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Prairie Band of Potawatomi Tribal Election May 1, 1978

The return registration forms have been coming into the office for those tribal members who wish to cast their vote for Treasurer and three positions for council person on May 1, 1978.

So far, there has been 524 voters. Six tribal members have announced their candidacy for Office of Treasurer and they are;

Mary Shipshee Jessepe, Stephen R. Mattwaoshe, Wilburn (Will) Wabaunsee, John M. McDonald, Marilyn Brewer, and Galen E. Hubbard.

For Council person, the candidates are; Ramona Horton, Frank B. Nioce, George L. Wahquahboskuk, Delores A. Gamino Miller, Edna J. Forster, Carol DeWitt McGeer, Nelson P. Sheppo, G. Don (Shabbona) Nocktonick, Leslie "Chick" Hale, Floyd Wamego, and Joe W. Hale are vying for a position with the "elite" council. Good luck to all the candidates.

REMINDER

OUR LADY OF SNOWS, would like to remind the people, that their Pot Luck Dinner will be held at Shipshee Cemetary, May 29, around

In case of rain, the dinner will be held in the Hall. They will accept donations gladly.

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Enrollment Up-Date

The Enrollment Division assembled the notices from Anadarko Area Office and sent the material to each adult tribal member for whom they had current addresses.

The Enrollment closing date was March 6, 1978 at midnight. All enrolled tribal members, on or prior to, and living on March 6, 1978, will be eligible to share in the distribution of Per Capita Tribal Funds.

Members who died after March 6, 1978, midnight, will not be eligible for a per capita share and their share will be probated to their estates. Again we would like to remind Tribal members of the old and new membership requirements:

OLD MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS Section 3 (A) The membership of the P.B.P. Indians all consist of all living original Prairie Band Allottees.

NEW MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS Article III, Section 1 (B) As of February 19, 1976, All persons of Prairie Band Potawatomi Blood born on or after the date of approval of this Constitution who possess at least 1/4 degree Indian blood and who are descendants by blood of persons named on the tribal membership roll prepared as of December 1, 1960 and the supplement thereto dated May 23, 1968, both of which were approved May 23, 1968.

Subsequently, those persons who were born prior to February 19, 1976, are not required to be 1/4 or more, they need only to be recognized as descendants of an original allottee.

Application for persons not already enrolled must be recieved by the P.B.P. Administrative Office, Box 8, Holton, Kansas 66436, no later than 5:00 P.M. on April 12, 1978.

Families are responsible for the enrollment of all new born babies and other family members not already enrolled, who meet the membership requirements quoted above.

Also we need the address forms returned to us by April 12, 1978.

> MAUDE GREEN, DECEASED 2-26-78 EDWARD RICE, DECEASED 3-27-78 OUR DEEP SYMPATHY TO BOTH FAMILES.

Bulletin

THE POTAWATOMI HEALTH MANAGEMENT OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON APRIL 26 & 27, 1978, TO ATTENDED ALCOHOLISM WORKSHOP, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY, CO-SPONSORED BY THE PBP TRIBE

Candidates For Tribal Council

The last few people who have shown a desire to run for a position on the Tribal Council are: Edna Juanita Fitzsimmons Forster, Joe W. Hale, Sr., Galen E. Hubbard, Mary Shipshee Jessepe, Carol DeWitt McGeer, Delores A. Gamino Miller, Frank Nioce, George Nocktonick, Nelson P. Sheppo, Will Wabaunsee. Some background was given by candidates and ares as follows:

Marilyn Brewer is from Topeka, Kansas. She graduated from Topeka High and from Clarks School of Business in Topeka. She is presently employed at the Shawnee County Community Assistance Action Agency. She is married and has one son, Chris.

She would like to get more involved with the tribe and their needs. She's capable and feels comfortable in an office.

Mary Shipshee Jessepe, resides near Horton, Kansas. Her late parents are Joseph Shipshee and Mary Green Shipshee. She has 8 children and 8 grandchildren. She graduated from Chilocco Indian School, Chilocco, Oklahoma. Has been employed by the Garment Company for 17 years. She was elected to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Constitutional Drafting Committee in 1975, served a term of 1 year. In May, 1976 she was elected as Council-person for a two-year term. Other committees she has served on are Johnson O'Malley Parent Committee, Girl Scout Den Mother and presently on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Housing Committe and was recently appointed to National Indian Council On Aging.

Her interest is to promote higher education for our children and establishing a Social Services Agency in the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Government, for adoptive and foster children, and the elderly. She firmly believes with unity leadership of the governing body for the growth will be unlimited. Presently she is a student at the NEK Vocational Technical School, Atchison, Kansas, majoring in Office Education and Accounting. She is a member of the Kennekuk Church.

"I will appreciate your vote on May 1, 1978".



Delores A. Gamino Miller, 27 years of age, resides in the Topeka, Kansas area. Her mother is Alvena M. Belair Gamino and her grandparents are Susie LaClair Belair (Waz-Na) and Mitchell Belair (Me-Shan).

"I feel that I'm qualified for the position of a Tribal Council Person since I have past and present experience with various Boards, and my interest in government. I've attended Washburn University and have finished the freshman year, majoring in Pre-Nursing".

Boards that she's been involved with include the Topeka Indian Center, Inc.; Region 7-American Indian Council; Topeka/Shawnee County-Minority Construction Agreement and the Topeka Hometown Plan for 5 years.



Galen E. Hubbard born in Topeka, Kansas and raised in the Netawaka Community. Graduated from Netawaka High in 1963, then went on to Haskell Institute where he graduated in Business Administration. Also graduated from a 13-week extension course at Highland JUCO with a final grade of "B".

Training courses attended; Introduction to Proposal Writing, Bookkeeping Workshop, Tribal Health Program Propsal Writing Workshop, Indian Self-determination Grants and Workshops 1 & 2, Learn By Doing Propsal Writing Workshop, Indian Health Care Improvement Act P.L. 94-437 Briefing Session, Program Evaluation Workshop, Financial Management and Control Seminar. His present position is Administrative Officer works in finance, planning and the Administrative duties thereof.

"I have been fortunate to witness the rebuilding of the P.B.P. Indians into a sound working entity, but I do not feel that even a portion of the tribes potential has been reached. It is my desire to see this age of prosperity advance even further and I feel as a member of the Tribal Council I feel I can aide tribal members and employees even better".

Galen is married and has four children.

Will Wabaunsee is from Hoyt, Kansas and is seeking a position on the Council.

His experience ranges from Chairman of P.B.P. Housing Authority, President of Directors at the I CARE Center in Topeka, Kansas. At the Royal Valley High School he presently is the JOM Chairman and is also connected with the Indian Education Title 4. He has been with the Royal Vally School for seven years. Will is also involved with the Knights of Columbus.

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George Nocktonick resides in Topeka, KS. Graduated from Mayetta High School then attended Haskell JUCO, Washburn University, Clarks School of Business with his objective on the aspect of Business Administration. George is married and has one child.

"My primary purpose filing for office of Council person is that he or she firmly believes in a definite plan to increase tribal assets and generate more tribal income. Federal programs for American Indians are not going to be here forever, therefore we need our own resources to rely on".



My name is Edna Juanita (Kmono-Quah) Fitzsimmons Forster and I am proud to be a Prairie Band tribal member. My mother was the late Ruth Elizabeth Wahwassuck Fitzsimmons, and an original Allottee of the P.B.P. Tribe. I am married to Charles Forster, mother of five children and have five grandchildren. I have one son, Jay, who is at home and a sophomore at Holon H. S. I have lived in this vicinity all my life. I have learned to know and meet more of my fellow tribal members since I joined the P.B.P. Administration Office staff December 13, 1976.

I feel that our Administration Office is a big success and will be in the future since it has been created from the cooperation of many interested tribal members. If elected, I believe as Councilperson, my tribal interest would enable me to do more for my tribe in helping to strengthen our Tribal Government for the betterment of our Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribe.

Joe W. Hale Sr, is married to the former Laverne Kitchkommie a P.B.P. member. Joe has one son Joe Jr. who is four years old. Joe's parents were the late Blanche Wahgo Hale and William "Bill" Hale. Joe graduated from Topeka High and attended Haskell JUCO for 1 year and is now attending Washburn University. His hobbies include Pow-Wows and singing and sports, but he feels he doesn't know how to hunt very well.

Carol DeWitt McGeer (Tack-Ki-Quah), Queesh-Quah (Thunder) Clan, 28 years old, was born and raised in Topeka, Kansas until recently, when she moved to the reservation with her four year old daughter, Liana. Carol is presently working as a bookkeeper at the P.B.P. Administration Office.

Carol's Great-Grandfather, Patrick Matchie, served on the 1940 Enrollment Committee and her Great Uncle Matthew Matchie was an active member of the Drum Religion.

Since working at the Tribal Office, I have come to realize the many obstacles we must overcome in order for our tribe to prosper.

It is for these reasons that I desire to serve as a member of the Tribal Council.

I see a definite for more employment opportunities, more health services, recreational facilities and educational opportunity. As a Council person, I would have an opportunity in helping to bring these services and benefits to our tribe.



Frank Nioce is the grandson of Frank Keesis who was councilmember of P.B.P. for many years before he passed away at the age of 110 years.

Mr. Nioce is one of the many folks who still speak the Potawatomi Language fluently. He also has lived near this region all his life and claims to understand a lot of the problems and needs of his tribe.

Nelson P. Sheppo of Route 2, Mayetta is acquanted with quite a variety of subjects such as Forestry, Plumbing, the building of fish hatcheries/shelters, along with carpentry and masonry work. He also has experience in the planting and transferring of various trees.

CONFERENCE ON THE MEDICAL ASPECTS OF ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOLISM

This conference will be presented by James M. Andre, M.D. and Area Psychiatric Consultant in the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Service. The 2-day training conference on the Medical Aspects of Alcohol and Alcoholism for the Kansas Tribes and their affiliates will be held in Topeka, Kansas at the Conference Center located in the Washburn University on April 26 and 27th.

The 2-day conference consists of one day on the Chemistry and Physiology of Alcohol and one day on the Pathology of Alcoholism. The conference offers 13 continuing education hours and a training certificate for those attending both days.

The conference is cosponsored by I C.A.R.E. Recovery Home, Inc. The Potawatomi Tribe of Kansas, and Washburn University.

The public is cordially invited to attend and for additional information contact: Elwin "AL" Shopteese at the I C.A.R.E. Recovery Home, Inc. in Topeka, Kansas at 357-6206.

Candidate For Tribal Council

GEORGE L. WAHQUAHBOSHKUK, candidate for council person for the P.B.P.'s. George is a Prairie Band Potawatomi Member is 29 years old and resides on the Potawatomi Reservation. He has attended elementary schools at Pawnee Indian School in Oklahoma & Witchewa School House on the Potawatomi Reservation. During his high school years, he attended Chilocco Indian School in Oklahoma and Mayetta High.

George also did a tour in the Marines 1966-70, a veteran of the Viet Nam conflict. He's been married for two years and has two beautiful daughters, Sheila A.M., 21 months, and Samantha, 8 months.

George has filed his Declaration of Candidacy for Council Person for the up-coming tribal election.

He hopes to see the tribe expand and progress as other Indian Nations have and wishes to say hello to all members of the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Tribal Members.

George is presently employed by the Potawatomi Health Management Structure Program as a Youth Resources Development Assistant.

DEADLINE DATES

Eligibility date for enrollment March 6
Deadline for office staff to mail notices March 13
Deadline date for filing payment applications April 12
Deadline for receiving address forms April 12
30 day appeal period May 13

After May 13, finalization of enrollment and appeals, reviewing and corrections of draft voucher print-outs, allotment of funds, and voucher processing will be completed.

If the adult tribal member does not fill out the address form which was enclosed with their per capita notice, their check will be put in an IIM Account in Anadarko, Oklahoma. In order to get this per capita share they will need to write the Superintendent of the Horton Agency requesting their per capita share.

The share of each minor member under (18) years of age as of June 30, 1978, will be held in IIM Accounts until the minor member reaches the age of eighteen. Under no circumstances will the minor's check be issued to anyone for any reason.

At the present time it appears that each eligible tribal member will receive approximately \$450.00.

I.A.T. Projects

On February 6, 1978, the Indian Action Team's Case 580-C Backhoe was delivered. Quite a bit of snow clearing was done during the month of February and March. Snow was cleared at the Community Building, Cluster Site, and individual homes. The Heavy Equipment Workers will soon be working on installing water line, with the OEH Office.

Due to inclement weather the General Construction work has been hampered, very little outside work, and some inside work was done. Several HIP Projects are planned as weather permits. We hope to complete as many projects as we can by next winter.

The Indian Action Team is getting ready to scrape the ground for the I.A.T. Office and Maintenance Building, soon to be started. This is being built by Kansas Steel Built, Inc., from Topeka. Sam Harvey Construction, from Oskaloosa will be doing the concrete work. The new building will have an office space, classroom, and a garage for the I.A.T. equipment. This building will be located just south of the New Neighborhood Facility Building.

The I.A.T. Workers and Staff attended Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) classes, held at the Holton Fair Building. Also they attended a Defensive Driving Course held at the Prairie Band Potawatomi Community Building.

CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION COURSE

The Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians sponsored a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course on March 7, 1978, at the Holton Fair Building, Holton, Kansas, with (23) Tribal Employees and (1) IHS Employee in attendance. Mr. Tom Bloom, Director Safety Programs, Red Cross, Topeka, conducted the workshop. Training areas covered by the course included the following; Breathing and Circulation, Cardiac Arrest, early warning signals of Heart Attack, basic life support, A-B-C steps of CPR, Artificial Respiration, determining Respiratory Arrest, Mouth to mouth Resusitation, Mouth to Nose Resusitation, Mouth to Mouth to Nose Resusitation for infants, Modified Jaw Thrust, Palpation of the Carotid Pulse, Technique for External Cardiac Compression, Hand Position, proper position for rescuer and victim, two-rescuer CPR, one-rescuer CPR for infant, proper sequence for unwitnessed Cardiac Arrest, pitfalls in performance of CPR, complications, drowning, electric shock, precordial chest thump, jaw thrust maneuver, back slap, relief of gastric distension, and crossed-finger technique. Those in attendance expressed that the course was very instumental in providing useful information an CPR. Everyone who completed the course recieved a CPR card. We would like to give a special thank you to Tom Bloom.

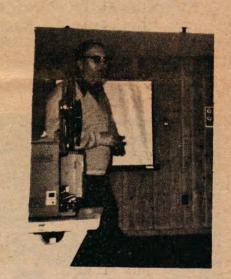


OSHA CONSTRUCTION SAFETY AND HEALTH WORKSHOP

The Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians sponsored a Safety Workshop on February 1-3,1978, at the Holton Fair Building, Holton, Kansas, with (21) Tribal Empoyees in attendance, (18) were Indian Action Team, (1) Director, (3) Instructor's (14) Trainee's, (1) Maintenance Worker, (1) Secretary, and the Safety Project Coordinator. Mr. Bob Cummings, Construction Safety Advisor, with National American Indian Safety Council, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico, conducted the workshop. Training areas covered by Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) included the following: Employer/Employee Rights and Responsibilities, Excavation and Trenching Operations, Excavation Planning and Preparation, Construction Safety and Health Training, Functions and Hazards of Hand Tools, Operation Factors and Practices of Equipment and Machinery, procedural system in locating rules and regulations in the OSHA book, and procedures in recordkeeping system of accidents under OSHA law. Those in attendance expressed that the classes were very instrumental in providing useful information on OSHA safety rules and regulations. Everyone who completed the training received a certificate and OSHA card.

We would like to give a special thank you to Bob Cummings.

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Defensive Driving Course

On March 9-10, 1978, the P.B.P. Indians sponsored a Defensive Driving Course at the Potawatomi Community Building, Mayetta, Kansas, with (24) Tribal Employees and (8) Horton Bureau Indian Affairs Employees in attendance, Mr. David Corp and Mr. Dale Sheets, both Troopers, with Kansas Highway Patrol - Topeka, Kansas, conducted the course.

Training areas covered were; Preventable/Not preventable accidents, how to avoid collisions in front and back of the car, avoiding a collision with a oncoming vehicle, how to avoid an intersection collision, the art of passing and being passed, the mystery crash, speeding, agencies involved in preventing accidents, formula for preventing collisions, split second decisions, 12 points of a perfect pass, drugs, that affect the driving, and the most frequent factors on pedestrian accidents. Everyone who completed the course received a certificate and Defensive Driving Course card.

We would like to give a special thank you to David Corp and Dale Sheets.



Future Reservation Resident



This is Jessica Amber Rice, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Joseph Rice Jr. Her grandparents are Alice Rice and the late Bob "Fish" Rice of Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Jessica was born in Pawnee, OK, on October, 30, 1977 and was blessed with 9 pounds and 4½ ounces.



I AM INDIAN, THERE'S AN HERITAGE WITHIN MY BLOOD, IN CONFLICT WITH WITH THE SOCIAL CRUD OF A CONQUER-ING BREED

I AM A WARRIOR AND MY MIND WON'T LET ME FORGET FIVE HUNDRED YEARS OF THINGS TO REGRET OR THE THINGS MY PEOPLE NEED

I AM A SPIRIT AND MY PRESENCE GIVES STENGTH AND PRIDE WHERE EVER MY PEOPLE MAY RESIDE, IT COVERS ALL THE EARTH

I AM A TEACHER, TEACHING SKILLS FROM A GREATER PAST, TEACHING SO THESE SKILLS WILL LAST, TEACHING THOSE OF NOBLE BIRTH

I AM A WHITE MAN WORKING FOR A GOVERNMENT THAT HOLDS MY PEOPLE IN CONTEMPT WHILE FORCING ON US THEIR WAYS

I AM AN AMERICAN LIVING IN A NATION THAT THINKS I DONT'T BELONG, LIVING IN AND WORKING TO KEEP AN UNGRATE-FUL NATION STRONG, I PRAY FOR UNDER-STANDING DAYS

I AM INDIAN, I AM WHITE, TO ACCEPT THE TWO IS A LIFELONG FIGHT FOR THE INDIAN MUST LIVE A DOUBLE ROLE, YET THE INDIAN HAS BUT A SINGLE SOUL

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New

Employees

Judy Anderson is our new Enrollment Clerk Typist She lives in Mayetta, Ks., and was a teachers aide at the Mayetta Grade School before coming to our offices. Judy is married and has 3 children, Alan, Sharon and Vicki. She's on the Indian Education Title 4, JOM Committee at Mayetta.

Judy's interest include shopping, cooking, buying antique's and horseback riding. We all wish her well with her new position here.



My name is Mike Clift, I live on the Kickapoo Reservation and travel every day to this office to try to edit this newspaper for publication.

I'm satisfied with my new job and the related duties it requires of me and my time. I surely hope the folks in the area will enjoy reading the paper from here on, Thanks.

Mike Clift

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Potawatomi Dinner Dance

The Prairie Band of Potawatomi Dinner Dance was held on February 11, 1978. Because of inclement weather, attendance was not up to expectations but those in attendance enjoyed themselves. Staging an event such as this requires a lot of time and effort and our deepest appreciation is extended to everyone who graciously donated their services, money and items. The final tabulation on funds raised is as follows;

Gross Recipts -- \$1048.03 Total Expense -- \$ 418.45 Net Recipts --- \$ 629.58



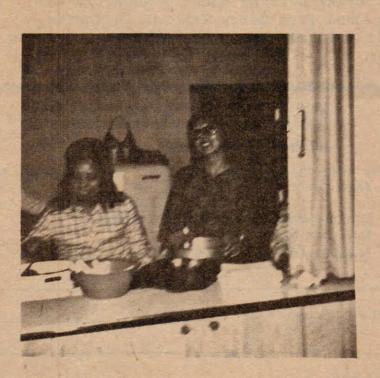
Dancers enjoyed the evening, above 2nd from left is Villa Gutierrez, his mother, Dee and 2nd from right Christina Gutierrez. Below, ladies who helped prepare the meal were from left to right, Doris Potts, Dodie Gibson and Voncile Mitchell.





Above, some of the crowd enjoying their dinner.

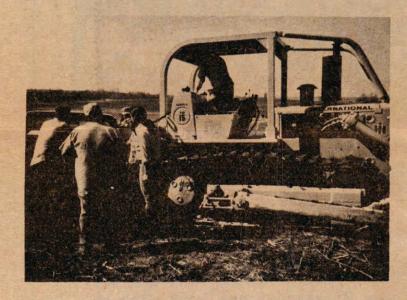
Below, Larene Thomas and Sue Hubbard Pleasantly are busy with the kitchen duties.



Dance, Refreshments and I.A.T. Project







This is the new Bulldozer that the I.A.T. is trying out for about a week. It was borrowed from Berry Tractor in Topeka.

It's likely that the Tribe may purchase this in the future.

Change of Address All Prairie Band Potawatomi Indians

If you have changed your address recently, please send this form to:

Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians P.O. Box 8 Holton, Kansas 66436

Name_	
Previous Married Name(s)	
NEW ADDRESS	
City and State	Zip Code
Old Address	
City and State	Zip Code

NORTHEAST KANSAS INDIAN BOWLING TOURNAMENT

This bowling tournament will be held at the Astro Bowl in Holton, Kansas, in two separate week-ends, April 29-30 and May 6-7th.

A guaranteed \$700 for first place in the team event is offered and for 2nd place in the team category the winners will receive \$350. Entry fee is \$8 bucks for an event.

Doubles games will be held on Saturday the 29th, at 10 A.M., 1 & 4 in the afternoon and 7 P.M. Team events will be on Sunday, starting at 10 A.M., Noon and 2 & 4 in the afternoon. The tournament consists of three categories; Doubles, Singles and Team.

Entry forms will be available after April 7th, people interested in obtaining these can contact: Jenie Hale at 486-2614 or 966-2623. Or even yet forms are available at the Astro Bowl in Holton.

The people who organized the tournament are; John Thomas, James Hall, Junior Thomas Chubb Masquat, and Jenie Hale.

On April 15th there will be a "Ragtime" Bowling Tournament (Doubles only) also held at the Astro Bowl in Holton. The prize money will be awarded by the first 100 entries, with each entry costing \$5.50 with only two games played per player.

CORRECTIONS

THE POTAWATOMI NEWLETTER OF JANUARY 31, 1978 ALBERTA WAMEGO NAME WAS NOT STATED IN THE GROUNDBREAKING PICUTRE. SHE WAS PRESENT. IN THE ARTICLE PROFILE, LOUISE NOCKTONICK HAS 3 GRANDCHILDREN INSTEAD OF THE 2 STATED.