created the rooms and 3D objects, such as lamps.

"Students become active agents in designing culturally meaningful spaces in virtual reality; it is called ethno computing," said Colston, who was invited to be an observer for the pilot program.

In the upcoming program, students will learn spatial design by participating in a hack-a-thon, a VR design event in which Native American middle school students solve problems related to their tribe. VR experts will also talk to the students about potential careers in the VR field. Previous hack-a-thons hosted by the OSU Mixed Reality Lab included re-designing the Oklahoma City Zoo, solving problems related to COVID-19 and learning about retail design and how to create wearable dwellings - clothes that

become a dwelling place.

"The implications of these technologies and the future workforce is huge, and students are really attracted to virtual learning. It's an exciting and engaging way to learn, and it fits with the current social culture we live in," Colston said.

"The College of Agriculture cares about this project, because the tribal nation collaborations better serve students in STEM. There are so many opportunities for Native American students when they get to OSU, but it's a matter of knowing about those opportunities before they get here."



"Memorial" 36x48in. acrylic on canvas. 2021

MYRIAD BOTANICAL GARDENS

Oklahoma City
301 W Reno
myriadgardens.org

**MEMORIAL:
POSITIVE AND
NEGATIVE SPACE**

BY ARTIST TONY A. TIGER
SAC AND FOX-SEMINOLE-
MVSOKKE

August 5 - November 5, 2021

Shawnee Trophy Company

A Sac and Fox Nation LLC

Trophies, Business Products, Personalized Gifts, and More

sales@shawnee-trophy.com

Phone: 405-273-0504

Fax: 405-273-0519

215 E Main Street

Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801

www.shawnee-trophy.com

Find us on : Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn

POWWOW

September 12, 2021

Hawk Haven

Join us as we celebrate and honor our grandparents and full blood Thaki tribal members!

Head Staff

MC RG Harris

HS Robert Lincoln

HMD Tyler Thurman

HLD SFN Royalty

Agenda

Recognition of Full Blood
Sac & Fox Tribal Members 3:00PM

Presentation of Seniors
Of the Year 4:00PM

Princess Crowning 4:30PM

Supper Break 5:00PM

Dancing 6:00PM

All Men's
Special Contest
sponsored in honor of
Marvin Thurman

Masks and social distancing
required

Concession hosted by Meeker Indian Club

Not Responsible for theft or accidents.

Drugs & alcohol prohibited.

Pyêchinimiko!

Like Us on Facebook!
Sac and Fox Nation
Sac and Fox Casino
Sac and Fox Language Program
Sac and Fox Dept. of Human Services
Sac and Fox National Public Library

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

2021-22 Oklahoma's Promise

Who May Apply

Applicants must be:

- Oklahoma residents.
- 8th-, 9th-, 10th- or 11th-grade students (homeschool students must be age 13, 14, 15 or 16).
- Students whose parents' federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$60,000.*
- Students who promise to meet the requirements of the program.

*Special income provisions may apply to:

- Children adopted from certain court-ordered custody and children in the custody of court-appointed legal guardians.
- Families receiving Social Security benefits based on the disability or death of the student's parents.

Contact the Oklahoma's Promise office for more information.

Additional documentation may be required.

The Promise

Upon completion of the program's requirements, you will earn:

- Tuition at an Oklahoma public two-year college or four-year university.
-OR-
- A portion of tuition at an accredited Oklahoma private college or university.
-OR-
- A portion of tuition for programs that qualify for federal financial aid at public career technology centers.

(The Oklahoma's Promise scholarship amount does not cover fees, books, supplies, or room and board.)

Get more Info:

www.okpromise.org

okpromise@osrhe.edu

(800) 858-1840 or (405) 225-9152

Ask your counselor.

Find us on

How to Apply:

Online at www.okpromise.org or get an application from your counselor.

Apprentice Program Available!



This is an ICF (insulated concrete form) home, designed and in the beginning stages of building. It will be equipped with geothermal heat and air, with solar panels.

We are seeking experienced or partially-experienced individuals in the field of construction. We are looking to employ tribal members and/or help them learn via an apprenticeship program with the option to become full-time.

K.O. Homes and Construction

Jim Roubidoux

(405) 371-9501 Shawnee, OK
www.k.o.homesandconstruction.com



Minnie Masquas Appointed to Sauk Business Enterprise Board

Minnie Masquas, left, is administered the oath of office by Chief Justin Wood after being appointed Aug. 10, 2021 to fulfill an unexpired term of Position #3 on the Sauk Business Enterprise Board of Directors. Holding the Holy Bible is Rhonna Morris. (Photo courtesy of Nikki Hendricks)

Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center Covid-19 Statistics (Through 8/15/21)

County	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Lincoln	3622	75
Pottawatomie	9069	133
Payne	9326	77
Tests Performed*	Total Positives*	
1610	202	
Total Vaccinations Given		
1718		



*Indicates number of tests performed, not number of individual patients

The Moderna vaccine is now available to all patients at Black Hawk Health Center 18 and over. To schedule your vaccine appointment, please call 918-968-9531.

According to CDC guidelines, people are not considered fully vaccinated until two weeks after their second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. You should keep using all the tools available to protect yourself and others until you are fully vaccinated. These include continuing to wear a mask, practice social distancing, and frequent hand washing.

Direct Employment Program

The Sac and Fox Nation Direct Employment Program is to provide assistance to eligible Tribal Members who obtain new fulltime/permanent employment. The service is designed to assist with transportation, supplies, equipment, uniforms, and meal allowance. The program is to assist a Tribal member who has not received his/her first full paycheck. Applicants must reside within the Sac and Fox Nation jurisdictional boundaries. Contact the Human Service Department at 9118-968-3526 ext. 2011 or 2010 for more details.

HELP WANTED! SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF JOB VACANCIES WITH

THE SAC & FOX NATION:

- PC Technician
- Maintenance Technician/Mechanic
- Health Information Manager
- Chief Financial Officer**
- Resident Advisor (Juvenile Detention Center)
- Finance Manager
- Cashier
- Special Projects Manager
- Environmental Specialist
- Grant Writer/Planner
- Meal Delivery Driver (Part-time)
- Policy Analyst
- Staff Accountant 1
- Library Technician (Part-time)

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

www.sacandfoxnation.com

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

Don Couteau Remembered as a 'True Hero of the Greatest Generation'



Sac and Fox Nation Ambassador and Historical Researcher Juaquin Hamilton served as master of ceremonies for the Don Couteau awards program at the request of the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard. The day's events were held at the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Memorial Plaza and Sac and Fox Community Building. (All Photos by Mike Brown)



Singers John David Ballard, Rowe Kishketon, who is current Sac and Fox Senior Man of the Year and Juaquin Hamilton perform the Flag Song during the awards program.



Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief Justin Wood presented a welcome address and introduced France Consul General Alexis Andres.



France Consul General Alexis Andres, center, presents the 'Legion of Honor Award' with the rank of 'Chevalier' (Knight) to Donna Couteau in recognition of her late father Don Couteau's 'flawless performance with the 'carpetbaggers during World War II. At right, is Grant Moak, who serves as Honorary France Consul for Oklahoma.



After receiving the France 'Legion of Honor Award' presented in recognition of her father Don Couteau, Donna Couteau expresses appreciation to France Consul General Alexis Andres, left, and announces the Couteau Family is donating the award to the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard. At right is Mrs. Coueau's husband, Joe Cross.



Members of the Couteau Family and family friends are pictured during the awards program.



Joe Cross speaks on behalf of Donna's mother, LeNell B. Couteau and family in appreciation of the France 'Legion of Honor' award presentation ceremony hosted by the Sac and Fox Nation and Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard. Mrs. Couteau's nephew Michael James holds a shadow box made by Donna and given for displaying in the new Sac and Fox Honor Guard facility.



Donna Couteau holds the France 'Legion of Honor' award and citation presented posthumously to her father Don Couteau by France Consul General Alexis Andres, right. At left is Mrs. Couteau's husband, Joe Cross, a Vietnam War veteran.

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.

September Scramble

ohîkshthmaac _____
 ephêkhiw _____
 haaômñâ _____
 miaaêntahmk _____
 âwkaimin _____
 tâamnai _____
 wmaipâin _____
 oiksipmahñîw _____
 emsmhînia _____
 kpiimñôi _____

September 2021 Word Match

Âmamôha	Sweet corn
Meshimîna	Cranberry
Mashkochîsa	Cherry
Mahkatêmina	White corn
Atâmina	Gooseberry
Wâpimina	September
Wîshkopimina	Bean(s)
Pôkimini	Corn
Kâwimina	Apple
Pehkiwêhi	Blackberry

SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

September 2021
Âmamôha
 (Rutting Moon)

From the Sauk Language Department.

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

Also, the Sauk Language Department has three (3) downloadable, stand-alone language apps for both Android and iPhones. Go to Google Play Store or iTunes to get yours today and start learning Sauk.

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

www.talksauk.com!



Suggestions and comments from tribal members are always welcome on programs you have attended, or would like to see scheduled.
 Call 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970, or email at:
Katie.Thompson@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



September 2021 Quotes

When a white army battles Indians and wins, it is called a great victory, but if they lose it is called a massacre.

Cheesekau, Shawnee (1760-1792)

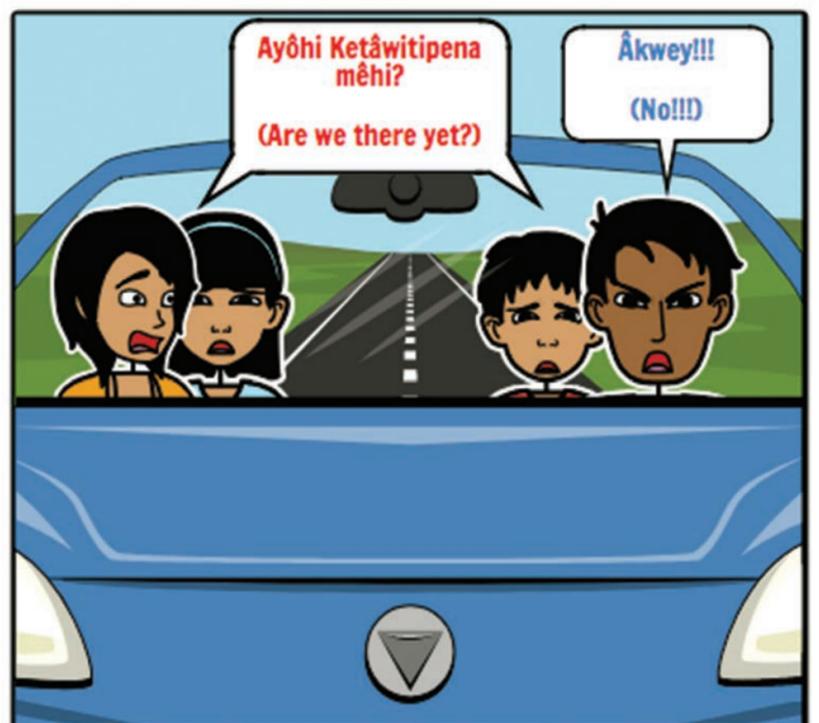
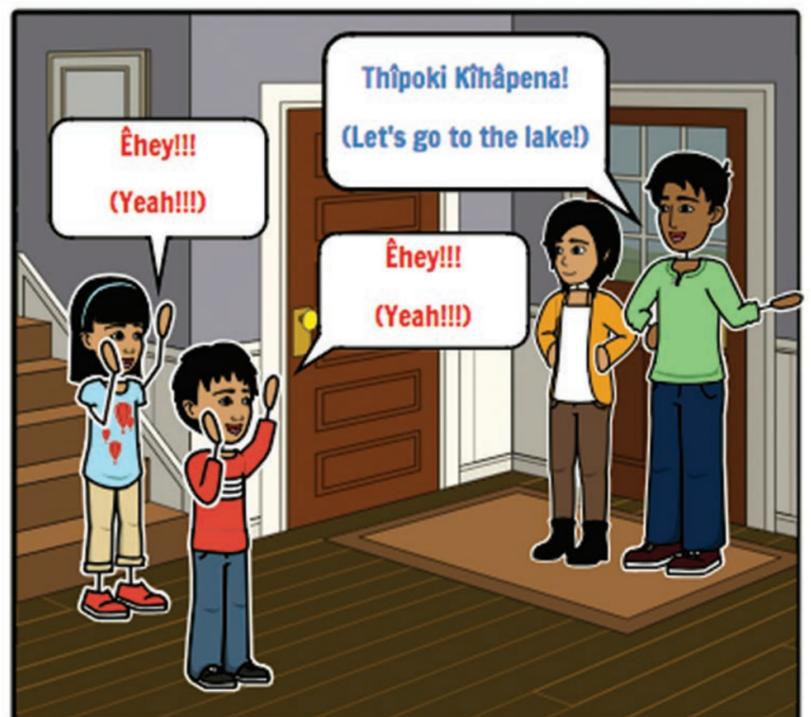
One thing to remember is to talk to the animals. If you do, they will talk back to you. But if you don't talk to the animals, they won't talk back to you, then you won't understand, and when you don't understand you will fear, and when you fear, you will destroy the animals, and if you destroy the animals, you will destroy yourself.

Chief Dan George, Tsiel-Waututh (1899-1981)

The land is sacred. These words are at the core of your being. The land is our Mother, the rivers our blood. Take our land away and we die. That is the Indian in us dies.

Mary Brave Bird, Lakota

September Comic



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 July 27, 2021. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Resolution SF-21-176**, a resolution halting the acceptance of donated funds, pursuit of grants, or consent of any sponsorship from Enbridge Incorporated on behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the previous approved Resolution SF-16-24 whereby the Sac and Fox Nation declared opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline in which Enbridge is a partial owner; and on the basis of the negative impact Enbridge has on the environment, as well as, the finding of the company's involvement of sexual exploitation of women until such time Enbridge has resolved ongoing issues with all Indian tribes in regards to violations of treaty rights. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-177**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Lincoln Roofing, LLC. for the Sac and Fox Camping Pavilions Roofing Project. The funding source is identified as the FY 2021 RAP Maintenance Facilities and Grounds Department Budget Modification #2. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Don W. Abney motion to approve, with correction, the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated June 29, 2021. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the following resolutions:
 - Resolution SF-21-166**, a resolution removing Jared A. King, Treasurer and authorizing the addition of Carla J. Wallace, Treasurer to have signature authority on the Sac and Fox Nation bank accounts.
 - Resolution SF-21-167**, a resolution approving a change in Trustee for the Sac and Fox Nation 401K Retirement Plan account from Jared A. King to Carla J. Wallace Tribal Treasurer effective immediately.
 Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the following:
 - Acceptance and approval of the amendment to Tobacco Tax Compact between the State of Oklahoma and the Sac and Fox Nation with the extension date to terminate as of December 31, 2021.
 - Approval of an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Stephanie E. Fields for services as a Land and Cattle Program contract laborer.
 - Approval of an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Allen T. Tsoodle for services as a Land and Cattle Program contract laborer.
 - Approval of TEHR Program assistance for tribal member located at 144404 E 44th Street, Ripley OK.
 Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes. Motion carried
- Resolution SF-21-178**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and William Levi Killman for the CARES Act Food Sovereignty Project. The funding source is identified as CARES Act Food Sovereignty Project Budget. Robert W. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-179**, a resolution approving the CARES Act Cushing Industrial Building Budget in the total funding amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-180**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Grass Construction for property maintenance of the Cushing Industrial Building. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-181**, a resolution approving the CARES Act OES Department Budget in the total funding amount of Two Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$285,000.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Recessed Regular Business Committee meeting held on July 28, 2021. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Resolution SF-21-182**, a resolution approving the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Indian Health Service Vaccine Budget in the total funding amount of Four Thousand Forty-One Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$441,160.00). The funding source is identified as the FY 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement, with Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act Non-Recurring Funds. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-183**, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Indian Health Service Budget in the total funding amount of One Million One Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$1,153,871.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-184**, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Indian Health Service Vaccine Budget in the total funding amount of One Million Eighty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$1,088,514.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-185**, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Indian Health Service Testing Budget in the total funding amount of One Million Nine Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars (\$1,956,363.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-186**, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Indian Health Services Third Party Billing Budget in the total funding amount of Four Million Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$4,255,368.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes.
- Resolution SF-21-187**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Interior Compact Welfare Assistance Budget in the total amount of Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars (\$21,856.00). The funding sources are identified as FY 2020 Carryover and current funding from the Department of Interior Compact Multi-Year Funding Agreement. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-188**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Department of the Interior Office of Self-Governance Budget in the total amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00). The funding source is identified as Fiscal Year 2022 Department of the Interior Compact Funding. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-189**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Indian Health Services Office of Self-Governance Budget in the total amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2022 Indian Health Service Compact Funding Agreement. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-190**, a resolution approving the 2022 Sauk Business Enterprises Board budget in the total funding amount of Seventy-Six Thousand Dollars (\$76,000.00). The funding Source is identified as Casino Operations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-No, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

- Resolution SF-21-191**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Revenue Allocation Plan Activity Committee Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council approved Resolutions SF/GC-21-03 and Unexpended FY2020 Funds SF/GC-21-05. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes.
- Resolution SF-21-192**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Revenue Allocation Plan Elders Advisory Board Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-21-03. Don W. Abney-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-193**, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant General Assistance Program Budget Modification #1 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$133,971.00). The funding source is identified as the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant #BG-01F0134001-3 and #BG-01F0134001-2. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-194**, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant Clean Water Act Section 106 Budget Modification #1 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 in the amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$107,721.00). The funding source is identified as the US Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant #BG-01F0134001-2 Carryover; #BG-01F0134001-3. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-21-195**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Gaming Commission Budget Modification #2 in the total amount of One Million Six Hundred Twenty Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$1,620,677.00). The funding source is identified as Treasury Appropriations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the following five (5) county juvenile detention service renewal agreements: Beckham #2020-06-11a, Creek #2019-10-08b, Grant #2020-07-12a, Murray #2019-10-21b, Noble #2019-10-23b. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes.
- Resolution SF-21-196**, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Revised Employee Health Policy and Procedures. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve with changes, the COVID-19 Addendum #2 /Phase 3 Policy and Procedure, and Acknowledgment. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve two (2) Activity Committee Interest to Serve requests. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the following Government Line Item Donations: Yale Police Department \$150.00. For a total of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00). Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the following Charitable Line Item Donations: Murrow Indian Children's Home \$1,000.00. Oklahoma Prospects \$1,000.00, Oklahoma Intertribal Diabetes Coalition Golf Scramble \$500.00, and Kush Radio \$2,500.00 for a total of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to accept the Human Resources Department Benefit Insurance Proposal, Option B. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve T.E.H.R. Program assistance for tribal members located: 3rd Ave. Stroud Ok and 3rd Street Kendrick Ok. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve purchase of tribal flag by tribal member. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

September Word Search

```

D G I Q Z K F Z
A V Y P Q G G U E E A K
X E A N I M I P Â W D Z Q Y
R L S S Y R E J D W R M A R P D
H M W H U J J S G A U A V N J T H B
T V L I H A Z H N H A H I I W C I K
G O A D V E R P I N Ô F T U M G H N W I
W I A N D J Ô M M L N W Î T Ê R J Y B A
A Z H Y I K B A Î Q A T H I T F K A P Y
K T G Ê I M E C N B M D C V A X R J Q W
X M W M W P I G A P Â M O F K K P F T J
G X I T Q I H P G H Z U K J H Â F O A L
U N Q F R Y K M O Z F T H G A W E T B W
I E J S N T C H F K I S S N M I Â K E K
C M J A Y B I E M H P A I K M F M C
Y E P K F M O O P O S M B I I N O W
I S F U C Z W W D S Î N W N X Y
U G B O Y W P K J A W V A X
I Y Z S F O T V T M M H
F R N T S F D V
    
```

September 2021 Word List

Âmamôha	September
Meshimîna	Apple
Mashkochîsa	Bean(s)
Mahkatêmina	Blackberry
Atâmina	Corn
Wâpimîna	White corn
Wîshkopimîna	Sweet corn
Pôkimîni	Cranberry
Kâwimîna	Gooseberry
Pehkiwêhi	Cherry

American Rescue Plan Act

We have experienced problems with our email server. If you submitted your ARPA Application and have not received your payment, please contact the ARPA Department at (918) 968-3526, extension 1803.

You may submit your completed ARPA Application by Email : arparelief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. Fax: (918)968-3240. Mail: Sac and Fox Nation ARPA Department, 920963 S. Hwy 99, Stroud, Oklahoma 74079.

If you have not applied for the \$2,000 American Rescue Plan Act distribution, there is still time to do so.

You may also return the completed application to the ARPA Department, located inside the Administration Building or to the Multipurpose Center in Shawnee, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM.

Print or download the application from the Nation's website or call the ARPA Department (918)968-3526, extension 1803 to request an application be mailed to you.

Please submit your ARPA Application prior to December 31, 2021. If you have a change in address or name change you will also need to submit an updated W9. (A W9 Form can be found on Page 10.)



American Rescue Plan Distribution Application

*In May 2021, upon receipt of the American Rescue Plan funding from the U.S. Treasury, the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee (BC) approved the American Rescue Plan Distribution, based on the BC's assessment that all tribal members have faced unforeseen financial hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Under the program, all members of the Sac and Fox Nation enrolled as of June 02, 2021 will receive a one-time payment of \$2,000.00. Economic support payments must be based on an assessment of individual need. **To receive the economic support payment, you must complete and submit this application.** Check distribution will begin on June 30, 2021. No checks will be sent without a completed application and W-9 on file. Please note, a W-9 must be submitted for each minor child.*

TRIBAL MEMBER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Enrollment Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Sac and Fox Minors. Please list all Sac and Fox Minors that you are the legal guardian of (attach a separate sheet if more space is needed):

Name of Minor	Date of Birth	Enrollment Number

COVID-RELATED HARDSHIPS AND EXPENSES. Please check ALL emergency hardships and financial impacts you have experienced due to the COVID-19 public health emergency:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of income | <input type="checkbox"/> Increased childcare expenses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increased grocery expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine expenses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing expenses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning and sanitation expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Utility expenses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PPE expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Telework expenses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical/health expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Distance learning expenses |

Other- please list all other expenses and hardships resulting from the COVID-19 public health emergency (attach a separate sheet if more space is needed):

CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

By signing below, you make the following representations, authorizations, and certifications:

- I certify that I have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that I have incurred expenses related to the disruption of daily life due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that the funds will be used for COVID-19 related eligible expenses that have not been reimbursed by another federal, state, or tribal assistance program.
- I understand that I am subject to prosecution to the fullest extent of the laws of the Sac and Fox Nation if I knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provide false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which I am otherwise ineligible to receive.

For Minors:

- I certify that I am the legal guardian of the minors listed in this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION BY June 30th, 2021.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

Date Received:

Approved by:

Date:

Please submit applications to the ARPA DEPARTMENT

By Mail:

**920963 S. Hwy 99
Stroud, OK 74079**

By Email:

arparelief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Please call for Fax Number:

918-968-3526 Ext 1819

You may return the completed application to the Administration Building in Stroud or to the Multipurpose Center in Shawnee during regular business hours.

French Consul General Presents 'Legion of Honor Award' to Couteau Family



Leading members of the Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard and Seminole Nation Honor Guard during the France 'Legion of Honor' awards program conducted in recognition of the late U. S. Army Major Don Couteau are Sac and Fox Veterans Bud McClellan and Ricky Cline. (All Photos by Mike Brown)



France Consul General Alexis Andres referred to the late Don Couteau as a "true hero of the Greatest Generation," and noted the occasion was a special time to "recognize and remember the courage of Don Couteau."



France Consul General Alexis Andres is shown with a special Pendleton blanket presented to him by Sac and Fox Honor Guard representatives Dennis Jennings, right, and Arlo Griggs.



Former Sac and Fox Nation Principal Chief and Secretary Mary F. McCormick spoke during a meal and program held for everyone in attendance in the Sac and Fox Community Building. In her comments, she noted that an inquiry from Don Couteau in 1975 resulted in the development of the first membership enrollment book for the Sac and Fox Tribe of Oklahoma.



Grant Moak, who serves as Honorary France Consul General for Oklahoma was presented a clock handmade by Sac and Fox Tribal Elder Charles Lasley. Making the presentation on behalf of the Sac and Fox Business Committee is Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard Member Dennis Jennings.



Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard Charter Member Dennis Jennings presented an Honor Guard plaque to Donna Couteau during the program conducted in the Sac and Fox Community Building.



These members of the Couteau Family were presented flowers by Chief Wood and others during the lunch program held in the Community Building.



The Sac and Fox Nation Activity Committee prepared and provided lunch in the Community Building with assistance from the Women's Auxiliary, Veterans' Program and the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee.

2021 PER CAPITA PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Individual must be enrolled by September 30, 2021 to be eligible for the 2021 per capita payment.
 - Tribal members will need to submit a W9 to the Finance Department for the upcoming 2021 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, 2022.
- 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, Ok ahoma 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.



SAC AND FOX NATION
920963 S. Hwy. 99, Building A • Stroud, OK 74079 • (918) 968-1141 • FAX (918) 968-1142

NAME CHANGE AND/OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

NAME

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

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

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

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

MAILING ADDRESS

<u>OLD</u>	<u>NEW</u>
ADDRESS _____	ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____	CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

STREET ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING ADDRESS)

<u>OLD</u>	<u>NEW</u>
STREET ADDRESS _____	STREET ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____	CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

Date Electronic File Was Updated _____ Date Sac and Fox News Was Notified _____ Staff Initials _____

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 ↓

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

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

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

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.

Social security number _____

or
Employer identification number _____

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.

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.

Cat. No. 10231X Form **W-9** (Rev. 10-2018)

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 August 10, 2021. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1) Don W. Abney motion to approve the Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 27, 2021 and the Recessed Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 28, 2021. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

- 2) Jacklyn K. King motion to ratify straw polls for the following resolutions:
 - a. **Resolution SF-21-197**, a resolution approving the CARES Act Ceremonial Grounds Sanitation Station Budget in the total funding amount of One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$165,970.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Treasury Appropriations.
 - b. **Resolution SF-21-198**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Revenue Allocations Plan (RAP) Department Budget Modification #2 in the total funding amount of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen Dollars (120,917.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2021 Governing Council Resolutions SF/GC-21-03 and unexpended FY 2019 SF/GC-21-04. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.

- 3) **Resolution SF-21-199**, a resolution authorizing an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Grievance Committee and Kewenvoyouma Law, PLLC. The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2021 Sac and Fox Nation Grievance Committee Budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

- 4) **Resolution SF-21-200**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Legal Aid Services Of Oklahoma. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

- 5) **Resolution SF-21-201**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Interior Compact Realty Budget Modification #1 in the total amount of Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$277,338.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Multi-Year 2018-2021 Funding Agreement. Don W. Abney-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-Yes. Motion carried.

- 6) **Resolution SF-21-202**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Oil and Gas Enterprise Budget Modification #1 in the total amount of One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$183,153.00). The funding source is identified as Oil and Gas Enterprise Revenue. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-No, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

- 7) **Resolution SF-21-203**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Tribal Realty Budget in the total amount of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$10,875.00). Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.

- 8) **Resolution SF-21-204**, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Kinani Kewitheniweni (Our Food) Project Budget in the total amount of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00). The funding source is identified as a grant award funding by Enbridge Energy. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-No, Carla-No, Robert-Yes, Justin-No, Don-Yes. Motion failed.

- 9) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve juvenile detention service renewal agreements for Logan County #2020-01-08b and Washita County # 2019-11-07b. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

- 10) Carla J. Wallace motion to upgrade to Microix Payroll Electronic Timekeeping Software. The funding source is identified as CARES Act Treasury Appropriations. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-Yes. Motion carried.

- 11) Carla J. Wallace motion to approve, with corrections, the direct payroll deposit policy change. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

- 12) **Resolution SF-21-205**, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and REDW, LLC for consulting services related to the COVID-19 Crisis, contract # 2021-07-11. The funding source is identified as CARES Act Treasury Appropriations. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.

- 13) Carla J. Wallace motion to approve the following donations from the Government Line Item: North Rock Creek Schools \$13,553.00, Oklahoma City Public Schools Native American Student Services \$5,000.00, and Stroud Cheerleaders \$447.00, for a total of Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000.00). Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

- 14) **Resolution SF-21-207**, a resolution appointing Minnie Masquas to fulfill and unexpired term of Position Number Three (#3) on the Sauk Business Enterprises Board of Directors, pending a successful and satisfactory background check and licensing. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-No, Jacklyn- Yes, Carla-No. Motion carried.

Obituary

Daemon Rian Wood

Oklahoma City resident Daemon Rian Wood, 32, passed away Friday, August 13, 2021 in Oklahoma City.

Services were held August 18, 2021 at Walker Funeral Service Chapel in Shawnee, Okla. Burial followed on August 19, 2021 at McKasoto Family Cemetery.

He was born June 30, 1989 in Ada, Okla. to Gregory Wood and Jeannie C. Riley. He graduated from Torrance North High School in Torrance, California. He worked for L.A. Mission caring for the homeless. He was an L.A. Laker fan and enjoyed attending Dodgers baseball games.

Survivors include his father: Gregory Wood, mother: Jeannie C. Riley, brothers: Anthony Wood, Chazz Fish, and Andrew Gregory, a sister: Katelynn Gregory, grandfather: Anthony Wood, and

several aunts, uncles, other family members and friend.



Daemon Rian Wood

Study Shows Impact of Wind Turbines on Some Raptor Species

by Gü l Ellis

Oklahoma State University

Ag icul tu ri al Communi ca tions & r vices

Data compiled by an Oklahoma State University natural resource ecology and management professor is featured in a new study published in the journal *Ecosphere* on how wind turbines could reduce populations of some raptor species.

Scott Loss, an associate professor in the OSU Ferguson College of Agriculture who specializes in avian ecology, contributed years of research to the paper authored by scientists at the U.S. Geological Survey. Existing collision fatality data leveraged by Loss and collected by dozens of other biologists was compiled and analyzed to determine the effects of wind turbines on raptors – carnivorous bird species like hawks and eagles that live longer, require more time to reach maturity and produce fewer offspring than most smaller birds.

Of the 14 raptor species evaluated for the study, research indicated five of them could decline in population size either currently or in the future due to collisions with wind turbines. The raptors most at risk are the barn owl, ferruginous hawk, golden eagle, American kestrel and red-tailed hawk.

“Additional fatalities caused by wind turbine collisions could cause the population growth rate of these five species to go from positive to negative, or for already declining species, to become even more negative,” Loss said. “Thus, turbine collisions could contribute to population declines.”

In addition to collision fatalities, other factors used to determine potential reductions in raptor populations include current and future amounts of wind energy installed and bird demography – the way that processes like reproduction and deaths affect raptor population size.

“A more vulnerable species might have less ability to reproduce quickly, which would make its populations more likely to decline due to collisions,” Loss said. “Data on how these populations function in the absence of collisions helps us estimate what species are most at risk when collision fatalities occur.”

Jay Diffendorfer, a USGS research ecologist and the study’s lead author, said Loss’ general knowledge of bird biology greatly influenced how the USGS approached the research collaboration.

“When a raptor is killed from colliding with a wind turbine, that 20-year lifespan of reproduction is gone,” Diffendorfer said. “We needed a bird specialist with a unique data set on the causes of bird fatalities, and Scott has built one of the best collections of that information on the planet.”

As the wind energy industry continues to expand globally, Diffendorfer said studies such as this USGS analysis will reinforce the importance of taking steps to protect raptors from wind turbines, including placing wind farms in locations unlikely to significantly affect vulnerable species. The research evaluated raptor risk at the current wind energy capacity of 100 megawatts while also considering

potential collision deaths at a projected installed capacity of up to 240 megawatts.

“We need to keep moving forward with technology solutions to reduce fatalities as we build out more wind energy,” Diffendorfer said.

“There’s tremendous opportunity in the next 140 gigawatts of wind energy installation to drastically advance how we use wind in ways that cause fewer collisions,” Loss said. “We’ve shown which species might be more impacted if nothing further is done to mitigate the impact of wind on birds.”

Myths about the COVID Vaccine

MYTH: Getting the vaccine will give you COVID.

FACT: This is absolutely false. To become ill with COVID, there must be contact with the coronavirus. None of the vaccines available contain coronaviruses so they don't have what is needed to cause infection. Building up immunity takes time and so it is possible to contract the virus either before you get the vaccine or while your body is still building protection from the vaccine. That's why wearing a mask is so important.

MYTH: You don't need a vaccine if you've had COVID.

FACT: We don't know how long immunity lasts once you recover from the virus, but there is a possibility of catching the virus a second time, so the vaccine is still important. If you've had COVID, you may receive the vaccine after your symptoms have gone away and you have finished your isolation period. If you received certain medicines when you had COVID, you may need to wait to be vaccinated. Talk to your provider about what's right for you.

MYTH: The vaccine will change my DNA.

FACT: Your DNA is the blueprint for your body and is very difficult to change. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines contain a different type of genetic material called messenger RNA, or mRNA. Your cells break down the mRNA after a short period of time. And mRNA does not affect or interact with your DNA in any way.

MYTH: I can't get the vaccine if I want to have a baby.

FACT: There is no evidence the vaccine does anything to a baby during pregnancy, nor that it does anything to the mother's body to prevent pregnancy in the future. For men, there is no evidence to suggest it affects the sperm or male reproductive organs either, meaning it won't prevent someone from becoming a father. Your provider can help answer any specific questions.

For more information on vaccine safety, community supports, and continued protection against COVID, visit <https://www.ih.gov/vaccine>

Together, we can reach community immunity.

Facts based on the CDC page Myths and Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines.



New Metal Pipe Fencing

Work crews are pictured welding new fencing along the west side of Hwy 99/377 across the highway from the Sac and Fox Nation Administration Building and capitol complex south of Stroud, Okla. (Photo by Mike Brown)

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

**FNS HANDBOOK 501
EXHIBIT M**

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)
FY 2021 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS
(Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021)**

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	\$1,064	+	\$167	=	\$1,231
2	\$1,437	+	\$167	=	\$1,604
3	\$1,810	+	\$167	=	\$1,977
4	\$2,184	+	\$181	=	\$2,365
5	\$2,557	+	\$212	=	\$2,769
6	\$2,930	+	\$243	=	\$3,173
7	\$3,304	+	\$243	=	\$3,547
8	\$3,677	+	\$243	=	\$3,920
each additional member					\$374

Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction	=	FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,330	+	\$286	=	\$1,616
2	\$1,796	+	\$286	=	\$2,082
3	\$2,263	+	\$286	=	\$2,549
4	\$2,730	+	\$286	=	\$3,016
5	\$3,196	+	\$286	=	\$3,482
6	\$3,663	+	\$304	=	\$3,967
7	\$4,130	+	\$304	=	\$4,434
8	\$4,596	+	\$304	=	\$4,900
each additional member					\$467

**FNS HANDBOOK 501
EXHIBIT M**

**FY 2021 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e))
Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021**

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 = \$204 Alaska by Area Designations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban = \$251 Rural 1 = \$320 Rural 2 = \$390 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 2021 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions
Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021**

Baseline by Region*

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

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

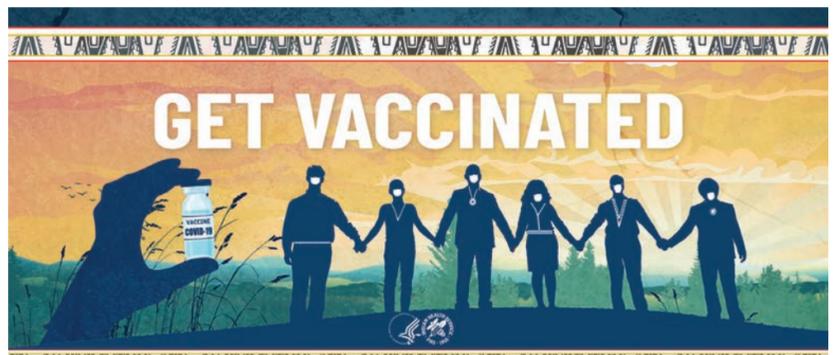
September 2021

**SAC AND FOX NATION
FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROGRAM**
STROUD WAREHOUSE
918-968-3030 • 1-800-256-3398
SHAWNEE OFFICE
405-395-0063 • 1-886-622-2310

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1 SHIPMENT	2 ELDERS DAY	3 ELDERS DAY
6 CLOSED LABOR DAY	7 ELDERS DAY	8	9	10 SHAWNEE HD
13 SHAWNEE LATENIGHT	14	15	16	17 SHAWNEE HD
20 LATENIGHT STROUD 8AM-6PM SHAWNEE 12PM-6PM	21	22 SHIPMENT	23 STROUD HD	24
27	28	29 CLOSED INVENTORY STROUD HD	30 CLOSED INVENTORY	

**ALL FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS
ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY! THANK YOU!!**

HOURS		HOME DELIVERIES ARE FOR HOMEBOUND AND/OR DISABLED ELDERS. CALL OUR STROUD OFFICE TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY.
MONDAY - FRIDAY		
CERTIFICATION	8:00 am - 4:30 pm	This institution is an equal opportunity provider.
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	



The COVID-19 pandemic is not over, and it may not be over for a while. There are three easy ways to help your community reach immunity.

- 1. Get vaccinated.**
 - No matter which vaccine you get, all available COVID-19 vaccines are effective at preventing serious and potentially deadly effects from COVID-19 while also lowering your chances of infection with the virus.
 - Most clinics are now able to provide vaccines for everyone 12 years of age and older.
- 2. Get the second dose.**
 - If you receive the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, you need to get a second dose a few weeks later. The second shot is especially important, as it provides the full protection you want from a vaccine.
- 3. Continue to protect yourself and your loved ones.**

COVID-19 vaccines are effective at protecting you from getting sick. Based on what we know about COVID-19 vaccines, people who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic.

You are not considered fully vaccinated until two weeks after you receive the 2nd dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or 2 weeks after receiving the single dose Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine.

Until then, there are three easy steps to stay safe:

- Wear a mask.
- Wash your hands.
- Watch your distance (6 feet or more)

Protecting yourself will help to protect those around you who may not be able to get vaccinated.

For more information on vaccine safety, community supports, and continued protection against COVID, visit <https://www.hhs.gov/vaccine>

Together, we can reach community immunity.

Sac and Fox Nation Telephone Extensions

Main Number: 918-968-3526

**Chief - 1004 • Second Chief - 1008 • Treasurer - 1006 • Secretary - 1007
Committee Member - 1005 • BC Front Desk - 1009 • 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 - 2001 • Social Services - 2010-2011 • OES - 2091-2092-2094
Veterans - 1065 • Newspaper - 1060 • Chief of Staff - 1010
NAGPRA/Historic Preservation - 1070 • ARPA - 1819**



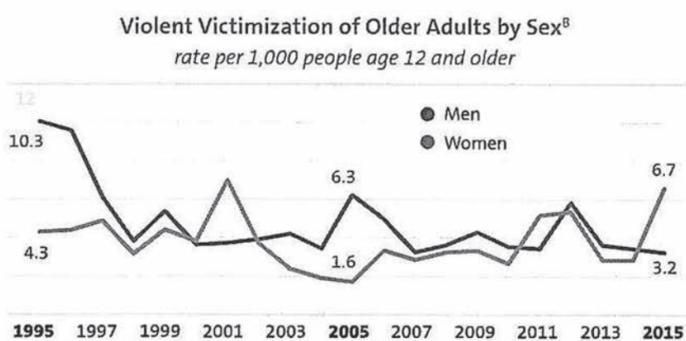
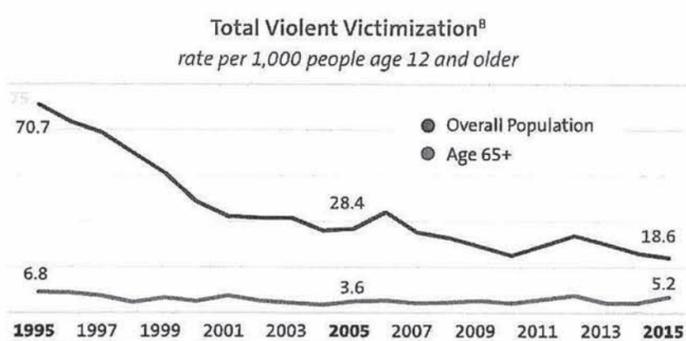
Crimes Against Older Adults

Victimization of older adults is an important subset of crime. People age 65 and older experience the same crimes as the rest of the population, including financial victimization, neglect, and physical, sexual, or emotional abuse. However, older adults may be less likely to recover from their victimization, and are often sought out because of their age and decreased likelihood of reporting.

Researchers estimate that approximately 10% of older adults over age 60 experienced some form of elder abuse in the past year.^A But studies have also shown that **crimes against older adults are highly underestimated**. People with degenerative diseases or cognitive disabilities—including dementia, Alzheimer’s, and Parkinson’s—or who are living in institutional settings such as nursing homes, are often not included in surveys. Additionally, while studies demonstrate that older adults are most commonly maltreated by family members or acquaintances,^A roughly half of **violent victimizations** are perpetrated by strangers.^B Maltreatment is not always a criminal offense, but the intimate nature of many of these victimizations means that older victims are less likely to report offenses committed by someone they know.

CRIME TRENDS

Compared to the estimated rate of total violent victimization for the overall U.S. population age 12 and older, **older adults are less likely to experience violent victimization**. However, **the impact of these victimizations may be significant**, depending on the vulnerabilities of the victim—including the state of their health, access to financial resources, and isolation. From 1995 to 2015, the rate of total violent victimization against people age 65 and older **decreased** from 6.8 violent victimizations per 1,000 individuals to 5.2.^B



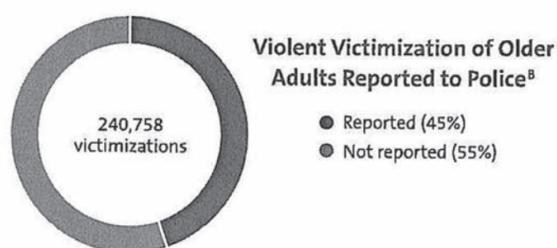
DID YOU KNOW?

- Older adults with **dementia** are at increased risk of physical and psychological **abuse by a caretaker**.^C
- Injuries to older adults from violent crime account for more than **\$5.3 billion** annually in **direct medical care**.^D
- Elder abuse **triples** the risk of **premature death** and causes unnecessary illness, injury, and suffering.^E
- Only **1 in 24** cases of elder abuse is **reported** to adult protective services or law enforcement.^F
- In 2014, **5.8%** of people age 65 and older had experienced **identity theft** in the past year.^G

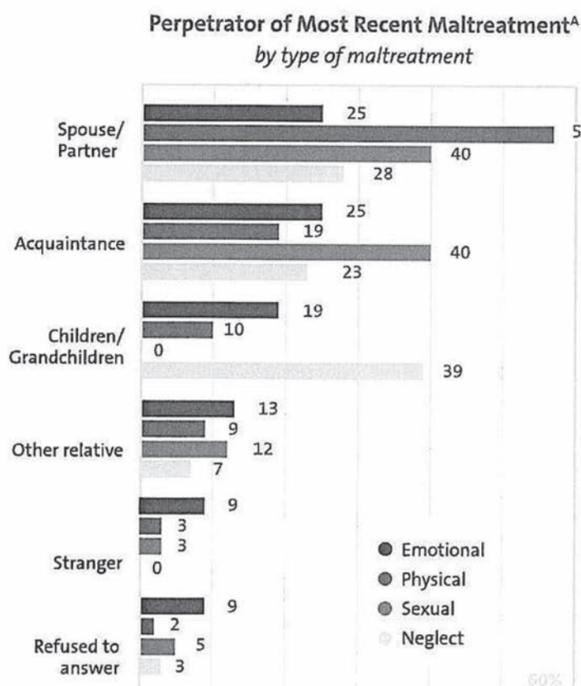
In 2015, nearly 7 of every 1,000 violent victimizations were committed against women age 65 and older. Approximately 3 of every 1,000 violent victimizations were experienced by men age 65 and older.^B

CURRENT DATA ON THE VICTIMIZATION AND ABUSE OF OLDER ADULTS

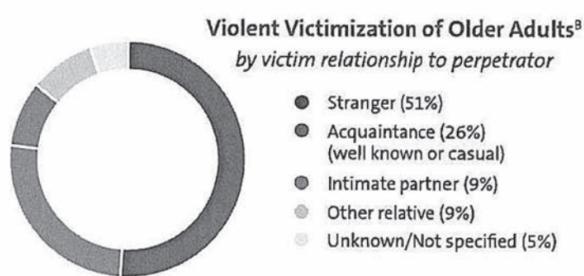
In 2015, **45% of violent victimizations** committed against persons age 65 and older were **reported to the police**.^B



A 2009 study found that the vast majority of **elder maltreatment is committed by someone familiar to the victim**. Emotional and sexual maltreatment are most frequently committed by either a partner/spouse or acquaintance; neglect by a child or grandchild; and physical maltreatment by a partner/spouse or acquaintance.^A



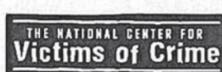
In 2015, **51% of violent crime victimizations** against people 65 and older involved victims who **did not know** their perpetrator; 26% were committed by a well-known or casual acquaintance; and 18% were committed by a relative or intimate partner.^B



Residents of **nursing homes** are also vulnerable to abuse, neglect, or exploitation by nursing home staff and fellow residents. A study of nursing home facilities found that more than **50% of staff** admitted to engaging in physical violence, mental abuse, or neglect of older patients. Furthermore, nearly **1/4** of the 190,592 complaints filed against nursing homes in 2012 constituted **resident-on-resident** physical or sexual abuse.^H



**Gross neglect is a caregiver's intentional failure to provide a person with a service necessary to maintain the health or safety of the person!*





SAC AND FOX NATION

920963 S Hwy. 99 • Stroud, Oklahoma 74079 • (918) 968-1141 • FAX (918) 968-1142

ENROLLMENT PACKET

PLEASE COMPLETE AND ATTACH ALL REQUESTED DOCUMENTS

1. **SAC AND FOX NATION MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA:** Identify the section of the Sac and Fox Constitution under which the applicant claims a right to membership per Article I – Membership of Tribe." Please check only one blank.
2. **APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT:** Please furnish as much information as possible on this portion, sign and date. Attach any legal guardianship papers.
3. **CERTIFIED BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** A certified birth certificate has an embossed seal of the State in which the applicant was born and the signature of the State Registrar. A photo copy "IS NOT" acceptable. The certificate should indicate the name of the applicant. **THIS CERTIFIED BIRTH CERTIFICATE WILL BE RETURNED** once all documentation is verified by the Enrollment Department. A copy of the birth certificate will become a part of the official records of the Sac and Fox Nation. If the name on the application differs from the BIRTH NAME, please provide documentation of name change with the application, i.e. Marriage License, Adoption Papers.
4. **SOCIAL SECURITY CARD:** Please provide a copy of the applicant's card. Name on Birth Certificate, Social Security Card and Application must match.
5. **ANCESTRAL INFORMATION:** This guides the researcher in verifying ancestral information and any Indian Blood degree. Please include maiden names if they are known.
6. **AFFIDAVIT:** Please complete, sign and date. This affidavit must be signed by a Notary Public before it is accepted by this office.

RETURN TO: SAC AND FOX NATION
Enrollment Department
920883 S. Hwy. 99
Stroud, OK, 74079

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

1. Name of Applicant: _____
2. Other names used (Maiden, Alias, etc.): _____
Indian Name: _____ Clan: _____ Meaning: _____
3. Date of Birth: _____ 4. Social Security Number _____
(PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF SOCIAL SECURITY CARD)
5. Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)
6. Phone Numbers: _____
Home Work Cell
7. Degree of Sac and Fox Blood: _____ 8. Degree of other Indian blood: _____
9. Have you ever been denied by the General Council? () NO () YES
 Date(s): _____
10. Are you currently enrolled with another Tribe? () NO () YES
 a. If YES, name of the Tribe and Name by which you are known on that roll:

(Please include copy of Conditional Relinquishment from that tribe.)
11. Name and Roll number of Parent(s) on the Sac and Fox of Oklahoma roll:

12. APPLICANT: To certify your desire to become a member of the Sac and Fox Nation, please sign below.

 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DATE
(Please attach supporting legal documents)

SAC AND FOX NATION MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

IDENTIFY THE SECTION OF THE SAC AND FOX CONSTITUTION UNDER WHICH THE APPLICANT CLAIMS A RIGHT TO MEMBERSHIP PER ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP OF TRIBE (Per SFN Code of Laws Title 24. Tribal Enrollment and Membership Act, Chapter 3 – Enrollment, Section 301):

Please check only one blank.

_____ SECTION 1. All enrolled persons who names appear on the official Tribal Roll as of the date of the ratification of this constitution.

_____ SECTION 2. All persons of one-eight (1/8) or more degree of total combined Sac and Fox Indian blood at least one of whose parents is a member of the Sac and Fox Nation.

SECTION 3. All persons now living and eligible for membership under Article I of the Constitution of the Sac and Fox Nation as amended August 26, 1967.

- _____ a. All enrolled persons who names appear on the official census roll of the tribe as of January 1, 1937, and who were living on that date.
- _____ b. Each child born since the date of the said roll and prior to the effective date of Amendment I (October 16, 1954) each of whose parents was a member of the tribe.
- _____ c. Each child of Sac and Fox Indian blood born prior to the effective date of Amendment I (October 16, 1954) of a marriage between a member of the tribe and any other person, if such child is admitted to membership by the council.
- _____ d. Each child who is of one-eighth or more Sac and Fox Indian blood born on or after October 16, 1954, each of whose parents is a member of the tribe.
- _____ e. Persons born after date of October 16, 1954, who possess one-eighth (1/8) or more Sac and Fox Indian blood, * at least one parent is a member of the Sac and Fox Nation, shall be entitled to membership with the Sac and Fox Nation, provided an application is submitted in writing to the Sac and Fox Nation and provided that such person,* if enrolled with another tribe, shall first file a conditional relinquishment with the other tribe.
- _____ f. Persons making application for membership shall be entitled to file application under Section 3 (c) only two times, and if rejected both times, they shall not be entitled to further consideration under 3 (c).

*Having been duly ratified and approved, proposed Amendment A is hereby designated as Amendment No. VII to the Constitution of the Sac and Fox Nation.

TRACE ANCESTRY TO SAC AND FOX ANCESTOR ON BASIC ROLL

PLEASE COMPLETE THE WHOLE SHEET AND USE "N/A" FOR "NOT APPLICABLE" WHERE APPROPRIATE

FATHER of Applicant: _____
 Sac and Fox blood degree: _____ Roll Number: _____
 Other Indian blood degree: _____ Tribe(s): _____
 Enrolled with another tribe: () NO () YES If YES, name and address of Tribal Office: _____

FATHER'S FATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S MOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S PATERNAL GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S PATERNAL GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S MATERNAL GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S PATERNAL GREAT-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S PATERNAL GREAT-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S MATERNAL GREAT-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 FATHER'S MATERNAL GREAT-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____

MOTHER of Applicant: _____
 Sac and Fox blood degree: _____ Roll Number: _____
 Other Indian blood degree: _____ Tribe(s): _____
 Enrolled with another tribe: () NO () YES If YES, name and address of Tribal Office: _____

MOTHER'S FATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S MOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S PATERNAL-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S PATERNAL-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S MATERNAL-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S MATERNAL-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S PATERNAL GREAT-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S PATERNAL GREAT-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S MATERNAL GREAT-GRANDFATHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____
 MOTHER'S MATERNAL GREAT-GRANDMOTHER: _____ TRIBE(S): _____

AFFIDAVIT

County of _____ }
 State of _____ }

I, _____, of lawful age, being first sworn upon oath
 (Name of Applicant/Parent (Biological)/Legal Guardian)

deposes and states:

That _____, for whom this application is made,
 (Applicant's Name)

(check one) is or is not an adopted child
 a direct descendant by blood of a member
 of the Sac and Fox Nation.

(check one) is or is not an adopted child

ON BEHALF OF A MINOR:

I further state that I am the (check appropriate box):

() parent (Biological)
 () legal guardian

of _____ (child's name) and I am vested with the authority to make and submit the above and foregoing application to the Sac and Fox Nation and all information provided and furnished by me in this application is true and correct.

In executing the foregoing application, I am fully aware that the provisions in Sec. 1001, Title 18, U.S.C., provide for a fine or not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than five years or both, for making false or fraudulent statements in connection with any matter within the jurisdiction of any Department or Agency of the United States.

DATE: _____ NAME: _____
 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/PARENT (BIOLOGICAL)/LEGAL GUARDIAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

 NOTARY PUBLIC'S PRINTED NAME NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: _____ Seal: _____

CALLING ALL SAUK AND FOX ARTISTS!

We are looking for Sauk and Fox artwork to hang in the new 'Soon to Open' Senior Citizens, Veterans Office and Transportation Building reception area, Stroud, Okla.

This will be on a consignment/loan basis as there are no funds to purchase at this time.

For information, please call Dottie Tiger, 918/290-1754.