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Sac and Fox Families Take Part in 'Jim Thorpe Day' Celebration

by Mike Brown

Sac and Fox Nation families heard guest speakers, enjoyed lunch and took part in games and competitions during the 2023 'Jim Thorpe Day' celebration held April 16 in the SFN Community Building and Jim

Guest Speakers are Daugherty, Vasquez and Wheeler

Thorpe Memorial Park.

The day's events were coordinated by the Sac and Fox Business Committee, Activity Committee and volunteer rep-

resentatives of various working departments. Serving as master of ceremonies for the program conducted in the Community Building was Sac and Fox His-

torian Juquin Hamilton. With a team of volunteers, Black Hawk Health Center Exercise Specialist Anthony Ramirez coordinated games and competitions for participants in several age divisions. The competitions included a football throw, football punting, a 50-yard dash, baseball throw and slam ball races.

In addition to other activities, a Jim Thorpe Fun Walk was coordinated by the SFN Employee Committee, and a Jim Thorpe 3K Run was coordinated by the SFN Education Dept. The Sac and Fox Nation National Public Library and the Sac and Fox Veterans Group conducted booths to provide informational materials and books for viewing by those in attendance. The noon lunch and commemorative

t-shirts were provided by the Chicago Black Hawks Foundation.

Rob Daugherty, a member of the Cherokee Nation and Jay, Okla. resident, formerly taught at Haskell Indian University and Baker University in Kansas, and has been collecting baseball and other sports cards since he was in the seventh grade.

He displayed dozens of cards and other sports memorabilia at the Jim Thorpe Day Celebration.

Roger Vasquez is a program manager at the U. S. Mint in Washington, D.C. He presented a slide show outlining the extensive design and selection process for the development of one-dollar coins featuring Native Americans, including the 2018 Jim Thorpe coin. He noted the Thorpe coin is no longer in general circulation, but is available on the secondary market. (Continued on Page 2)



Rob Daugherty, a member of the Cherokee Nation, is pictured at the Jim Thorpe Day celebration with dozens of his extensive collection of baseball and other sports cards and sports memorabilia on display. He has been collecting cards featuring Native American athletes since he was in seventh grade. (Photo by Mike Brown)



U. S. Mint Program Manager Roger Vasquez, left, is pictured presenting a slide show outlining the extensive design and selection process for the development of one-dollar coins featuring Native Americans, including the 2018 Jim Thorpe coin shown above. The coin currently is not in general circulation, but is available on the secondary market. (Photos by Mike Brown)



Emmy Award winner Robert Wheeler holds a book his father gave him at age 10 that inspired him to research Jim Thorpe's life and career for the past 68 years. (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.

General Welfare Assistance Available

The Sac and Fox Nation (SFN) is implementing a Spring 2023 ARPA General Welfare Assistance distribution for adult SFN Tribal Members resulting from the public emergency hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Application form is on Page 15 of this edition.

The deadline is May 31, 2023.

Nick Blanchard Mural Reflects 'Home, Family And Clan'

Absentee Shawnee artist Nick Blanchard is pictured in full regalia in front of the mural he painted on the front of one of the five air-conditioned comfort stations in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park. The Shawnee, Okla. resident is working on multiple murals to be painted on various exterior walls on the comfort stations. He is hoping to have the murals completed in time for the 58th Annual Sac and Fox Nation Powwow set for July 6-9, 2023.

(Photo by Mike Brown)



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Obituaries

Benjamin Franklin, Jr. was born July 24, 1945, to Benjamin Franklin, Sr. and Bernice (Spooners) Franklin in Concho, Oklahoma. Junior departed this life on March 27, 2023, in Tulsa, with his family by his side.

Junior was a proud member of the Sac and Fox Nation. He was also Absentee Shawnee, Kickapoo, and Muncie. His Native American Heritage was extremely important to him, and he proudly represented his People.

He graduated from Stroud High School with the class of 1963. Following high school, he attended Haskell Indian Junior College and began working in the diesel mechanics field. He enlisted with the United States Air Force on April 28, 1965 and was honorably discharged on April 4, 1969.

He was united in marriage to Debbie Stephenson on July 8, 1971, in Chandler. To this union four children, Grant, Melissa, Kellie and Wesley, were born.

Junior was a cornerstone in the oil and gas industry in Oklahoma working for several different companies includ-

John Anthony Floyd



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Our son, Tony, passed away on March 12, 2023. He was born on May 31, 1968. He was the great-grandson of John and Angeline Crane. His grandmother was Alberta Crane 'Peaches' Staley, and parents Brenda and Danny Floyd.

He had one brother, Ryan Floyd and his wife, Linda. Tony had one son, Jacob Floyd and Jaquelyn Evans; his grandsons Levi and Jasper; nieces Faith Floyd and Hope Durham.

We will have a celebration of his life Memorial Weekend. He was an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation. He loved running, football, fast cars and motorcycles. His Indian name was Little Jim Thorpe, Wa-tha-ska-huk.

‘Jim Thorpe Day’ Celebration

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able on the secondary market.

Robert Wheeler, of Liverpool, New York, is founder and president of the Jim Thorpe Foundation. He has researched the life of Jim Thorpe for 68 years. He received an Emmy Award for a Jim Thorpe documentary that he produced. Wheeler has served as director of public relations for ABC and Fox Sports.

At the Jim Thorpe Day celebration, Wheeler presented an extensive slide show of rare photographs of the world-famous athlete, include several taken during the 1912 Olympics held in Stockholm, Sweden. He also pointed out the instances of racism and bigotry that Thorpe experienced and endured.

Wheeler welcomed relatives of Jim Thorpe in attendance and expressed appreciation for their hospitality and generosity shown him through the years.



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Benjamin Franklin, Jr.

ing Allied Materials in Stroud; Hudson Refinery in Cushing, OK; Sinclair Refinery in Tulsa, OK; and ARCO Gas Plant in Drumright, OK. Continuing to utilize these skills, he began working in the pipeline industry with Associated Natural Gas. He dedicated almost 50 years of his life to the oil and gas industry holding many positions and working up to management.

He grew up north of Stroud attending Only Way Baptist Church. He and Debbie were avid supporters of Cushing Athletics, providing resources via fundraisers to continue growth in various sports. Other favorite pastimes of his included watching kids and grandkids participate in various activities over the years, along with metal detecting, as his time allowed. He enjoyed watching NASCAR, with the #3 car and Dale Earnhardt ("The Intimidator") being his favorite driver of all time. He was able to attend many races, with Talladega being his favorite track.

Survivors include his wife of almost 52 years, Debbie, of the home; children, Grant Franklin of Stillwater, Melissa Franklin of Sapulpa and Kellie Creekmore of Cushing; his sisters, Sharon Little of Shawnee, Loretta Bigbow of Yukon and Cheryl Crane of St. Cloud, Florida; grandchildren, Gabby Lantz and husband, Colbie, Daniel Franklin, Derek Franklin, Seth Creekmore, Morgan Franklin, Karsyn Creekmore and Cale Creekmore; great-grandchildren, Pey-

ton Lantz, Lennon Lantz and Navy-Cait Creekmore; a host of other relatives and friends, including Sherry Franklin Robbins and Erik Creekmore, who were like children to him.

In addition to his parents, Junior was preceded in death by one son, Wesley Franklin; sister, Beatrice Franklin and brother, Ronnie Franklin.

Funeral services were held March 30, 2023 at the First Baptist Church in Cushing with Pastor David Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Fairlawn Cemetery.



Benjamin Franklin, Jr.



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Happy May Birthday Elders!

Abke, Candace Margaret
Ashley, Reginald
Baggett, Judy Anita
Barber, Genevieve Marie
Bass, Monty
Bass, Sammy Lee
Bemo, Ronald M Sr.
Blanchard, Alden Gene
Bohannan, Myra Kaye
Brice, Ricky Dean
Brown, Glannister Charles Jr.
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Brown-Hill, Bertha Lynn
Butler, Edgar Thomas
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Chaney, Robert David Jr.
Clinkenbeard, Rosalyn G
Dean, Rebecca Lea
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Dowd, Odell M
Dutro, Christi Lorena
Ellis, Teri Denise
Ferguson, Theresa Sue
Freeman, Billy Ray Jr.
French, Rebecca Jeanne
Gibbs, Michael David
Goniwicha, James Lee Jr.
Goodeagle, Rona Kay
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Henthorn, Duke Anthony
Henthorn, Jimmy C
Hilbrink, Veronica Marie
Holland, Patricia Ann
Jefferson, Elvita Louise



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Kramer, Stephanie Michelle
Lenzini, Monica Lee
Littlehead, Cecil Dewayne
Lizarrago, Tonya Lisa
Longshore, Edward Abraham III
Macias, Elizabeth Ann
Martinez, Rebecca Ann
McCreless, Joseph Virgil
McEntire, David Wayne
Mikulski, Cathleen Dolores
Natseway, Elizabeth Denise
O'Brien, Edward L III
Pappan, Clifton Wade
Parish, Ida Louise
Perez-Loza, Tiffany Lee
Pimley, Michael John
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Switch, Gwendolyn J
Tasier, Monty Eli
Thornton, William Francis Jr.
Tiger, Randall Keith
Torres, Carla Delain
Twinem, Neecy
Wakole, Debra Elaine
Walklin, Joy Ellen
Webb, Pauline Sue
West, David Glenn
Whipple, Jeffrey Alan
Williams, Gloria Gay
Winlock, Paula Iris
Yarbrough, Patricia R
York, Melva Ladawn
Zein, Anita Marie

SFN Dietitian Josh Nooner Conducts First Session In New Black Hawk Health Center Demo Kitchen

by Mike Brown

On March 29, Dietitian Josh Nooner conducted the first ‘Lunch and Learn’ class for the Sac and Fox Nation Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) in the new Demonstration Kitchen in the newly renovated Black Hawk Health Center.

The session was the first of 30 SDPI cooking classes to be conducted between now and December 2023. In addition to the new Demo Kitchen, a few of the

cooking sessions will be conducted at the new Sac and Fox Nation Elders Building in Stroud, and the SFN Multi-Purpose Building in Shawnee. A complete schedule can be found on Page 20 of this edition.

At the March 29 cooking demonstration, Nooner prepared a heart-healthy lunch with the use of an air fryer. Each person taking part in the class received a free air fryer to take home.

Each upcoming class is limited to 25

participants, and you must RSVP to attend. Participants must have an active chart at the Black Hawk Health Center to attend. Priority will be given to BHHC patients before employees. To RSVP, contact Dietitian Josh Nooner at 918-968-9531 ext. 3042 or email at: Josh.Nooner@ihs.gov.



Dietitian Josh Nooner speaks during the first SDPI cooking class conducted in the new Demo Kitchen in the newly renovated and expanded Black Hawk Health Center. Assisting him at right is SDPI Special Projects Director Leah Carver. (Photo by Mike Brown)



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Sac & Fox Elders Advisory Committee

Mother's Day Honor Dance



MAY 13, 2023

Sac & Fox Nation Community Building

5 miles south of Stroud, OK

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**

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
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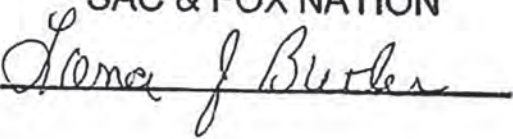
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June Hamilton (701)421-7450 or Lolly Ashley (405)567-5507
Fundraiser for Sac&Fox Elders to attend National Elders Convention in Cherokee, NC



NOTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES

SAC AND FOX NATION
2023 PRIMARY ELECTION
JUNE 3, 2023

POLLS OPEN: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

FILED
DATE 5/31/2023
SECRETARY
SAC & FOX NATION


POLLING SITES:	SHAWNEE	Shawnee Multi-Purpose Center 215 N. Harrison Shawnee, OK 74801
	STROUD	Sac and Fox Nation Cultural Center 920907 S. Hwy 99 Stroud, OK 74079
	CUSHING	First Indian Baptist Church 1034 E. Walnut Cushing, OK 74023

PRINCIPAL CHIEF	
Chris Boyd	Randle Carter
Angela D. Gasper	Billy Ray Tiger Jr.
Lavonda Kaye Youngman	
SECOND CHIEF	
Tyrone Grass	Audrey Rose Lee
Clarissa June Littlehead	Justin Roubidoux
COMMITTEE MEMBER	
C. Juaquin Hamilton-Youngbird	Henry O. Hunter
Greg Morris	Robert E. Williamson
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE	
Dee Manatowa*	
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE**	

*Candidate did not follow the Sac and Fox Nation Election Ordinance Section 402 Filing for Office.
**Per Section 402 Filing for Office candidates can file for office “not later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the ... General Election”.


Carrie Spang, Temporary Chairman
Sac and Fox Nation Election Board

03.30.2023
Date

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

The Education Department is proud to announce the hosting of the Sac and Fox Nation Senior Banquet that was held on April 22, 2023 at the Grand Casino & Resort's Grand Ballroom. During the event the graduates were presented with tribal stoles and a gift.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all of the guests that were in attendance

to help support and celebrate our 2023 High School graduates. It is with great pride that we here at the Sac and Fox Nation's Education Department would like to acknowledge and congratulate all of you on your accomplishments and wish you all the best in your future endeavors:

- Carsyn Frank-Agra High School, OK
- Jazmine Grass-Putnam City West High

school, OK

- Jamie Garcia-Elk City High School, OK
- Caitlyn Nanaeto-North Rock Creek High School, OK
- Isaac Grant-Carl Albert High School, OK
- Jacob Farrington-Owasso High School, OK
- Kealan Hamilton Youngbird-The Academy of Seminole, OK
- Elizabeth Butler-South Effingham High School, GA
- Patrick Wolf-Jim Thorpe Academy, OK
- Tyrone Butler-Agra High School, OK
- Jadence Sanders-Prague High School, OK
- Tristen Kaseca-North Rock Creek High School, OK
- Tuff Manning-Guthrie High School, OK
- Landon Primeaux-Shawnee High School, OK
- Katherine Meeks-Shawnee High

School, OK

- Merry Henderson-Classen SAS, OK
- Ashley Callan-Elk City High School, OK
- Bradley Driskell-Shawnee High School, OK
- Madelyn Harjo-Shawnee High School, OK
- Leilani Pizano-Mcloud High School, OK
- Juanita Williams-Stroud High School, OK
- Mindy Wildcat-Varnum High School, OK
- Kayla Johnson-Harbor Creek High School, PA
- Katelynn Gregory-Shawnee High school, OK

Michelle Delaware-Home School, OK

DEADLINE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2023 IS JUNE 30th, 2023

If you have any questions please contact: Justin Morris at 918-968-3526 at Extension 2043 or Edwina Butler-Wolfe at Extension 2046.

Sgt. Cheyenne D. Kauley Selected To Attend Drill Instructor School

Sergeant Cheyenne D. Kauley is the daughter of David Kauley, Jr. and granddaughter of the late Shirley Nullake Alexander. She is an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation, as well as a descendant of the Cheyenne and Kiowa Tribes.

At the age of 18, Cheyenne chose to enlist in the United States Marine Corps. In September of 2018, Cheyenne attended recruit training aboard Parris Island, South Carolina and graduated on December 07, 2018. She obtained the MOS of 0111, an administrative specialist and has worked at Marine Attack Squadron 542, Marine Medium Tiltrotor 365, and 3rd Battalion.

Cheyenne has deployed to Bahrain, Afghanistan, and Jordan in support of Operation Inherent Resolve on the 26th MEU.

On January 6, 2023, Cheyenne was selected to attend Drill Instructor school at Parris Island, South Carolina, an 11-week course where she will graduate March 24, 2023. With her new MOS, 0911, she will train young volunteers, pushing them, encouraging them into who and what they are striving to be: a United States Marine.

Cheyenne hopes to mentor and inspire young people to join the United States Marine Corps and have the same impact her drill instructors had on her. This gru-

eling 36-month tour included working 11 weeks straight, training recruits that come from different backgrounds, with 2-3 week breaks in between cycles.

Sergeant Kauley will directly teach these recruits how to drill, learn basic marksmanship skills, learn hand-to-hand combat martial arts techniques, combat water survival training, physical fitness tests and combat fitness tests.



Sgt. Cheyenne D. Kauley

Camp Clean-Up Notice

In preparation for Sac and Fox Nation Powwow, there will be three camp clean-up days: **The weekends of May 12, June 2 and June 16, 2023.** Please have trash ready for pickup by the roadway and, larger items please mark with an X so we know to go into the camp for disposal. If you have limbs around your camp, please pick them up so we can mow around the campsite.

Letter to Editor

My Opinion

The following quotes are part of Attorney General Gregory Bigler's reply to the Business Committee's request for an opinion of the 2006 Constitutional Amendment (AGO 2006-12-08). This is a document that our Business Committee has used for years to avoid enforcing Governing Council Resolutions as well as changing Governing Council Resolutions with Business Committee amendments.

"... you have requested an Attorney

General opinion. I note at the outset that we have recently discussed several matters involving the below issues. However, I have not previously attempted a detailed analysis of these issues. Unfortunately, due to the timing of your request I could not devote the research to answering your request that I wished, but believe the below addresses your request."

Judge Bigler's opinion is that the Business Committee has more authority than Governing Council. Perhaps if Judge Bigler could have taken more research time he would have found out from tribal elders and other tribal members that traditionally Governing Council Resolutions are legal direction to the Business Committee from the Supreme Governing body of the Sac and Fox Nation (Governing Council), and can only to be amended by the Supreme Governing body.

Direction in Attorney General Bigler's opinion states, "The Business Committee can of course choose to follow the General Council vote but is not constitutionally required to do so."

So, this is not a legally binding document, only an opinion. Still, it is an important Attorney General's opinion that all members should know about. The Business Committee accepts this as a viable attorney's opinion, without rebuttal from a Supreme Governing body attorney. Maybe in the near future the Business Committee will fund a Governing Council attorney to research our opposing opinion.

Finally, this is certainly an issue that all election candidates should publicly address in their campaigns. The question is, **"When elected, when sworn in, will you swear to abide by and enforce all Governing Council Resolutions?"**

John Nelson

Letter to Editor

April 18, 2023

Mike Brown, Managing Editor:

I do hereby commend the program that was presented last Sunday, April 16, 2023 commemorating the great tribal member, Jim Thorpe!!!

Note: I used the word, commemorate, because it means: "to keep in the memory by means of a celebration or ceremony." And that is exactly what was planned by tribal employees, Juakin Hamilton, with assistance from Johanna Smith. Their research was excellent, in presenting the information, and personal information on the great Jim Thorpe.

I deeply appreciated learning all the information. And, the speakers, themselves, were excellent as they enjoyed presenting the information they had gained in their research.

The lunch was excellent, too. Plus, the commemorative items will be useful, too. As I understand, the Activity Committee were involved, too. Thank you, employees, for your excellent presentation.

Mary F. McCormick - Deer Clan




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Senior Man & Senior Woman of the Year Ballot

Senior Man Nominees:

(select one)

Mike Harris

David Roubidoux

Charles Lasley

Senior Woman Nominees:

(select one)

Marlene Ellis

Nancy Nullake

Annette Rice

Jellene Morehead

Voter Name: _____

(Enrolled Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Member)

Voter Roll No.: _____

Voter Signature: _____

DEADLINE: May 20, 2023

Submit ballot to: Activity Committee

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Stroud, OK 74079

Email to: angewarr21@gmail.com

ELECT

Greg Morris

Sac and Fox Nation

Committee Member

- Integrity
- Experience
- Fairness
- Leadership
- Voice for the People


Vote for Greg Morris


for results and

accountability for our

children, our Nation

and our future





VOTE

JUNE 3RD, 2023

Sac and Fox Nation 2023 Election Dates to Remember

SAC AND FOX NATION
2023 ELECTION

FILED
DATE 12/19/2022
SECRETARY
SAC & FOX NATION
Lana J. Butler

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

Georgia F. Nullake, Chairman
Sac and Fox Nation Election Board

12/18/2022
Date

Sac and Fox Nation
2023 Election Dates to Remember

Section 201. Election Days
(c) Any such Primary Election shall be held at least thirty (30) days prior to the regular General Election.
Primary Election: Saturday, June 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

Section 208. Poll Watchers
Each candidate may designate in writing one person, not a candidate, to watch the activities at the polls. Such designation shall be presented to Election Board Officials prior to the election. Such persons may not interfere in any way with the conduct of the election, but may observe only. Any poll watcher interfering with the election or attempting to electioneer, in any way, shall be rejected from the poll area by a Sergeant of Arms or law enforcement officer.

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

PRIMARY ELECTION:
Open to the public: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

GENERAL ELECTION:
Open to the public: Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Section 303. Challenges to Voting Lists
(a) At any time more than twenty (20) days before the Primary Election and General Election, any person may challenge the voting eligibility of any person whose name appears on said list or may apply to have their name added to said list by filing an application with the Election Board. The application shall clearly indicate the substance of the challenge, the specific names challenged, and the relief requested.

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

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

Section 402. Filing for Office
To be eligible for election and have one's name placed upon the ballot Notice of Candidacy for an elective office must be filed with: The Tribal Secretary after depositing the candidate's non-refundable filing fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) (cashier's check only) with the Tribal Treasurer during regular business hours at the Tribal Office complex not later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the Primary Election and General Election. The Tribal Secretary shall notify the Chairman of the Election Board of all candidates who have filed for office.

OPENING DATE TO FILE FOR OFFICE:
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 two hundred dollars (\$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: Saturday, April 9, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

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

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

Section 602. Application for Absentee Ballot
Qualified voters wishing to cast vote by absentee ballots shall notify the Election Board not sooner than ninety (90) days and not later than thirty (30) days prior to the election. Such notices must be in writing and must include the correct mailing address of the person making the request. Only one ballot per written request.

PRIMARY ELECTION:
Requests will be accepted from 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:
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:
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.

GENERAL ELECTION:
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 non-refundable cashier's check of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) made payable to the Sac and Fox Nation. Said check

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

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

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

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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 March 07, 2023. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

1. Resolution SF-23-76, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Elders Budget in the total funding amount of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$124,143.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Treasury Appropriations. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

2. Resolution SF-23-77, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Department of Interior Compact Welfare Assistance Budget in the total amount of Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$37,145.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2023 Department of Interior Compact Funding Agreement with prior year’s carryover. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

3. Resolution SF-23-78, a resolution approving the Title VI Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) Grant Budget in the total funding amount of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, Grant Document No.2223OKMITR-00. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

4. Lana J. Butler motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Housing Authority of the Sac and Fox Nation and The Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Abstain, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

5. Carla J. Wallace motion to approve the Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2023. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

6. Resolution SF-23-79, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Nicholas A. Blanchard. The funding source is identified as the ARPA (Treasury) Pow-Wow Grounds Budget not to exceed Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$10,700.00), Contract #2023-02-01. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

7. Resolution SF-23-80, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Department of the Interior Economic Development Budget in the total funding amount of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$124,545.00). The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2023 US Department of the Interior Funding Agreement. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

8. Carla J. Wallace motion to accept the proposal price from Sagemill Construction for the Cushing Industrial Building reroof Contract #2022-11-01. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

9. Robert E. Williamson motion to ratify the following motions and resolution:
a. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 2320 E. Anna Cushing, OK 74023 in the amount of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), Contract #2023-01-25.
b. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 1302 Rickey Rd., Shawnee, OK 74801 in the amount of One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00), Contract #2023-01-26.
c. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 119 S. Draper Ave., Shawnee, OK 74801 in the amount of Six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$6,600.00), Contract #2023-01-27.
d. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 328 N. Seminole Ave., Earlsboro, OK 74840 in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), Contract #2023-01-28.
e. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 510 S 3rd Ave., Stroud, OK 74079 in the amount of Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$3,341.00), Contract #2023-02-04.
f. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 1234 E. 4th, Cushing, OK 74023 in the amount of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250.00), Contract #2023-02-05.
g. Approval of Tribal Emergency Water Repair (T.E.W.R.) assistance for 11 Cheyenne Dr., Shawnee, OK 74801 in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), Contract #2023-02-06.
h. Approval of the updated job description for the Behavioral Health Services Manager.
i. Resolution SF-23-74, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to the United States Department of the Treasury for funding regarding the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) established by Section 605 of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

10. Resolution SF-23-81, a resolution approving the Nutrition Services Incentive Program Budget in the total funding amount of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$13,161.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, Grant No.2023OKOANT-02. Lana J. Butler-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

11. Resolution SF-23-82, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act Title VI Part-C Caregivers Budget in the total funding amount of Forty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$48,420.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, Grant No.2123OKTCC6-00. Lana J. Butler-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

12. Resolution SF-23-83, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Revenue Allocation Plan 1.0% Local Government Operations and 0.5% Charitable Donations Budget in the total funding amount of Two Hundred Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$209,599.00). The funding source is identified as the Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-23-05. Carla J. Wallace-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

13. Resolution SF-23-84, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Indian Health Service Vaccine Budget in the total funding amount of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$157,514.00). The funding source is identified as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Health Services Funding Agreement. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

14. Resolution SF-23-85, a resolution to establish the Sac and Fox Nation Cultural Advisory Committee as an official committee of the Sac and Fox Nation. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

15. Lana J. Butler motion to approve the donation of the following decommissioned Police units: 2014 black chevy Tahoe and the 2013 black chevy Tahoe – K9 unit to the Stroud Police Department and the 2014 black dodge charger v-6, 2013 black ford interceptor explorer, and the 2013 black ford interceptor explorer to the Davenport Police Department. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

16. Lana J. Butler motion to approve with corrections the Maintenance Job Descriptions for Custodian I, III, and IV, Maintenance Technician Leader, and Maintenance Director. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

17. Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the 2023 Chandler Chamber of Commerce Membership in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00). Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

18. Lana J. Butler motion to approve the 2023 Prague Chamber of Commerce Membership in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

19. Resolution SF-23-86, a resolution authorizing and approving the architectural services agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Studio 45 Architects, PLLC for the Maintenance Facility Project. Lana J. Butler-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

20. Resolution SF-23-87, a resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Property Upgrades and Renovations Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$7,500,000.00). The funding source is identified as the ARPA Treasury Appropriations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

21. Resolution SF-23-88, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Department of the Interior Compact Department of Public Safety Budget in the total funding amount of Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$859,199.00). The funding source is identified as Department of the Interior Fiscal Year 2023 Funding Agreement, and prior year’s carryover. Lana J. Butler-motion. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

22. Resolution SF-23-89, a resolution approving the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant General Assistance Program Budget in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars (\$138,172.00). The funding source is identified as the United States Environmental Protection Agency Performance Partnership Grant #BG-01F0134001-5. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

23. Resolution SF-23-90, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Revenue Allocation Plan Pow-Wow Committee Budget in the total amount of One Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$109,748.00). The funding source is identified as the Fiscal Year 2023 Governing Council approved Resolution SF/GC-23-05. Lana J. Butler-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

24. Lana J. Butler motion to approve the REDW, LLC Amendment #2022-10-11a. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

25. Carla J. Wallace motion to approve the revision for a cook at the Juvenile Detention Center, changing from full-time to part-time with corrections. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

26. Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the Elders RAP Lawn Care Forms and Guidelines with corrections. Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

27. Lana J. Butler motion to approve the following Charitable Donations: Prague Kolache Festival Association \$100.00 for a total amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

28. Lana J. Butler motion to approve the following Government/Local Donations: Strother Public School Track Program \$500.00, Pottawatomie County School Nutrition Association \$500.00, and Putnam City Native American Student Services Booster Club \$500.00 for a total amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Carla J. Wallace-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee meeting held on April 04, 2023. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

1. Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the revision of the job description for Social Worker for Behavioral Health Services and the updated Organizational Chart. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

2. Robert E. Williamson motion to approve with corrections the revision of the job description for Substance Abuse Counselor #2 for Behavioral Health Services and the updated Organizational Chart. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

3. Robert E. Williamson motion to approve the Regular Business Committee Meeting minutes dated March 07, 2023. Lana J. Butler-2nd. VOTE: Angela-Yes, Lana-Yes, Carla-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.

4. Robert E. Williamson motion to ratify the following resolutions:
a. Resolution SF-23-75, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application for the Native American Library Services Basic Grant through the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
b. Resolution SF-23-91, a resolution approving the authorization to submit an application for the Family Violence Prevention and Services Grant to the Administration for Children and Families for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. The funding source is identified as the DHHS Administration for Children and Families, Family Violence Prevention and Services Grant.
c. Resolution SF-23-92, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Juvenile Detention Center Operating Budget Modification #1 in the total amount of Two Million Ninety-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$2,096,871.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2023 Department of Interior Compact Funding Agreement, tribal detention service contracts, US Marshall Service, and supplemental services carryover.

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May 2023 Word List	
Âpâminehkêha	May
Kemiyâwi	It rains
Kemiyâneshiwa	Gets caught in the rain
Kemiyânwihtôwa	Makes it rain
Anakwêwa	Rainbow
Anakwêwiwi	There is a rainbow
Pashkinîpiwi	Tree is budding out
Sâkipyêyâwi	The trees bud
Mêmêkêha	Butterfly
Apahkwaya	Cattail

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.

May Scramble

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May 2023 Word Match

Âpâminehkêha	Butterfly
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Sâkipyêyâwi	Tree is budding out
Mêmêkêha	May
Apahkwaya	Gets caught in the rain

SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

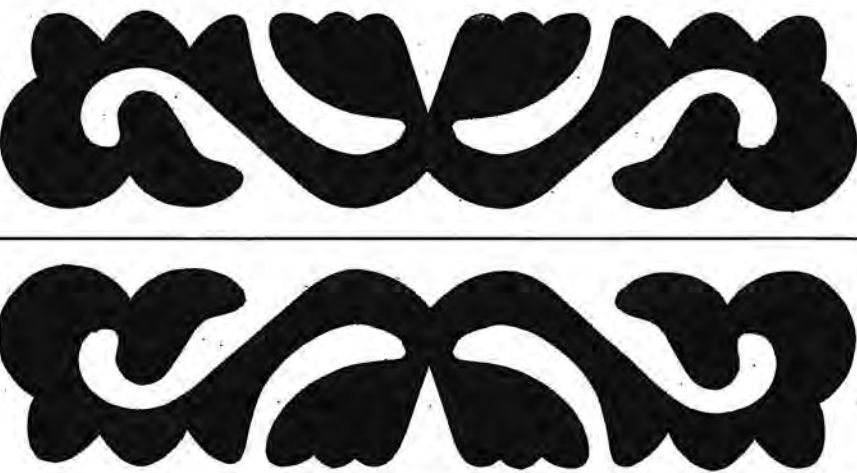
May 2023
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(Moving Camp Moon)

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.

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Suggestions and comments from tribal members are always welcome on programs you have attended, or would like to see scheduled.
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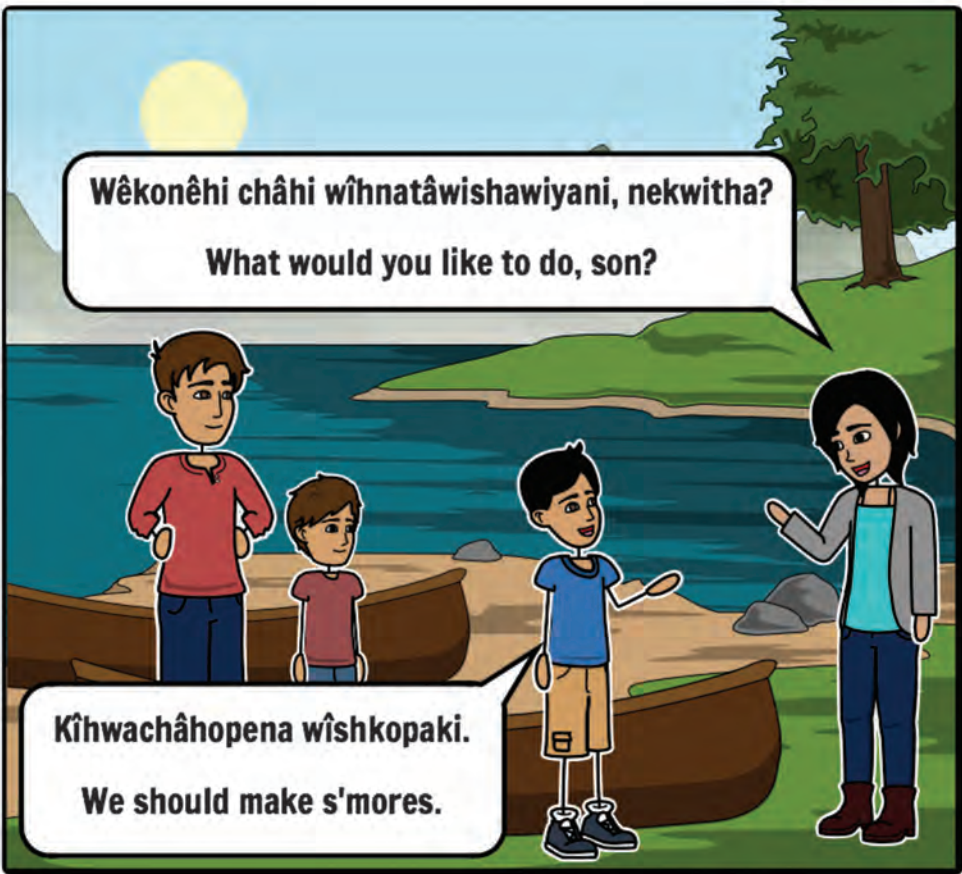
May 2023 Quotations

You have to look deeper, way below the anger, the hurt, the hate, the jealousy, the self-pity, way down deeper where the dreams lie, Son. Find your dream. It's the pursuit of the dream that heals you.
Billy Mills, Oglala Lakota (1938)

When you have a spiritual foundation, you look at poverty different then.
Russell Means, Lakota (1939-2012)

I am an Indian, American Indian. I prefer American Indian (because) anyone born in the western hemisphere is a Native American.
Russell Means, Lakota (1939-2012)

May Comic



2023 ‘Jim Thorpe Day’ Celebration Highlights



This backdrop display was provided at the celebration for tribal members to pose for photographs. (All Photos by Mike Brown)



Master of Ceremonies Juakin Hamilton, left, looks on as Exercise Specialist Anthony Ramirez makes announcements in preparation for games and competitions held in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park.



Sac and Fox National Public Library Librarian and Archive Tech Johanna Smith is shown at left, and members of the Sac and Fox Veterans organization are shown making books and informational materials available to those in attendance.



Activity Committee member Angela Warrior and other volunteers are shown registering attendees for door prizes, and collecting liability waivers for those participating in the games and competitions.



Employee Committee volunteer Mindy Eicher is pictured at right giving directions for the Jim Thorpe Fun Walk conducted in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park.



Education Dept. Director Edwina Butler-Wolfe is pictured at left for the start of the Jim Thorpe Day 3K Run. The Education Dept. sponsored the event for runners of all ages in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park.



Pictured is one of the dozens of youngsters of all ages who participated in the football throw and other events. Looking on is Tribal Administrator Audrey Lee who was among the volunteers who helped conduct the games and competitions.



A young lady is pictured competing in the football punting competition during the Jim Thorpe Day celebration held April 16, 2023 in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park.

Okla. Taking Lead in Drone Technology And Air Mobility

by Gabriela Tumani
Gaylord News

Oklahoma aerospace engineers told members of a U.S. House high tech committee that they are using drone technology and advanced air mobility to leverage aerospace programs within the state's Native American tribes.

Jamey Jacob, executive director of the Oklahoma Aerospace Institute for Research and Education at Oklahoma State University, was joined Thursday by Sean Casey, chief research and development engineer at Tulsa's AirWise Solutions Inc.

Also testifying were experts from NASA and the Commercial Drone Alliance, who explained how they are working to advance emerging unnamed aircraft systems (UAS), commonly known as drones, and safely integrate them into the airspace.

The hearing was initially scheduled to be led by Rep. Frank Lucas (R-Cheyenne), chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee but his co-chairman, Rep. Brian Babin (R-Texas), said Lucas had to make a last-minute trip to Oklahoma due to family reasons.

In a relatively crowded room at the Rayburn building right outside the U.S. Capitol, Jacob led the discussion by explaining how Oklahoma State has been a leader in incorporating aerial robotics into areas of public use, such as agriculture, energy, environmental and national defense while working alongside national labs.

"We have used this technology to help spur interest in aerospace and other STEM careers, particularly for K through 12 outreach, underrepresented minorities, including urban areas and tribal nations, leveraging programs within the Choctaw, Cherokee and Osage nations of Oklahoma," Jacob said. "(We have provided) new opportunities for the sovereign nations to use this technology to support their tribal members and develop new entrepreneurial activities within their borders and support their federal customers."

Jacob said government funding has been essential in pushing drone technology from the laboratories to end-user adoption as well as supporting programs and initiatives that use drones.

Public-private partnerships are crucial for this advancing technology, Jacob said. He said researchers are working on OSU's latest innovation, the LaunchPad Center of Advanced Air Mobility, which features novel programs to support small business innovation and provide unique flight-testing solutions for drone technology development.

Casey mentioned the war in Ukraine, with the emergence of drone technology as a force multiplier, as well as advanced technology in China, to stress the importance of the United States continuing to invest in drone technology and advanced air mobility. "We believe that American small business fully encapsulates the actual need for U.S. manufacturing development, and the entrepreneurial spirit of the proposed bill isn't questionable," Casey said.

Representatives from NASA and the Commercial Drone Alliance said the country needs to be at the forefront of drone technology, since other countries have increasingly advanced technologies in the aerospace industry.

Job creation, weather forecasting and benefits to the economy, healthcare and national security are among the strengths they said air technology can bring to the nation.

Rep. Stephanie Bice (R-Oklahoma City) asked how the U.S. compares to other nations in advanced manufacturing of UAS. "If you look across the broad spectrum, not only just manufacturing but also research, I would say the U.S. is still at the forefront in terms of how we're using the autonomous systems, developing the avionics, the controllers, the fly algorithms, and artificial intelligence into much broader applications," Jacob said.

Witnesses said if the United States is to continue as a global leader in aviation, there needs to be collaboration from Congress and the federal government to work with the advancing technology.

"I believe we're in a new golden age of aviation, with the introduction of new technology, in this case autonomy and electrification, that will have a tremendous impact on the U.S. and how individuals use aerial transportation for travel and commerce," Jacob said.

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

Sac and Fox Nation PRINCIPAL CHIEF Randle Carter



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.

Respectfully,

Randle



ELECT Randle Carter

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



Paid for with private funds of Randle Carter

MEMORIAL DAY GOURD DANCE



SAC & FOX VETERANS
HONOR GUARD



MAY 27, 2023 SAT

SFN COMMUNITY BLDG - 5.5M SOUTH OF STROUD - HWY 99

HEAD STAFF

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:
HEAD SINGER:
HEAD GOURD DANCER:
HEAD LADY DANCER:
ARENA DIRECTOR:

R.G. HARRIS
GENE LOGAN
ALAN HADLEY (NAVY)
LARUE GUOLADDLE (ARMY)
JAIME CERVANTES (NAVY)

GOURD DANCE PROGRAM

2:00 PM
6:00 PM
7:00 PM

GOURD DANCE
SUPPER BREAK
GOURD DANCE

Everybody Is Welcome!!!

SAC AND FOX NATION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, THEFT, OR INJURIES, ETC.

2023 ‘Jim Thorpe Day’ Celebration Highlights



Adults compete in the slam ball race.
(All Photos by Mike Brown)



Children of all ages competed in the baseball throwing event.



Youngsters compete in the 50-yard dash.



Ages 6 and Under Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Mila Grant; 1. Louis Rada; 2. Kadrea Wolf and, 3. Elijah Pacheco. Ages 7-11 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner 0 Grayson; 1. Gabriel Barnes; 2. Oriyza and, 3. Thayer Pennock.



Ages 12-15 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Tayven Smith; 1. Senzeanna Absher; 2. Rhyss Pennock and, 3. Sariyah.



Ages 16-20 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Coker Barker II; 1. Tristan Bynam.



Ages 21-35 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Kyle Murdock; 1. Joseph Francis; 2. Keith Pacheco and, 3. Taylor McClellan.



Ages 36-50 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Kit Pennock; 1. Legus Jacoway Sr.; 2. Jim Ray Pleets and, 3.Regina.



Ages 51-60 Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Nena Whiteshirt; 1. Niabi; 2. William Wind and, 3. Lorena Wood.



Ages 61 and Over Division Winners: Jim Thorpe trophy winner - Pat Brown; 1 Denise Haymond; 2. Tammy Fields and, 3. Marsha Foreman.



Pictured are trophy and plaque winners from all age divisions in the Jim Thorpe Day celebration.I




2023 ‘Jim Thorpe Day’ 3K Run Participants

WINNERS

10 and under Boys: 1st Thayer Pennock, 2nd Zeke Wasana, 3rd Gabriel Barnes. **10 and under Girls:** 1st Rosemary Massey. **11 to 13 year old Girls:** 1st Olivia Riley, 2nd Ava Plumley, 3rd Anessa Hamon. **11 to 13 year old Boys:** 1st Xavier Whiteshirt, 2nd Brodey Glenn. **14 to 16 year old Girls:** 1st Victoria Hamon, 2nd Nina Thor-

pe. **14 to 16 year old Boys:** 1st Braedon Cozad, 2nd Benjamin Nenaikita. **40 to 50 year old Females:** 1st Deidre Yarbrough. **51 to 59 year old Females:** 1st Anita Thorpe. **51 to 59 year old Male:** 1st Eric Wensman. **60 and up Female:** 1st Robin Tiger.


How to Become a Homeowner




Homebuyer Preparedness Presentation: Going from Renter to Owner

Wednesday, May 31st - 12PM & 6PM
Sac and Fox Nation Multipurpose Building
215 N. Harrison, Shawnee, OK


- HUD 184: Native American Home Loan Program
 - Rural Development 0% Down Loan
 - Veteran Loans
- Purchase, Rehab, or Full Construction
 - Down Payment Assistance
 - Credit Council
- Speak with a Licensed Loan Officer



Brandon Caruso
Asst Vice President/Loan Officer
NMLS#1269054
Main: 405.295.7071
Cell: 805.551.6445
Brandon.Caruso@ccb.bank
bcaruso.ccb.bank



Chickasaw Community Bank
7500 W. Memorial Rd., OKC, OK 73142



Member FDIC
NMLS# 8976094

Snacks and drinks provided.





**OTE**

AUDREY ROSE LEE

FOR SECOND CHIEF

JUNE 3, 2023

LET'S STAND TOGETHER!

**WANT POSITIVE CHANGE?
TRANSPARENCY? UNITY?
LOOK NO FURTHER....**

I WILL

- UPHOLD ALL LAWS, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS.
- HELP ALL SAC AND FOX NATION TRIBAL MEMBERS, NOT JUST A FEW.
- KEEP TRIBAL MEMBERS INFORMED.
- WORK WITH THE GOVERNING BODY AND THE OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS ON COMPLETING AND UPDATING THE 10 YR. PLAN.
- BUILD POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER TRIBAL LEADERS, LOCAL COMMUNITIES, STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS.
- STRIVE FOR UNITY, NOT DIVISION.

GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY MY ACTIONS WILL SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.



Activity Committee Announcement

The Sac & Fox Nation Activity Committee is comprised of tribal member volunteers who have the desire to promote activities within our tribe. The Activity Committee is open to all Sac & Fox Nation tribal members as well as non-tribal members.

Beginning in June the Activity Committee will hold a regular meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Building. Meetings are open to the public. The Activity Committee encourages membership, ideas, suggestions and/or concerns of the organization and hosting events.

SAC AND FOX NATION

Victory Day Week-Long Celebration!

MAY 15-19
IN HONOR OF THE 30TH YEAR
ANNIVERSARY OF THE
OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION V.
SAC & FOX NATION VICTORY
ON MAY 17, 1993

IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES HELD
ALL WEEK AT THE LIBRARY AND ON THE
SAC & FOX NATION FACEBOOK PAGE.

HOSTED BY:
SAC AND FOX ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
SAC AND FOX NATIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY



Sauk Business Enterprises Board

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Regular called meeting of the Sauk Business Enterprise Board to be held on **May 2, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.** in the conference room of the Social Services Building, Sac and Fox Nation Reservation, Stroud, Oklahoma.

Please be advised this meeting is open to all Sac and Fox Nation tribal members.



VOTE

ROBERT WILLIAMSON

JUNE 3 2023



COMMITTEE MEMBER

ROBERT WILLIAMSON

KÊPÂNÎK

FOR COMMITTEE MEMBER

EXPERIENCED LEADERSHIP

OPEN COMMUNICATION

SERVANT OF THE PEOPLE

CULTURAL PRESERVATION

LANGUAGE PRESERVATION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SOLIDARITY

TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

GAMING/TOBACCO COMPACTS

Thank You!

To all who have participated in the Winner and Spring Coloring Contests hosted by Sac and Fox National Public Library. Following is a list of the winners:

Winter Coloring Contest: Madison J., Madison K., Aiden M. and, Jason G.

Spring Coloring Contest: Sirena G., Silas B., Virgil H. and Caytee S.

Sac and Fox National Public Library
920963 S. Hwy 99
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079



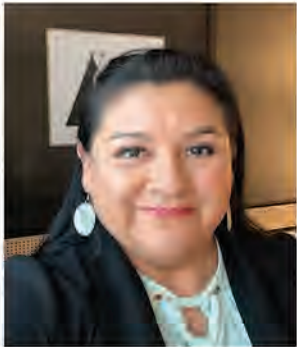
ELDER ABUSE

EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

2023 Easter Celebration
Hosted by SFN Activity Committee



Kids were able to have their picture taken with Easter Bunnies at the Easter celebration. Festivities also included egg hunts, contests, lunch and refreshments. (Photos by Mike Brown)



Greetings,
I am Angela Gasper and I am currently serving in the capacity as Second Chief/Acting Principal. It has been an honor to serve in this position since my appointment in July of 2022. I would like to continue to contribute what I can to our tribe and our people. I am asking for your support in the June 3, 2023 Primary Election for the Office of the Principal Chief.

Over the next several years, I truly believe the Nation will be tested unlike it has ever been tested in a long time. An attack on our Tribal Sovereignty and the hard-fought progress of our previously elected officials to exercise our inherent sovereignty over our own tribal lands and people is occurring. This is evident in the recent court cases presented before the U.S. Supreme Court. The case of Haaland v. Brackeen seeks to declare the Indian Child Welfare Act as unconstitutional; Oklahoma V. Castro-Huerta which decided that the State has concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute non-natives on Indian Land. In addition, there is concern about our future negotiations with the current Governor over our Tobacco and Gaming Compacts.

As a candidate for Principal Chief, I have over 20+ years of experience in a management capacity in the areas of Tribal and State Programs. My work experience includes the areas of Rural Public Transportation, Social Work, Employment and Training. I have had the opportunity to work with various federal grants that were awarded from the Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, Department of Transportation and with the Department of Human Services with the State of Oklahoma.

It is with these things in mind that I humbly ask for your VOTE in the Primary Election.

Sincerely,
Angela Gasper



SFN Activity Committee members Angela Warrior and Zack Butler are shown welcoming everyone to the Easter celebration held Sat., April 8.



Families registering for contests and prizes at the Easter event held inside and outside the SFN Community Bldg.

**SAC AND FOX NATION
RAP ELDERS
LAWN
Mowing**

MOWING - WEEDEATING
First come, First serve!

FOR APPLICATIONS OR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT
CARRIE LADEAUX
(918) 968-3526 X. 2012
Carrie.Ladeaux@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

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Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline

1 800 QUIT NOW

Free help 784-8669 OKhelpline.com

Vote
JUNE 3
HENRY O. HUNTER
SAC AND FOX COMMITTEE MEMBER
TOGETHER WE THRIVE!

- *Sac and Fox Values
- *Tribal Preference for Tribal Jobs
- *Economic Development
- *Transportation for Sauk Members
- *Veterans Advocate
- *Improved Tribal Programs
- *Elder Care Advocate

'Victory Day' Celebration to Include Coloring and Essay Contests

Victory Day is May 17th
With a vote of 9-0, the U. S. Supreme Court declared that the state of Oklaho-

ma "does not have jurisdiction to tax tribal members who live and work in Indian country, whether the particular territory

consists of a formal or informal reservation, allotted lands, or dependent Indian communities."

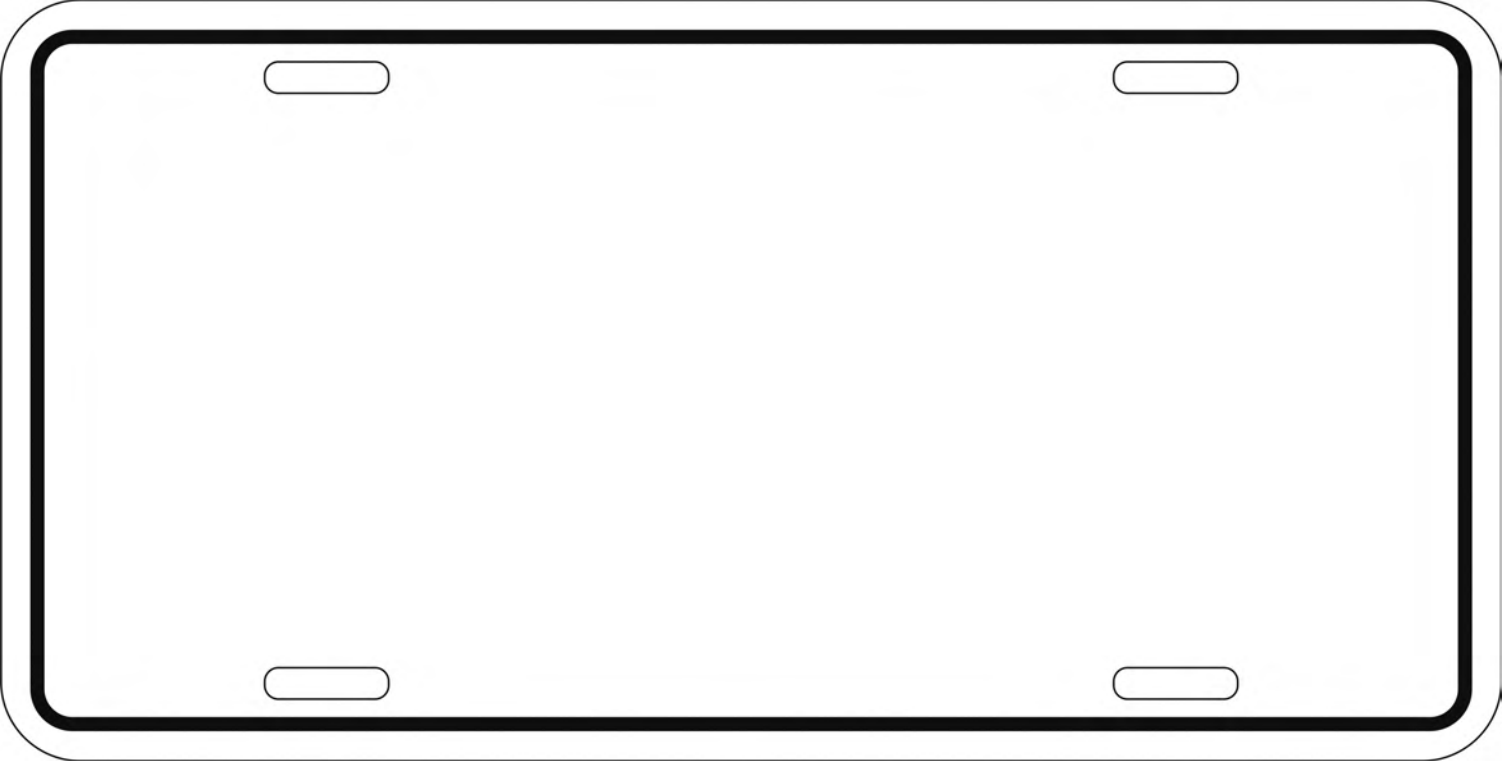
This year, we will celebrate 'Victory Dayt' with two contests: A license plate coloring contest and an essay contest. These contests can be entered by local and non-local tribal members. Each contest participant will receive a prize in-person or in the mail. The contests are sponsored by the Sac and Fox Nation Activity Committee, and the Sac and Fox National Public Library.

For contest participants mailing in their coloring page and/or essay, please have your envelope posted by May 12, 2023, and addressed to: Sac and Fox National Public Library, 920963 S. Hwy 99, Stroud, OK 74079. Or, you can hand in your coloring page and/or essay on May 15 or May 16 at the Sac and Fox National Public Library.

The essay theme is "What it means to be Sac and Fox".

On May 15 and May 16, check out a book or DVD from the Sac and Fox National Public Library and receive a cool sticker.

On May 18, the Coloring Contest Winner will be announced, and on May 19, the Winning Essay Writer will be announced.



This above is the 'License Plate' template to use to enter the 'Victory Day' Coloring Contest.

Sac and Fox
Victory Day

IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES
@ SAC AND FOX NATIONAL
PUBLIC LIBRARY

MONDAY- CHECK OUT A BOOK OR
DVD AT THE LIBRARY AND RECEIVE A
STICKER
TUESDAY- LISTEN TO THE WINNING
ARGUMENT AND ENJOY
REFRESHMENTS 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY- CLOSED IN
OBSERVENCE OF VICTORY DAY
THURSDAY- TIME CAPSULE
GUESSING GAME. THE FIRST 50
VISITORS RECEIVE A LICENSE PLATE
COVER.
FRIDAY- SAC & FOX TRIVIA AND
REFRESHMENTS 12:00 - 1:00
SPONSORED BY: SAC AND FOX. ACTIVITY COMMITTEE AND LIBRARY

Sac and Fox
Victory Day

VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES:
FOLLOW THE SAC AND FOX NATIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
ALL SUBMISSIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF OR MAILED TO:
920963 S. HWY 99, STROUD, OK 74079
OR
SUBMITTED VIA FACEBOOK MESSENGER
MONDAY- OLDEST TAG CONTEST
WINNER ANNOUNCED.
TUESDAY- COLORING CONTEST
WINNERS ANNOUNCED.
WEDNESDAY- CLOSED IN
OBSERVENCE OF VICTORY DAY
THURSDAY- FACEBOOK CONTEST.
STAY TUNED TO A POST FROM OUR
LIBRARY'S FACEBOOK PAGE.
FRIDAY- ESSAY WINNER
ANNOUNCED.
SPONSORED BY: SAC AND FOX. ACTIVITY COMMITTEE AND LIBRARY

Sac and Fox
Victory Day

OLDEST TAG
CONTEST RULES
THINK YOU HAVE THE OLDEST SAC
AND FOX LICENSE PLATE? SNAP A
PICTURE AND SEND IT TO THE SAC
AND FOX NATIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
FACEBOOK PAGE VIA MESSENGER
OR
MAIL THE PICTURE AT:
SAC AND FOX NATIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
920963 S HWY 99
STROUD, OK 74079
MUST RECEIVE SUBMISSION BY MAY 15
SPONSORED BY: SAC AND FOX. ACTIVITY COMMITTEE AND LIBRARY

Sac and Fox
Victory Day

ESSAY
CONTEST RULES
WRITE AN ESSAY ON THE QUESTION: WHAT
DOES IT MEAN TO YOU TO BE SAUK? NO AGE
RESTRICTIONS OR MINIMUM PAGE
REQUIREMENTS.
SEND IT TO THE SAC AND FOX NATIONAL
PUBLIC LIBRARY FACEBOOK PAGE VIA
MESSENGER
OR
MAIL US AT:
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920963 S HWY 99
STROUD, OK 74079
MUST RECEIVE SUBMISSION BY MAY 15
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SAC & FOX
NATION


C. Juaquin
HAMILTON-YOUNGBIRD

SAC & FOX COMMITTEE MEMBER

VOTE ON JUNE 3rd, 2023

- Ambassador of the Sac & Fox Nation
- Historical Researcher
- Raised with Traditional Teachings
- Oklahoma Born and Raised
- Ready to Serve Our People

“ I WILL LEAD BY
EXAMPLE IN
FOLLOWING THE
CONSTITUTION OF
THE SAC & FOX NATION.”



Sac and Fox Nation
Spring 2023 ARPA
General Welfare Assistance Application

****FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED APRIL 4, 2023 THROUGH MAY 31, 2023****

Checks will be mailed out beginning Friday, April 21, 2023

Print Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Age as of 04/04/2023

☐ 18 – 54 years old \$300.00

☐ 55 years or older \$350.00

By signing below you self-certify that you have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 due to one or more of the following:

COVID-19 illness or symptoms

High risk due to health issues

Economic hardship

Needing COVID-19 supplies

Employment furlough due to COVID-19

Employment loss due to COVID-19

Need assistance for food

Need assistance for medicine

Need help with household costs

Need help with daily living expenses

Signature _____

Date _____

SFN Roll # _____

Email forms to: arparelief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov OR

Mail/deliver to: Sac and Fox Nation, 920963 S. Hwy 99, Stroud, OK 74079 ATTN: Finance

*****SAC AND FOX NATION USE ONLY BELOW THIS LINE*****

GL Coding: 170-126-6556

Staff signature _____

Date _____


\$ _____
Amount

Approved by SFN Business Committee on 04/04/2023

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.



Sac and Fox Nation
Elders Lawn Care Services Program
920883 S Highway 99 Stroud OK 74079
Phone: (918) 968-3526 ext. 2012 * Fax: (918) 968-0142

Tribal Elder/Disables Lawn Care Services Program

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date: _____

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip

Phone: _____ Tribal Roll#: _____ Tribal Elder: _____ Disabled: _____

Directions to Home: _____

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

You must provide one of the following:

1. Utility bill in eligible Sac and Fox Tribal Members name with corresponding address.

2. Property Rental/Lease Agreement in Sac and Fox Tribal Members names with corresponding address.

3. Notarized Letter from spouse/guardian of tribal members affirming residence of the client and a utility bill in their name with corresponding address of the home receiving benefits.

Failure to provide verification will cause application to be incomplete and pending. Services will be approved once completion of application is received.

Disabled Tribal Member:
Must provide a Benefit Award Letter or State/Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Agency Letter

I hereby authorize the Sac & Fox Nation Elders Title VI Lawn Program to make any necessary inquiries relating to my account's which the Department may be considering making payment on my behalf. I understand that I have a right to request a fair hearing of any action which I do not agree with by submitting the request in writing within Ten (10) days to the Business Committee. 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 prosecuting to the fullest extent to the appropriate Tribal Statutes.

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

Supporting Documents Received: ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, what type: _____

Human Services Representative: _____ Date: _____

Cc: file

Approved by B.C. on March 7, 2023

WE ARE HIRING

JOB OPENINGS

- SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR
- Juvenile Detention Shift Manager
- Juvenile Detention Maintenance Supervisor
- Pool Manager
- Lifeguard(s)
- Landscapers and Laborers
- HIM Manager
- Self-Governance Director
- Seasonal Landscapers for Tribal Cemeteries
- Behavioral Health Admin Assistant
- Compliance Officer (Gaming)
- Meal Delivery Driver
- Environmental Technician
- Human Resources Director
- Accounts Payable Technician
- Land and Cattle Manager
- APS Program Coordinator
- Clinical Applications Coordinator
- Substance Abuse Counselor
- Transportation Coordinator
- Family Practice Physician
- Surveillance Observer (Gaming)
- Resident Advisor(s) *NEW SALARIES*
- Self-Governance Coordinator

APPLICATION SUBMISSION :
SEND APPLICATIONS AND RESUMES TO
HUMAN RESOURCES VIA EMAIL OR
HARD COPY

EMAIL
coby.davis@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

ADDRESS
920963 S HWY 99 BLDG A STROUD, OK
74079

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

OLD

NEW

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

CITY

STATE

ZIP

STREET ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING ADDRESS)

OLD

NEW

STREET ADDRESS

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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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

Traditional Song and Dance Practice is June 1

Sac and Fox Traditional song and dance practice at the pavilion in Jim Thorpe Memorial Park on Thursday June 1st at 7pm.

Contact -
Juaquin Hamilton
Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma
918.968.3526 Ext. 2022



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.

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

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 - 2062
- 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 - 1052
- Enrollment - 1040-1041
- RAP - 2000 - 2001
- Social Services - 2010-2011
- OES - 2091-2092-2094
- Veterans - 1065
- Newspaper - 1060
- Tribal Administrator - 1010
- NAGPRA/Historic Preservation - 1070
- ARPA - 1819

W-9
Form (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.

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

Employer identification number

Part II Certification
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:
1. 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
2. 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
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. 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 **▶**

Date **▶**

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)

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

TAKE SOME TIME TO LOOK AROUND, LOOK WITHIN
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Community Connect

May 2023

A Monthly Insight into Community Health at Black Hawk Health Center

Every year in May, many promote mental health wellness and combating mental health stigma with Mental Health Awareness Month. Mental health is an essential aspect of the overall well-being and should be given the same attention and care as physical health. Mental illness affects one in five people in America each year — and can have a profound impact on an individual's life. Community Health Department is excited to announce that the department has four nurses/aids whom received certification in Mental Health First Aid. This certification better equips our staff to provide more holistic care to our patient population.

Learning more about your own mental health can be one of the most empowering things you can do for yourself. Do this by taking an online mental health screening. You can use this opportunity to seek professional help (in the form of therapy), journal about your findings, or connect with a loved one who may also have experience with a certain mental health condition. This screening can be done at mhascreening.org.

End the Stigma

“Mental health problems don’t define who you are. They are something you experience. You walk in the rain and you feel the rain, but, importantly, you are not the rain.”

— Matt Haig-

In This Issue:

Mental Health Wellness

End the Stigma

Meet the Behavioral Health Manager

Events

Dietician’s corner

Grounding & Earthing

EVENTS:

All events will have two session and their own raffle item

11:00 to 12:00

12:00 to 1:00

May 15 : Walk for Mental Health

Location Pow Wow Grounds

May 16:Grounding Education and Demo

Location Pow Wow Grounds

May 17 :Yoga with Anthony Ramirez

Location: Black Hawk Health Center Kitchen

May 18- De Stress and De Compress

Location: Learning Center Parking Lot

May 19 PMR class Progressive Muscle Relaxation

Location: BHHC Kitchen

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Dietician’s Corner

When was the last time you walked barefoot in the sand, grass or in a forest? For most people, this does not happen very often. However, we are now learning there might be more of a reason for you to start making these types of activities a priority.

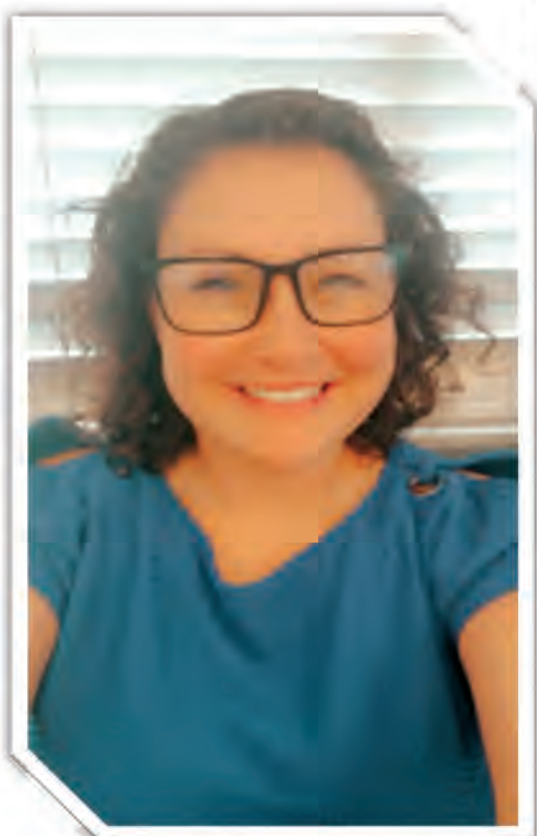
A movement known as “grounding” or “earthing” is sweeping the holistic health scene. What is earthing? Walking barefoot outside, with the soles of your feet directly connect with the surface of the earth, is the main activity that is a part of the earthing or grounding practice.

So ditch your shoes and dig your toes into the dirt or sand, or strolling across some pesticide-free grass. Evidence show this can be greatly beneficial for health by lowering free radical damage (also called “oxidative stress”), stress, inflammation and pain.

GROUNDING & EARTHING

"Highly processed, fried and sugary foods have little nutritional value and should be avoided. Research shows that a diet that regularly includes these kinds of foods can increase the risk of developing depression by as much as 60%.

Omega 3 fatty acids are essential to brain health and reduce inflammation and risk of heart disease. Oily fish like salmon, trout, mackerel, anchovies and sardines are the most highly recommended sources of Omega 3 fatty acids, and the American Heart Association suggests eating these types of fish at least twice a week. Omega 3s can also be found in albacore tuna, walnuts, flax seeds, chia seeds, and dark green leafy vegetables like brussels sprouts, kale and spinach. People who eat diets rich with Omega 3 fatty acids have up to 30% reduced risk of depression. Fish oil supplements that are high in the EPA type of Omega 3 fatty acids can help mental health. Studies show they can benefit some people with depression as much as anti-depressants



My name is Kristen ‘Jade’ Morningstar, as the new Behavioral Health Manager, I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself and the new and upcoming Behavioral Health Program. BHS Program seeks to promote healthy lifestyles and provide a quality of care that enhances the lives of American Indian individuals and families living in our communities. We embrace a holistic approach of body, mind and spirit that facilitates self-empowerment, prevention, education, and intervention. Our mission at the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Program is twofold: To offer assistance to clients in learning to cope with chemical dependency, mental health and/or co-occurring disorders, or other behavioral health disorders, including trauma, difficult life transitions, grief or other interpersonal difficulties for wellness and recovery; To assist clients in developing a healthier lifestyle and to preserve, habilitate and unite the family system to enhance development across the life span of those served. Please reach out to us via phone or in person if you are in need of Behavioral Health Services.

If you are in a mental health crisis, please contact your provider during business hours or if after hours please contact 988 or 24-hour Red Rock Crisis line (405)987-7625.

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 standard deduction.				
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
Each additional 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	= \$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 additional 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Urban = \$351Rural 1 = \$448Rural 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

Baseline 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

A **REGULAR** CALLED MEETING OF
THE SAC AND FOX NATION
BUSINESS COMMITTEE TO BE HELD
ON **MAY 9 AT 9:30** A.M. IN THE
CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE
CULTURAL CENTER BUILDING,
SAC AND FOX RESERVATION,
STROUD, OKLAHOMA.

May 2023

**SAC AND FOX NATION
FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROGRAM**

STROUD WAREHOUSE
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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 Walk-in	2 Elder's Day	3 Elder's Day	4	5 Elder's Day Stroud HD
8 Late Night Shawnee 8AM-6PM	9	10	11	12 Shawnee HD
15	16	17 Closed For Holiday	18	19 Shawnee HD Stroud HD
22 Late Night Shawnee & Stroud 8AM-6PM	23	24	25	26
29 Closed For Holiday	30 Inventory Day	31 Inventory Day		

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

HOURS (Monday-Friday)		HOME DELIVERIES ARE FOR HOMEBOUND AND/OR DISABLED ELDERS. CALL OUR STROUD OFFICE TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY. <i>This institution is an equal opportunity provider.</i>
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	

**CALLING ALL
2021-2024 OKLAHOMA
TRIBAL PRINCESSES**

Oklahoma Native Royalty/Our Native Traditions is back and will publish November 2023.

Qualifications: Must be Tribal, Veterans, NASA Princesses in Oklahoma.

Contact: Christina Walker
Shawnee News-Star
cmwalker@cherryroad.com
For More Information:
Call (405)617-3088 or (405)214-3955






Free help

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Since the beginning of the 2023, we have been rearranging books to be easier to find. Recently, Jenny and Sharon received at least 141 books donated to the Juvenile Detention Center in Stroud, Okla. Over 35 hard cover books will be donated to correctional centers where our Sac and Fox and other Native Americans can check out and read.

New Books Recently Added at the Library:
Cortisol The Master Hormone • No One Ever Taught Me How to Learn
Job Interview Questions and Answers • The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks • The Chronicles of Oklahoma Fall 2022 • Complete Guide to Prescription & Nonprescription Drugs 2018/2019 • A Child is Born • Microsoft Office for Beginners 2023 • The Way Things Work • MLA Made Easy 9th Edition • The Anti-Inflammatory Diet Made Simple.

Come in to visit the Sac and Fox National Public Library!
Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm

Johanna Smith, Library/Archive Tech
Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma
920963 S. Hwy 99
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079 918-968-3625 ext. 2021 or 2022

DOI Seeks Input on Modernizing Indian Arts and Crafts Act Regulations

The Department of the Interior’s Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs announced on April 3 that they will hold nation-to-nation consultations with Tribes and listening sessions with Indian artists and craftspeople on draft amendments to regulations that implement the Indian Arts and Crafts Act. This is a truth-in-advertising law that makes it illegal to sell any art or craft product in a manner that falsely suggests it is “Indian-made.”

“Arts and crafts are important to Native communities, both culturally and economically,” said Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Bryan Newland. “Updating these regulations to include

modern forms of art and craft work will support Indigenous artisans and craftspeople. The changes we are exploring are intended to further protect the authenticity of Indian-made products and help ensure that Native people can receive fair compensation for their work. This aligns with our ongoing work to promote economic opportunity and revitalize Tribal languages, cultures, and lands to address the harms that past policies have inflicted on Indigenous peoples.”

The proposed changes will modernize the Indian Arts and Crafts Act’s regulations and include bringing a co-equal focus to promotional activities, expanding the definition of Indian Product, allowing for non-Indian labor to work on Indian Products in limited situations, and using

a new certification trademark to certify that an item is an Indian Product.

Also announced April 3 was the appointment of two new commissioners to the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, Jordan Ann Craig and Jamie Okuma. The board, appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, is responsible for implementing the Indian Arts and Crafts Act regulations. The board promotes the economic development of federally recognized American Indians and Alaska Natives through the expansion of the Indian arts and crafts market.

Indian Affairs will gather input on the draft regulations from Tribal leaders, Native artists, and other stakeholders through a series of Tribal consultations and listening sessions between April and

August 2023. Listening sessions will be held at major events where Native artists gather, such as pow-wows and festivals, in order to maximize opportunities for input to be provided by those who are most affected. Comments will also be accepted in writing until Friday, September 1, 2023.



GREETINGS HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SAC AND FOX NATION



KNOW THE CANDIDATE

My name is Lavonda Youngman (Wolf Clan) known to many as Bombi. I am the granddaughter of the late Veteran/Reverend John Grass and Helena Grass. The daughter of Veteran and former Principal Chief/Second Chief Don Abney, the late Mary Abney, and Sharon Abney. I proudly announce my candidacy for Principal Chief and embrace the opportunity to carry on the family legacy of servant leadership.

EXPERIENCE

Life has molded me into a person with a collective variety of professional opportunities and leadership experiences. I have over a decade of healthcare experience, half a decade of gaming marketing experience, half a decade of gaming leadership/economic development experience, and over half a decade of tribal government experience. I have an educational background in business through Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology and continued education.

My devotion and commitment are a culmination of over two decades of volunteer service to the Education Parent Committee, Grievance Committee, Gaming Commission, Sauk Business Enterprise Board for the Sac and Fox Nation, and other organizations outside the Nation. As the American Indian Chamber of Commerce North Central Chapter President, I was awarded the 2016 Member of the Year.

PROVEN LEADERSHIP

My previous experience serving as the Sauk Business Enterprise Board (SBEB) Chairman from 2019-2022, I was able to streamline my skills and education to develop a stable and fluid business model. Stepping into the SBEB Chairman position in 2019, I found the casinos experiencing a revenue loss over one million dollars in the first quarter and quickly declining another loss over one million dollars in the second quarter. As I attempted to pivot away from the downward spiral, the status of the world changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I navigated through the ever-changing restrictions of the pandemic and implemented safety measures within the facility that would allow for a 24/7 operation. I successfully led the casinos through the darkest time in operational history. Proven leadership through positive institutional adjustments to casino operations resulted as follows:

The Black Hawk Casino

Revenue Increased
2020 - \$17,315,979
2021 - \$31,964,998 or ▲174.6%
2022 - \$36,813,628 or ▲15.2% (over the previous year)

Earnings Increase
2020 - \$5,258,832
2021 - \$15,742,992 or ▲199.4%
2022 - \$17,768,986 or ▲12.9% (over the previous year)

Sac and Fox Nation Casino

Revenue Increased
2020 - \$3,281,036
2021 - \$5,424,393 or ▲62.3%
2022 - \$5,643,426 or ▲4% (over the previous year)

Earnings Increase
2020 - \$394,311
2021 - \$1,881,260 or ▲377.1%
2022 - \$2,030,789 or ▲7.9% (over the previous year)

My dedication through in-kind service transformed the business foundation of the casinos, birthing a renewed faith in casino operations. As a result, Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022 produced a record per cap greater than \$2,000.

REFORM

Institute reform in communications between the Sac and Fox Nation and tribal members through various impactful avenues.

- Acknowledging tribal members as they voice concerns in face-to-face visits, reopening the exclusive tribal member social media account, and opening the Council floor to all of the Supreme Governing body as outlined in the Constitution.
- Implement transparency through uniformity of meeting notices and financial status updates of all committees, boards, and commissions.
- Actively seek opportunities to provide impactful changes to the Sac and Fox Nation and tribal members.
- Research secure media outlets to live stream meetings.
- Integrate conformity to the Constitution. Analyze deficiencies and implement corrective measures.
- To create solidarity in the government structure.
- Implement economic growth and development for a prosperous future.
- Pursue tribally owned land to trust through the Sac and Fox Nation’s Charter.
- Integrate financial accountability.
- Open communication with local governments that are home to tribal members to ensure the needs and/or concerns of the members are being heard and/or acted upon with speed and due diligence.

Finally, my position to serve the people of the Sac and Fox Nation as Principal Chief would be an honor and a privilege. I have a roll your sleeves up work ethic and will do so for the betterment of the Sac and Fox Nation.

LAVONDA “BOMBI”


YOUNGMAN
FOR PRINCIPAL CHIEF



HOST NORTHERN DRUM :

2023

Save the Date !



58th Annual Sac and Fox Nation Powwow
Jim Thorpe Memorial Park Stroud, Oklahoma
July 6-9, 2023

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POWOW INFO : MASON WILLIAMSON 918-306-2101 VENDOR INFO : KIM BOONE 918-968-5095

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BHHHC SDPI Program 2023 Cooking Demo Schedule			
DATE	TITLE	LOCATION	TIME
March			
3.29.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
April			
4.12.23	Elder's Cooking Demo	Elder's Building (Stroud)	12p – 1p
4.25.23	Diabetes is Not Our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
4.26.23	Diabetes is Not Our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
May			
5.9.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
5.10.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
5.23.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
5.24.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
June			
6.13.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
6.14.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
6.27.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
6.28.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
July			
7.12.23	Elder's Cooking Demo	Multipurpose Building (Shawnee)	12p – 1p
7.25.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
7.26.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
August			
8.8.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
8.9.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
September			
9.12.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
9.13.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
9.26.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
9.27.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
October			
10.10.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
10.11.23	Elder's Cooking Demo	Elder's Building (Stroud)	12p – 1p
10.24.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
10.25.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
November			
11.14.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
11.15.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
11.28.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
11.29.23	Diabetes is Not our Destiny	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p
December			
12.12.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	11a – 12p
12.13.23	SDPI Lunch and Learn	BHHHC Demo Kitchen	12p – 1p

- ❖ Class limit is 25 participants! Must RSVP to attend!
- ❖ Must have an active chart at Black Hawk Health Center to attend.
- ❖ Priority will be given to BHHHC patients before employees.
- ❖ To RSVP contact dietitian, Josh Nooner, at 918-968-9531 x3042 or email at Josh.Nooner@ihs.gov.

N.A.S.W.G



2nd and 4th Wednesday
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