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A Report to the People of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

Latane Donelin Receives the *First* EPA Tribal Partnership Award and Awarded a Grant to Continue Project

By Mary Young

June 11, 2003 was the day Latane Donelin received and accepted "the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) First Tribal Partnership Award for national and regional leadership in raising awareness of environmental issues in Indian Country." The Region VII America the Beautiful Awards Recognition Ceremony was held at the Reardon Civic Center, in Kansas City, KS.

During the ceremony, the following notice was announced: "Latane was again successful in stiff regional competition for a \$40,000 grant to continue her work on the Tribe's integrated Environmental Management Center."

Haskell Indian Nations University (see photo) Tribal Training Team was honored in the 2002 Regional Awards Recipients category for the Tribal Partnership Award. The team was recognized for "outstanding development and presentation of training on working effectively with Tribal Governments." Elizabeth Wendt was the coordinator with the following team members: Wolfgang Brandner, Curtis Francisco, Secody Hubbard, Jane Kloeckner, Emajo Mayberry, Kim Olson, Judith Robinson, and Damon Williams.

Press Release

May 22, 2003

Office of the EPA Regional Administrator

Nomination of Latane Donelin for
EPA Partnership Award

Purpose: Recognizes an individual, team, local entity, state agency, non-profit group or private company who has significantly contributed to the advancement of the goal of protection of public health and the environment. This award is limited to external recipients.

Latane Donelin is the Director of Planning & Environmental Protection for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. She has been an extraordinary environmental champion for both the Prairie Band and the First Nations located in Region 7. Her unique background (degrees in Environmental Planning and Landscape Architecture) gives her the tools to harmoniously link air, water, wastewater and solid waste programs. She has developed effective connections with numerous federal, state and local

agencies to advance environmental conditions on the Potawatomi Reservation. Her constructive, national leadership efforts have helped raise the awareness environmental issues in Indian Country. Ms. Donelin's 2002 accomplishments are but a set of bright milestones in a distinguished public service career. Ms. Donelin is an environmental champion.

Undertakes a significant action that resulted in a positive public health or environmental improvement

Ms. Donelin was instrumental in the construction and completion of the Potawatomi's new sewage treatment plant. She was able to obtain resources to replace the sewage lagoons. These lagoons were not providing adequate protection with a burgeoning population. The new treatment plant allows for continued growth in the Reservation population. The sludge from the plant will be used in composting operations at the integrated Environmental Management Center (currently in development). The surface waters will be protected from inadequately treated sewage effluent. The general population will be assured that they have adequate surface, water and health protection. The Tribe's cultural uses of the surface waters are also protected.

In working with Kansas State University and the National Trust for Historic Places, Ms. Donelin has been able to use her professional planning skills to develop a model to help other Tribes with comprehensive (housing, transportation, infrastructure, etc.) planning. In cooperation with the aforementioned partners, Mni Sose and Haskell [Indian Nations] University, Ms. Donelin lead the Tribes in Region 7 to develop comprehensive land use plans that will enhance each individual Tribe's environmental protection and economic development. She is a lead participant in the ongoing development of master plans for the Potawatomi Reservation.

Demonstrated extraordinary cooperation working with any regional employee, team or program in the implementing of an environmental program, rule-making or other relevant activity

Through Ms. Donelin's leadership, the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation was the first Region 7 Tribe to enter into Emergency Mutual Aid Coordi-

(Continued on page 3 EPA)



Latane Donelin accepting the EPA Award from Jim Gulliford, Regional Administrator and William W. Rice, Deputy Regional Administrator at the Region VII America the Beautiful Awards Recognition Ceremony held at the Jack Reardon Center, Kansas City, KS. (Photo by PBP News)

KDOT Selects Road and Bridge for Funding

By Mary Young

Road and Bridge has been awarded funding to complete Phase II and III of the bike and pedestrian trail that is part of the Transportation Enhancement Project. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$440,000 with 80 percent pro-rata or \$352,000 from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT); the tribe is responsible for 20 percent or \$88,000.

As reported in the *PBP News* May 2003 issue, funding for Phase I was "denied last year because our tribe was not recognized as a tax leveling entity, although the tribal gas tax is used for road maintenance of reservation roads. Tribes are eligible under federal statutes so we reapplied for Phase II and Phase III through the recognized Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) at Horton Agency," stated Tim Ramirez.

According to the Secretary of Transportation correspondence of May 16, 2003, "The BIA, Horton Agency, is responsible for all preliminary engineer-

ing expenses, which includes plan preparation and specifications and associated costs. The BIA is also responsible for any expenses that the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) incurs for plan review and development and construction engineering expenses, which will be included in the final billing of project."

BIA had until June 16, 2003 to sign and return a concurrence document to assure KDOT that this project would follow all guidelines and procedures of the proposed funding arrangement.

The Secretary of Transportation correspondence further stated, "Kansas' TE program is a model for the nation because of the process KDOT has developed to ensure that the dollars flow to local communities. Through the years, the program has helped fund many worthwhile local projects, which have significantly enhanced the quality of life in communities all across the state. Again, congratulations."

Tim Ramirez testified, in Wichita, the funding was meant for the local community. The trail plan does meet the American Disability Act requirements; grades will be 5 percent max.

The new bike and pedestrian trail will promote safety as well as a healthy life style and will definitely be utilized by the community.



Sprint and PBP sign contract to enhance coverage on the reservation. (L-R): Scott Cocks, Zach Pahmahmie, Tribal Chair, Ray Medlock, Jerry Shlossman, and Ben Joslin, IT Director. (PBP News photo)

More Coverage on the Reservation: Sprint and PBP Sign Agreement

Sprint has entered into an agreement with the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation that includes a 500 line, 3-year NVP and a shared agreement to provide additional cell phone coverage for the reservation.

Under the authorization of the Tribal Council, a new tower was erected on the reservation at 158th and K Road upon which Sprint PCS will install additional radio equipment. This joint effort will expand the current service area for all of the reservation's residents and employees. In addition to a

large number of voice users, Sprint's wireless data capabilities can be used by many residents for Internet access; providing speeds up to 3-5 times faster than existing dial up connections.

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We're looking forward to having this service completed in the next couple of months.



What looks like a pyramid driving north on K and 158th Road is actually 4,350 tons of AB-3 base rock to be used for the PBP bike and pedestrian trail. The new Sprint tower stands between 190-195 ft. and is located in the vicinity of the base rock. (Photo by PBP News Staff)

Medical Emergency

By Mary Young

Quick thinking and proper training saved an individual who was experiencing a cardiac emergency on 150 and Q Road on Saturday, July 15, 2003. About 9:00 pm, Police Officers Robert Neill and Matt Johnson responded to a call for assistance. Upon arrival, the Officers immediately began to monitor the driver's breathing when the driver vomited, not a good sign; the person stopped breathing and the pulse was lost. Officer Neill and Johnson extracted the driver out of the car and began to apply CPR, resuscitating the individual. Although the task was unpleasant, the Officers performed a life-saving maneuver within three minutes before the Tribal EMT's arrived.

In the last report, the driver was expected to survive. Chief Terry Scott said, "We often catch 'it' for the things we do; sometime, we are kinda handy to have around."

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Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation
General Council Meeting
Saturday, July 19, 2003
BBPN Bingo Hall
16277 Q Road Mayetta, Kansas 66509
Agenda

1. Registration 8:00 a.m.
2. Call to Order at 9:00 a.m.
3. Invocation
4. Approval of Agenda-Tribal Chair Zach Pahmahmie
5. Approval of April 26, 2003 General Council Meeting Minutes-Secretary Steve Ortiz
6. Treasurer Report-Treasurer Jim Potter
 - [a] Approval of 1st Quarter 2003 Financial Report
 - [b] Presentation of 2nd Quarter 2003 Financial Report
 - [c] Legacy Wealth Update Presentation
 - [d] Minors Trust Fund Presentation
7. Old Business:
 - [a] Senior Center – Wynona Wahweotten, Director Constitutional
8. New Business
 - [a] BBPN Student Services Plan Renewal-Sharon McClane, Director
 - [b] BBPN Ethics Commission- Dale Delg
 - [c] BPP Resolution 2001-061- Dale Delg
 - [d] Monthly Per Capita Payments- Dale Delg
 - [e] Tribal Sovereignty Position Initiative- Dale Delg
 - [f] Constitutional Amendment to change Section 6, subsection 4 on eligibility- Dale Delg
 - [g] Request for Referendum on 638 by “Nish-na-bek” for Fair Government Practices
 - [h] 2002 Annual Program Reports – Handout

9. Adjournment



Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation
General Council Meeting Minutes
Saturday, April 26, 2003
BBPN Bingo Hall

Dear General Council Member,

The following report is a summary of the minutes for the April 26, 2003 General Council Meeting prepared by the Secretary's Office. Joyce E. Lederer, Certified Shorthand Reporter recorded the minutes of the April 26, 2003 General Council Meeting. The minutes consisted of 220 pages and are available by contacting the Secretary's Office at the following toll free number 1-877-715-6789 ext. 4014 and providing proof of membership with the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. The minutes are intended for use by enrolled members only and are not meant for publication in any form of media with out written consent from the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Council. The minutes are available via e-mail (secretary@pbpnation.org) upon proof of membership. Please submit any corrections to the minutes by July 10, 2003.

Megwich"

Steve Ortiz (Monwa'), Secretary

Registration started @ 8:00 a.m. Tribal Chairman Zach Pahmahmie calls meeting to order @ 9:00 a.m. on Saturday April 26, 2003 with a quorum count of 148. A total of 341 Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Members signed in for the day. Tribal Council attendees are: Tribal Chair Zach Pahmahmie, Vice Chair Gary Mitchell, Secretary Steve Ortiz, Treasurer Jim Potter, Council Member Jackie Mitchell, Council Member Rey Kitchumme, and Council Member Roy Ogden. Invocation given by Vice-Chairman Gary Mitchell. Tribal Chair Zach Pahmahmie welcomes General Council membership and calls for approval of Agenda.

1. Marilyn- Hale Wakolee makes a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Report on the Bingo Hall and Elder Center. Motion 2nd by Mary Young. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
112 For/ Opposed 0 Motion Carried
2. Vestina Nonken makes a motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2003 General Council Meeting. Motion 2nd by Marilyn- Hale Wakolee. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
109 For/ Opposed 0 Motion Carried
3. Dale Delg makes a motion to suspend the rules and add to the July 2003 General Council meeting agenda items ethics commission, resolution 2001-061, monthly per capita payments, Tribal Sovereignty position initiative, and amendment to the Constitution section 6, subsection 4 on eligibility. Motion 2nd by Mamie Rupnicki. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
68 For/ Opposed 18 Motion Carried
4. Mamie Rupnicki Makes a motion that the Bingo Hall and Nation Station be ran for a profit. Motion 2nd by Dale Delg. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. During discussion Gift Shop is excluded from this motion. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
160 For/ Opposed 3 Motion Carried
5. Angie Wahweotten makes a motion that Tribal Council look at Ralph Simon's position and makes corrections that are equivalent to his education and his capabilities and that if we need a tribal attorney that we get one, one that has passed the bar. Motion 2nd by Dale Delg. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
177 For/ Opposed 5 Motion Carried
6. Vestina Nonken makes a motion to approve the Fourth Quarter 2002 Financial Report. Motion 2nd by Irene Henninger. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
149 For/ Opposed 1 Motion Carried
7. Arlene Wahwasuck makes a motion that Mr. Potter takes no more than 20 minutes for this report on the Treasurer's Report. Motion 2nd by Dale Delg. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
96 For/ Opposed 3 Motion Carried
8. Mildred Rohr makes a motion that Legacy Wealth come in person before the General Council in July 2003 General Council Meeting. Motion 2nd by Irene Henninger. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
110 For/ Opposed 1 Motion Carried

Quorum Count 292 @ 10:44 a.m.

9. Arlene Wahwasuck makes a motion to approve the 2003 Charitable Contributions Guidelines with amendments of item 17 distributions to occur 4 times a year (January, April, July, October) and item 25 local news media will be invited to charitable funds distribution and a report will be given within three months. Motion 2nd by Mildred Rohr. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
184 For/ Opposed 0 Motion Carried

10. Tribal Chair Zach Pahmahmie requests nominations to fill 5th vacancy seat on the Charitable Contributions Committee. Nominations submitted were **Wanda Treinen, Robin Guerrero, and Monique Cox**. Charitable Contribution Committee will follow guidelines and return to the July 2003 General Council Meeting with a recommendation to the General Council to fill the fifth vacancy seat.

11. Pamela Pahmahmie makes a motion to approve 2003 Housing Tax Credit Plan. Motion 2nd by Laverne Hale. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
163 For/ Opposed 7 Motion Carried

12. Arlene Wahwasuck makes a motion that the Prairie Band Potawatomi nation provide healthcare through public law 638 Compacting beginning in fiscal year 2004. Motion 2nd by Camilla Chouteau. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. During Discussion Arlene Wahwasuck calls for the Question to end discussion. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the vote on "Call for the Question".
137 For/ Opposed 5 Motion Carried

Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the vote on original motion to approve compacting healthcare services for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation starting October 2003 (Government fiscal year 2004). Motion 2nd by Camilla Chouteau. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
119 For/ Opposed 20 Motion Carried

13. Arlene Wahwasuck makes a motion that the Tribal Council takes action to build and equip a healthcare facility using the \$6 million dollars set aside. Motion 2nd by Vestina Nonken. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. During Discussion Vestina Nonken calls for the Question to end discussion. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the vote on "Call for the Question".
119 For/ Opposed 0 Motion Carried

Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the vote on original motion that the Tribal Council take action to build and equip a healthcare facility using the \$6 million dollars set aside. Motion 2nd by Vestina Nonken. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the vote.
99 For/ Opposed 2 Motion Carried

14. Arlene Wahwasuck makes a motion that the Tribal Council takes action to include Shawnee County as part of the Holton Indian Health Service Unit. Motion 2nd by Dale Delg. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for the Vote.
112 For/ Opposed 0 Motion Carried

15. Patrick Browne Vice-President/General Manager Harrah Entertainment Inc. gave a Financial, Human Resources, Slots at Kansas H/D Tracks and Casino Expansion update on Harrah Prairie Band Casino. **No Vote Taken**
16. Marilyn Hale-Wakolee makes a motion that a report on the Elder Center is given by the Director at the July 2003 General Council meeting and a Seniors Committee update be given. Motion 2nd by Angie Wahweotten. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for discussion. Discussion held. Tribal Chair (ZP) calls for **Quorum Count**.
Quorum Count 60 @ 4:15 p.m. No Vote Taken.

17. **Meeting Adjourned @ 4:15 p.m. due to lost of Quorum.**

MANNING PROSSER WILBERT SELECTED TO BUILD EXPANSION

By Randy Conroy

The construction firm, Manning Prosser Wilbert, from Olathe Kansas has been selected to be the General Contractor for the Harrah's Prairie Band Casino Hotel and Event Center Expansion approved by General Council in July 2002. Manning Prosser Wilbert ("MPW") was the low bidder on the project. After extensive review of their proposal to ensure all aspects of the job are included in their fixed price bid and after a thorough background and references check, the Expansion Development team recommended MPW to the Tribal Council for final approval. The Tribal Council agreed with the recommendation and on June 4, 2003 approved MPW as the project General Contractor.

MPW was formed in 1995. The company has completed numerous commercial projects similar to the size and scope of the Hotel and Event Center Expansion. In 2001, MPW received two "Excellence in Construction" awards for work done on a religious church/education center and a Locomotive Maintenance Facility for GE Transportation Systems. MPW's local ties and understanding of regional weather related issues were thought to be critical in the eventual success of the project.

Construction commenced immediately after MPW's contract with the Nation was signed. Since the hotel and event center will displace roughly half the parking spots available for casino patrons, the first issue to overcome is building new parking lots. Two new paved areas have been created and an overflow gravel lot has been formed. These new areas are a considerable distance from the entryway so a shuttle system is in place to minimize the disruption.

According to MPW, the hotel is the most critical project to get underway immediately. The construction schedule calls for the hotel roof and walls to be built prior to winter. If this occurs, the potential for weather related delay is reduced. The construction target completion date is August 16, 2004.

The Tribal Council remains adamant that tribal contractors and laborers be offered a chance to participate on the project. MPW has compiled a listing of all tribal laborers and contractors (those who contacted Harrah's and submitted their credentials) and will be contacting all interested parties to see how they can be put to work. MPW will also be conducting a job fair for the community from 10 am-3 pm on July 17th at the Bingo Hall. All tribal affiliated firms or individuals interested in working on the project are encouraged to attend the job fair.

KSU REPORT SHOWS HARRAH'S PRAIRIE BAND CASINO MAKING LARGE IMPACT TO LOCAL ECONOMY

By Randy Conroy

Kansas State University PhD David Darling has completed a follow up report to the Tribal Council analyzing the local financial impact of the Nation's Harrah's Prairie Band Casino. Dr. Darling, along with colleague Mark Seitz, examined statistical data gathered by the State of Kansas and conducted interviews at the casino in order to compile their findings. The key question to be addressed was, "Is the casino making a positive financial impact to the local economies? And if so, to what extent?" The time period for the study was 1996-2001.

Dr. Darling conducted a similar study in 2001. His initial findings confirmed that indeed the casino was beginning to generate a strong economic stimulus for Jackson and Shawnee Counties. The magnitude of the impact in the 2001 study was not nearly as substantial as it is today. This conclusion makes sense as the casino's revenues and tribal distributions have increased steadily.

A critical component of how casino business impacts the local economies is the concept of a "multiplier". As wages are paid to casino employees, money is then spent at local businesses such as grocery stores, video rentals, etc. A portion of that money is then paid to grocery store employees and video rental clerks. They, in turn, spend the money elsewhere in the local economy. Actual wages paid at the casino are "multiplied" throughout the local economy. Thus revenues earned at the casino have a dramatic impact to the local economies. Contrastingly, a company that does not have a large number of local employees, or that does not buy supplies locally, would not make as much impact to the local economy.

Study Conclusions:

- Job Growth in Jackson County, KS has grown twice as fast as the "average" Kansas county. This growth is primarily attributable to the casino.
- Personal income in Jackson County compared favorably to the nearby counties (Osage, Brown, Nemaha). Again, the primary factor leading to the increase is the casino.
- Average Annual wage growth in Jackson County easily outpaced State averages. Wages increased 6.3% annually during the study period of 1996-2001.
- Assessed property valuation growth in Jackson County are nearly identical to the rest of the State.
- The annual population growth in Jackson County was 1.24%. This was dramatically higher than the State (.73%) and Shawnee and Osage Counties (.14%). More job opportunities on or near the Reservation are the primary reason for this disparity.

The Darling report is somewhat limited in that it only considered the financial impact of the Nation's casino operation to the local economy. Obviously, tribal distributions are also reinvested into the local economy (government operations, per caps, etc.). The study clearly demonstrates that the Nation's casino is the leading stimulus to the local economy.

Building Futures Today: Reading a Newspaper Market Table

By Donica Nanez

One of the most important things to watch for is the Hi-Lo and the Close for the day. It'll show you how your investment is performing. Unless your company is going through bankruptcy, has some major financial woes or it has bottomed out on the market, then don't worry about it too much because there will be plenty of fluctuation going on in the market. Since the market is driven by current events (the latest scandals), and the state of the government, it will go up and down slightly everyday.

The following is a graph of a stock table, courtesy of Ameritrade Financial Company:

Generic Stock Table									
Monday, August 23, 1999									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
52 Weeks									
HI - LO	SYM	DIV	VOL	YLD	PE	HI - LO	CLOSE	NET CHG	
47 - 37	Z	2.30	335	5	10	43 - 40	42 3/8	+1	

- (1) **Hi-Lo.** The first column is the highest and lowest prices at which the stock traded in the past year (52 weeks). In our example, the highest price was \$47 and the lowest was \$37.
- (2) **Company Symbol.** This is the the symbol of the company. In our case, it is "Z." This symbol is referred to as the company's "ticker symbol."
- (3) **Dividends.** Dividends are the amount a company pays to its stockholders. The third column is the annual dividend paid per share. In our example, it is \$2.30.
- (4) **Volume.** This column lists the volume of shares (in hundreds) that were traded that day. In our example, on August 23, 1999, 33,500 shares were traded by Z.
- (5) **The YLD column** approximates the dividend yield. The dividend yield is the current return on invested capital.
- (7) **Hi-Lo,** represents the highest and lowest prices at which trades were completed during the trading day.
- (8) **Close,** is the last price at which a trade was made during the trading day. In our example it is \$42 3/8 (\$42.375).
- (9) Finally, the ninth column of the table, titled **Net Chg**, stands for the change between the closing price for the previous day and the current day. The net change is measured in dollar value.

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Court of Appeals Judges Make Appearance

By Mary Young

It's not very often PBPB's three justices appear at Tribal Court at one time; in fact, this is the second instance since 1999. As a judge for the Court of Appeals, all three judges "jointly hear any appeal from the decisions of the trial court." John Wabaunsee, Chief Justice, Francis Skenandore, Associate Justice, and Joe Young, Associate Justice arrived to hear an appeal on Friday, July 11, 2003. All three judges reside and work in Wisconsin.

The following is taken from the Courts brochure:

The Tribal District Court of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation serves the residents of the Potawatomi Reservation, located west of Mayetta, Kansas, and approximately 20 minutes north of Topeka.

The Court building includes a Courtroom, Judicial Administrator's Office, Clerk of Court's Office, Judge's Chambers, a small conference room and a handicap accessible restroom.

Jurisdiction

Each case filed into the Court has its own facts that can change how the law is applied to the case. Thus, any short narrative cannot give all the legal possibilities. However, the beginning point of a court's power is its jurisdiction. Jurisdiction means a court's authority to act on and control cases and people that come before it.

The jurisdiction of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal District Court extends to people and activities found within "Indian Country" of the Prairie Band Potawatomi. The term "Indian Country" is defined by federal law in 18 United States Code, §1151. Section 1151 includes reservation land; tribal and individual trust lands and dependent Indian communities.

In civil matters that involve a Tribal member on the Reservation, the Tribal court's jurisdiction is exclusive. That is, the Tribal Court must hear the case first, and the state court is without authority to hear the matter. Even when non-Indians are involved, if the case arises on trust land within the Reservation,

the Tribal Court is likely the court of primary jurisdiction.

Additionally, regardless of whether the case arises on trust land of the Reservation, if the case involves a sufficient tribal government interest, the Tribal Court again may have primary jurisdiction.

As to cases involving Potawatomi children on the Reservation, the Tribal Court has exclusive jurisdiction. The federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) also allows the Court to assume juvenile jurisdiction over other Potawatomi children's cases arising in courts off the Reservation when transferred to the Tribal Court pursuant to the ICWA.

The Tribe has enacted a Law and Order Code consisting of 21 titles that are the governing law on many subjects, such as crimes, motor vehicle, and family codes.

Procedure

The Potawatomi Tribal Court consists of a trial level District Court and a Court of Appeals. The procedure and regulations that the Courts follow are codified, that is, the rules are written down. While much of the procedure resembles that used by state and federal courts, the code also recognizes tribal custom and traditions as an important part of its source of law, just as state and federal courts rely upon the Anglo-American common law. The Clerk of Court's office has a copy of the Tribal Law and Order Codes for review by any party that has questions as to the Tribal law.

The court has available to tribal members and pro se litigants a Legal Advocate to answer questions and advise them regarding legal issues. The court clerks are not attorneys and are not permitted to provide legal assistance.

Judges of the District Court and Court of Appeals

The Tribal District Court has one administrative Judge and two special Judges that conduct trials, hearings, and all initial matters filed into the Court.

The Court of Appeals has three judges, who jointly hear any appeal from the decisions of the trial court.



(L—R): PBPB Justices Francis Skenandore, John Wabaunsee, and Joe Young presiding at Tribal Court on July 11, 2003
(Photo by PBP News Staff)

The six judges are members of the Potawatomi or other tribes. All judges are familiar with Potawatomi history and traditions and knowledgeable of Tribal legal procedure and Tribal common law. All of the judges are well versed in federal legal procedure.

Court personnel

Court personnel consist of a Judicial Administrator, Court Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Prosecutor and a Legal Advocate.

The Tribal District Court office can be contacted by:

Phone: 785 966-2242 or (toll free) 866 966-2242

Fax: 785/966-2662

E-mail: tribalcourt@pbpnation.org

Office hours are from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, and closed holidays. Tribal Court is located at 15498 K Road, Mayetta, KS 66509-9093.

American Legion Auxiliary

PBPB women interested in forming an American Legion Auxiliary met July 14, 2003, at the We-Ta-Se Building. Sharon Spiker, 1st District VP Unit 282 of Wetmore, KS, was there to help the process get started, one draw back, five women showed up but ten members are required to form a group. Currently, the five women are busily and actively recruiting for the next meeting to be held on July 21st. The American Legion Post 410 saw what the Kickapoo ladies were doing with their group and wanted to start a group over a year ago. For more information, We-Ta-Se can be contacted at (785) 966-2580. (Front Row, L-R): Juanita Jessepe, Micki Martinez, Marilyn Brewer, Sharon Spiker, Brenda Darnall. Back Row: Mary Young. (Photo by PBP News Staff)



Haskell Indian Nations University Tribal Training Team honored in the EPA 2002 Regional Awards Recipients category. Jim Gulliford, EPA Regional Administrator is at the far right. Photo by PBP News Staff

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nation amongst the federal, state and local governments. This is both a critical matter for protection of human health and also a challenge with respect to protecting Tribal sovereignty. Ms. Donelin's patience and skillful management of these issues produced agreements that will provide for adequate resources to protect the people and environment in the vicinity of northeastern Kansas.

Served on a task force, committee, or group that has provided valuable input to the region on an issue, project or other relevant activity

Ms. Donelin has consistently gone beyond the scope of her job obligations to provide regional and national leadership. She has been a very active, constructive member of the Regional Operations Committee, officer of the national Tribal Operations Committee and ensures her staff's participation in the Board of the Tribal Association on Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

She is tireless in her efforts to build the environmental management capacity of the First Nations. She works to ensure cultural matters receive special attention and respect. She advises the EPA on these particular cultural efforts through her participation and leadership in EPA's Data Standards Council and Environmental Indicators Work Group. Ms. Donelin works very hard to build the capability of Tribal members. She actively supports, encourages and mentors Tribal members to become

stronger environmental managers. She supports and encourages staff members to further their professional environmental education. She promotes staff members and fellow Tribal professionals (from other Tribes) to take on regional and national leadership roles in environmental management workgroups.

Ms. Donelin is routinely called upon to share her expertise. In 2002, she presented environmental issues at the Governor's Intra-state Indian Council Workshop. She also presented at EPA's Tribal Enforcement Conference on the topic of "Tribal Environmental Offices in the 21st Century."

Provided extraordinary assistance in carrying out a specific project, program, or activity related to the regional mission

Ms. Donelin is a national innovations pioneer. Amidst fierce national grant competition, her proposal for an integrated Environmental Management Center was selected as one of twelve national projects (OSWER Innovations Initiative). In this project, she has met all three of the regional priorities -- protecting sensitive populations, critical ecosystems and agricultural issues. Her proposal links water quality, recycling, waste diversion, household hazardous waste management, green building practices, composting and forestry. She is building community connections amongst residents, businesses and local governments to provide better environmental management and a higher quality of life for the residents (Native and non-Native) on the Potawatomi Reservation.



JACKSON COUNTY POW – WOW

HOST: JACKSON POW-WOW COMMITTEE
CO-HOST: WICHITA INTERTRIBAL SOCIETY

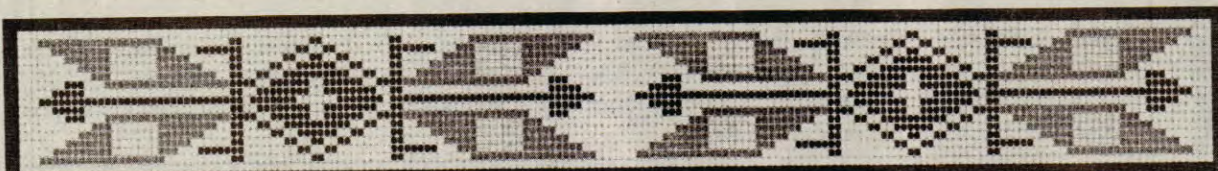
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HEAD GOURD DANCER	CHARLIE HARJO
HEAD SOUTHERN SINGER	CY AHTONE
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MASTER OF CEREMONIES	JIM MCKINNEY

SAT. 13	GOURD DANCE	12:00 AND 6:30 PM
	GRAND ENTRY	3:00 AND 8:00 PM
	SUPPER BREAK	5:00 PM

SUN. 14	ALL FAITHS CHURCH SVS	9:30 AM
	GOURD DANCE	12:00 PM
	GRAND ENTRY	2:00 PM

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PBPN Elder Center Site for Operation Walking Shield Dental Mission

By Mary Young

During the time period, June 15 – 25, 2003, the PBPN Elder Center was the site for U.S. Army dental equipment and 16 soldiers, members of the U.S. Army Reserve 912th Medical Company (Dental Services). This particular group of soldiers is also a part of the 89th RRC, a four state command that encompasses Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, and Nebraska, and a part of Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) and Operation Walking Shield Dental Mission. This was the first unit to bring in and set up their own field equipment in a site that was provided and accomplish what they set out to do, training in setting up "Army" equipment. And during this mission, the U.S. Army Reserve Command Dental Surgeon, Col. Loren Christensen, visited the site for several days; he is the head dentist for U.S. Army Reserves.

For two weeks, these dentists took time as a part of their 2-week annual training commitment to the U.S. Army to give back to the community their skills and knowledge; in doing so, they performed dental exams, cleanings, fillings, extractions, and several root canals in their eight-chair setup to over 364 patients between the ages of 2- and 94-years-old. The lower level of the Elder Center looked like a dental office, even the equipment provided was what could be found in a regular dental office: x-ray equipment, sterilization, including their own power supply unit. For those patients needing follow-up, arrangements have been made with the Haskell Dental Clinic.

Captain Rex Monif, Director of Dental Operation with the Omaha tribe, coordinated Operation Walking Shield Dental Mission with Tribal Council.

Ask the Dentist

By Jessica A. Rickert, D.D.S.

Dear Dr. Rickert,

How do you get a child to stop grinding his teeth? Cause? Solutions? If grinding doesn't stop, is there any harm?
A concerned Mom

Dear Concerned Mom,

Raising children is a challenging task; growing up is a very challenging task, indeed.

Bruxism is not an uncommon problem for children as well as adults. This represents two harmful habits: clenching and grinding. Most children with this problem seem to grind while sleeping; it is out of their control. Even during the day, children completely unaware that they are doing it. Observe your child during the day; if you see him/her bruxing, smile widely and simply say, "Open your teeth a little, honey." Then distract him/her with an activity; I recommend a physical activity such as ten jumping jacks. I recommend a wide smile first, because the child will automatically smile back, and I have never known anyone who can brux and smile at the same time.

We parents are right to be concerned with bruxing, because this can cause the enamel to wear away ten times faster than chewing. Sometimes, stainless steel crowns have to be placed on the back molars to avoid the nerve inside the tooth from being exposed. Most often, though, the wear is not severe enough to require restorations.

The exact cause of bruxism is not known, but there are three theories:

1. The "local" theory suggests that there is something wrong with the child's teeth, such as cavities, abscesses, gingivitis or malaligned teeth. These malaligned teeth can cause a "bad bite," and the child constantly shifts to find the "ideal" bite.

So, first have the dentist check for any dental problems; have the needed restorations completed. The dentist can adjust the bite so that the teeth fit together better, and the child may then stop bruxing.

2. The "systemic" theory implicates the following: intestinal parasites, nutritional deficiencies, allergy getting ready for bed at the same time every night; always have a routine. I played soothing, classical music while the kids had a snack, which included some milk product. If your child tolerates milk, it is a soporific (sleep-inducing); then they had a warm bath; then Dad or I read a story of their choosing while we held them. We always sang a sleepy-bye song to them while rubbing their backs while they hugged a stuffed animal.

Some of my patients have used this routine, and after 3-4 weeks, they bruxing lessened.

If the child has severe emotional problems, there will be many other symptoms besides bruxism, and the dentist or medical doctor may refer you to a child psychiatrist.

If all else fails, dentists do make bite guard out of plastic to be worn at night. These do protect the teeth, but have to be changed as the child's mouth changes. There are some children with handicaps and disorders (especially musculoskeletal) whose bruxism cannot be otherwise managed.

Tribal Council felt this was important to the community.

According to the unit Commander, Col. Steve Burmaster, a dentist of twenty years, "this was a good mission, and the troops were well received by the community. This was fun for everyone and an opportunity to provide dental care." He further stated this was a "neat cultural experience;" he also went to his first pow-wow and ate his first Indian taco.

Buildings, roads, medical and dental services are something that this program offers. This program has "secured 663 excess military houses that will be transported to twelve different reservations; 200 military doctors, dentists, nurses and medics are deployed each summer to help address the serious health conditions on the reservations; this program arranges for the military reserve forces to drill water-wells and conduct road grading and repair activities to improve existing infrastructure on the reservations. Another program provides eye examinations and eyeglasses."

"The Operation Walking Shield program was developed by the Walking Shield American Indian Society in 1994. Its purpose is to help improve the quality of life for American Indians living on reservations, while at the same time providing important training for military reserve personnel."

The Operation Walking Shield program is a combined civil-military collaborative program. It is conducted with the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the General Services Administration, and other governmental agencies."

For more information about Operation Walking Shield, go to the following website: www.walkingshield.org.

For many children, bruxism stops inexplicably when the first permanent teeth erupt at around age 6-7.

You sound like a very caring Mom, and your child is lucky to have you as a parent. Of course, we parents must never forget the miracle our child represents and the privilege it is to participate in our children's lives.

gies, endocrine (hormone) disorders and sequelae [secondary result] to drugs, including too much caffeine.

So, I recommend considering the child's diet. Make sure it is balanced with wholesome foods. I would eliminate all sources of caffeine such as soda pops and chocolates. I have had some luck when parents eliminate or substantially cut down on sugar (sucrose) in the child's diet.

A medical doctor can check the child for parasites, hormones and/or allergies.

3. The "psychological" theory recognizes that stress is the cause of bruxism. From my personal experience, I believe that the vast majority of bruxers do so to relieve stress. Children are under a log of stress a lot of the time. We'd like to believe that childhood is carefree, but children have very real concerns about the difficult job of growing up. Sometimes, we parents can alleviate the stresses, such as providing a harmonious, soothing home with all the basic physical needs of the child being provided without question. We parents cannot eliminate all stresses such as having to get to kindergarten and on the bus on time, or a sibling's illness, but what we can do is to help the child deal with the stresses of everyday life.

Always talk to your child, and really listen to him/her as an individual. Respond with questions such as "Why do you think your teacher sent you into the hall? What can you do next time to avoid this?" Sometimes you can start a dialogue by telling a story from your own childhood. Driving in the car can provide time for this, if the radio is off.

Some stress-busters that worked for me were: humor, laughing and smiling a lot; hugging and hand-holding; singing loudly together; and physical exertion. I had a kicking bag in the basement and a punching bag in the garage for the kids to use. Nerf bats and balls are good too. If space and time allow, do the Hokey-Pokey and/or exercises such as jumping jacks and squats for five minutes. Of course, outside activities such as kick-ball, playgrounds, hiking, biking, swimming, etc. are good.

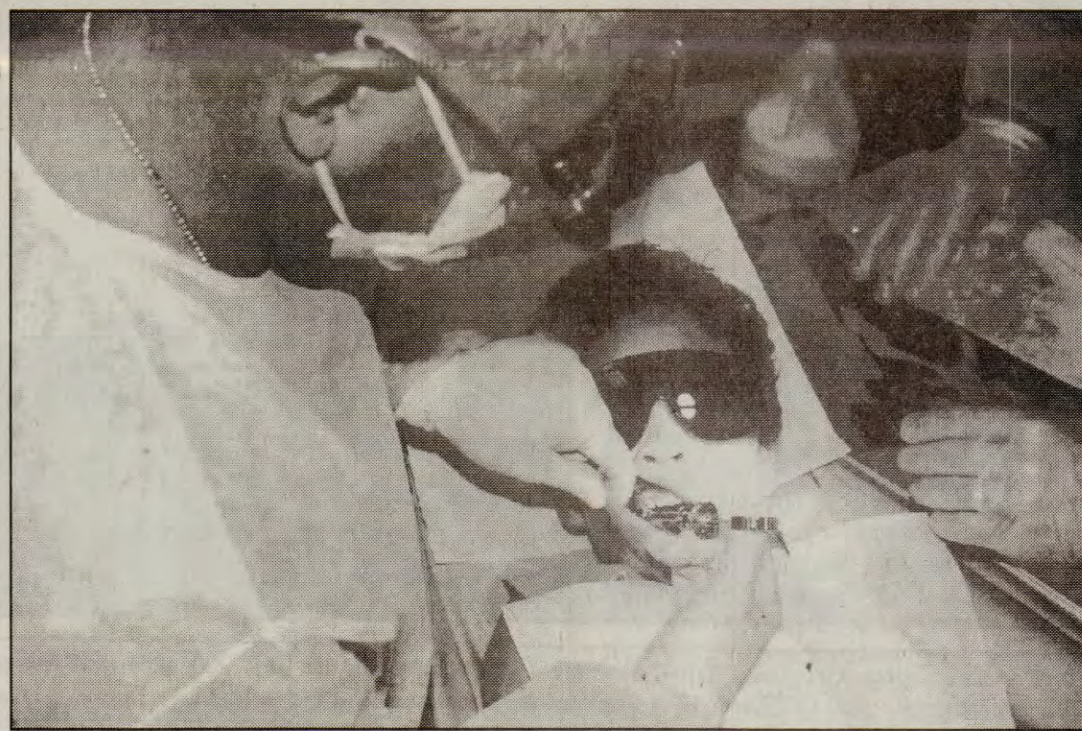
I personally do not think TV, movies, video games and/or computers relieve stress. I limited my children's use of them (My three children complained very loudly and often about their mean Mom, which upon occasion was stressful for me!)



(L-R): Colonel Steven Burmaster, Colonel Ellis Thigpen, and Captain Rex Monif receive ceremonial blankets from the Potawatomi Tribal Council; Roy Ogden, Zach Pahmahmie, Jackie Mitchell, Steve Ortiz, and Jim Potter.
(Photo submitted by Dr. Mark Kuba)



One of the services provided was the application of dental sealants—a protective coating used to seal out dental decay. Dr. Mark Kuba is shown rendering that service.
(Photo submitted by Dr. Mark Kuba)



Lieutenant Colonel Mark Kuba administers local anesthetic to 5-year-old patient, who said that the shot didn't even hurt.
(Photo submitted by Dr. Mark Kuba)



2003 Boys & Girls Club Health & Science Camp, July 14-17 & July 21-24, 2003. The purpose of this camp is to provide the child with an educational experience and something that will benefit them throughout their life. Dave Cornelius, IHS, is demonstrating the cardiovascular system by using an old and new water hose. The hose represents the vessels and what happens when they are under pressure and how diet and exercise play an important role in a healthy heart.

Health & Science Calendar: July 15: Asthma, Angela Thorpe; July 16: Infection Control, Schweta Parad; July 17: Oral Health, Dental Students; July 21: Sun Exposure, KU Medical students; July 22: Fire Safety, PBP Fire Department; July 23: Nutrition, Diviya Kapoor; and July 24: Drug/Alcohol Abuse, Joe Jacobson, Jr. & Val Criswell.

June/July 2003

Prairie Band Potawatomi News

Prevent Skin Cancer

The following is taken from a recent Health and Human Services News Release.

Submitted by Richard Pruiksm, MD

This Summer 'Choose your Cover!'

Secretary (of Health and Human Services Tommy G.) Thompson is emphasizing that all Americans should take the necessary precautions to prevent skin cancer. As Americans begin their summer vacations and trips it is important to remember to reduce direct skin exposure to the sun. Americans are encouraged to 'choose a cover'. Covers include a sun umbrella, a t-shirt, a hat, sunglasses, and of course sun block (SPF 15 or higher).

Even a few sunburns can significantly increase your child's risk for skin cancer down the road. Here are some tips for parents:
Sunscreen comes in a variety of forms - lotions, sprays, wipes, or gels.

Be sure to choose one made especially for kids with Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 15 or higher and has both UVA and UVB protection
For most effective protection, apply sunscreen generously 30 minutes before going outdoors and don't forget to protect ears, noses, lips, and the tops of feet.

Reapply sunscreen throughout the day, especially after your child swims or exercises, this also applies to 'waterproof' and 'water resistant' products.

Tanned skin is damaged skin. Any change in the color of your child's skin after time outside - whether sunburn or suntan - indicates damage from UV rays.

Children still need protection on cloudy or cool days. UV rays, not the temperature, do the damage. Clouds do not block UV rays, they filter them."

NEW SUPPORT MEETING

Diabetic Group
Meet at the PBPB Senior Center
At 12:30 pm

July 23
August 6 and August 20
Sept 10 and Sept 24

New Book

Potawatomi Tracks by Larry Mitchell
ISBN 0-9742342-4-9
\$12.00 + \$3.50 S&H

Review: A year of active combat duty in Vietnam has left its scars on one Native American. After his tour of duty he struggled with drug use, homelessness, alcoholism, and was a victim of racism and discrimination. After 30 years he has discovered that he was really suffering from the effects of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Potawatomi Tracks serves as a chronicle of these events and struggles.

See www.wastelandpress.com for more information: *Potawatomi Tracks* is now available for advanced purchase in paperback format. Once this title becomes available, it will be shipped to you. To purchase a copy with your credit card, Click "Add To Cart". If you wish to purchase by check or money order, click to print an order form.

Order by check or money order from Wasteland Press, P O Box 148, Louisville, KY 40129

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Call for Pen Pals

Dear Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

Hi, I hope you are fine and doing well. My name is Roy W. Matsapto. I am Prairie Band Potawatomi from Kansas. I am also a Sergeant in the U.S. Army deployed in Iraq with the 3rd ACR. Could you please put my address in your PBPB newspaper, I sure could use the pen pals. Thank you for your help.

- Mat -

Address:
SGT (P) Roy W. Matsapto
HHT 2/3 ACR
Unit #91463
APO AE 09320-1463

Support Groups

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

Native American AA - 8:00 p.m. Friday, 5th & Washburn, Potwin Church Bsm. Non smoking, Closed meeting.

Native American AA Meeting - 8:00 p.m., 235 Buchanan. 357-6511.

Recovering Women's Group - 5:30 p.m. Monday, 725 Buchanan ring bell. Non smoking, closed.

Cancer Support Group - For people with cancer and their families; caregivers are encouraged to attend. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday at Pozz Education Center, 1505 S.W. 8th. Free. Information: 354-5225.

Gamblers Anonymous - For people seeking help for problem gambling, 7 p.m. Wednesday at St. Francis Hospital, 1700 S.W. 7th, 2nd floor, meeting room 6: 862-6666; 7 p.m. Friday at St. Francis Hospital, 2nd floor, meeting room 9: 862-6666; and 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1275 S.W. Boswell: (785) 339-3583.

Food Addicts Anonymous - For people who feel addicted to certain foods, such as sweets, and who want to abstain from eating them; uses a 12-step program, 3 p.m. each Sunday at Pozz Education Center, 1505 S.W. 8th, in Centennial Room D. Information: Michele at 233-1604. Internet: www.foodaddictsanonymous.org.

Weigh Down Workshop - Experience God's deliverance from dieting and overweightness. Free orientation at 12:30 pm Thursday, White Lakes Plaza Apartments clubhouse, 3730 SW Plaza Drive. Call Elizabeth, 266-7318,

Mayetta Area

Open AA Meeting at Judy's Café, 104 E. Main Street, Mayetta, KS on Tuesday's at 6 pm.

Open AA Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m. to ??, We Te Sa Building, 15434 K Road, Mayetta, KS

AA Meeting at St. Francis Xavier Church bsm, 7:30 p.m. every Thursday and Sunday.

PARR Ranch - Open meeting, Monday at 7:00 pm

Kickapoo AA meeting - at the Kickapoo Senior Citizen Building at Friday at 8:00 p.m.

Holton AA Meeting - at First Christian Church, 5th & Wisconsin at 7:00 p.m. 966-2178, 364-4479.

Lawrence Area

Circle of Hope AA Meeting every Wednesday at 7 pm, Haskell Campus, Winnemucca Hall (south of the campus)

Motor Vehicle and Transit Program Merge: move to new office

Effective June 9, 2003, the Transit program is under the management of Micki Martinez who is now located at the Tribal Police Department. She will be overseeing the Transit Program along with her duties as the Manager of the Motor Vehicles for the Nation.

To schedule transportation, please call 785-966-3024 or the toll free number: 1-877-PBP-NRIDE. Please give dispatch your name, address, telephone number and your destination when you call. The drivers schedule will be checked to see where we can schedule your trip in and we will contact you of the arrival time.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ahnah Wahwassuck for her dedication to the Transit Program. Ahnah was nominated and chosen Employee of the Month for April for her dedication.

Thank you for your cooperation during this transition period, if you have any questions please give us a call.

NEWSPAPER INFORMATION

Mailing Address:

P. O. Box 116, Mayetta, KS 66509-0116.

Physical Location:

15434 K Road, Mayetta, KS
(southwest corner in the We-Te-Sa building)

FAX # (785) 966-2867

Mary L. Young (785)966-2461
e-mail: maryy@pbpnation.org

ON-SITE ADDICTION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM PROVES SUCCESSFUL

By Doris A. Potts

Where there's a will, there's a way! Through a joint educational endeavor, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and Washburn University's Human Services Department, we will soon see eight PBP Nation members completing the 28-hour addiction counselor certification program.

In an interview with Employee Assistance Program Director, Elaine Mzhickteno-Barr (coordinator for this educational endeavor), she talked about how PARR Ranch and the newly formed Advisory Board were made aware that staff members needed to be certified as alcohol and drug counselors. As a board, their plan of action was to get the staff members certified within a 2-year period.

In July 2002, Ms. Mzhickteno-Barr began seeking out other interested Prairie Band students to sign up for the addiction counselor program, which would be taught on the Rez. It was decided that to make this program design beneficial for both PBPB and Washburn, more student involvement would be the best approach. Washburn students who needed some of the classes being offered were allowed to participate in the class at the Government Center to meet course requirements. In every class, there has been from 18-28 students.

Ms. Mzhickteno-Barr said this proved to be most valuable in the sense of creating diverse interaction among the students with their various unique backgrounds. It made the class much more interesting for the participants.

The Addiction Counselor program has been in

Money Exists for Victims of Crime

By: Nis Wilbur

In 1978 the Kansas Legislature established the Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB) per K.S.A. 74-7301, *et seq.* This 3 member board, which now exists in all 50 states, provides monetary compensation to victims of crime for the out-of-pocket expenses they incur due to a crime. These expenses include: medical bills, burial costs, loss of wages, moving expenses, rehabilitation expenses, and more. The CVCB does not, however, award any money to the benefit of the victim or to the loss of property.

The definition of a victim, according to the statute, is "a person who suffers personal injury or death as a result of: (1) Criminally injurious conduct; (2) the good faith effort of any person to prevent criminally injurious conduct; (3) the good faith effort of any person to apprehend a person suspected of engaging in criminally injurious conduct; or (4) an act of terrorism, as defined in 18 U.S.C. 2331, committed outside of the United States."

There are many requirements that an applicant must meet in order to receive funds. Funds are dispersed based on the amount of out-of-pocket expenses endured. In order to receive funds, your out-of-pocket expenses must be over \$100. The CVCB will not award any monies over the amount of \$25,000.

The requirements that must be met are: (1) the crime must have been reported to the proper law enforcement agency within 72 hours of the incident; (2) the claim must be filed within 2 years of the incident; (3) the claimant must be cooperative with all officials involved in the case; (4) the victim/claimant must not have been a knowing or willing victim participating in the crime; (5) the victim must not have been under the influence of an intoxicant/controlled substance at the time of the incident (this is flexible); (6) the victim must not have used fighting words, obscene or threatening gestures or have harassed the offender; (7) the victim must not have had a retreat available; (8) and the victim must not have been able to foresee the consequences of their actions. However, a lot of these requirements are waived in cases of sexual assault and domestic abuse.

After the claim has been filed it will be assigned to an investigator. The investigator will review the information in the case, process all the information and then present the entire claim to the Board at their meetings, which take place every other Friday. The entire process takes approximately 3 months.

This information pertains to you because these funds are for any person falling victim to a crime within the borders of Kansas, and the Prairie Band Potawatomi reservation is within those borders. This also applies to all people attending the Potawatomi Gathering, held at Prairie Peoples Park every few years, for those few days that they are in the state of Kansas for the event. As long as the crime occurs in Kansas, it doesn't matter where the victim comes from.

session for about a year now and will have a 50% completion record, which is great, considering students had to give up some weekends. Most students are full-time employees too!

The class has been a combination of four "all-weekend classes" and on-line coursework. Ms. Mzhickteno said the on-line classes were challenging. New computer techniques had to be learned, requiring computer classes for some of the students. She said that Washburn instructors were great; the instructor came here and worked with these students on the new and required computer techniques.

Instructors from Washburn University included: Diane Munro-Seymour, Professor Iris Wilkinson, Dr. Rick Ellis, and Dr. Paul Doust.

Elaine said PBPB was great in doing their part in making this joint effort successful by allowing her program to provide food for the participants and granting use of the equipment and training room facilities at the PBPB Government Center. It was a nice change to get out of a regular classroom setting at a university.

Elaine said that making this happen real fast was important, as certification requirements would soon be changing. At the time the program was developed, a 24-credit course was required. Beginning in January 2004, a 2-year associate of art degree will be required, doubling the required coursework. In 2005, a bachelor's degree will be required - once again, doubling the required coursework. Some of the students have already voiced their interest in seeking their associates of art degree and bachelor degree as a result of this on-site certification program.

Elaine said she would just like to see these students given recognition for their hard work and sacrifices of giving up their weekends to attend school! High five for the hard work, will to complete this course, and sacrifices of these students - a BIG CONGRATULATIONS!!!

It is important for us all to know what our rights and resources are. When you suffer because of someone else you may be a victim of a crime. There is a possibility that you can be compensated for your losses. Medical bills, including mental health professionals, may not have to be paid for out of your pocket if you are a victim. If you, or your spouse, are killed by a drunk driver, you can possibly get recovery of lost wages. If your partner batters you and breaks your arm, the money to get the x-ray may not have to come out of your pocket. Money does not take the pain away, but it does help ease some of the stress endured while going through a crisis situation.

More information on this topic is located in the Old Community Building located next to the Tribal Office on Q Road. There you will find the Family Violence Prevention Program, which can answer any questions that you may have. You may also call Shirley Rice-Henderson, Heather Daugherty, or Nis Wilbur at 785-966-0173 or Crime Victim Information & Referral at 1-800-828-9745. You can also choose to search the following site: www.accesskansas.org/ksag/contents/crime/cvcbrochure.htm

*Note: the funding for this program is paid for by: the U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime (VOCA) grant; the Kansas Department of Corrections, which deducts 5% of gross inmate wages and collects parole, probation, and administrative fees; court-ordered restitution; and 7.99% of all fines, penalties and forfeitures remitted from the Kansas district courts.

Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

TOLL-FREE NUMBERS

The following are the toll-free numbers that are available to the various departments at PBPB.

Government Center

877 715-6789

Alcohol & Drug

866 966-2411

Boys & Girls Club

866 727-6242

(866 PBP-NBGC)

Housing

866 966-2756

Social Services

888 966-2932

Tribal Court

866 966-2242

NEW Transit Program NEW

(785) 966-3024 or

877 727-6743

(877-PBP-NRIDE)

Rodeos and Fairs and Pow Wows

By Mary Young

Dirt roads to paved roads, the history of the Potawatomi has come a long way, including the various locations of past rodeos and fairs and pow wows. Various sources mention the following sites: Cheney Hill area, west of K road on 158; 158 between O and N Roads; 162 and Q Road, near old community building, and the current Prairie People's Park, off 158 and M Road. And, before the fairs, these events were known as "gatherings," not pow-wows.

Improvements continue at the Park, a road now connects the "old" baseball field on 150 Road to the camping ground that crosses the historical Snow's bridge. More RV hookups are available than last year and new comfort stations are located on the south and east side of the grandstand.

Will rodeos and fairs return? Maybe not in our time but the annual pow wow appears to be growing in importance. Vendors and contest dancers are just not local, they arrive from the following places: Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Texas, Montana, Virginia, Michigan, Idaho, Nebraska, Colorado, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan and Ontario, Canada. Statistics show there has been an increase in registered dancers: 138 participants in 2001, 154 in 2002, and 216 in 2003.

The past and present have some things in common: sports activities, dancing, vendors, food and enjoyment.

This year, the Fifth Annual PBPW Pow Wow Celebration at Prairie People's Park, kicked off Thursday with 'Youth Night.' With more than \$37,000 in prize money, the actual pow wow began June 13 - 15, 2003. Special contests included the "49" contest, Chicken Dance Special, and a Head Man's Traditional Special. A men's fastpitch ball tournament went on throughout the pow wow with the County Warriors, Oklahoma City, coming in First Place. On Saturday, the PBP Health Committee sponsored a Diabetes Wellness Walk and Rubina and Hardy Eteeyan were in charge of the Rez Run or Motorcycle Run both events took place at 9 am.

Janell Murk and Linda Tecumseh sponsored a youth fry bread contest; Amber Tecumseh was the reigning Fry Bread Queen until this year when the title was passed on to Mittina, a PBPW member.

Joe Hale said the '49 contest was a good one. Commode Squad, first place; Cozad, second place, and 49 Delight, third place.

Comments heard at this year's event:

- Mimi Barnes, Two Little Eagle Traders, said this pow wow was the "best organized, with most helpful staff, well-coordinated services, awesome food, well-mannered children, everybody's friendly and they travel all over the country and are enjoying it here, keep it up."
- One of the elders, Jane Puckkee, was heard saying, "I haven't been to a '49 in 50 years!"
- A lady was glad the parking lot was patrolled; she left her handbag near her vehicle.
- Is a curfew needed?
- Poles and speakers are needed toward the eastern campground; spectators are unable to hear announcements.
- More lighting needed in the back of the speaker's stand.
- Need more signage on Highway 75, large enough to see.

The pow wow is getting better and better, until the rain and wind arrived.

A Pow Wow Thank You

Micki, just wanted to thank you and the PBPW Pow-wow Committee for all the hospitality and generosity in regard to allowing our Haskell group to set-up our Taco Stand. Your Vendor Coordinator was very helpful and cordial. Everyone was very accommodating and we just wanted to thank you for everything you did for us. Also, I heard a lot of good comments regarding the pow-wow and everyone seemed enjoyed themselves. Good job, well done:)

Manny King
Haskell Indian Nations University

Pow Wow Congratulations!

By Shirlene Seymour

REALLY ENJOYED THE POW WOW. I HOPE YOU GUYS ALL RECOVERED. I WAS A LITTLE WORRIED WHEN THE RAIN STARTED TO COME DOWN BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY I WAS WORRIED ABOUT JIMI GEOFFREY'S EAGLE FEATHERS ON HIS TRADITIONAL OUTFIT GETTING RUINED. BUT EVERYTHING TURNED OUT WELL AND YOU GUYS DID A GREAT JOB. PASS IT ON. Chago really was working up a sweat running around he worked very hard as you all did. CONGRATS CONGRATS CONGRATS.

Pos. 410 Color Guard leading the Grand Entry.



(L-R): Robin Shield, Ashley Young Bird. (Front): Jolona Shield.



MC Marvin Burnett, Rosebud Sioux, came in from New Hampshire for this event.

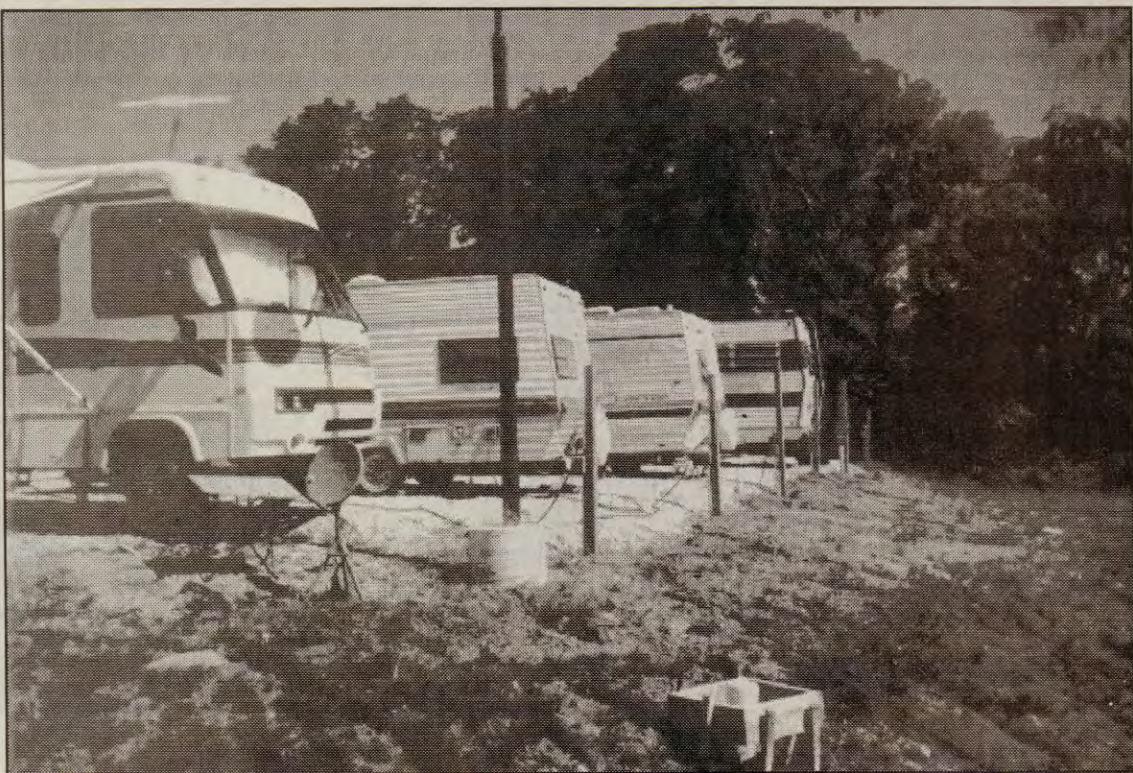




Knight's Concession. Rosella (Mzhicko) and Willis Knight.



Justin Nioce and Chad Edwards at campsite.



Modern camping.



A cul-de-sac campsite.



Fry Bread Contestants (L-R): Tina Dye (4th place), Sarah Fanman (2nd place), Mittina (1st place), Whitney Perdasofy (3rd place) and Whitney Iron (5th place).



Darrin Leduc out of Manhattan, KS. BBQ Roll-N-Smoke offers Polish sausage, pull pork, chicken and turkey brisquit.



County Warriors of Oklahoma City took first place in the fastpitch tournament during the 5th Annual Pow Wow at Prairie's People Park. (Back Row, L-R): Devin Leitka, Joe Leitka, Adam Harjo, Coach Louie Lena. (Front Row, L-R): Catcher Tony Hudson and Angelo Sleeper. Not pictured: Jr. Little, Manual Noriega, Kevin Lena, Brandon Peak, John and Ricky Barnoskie.



TOO HOT! Although the sky was clear early in the morning, the heat index measured in 3-digits. One of the amusement games at Prairie People's Park over the 4th of July; the photo was taken in the late afternoon. A fireworks display began about 8:30 pm; a very good show. (Photo, PBP News Staff)

Excerpts from pages past

By Mary Young

August 31, 1919, *Topeka Capital*. Early Days on Reservation and Modern Improvements

"Starting on Wednesday, and continuing during the remainder of the week, the fifth annual Potawatomi Indian fair, a unique institution, will be held. Only Indians are permitted to exhibit their products. Indian games will be played. The crack Mayetta Indian baseball team, which has defeated Topeka's best semi-pro aggregations, will play. And, as a crowning feature, there will be both sulky and running horse races on a standard half-mile track, just completed.

No other fair association in the state owns its own fair grounds, located three miles away from any town. The Potawatomi Indian fair has this distinction. Three hundred Indians have subscribed \$10 each to purchase a beautiful seventy-acre tract of land. There is the race track, with the ball diamond inside. A large lake also will be completed inside. A fine picnic ground, well wooded, is included in the property, which is centrally located in the reservation, and is three miles west of Mayetta.

A. R. Snyder, Indian agent at Mayetta, is confident that the fair grounds will be put to year-round use and that fair and community buildings of some sort will be erected."

August 19, 1923, *Topeka Capital*. ["Roundup Is a Feature"] by G. E. Hobbs.

One of the biggest features and one that has the most to do with bringing out large crowds of Indians and white folks alike is the annual roundup, inaugurated for the first time last year. More than \$5,000 is awarded each year in prizes for the various roping, riding and bulldogging contests that are a part of this roundup. Several weeks ago several carloads of Brahma steers, the largest and wildest of the Texas and Mexican breeds of steers, were shipped in to Mayetta and prepared for the roundup.

The Indian fair this year, will be held August 22, 23, and 24. The fair grounds, three miles west of Mayetta on the county road, is named in honor of old Chief Kack-Kack."

September 2, 1928, *Topeka Capital*. Pottawatomi Fair Menaces Cheyenne: Attendance Figures Climbing Steadily Upward to Near 50,000 Mark Brings R. L. Miller's Dream For Indians Nearer Materialization - Tribal Members Assist With Enthusiasm. By Joe Nickell

"A dream that some day the little annual fair of the Pottawatomi Indians at Mayetta would rival and excel the great annual roundup and rodeo at Cheyenne, Wyo., which attracts thousands of visitors annually, bids fair to be realized.

It is easy to remember only five years ago when a few hundred people drifted into the original little grandstand at the Indian fair, saw a dozen or two Indians dancing away hour after hour on a hot summer afternoon...in the way of entertainment to hold interest of the spectators. An extensive agricultural exhibit has been developed. Additions have been built to the grandstand.

The race track has been improved and the quarter-stretch fenced for rodeo performers. Stock chutes have been built and corrals to hold the animals used in putting on the rodeo show. Permanent concession stands, comfort stations and camp floors have been built.

Crowds have climbed slowly upward in number. Additional entertainment features have been added.

Older Indians have brought out hidden articles of days long gone. Necklaces of bear claws and eagle talons.

Now more than 400 Indians are dressed in costume every year when the fair is given. Several...have formed a team which travels around to nearby towns advertising the fair.

August 10, 1929, *Topeka Journal*. Indian Beauty Contest

Saturday, on August 31, the first [Indian] beauty contest [will be] held, at least in this section of the country, in connection with the fifteenth annual Pottawatomi Indian fair and rodeo near Mayetta.

The girls will be dressed in native costumes [sic] and the judging will take place in front of the grandstand. The competition will be a part of the ladies' day program Saturday, the last day of the fair, which will include, in addition to the regular program, squaw [sic] dances, squaw [sic] races and broncho riding, wild steer riding and bulldogging for both white and Indian women. In the evening there will be an Indian wedding ceremony in the original Indian village.

Fair dates: August 28, 29, 30, and 31. Portions of the agenda include: Lacrosse game, Pottawatomes vs Kickapoo and other tribes; Indian soldiers dance; band concerts; adoption of Gov. Clyde M. Reed by Pottawatomes; and Haskell Indian cavalry and infantry drills.

August 24, 1929, *Topeka Journal*. Old Wild

West: Indians Gather at Mayetta for Great Powwow. Six Thousand From Twelve Tribes to Meet.

"The greatest program of its kind ever presented east of Wyoming," is the proud boast of the management for the rodeo this year. In several respects, it is claimed, the program will be even greater than that presented at the famous Cheyenne roundup."

June 25, 1935, *Lawrence Journal-World*. July 4 at Mayetta: Old Fashioned Indian Celebration Is Scheduled for Next Week

"A real old-time Indian celebration is planned for the Fourth of July by the Potawatomi Indians at the fair grounds near Mayetta. The business committee of which William Wishkeno is chairman, is cooperating with Supt. H.E. Bruce to make the affair a success.

Indian dances, a baseball game between the Kickapoo and Potawatomi Indians, foot races and an Indian lacrosse game will feature the afternoon program, on which an Indian clown band and an Indian E.C. W. quartet will furnish music. In the evening, the "Hiawatha" pageant will be given under the direction of K-mo-wah, full-blood Potawatomi graduate of Chillico, who has presented the same pageant elsewhere on a number of occasions. Following the performance, an Indian orchestra will furnish music for a dance at the pavilion.

January 18, 1954, *Topeka Journal*. DA Is Checking Fairground Sale: Mayetta Indians Seek U.S. Help

An inquiry into the proposed sale of the Potawatomi Indian fairgrounds on the reservation near Mayetta was underway Monday by U.S. Dist. Atty. George Templar.

The Prairie band of Potawatomis, disturbed over the proposed sale, have called a special meeting of the band at 2 pm Sunday, January 24, at the Mayetta Indian agency.

The fairground at issue in Templar's inquiry is a 70-acre tract on which fairs formerly were held, but which was abandoned several years ago.

Templar stated a group of Indians showed him a premium list for such fairs, but said the list was 30 years old.

March 28, 1954, *Topeka Capital*. Landmark Is Sold. Special to The Capital

A historic landmark four miles west of Mayetta site of the once famous Potawatomi Indian fair and rodeo, has just been sold to T. B. Cox of Mayetta for \$5,000 by Kack Kack Park Corporation whose stockholders, all Indians, authorized the sale of Henry Nozhackum, president, and Mrs. Lucille Shumway, secretary-treasurer, after soliciting sealed bids.

The Potawatomi tribal business committee headed by Mrs. Minnie Evans and John P. Wahwassuck, wanted to find some way to acquire the 70 acres as a recreation center for the tribe but were unable to have funds on deposit to the tribe's credit in Washington made available for the purchase.

May 4, 1958, *Topeka Capital*. Mayetta's Indian Fair-Rodeo Had Its Beginning More Than Half Century Ago

One-half mile northwest of here [Mayetta] on a 70-acre tract where the gentle slopes of the Jackson County countryside form a natural arena, can be seen a full crew of young men busily engaged these spring days building the new bucking chutes and preparing the grounds for the annual Mayetta Indian Fair and Rodeo scheduled for the afternoons of May 16, 17, and 18...at the south end of the rodeo grounds which is said to be the site of an ancient Indian camping grounds.

A new chapter in the colorful saga of one of America's greatest outdoor spectator sports is about to begin as final plans are made for the opening of the Mayetta Rodeo.

May 11, 1959, *Topeka Capital*. Indians Plan to Revive Art at Mayetta Rodeo by Jerry Fetterolf

The Potawatomi Indians will bring the original flavor back to the big rodeo at Mayetta this year with several families building wigwams and dressing in the old tribal costumes during the four-day event beginning Thursday.

Typical of the Indians who will revive their ancient customs as part of the big rodeo which was revived again three years ago will be Mr. and Mrs. Paul McKinney, who live on the Prairie Band reservation southwest of Mayetta.

McKinney, whose Indian name is Nan-Ha-We, Sunday was in readiness to begin building his wigwam at the rodeo grounds. Mrs. McKinney, who learned the art of designing beadwork more than 50 years ago will display her art beside the family wigwam.

May 18, 1959, *Topeka Capital*. 250 Spectators Hurlled to Ground As Bleachers Fall by Ralph Marsh

Tragedy played a curtain call at the finale of the

Mayetta Indian Fair and Rodeo Sunday afternoon as a section of the bleachers gave away, spilling approximately 250 persons to the ground, some 25 feet below.

Nearly 200 of the spectators were injured and 125 were rushed to hospitals in Topeka, Holton and Lawrence. Mayetta, population 230, has no hospital.

No fatalities were reported [at the time, one died Monday of internal injuries]...Only seconds after the curtain rang down on the wrap-up version of the four-night rodeo, a sound "like a coming hail-storm" rippled through arena, according to one spectator, and the people just started falling from sight.

Pauline Nioce, Hoyt, and Lavina Wiskeno, Horton, were both taken to the Holton Clinic.

A section of 10 rolls of seats approximately 25 yards wide buckled as welds in the steel structure apparently gave way.

The crowd of 6,000 had just started to leave the bleachers when the stand gave way. One man reported he saw a man teetering on the edge of the shattered bleacher, holding the hand of a small child he had grabbed at random.

"I told him to drop her," he said. "He did and I

caught her, but the man just stood there trying to regain his balance. I had to just stand there and watch him fall in the wreckage below. He fractured his arm."

The stand that collapsed had been newly built for the show.

Articles and photographs, courtesy of the Kansas State Historical Society.

The following is an article courtesy of *The Topeka Capital Journal*.

June 16, 2003, *The Topeka Capital-Journal*. Tribal celebration: Potawatomi Nation Powwow by Matt Moline.

"On Sunday, the time-honored tradition was renewed once again on the final day of this year's tribal powwow, sponsored by Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

"This is like one big family reunion, and that's what helps develop that community spirit," said tribal council member Jim Potter.

Although the present Potawatomi reservation took shape in 1867, the tribe's leadership eventually discontinued the annual powwow gatherings, which were revived as an annual event in 1999."



2nd Rodeo Princess, Tutti Kern.

(Photo submitted)

Myra Matchie with Tuttie Kern



—Daily Capital Staff Photo
ANCIENT ARTS—Mr. and Mrs. Paul McKinney who live five miles southwest of Mayetta on the Potawatomi Indian reservation display the arts and relics of the ancient prairie Indians. McKinney holds a saddle, while pointing toward the notch used to drag the Indian travois. Mrs. McKinney is pictured at work on a tiny beaded buckskin handbag.



Potawatomi Indian Fair, 1917. Old Pow Wow Grounds, Mayetta, 1913-14. Front: Nancy, Hale, Hale, Comodore, John Wabnum, Mrs. Nzhuckteno. Rear: Ne Kon Gh Mos, Wis Ke Ge Te, Wis Ke Ge Te, TTA Koga (Norman Feder, 1964. Courtesy of Kansas Historical Society)



Potawatomi Indian Fair, 1917.

(Norman Feder, 1964. Courtesy of Kansas Historical Society)



Potawatomi Indian Fair, 1917.

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Potawatomi Fair at Mayetta

(copy by Allan Sells Nov. 29, 1937. Courtesy of Kansas Historical Society)



Potawatomi Parade Indians. (W. E. Connelley Collection, 1967. Courtesy of KS Hist. Soc.)



Minnie K. Kogue, daughter-in-law of Chief Ka-Ka-gue. (W. E. Connelley Collection, 1967. Courtesy of KS Hist. Soc.)



Potawatomi Indian Dance at Mayetta, 1961. Potawatomi Indian Fair, 1917. (Norman Feder, 1964. Courtesy of Kansas Historical Society)



Potawatomi Indian Dance at Mayetta, 1961. (Courtesy of Kansas Historical Society)



Potawatomi Indian Pow Wow Club. Pow Wow held each July at Mayetta. (N.H. Miller Collection, 1966. Courtesy of K Historical Society)



Potawatomi Women Dancing at Mayetta. (Courtesy of KS Historical Society)



Helen Nah-gon-be and Elizabeth Kegg. (W.E. Connelley Collection, 1967. Courtesy of KS Historical Society)



Senior & Elder First Monthly Potluck: A Successful Event

By Mary Young

Blues, jazz and Patsy Cline set the tone for the Senior and Elder First Monthly Potluck with music from the 50's and fun activities held Saturday, July 12, 2003, at the Elder Center. The Communication Committee members of the Talking Circle organized and coordinated this event; a total of 27 attended the first potluck.

Jim McKinney introduced an icebreaker and volunteered his sound system for the potluck. Thaymer Morris and Kitty Shopteese each donated delightful prizes for the bingo games. Jim's granddaughters, Jessica and Samantha Wahwassuck, took turns calling out the numbers, giving an added and sometimes suspenseful touch to the game.

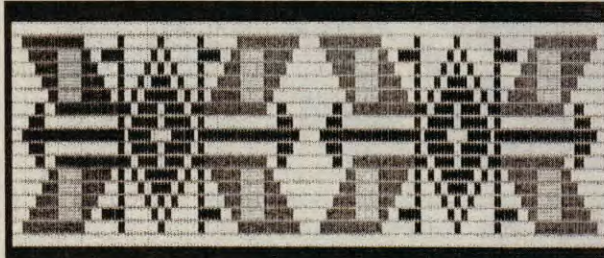
During the icebreaker, each person wrote a note card to Sergeant Roy W. Matsapto who is deployed in Iraq; a packet of the notes and photos of the potluck have been sent to him.

Everyone had a great time, anticipating the next potluck, which will be held August 9th, or, the second Saturday of the month. Maybe those who attended the Wisconsin Gathering will be able to share their experiences and photos at the next potluck?

Development of the Talking Circle:

What is the Talking Circle? The Talking Circle is comprised of people in the 50 plus age bracket that would like to discuss and resolve the housing issues, evening hours and more various age-level activities at the Elder Center, and, timely communication and notification of activities and events. Rey Kitchkumme, Tribal Council Liaison, has been taking a leading and active role in these discussions. The following has been formed or discussed: 1) various committees have been formed, such as Communication, Fund Raising, Lobbying, Policies and Procedures for the Title VI Program and reactivate the Advisory Board, 2) the Elder Center hours will remain open Tuesday and Thursday evenings with the second Saturday of the month open between 3 pm - 7 pm. These committees will work with the Elder Center staff. 3) the first open Saturday was on July 12th.

An Activities Survey, an information form, and agenda was developed and distributed by the Communication Committee to those who attended the fourth Talking Circle. The goal is to obtain a contact person from the Topeka area to help contact and notify those in the area in a short period of time; the telephone along with e-mail would be the most economical and quickest way to get information from one point to another.



Genealogy Group Auto Trip - Sugar Creek Mission

By Delores Nioce-Abrams

A group of ten, senior tribal members took a day auto trip to Sugar Creek Mission and Mound City, in Linn County, Kansas, on Saturday, May 31, 2003. This historic site was the destination of Potawatomi on the Trail of Death in 1838. Potawatomi bands located in this area from 1838 - 1848 were the St. Joseph from Michigan, Potawatomi of the Wabash, and Potawatomi of the Prairie. By the summer of 1840 the Potawatomi numbered 2,153.

Olna May Ernest, President/Curator, Linn County Historical Museum, met our group at the park and gave a presentation on the history of the Potawatomi at Sugar Creek Mission and Linn County. Ms. Ernest accompanied us throughout our tour explaining the history at each site of the park and provided a list of the 600 Potawatomi buried in this area. Seven huge crosses on an open field have plaques engraved with these Potawatomi names. Other points of interest at this park are the remnants of foundations of the mission school and nuns quarters, and priests' cabin; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Memorial; Stations of the Cross walking paths; Indian Well and other walking paths, all located along the creek banks with beautiful trees. A stone wall holds a weekly diary of the Potawatomi Trail of Death. On September 7, 1848, the Potawatomi left Sugar Creek with every movable article they possessed.

Our second stop was at Sacred Heart Church, Mound City, Kansas, where we were met by Jim Higgins, Parishioner, who opened the church for us and explained the history of the church and stained glass windows depicting the life of St. Philippine Duchesne with the Potawatomi:

Tribal members participating in this auto trip were: Walter Cooper, Thaymer Morris, Marilyn Wakolee, Pat Keesis, Delores Miller, Roy Hale, Lavera Bell, Theresa Asselin, Delores Abrams and Shirley Wakole (driver).



First Senior/Elder Potluck held Saturday, July 12, 2003: Bernadette Osage is attempting to get hold of the dollar Jim McKinney dropped from his hand, if she catches the floating bill, she can keep it. In the background (L-R): Marilyn Hale-Wakolee, Carol Dewitt, Agnes McKinney and Thamer Morris. (Photo, PBP News Staff)



Jane Puckkee expressing a thought at the Senior and Elder Talking Circle held at the Elder Center. Listening are Jim McKinney and Marilyn Hale-Wakolee. Tutti Kern, Elder Center staff, is reading a handout. (Photo, PBP News Staff)



MOVING ANNOUNCEMENT

As of June 16, 2003
the PBP News has moved to
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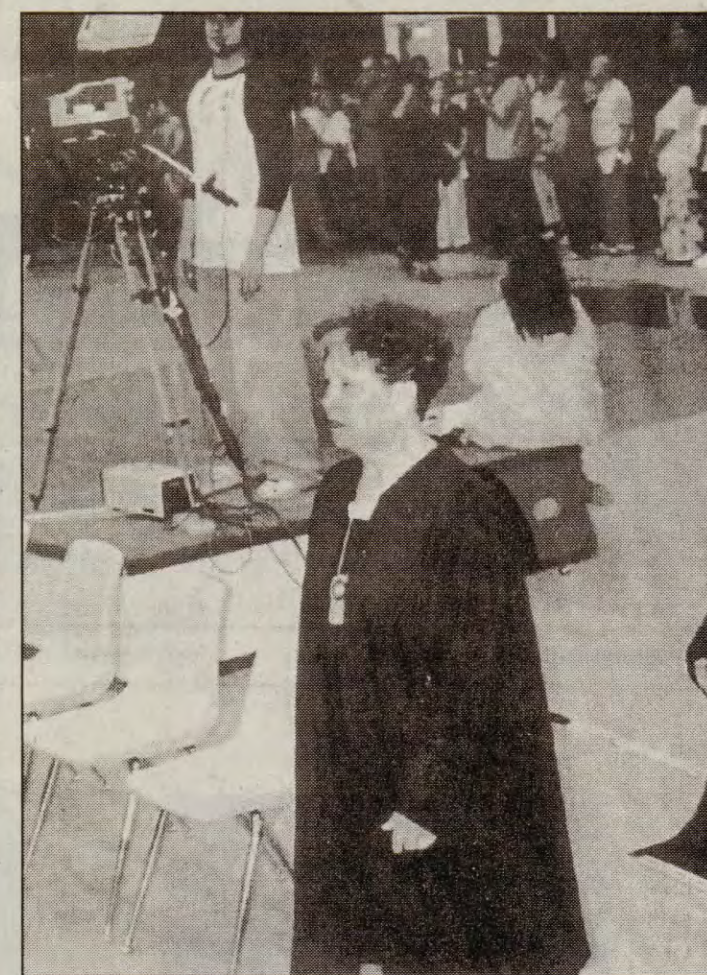
Retired



After years of service, Maxine Ramierz retires from the Early Childhood and Education Center. (Photo-PBP News Staff)



Emery Hale retires from We-Ta-Se Post 410. This is his second time retiring from BPPN. Roy Hale is giving a Pendleton to his brother. (L-R): Steve Ortiz, Tribal Council Secretary and Rey Kitchkumme, Tribal Council Member attend retirement party. (Photo by PBP News Staff)



Ramona Mattwaoshe Micco Haskell Alumus was selected 2003 Grand Marshall during Haskell Indian Nation University Commencement Ceremony. As Grand Marshall, she led the graduating students into Coffin Sports Complex. (Photo submitted)

PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NEWS

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Anonymous letters will NOT be printed in the paper. Please include your name, address, and telephone number where we can contact you should we need to verify the information.

Photos submitted with a news article will be returned after publication. Please include a stamped and self-addressed envelope with the photo.

Happy Birthday

To My Baby M Ko Kwe We

Much Love
Mom

Thank You PBPN

Mayetta Area Business Association Gazebo Project wishes to thank the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation for their donation and sponsorship of \$1,200 for the Gazebo Project.

Live entertainment Friday evening:

Music in the Park
with
BJ and the Red River Special

Mayetta United Park on Main Street

Friday, August 1, 2003
7 pm—11 pm

Bring your blanket and lawn chair
Free will offering

Invitation To

**The All Nations
Native American Bowling
Tournament
invites**

**PBPN Tribal Members are in-
vited to participate in the
Bowling Tournament
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August 9-10, 2003
At**

**Holiday Lanes
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And
Entry form contact:**

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Colleen Larney
(405) 553-7526**

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Happy 2nd Birthday
Maxine!

July 15th, 2003

Lots of love always

Mama, your little sister Angel,
Grandma, Pops & Chuckie

Area Churches

By Mary Young

Baptist

Prairie Band Baptist Church
128 E. Main Street, Mayetta, KS

Sunday: 10 am – Sunday School
11 am – Worship Service

Thursday 7 pm Adult Bible Study
7 pm Children's Bible Church

Pastor Terry Paine

Bethany Baptist Church

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

David Noland, Youth Sunday School Teacher
David preaches the 5th Sunday of months.

Catholic

Our Lady of the Snows Parish

5971 – 166th Rd, Mayetta

Our Lady of Snows is on-line with a web page on history, calendar of events, mass schedule, photo gallery, and other important information. Please take a few minutes to visit our web page at <http://www.pbpindiantribe.com/snow/index.html> or go to the tribal web site home page and click on Our Lady of Snows icon. We would be glad to answer any questions about our parish.

Native American Mass at Assumption Church

204 West 8th, Topeka, KS

Methodist

Pottawatomie United Methodist
On O Rd. between 142 and 150 Rd.

Rev. Floyd Nolin, Jr.

Sunday: 9:45 am – Sunday School
10:30 am – Worship Service

Pentecostal

Potawatomi Pentecostal Church

4-1/2 mi. west of mi. marker 134
Rev. Vernon Potts

Sunday: 10 am – Sunday School
10:45 am – Worship service
7 pm – Evening Worship

THE BIBLE SAYS...

By Pastor Terry Paine

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Isaiah 40:29-31)

Are you feeling weak and alone in this battle of life? If you do, this passage is for you! In verse 29 the Lord says He's always there to help those that have NO MIGHT, He will increase their strength. Then the Bible goes on to say that if we will "wait upon the Lord," He will not only renew our strength, but we will "mount up with wings as eagles!"

This passage got me to studying about eagles. An eagle's wingspan is somewhere around 5 feet, and if you've ever watched an eagle fly, you've seen that they don't usually use their wings for "flying" – they use their wings for "soaring". He doesn't use all his energy flapping his wings and fighting the wind, he allows the wind to carry him. In the Bible the Holy Spirit of God is explained to be like the wind. We don't know where it comes from, or where it goes, but we certainly know when it's there. If you are a child of God, and have received His son Jesus into your heart, then you have received the Holy Spirit into your life. You need to "catch the wind" and let God's Holy Spirit fill you, and let you soar above the storms of life.

I also found out that when it's time for a baby eaglet to fly, that his daddy will push him out of the nest. As he stutters and sputters downward, his daddy will, (at the last minute), swoop down under him and catch him on his strong back and take him back to the nest. Then He does it again, until the baby eaglet is finally able to fly on his own. You see that daddy eagle can fly downward faster than the baby eaglet can fall. May I say that our Heavenly Father also is able to catch us before we fall and hit the bottom. Many times we sputter and fall, but our Father is always there to pick us back up. You see "Jesus Never Fails!"

Another thing about the eagle is that he will always return to the same rock that he started from. May I say that we also need to return to the "Rock of our Salvation." You see Jesus, God's only Son, did all He could do to make our salvation as secure as a Solid Rock. But He is a gentle saviour and will not force you to return to Him. If you have prayed and asked the Lord Jesus to save you, your home in heaven is secure. The rain will fall on the good and the evil alike, but if you are a child of God, he will catch you before you fall. Oh, beloved, accept Him today, and catch the wind of His Holy Spirit so you can fly above those storms of life.



Congratulations to Great-, Great Grandmother Cecelia "Meeks" Jackson! (L-R): Wakiyan Wi Irving (5 lbs) and Mahpiya Wi Irving (6 lbs. 5 oz.). The girls were born on June 14, 2003 and are two weeks old in the photo. Proud parents are Mahnee Hubbard and John Irving.

Recipe Corner

By Mary Young

Get the grill out and try these tantalizing recipes. They are quick and easy and ideal during these warm and busy months.

Grilled Chicken and Spinach Salad with Orange Dressing (Courtesy of Pillsbury Fast & Healthy Magazine)

1 (10-oz.) pkg. Prewashed fresh spinach, torn
1/2 cup orange juice
3 tbsp brown sugar
3 tbsp vinegar
1 tsp grated orange peel
1/8 tsp salt
2 medium shallots, minced
4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves, pounded slightly to flatten
1/4 tsp black and red pepper blend or black pepper
6 slices orange, halved
1-1/2 cups halved strawberries

Grill Directions:

Heat grill. Place spinach in large bowl. In small saucepan, combine orange juice, brown sugar, vinegar, orange peel, salt and shallots; mix well. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring occasionally. Immediately pour over spinach; toss to combine. Divide evenly onto 4 plates.

When ready to grill, lightly sprinkle one side of each chicken breast half with 1/8 teaspoon of the pepper blend. Place chicken, peppered side down, on gas grill over medium heat or on charcoal grill 4 to 6 inches from medium coals. Cook 5 minutes. Lightly sprinkle chicken again with remaining pepper blend; turn chicken. Cook an additional 3 to 5 minutes or until chicken is fork-tender and juices run clear.

Slice chicken breasts crosswise into slices; do not separate slices. Fan chicken slices; arrange one breast half on spinach mixture on each plate. Arrange halved orange slices and strawberries around chicken. 4 servings.

Broiler Directions:

Prepare spinach mixture as directed above.

Lightly sprinkle one side of each chicken breast half with 1/8 teaspoon of the pepper blend. Place chicken, peppered side up, on broiler pan. Broil 4 to 6 inches from heat for 5 minutes. Turn chicken; lightly sprinkle chicken with remaining pepper blend. Broil an additional 3 to 5 minutes or until chicken is fork-tender and juices run clear.

Assemble salads as directed above.

Fruit Caprice

Recipe submitted by Donica Nanez

1 grapefruit 1 orange 1 pear 1 apple 2 plums
1 branch celery, diced

For the dressing:

1 tbsp plain yogurt 1 tbsp orange juice
1 tsp honey 1 cup slivered almonds

Prepare the dressing by combining the yogurt, orange juice and honey in a small bowl. Blend well.

Peel the grapefruit, orange and pear. Remove any excess white skin from the grapefruit and orange. Core the apple, do not peel it, and remove the pits from the plums. Cut the fruit into pieces and combine in a salad bowl with the celery.

Spoon the dressing over the fruit and gently fold it in. Chill and serve, garnish with the slivered almonds. Serves 4

Chicken Grill Fiesta (Courtesy of Pillsbury Fast & Healthy Magazine)

1 tbsp dried Mexican seasoning or taco seasoning mix
3 tbsp lime juice
4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves
8 cups torn Bibb lettuce
1 medium red bell pepper, coarsely chopped
1/4 cup sliced pitted ripe olives
3/4 cup Old El Paso® Thick 'n Chunky Salsa
2 tbsp reduced-fat sour cream
2 tbsp chopped fresh cilantro

Grill Directions:

Heat grill. In medium bowl, combine Mexican seasoning and lime juice; mix well. Add chicken; turn to coat. Let stand 5 to 10 minutes at room temperature to marinate.

When ready to grill, remove chicken from marinade; discard marinade. Place chicken on gas grill over medium heat or on charcoal grill 4 to 6 inches from medium coals. Cook 10 to 12 minutes or until chicken is fork-tender and juices run clear, turning once.

Meanwhile, in large bowl, combine lettuce, bell pepper and olives; toss gently. In small bowl, combine salsa and sour cream; mix well. Pour salsa mixture over salad; toss to combine. Divide salad evenly onto 4 plates.

Slice each chicken breast half crosswise into slices; do not separate slices. Fan chicken slices; arrange one breast half on lettuce mixture on each plate. Sprinkle with cilantro. 4 servings.

Broiler Directions:

Marinate chicken as directed above.

Place chicken on broiler pan. Broil 4 to 6 inches from heat for 10 to 12 minutes or until chicken is fork-tender and juices run clear, turning once.

Assemble salads as directed above.

Newspaper. Be sure to include your name, telephone number and/or address in case we have any questions. Until next issue, Recipe Corner would like to say wis-nemen!

GAMBOTTEK
(Those who died)

Francis John "Pete" Boushie

Francis "Pete" John Boushie, Topeka, 54, died Wednesday, July 2, 2003, at his home. Francis was born Sept. 11, 1948, in Topeka, the son of Ben Boushie and Velma Shopteese Boushie. He grew up in South Dakota graduating from Marty Indian Catholic School. He worked at the Colmery-ONEil Veterans Hospital in Topeka as a clerk in medical records. He served in the U.S. Marines from 1968 to 1972, where he was stationed in El Toro in California. He was a member of American Legion Post No. 400 and the Heartland Pool League in Topeka. He was also a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. He married Veronica St. Claire Hensley, they later divorced. He married Barbara Cox Sparks on March 21, 1997, in Miami, Okla. She survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Franie Minor, of Minneola, and Regina White, of Laverne, Okla.; two stepsons, Eric Sparks, of Topeka, and Robert Sparks, of Bowling Green, Ky.; one brother, Jim Boushie; and 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother, William "Bill" Boushie. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Davidson Funeral Home. Inurnment will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the Ship-Shee Indian Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to service time. Memorial contributions may be made to the Heartland Hospice or the Topeka Rescue Mission and sent in care of the Davidson Funeral Home.

Andrew Rocco Guerrero

Andrew Rocco Guerrero, 48, Topeka, died Thursday, July 3, 2003, at his home.

He was born Jan. 26, 1955, in Topeka, the son of Robert Torrez and Eunice Belaire Guerrero.

Mr. Guerrero was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and attended the Mexican Baptist Church in Topeka.

He married Nancy A. Newman on Feb. 15, 1973, in Topeka. She survives.

Other survivors include a son, Richard J. Guerrero, and a daughter, Andrea N. Guerrero, both of Topeka; two brothers, Burton Jones Jr. and Brian Jones, both of Topeka; eight sisters, Marcia Guerrero, New York, and Roberta Guerrero, Darlinda Price, Peggy Nave, Nancy Anderson, Jaimie Jones, Jennifer Kim Herrera and Tracy Jones, all of Topeka; and three grandchildren.

His parents and a brother, Robert Terry Guerrero, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be at noon Monday at Davidson Funeral Home. Mr. Guerrero will lie in state after 10 a.m. Monday at the funeral home, where the family will receive friends until the service hour. Burial will be in Topeka Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Heart of America Hospice, 3715 S.W. 29th St., Topeka, 66614.

Potawatomi Youth Travel to Spokane

Potawatomi Boys and Girls Club Travel 3,200 miles to Play in the Largest 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament in the World

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After a few days on the road, which included over 3,200 miles of travel, a small group of Potawatomi youth returned to the Potawatomi reservation satisfied with an experience that rivals any before.

The purpose of the trip for the Potawatomi Nation Boys and Girls Club was to attend the Spokane, Washington 2003 Hoopfest. All of the expenses were raised by the Club.

This event included over 24,500 players on 6,245 teams. The tournament was broken down into age brackets from 4-6 year olds to ex-college players. It's billed as the largest 3 on 3 basketball tournament in the world and started in 1990 and has grown ever year since.

Buffalo Babes, a team consisting of Nicole Burdick, Bema Tecumseh, Josie Pahmahmie and Tarissa Danielson, took 2nd place in the 18 years and over division.

"It was a great experience," said Tarissa, "because I played against 'older people.'"

Most of the team just gradu-

ated from high school and played against former college players and in the 25-26 year old bracket.

A loss in the winners bracket finals 20-18 sent the team into the losers bracket but fought back into the championship game where the 93 degree heat took its toll and lost 20-15 to a Spokane team.

"I'm not gonna complain about anything because it was a great trip," said Amber. "Although we lost to some Barbies, I had fun time playing ball. We should be coming home as champions, maybe next year."

Josie Pahmahmie agreed with her teammate. "I'm with Amber, I'm not gonna complain about anything, but the Barbies in the championship game. If we had a longer break in between our last two games, we probably would have won, but we was all tired! Thank you for everything! Thanks for all the support. But, the Barbies better watch out next year."

For many on the youth the experience was unprecedented.

Said Nicole Burdick: "I had a great time. It was the first time I have ever been to the Dakotas, Montana, and Washington."

Another Potawatomi team of Lan Danielson, Item Pahmahmie and Shanna Greemore took third place in their division winning two and losing two. The tournament had 16 teams in each bracket. Shanna commented on the trip: "I had fun playing but the girls we played against were kinda aggressive and I jammed my finger, but we got third."

Her teammate, Erin Pahmahmie conveyed a similar message saying "The fun part about the ride was that we got to see lots of mountains. The hoopfest had good competition. I would like to go again."

Native Playaz won two games and lost two but did not place. The team members were Mona Nozhackum, Wahba Masquat, Autumn Big Boy and Tara Mitchell. The experience for the younger players will only help them as they progress as basketball players. "They had good competition up there. I would like to go again," said Tara Mitchell.

The team of Bill Evans, Nelson Tecumseh, Sock Johnson and Andrew Wahweotten, called Lights Out, played an excellent tournament, winning their first game and then losing two

close games. After the last game for this team, Channel 4, a local Spokane team interviewed Bill, Andrew and Nelson for a story on Hoopfest highlights. The focus of the interview was that this team traveled so far and how enjoyable of an experience this was for the whole Potawatomi group. The station promised to send a copy of the interviews. "It was cool that Nelson, Bill, Andrew and I got interviewed," said Sock Johnson.

Another team with the same record of 1-2 called Native Hoopsters had the following team members: Evan Evans, Waskeh Little-Axe, Rusty Potts, and Shawn Seematter. This team is just starting out, yet, was put into a competitive division, but still did well.

"It was fun time on the way up there," said Waskeh, "and it only got better. The competition was hard. It was awesome." His teammate, Evan, said: "It was organized. I hope we go another year."

Other teams also playing for the first time, but not winning any games were:

Native 1's had a first time team: Jesse Potts; Cheeto Wahquaboshkuk; David Jim; and Justin Purtee on their team.

The Queens of Krunk had the following team players: Jamie Greemore; Star Pelcher; Amber Wahweotten; and Shawna Greemore.

Above, left: Evan Evans and Waskeh Little-Axe
Left: Potawatomi boys resting in Spokane Park
Right: Sock Johnson of the team Lights Out
Below left: Tara Mitchell shooting in 2003 Hoopfest
Below Middle: Erin Pahmahmie
Below right: Potawatomi boys playing in the park



Above: The Buffalo Babes: Tarissa, Nicole, Josie and Amber
Right: Native Playaz in action: Left to right—Wahba Masquat, Tara Mitchell and Autumn Big Boy



"I'm not much of a basketball player, but the trip was fun and 'trying' to play was pretty funny, so there is nothing that there is to regret, it was an awesome trip," said Amber Wahweotten.

Muddy Waters had Nathan Hale; Pamsot Winsea; Watt Jackson and Pam Johnson. This team's record was 1-3.

Each team cheered for the other Potawatomi teams, but often the games were located a mile apart in some instances. For example, one game started at 9am and the next at 10, so the walking on a humid and hot day also had an effect on the players.

A tribal elder, Delores Abrams happen to be in the neighborhood. She was visiting her family in Spokane and walked by the hoopfest and was surprised

to see all the Potawatomis there. She did lend her support to the teams throughout the weekend.

Ralph Tecumseh traveled with the Club as a chaperone and said, "I think it was a great experience for the kids that went. I enjoyed watching others play. They all played like champions. I would also like going again next year. The competition was good and I think the kids know what to expect and how to get ready for the next trip."

Was it worth it to drive 3,200 miles, put up with cramped bus conditions, heat, huge crowds, and missed meals because of the hectic schedule?

"All of our teams represented our community in a good way by playing hard and displaying good sportsmanship," said Nathan Hale.

