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# Sgt. Harris Saves Man's Life With Prompt Administering of Narcan

On February 27, 2023, Sac and Fox Nation Police Department recognized Patrol Sergeant Darren Harris for his quick actions on night shift earlier in the week which resulted in a life saved.

While monitoring radio traffic from the Lincoln County Communications Center, he heard a call dispatched of an unresponsive male who was not breathing near his location in Chandler. He decided to respond since he was close by and found the individual as described, not breathing and unresponsive, already turning pale.

#### Presented Letter of Commendation

EMS had just arrived and were already providing rescue breathing but it did not appear to be helping. Quickly recognizing what was happening based on experience from previous encounters, Sergeant Harris rapidly retrieved his department issued Naloxone (Narcan) and it was rapidly administered. Medical aid was continuously rendered and the individual began to breathe again, although lightly.

A second dose of Naloxone

was administered, and by the time the subject arrived at the hospital, they were fully conscious and speaking.

"There is no doubt that Sergeant Harris' quick assessment of the situation and rapid actions Lieutenant Smith offered con-

and deployment of the life-saving drug, Naloxone, resulted in the individuals' survival that day," said Police Chief Andrew M. Selfridge.

Police Chief Selfridge and

gratulations and presented Sergeant Harris with a letter of commendation for his performance of duty that night. Sergeant Harris has been with the Sac and Fox Nation Police Department for five years, and was promoted to the rank of patrol sergeant approximately one year ago.

#### Bench, Bradford to be Inducted Into Indian Athletic Hall of Fame

The American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame (AIAHOF) will celebrate its 50th Anniversary by honoring Oklahomans Johnny Bench (Choctaw) and Sam Bradford (Cherokee) during its April 28, 2023, induction ceremony. The event will take place at the First Americans Museum in Oklahoma City, soon to be the permanent home of the AIAHOF.

"It is our hope that by sharing with the world the history of great American Indian athletes past and present, this will encourage Native youth in their journey for success whether it be through sports or other areas of achievement," said David Powless (Oneida) AIAHOF board president and 2008 inductee.

The 2023 inductees join the ranks of prestigious Indigenous athletes including Olympians Billy Mills (Oglala Lakota) and Jim Thorpe (Sac and Fox), Sonny Sixkiller (Cherokee), John Levi (Arapaho) and Moses Yellow Horse (Pawnee). Every athlete honored by induction is selected based on an outstanding, colorful, exciting and action punctuated record of

performance. The AIAHOF has 110 inductees.

'We are excited to welcome the American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame to First Americans Museum," said James Pepper Henry (Kaw), FAM Director/ CEO. He says the ceremony is the first step in a two-year process to relocate the AIAHOF from its current location at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. "Although FAM focuses on the 39 Tribal Nations in Oklahoma today, this merger helps us move to a national level to be more reflective of all Tribal communities nationwide."

Johnny Bench was born in

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on December 7, 1947 and grew up in the small town of Binger, OK. His childhood dream was to become a major league baseball player. He was selected and signed in the 1965 amateur draft by the Cincinnati Reds. After two seasons in the minors, Bench made Cincinnati's Major League roster for the 1968 season. This marked the beginning of one of the most successful careers in baseball.

Elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in January 1989 with the fourth highest percentage of total votes cast, Bench is considered by many to be the greatest catcher ever. His honors include National League Rookie of the Year (1968), National League Most Valuable Player (1970 & 1972), World Series MVP (1976), 14-time All-Star, with 10 Gold Gloves. In 1980, Bench set an endurance record by catching 100 or more games for 13 consecutive seasons. He is a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

Samuel J. Bradford was born and raised in Oklahoma City. He attended Putnam City schools and graduated from Putnam City North High School in 2006 where he was a multi-sport athlete. He received a football scholarship from the University of Oklahoma. He was an All American and Heisman Trophy winning quarterback while at OU. He enjoyed a nine-year career in the NFL after being selected #1 in the 2010 NFL Draft and being named Rookie of the Year. Along the way he set several NCAA and NFL passing records and met many outstanding people, teammates, and coaches.

He married Emma Lavy of Fayetteville Arkansas in 2016. They are busy parents with three children. He is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.



Sac and Fox Nation Police Chief Andrew Selfridge, left, presents a Letter of Commendation to Patrol Sgt. Darren Harris in

recognition of his life-saving actions administered to an unresponsive male on Feb. 27, 2023. (Photo by Mike Brown)



Pictured is the new east entrance to the Black Hawk Health Center. (Photo by Mike Brown)

## **Black Hawk Health Center Expansion Project Nearing Completion in Late May or Early June**

by Mike Brown

The \$12.3 million Black Hawk Health Center renovation and expansion project is on track for completion in late May or early June of this year, according to Project Inspector Cecil Bernard. General contractor for the work that began in late 2020 is Lambert Construction of Stillwater, Okla. with a projected completion in April 2023.

The development has included schedules for phases of new construction and substantial demolition of the original clinic facility. Bernard said the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee approved a change order to the original plans to include facilities for dental services.

"The Business Committee is thinking ahead and doing a good job for the tribe. There are other projects developing for the near

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#### Includes Facilities For Dental Services

future that will also be good for the tribe," the inspector commented.

In a March 16 interview, Bernard said under-floor plumbing in the original building is being replaced and, wall-framers are working on the dental facility.



Exterior work continues on the northwest corner of the new Black Hawk Health Center. (Photo by Mike Brown)

## Sac and Fox Nation **Election Dates**

Primary Election: Saturday, June 3, 2023 General Election: Saturday, August 26, 2023

Business Committee Positions Due Election are:

Principal Chief, Second Chief, and

Committee Member

Grievance Committee Positions Due Election are: Grievance Committee #1, and Grievance Committee #2

Find more Primary and General Election Information on Page 5 of this edition.

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## Obituaries

Pamela Tina Boyd departed this earth surrounded by family on March 1, 2023. She was born on December 12, 1962 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the daughter of Merle Boyd and Beverlee (Ahhaitty)

Pam and her family lived in Oklahoma City for many years. She graduated Classen High School in 1981. After high school, she worked for a couple different companies as a power equipment driver. She also worked as a Physical Therapy Tech.

Pam was highly talented in all sports. She even twice received MVP in the Indian State Tournament and also had some decorated basketball accomplishments. There really wasn't a sport she didn't like. Pam also liked her music, and music

# Pawnee Bill's **Easter Egg Hunt** Is Sat., April 8

On Saturday, April 8, the Pawnee Bill Ranch and Museum will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt. The Egg Hunt is cosponsored by the local Pawnee Lions Club and the Pawnee Chamber of Com-

The hunt will begin promptly at 10 a.m., at the ranch's picnic pavilions. The Egg Hunt is spread out over many acres of the historic site. Thousands of eggs will be hidden, including gold and silver prize eggs containing money and vouchers for treats.

Pawnee Bill started an egg hunt at his ranch more than one hundred years ago. It is in that tradition that the ranch continues to be a place where families can make memories with their children in a beautiful environment. Pawnee Bill Ranch and Museum is located at 1141 Pawnee Bill Road in Pawnee.

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## Pamela Tina Boyd

of all genres. It's what helped her sometimes navigate through life.

Pam never met a stranger, she was always willing to help and had a huge heart. For years she even would grow her hair out to donate to Locks of Love. To say that Pam was a special lady is an understatement, she will be greatly missed.

Pam is preceded in death by her father Merle Boyd. She is survived by mother Beverlee Boyd; sisters Tammy Fields and Shanarae Boyd; nephew Chris Boyd; nieces Kristen Bibbs and Stephanie Fields; special cousins Ni'vy Starr, Maria Starr-Crispin, Marlena Starr and Cristina Starr; adopted father Marvin Thurman; adopted brother George Valliere; and, adopted sisters Ida Parish and Georgia Nullake; and many extended family members and a host of friends.

Traditional Tribal Rites were held March 4, 2023 in the Sac and Fox Community Building. Burial followed on March 5, 2023 at the Sac and Fox Tribal Cemetery.



Pamela Tina Bovd

# Happy April Birthday Elders!

Adkins, Galle Rae Ahkeahbo, Elizabeth Andersen, Shari Lynn Barron, Shelly Ann Beall, Sean Patrick Bean, Rose Marie Berryhill, Gregory Way<mark>ne</mark> Blackburn, Tina Jean Brown, Wanda Yvonne Bryce, Vonda Joyce Carr, Lisa Lea Ann Decker, Colleen Lisa Ebbinga, Sharon Lee Edmonson, David Allan Ellis, Leva Marlene Frazier, Pamela Dale Gaddy, Marcia Gail Gibson, Beverly Sue Gillaspy, John William II Givens, Deborah Kay Gokey, Leo Elmer Grant, Francis Leroy Sr. Grass, John Jr. Hamblin, Ralph Maurice Harris, Raymond Lee Harris, Ruby Irene Harshberger, Scott Eugene Hocker, Earnest L

Hocker, Ricky Wayne

Holmes, Carol Ann

Huyghe, Sheila Ann

Jones, Joseph Todd

King, Roger Mc Carl

Lasley, Charles Dewayne

Longshore, Lisa Leaellen

Keo, Rudy



Keo, Dorene Katherine

Manatowa, Phillip Joseph Marez, George Mitchell McCaulla, Dianna Sue McClellan, Wallace Buster Birthday Report 03/03/2023 Page 1 of 2 McCoy, William Scott McIntosh, Margaret Lee Monday, Donald Chad Northrup, Alma Faye Pappan, Jeffrey Kevin Parham, Robert Levi Poitras, Charles A Jr. Powell, Sunnykay Pratt, Shawn David Pratt, Shelly Renae Raines, Terry Kent Reim, Debra Yvonne Rice, Harriett Oresa Rowe, Sheryl Jane Sarber, William Wayne Sr. Smith, Barbara Thomas Mc Ilvaine Stephens, Dallas James Teague, Sherry Lynn Thompson, Helen Jo Thompson, Rose Marie Thurman, Marvin Warren Tiger, Robin Denise Vandever, Ruby Mae Wallace, Larry Dewayne Sr. Waller, Jimmy Kent

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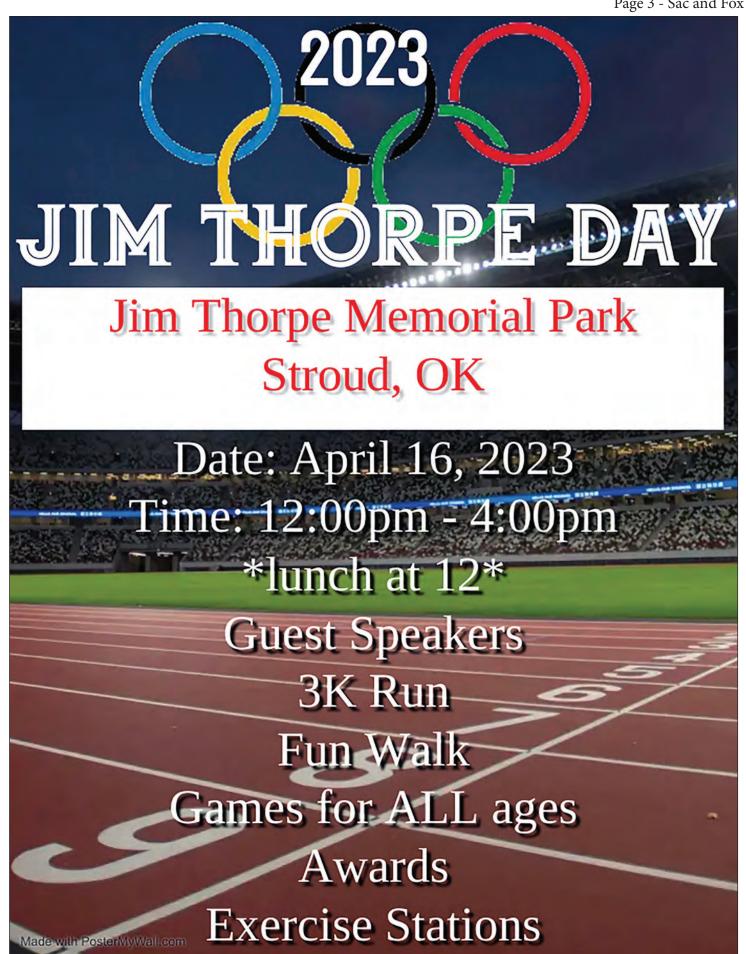
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## Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

The Education Department is happy to announce the winners of the Blackhawk Leadership and Jim Thorpe Athletic Scholarships. We only had two senior high students that applied this year. Landon Primeaux and Katherine Meeks both students attend Shawnee High School:

• LANDON PRIMEAUX, SHAW-NEE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

Landon will receive both Blackhawk Leadership and Jim Thorpe Athletic Scholarship Awards. Landon submitted two separate applications. He is best known in the Pow-wow arena and has been fancy dancing since the age of three.

Landon has shown his leadership and athletic abilities all through his school years. He is a member of the Shawnee High School Basketball team golf team, has been an Oklahoma State qualifier for the past 2 years in golf. Has served as president of the Native American Indian Club the past 2 years, and as Student Representative for Shawnee High School for 2 years.

Landon recently helped in the production of the Virtual Learning System website of the Sac and Fox History Curriculum. His plan is to attend college. Landon is an enrolled Sac and Fox tribal member and, also comes from the Pawnee, Ponca, Otoe, Osage, Arapaho and Prairie Band Potawatomie tribes.

He is the son of Graham and Alicia Primeaux; grandson of Paul and Deborah

Creek Native American students grades 8-12, and their

immediate families

Nena Fields; and, great-grandson of Lee Bass Jr. Fish Clan.

• KATHERINE L. MEEKS, SHAW-NEE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

Katherine will be the Female Blackhawk Leadership Award winner. Katherine plans to enter into the Human Nutrition/Pre-Medical college major in hopes to apply her knowledge and skills towards tribal food distribution or health services.

Katherine is very passionate about being a Sac and Fox Tribal Member and will represent the Nation well. Katherine has been involved in the Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter at Shawnee High School, and currently serves as president. She has shown her abilities to address issues as president.

Her list of honors and awards received over the past year include: 3rd place in Skills USA District Opening & Closing (2022); 1st place in Skills USA State American Spirit (2022); and, 1st place in Skills USA National American Spirit (2022). She is the daughter of Yannah

On February 15, Justin Morris, Education Specialist, attended the Mustang Public School Consultation (ESSA) Every Student Succeed Act. The Mustang School Indian Education Coordinator spoke on the federal funding that the school receives and how the funds are being utilized in the school.

students who attend Mustang Public Schools: One student in the 5th grade, and two students in the 11th grade.

On March 20, the Education Department had an in-person consultation at the Sac and Fox Learning Center with the representatives of Latta Public Schools. The representatives were unable to list by tribe the number of students in each grade

level. They have 447 American Indian Students that attend Latta Schools. The Sac and Fox Nation has zero students enrolled there.

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

If you have any questions please let us

Edwina Butler-Wolfe Director of Education

# Sac and Fox Nation **HIGH SCHOOL** SENIOR BANQUET

The Sac and Fox Nation Education Department invites all Sac and Fox High School Seniors 2022/2023 to the First Annual Senior Banquet

Come and celebrate your grads!

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Shawnee, Ok Banquet is for Sac and Fox High School Seniors only that will be graduating school year 2022/2023. Students will be allowed two adult guests (18 year or older). No children 0 through 17 years of age will be allowed in at the banquet. Only graduating high school

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Fox Nation Business Committee

senior will be allowed. Please dress in

business attire.

We are asking that you RSVP before April 14, 2023, so that we can get a good

Please call 918-968-3526 Ext: 2043, Justin Morris or 2046 Edwina **Butler-Wolfe** 



**CUSHING HS PRESENTS:** A STUDENT AND TRIBAL **EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** 

Join the Sac & Fox Nation Education Department and the TEDNA ACE program in engaging with Native American students and families. Food and drinks will be provided!

**ENGAGEMENT NIGHT** 

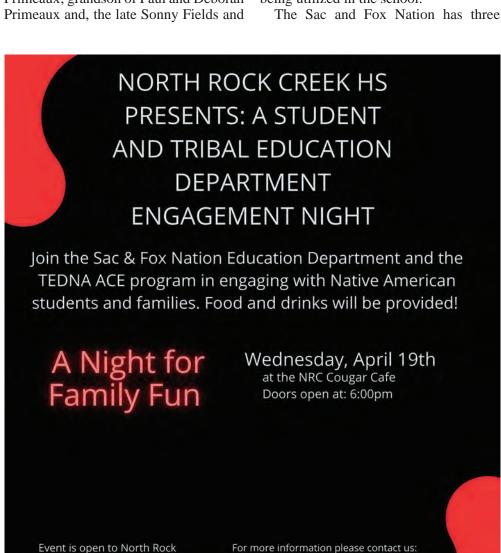
A Night for Family Fun

Wednesday, April 26th at Cushing High School Doors open at: 5:00pm

Event is open to Cushing Native American students grades 8-12,

and their immediate families

For more information please contact us: Edwina Butler-Wolfe: (405) 328-0402 butler-wolfe@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov Scott Marlow: (918) 509-7428 Scott.marlow@tedna.org



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We will post an old photo from the archives in our Nation's monthly newsletter. If you would like us to use your photo, contact us.



Sac and Fox Singers at powwow on Ed Mack's Farm in 1950.

We are offering a copy or copies of this photo to any tribal member who writes and requests it at the address below, and includes a \$5 fee per copy.

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#### Sac and Fox Nation 2023 Election Dates to Remember

#### SAC AND FOX NATION DATE 12/9/2022 2023 ELECTION

SECRETARY

#### NOTICE OF POSITIONS FOR **ELECTION**

The Sac and Fox Nation Election Board is declaring and officially posting the following positions that will be open for the 2023 election year.

**BUSINESS COMMITTEE POSITIONS** 

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

SECOND CHIEF

COMMITTEE MEMBER

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE** 

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE #1

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE #2

Sac and Fox Nation Election Board

Sac and Fox Nation 2023 Election Dates to Remember

Any such Primary Election shall be held at least thirty (30) days prior to the regular General Election.

Primary Election: Saturday, June 3, 2023 Section 201. Election Days

(a) Regular General Elections of members of the Business Committee and Grievance Committee shall be held

on the last Saturday in August of each election year. All other required Tribal elections shall be held upon call of the Business Committee. General Election: Saturday, August 26, 2023

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Notification of Poll Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules.

DEADLINE: Friday, May 26, 2023 by 5:00 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Notification of Poll Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules.

DEADLINE: Friday, August 18, 2023 by 5:00 p.m.

All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920963 S. Hwy 99, Stroud, OK 74079 or emailed to SFNEB@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

Section 302. Voting List

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

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Open to the public: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

GENERAL ELECTION:

Open to the public: Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Section 303. Challenges to Voting Lists

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Friday, May 12, 2023, by 5:00 p.m. Deadline for Challenges:

GENERAL ELECTION:

Friday, August 4, 2023, by 5:00 p.m. Deadline for Challenges:

Section 402. Filing for Office

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

OPENING DATE TO FILE FOR OFFICE:

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Closing date to file for Office: Thursday, March 30, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 22, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Section 403. Petition for Office

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Deadline to Petition for Office: Thursday, March 30, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: Thursday, June 22, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Section 406, Withdrawals

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

PRIMARY ELECTION: Deadline to withdraw:

Deadline to withdraw:

GENERAL ELECTION:

Saturday, April 9, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 2, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Section 408. Contest of Candidate Eligibility

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

GENERAL ELECTION:

Deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, April 4, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Section 602. <u>Application for Absentee Ballot</u>

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

If no Primary Election, deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Tuesday, June 27, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Requests will be accepted from Sunday, March 5, 2023, and cannot accept requests after Thursday, May 4, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION: Requests will be accepted from Sunday, May 28, 2023, and cannot accept requests after

Thursday, July 27, 2023, by 5:00 p.m. Section 706. The Tally

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

Notification of Tally Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules. DEADLINE: Friday, May 26, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Notification of Tally Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received eight (8) days prior to the election, per Election Board Rules. DEADLINE: Friday, August 18, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920963 S. Hwy 99, Stroud, OK 74079 or emailed to SFNEB@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

Section 710. Certification of Election

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

If the tally is completed on Saturday, June 3, 2023 CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, June 13, 2023

If the tally is completed on Sunday, June 4, 2023 CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, June 14, 2023

GENERAL ELECTION:

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If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 26, 2023 CERTIFICATION is on Tuesday, September 5, 2023

If the tally is completed on Sunday, September 1, 2023 CERTIFICATION is on Wednesday, September 6, 2023

Section 802. Contest Petition

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

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:

GENERAL ELECTION:

If the tally is completed on Saturday, June 3, 2023 THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, June 13, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

If the tally is completed on Sunday, June 3, 2023

THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, June 14, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 26, 2023 THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, September 5, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 27, 2023 THE CONTEST PETITION DEADLINE DATE: Wednesday, September 6, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Section 805. Request for Recount Since the Election Ordinance provides for automatic recount of ballots, any request for recount of ballots must list the reasons therefore in writing and be submitted to the Election Board Chairman, or the Chairman's designated representative within five (5) days after the election. Such request must be accompanied by a nonrefundable cashier's check of two-hundred dollars (\$200,00) made payable to the Sac and Fox Nation. Said check

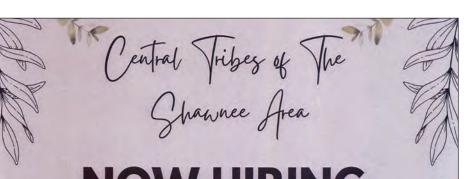
shall be forwarded to the Tribal Secretary-Treasurer to be credited against the cost of the recount. The Election Board shall meet and decide within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice whether or not the reasons listed in the request are sufficient to cause a recount of ballots.

PRIMARY ELECTION:

GENERAL ELECTION:

The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, June 8, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, August 31, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

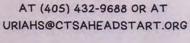


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- -TEACHERS (SHAWNEE)
- -TEACHERS (CUSHING)
- -CHILD CARE (SHAWNEE)

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT OUR ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

OR ON OUR WEBSITE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT HR,

> URIAH SMITH AT (405) 432-9688 OR AT



# SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

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

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

# April Scramble

hwâkphâaap	
kiêphtêo	
kaêpainw	-
hhîphkeîca	
imawkmehôîn	
hwsswwââamek	-
apaatkwmi	
iêhaakinwhskp	
tpaiônekimaw	
hêweâiwwwikwnâ	-

#### April 2023 Word Match

Pâpahkwâha It is spring time Pakinêwa Yarn belt

Pakitamwa Clouds are beautiful

April

Pakitamôweni Cowboy bread

Wêwenâhkwâwiwi Ceremonial adoption

Kehchîpîha Bread

Menôhkamîwi

Meshkwâswâwa Holds ceremonial adoption

Pahkwêshikani Adoption
Pêkotêhi Woven belt

#### SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

April 2023 Pâpâhkwâha (Bark Peeling Moon)

From the Sauk Language Department

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

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

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



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

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

Katie.Thompson@sacandfoxnation—nsn.gov



#### April 2023 Quotes

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

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

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

Chief Crowfoot, Siksika (c. 1825-1890)

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

Chief Joseph, Nez Perce (1840-1904)

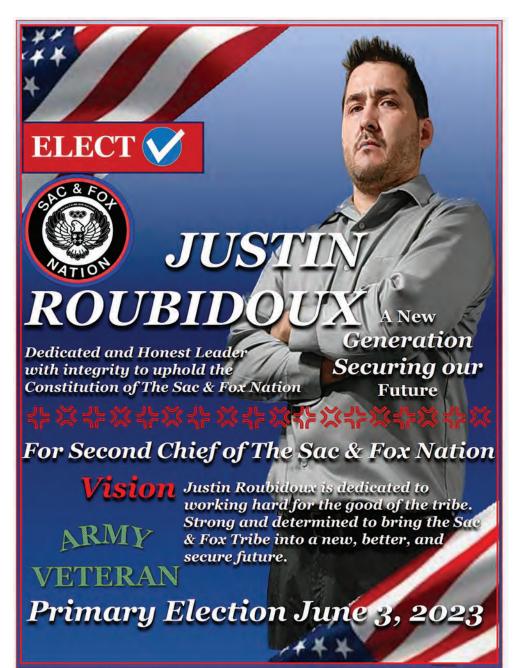
# **April Comic**

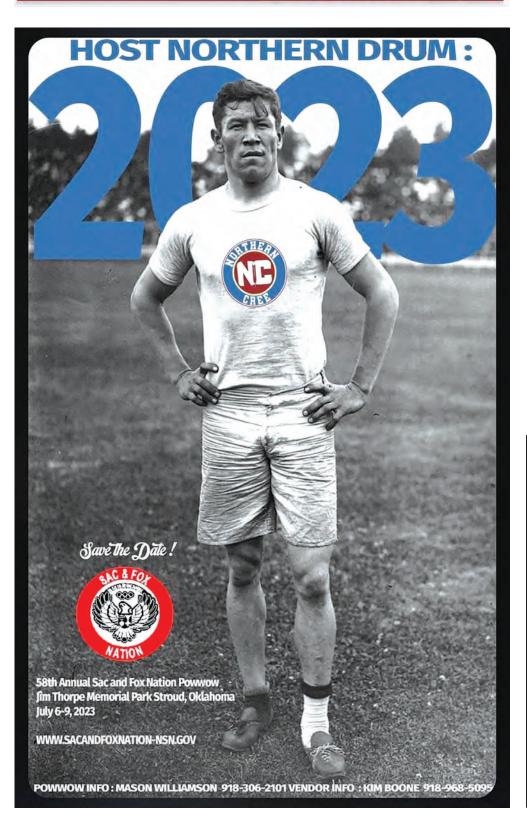












# Elect Clarissa J. Littlehead Second Chief

Candidate for the People

\*Integrity
\*Commitment
\*Principles

Vote for Clarissa Littlehead so that we can make a difference! Working for a better future for our children. Let's strengthen our tribal government for the better.



I wholeheartedly ask for your vote for Second Chief on June 3, 2023

For out-of-state tribal members, my e-mail address is <u>clarissa.littlehead@yahoo.com</u> and my phone number is 405-410-1565 if you would like to reach out.



# **April Word Search**

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#### April 2023 Word List

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Pêkotêhi

Cowboy bread

# **Funding Awarded to Add Native American Educator Partnerships**

by Gail Ellis Oklahoma State University Agricultural Communications Services

The northeast district of Oklahoma State University Extension has received two Native American Agriculture Fund (NAAF) grants to support new and ongoing partnerships with multiple Native American tribes and nations in Oklahoma.

NAAF provides funding to eligible organizations for business assistance, agricultural education, technical support and advocacy services to support Native farmers and ranchers. Nancy Johnson, director of OSU Extension in the northeast district, said OSU Extension received similar grants from the Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program in the past, but this most recent award is the first distributed by NAFF.

The two grants, one allotted to the Muscogee Nation and another designated for a group of nine tribes in the northeast part of the state, will provide approximately \$335,000 over the next four years for agricultural projects tied to the preservation of Native American culture.

Objectives outlined for the Muscogee Nation grant by Johnson and co-principal investigator Leslie Lewis include establishing a new OSU Extension educator position to help relaunch an archery club, introduce anti-bullying and health curricula and train youth in meat judging. Native Farmers and Ranchers programming will explore pecan grafting as well as beef and small animal production and management.

Other portions of funding for the Muscogee Nation will support community development with training in resume writing, job skills and soft skills, along with education on the dangers of substance abuse and social media safety. Tribe members will learn about county and tribal government, the benefits of growing their own food, food distribution and how to ensure a healthy diet.

"Some of the training opportunities will be intertwined with their native language, and we hope to incorporate elders into the process of cultural preservation through customs such as basket weaving," Johnson said.

The Muscogee Nation has about 87,000 members in Oklahoma; the nation covers Okmulgee, McIntosh, Okfuskee, Hughes, Creek, Tulsa and Wagoner counties along with portions of Mayes, Rogers and Seminole counties. Johnson said the NAAF grant was written in collaboration with the College of the Muscogee Nation, and the new educator will be housed on its campus when hired.

The goal of the nine-tribes grant, co-authored by Kathy Enyart, is to fund an educator to build upon resources already in place, including free water testing and childcare training. "The Eastern Shawnee Tribe has an outdoor classroom it's going to let us use, and the Quapaw Nation could potentially let us use its meat processing plant for meat judging," Johnson said.

The nine tribes of the Inter-Tribal

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Council are the Eastern Shawnee Tribe, Miami Tribe, Modoc Nation, Ottawa Tribe, Peoria Tribe, Quapaw Tribe, Seneca-Cayuga Nation, Shawnee Tribe and Wyandotte Nation, all located in Ottawa County.

In addition to the latest round of funding through NAAF, Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program grants currently support projects involving community gardening in Pawnee County and an OSU Extension educator position and full-time program assistant in Osage County.

"We'll collaborate with 12 different tribes in this grant cycle, and that's pretty substantial," Johnson said. "Our county educators connected and partnered with these tribes to lay the groundwork before we applied for this latest grant, and that has been successful."

#### **URGENT NOTICE TO VETERANS!**

Men & Women, especially WWI, WWII & Korean War

The Sac and Fox National Public Library is asking for your DD 214s for their records and MEMORIAL MONUMENT PURPOSES!

The Veterans are also requesting photos of tribal members in uniform or on military or active duty.

These will be reviewed and may be selected to be put on one of the monuments (WWI, WWII, Korean or Vietnam). A fifth monument will be designated with the appropriate name for the Peace Keeping Initiative Years

(Iraq, Kuwait, Bosnia, Desert Storm and Desert Shield)

Contact: Juaquin Hamilton, 918-968-3526, Ext. 2022 or Johanna Smith, Ext. 2021

#### SAC AND FOX NATION

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT GUIDELINES

#### POW WOW GROUND PAVILIONS

#### PROGRAM FUNCTIONS:

To provide assistance, to either repair an existing pavilion or the purchase of a metal 18x20 carport, for existing and/or new campsites. This program is open to all Sac and Fox Nation tribal members.

#### **GUIDELINES:**

- Applicant must submit an application along with a copy of their tribal membership card.
- Each application will be reviewed by the Business Committee and once approved will be processed in the order the application was received.
- 3. The deadline to submit applications will be December 31, 2023.



SAC AND FOX NATION

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

POW WOW GROUNDS PAVILION APPLICATION

DEADLINE TO TURN APPLICATIONS IN: December 31, 2023

Please check  $\underline{one}$  of the following boxes that applies:

	cation of campsite:	

I the undersigned do certify that I am authorized to make application, grant all authorizations, and to authorize all release from liability and responsibility regarding the assistance being provided by the Sac and Fox Nation.

I hereby request assistance from the Sac and Fox Nation to either repair an existing pavilion or the purchase of a metal 18x20 carport, for existing and/or new campsites.

I hereby release the Sac and Fox Nation, its officials, agents, employees, material men, laborers, and contractors from all liability for loss, damage, or injury of any kind whatsoever as a result of participation in this tribal assistance program.

Signature			Date	
Printed Name		Ro	oll Number	Birthdate
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip	Phone Number

#### SFN Special Diabetes Program Hosts Quarterly Training Meeting in Learning Center

Robin Thompson, who serves as Area Diabetes Consultant with Indian Health Services, is pictured standing at left while speaking to representatives of area tribal nations and other organizations during a March 8 quarterly training meeting held in the Sac and Fox Nation Learning Center.

The quarterly training session was hosted and coordinated by the Sac and Fox Nation Special Diabetes Program Special Projects Director Leah Carver, Exercise Specialist Anthony Ramirez and Dietitian Josh Nooner.

Tribal nations represented at the session included the Citizen Pottawatomie, Kickapoo, Seminole, Muskogee-Creek, Iowa and Absentee Shawnee.

(Photo by Mike Brown)

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"Veterans Helping Veterans"

# 2023-2024 Sac and Fox Nation Honor Guard Princess Application

\*\*Application deadline: May 5, 2023 - No Exceptions\*\*

\*\*\*Pageant Ceremony scheduled May 7, 2023 at the SFN Chapel in Stroud, OK\*\*\*

Address: Name of School:	
Grade: Name of School:	
Parent/s Name/s:	
Phone Number: Email:	
Sac & Fox Roll Number:	

\*\*Attach a biography providing knowledge of Sac & Fox heritage, family/Veteran background, personal accomplishments, goals, hobbies, and reason why you want to serve as the Honor Guard Princess\*\*

#### Candidates must meet the following qualifications:

- Be enrolled Sac and Fox or descendant
- Be between 13-19 years of age
- Reside in Oklahoma
- · Have Veteran family member(s): former or active duty
- Must be able to dance
- Cannot be married, cohabitate, or have children
- Serve as role model and participate with SFN Veterans at events and dances
- Be present in full regalia at the Princess Selection Ceremony and present biography

Submit applications by email: <a href="mailto:shawnaspoon@att.net">shawnaspoon@att.net</a> or <a href="mailto:clarissa.littlehead@yahoo.com">com</a>
For any questions, call (405) 788-1255 or (405) 410-1565

**FNS HANDBOOK 501** EXHIBIT M

#### FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)

#### FY 2023 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS

#### Effective October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

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

#### 48 Contiguous United States:

#### Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standards		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standards
1	\$1,133	+	\$193	=	\$1,326
2	\$1,526	+	\$193	=	\$1,719
3	\$1,920	*	\$193	=	\$2,113
4	\$2,313	+	\$193	=	\$2,506
5	\$2,706	+	\$225	=	\$2,931
6	\$3,100	+	\$258	=	\$3,358
7	\$3,493	+	\$258	=	\$3,751
8	\$3,886	+	\$258	=	\$4,144
ach addition	al member				\$394

#### Alaska:

#### Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standards		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standards
1	\$1,416	+	\$330	=	\$1,746
2	\$1,908	+	\$330	-	\$2,238
3	\$2,400	+	\$330	=	\$2,730
.4	\$2,891	+	\$330	= 1	\$3,221
5	\$3,383	+	\$330	=	\$3,713
6	\$3,875	+	\$330	-	\$4,205
7	\$4,366	+	\$330		\$4,696
8	\$4,858	+	\$330	=	\$5,188
Each addition	al member				\$492

FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M

#### FY 2023 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e))

#### Effective October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

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 = \$281
	Alaska by Area Designations
	• Urban = \$351
	• Rural 1 = \$448
	• Rural 2 = \$545
	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 2023 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions

#### Effective October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

Raseline by Region\*

Region	States Currently with FDPIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$500
Southeast/Southwest	Arizona, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah	\$400
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming	\$550
West	Alaska, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$450

\*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.



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



We want to feature the scholastic, academic and athletic awards or achievements of your child or grandchild of the Sac and Fox Nation! Send all pertinent information, such as name of student, town, school and grade attending, explanation of award or achievement, and names of parents and/or grandparents, along with a current photo of the student to:

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

## **April 2023**

#### 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
3 Walk∘in	4 Elder's Day	5. Shipment	6 Elder's Day	7 Elder's Day Shawnee HD
Late Night Shawnee 8AM-6PM	ш	12	13.	14 Stroud HD Shawnee HD
I7 Closed for Holiday	18	19 Shipment	20	21 Stroud HD Shawnee HD
24 Late Night Shawnee & Stroud 8AM-6PM	25	26	27 Inventory Day	28 Inventory Day

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

HOURS (Monday-Friday) Certification 8 am - 5 pm

Distribution 8 am - 3 pm

Store AM Inventory 8 am - 8:30 am Store PM Inventory 3 pm - 5 pm

HOME DELIVERIES ARE FOR HOMEBOUND AND/OR DISABLED ELDERS. CALL OUR STROUD OFFICE TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY. This institution is

an equal opportunity provider.





**Business Committee Meeting Minutes** are accessible on the Website sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



# **RAP Department Application Form**



#### SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

#### HARDSHIP

FAX: 918-968-4207
PH: 918-968-3526
EXT: 2001
EMAIL: sfnrap@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov
ADDRESS: 920963 S. Hwy 99
Stroud, OK 74079
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#### The W-9 FORM CAN BE FOUND IN THIS EDITION ON PAGE 16



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# CLIENT'S STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I hereby authorize the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department to make any necessary inquiries relating to my account's which the RAP Department may be considering making payment on my behalf. I understand that I have the right to a hearing of any action of the Sac and Fox Nation, which I consider improper, and also any unreasonable delay in decision. (Request for fair hearings may be made in writing to the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation, 920963 S. Hwy. 99 Stroud, OK 74079) I understand that any person who knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provides false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which he/she is otherwise ineligible to receive; may be subject to prosecution to the fullest extent to the appropriate Tribal statutes.

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# A Monthly Insight into Community Health at Black Hawk Health Center

Since 1983, April has been designated as national Child Abuse Prevention month. Everyone can play a role in supporting families to prevent child abuse and neglect. This April, help us bring attention to all the different ways we can help children and families' flourish. Black Hawk Health Center (BHHC) Community Health Department is collaborating with Prevent Child Abuse America in their efforts to bring awareness in their campaign "Pinwheels for Prevention". The Community Health Department will be planting blue pinwheels on April 3 at 10:00 am to raise awareness for prevention efforts. Since 2008, Prevent Child Abuse America has displayed over 5 million pinwheels nationwide. The campaign symbol, a blue and silver pinwheel, is a reminder of the happy childhoods and bright futures that all children deserve.

# Prevention Is Possible

Know what child abuse is. Physical and sexual abuse clearly constitutes maltreatment, but so does neglect - the failure of parents or other caregivers to provide a child with basic needs such as food, clothing, and care.

90% of Victims know their Abuser.

#### **EVENTS:**

April 3rd

Plant Pinwheel Garden

10:00 am at BHHC

April 8th

Bikers Against Child Abuse Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 am Sparks, Ok

April 17<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup>

Spirit week

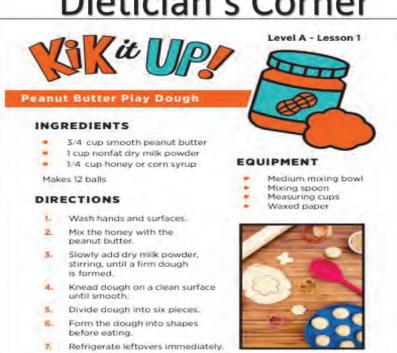
April 17<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>

**Door Decorating Contest** 

# Oklahoma State Child Abuse Helpline 1-877-422-2286 National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-4-A-Child (422-4453)



# Dietician's Corner



https://extension.okstate.edu/programs/community-nutrition-education-program/recipes/index.html

#### Spirit Week April 17th through 20th

#### Join Along At Home

Monday -Day of Gratitude-Write a note or take some time to thank someone who has been a positive connection at work or community.

Tuesday- Blue Out Day -Wear All Blue

Wednesday-Mis- Match Day- Break out all those different patterns. No fashion rules on this day!

Thursday- Team Spirit Day -Represent your favorite team's colors.

Friday-Sock it to Child Abuse - Wear crazy print or pattern socks

#### Signs of Child Abuse

- 1. Changes in behavior. Abuse can lead to many changes in behavior. Abused children often appear scared, anxious, depressed,
- 2. Returning to earlier behaviors. Abused children may display behaviors shown at earlier ages, such as thumb sucking, bedwetting, fear of the dark, or fear of strangers.
- 3. Fear of going home. Abused children may express apprehension or anxiety about leaving school or about going places with the person who is abusing them or exhibit an unusual fear of a familiar person or place.
- 4. Changes in eating. The stress, fear, and anxiety caused by abuse can lead to changes in a child's eating behavior, which may result in weight gain or loss.
- Changes in sleeping. Abused children may have frequent nightmares or have difficulty falling asleep and as a result may appear tired or fatigued.
- 6. Changes in school performance and attendance. Abused children may have difficulty concentrating in school or have excessive absences, sometimes due to adults trying to hide the child's injuries from authorities.
- 7. Lack of personal care or hygiene. Abused and neglected children may appear uncared for. They may present as consistently dirty and have severe body odor, or they may lack sufficient clothing for the weather.
- Risk-taking behaviors. Young people who are being abused may engage in high-risk activities such as using drugs or alcohol or carrying a weapon.
- 9. Inappropriate sexual behaviors. Children who have been sexually abused may exhibit overly sexualized behavior or use explicit sexual language and may exhibit symptoms of a genital infection.
- 10. Unexplained injuries. Children who have been physically abused may exhibit unexplained burns or bruises in the shape of objects.

# **RAP Department Application Forms**



#### SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

#### **EMERGENCY APPLIANCE**

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# **Capturing Rainwater is Great Way to Conserve Natural Resources**

by Trisha Gedon Oklahoma State University Agricultural Communications Services

Rainwater catchment in the landscape is a great way to help conserve natural resources. There are various ways to capture rainwater, including the traditional rain barrel or installing a rain garden.

Qing Luo, Oklahoma State University associate professor and OSU Extension landscape architecture specialist, said a rain barrel can help reduce stormwater runoff by collecting the rainwater from the roof via the home's downspout and storing it for later use.

"Rain barrels are relatively easy to attach to a downspout on your home's gutter system and are a great way to help reduce flooding in areas close to your home," Luo said. "They come in a variety of colors that are compatible to your home's architecture and can also add to the design perspective of your land-scape."

To make the best use of a rain barrel, Luo said it must be placed in a convenient area where using the rainwater will be easy. Placing a barrel near a garden bed is ideal to use that water for garden irrigation.

"Your plants will appreciate the rainwater. Although the chemicals in drinking water are safe to consume, your plants appreciate this natural resource. In addition, a well-placed rain barrel makes it easier for parents to rinse off muddy shoes before going inside," she said. "This water could also be used for cleaning a driveway, rinsing tools or washing your car. While it won't save homeowners a lot of money on utility bills, capturing rainwater can cut down on city water use."

Although the water flow from a rain barrel is less than the flow coming out of a faucet, placing the barrel on some sort of stand will help increase water flow. Stands can be constructed to coordinate with the barrel, so it blends in with the landscape.

Zack Henson, watershed quality manager with the City of Stillwater, said stored rainwater is great for homeowners to use in their landscape during a drought. "We do caution people this water isn't safe to drink as is," Henson said. "It contains pollutants such as zinc and copper from roofing materials, as well as bacteria from birds. Keep in mind that a tenth of an inch of rain over 1,000 square feet equals about 60 gallons of water. It's going to take a fair amount of rain to fill a rain barrel, but it adds up over time."

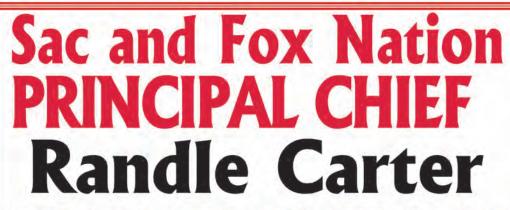
Consumers may be concerned about stagnant water in a rain barrel becoming a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Henson said the fine mesh on the top of the barrel prevents adult mosquitoes from getting in and laying eggs. He also recommends tossing in a mosquito larvae control tablet, available at most home and garden stores, to help curb mosquito development inside the barrel.

Homeowners can also take advantage of rainwater by installing a rain garden. A rain garden is a planted shallow depression in the landscape that collects and soaks up rainwater runoff from paved areas, roofs and the surrounding landscape.

"A rain garden is purposefully situated at a lower spot in our landscape, so it can receive runoff after a rainfall," said David Hillock, OSU Extension consumer horticulturist. "Its soil and plants are selected to absorb rainwater."

There are three main components to a rain garden: inflow, basin and overflow. The inflow is where water enters the rain garden. The basin is the shallow depression where the water collects and where the plants are located. The overflow is the location where water flows out of the garden when there's a significant rain event.

Hillock said rain gardens have several benefits, including: Absorbing 30% more rainwater than a regular lawn, reducing the chances of flooding in the landscape; More cost effective than traditional system of pipes and drains to treat the same amount of storm water; Filter out pollutants carried by rainwater and improve water quality before it reaches groundwater, rivers, streams and lakes; Creates a natural habitat for butterflies, birds and wildlife; and, Adds beauty to the landscape, resulting in increased property value. "When selecting plants for a rain garden, make sure they tolerate wet roots for a short period of time," he said. "As with all gardens, proper soil preparation and mulching will help the plants become established. Once established, the plants should be able to thrive on their own. However, we all know Oklahoma is prone to drought conditions, so supplemental watering may be needed to keep the plants alive during extreme conditions."







# A Proven and Experienced Leader Who's Driven to Serve our Nation

Randle Carter is dedicated to serving the Tribe by improving the lives of ALL Sac and Fox people. A vote for Randle is a vote for your family's future and the continued success of The Sac and Fox Nation.

# PRIMARY ELECTION: JUNE 3, 2023

#### Your Vote is Respectfully Requested!

Your years of support and kindnesses have allowed me to dedicate my public, private and professional life to serving the needs of the Sac and Fox people. And because of your support, and the help of many others, I have developed a positive record of accomplishments for the tribe.

If you elect me as your Principal Chief, I will make every effort to restore the Sac and Fox Nation as a leading tribe of people in Indian Country.



ELECT Randle Carter

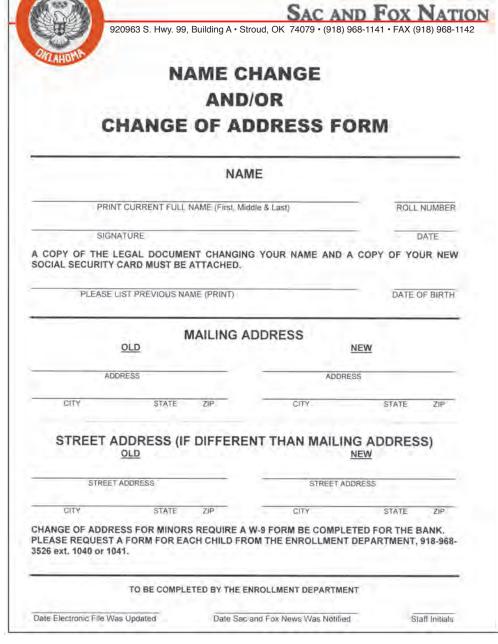
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Working Hard & Working Smart to Ensure the Success & Prosperity of The Sac and Fox Nation













## NOTICE

A W-9 form is not needed for Per Capita Payments unless you have a name change, new address, you are a newly-enrolled tribal member or, if required, for RAP applications.

**Business Committee Meeting Minutes** are accessible on the Website sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

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

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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.

Signature of U.S. person ▶

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## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise

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
- · 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,

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## Third Season of 'Reservation Dogs' to **Bring Indigenous Teen Comedy, Drama**

by Annabella Potts Gaylord News

It will be another five months before the third season of the hit television series "Reservation Dogs," filmed in Oklahoma airs. But, the theme of bringing together classic Native American actors and young talent for Indigenous representation in the teen comedy and drama

Oklahoman Lane Factor stars as 'Cheese' and takes part in a quest to California after the death of the fifth member of his teenage friend group. Full of adventures both criminal and comical, the series follows each member of the 'Rez Dogs' in their own paths of grief and growth.

Factor, who grew up in Midwest City, is a citizen of the Caddo Nation of Oklahoma and is also Creek and Seminole. "Since the release of seasons one and two, there's been an increase in Native representation in the media and I couldn't be happier," Factor said during a telephone interview.

"People from Oklahoma have a lot of positive comments about it being filmed here, and they can relate to the adventures of the characters and the environment. It hits home to know the show is filmed here because many people see actors on the show that they personally know."

After the show took off, Factor and his co-stars won the 2022 Independent Spirit Award for best ensemble cast in a new scripted series. He has been a guest speaker for community events, youth conferences and schools across the state. He advocates across all tribes, extending

his platform from the Caddo Nation to help other communities embrace themselves.

"It feels extra special being Seminole and portraying a Seminole teen," Factor said. "I want others of different communities and races to be proud of who they are. Embrace who you are and be proud of that."

Lane Factor's mom, Kelly Factor, is vice-chairwoman of the Caddo Nation. As a tribally-elected official, she has paved the way for new opportunities and resources in the Caddo Nation and beyond. After the loss of cultural programs, under-staffing of the tribal complex and lack of economic development with many tribal members unemployedKelly Factor said she stepped up to make a difference.

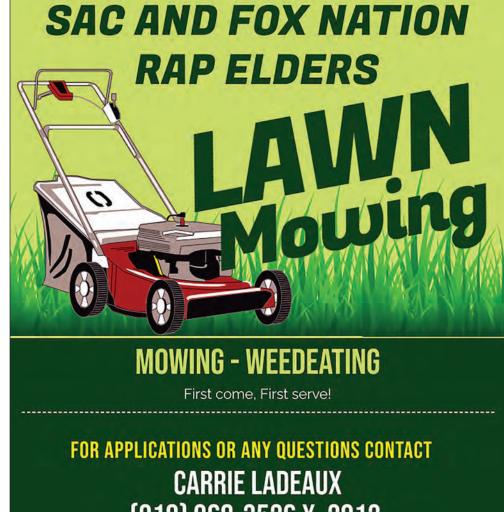
'Our nation is making a huge change and tackling these issues to improve all around, with funding coming back in, reestablished programs; language preservation; an economic development board; expanding land base; increasing tribal staff and cultural activities, to name a few," Kelly Factor said. "Our nation is a reflection of our families, our children and future generations to come. This is why it is imperative to make a change now."

As "Reservation Dogs" is made up only of Indigenous writers, directors and series regulars, the series stands as a turning point for Native Americans in the media. With a clear lack of Indigenous representation in everyday television and feature films, Lane Factor's role stands for more than just a character on the screen.

"The majority of the Native population in our communities feel underrepresented, as well we should," Kelly Factor said. "We don't see Natives playing in Native roles--these have been notoriously portrayed by non-indigenous actors. Our communities feel a sense of pride seeing actual Natives in these roles, and that it's possible to make it as a Native actor if they wanted."

(Gaylord News is a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Com*munication.*)





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**Bria Rose Grant** 

Aaron and Priscilla Grant would like to announce the birth of Bria Rose Grant. Bria was born at the Banner Gateway Medical Center in Gilbert, AZ on February 2, 2023.

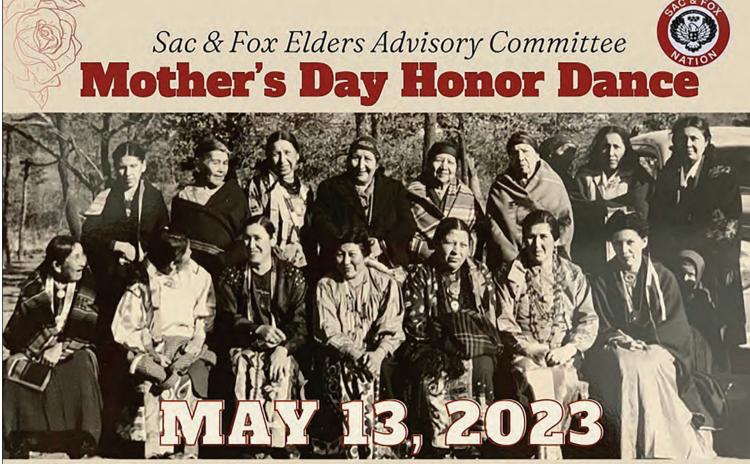
Bria is the granddaughter of Sac & Fox Nation tribal member Kirby and Patti Grant of Mesa, AZ and the great-granddaughter of the late Sac and Fox Nation tribal member Ulysses and Gloria Grant.

She has 5 older brothers named Aidan, Mason, Liam, Owen and Rylan, who are all Sac & Fox Nation tribal members.

**Business Committee Meeting** Minutes are accessible on the Website sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



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# Sac & Fox Nation Community Building

**Head Singer:** 

Nicholas Wahpepah

**Head Gourd Dancer:** 

Major Warren Queton

**Head Man Dancer:** 

**Greg Morris** 

**Head Lady Dancer:** 

Angie GoodFox

Women's Cloth

50 Years & Over

1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 3rd: \$100

18-49 Years

1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 3rd: \$100 Sponsored by Tooky & Poncho Brady in honor of June Hamilton & Stella Nullake

\*More Contests TBA

5 miles south of Stroud, OK

1:00 pm: Gourd Dance 5:00 pm: Supper Break 7:00 pm: Grand Entry

> **Silent Auction** Raffles 50/50 Cake Walk **Plate Sales**

**Master of Ceremonies:** Juaquin Hamilton

**Arena Director:** Jeff McClellan

**Color Guard:** 

Sac&Fox Nation Honor Guard

> **Head Cook:** Jamie Noble

Vendors

\$25 + Donated Item First 10 Accepted Contact Clarissa Littlehead (405)410-1565

For More Info or to Sponsor a Contest Contact: June Hamilton (701)421-7450 or Lolly Ashley (405)567-5507

Fundraiser for Sac&Fox Elders to attend National Elders Convention in Cherokee, NC

# Elders Lawn Care Services Program Guidelines

This program is designed to provide Lawn Care Services for the safety and healthy daily living needs of all our eligible Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Member Elders and those members who are physically disabled and cannot safely perform Lawn Care themselves, regardless of location/residency.

- Applicant(s) must be an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation age 55 or older, or who is physically disabled and residing within or out of jurisdiction.
- Participants will have their lawns cut Two (2) times per month for 6 (six) months, based on available finding and number of participants served.
- Funding for this program is limited and each application will be processed in the order in which it was received. This program will fund as many Tribal Member requests as funding will permit. However, preference may be given to emergency situations.
- Applicants claiming a physical disability MUST provide a physician's statement.

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Sac and Fox Nation
Elders Lawn Care Services Program
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#### Tribal Elder/Disables Lawn Care Services Program

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#### REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

THE ELECTION BOARD MUST RECEIVE THIS FORM BY DEADLINE DATE OF THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

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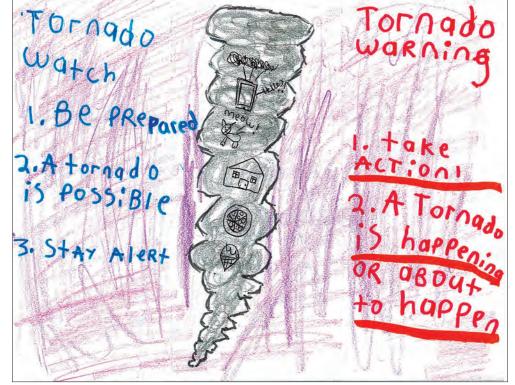
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#### SFN Housing Authority Safety Poster and Cupid Coloring Contest Winners





Congratulations to Alice on winning the HASFN Safety Poster Contest sponsored by Amerind. Her poster and picture will be on display at the HASFN Agency. Great job, Alice! (Photos Submitted)

# **Dept.of Interior to Restore Wild American Bison to Prairie Grassland Ecosystem**

The Department of the Interior on March 3, announced several new steps to restore wild and healthy populations of American bison and the prairie grassland ecosystem. Through a new Secretary's Order and over \$25 million from the Inflation Reduction Act, the Department will empower its bureaus and partners to use the best available science and Indigenous Knowledge to help restore bison across the country.

"The American bison is inextricably intertwined with Indigenous culture, grassland ecology and American history. While the overall recovery of bison over the last 130 years is a conservation success story, significant work remains to not only ensure that bison will remain a viable species but also to restore grassland ecosystems, strengthen rural economies dependent on grassland health and provide for the return of bison to Tribally owned and ancestral lands," said Secretary Deb Haaland. "New historic funding from the Inflation Reduction Act will help support the Department's efforts to restore this iconic species and integrate Indigenous Knowledge into our shared stewardship goals."

American bison once numbered 60 million in North America, with the population anchored in what is now the central United States. Many Indigenous cultures, especially in areas where the species was most abundant, developed strong ties with bison and relied upon them for sustenance, shelter, and cultural and religious practices. In the 19th century, bison were nearly driven to extinction through uncontrolled hunting and a U.S. policy of eradication tied to intentional harm against and control of Tribes.

By 1889, only a few hundred wild bison remained. The persecution of bison contributed to the decline of healthy grassland ecosystems and, eventually, to

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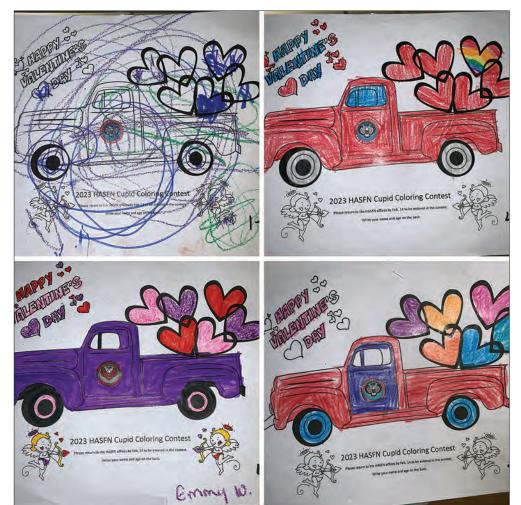


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the Dust Bowl in the 1930s. The loss of the keystone species, coupled with land conversion, led to declines of other important grassland wildlife, such as migratory birds and pollinators.

Beginning in the early 20th century with the support of President Theodore Roosevelt, conservationists and scientists made a collective effort to restore the American bison. Since then, careful conservation and restoration efforts have increased the number of wild bison in the United States from fewer than 500 to more than 15,000. The Interior Department currently manages 11,000 bison in herds across 4.6 million acres of U.S. public lands in 12 states.

While the security of the species is a conservation success worth celebration, bison remain functionally extinct to both grassland systems and the human cultures with which they coevolved. Today's announcement will help advance bison restoration efforts to grasslands, which can enhance soil development, restore native plants and wildlife, and promote carbon sequestration, providing benefits for agriculture, outdoor recreation, and Tribes.



Congratulations to the winners of the HASFN Cupid Coloring Contest in February. Ages 1-3: Charles, 4-7: Ben and Emmy, 8 and up: Aiden. Great job!



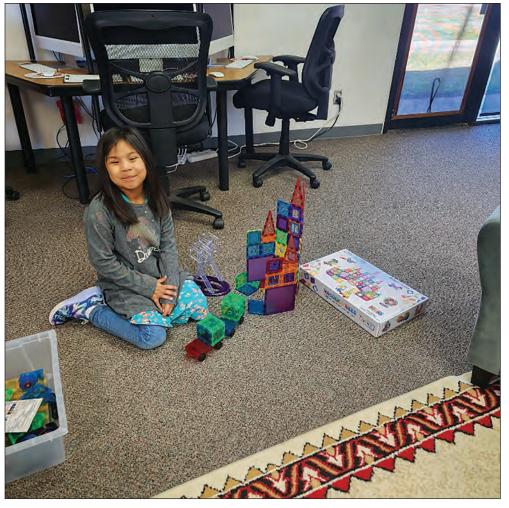
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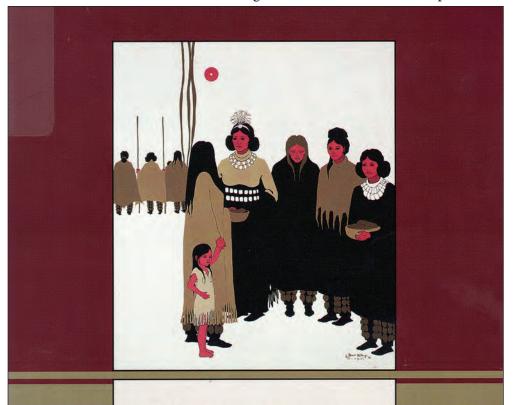
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## **Having Fun in the Library!**

Alexandria Franklin, daughter of Janice Jackson and Thomas Franklin, was in the Sac and Fox Nation National Public Library with her grandmother recently. Here she is building a castle with Magnetic Tiles. (Photo Submitted)





# WOMEN AND POWER IN NATIVE NORTH AMERICA

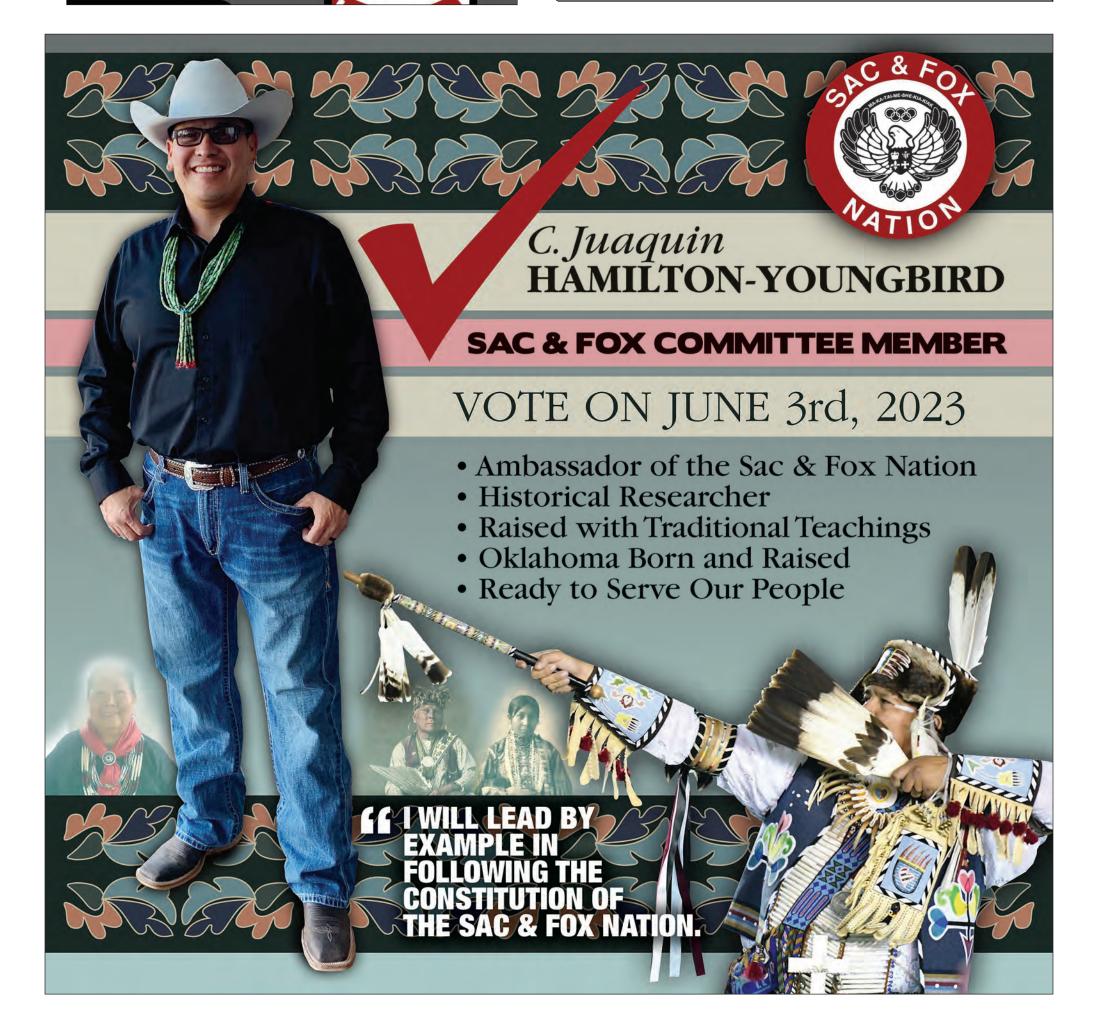
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#### Come join the Book Club at the Library!

Next book - Women and Power

Discussion on first half of book - Tuesday, April 11 from 12pm to 1pm Discussion on last half of book - Tuesday, April 25 from 12pm to 1pm Feel free to bring your lunch.

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#### 2023-2024 Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Princess Application

OR

Mail to: Activity Committee 920883 S. Hwy. 99 Stroud, OK 74079 E-mail to: soil2earth@yahoo.com courtcozad89@gmail.com

#### Pageant Competition: May 20th, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. in SFN Community Building

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\*\*\*Application Deadline: May 10th, 2023 - No Exceptions\*\*\*

If you have any questions, feel free to contact (918)968-3526 OR (405)788-2559