



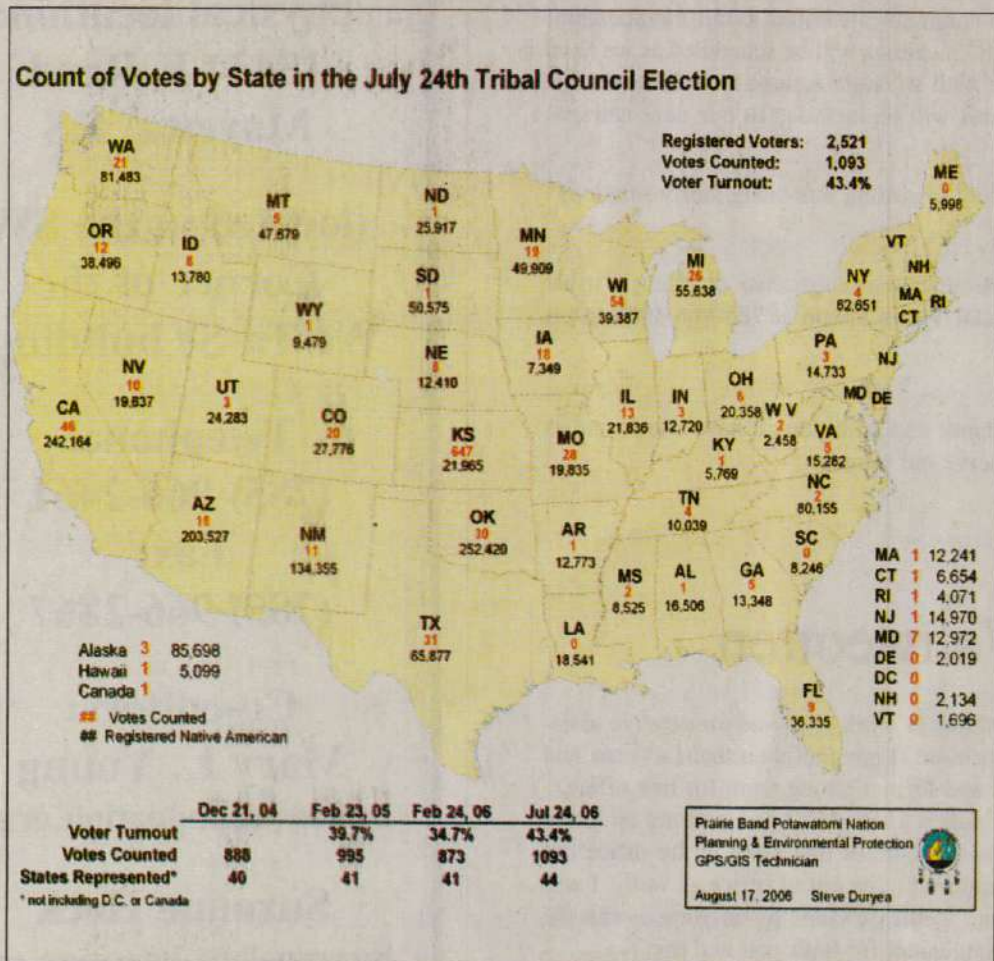
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A Report to the People of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

Swearing in ceremony makes Tribal Council official





August message to the Nation from Tribal Council Chair, Tracy Stanhoff



Moving forward with our new Tribal Council... Thanks to those in our Nation who supported my efforts to get re-elected, I again pledge to represent the Nation taking into consideration all of our people's needs while acting in as fair and balanced manner as possible. Our activities to benefit the Nation in the past month are as follows:

- We held a Tribal Government Center Employee Appreciation day where the Tribal Council and Gaming Commission and our assistants cooked for the employees to thank them for their efforts in providing services for our people. A fond farewell to Steve Ortiz was included highlighted by Jackie Mitchell's "Top 10 Reasons We Will Miss Steve" presentation.

- Our casino transition team has started implementation of the "back of the house systems" with the start of the installation of our new computers. Database transfer from the Harrah's systems to our new computers is a big undertaking and will take some time. All grade 17 and below level employees were informed that they would now become directly employed by the Nation's new Prairie Band Potawatomi Entertainment Corporation after the start of 2007 and the Nation has selected the benefits package for those employees.

- Outgoing Secretary Steve Ortiz; Council people Jackie Mitchell; James "Nabby" Wabaunsee; and Jim Potter represented the Tribe by attending the annual Potawatomi Gathering in Michigan on behalf of the Nation attending

business meetings and sharing our thoughts and bringing back to the Nation ideas on governmental operations from the other Potawatomi Bands.

- Tribal Council has been working very closely with our legal team to continue to implement our strategic plan on our Shab-eh-nay Indian reservation. Tribal members are reminded that any discussion on this project be limited to Tribal forums as we have had a group from this reservation interfering negatively in our work up there. This interference will not help anyone in our tribe nor will it hurt those on Tribal Council, this interference is about the worst thing you can do as a tribal member. If any tribal member has any concerns or need of more information please contact any tribal council member for a discussion. In an effort to communicate better to our membership, a series of "Reservation Information" meetings will be scheduled as we have items to report. A historic timeline with strategic actions is included in this paper. A preview of our next actions will be included in our next newspaper.

- We are in talks with Jackson county regarding our "neighborly relations" and the 150th interchange.

I am always available on an appointment basis to discuss anything a tribal member has on their mind, please call Verna Simon at 785-966-4008 to set up an appointment

Thank you all again for your confidence and faith you all have shown me as fellow members, I am honored to serve our people.

We're Moving Forward,
Tracy Stanhoff

A message from Tribal Council member, Jr. Wahweotten



Bosho,

First of all, I would like to thank the Prairie Band Potawatomi membership for exercising their right to vote in the recent Tribal Council election. This has been an overwhelming experience with all the support my family and I have received before, during, and after the election. I am humbled, honored and I respect your decision to vote for me to represent you, the General Council.

My first few weeks of taking office have been spent becoming acclimated with the duties and responsibilities of being a Tribal Council representative. This is a process that will be ongoing for some time and I will put forth the effort to ensure our Nation moves in a positive direction.

I would like to take this time to recognize Laverne Hale for her hard work and dedication to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. For this rea-

son, I have selected LaVerne to continue to work as the administrative assistant to the Tribal Council elected position. I am confident that LaVerne and I will work together in a good way and form a strong team for this office.

I want to let the General Council know that I am a strong advocate of the open door policy. There are many times that I am in the office but there will be times when I will be required to be out of office as well. I will be in continual contact with LaVerne, so please come by anytime or call the office to ensure a time to meet is convenient for both you and me.

Again, thank you for your support.

Respectfully yours,

Jr. Wahweotten

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My Propane Company

Photo by Mary Young

Submitted by Economic Development

How that sounds, is how we say it and we mean it. Mayetta Oil Company (MOC) is the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nations' propane business. It is your company and many take pride in that ownership. We here at Economic Development and tribal CEO are asking your assistance in making MOC the best in the neighborhood.

We would like to express our appreciation to you as our MOC customers for doing business with us this past year. Please know that we manage the business to provide the best customer service along with competitive prices.

What does it mean to buy from your own business? Simply put, it will put money back in your own pockets. This is done by circulating the tribal dollars back through the tribe. A part of the dollar you pay to MOC will be used to purchase more propane for the business to sell, go to the expenses of the business and straight to the tribes' bank account, which is your bank account. If you buy propane somewhere else your dollar goes to that business to compete against your own business and goes into their bank account. Thus, a purchase from MOC is a purchase from your business.

Many of you own your own tank. That means you are sensitive to the price of propane. Remember, if you buy 400 gallons on delivery you will pay up to \$636. If the propane was 2 cents cheaper that would amount to \$8 lower if 2 cents higher that amount more. So we are not necessarily dealing with a large amount of money because those 400 gallons will last nearly three months - that is \$2.65 per month.

Every propane company has its costs and its place in the community. The tribe gives more to the tribal and outside community in benefits and donations than any other company in the county. Consider buying from MOC, it belongs to you. Your dollar will bring more in return.

It is expected that this winter heating season, we will be faced with upward trends in propane prices from crude oil and natural gas. MOC is very competitive in pricing and in some cases we are higher and in other we are lower. But overall Mayetta Oil is surviving at a very successful rate. Think about our message and we encourage you to contact the Mayetta Oil Company at 785-966-2721 as early as possible (before September 1) to set aside your supply of propane and to lock in the price for the upcoming winter season.

Again, thank you for your business.

Bank's eye view: 401(k)

By Rex Frazier, Financial Officer—Denison State Bank

Today let's turn our financial focus on 401(k) plans. 401(k) plans are a significant part of many employers pay package. A 401(k) is an employer-sponsored retirement plan. They have been very popular with employers since their inception in 1978. This is because 401(k) plans are a defined contribution plan. This means the amount an employer contributes is set. However, the amount the employee receives will vary based on the performance of the investments. Many employers preferred this to the pensions offered prior to 401(k) plans where employees were guaranteed a set payment and the employer would have to make up for any shortcomings in returns.

With 401(k) accounts, employees ask to have a portion of their wages paid into the plan. These wages are put in pre-tax. This allows the contributions and earnings to accumulate without taxation until the money is withdrawn. In this sense, 401(k) plans are similar to traditional IRA's. There are however, a number of differences. You can contribute up to \$15,000 (or 100% of compensation) into your 401(k) account in 2006. Many employers will "match" a certain percentage of their employee's contribution as an incentive to employees to save for retirement. The ability to take a loan out against your 401(k) account is another advantage.

Any loan taken out against a 401(k) account must be repaid with after-tax funds. The interest paid on the loan becomes part of the 401(k) account. If the loan is paid back in accordance with the IRS code, the loan is not considered taxable income nor is it subject to any tax penalty. The loan must be paid back within five years, unless used for purchase of a primary residence. If payments are not made within the rules of the IRS code, the outstanding loan balance is declared to be in "default". A defaulted loan becomes a taxable distribution. That will result in a 10% penalty tax and taxation at the current tax rate.

Most 401(k) plans are participant-directed. This allows the employee to select between a number of investment options, usually an assortment of mutual funds containing some mix of stocks, bonds, or money market investments. Most plans have between eight to 20 investment options. Many companies' 401(k) plans also offer the option to purchase company stock. Re-allocation of this money can be done by the employee as they deem fit. Because the employee has so much control over how the money is invested, they also bear the risk of their decision. How much is contributed into a 401(k) account is controlled by a combination of employee contributions and employer incentives. How much comes out of the 401(k) account is the result of the performance of the accounts the employee places the money into. Two employees, who start

the same day and invest the exact same amount into their 401(k), will likely have different balances upon retirement, based on which investment options they chose.

If an employee leaves a company, there are some options for their 401(k) account. The most common is called a rollover. The employee may roll over the account into a new 401(k) account if the new employer offers a 401(k) or other eligible retirement plan. If no such plan is offered, or the employee doesn't want to partake of the plan, the account can be rolled over into an IRA at an independent financial institution. The reason these transactions are called rollovers is that the money never leaves a qualified retirement plan. If the employee takes the money, it is considered a withdrawal and is normally subject to a 10% penalty and taxation at the current rate. Some companies will allow ex-employees to least their 401(k) with the company, but be aware many have started charging a fee.

As a retirement account, virtually all plans have severe restrictions on withdrawals by employees prior to age 59 1/2. A withdrawal prior to age 59 1/2 is subject to an excise tax equal to 10% of the amount distributed. There are a few hardship exceptions written in the tax code, but employers may disallow those hardships. The tax code states the acceptable hardships are:

- Purchase of a primary residence (specifically excluding mortgage payments)
- To avoid foreclosure of, or eviction from, primary residence
- Payment of secondary education expenses incurred in the last 12 months for the employee, his/her spouse, or dependent(s)
- Medical expenses not covered by insurance for employee, spouse, or dependent which would be deductible on a federal tax return
- Funeral expenses for the employee's deceased parent(s), spouse, child(ren), or dependent(s)
- Home repairs due to a deductible casualty loss

However, even if one or more of the hardships are met, the withdrawal is subject to normal taxation as ordinary income.

Not all workers are eligible for 401(k) plans. Comparable plans include 403(b) plans for workers in educational institutions, public hospitals, churches, and non-profit organizations.

Next month I plan to write about mutual funds. I always enjoy receiving feedback from readers and look forward to addressing any questions you may have. Please contact me at rfrazier@denisonstatebank.com.

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Shabbona Project: Chronology of Events

1775 or 1776 Shabbona born either in Canada or at a village on the Kankakee River in Illinois but most sources agree it was in Illinois. Around 1800, Shabbona married the daughter of Potawatomi Chief Spotka. Shabbona fought in many wars including along side of Tecumseh and his Red Confederacy and inherited the title of chief for his war exploits. But, eventually he vowed to never fight against the whites again after 1812.

July 29, 1829 The Treaty of Prairie du Chien between the United States and the United Nations of Chippewa, Ottawa and Potawatomi, reserved two sections of land in Northern Illinois, the future Dekalb County, as a reservation for the Potawatomi Chief, Shabbona and his band. Although the Illinois-Wisconsin Potawatomi ceded 5 million acres west of the Mississippi in the 1833 Treaty of Chicago and most were removed west, they did not cede the Shabbona band's reservation. Nonetheless, the band was driven from their land and eventually moved to Council Bluffs, Iowa and to Kansas after the Treaty of 1846. The Shabbona band merged into the Prairie Band.

November 5, 1849 Based on falsified deeds submitted by Ansel and Orin Gates, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs determined that Shabbona's band had abandoned the Illinois reservation. Then the commissioner mistakenly concluded that Shabbona was another Indian, Shobonier, who died in 1852 and had received his land as an individual grant under the treaty of 1832. Based on these assumptions, on November 5, 1849, the Shabbona band's reservation was sold by the United States General Land Office.

1849 Tribal treaty title is recognized and held in trust by the United States. The lands of Shabbona were not public lands or within the jurisdiction of the General Land Office's jurisdiction. They could either be abandoned nor sold absent express congressional authorization. The patents fabricated by the Gates Brothers are void, and the land remains in trust.

June 27, 1857 By 1857, Shabbona moved around the area and continued to pursue recourse from the federal government. Local settlers in the area of Morris, Illinois (about 20 miles southeast of the reservation) took up a collection to purchase a tract of land for Shabbona and in 1857 had a fund-raiser to build him a cabin on this property.

July 27, 1859 Shabbona dies at the age of 84 from an illness following a hunting trip. He was buried in the Evergreen Cemetery in Morris, Illinois.

1861-1903 A project was begun in 1861 to raise funds for a monument to Shabbona, but the Civil War left the project incomplete. Eventually the monument decided upon was a large boulder inscribed simply, "Shabbona 1775-1859. It was placed on this grave at Evergreen Cemetery in 1903.

Feb. 4, 1997 Letter from Chairwoman Rupnicki to Bob Sheets and Mary West that PBPN by Resolution 96-74 agrees to engage in Skyline to serve as exclusive advisor and representative with respect to land claim and future commercial land use, in exchange for 20 year contract to pay 15% of net revenues - or buy out after seven years.

Resolution 97-18 Signed by Chairwoman Rupnicki and Secretary Juanita Jessepe authorizing hire of Morrisset, Schlosser, Ayer and Jozwiak (MSAJ) as lead law firm on land claim.

Resolution 97-63 Signed by Chairwoman Rupnicki and Secretary Juanita Jessepe authorizing submission of land claim research to Department of Interior to seek recognition that PBPN is successor in interest and entitled to beneficial title to reservation lands.

March 12, 1997 Skyline letter agreement signed by Skyline and Juanita Jessepe, Tribal Secretary, confirming that the Nation is expanding the use of the law firm of MSJAJ and that Skyline will pay those attorney fees.

May 1997 Marquette Advisors report titled "Proposed Shabbona Casino and Resort Project Feasibility Study."

August 13, 1997 Letter from Mary West and Bob Sheets to the Tribal Council addressing media concerns on the land claim and including a draft press kit.

August 1997 Marquette Advisors report titled "Proposed Shabbona Casino and Resort Project - Economic Benefits of Combined Reservation Land and Non Reservation Land Development."

August 1997 Marquette Advisors report titled "Proposed Shabbona Casino and Resort Project - Feasibility Study."

October 17, 1997 Letter from Skyline to Chairwoman Rupnicki re: recommendations for Council consideration - calling the project the "Historic Land Restoration Project" and suggesting creation of a Council level "Steering Committee" to work with Skyline in developing plans and preparing proposals for Tribal Council to consider.

August 25, 1998 Project report on the land claim summarizing work done from 1995-1997 and detailing work done in 1998, including meeting between Chairwoman Rupnicki and Assistant Secretary (BIA) Gover to obtain Gover's support for timely review of the land claim and listing the next steps.

September 3, 1998 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signed by Chairwoman Rupnicki and Skyline, which contains the rights and responsibilities of the parties with respect to the Shab-e-nay Reservation Land Claim, including, but not limited to, Skyline's agreement to pay for certain land options and the land upon certain conditions and payment of certain fees and expenses in exchange for 15% of the net profits received by the PBPN from commercial development of the Reservation Lands and waiving the Nation's sovereign immunity if Skyline took action to enforce the agreement.

September 3, 1998 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by Chairwoman Rupnicki and Skyline, which contains the agreement relating to development of adjacent, non reservation lands owned and developed by Skyline, and providing that the Nation would receive 20% of the net profits from that development for a term of years.

September 27, 1998 Letter from McCarthy Communication to Tribal Council apologizing for the content of the news article in the Washington Post, which instead of focusing on the history of the land claim focused instead on the gaming potential. The article quotes Chairwoman Rupnicki stressing that "the Tribal Council has not discussed using the land for a casino..."

January 1999 Memo from Bob Sheets and Mary West to Tribal Council on possible land usage, including: leaving land as is, expanding what is there with farming, recreational and residential uses, introducing new uses such as Industrial, Manufacturing and Business Service and Commercial Development, or a combination of the above.

January 1999 Memo from MSJAJ to Chairwoman Rupnicki and Tribal Council on meeting by Chairwoman Rupnicki and other tribal representatives with Department of Interior Solicitor and an upcoming meeting with one of the "landowners" on the Reservation.

March 2000 Letter from Bob Sheets and Mary West to Chairwoman Rupnicki acknowledging that the land claim was taking far longer to resolve than anticipated, necessitating the need to bring Liberty Alliances in as successor to Skyline.

June 28, 2000 Agreement between PBPN, Liberty Alliances and Skyline signed by Chairwoman Rupnicki, Bob Book, Bob Sheets and Mary West, wherein the PBPN consented to Skyline's assignment of its rights and obligations under the 1998 MOA and MOU to Liberty.

July 2000 In July of 2000, the Office of the Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs, issued two internal legal opinions concluding that based on their review of the Potawatomi Tribe's submitted materials, the Tribe has a credible claim that the lands reserved for the Shabbona band by the 1829 Treaty of Prairie du Chien constitute a treaty reservation and that the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation is the sole successor in interest to the rights of the Shabbona Band under that treaty.

January 18, 2001 Letter by Department of Interior Solicitor to U.S. House Speaker Hastert and Illinois Governor Ryan advising of credible claim by PBPN to Shab-e-nay Reservation Lands, with copies of letter to Chairman Wahwasuck and others. The opinion said in part, "Our research has also led us to the conclusion that the Prairie Band is the lawful successor in interest to Chief Shabbona and his Band."

January 2001 Status Report to General Council prepared by Fran Ayer to Chairman Wahwasuck.

January 2001 Letter from Liberty Alliances to Chairman Wahwasuck on next steps, including meetings with Speaker Hastert, the Illinois Governor and a grass roots program in the Shabbona community and agreeing to convey the option on the Ward reservation tract to the Nation.

February 11, 2004 On this date, the Tribal Council voted to purchase a house in DeKalb County for \$268,459.69 to "establish a presence," in Illinois.

January 15, 2005 General Council Meeting - Vestina Nonken makes a motion that Tribal Council be the ones with the constitutional powers to determine what can be done with the Shab-e-nay Land Claim and loan for the purchase of the Ward option and do a good job for the General Council. Motion 2nd Sharon Landis. 67 for/12 opposed. Motion carried.

April 16, 2005 Rey Kitchkumme, Vice Chairman, gives update about Shab-e-nay stating that in the previous General Council meeting a motion was passed to allow the Tribal Council to negotiate a loan with Liberty Alliance and we have been trying to negotiate terms. The options have expired. Negotiations will be on-going to purchase the land.

June 5, 2005 Special General Council strictly devoted to Shabbona land claim, with 138 people in attendance. Zach Pahmahmie chaired the meeting. The notice that went out to all members stated: "The primary purpose of this meeting is to discuss and take action on the Shab-e-nay land claim and development project. After a report from the

Tribal Council which covered the history of the land claim; the property purchase in Illinois; a report on a feasibility of a possible gaming operation there; contract terms with Liberty Alliance, and Class II technology and financing. Lysette Morris made a motion to proceed with Roy Ogden seconding. In the discussion members stressed the importance of reclaiming the land first before any development happens. Her motion said "The General Council supports the PBPN Tribal Council proceeding with the development of the 1,280 acre Shab-e-nay Reservation including all relative development of Class II or III gaming supporting commercial business." 85 voted in favor of the motion and 19 opposed. The motion carried.

July 5, 2005 According to public documents, the Liberty Alliance, LLC group, based in New Jersey, purchased two parcels of land, contiguous to the Ward farm, for around \$5,000 per acre. On July 5, 2005, Liberty Alliance bought 212 acres from the Elmer Feery Trust for \$1.1 million dollars.

July 16, 2005 Zach Pahmahmie, Tribal Council Chair gives update about negotiations. Tracy Stanhoff makes a motion to support Tribal Council moving forward with the May 2005 proposal between the Nation and Liberty Alliance. Motion 2nd by Anthony Hernandez. 74 for/11 opposed. Motion carried.

May 11, 2006 Tracy Stanhoff, Tribal Council chair, formally announced the acquisition of a 128 acre farm in Shabbona at a press conference May 11, 2006. The property, known locally as the Ward Farm, was purchased for \$8,840,920.00. Stanhoff took pride in announcing that the tribe raised the money itself.

July 15, 2006 Tracy Stanhoff gives an update on the Shab-e-nay project.

July 27, 2006 Road and Bridge Department begins clearing land for government center.

July 28, 2006 Paul Miller, Dekalb County Planning Director stops work on Shab-e-nay property citing Section 30-7.1(c) of the DeKalb County Code requires that any land disturbing activity affecting an area of 10,000 square feet or more requires a Site Development Permit.

August 11, 2006 A public hearing regarding the Shabbona project is scheduled in Illinois.

August 8, 2006 Public hearing is cancelled due to recent developments, negative interference by Tribal members and threats of law suits by the county.

August 24, 2006 Town Hall meeting for residents of Shabbona and DeKalb County (see letter) to be held by Tribe to discuss building of a government center satellite office and possible Class II bingo hall enterprise.

August 2006 On-going extensive research on the reservation history and the Tribe's ownership of land being conducted by McClurken & Associates to complete historic documentation processes.

August 2006 Tribe attorney teams of Hobbs, Strauss, Dean & Walker - led by Fran Ayer of Washington D.C. and independent attorney Jordan Gallagher of Sycamore, Illinois assist Tribe with the on-going negotiations with local officials.

(Submitted by Tribal Council)

This email, at right, had been sent to Paul Miller, Zoning/Planner for DeKalb County by Tribal member Badger Wahwassuck.

This illustrates the negative interference that caused the project to be postponed. Phone calls from others in this group were also made to DeKalb officials.

We are asking all tribal members to discuss this within Tribal communication processes only FOR GOOD OF THE TRIBE'S EFFORTS!



PBPN Tribal Council

From: badger
To: pmiller
CC: mamie
Subject: potawatomi land purchase and use
Date: Wed, 26 Jul 2006 13:58:03 -0700 (PDT)

My name is Badger Wahwasuck, I am a former Tribal Chairman of the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Tribe of Kansas. I am writing to express my concerns and the concerns of quite a number of Tribal Members here on the reservation in Kansas.

First the purchase of land at a price of 8.6 million dollars was never brought before our Governing Body which is the General Council. The entire deal in shabbona violates the Constitution of the Prairie Band Of Potawatomi Nation.

As for it being a satellite office, this also has not been brought before the Governing Body, The General Council. If we were to have satellite offices it would seem more appropriate to place them where the majority of out of state tribal members live, like in "wisconsin", "oklahoma", "california".

I have checked your tax records for DeKalb County and I see where "Liberty Alliance LLC" is purchasing a lot of land in preparation for a casino. Liberty Alliance LLC is not of Potawatomi heritage, why would they be buying pieces of our "ancestral homeland".

Tracy is Mum on the possibility of a casino because Richard Solomon of Liberty Alliance has not yet told her what to say.

The ancestral homeland of the Potawatomi is the Great lakes area

Another question, how can our Tribal Road and bridge department come into your county and do work? are they licensed contractors in Illinois?

so from that I would guess that if some one from Oklahoma came and purchased land in DeKalb County that the land would become a part of Oklahoma and they could bring in "Oklahoma Department of Transportation" ODOT in and start building a satellite State offices in DeKalb County.

Our Tribal Council is not providing appropriate services to the tribal members here on our reservation. The Tribal Council is a "ELECTED" representative form of government. There has been no Public hearings or any mention land purchases in the millions of dollar amount.

The Tribal Council is not a business entity, they are supposed to be a representative Government with constituents.

If this is to proceed, then let us all sit at the table and lay our cards on the table. by all of us I mean The People of the Reservation here in Kansas, the Tribal Council, The County Commissioners of DeKalb County, The City Council Of Shabbona and Liberty Alliances LLC.

I hope to hear back from you as we are having community meetings here and we have a great concern.

Badger Wahwasuck

Mayetta, Kansas 66509

home phone
cell phone

From: Miller, Paul [mailto:]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2006 9:01 AM
To: badger
Cc: Bockman, Ray
Subject: RE: potawatomi land purchase and use

Dear Mr. Wahwasuck:

Regarding your inquiry, please be advised that I am the Planning Director with DeKalb County, IL. The questions you raise related to the legal status of land in the County claimed by representatives of the Prairie Band of the Potawatomi Nation are better directed to our local State's Attorney, Ronald G. Matekai, and our County Board Chairman, Ruth Anne Tobias. Accordingly, I have forwarded your e-mail to these individuals. If you have questions about zoning, building permitting or land development in DeKalb County, do not hesitate to contact me.

Paul R. Miller, AICP



Department & Program News

Prairie Band Potawatomi News

Families sign leases: get keys to modular homes



Above: Karen and David Lee Daubon were taking a tour of the new homes during an open house that occurred before the signing. The Daubons received one of the homes.

August 18 was an exciting day for fourteen Potawatomi families when they signed leases and were assigned their new modular home located in the Prairie Ridge complex.

Applications began for the homes in May, 2005 when the Housing Department sent information to tribal members about the availability of the lease/purchase option homes. The homes were then periodically brought in and placed on foundations last year.

The homes are 1500 square feet with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and have an attached garage.

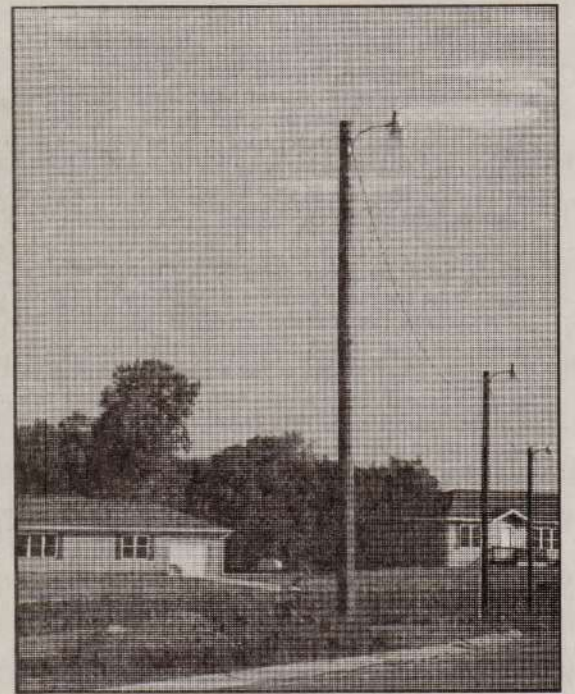
Photos by Suzanne Heck



Above: Pat (standing) and Kelly (sitting) Mills received one of the homes. Shaking hands with Kelly is Liana Onnen, Assistant Director of Housing, and Season Serna holding the signed lease papers who also works for Housing.



At left is Ophelia and Bob Nicholson who posed for the camera shortly after receiving one of the new homes. Ophelia said she was born and raised on the reservation and is happy to be returning home after being away for so many years.



Above: Street lights were recently installed at the new modular housing site located at 158 Rd. and L Rd. on the reservation.



Boys & Girls Club News

New Teen Club Hours!

Calling all Teens!!! The Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation is expanding Teen Club hours to include services on the weekends!

Teen Club Hours:

Sunday - 2-8 p.m.
Monday - Thursday - 6-8 p.m.
Friday - 6-10 p.m.
Saturday - 4-10 p.m.

The Club develops and conducts programs that are fun, engaging, stimulating, exciting, and help participants acquire the capabilities needed to succeed in life. Contact the Club today to renew your membership and come on out to enjoy what the Club has to offer!

After-School Program

The Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation will begin the after-school program on August 28, 2006 that will run from September to May. The Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation develops and offers programs that help young people, ages 5-21, grow up to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

After-School Hours:

Monday - Friday
Jr. Youth: 4 - 6 p.m.
Sr. Youth: 6 - 8 p.m.

Volunteers Needed

The Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation is seeking enthusiastic and committed volunteers. Come on in and help make a difference in our children's lives. All potential volunteers must complete an application and consent to a background check. Contact Coleen Green or Kumos Hubbard at 785-966-3031 for more information on becoming a treasured volunteer!



Dancers & Singers Practice

The Dancers & Singers group will be holding practice on every Thursday in the After School Program at 5:00 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club. If you haven't joined, now is your chance to sign-up! Contact the BGC today at 785-966-3031.

Sign-up Now for Karate

Beginning in September 2006, the Boys & Girls Club will be offering Karate classes in conjunction with Mid-America Karate, Pam Johansen instructor. Karate classes will be held on Tuesdays from 4:30-6:00 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club.



The Purchasing Dept. recently sponsored a luncheon calendar show at the Government Center where employees could see firsthand what new calendar products are on the market from supplier Corporate Express. From left to right are PBPN employees Jennifer Hale and Jim Garcia, an unidentified representative from Corporate Express, and Tribal Council assistants, LaVerne Hale and Yvette Washington, who were signing in for door prizes and lunch and to view the latest products.



A meeting about the wind energy program was recently held with Don June, CEO of Tribal Business, who conducted the meeting held on August 15 between the PBPB Tribal Council and Energy Committee, and representatives from Great Bear Consulting Co., Babcock & Brown, and G.M. Oil Properties, Inc. The groups came together to discuss the possibility of developing large scale wind energy power on the reservation.



These youth were involved in the second session of the Education Dept.'s Summer Enrichment Program. There were 31 youth who worked in various departments and programs on the reservation before school began and they also attended workshops on how to prepare for careers.

Photo submitted by Kristen Aitkens



Above: Some members of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary at the 2005 We-Ta-Se Christmas Open House.



American Legion Ladies Auxiliary News

The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary recently installed officers and are making plans for the coming year. They recently received a \$500 donation from the PBPN Charitable Contributions and will use the money toward activities like adopting a family, providing a meal to We-Ta-Se veterans, and a \$100 student scholarship.

American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Unit 410 officers

President: Micki Martinez
Vice-President: Brenda Darnall
Treasurer: Judy Darnell
Secretary: Kitty Shopteese
Chaplain: NA
Historian: Gladys Hawley
Sergeant at Arms: Cecilia Meeks Jackson

Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month, unless a holiday falls on that Monday, then meetings are held on the 3rd Monday at 6 p.m. in the Tribal Police's training room located at 16344 Q Road. Please call (785) 966-2995 for details.

Upcoming We-Ta-Se Color Guard appearances

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| September 16 | 35th Infantry Reunion, Topeka |
| 17 | "Legends and Legacies" Festival, Atchison |
| 23 | American Indian Day Pow-wow, Mayetta |
| 23-24 | Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission National Signature Event, St. Louis |
| 30 | Veterans Memorial Park, North Topeka |



Please respect the Veterans Memorial

Vandals are still marring the Veterans Memorial located in Prairie Peoples Park. In the photo, left, Jim Darnall, We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410 Commander, points to where someone recently had scratched their name on one of the panels. We-Ta-Se and the PBPN Maintenance Dept. urges community members to help them keep an eye out for pranksters or vandals that they might see in the park.



Vocational Rehabilitation Program holds 2nd Annual Quarterly Meeting



To the left is Myron Dunavan, a social work advocate who heads Dunavan Associates, Topeka, and Kathy Slimmer, a PBPB social worker, going over the agenda and other information that was handed out at the meeting.

The Social Services Dept. will soon be moving to the new PBPB Family Health & Wellness Center. Larry Pickman is the director

By: Suzanne Heck

The Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program's second annual meeting was held July 27 at Harrah's Prairie Band Casino.

The purpose of the meeting was to review what the PBPB VR program's accomplishments were last year and to discuss other social service issues.

The meeting began with a group luncheon in the Casino's Fresh Market Buffet that was followed by an afternoon meeting back at the Convention Center.



The Vocational Rehabilitation annual meeting drew people from regional social services groups and PBPB staff.

Morris Taylor, director of the PBPB VR program, moderated the meeting. He said that the program had increased by 60 new clients which pointed to its success but he also warned that the large increase in clients meant that more money was needed to serve them directly than the present grant funding allows. He concluded

his opening remarks by saying that the program needed to look for other ways, besides grant funding, to serve the client needs.

Next on the agenda was Kathy Slimmer and Alex Gournau of the Social Services Dept. who discussed an alcohol & drug training that they both participated in in Crown Point, N.M. Following Slimmer and Gournau, was Elaine Mzhickteno Barr, PBPB Alcohol & Drug counselor,

who discussed the PBPB Oxford House that recently opened for women on the reservation. Also speaking on Oxford Houses were two men who reside in a men's Oxford house in Topeka.

The PBPB VR program

is housed in the Social Services Dept. and helps provide Native Americans who have disabilities find appropriate services and employment while striving to live independently.

For more information about the program call the Social Services Dept. at (785) 966-2932 and ask for VR.

Community Resource List

Below is a list of helping agencies that coordinate services with the the PBPB Social Services Dept. for the PBPB reservation area.

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| Battered Women Task Force | Daytime | 785-354-7927 |
| | Evenings/weekend | 785-233-1730 |
| | Outside Topeka | 888-822-2983 |
| Breakthrough House | Daytime | 785-232-6807 |
| Crime Victims Compensation Board | Daytime | 785-296-2359 |
| Christ Closet | Daytime | 785-966-2625 |
| Community Action | Daytime | 785-235-9296 |
| Crisis Pregnancy Outreach | Daytime | 785-272-3316 |
| Doorstep Fellowship Inc. | Daytime | 785-357-5341 |
| Food Distribution/Commodity | Daytime | 785-354-7262 |
| Let's Help | Daytime | 785-966-2718 |
| | Daytime | 785-234-6208 |
| NEK-CAP Potawatomi Reservation | Daytime | 785-966-2932 |
| | Toll-Free | 888-966-2932 |
| Salvation Army | Daytime | 785-233-9648 |
| PBP Voc Rehab | Daytime | 785-966-2932 |
| Three Rivers Independent Living | Daytime | 785-966-0174 |

(Submitted by Laura Ward, PBPB Family Violence Prevention Program)

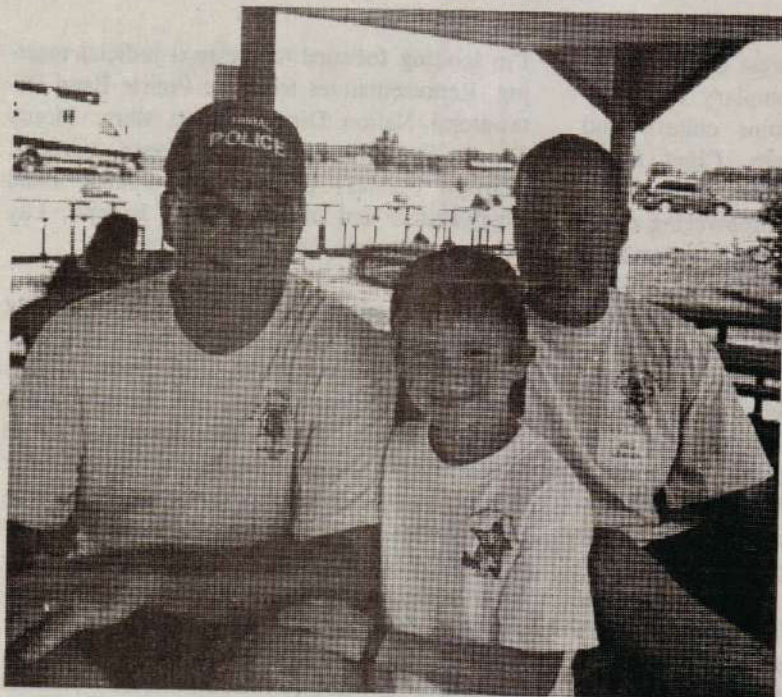


Pawnee Littlecook of the Social Development Center in Ponca City, Okla. is seen, left, thanking the PBPB for a Charitable Contribution donation that was awarded during the second quarter on July 21 at the Bingo Hall. The Ponca City Social Development Center coordinates services with the PBPB's Alcohol & Drug program who are one of the programs in the PBPB Social Services Dept.

In the background of the photo are members of the Tribal Council.

Photo by Suzanne Heck

Tribal Police participate in Jackson County Sheriff's Day Camp



L to r is Lt. Marcus Koch, his son, Marek, and Sgt. Russell Whiteside of the Tribal Police Dept. who participated in the Jackson County Sheriff's Day Camp that was held August 2-4 in Holton. Over 180 children including some Potawatomi youth participated in the three-day camp that was designed to teach children about law enforcement. Campers got to take tours of the Sheriff's headquarters the first day and then went to Banner Creek Reservoir to learn from wildlife experts and to have fun fishing and swimming. This is the third year that the PBPB Tribal Police have been involved in the camp.

Photo submitted by Rebekah Potts

Alcohol & Drug program Meet the staff



The Alcohol & Drug program staff are from left to right, Denise Suisala, Elaine Mzhickteno Barr and Shirlene Seymour. For meetings see the Support Groups section in the Potawatomi News.

2nd annual Pathways to our Future Early Childhood Education Conference held August 7-8



Behind the desk and registering participants for the conference are left to right Tina Haefke, Natalie McClane, and Cecily Wabaunsee.



At left is PBPB Childcare employee, Natalie McClane, who welcomed registrants to the conference.

workshops were on parenting, teaching children healthy habits, and how to address methamphetamine abuse



Above is K.J. Miller, who was also in the fashion show, with his mother, Josie Pahmahmie.



PBPB childcare worker, Hedy Noland, in the foreground of the picture, checks out one of the exhibit tables along with another unidentified person.



D.J. Vanas, Odawa Indian from Michigan, was the keynote speaker. His message was to strive for making improvements in individual lives in order to better the lives of Native American children overall.



A fashion show was held during the first day of the luncheon. Those who modeled regalia were front row (l to r): Antonio Wadkins, Mae Joslin, and Wahp LeClere. Back row (l to r): Erin Pahmahmie, LaVerne Hale, Jackie Mitchell, and Mi-kes Potts.



Bošho from Bošewatmi Tēshēmwn

By Sydney VanZile, Language Director

This month the Input Hypothesis will be explained below. This is an exciting part of why immersion works.

The key to second language acquisition is comprehensible input. This is how acquisition takes place. Defining input to be messages, either oral or written that students of a language understand. How do you make the messages understandable? In simple terms, one way to have a message understood is to act it out. If you have a simple command of "shut the door," you can get up and shut the door as you are saying it. You can use visuals to reinforce what you are trying to get across. You can also act out a skit all in the language. At the beginning of acquiring, understanding the message is more important than individual words.

Now, not every student is on the same level of proficiency; some students will acquire more and some will acquire less. Even in your public school systems, students are not all on the same level and it is the teacher's job to make the best of the situation. This also rings true with second language acquisition. One of the keys to acquiring the language is that the comprehensible input is at a level that is just above the level a student is at currently. This is commonly referred to as input plus one ($i+1$). If the input is at the student's current level then it is considered input plus zero ($i+0$) which means the student is not acquiring any new language. In addition, if the input is over the student's ability then the input is not comprehensible and the student is not acquiring any new language. You would not take a third grade curriculum and use it for kindergarten and expect good results of the kindergarten student. The input needs to be one level above the student's current level.

Again, the instructor, having a variety of proficiency levels to instruct to, uses a variety of gestures, voice intonations, hands-on-activities, pictures, and rate of speech, basically anything to make the message comprehensible. When designing what language is to be acquired, curriculum can be designed around themes so word usage is repeated naturally. So if most of what a student hears is comprehensible or understandable then the student will acquire the

language.

Potawatomi Language Conference

The Department was invited to present at the Potawatomi Language Conference held on July 24 - 26 in Niles, Michigan that was hosted by the Pokagen Band of Potawatomi. It was coordinated to coincide with the Potawatomi Gathering which was later in the same week.

Department members that attended the conference were Leo Nadeau, Cindy LeClerc, Billy Matchie and I. We presented a workshop on Wednesday, July 26, covering our ANA Language grant and immersion techniques. Other workshops focused on language usage and storytelling. Forest County Potawatomi members Jim Thunder and Billy Daniels presented a workshop spoken in the language about different stories with English translations. The Hannahville Potawatomi presented what they were accomplishing and presented some interesting formats for computer usage and language.

This year's keynote speaker was Forest County Potawatomi Kim Wensaut. One of her points from her keynote address was on dialectal differences and placing less emphasis on them. Her point is that no matter what dialect is spoken, it is correct; much time is spent debating on tribal dialectal differences and saying individual dialects are wrong. English speakers usually do not debate dialectal differences. As an example, if you took English speakers from the four corners of the United States and had them say a certain word, each would say the word a little differently or they might have a different word for the word you wanted them to say. There is no argument that either speaker is saying it wrong. You usually accept the difference and continue on.

Overall, it was an enjoyable trip and on our return trip home we were able to visit the archives at the Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History.

Moccasin Class

We are continuing on with our moccasin class and are all having a good time. Students are learning how to make their patterns so that they

have a moccasin that fits very well. We are learning an older style of moccasin so students had to practice a stitch that was not familiar to them. Next issue we should have some pictures of completed moccasins.

Hope you enjoy the puzzle for summer time. For those of you who have a copy of the Seasons CD, then this might be a refresher activity for you.

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A message from Tribal Council member, Jackie Mitchell



The Gathering was again a wonderful event filled with excitement, history, and good will.

The travel to the Gathering included a stop at our Shab-eh-ney property, where the Road and Bridge crew were busy at work surveying and the initial clearing of the section that would be devoted to a government center and possible temporary class II casino. Unfortunately, local officials sent a stop work document that has stopped all work on the project.

A stop at the Field museum was an experience that all tribal members should attempt because the beautiful beadwork, ribbonwork and other tribal artifacts that were a sight to behold. The tremendous amount of work that our ancestors put into each of these items was an inspiration to us. I was very proud to be Potawatomi and will attempt to create my own beautiful gifts for those special people in my life.

A Tribal Council meeting was held for all the officials and many items were discussed of common interest. After ten years of gathering, we have developed many strong relationships and friendships with other band members.

The cultural sharing, evening dances, and giveaways were a hit again this year. Although it was hot, many of our tribal members were able to participate in most of the activities.

A real highlight for our tribal members was the outgoing princess's tiny tot special for girls under six, my granddaughter, Kishno Bell, won this contest and the jingle dress. We were so proud of her and excited. So excited that I didn't get any pictures to share. She represented our tribal members in a very proud manner. The closing activities included the passing of the ashes and the gathering eagle staff to the Forest County Potawatomi. A traveling song was sung to assist all band members in a safe return to their homes.

In closing, I am so very proud to be a Potawatomi Tribal Member and an official representative for the Prairie Band. The trip to the Gathering reaffirmed the importance of all of the work that we do. The generations coming together to celebrate being of the same heritage and continuing this sharing into the future is important for our children, grandchildren and future generations.

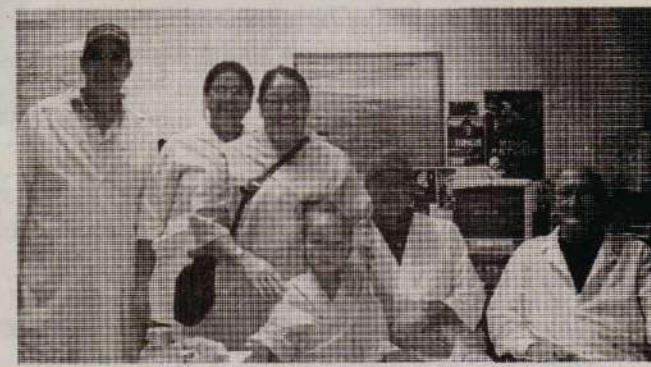
Photo gallery of the Gathering trip by Jackie Mitchell



Charlie Seymour, Road & Bridge, is seen above surveying the Shab-eh-nay land. Work was stopped on July 28 when Paul Miller, Dekalb County Planner, sent a notice that excess dirt was being moved without a permit from the county.



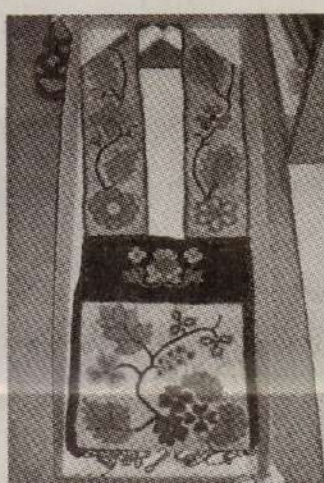
Hardy Eteeyan of the Road & Bridge crew is seen above working on his computer at the dining room table at the tribally-owned home located on the Shab-eh-nay Reservation. The Road & Bridge crew were the first to stay at the house. Furniture has been rented for the house for tribal officials and employees to stay at the house during official business.



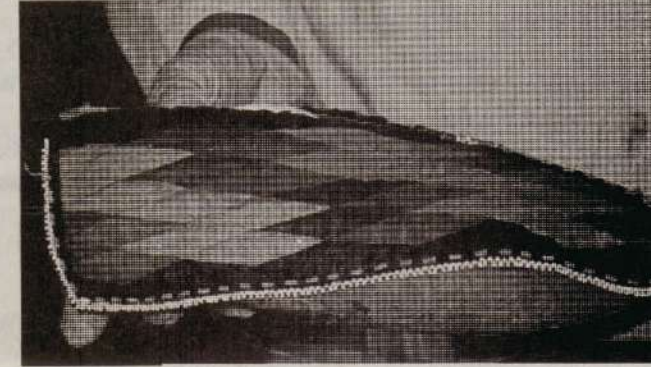
The Language Dept. and tribal members visiting the Chicago Field Museum. L to r is Eddie Joe Mitchell, Mary Wabnum Mitchell, Cindy LeClere, Kishno Bell, Billy Matchie and Leo Nadeau who are all dressed in protective gowns and gloves to see the archives in the Field Museum. Any tribal member is allowed to call and view these Potawatomi items.



Potawatomi beaded mocassins



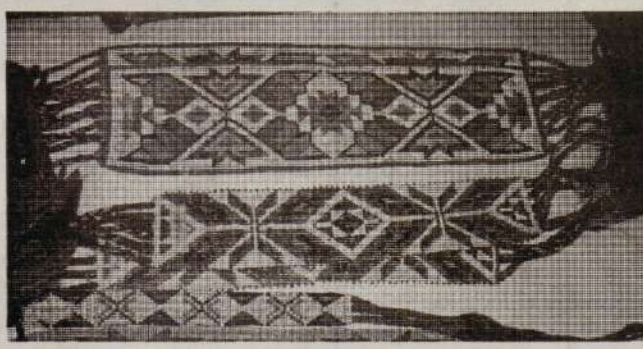
Left: Potawatomi beaded bandolier



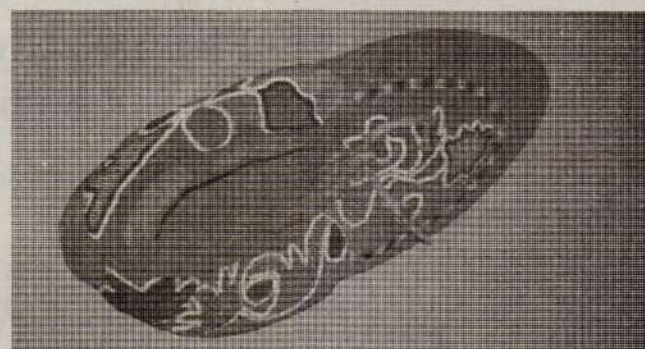
Potawatomi clothwork mocassins



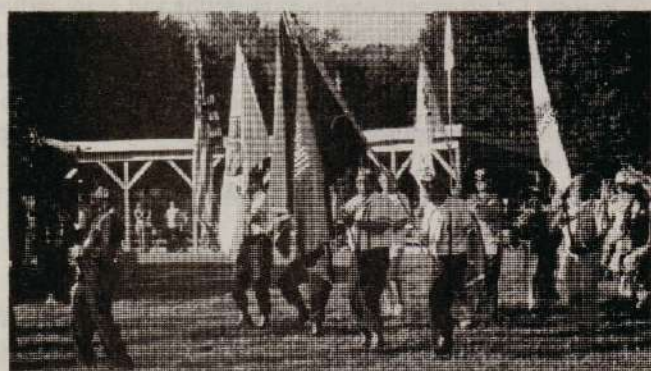
Potawatomi ribbon work.



Kansas Potawatomi men's leg garters.



Potawatomi mocassins.



We-Ta-Se American Legion in Grand Entry.



Potawatomi ladies in Grand Entry: From l to r is an unidentified woman, Julia Lewis, TJ Kitchkumme, Bernadette Lewis, Delores Abrams, Leitha Shoptese, Joanne Littleax, and Juanita Jessepe who were all dressed in their finest regalia to represent the Prairie Band Potawatomi at the Gathering.



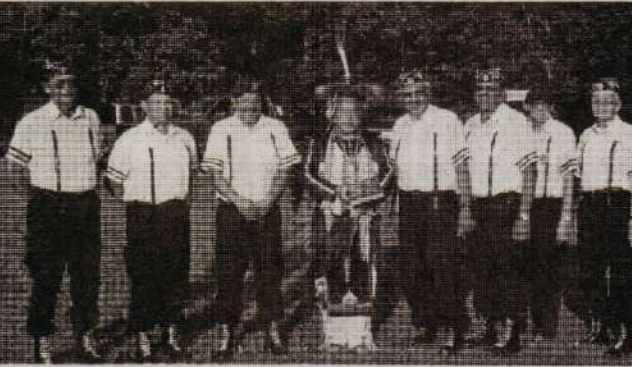
Andy Mitchell and Kishno Bell enjoyed the beautiful lake adjacent to the Pokagen Gathering Grounds. Several Potawatomi took advantage of the lake to swim and fish.



Begay family enjoying the evening festivities. From l to r: Maxine, Carolyn, Pudge, Koonie and Wesley Begay.



The Buffalo Giveaway: Holding the buffalo is l to r Wahpi Hale, Alan Pahmahmie, Jim Potter and Randy Mitchell. The buffalohead was presented to the Pokagen Band, the host tribe during the Gathering.



American Legion Color Guard with honored veteran at the Gathering.



Left: Grand Entry.



Left: Jenna Winchester, Pokagen Potawatomi, the 2006-2007 Potawatomi Gathering Princess



Closing activities included the passing of the eagle staff to the Forest County Potawatomi.



New PBP Family Health Center scheduled to open September 19

The new Prairie Band Potawatomi Health Center is scheduled to begin providing clinic services on Tuesday, September 19th. The Holton clinic will be closed on Friday, September 15th to move to the new Mayetta location.

The schedule for the first week of service at the new Health Center location is as follows:

Friday - September 15th
Closed to move to new Health Center
Monday - September 18th
Closed to complete move to new Health Center
Tuesday - September 19th
Open 8:00 a.m. to Noon
Wednesday through Friday
September 20th to 22nd
Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily

Social Service programs will be relocated to the new Health Center on September 11th. Programs relocating to the new Health Center include: Social Services, Drug and Alcohol, Do-

mestic Violence, Community Service Program, Vocational Rehabilitation, Child Welfare, Community Health Representatives and Three Rivers Independent Living. Telephone numbers and extensions for these programs will remain the same.

A planning committee has been established to coordinate open house/dedication festivities which will be scheduled in October. The October edition of the *PBP News* will include open house/dedication information.

Prairie Band Potawatomi Health Center
11400 158th Road
Mayetta KS 66509

Health Center Telephone
785-966-8200

Additional numbers will be published in the October issue of the *PBP News*.

SUPPORT GROUPS

For a support group in your area, contact Alcohol Anonymous in the telephone book or website.

Topeka Area
AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) - For people who have a desire to stop drinking. For meeting schedule and times in the Topeka area: 354-3888.

AA Meeting—Friday at 7:00 p.m. at Hunter Ridge, St. Francis Bldg., 46th and Hwy 75.

Native American AA Meeting—Friday at 8:00 p.m. 135 Buchanan St.

Recovering Women's Group—Closed and non-smoking meeting, Monday at 5:30 p.m. 725 Buchanan St.—Ring bell.

Gamblers Anonymous—For people seeking help for problem gambling, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis Hospital, 1700 S.W. 7th, 2nd floor, meeting room 6, 862-6666; Friday at 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis Hospital, 2nd floor, meeting room 9, 862-6666; and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1275 S.W. Boswell, 339-3583.

Mayetta Area and Vicinity
Open AA Meeting—Wednesday at

7:00 p.m. to ?? at We-Ta-Se Building, 15434 K Road.

Alateen, Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at We-Ta-Se Building, 15434 K Road.

AA Meeting—Sunday at 8:00 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church basement.

P.A.R.R. House—Open meeting, Monday at 7:00 p.m. 18301 Hwy. 75, Mayetta.

NA Meeting—Friday at 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. at the We-Ta-Se Building, 15434 K Road.

Holton AA Meeting—Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at First Christian Church, 5th & Wisconsin, 364-4479.

Holton NA Meeting—Tuesday and Friday at 7:00 p.m. at EUM Church (1 block south of post office—enter west door, meeting on the second level).

Lawrence Area
Circle of Hope AA Meeting—Every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell Campus, Winnemucca Hall (south of the campus).

Thackery, Carpenter, and Hogner recipients at Oklahoma Area Indian Health/Tribal/Urban Director's Award Ceremony

The event took place in the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City, Okla. on July 27, 2006.



At left, Laura Thackery, LPN, won the Peer Recognition Award, for displaying leadership in assisting the clinic nursing staff at the PBP Family Health Center during her first year at the clinic. Laura previously worked at Stormont Vail Hospital in Topeka for 34 years. She is also active with Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church on the Potawatomi Reservation.



Photos Submitted
Michael Carpenter

At left, PBP Family Health Center Pharmacy Director Michael Carpenter won the Merit Award. He assisted in developing the pharmacy technician apprenticeship program at the PBP Family Health Center. In addition, he teaches pharmacy students who come to the clinic for experience rotations.



At left, Lt. Commander David Hogner with the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) who works with the Environment Health Service in Holton received a USPHS Commendation Medal and a Peer Recognition Award.

Photo by Mary Young

Pandemic Flu Planning Checklist for Individuals and Families

This list has been copied from the Department of Health & Human Services, in cooperation with the Center for Disease Control.

You can prepare for an influenza pandemic now. You should know both the magnitude of what can happen during a pandemic outbreak and what actions you can take to help lessen the impact of an influenza pandemic on you and your family. This checklist will help you gather the information and resources you may need in case of a flu pandemic.

- To plan for a pandemic:
 - Store a two week supply of water and food. During a pandemic, if you cannot get to a store, or if stores are out of supplies it will be important for you to have extra supplies on hand.
 - Ask your doctor and insurance company if you can get an extra supply of your regular prescription drugs.
 - Have nonprescription drugs and other health supplies on hand, including pain relievers, stomach remedies, cough and cold medicines, fluids with electrolytes (Gatorade), and vitamins.
 - Talk with family members and loved ones about how they would be cared for if they got sick, or what will be needed to care for them in your home.
 - Volunteer with local groups to prepare and assist with emergency response.
- To limit the spread of germs and prevent infection:
 - Teach your children to wash hands frequently with soap and water, and model the behavior for your children.
 - Teach your children to cover coughs and sneezes with tissues, not their hands.

Submitted by Mina L. Neuburger, RN
Community Health Nurse
PBP Family Health Center

In the following months I will be writing checklists and things to think about in case there is an occurrence of Pandemic Flu in our area. Please look these checklists over and be prepared. We all know that Pandemic Flu has been on the news a lot lately. Please understand that this is NOT the Bird Flu. This is a strain of flu virus that will be passed from human to human. The one thing about this strain is that it can cause devastating effects on the population. We all hope and pray that this will never occur, but it is always better to be prepared and hope that it never happens.

- Teach your children to stay away from others as much as possible if they are sick. Stay home from work and school if you are sick.
- Items to have on hand on an extended stay at home:
 - Ready to eat canned meats, fish, fruits, vegetables, beans, and soups
 - Protein or fruit bars
 - Dry cereal or granola
 - Peanut butter or nuts
 - Dried fruit
 - Crackers
 - Canned juices
 - Bottled water
 - Canner or jarred baby food and formula for babies
 - Pet food for your pets
 - Other nonperishable foods
 - Prescribed medical supplies such as glucose and blood-pressure monitoring equipment
 - Soap and water, or alcohol-based hand wash
 - Medicines for fever, such as Tylenol or Ibuprofen
 - Thermometer
 - Anti-diarrhea medication
 - Vitamins
 - Fluids with electrolytes
 - Cleansing soap
 - Flashlight
 - Extra batteries
 - Portable radio
 - Manual can opener
 - Garbage bags
 - Tissues, toilet paper, disposable diapers

Four Tribes Women's Wellness Coalition (FTWWC) Update

Submitted by Dee Ann DeRoin, MD, MPH

GAS COUPONS UPDATE

If you completed a health survey at the general council meeting on July 15, but are waiting for your \$10 gas coupon, the Four Tribes Women's Wellness Coalition (FTWWC) has requested the coupons and will be mailing them as soon as they arrive. You should receive them within the next month.

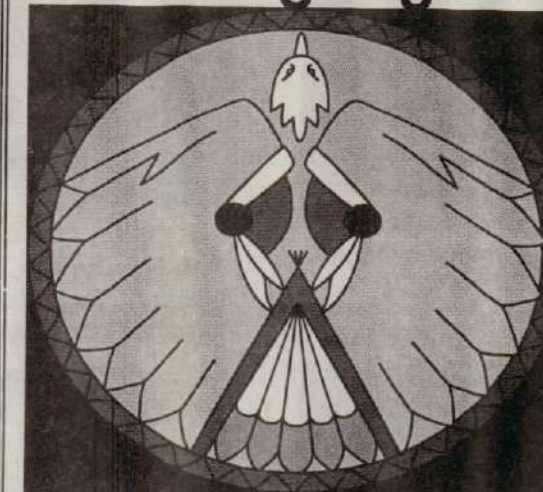
FTWWC SEEKS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Four Tribes Women's Wellness Coalition has received funding from the Sunflower Foundation to hire their first director. They are looking for an experienced administrator and grant-writer to set up their office, to oversee their current breast and cervical cancer prevention program, to complete the tribal health survey project, and expand into other health areas. This individual should have experience working in Native American communities, have at least a bachelor's degree, have excellent writing and public speaker skills, and have accomplished computer skills. Interested applicants should mail hard copies of their resumes to: FTWWC, PO Box 1123, Lawrence, KS 66044, to arrive no later than Sept. 8, 2006. For more information about the FTWWC visit the website: www.ftwwc.org

NEW OUTREACH EDUCATOR

The FTWWC announces a new breast and cervical cancer outreach educator, Susie "Nis" Wilbur. She started on August 8 and will be doing educational presentation on the early detection of breast cancer and how to prevent cervical cancer. She is able to speak to individuals as well as small or large groups. The Coalition is moving their office and as yet, does not yet have their new phone number. In the interim to contact Susie, go to the website: www.ftwwc.org and see the list of board of directors. Contact one of them to be put in touch with Susie.

DIABETES CONFERENCE Working Together for Balance



October 27-28
Harrah's Prairie Band Casino
Mayetta, KS

Workshops highlights:
 ♦ Cooking demonstration
 ♦ RezRobics
 ♦ Traditional eating strategies
 ♦ ABC's of Diabetes
 ♦ Sick day management
 ♦ Workshops for family members

For more information contact Sebe Masquat at (785) 364-2176 ext. 231

This conference is a cooperative effort of: Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, Kickapoo Tribe of Kansas, Haskell Health Center, Sac & Fox Tribe of Missouri. Major source of funding provided by Association on American Indian Affairs.



Thyroid Disease

By Terry L. Harter, MD
Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center
P. O. Box 190, Holton, KS 66436
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The thyroid gland is a butterfly shaped organ located in our neck just below the Adam's apple. The thyroid gland produces a hormone that helps to regulate our metabolism. If we have too much hormone our system overheats and we develop tremors, a rapid heart beat, and heat intolerance. If we have too little hormone our system becomes sluggish and we develop fatigue, cold intolerance, dry skin, brittle hair, and fluid retention. The thyroid gland requires iodine to make thyroid hormone. Iodine was added to table salt several years ago to help prevent thyroid deficiency.

The thyroid gland is controlled by the pituitary gland using a hormone named the Thyroid Stimulating Hormone or TSH. When the pituitary gland senses a low level of thyroid hormone it increases production of TSH. Conversely, when there is an excess of thyroid hormone the pituitary gland reduces or stops production of thyroid hormone. The laboratory can measure both the level of thyroid hormone and the level of TSH in the blood. It turns out that the level of TSH is the more sensitive indicator of the status of the thyroid gland so that a high level of TSH indicates a low level of thyroid hormone and a low level of TSH indicates an excess of thyroid hormone. Measuring the TSH level in the blood is the most frequently used method to test for thyroid disorders.

Low levels of thyroid hormone or hypothyroidism is by far the most common form of thyroid disease. This condition usually progresses slowly as the thyroid gland loses its ability to produce adequate hormone to meet the body's needs. Some people with hypothyroidism will be identified when blood tests are run to evaluate symptoms suggestive of low thyroid levels while others will be identified when the TSH blood test is run for routine health monitoring. Regardless of how it is identified, hypothyroidism is easily corrected with thyroid hormone replacement therapy. Typically this means tak-

ing one dose of thyroid hormone daily and then monitoring the thyroid levels. The thyroid gland rarely regains its ability to produce adequate levels of hormone so the need for replacement therapy is usually permanent.

Excessive levels of thyroid hormone or hyperthyroidism is not as common as hypothyroidism. Hyperthyroidism is most frequently caused by the immune system behaving badly. In the condition called Grave's Disease the immune system, for unknown reasons, begins producing a protein that acts just like the thyroid stimulating hormone. This protein is produced in large quantities and causes the thyroid to over produce thyroid hormone. Graves's disease can lead to serious and long term health consequences. Hashimoto's Disease is another cause of hyperthyroidism. In this condition the immune system attacks the thyroid gland. This attack causes inflammation of the thyroid gland and a temporary over production of thyroid hormone. Hyperthyroidism can usually be managed with medications but occasionally requires the surgical removal of the thyroid gland.

Enlargement of the thyroid gland with normal levels of thyroid hormone is called non-toxic goiter. Prior to iodine supplementation of table salt this condition used to be quite common. This condition can usually be controlled with medication but it can require surgical correction.

The thyroid gland is also susceptible to cancer. Thyroid cancers are relatively rare but potentially very dangerous. Therefore, any type of lump in the neck should be evaluated by a healthcare professional.

We are able to offer testing for and treatment of thyroid disease at the Health Center. If you have health concerns, please make an appointment to visit us.



Dr. Terry Harter



Recipe Corner

By Mary Young

Summer Harvest

Summer, what a special time of the year! It is a time to celebrate the arrival of various garden produce such as corn, cucumbers, zucchini, cantaloupe and tomatoes. Summer is the time to harvest your garden that took many hours to produce a bountiful crop. Summer is the time to plan trips to the farmers market or stop at the stands along the road and to especially share your special recipes with *Recipe Corner*.

Stuffed Zucchini

Submitted by Donna Brown

Place the zucchini in the microwave and heat for seven minutes until soft. Cut each in half (long ways) and scoop out the pulp and seeds and save it. In a medium bowl, combine the pulp and seeds, ground beef, onion, parsley, salt and pepper. In a small bowl combine beaten egg (crumbled bread and grated cheese). Add egg mixture, bread mixture to meat and mix well. Stuff each zucchini 1/2 full with mixture. Place zucchini in a shallow 3-quart dish and heat in microwave. In a medium bowl, combine the last ingredients and heat in the microwave for five minutes, sprinkle with cheese. Heat uncovered in microwave for five minutes more. It's better if you add tomato sauce on top. If you like, you can add tomato sauce to mixture either way, it's good!

Zucchini Meat Loaf

Submitted by Donna Brown

2 lb. ground beef
2 c. coarsely grated unpeeled zucchini
1 c. bread crumbs
1 tsp. Italian seasoning
1/2 c. grated Parmesan cheese
1 tbsp. chopped parsley
1 small onion, finely chopped
2 tsp. instant beef bouillon or 2 cubes, crushed and dissolved in 1 tsp. water
1/4 tsp. salt
1 c. milk
1 large egg, beaten
Combine all ingredients in a large bowl; mix thoroughly. Pack into casserole baking dish.

Bake at 350 degrees for 1-1/4 hours. If desired, garnish with zucchini slices sprinkled with paprika during the last 10 minutes of baking. Yield: 6 to 8 servings

Cheesy Zucchini

Submitted by Alfreda Young, courtesy of Milwaukee Public Library

1 tbsp. butter or margarine
3-4 small zucchini
1 tsp. dried basil
1 tsp. dried oregano
2 tomatoes, sliced
1/2 c. shredded Mozzarella cheese

Heat butter or margarine in skillet. Slice zucchini into rounds and add to butter. Toss 3 minutes over medium-high heat. Add basil and oregano, continue to toss and cook another few minutes until just tender. Place sliced tomatoes over zucchini, sprinkle on cheese, cover and heat until cheese is melted.

Pasta a la Woodward

Submitted by Alfreda Young, courtesy of Milwaukee Public Library

9 oz. Fettucine pasta
4 large, ripe tomatoes, peeled, peeled, seeded and chopped
1/2 c. pine nuts 3/4 c pesto sauce
1 c. chopped red onion 1 c. sliced mushrooms
5 oz. fresh spinach, washed, dried and chopped
Salt and freshly ground pepper
Freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Cook pasta. Drain and transfer to heated serving bowl. Add tomatoes, onion, and mushrooms, toss to mix. Add pesto. Add spinach and pine nuts and toss, working quickly so pasta stays hot. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve with grated Parmesan.

Hearty Corn Fritters

Submitted by Alfreda Young, courtesy of Milwaukee Public Library

1-1/2 c. flour 1/2 c. milk 1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. baking powder 1 large egg
1 tbsp. melted butter
Vegetable oil or clarified butter
Dash freshly ground pepper
2 c. fresh corn kernels, cooked

Sift together dry ingredients. Beat egg; combine with milk and butter and stir into dry ingredients. Add corn. Fry in oil or clarified butter until browned on both sides.

Seniors hold bake sale at the Firekeepers Elder Center



Fundraiser brings out the bakers at the center, l-r: Tutti Kern, Julia Lewis, and Bernadette Lewis show off the bakery that was selling fast. Photo by Mary Young



News from Wisconsin



Pictured are several elders who attended the PBPN community meeting in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. on June 17, l-r: Carol Snowball, 78, Lillian Kely, 90, Vera Denny, 85, Marion Perrote, 88, and Tom Kitchkumme, 80. The elders commented that it was good to learn about what is happening in Kan. They were especially pleased to learn more about the new health clinic, dental services, and education services. Overall, they thought the meeting went well. They had an opportunity to express their ideas and now say they will wait to see if any of those issues are addressed by Tribal Council.
Photo submitted by Joanne Arndt



At the June 17 meeting in Wisconsin Rapids, Casino Management Team member, Peggy Houston, center, met with visiting tribal members, l-r: Loyola (Lola) Jack, and from Milwaukee, Alfreda Young.
Photo submitted by Peggy Houston

Potawatomi Fire Keepers Elder Center
September 2006

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Closed Labor Day | Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potato & Gravy Green Beans Biscuit - Fruit Cocktail | Smothered Pork Chop with Apples and Cider Brown Rice Mixed Vegetables - Roll | Cheeseburgers Homestyle Fries Boston Baked Beans Broccoli & Ranch | Salmon Cakes Cornbread Stuffing Honey Glazed Carrots Crescent Rolls |
| BBQ Beef Sandwich Potato Salad Pickled Beets Blackbean Salad | Baked Ham Loaf Mashed Potato & Gravy Succotash - Corn Fritters Sweet Potato Rolls | Parmesan Chicken Buttered Egg Noodles Steamed Spinach Carrot Salad - Roll | Indian Tacos Chili Con Carne Brown Rice - Nachoes Tomato Salad - Salsa | Turkey Noodle Bake Zucchini & Tomato Garden Salad Sweet Potato Bread |
| Spaghetti & Meatballs Green Beans Salad - Cottage Cheese Garlic Bread | Butterflied Chicken with Gold Roasted Potato Steamed Broccoli Citrus Salad - Rolls | Pork Cutlet Sandwich Greenbean Potato Soup Cheese and Crackers Spinach Pasta Salad | Buffalo Wings Pork Fried Rice Squash Casserole Fruit Salad - Rolls | Baked Fish Stuffed Potato Broccoli Normandy Cole Slaw - Roll |
| Sliced Ham Scalloped Potatoes Corn on the Cob Sweet Potato Bread | Chicken Pot Pie Buttered Egg Noodles Steamed Carrots Chefs Salad | Turkey Terazzini Zucchini & Tomato 3 Bean Salad Cheesy Garlic Bread | Roast Beef Mashed Potato & Gravy Mixed Vegetable Casserole Fruit Salad - Rolls | Closed American Indian Day Fried Bologna Sandwich Macaroni & Cheese Creamed Peas Sliced Apples |

Lunch Hours 11:30-12:30
Menu Subject to Change.

Native Seniors 50+ Free
Adult \$3.50
Child \$2.50

Mayetta Pioneer Day
14th Annual Celebration
October 6 & 7

Kickoff supper and dance
on
Friday evening, October 6
6:00 pm barbeque supper
7:00 pm dance to "Highway 75" band
Both events to be held at the Mayetta Catholic Church hall

Celebration Day
on
Saturday, October 7
9:00 am to 7:00 pm - 14th Annual Celebration
on Main Street

2006 Senior Queen: Sarah Patterson, tribal member
Sponsored by Mayetta Pioneer Day Committee



Community

Prairie Band Potawatomi News

Youth News

Anthony Sandoval selected for Indian Youth Police Academy

Anthony Sandoval will attend the 6th Annual National Indian Youth Academy to be held from August 6-19 in Appleton, Wis.

The academy is designed to expose youth to a career in law enforcement and forensics work. Anthony said that among the things that he will do while at the academy is to take a field trip to a correction center and to also play in a basketball tournament.

He was recommended to the academy by Sam Grant, PBPB Chief of Police, for the all-expenses paid trip. Sam said, "When I met Anthony I thought he was a nice, level-headed young

man who would benefit from the youth academy." Sam also said that Anthony was one of sixty youth selected for the Academy.

Anthony is 14 years old and going to be in the 10th grade at Sherman Indian High School, Riverside, Calif. Academically he is involved in the gifted and talented program and active in sports including basketball, cross country and track. He also participates in music where he plays the piano.

When not in school he resides with his grandparents, Wesley and Maxine Begay on the reservation.



Congratulations to Nolan Pahmahmie who won a gold medal in golf in the 15 to 17 year old division of the Sunflower State Games



Michael Belair brought in the photograph, above, of a group of tribal youth and adults who were handfishing on the day that this photo was taken. Michael said that handfishing is a cultural tradition of the Potawatomi.



Charissa Jessepe wins gold in golf at Sunflower Games

by Carol Shopteese

One of the Prairie Band of Potawatomi's own shot a 92 on July 21 at the Sunflower State Games, which was good enough for a gold in the 15-17 year old girls division.

Charissa Jessepe was featured in the July 22 issue of the *Topeka Capital-Journal* that noted this was her first time competing in the Sunflower State Games. Charissa is a junior at Horton High School and has been practicing/competing most of the summer. She hopes to continue to reduce bad shots and miss fewer putts, which will make her more competitive at the varsity level.

She is coached by Scott Weller, PGA Professional, at the Cypress Ridge Golf Course in Topeka, Kan., whom is always available to her when she needs him. She recently competed in the Native American Indigenous Games in Denver, Colo., and placed 5th. She struggled all three days with bunkers and missed putts. She called Scott just prior to the third day of play to get advice on those ball eating bunkers! Charissa enjoyed meeting players from Canada, N. M., Okla., etc.

We parents, Kenneth Jessepe and myself, are proud of our daughter and her athletic abilities. We're most proud that Charissa perseveres even when she's "not have having a great day" of golfing--she's always finished a tournament. Please wish her luck if you see her--Charissa plans to continue to compete in golf tournaments here in Kansas and abroad when possible. She truly loves the challenge of golf!

Congratulations Amber Lynn Clark on graduating from Sherman (Texas) High School and good luck in obtaining a degree in elementary education in the future.

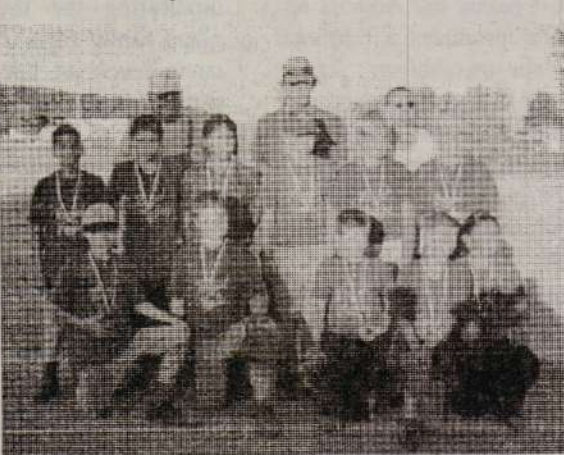
Your family & friends

parents, Anthony & Kimberly Clark and grandfather, the late Leroy Edward Clark



Little league teams place in Jefferson County tournament on July 23.

The Champs



Front row (l to r): Nathan Troxel, Ben Riffey, Shawn Woods, Dorian French, and Lance Wahquahboshkuk. Second row (l to r): Luis Ortiz, Nathan Goslin, Mucks Wahweotten, Tanner Ogden, Christian Matthews, Tristen Matthews. Back row: Roy Ogden, Justin Ogden and unidentified man.

Submitted by Charlie Seymour

Third place



Above are the Royal Valley Little League B2 Team above who took third place. Front row (l to r): Jacob Urton, Tony Estes, Tyler Bell, Wesley McClane. Second row (l to r): Hunter Rice, Kaleb McClane, Andy Stair, Shane Russell, Riley Sorden, Michael Houghtaline, Logan Boswell and back row (l to r): coaches Michael Boswell and Chris Decoteau. Not Pictured: Anthony Stollenberger.

Photo submitted by Anna Boswell

Santa Claus (an old Indian legend)

Written by Loyal Shegonee
Permission granted to reprint in the PBP News

For Beautiful Potawatomi Children
Everywhere...
"You better watch out,
You better not pout,
I'm telling you why,
Santa Claus is coming to town..."

Prelude

This Santa Claus story was told to me by an old Indian gentleman I met in Chicago, underneath the "El" tracks on the north side of the city, in the "Uptown Neighborhood"...we met on a dirty, dusty road running behind the many run-down apartment buildings and parallel to a very large cemetery...this road and the entire area was used as a dumping ground by the constantly shifting, ever mobile transient tenants...a million broken bottles, empty beer cans and tons of torn, blowing newspapers and magazines cluttered the area...over flowing dumpsters, abandoned cars, refrigerators and mattresses littered all the backyards and the streets...but it was pure heaven for the children...a little kingdom, their own small realm to rule...to play in...to explore...to enjoy, but to avoid when attacked by the alcoholic, drug addict armies that plundered through as conquering, heartless invaders...and yet, when the day waned, the moon came out and the place settled into night and all the harsh ugliness of daylight softened into soft shadows of moonlight, young lovers would emerge, to kiss, to hug and dream...of big cars, of huge homes, of beautiful, gorgeous daughters and genius sons and lives full of togetherness and romance...lives free from cares, troubles and worries...

But on this extremely hot day in August, when the hot dry air stifled your breath and there was no relief to be found anywhere from the heat, that was the first time I met my old Indian friend...we passed, then slowly came to a stop...we turned and faced each other and just stared...that first confrontation was awkward and uncomfortable...He avoided my eyes and quietly asked if I had any spare change...I fished my pockets then handed him some nickels, dimes and quarters...He glanced at me then quietly asked my name, my tribe, where I was coming from and where I was going...I didn't question him but it seemed as though I somehow already knew him...He wanted to talk, I only wanted to listen...He asked if I knew the real Santa Claus was in Indian...I told him no, but I was curious...and just why on such a very hot day would he men-

tion Santa Claus and Christmas? He asked, "Isn't the thought of cold wet snow and cool, clean fresh air obvious?" I chuckled and felt a bit more comfortable...I mentioned I met Santa once, as a small child and only briefly...I said Santa had his hat off and was drinking beer and eating fry bread at the kitchen table...that he kinda looked like my Uncle Henry...but I just couldn't remember much more...the old Indian's eyes twinkled and he chuckled...He touched my arm and steered me to a pile of old used tires under a little, scraggly tree, the only close shade on that dirty, dusty, cluttered road...we made ourselves comfortable...He holding his cane...Me holding my curiosity and he began his story...

His story

Many thousands of years ago, when the great glaciers started their slow northerly retreat and the New World continent began to thaw and gradually warm up, there arose the first and most advanced tribe of native people to ever populate the northern hemisphere...now native people have always been here and have been here since the dawn of time, that fact will be bourn out just as soon as the scientists begin looking in the right places, and these early people did not migrate from Asia or anywhere else as currently thought, that is a darn fact, and that is also another darn story, and over the ages, many great tribes have come and gone, but these were the true people, the original people, the true Father to all descending tribes of modern Indians...these were the mighty Mucca, Indians.

Over time, they came to be known simply as the Human Beings...now these early People were strong and fearless, up to a point...cruel and nasty in war, yet kind and generous to their conquered foes...intelligent, yet somewhat superstitious, in the cutest sort of way...and very, very spiritual...they also enjoyed life to the fullest...they would get down and boogie for any and all occasions...it didn't take much to get them into a partying frame of mind... "It's Miller Time!", was often heard around town... "Get down, Dude!" could be heard echoing from the Mosh Pit whenever a Fancy Dance Drum came to town...laughter and "getting down" was a great tonic and release for the harsh realities of daily living...

The Tribe was located in the north-west section of what has now become the

United States. The Mucca, were however, known throughout this infant, native land. The Tribe consisted of several satellite bands surrounding a main village of over a hundred thousand people...and these early people also had to contend with a Mother Earth struggling violently with birthing pains...not only did they have to put up with floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, droughts, volcanoes and a violently drifting continent, they had to endure some of the most horrendous weather conditions ever experienced by any early people anywhere...at times, the day started out a clear, bright, sun filled day, when suddenly, it would change to a dark, brooding, rain filled one...the skies would blacken immediately, bringing rain, snow and hail...the gale force winds would howl to tornado intensity, sounding like the wails and cries and screams of some lost souls...it seemed as if summer could change to winter almost instantly, and that's exactly what happened, over and over again... however, the Tribe did manage to survive, to prosper and to grow.

Now this legend took place during the late fall and early winter period of the year, during this turbulent era of geological history, and occurred during what has come to be known as the Christmas season.

The main character of this legend was old Santeh' Bear Claws, perhaps the earliest known outcast of the Tribe... perhaps the earliest known outcast of any Tribe...I personally think however, that it was just the naughtiness and the "little boy" in him just coming to the surface...Santeh' had once been a member of the Tribe's powerful Medicine Society, but due to some long forgotten rules infraction or perhaps the gross mismanagement of the powerful Society's monies, had been banished and driven out of the main village, as well as all the other satellite villages... He was even disowned by the huge Bear Clan and in time came to be known simply as Santeh' Claws...He lived alone some seventy odd miles from the nearest satellite band... several Young Bucks brave enough or perhaps, just foolish enough to follow him home once, stated that he scared the living heck out of them...Santeh' was still thought to possess powerful medicine and it was very true that he was a very frightening individual indeed.

Santeh' took up residence in a comfortable lean-to which he had built...he was even in the process of adding on a larger bed-

room and had recently completed drawing up plans for a spacious second floor with a full bath...Heaven knows he could sure use the extra space...He also built a magnificent corral for his team of domesticated elk...He had also crafted many odd sized cages for his many species of pets. The Young Bucks also reported that he made the greatest tasting maple sugar candy, beautiful hand carved knives, exquisite bone toys, brilliant stone trinkets, buckskin hats, shirts and leggings, all of which he used for bartering and trading...He had also constructed a large, comfortable, sturdy wooden sled for transporting himself and his stash of precious goods...Santeh' was also reported to be in constant communication with spirits and making medicine, but in reality, he was just a very lonesome old man simply muttering to himself as he went about his daily business...

Once or twice a year he would venture near to one of the satellite villages to barter, trade or steal if necessary, any supplies he might need...

He was tolerated but only on very rare occasions...most black market operations that flourished at that time weren't too particular with whom they did business, so old Santeh', after a bit of wheeling and dealing, usually got what he came for...

Santeh' would sneak into the village and if he was discovered, all the children screamed and fled in terror; the women threw rocks and stuck out their tongues; the men swore and turned their backs scornfully...if they didn't kill him out right, they sure made his stay pretty miserable...the livestock nervously stomped and whined and like all Indian villages everywhere, nearly every dog in town, chased and nipped at his heels, barking and howling and laughing all the while...they thought it was cute and pretty funny, especially the little bitty ones of the bunch, when they made a Human Being ["shi-shi"] in his pants... Yes, old Santeh' Claws was indeed the scourge of all the Indian villages and it was with good reason, with his long white hair, dirty gray beard, big red nose, strawberry stained shirt, (for he truly adored strawberries), his fur trimmed hat and boots and his smelly red blanket flung over his shoulders, he was really a scary, frightening sight to behold...but old Santeh' never seemed to really mind...he just basically longed and ached for any kind of contact with any of the Human Beings.

[Santa Claus (an old Indian Legend)
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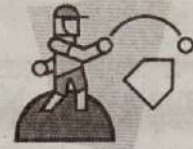
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Persons wishing to obtain a tribal hunting license born after Jan. 1, 1977 or a state hunting license if born after Jan. 1, 1957 are required to take and pass an approved Hunter Safety Education course like this one.

To register and for details call Herb Nance, Potawatomi Tribal Police Dept. at
(785) 966-3024 or (877) 727-6743
or email: hnance@pbpnation.org



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PBPN Wellness Center Diabetes Prevention Program
Women Slowpitch & Men Wooden Bat Softball Leagues

(Ball field located at the corner of K Rd. and 156th Lane)

Contact: Roy Spoonhunter
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Language Dept. notice

Due to popular demand the moccasin-making class is full and closed at this time. A waiting list for the next class is being taken with time and dates for another class to be announced later.

For details call
(785) 966 - 2138.

Wanted!

good used copy of
Gary Mitchell's book,
"Stories of the Potawatomi People."
It is out of print, but I am willing to pay
the original publication price.
Contact: Walt Racker 785-966-3938

3rd annual
Wahweotten
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September 17, 2006
2 p.m. - 8 p.m.
PBP Prairie Peoples Park

Bring family, spouses
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that you enjoy



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Iowa Tribe Pow-Wow

September 15-17

Iowa Reservation, White Cloud, KS

Our Lady of Snows Church
BAZAAR, DINNER & RAFFLE
Sunday, September 10, 2006

Mass @ 12:30 pm
Chicken Dinner @ 1:15 pm
Bazaar follows immediately

Raffle Prizes:

- Cash prizes: (4) \$50; (8) \$25; (10) \$20
- 32" Flat Screen TV
- (2) \$25 Wal-Mart Gift Cards
- Quilt, Comforter, Afghan, Beaded Lanyard

Donation 1 ticket/\$1.00 or Book of 7 tickets/\$5.00. For raffle tickets contact any church member or email: pbpsnewsrez@yahoo.com

"Winners need not be present" - Everyone Invited !!

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Area Churches

By Mary Young

Baptist

Bethany Baptist Church

821 New York Ave., Holton, KS (785) 364-4379

David Noland, Youth Sunday School Teacher,
preaches on months with five Sunday's.

Prairie Band Baptist Outreach

P. O. Box 206, Holton, KS 66436, Pastor Terry
Paine, (785) 364-4259

Catholic

Our Lady of the Snows Parish

5971 - 166th Rd, Mayetta, KS

Mass: 8:30 am on 1st, 3rd, and 4th Sundays
2 pm on 2nd Sundays

For additional information go to tribal website home page and click
on Our Lady of Snows icon.

Methodist

Pottawatomie United Methodist

On O Rd. between 142 and 150 Rd., Mayetta, KS
Rev. Howard Sudduth

Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Sunday school
10:30 a.m. Worship service

Pentecostal

Lakeview Faith Chapel

3-1/2 mi. south of Holton, KS on U.S. 75, Pastor
Steve Cappleman, (785) 364-2416

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school
10:15 a.m. Worship service
6:30 p.m. Youth group
6:30 p.m. Sunday evening worship
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible study

Potawatomi Pentecostal Church

4-1/2 mi. west on 134 Rd. from U.S. 75, Mayetta,
KS

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Sunday school
10:45 a.m. Worship service
7:00 p.m. Evening worship

Bethany Baptist Church Youth Director preaches Sunday sermon



On July 30, Bethany Baptist Church Youth Director, David Noland, spoke on five points taken from Psalm 1. David filled in for two weeks while Pastor Ron Sellens recuperated. David graduated in May 2001 and is a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. He is the son of Hedy and Jr. Noland.

Dear Christian Brothers and Sisters and Friends, All:

I trust you are all healthy, happy and thankful. Above everything, I hope you are rapture ready.

These words may be intense, but my friends, do not stick your head in the sand and act like what is happening is not happening and cannot affect you. I have studied Bible prophecy all my life, and I see the future coming in on us like a thunderstorm. If you are prepared, you don't need to be scared.

We are certainly seeing some tremendous events unfold around the world. The words of Jesus in Matthew 24:6 came to mind, "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars..." Jesus knew what He was talking about. You might take note, that when Jesus said these things He was in Israel. After suffering rocket attacks, suicide attacks, kidnappings, and murder of its civilians for years, after giving up land time and time again in hopes of peace, Israel is on the offensive. Israel is taking on the top terrorist group perhaps in the world. Hezbollah is backed by Syria and Iran. Iran has said that Israel might be destroyed, so Israel is fighting for its life.

There is no gray area here, or who the bad guys are, and who the good guys are. The good guys are Israel who does not want to destroy us or anybody who isn't trying to destroy them. Before Israel drops bombs, they drop leaflets USA style, to warn the people to flee.

Israel does not want to kill innocents. Hezbollah, on the other hand wants to destroy Israel and the U.S. - that's us! They don't warn anybody before they attack. They kill as many people as they can, women and children included. They even hide among civilians for their own protection, and so civilians will be killed when Hezbollah is attacked. This is a favorite tactic of terrorists all over the world who by the way, are all Muslims.

God is on the side of Israel, because God hates these "who shed innocent blood" (Proverbs 6:17). I am thankful that we are on the side of Israel. Remember, Israel is fighting Muslims, that's who attacked us on 9-11, and who we are now fighting in Afghanistan and Iraq.



Photo by Mary Young

Believe me, when I say that our countryside is as green as it is, and the corn is as tall as it is because of Christians that are praying, and a government that is on the side of Israel. We have prayed for rain and it rained. We need to pray for Israel. The enemy that Israel is fighting is our enemy, and more than that, remember what God told Abraham in Genesis 12:3: "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee." Live as righteously as you can - holiness is the best protection. Keep your eyes on the skies for He will come with clouds.

May God Bless You All.
Blessings! Pastor Steve Cappleman



Revival
September 20-23 at 7:00 p.m.
Rev. Danny Rogers
Potawatomi Pentecostal Church
4-1/2 mi. west on 134 Rd. from U.S. 75
More information: call (785) 966-2885
Refreshments follow

4th Annual Community Fall Festival

September 9, 4 pm-8 pm
Prairie Peoples Park

Games
Puppets
Indian tacos at 5:30 pm





Ganiñtèk (Those who are born)

Kyle David Hernandez



Born: May 14, 2006
Weight: 7 lbs., 5 oz.
Length: 20 1/2 in.
Parents: Mark Vincent Hernandez & Elizabeth Hernandez
Brother: Mark Allen

(Kyle is the great grandson of the late Carol Jean Marshno-Hernandez and the late Margaret Hernandez)

Lily Ann Youngbear



Born: July 31, 2006
Weight: 7 lbs. 6 oz.
Length: 20 1/2 in.
Parents: Jeff & Tina Youngbear
Sister: Skyla Jean

Congratulations on your new arrival!

Love,
Grandma Evie, Grandma Carla, and all your aunts, uncles and cousins

Noah James Hernandez



Born: July 20, 2006
Weight: 6 lbs.
Length: 18 1/2 in.
Parents: Billy Hernandez & Julie Allen
Grandparents: Tom & Loretta Hernandez & Rexanna Hernandez



Graduation congratulations

Misha



Michelle Simon graduated Summa Cum Laude from Washburn University with a Bachelor's Degree in Mass Media: Advertising and minor in Marketing

We are so PROUD of you!
From your family

Ashley Anne YoungBird



Graduated with honors (4.0 GPA) from Oklahoma University with a Master's Degree in Education/Curriculum & Supervision

Love,
your family

photo: Ashley with her husband

Kanibwèttèk (the one's that stood up together)

Floyd (Cha-Ga-Be) and Sara Slocum LaClair, Topeka, Kan. will celebrate their Silver anniversary on Sept. 12 with a card shower.

Send cards to:
3378 Fremont
Topeka, KS 66605

The couple was married Sept. 12 1981 at the Botanic Gardens Mansion in Ward-Meade Park



Thank you message

Thank you to Mayetta Oil Company, PBP Nation and Harrah's Prairie Band Casino for sponsoring a park bench for the beautification of Mayetta's Main Street Project.

The ladies of Auxiliary Unit 410 wish to thank the Charitable Contributions Committee for the \$500 sponsorship

-Judy Darnell

Justin R. Pahmahmie



Graduated Magna Cum Laude from Haskell Indian Nations University with an Associate's Degree. Justin also received an All-Conference Scholar Athlete Award in Golf and plans to attend the University of Kansas this fall.

Parents: Pamela & Richard Pahmahmie
Grandma: Marilyn Hale-Wakolee

Congratulations from your entire family!

Ttiwenmo eginigyèn (Happy day you were born)



Happy Birthday
to
Melissa Shinogee (left), 18, August 27
&
Tamara "Tomi" Pahmahmie (right), 17, August 21

Lovingly,
Grandma Num



Kamboñtèk (Those who died)

Joseph "Kiwehkum" Arnold

Joseph "Joe" L. "Kiwehkum" Arnold, 35, Mayetta, died July 18, 2006, at his home. He was born March 10, 1971, in Holton, the son of Lester and Wanda Carol Fitzsimmons Arnold. He lived in Mayetta all his life and graduated from Royal Valley High School in 1989. Mr. Arnold joined the U.S. Army in June 1989 and was promoted to a 1st Sergeant in the 101st Airborne Division. He had worked for Goodyear and had recently been working for Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. He was a member of We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410 in Mayetta, the Citizen Band Potawatomi Nation and Potawatomi United Methodist Church in Mayetta. He married Sherry Arnold Lopez on Dec. 21, 1991, in Mayetta. They divorced. Survivors include his father, Lester Arnold, Mayetta; his daughter, Jamie Lee Arnold, Hoyt; a grandfather, Joseph Fitzsimmons, Mayetta; two sisters, Laura Schreiber, Mayetta, and Elaine Dreasher, Hoyt; and two nephews, Curtis and Justen Dreasher, both of Hoyt. He was preceded in death by his mother, Wanda Carol Arnold, and his grandmother, Carol Ramage Fitzsimmons. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. July 22 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial will be in Holton Cemetery. Family will greet friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. July 21 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jamie Arnold Educational Fund, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. Online condolences may be sent to www.mercerfuneralhomes.com

Courtesy of Holton Recorder 7/19/06

Archie Eteeyan

Topeka—Archie Eteeyan, 84, of Topeka died Thursday, August 10, 2006 at Topeka Community Healthcare Center. He was born December 13, 1921 on the Potawatomi Reservation in Mayetta, the son of Steven and Birdie Inez Cunningham Eteeyan. Archie attended school in Genoa, NE before he enlisted in the United States Army. He was a paratrooper for the 82nd Airborne, #507 Combat Team during World War II. After five years in the engineer in construction. He May & Ransom Construction. Catholic Church in Mayetta, Engineers Local #101 in volunteered at the V.A. Hospital in 1945 in Topeka. She by an adopted daughter Pearl Eteeyan, Sr., Joe Eteeyan and John Eteeyan, Sr. and Jimmy Rose Pahmahmie Patterson of yetta; several grandchildren be 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Monday evening, August 14, 2006 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton, Kansas. He will lie in state beginning Friday evening until visitation time. Cremation is planned after the visitation. A memorial service will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 16, 2006 at the Shipshew Cemetery. Online condolences are available at www.mercerfuneralhome.com.



Courtesy of Mercer Funeral Home

Happy 91st Birthday



Wesley Wishkeno
on
August 9



Love, always,

Your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, adopted children, sisters, nieces/nephews, and the Valencia community

Happy 20th Birthday

Charlie Frapp Ortega
on
September 10
son of Shirley Jacobson
&
Roger Ortega

Love,
Nanny & Uncle



Happy Birthday, Mark Allen Hernandez



5 years old,
September 21

From:
grandmother
Jean Marie
Hernandez

(Great Grandson of the late Carol Jean Marshno-Hernandez and the late Margaret Hernandez)



Happy Birthday!!
Arizona "Kwisnoque"
Clement-Thomas
August 16th