



Prairie Band Potawatomi News

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A Report to the People of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

Prairie Band explores interest in Southeast Kansas Multi-Tribe Destination Resort and Casino with two other Kansas tribes

Submitted by: Corporate Communications, Inc.

The Prairie Band and two other resident Kansas tribes are joining forces to study development of a destination resort and casino in far southeast Kansas because that location appears to be politically feasible as well as economically advantageous to the tribes and the state, chairs of the tribes announced.

Leaders of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas and the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska have executed a multi-tribe Letter of Agreement with representatives of Kansans for Economic Growth, LLC, to explore a destination resort hotel and casino near the intersection of Highway 400 and Interstate 44 in Cherokee County. Tribal leaders Zach Pahmahmie of the Prairie Band Potawatomi, Steve Cadue of the Kickapoo Tribe and Fredia Perkins of the Sac and Fox Nation joined together with representatives of Kansans for Economic Growth to make this announcement.

"We are exploring this initiative as a possible win-win solution that benefits both the Indian Tribes in Kansas and the State of Kansas," said Zach Pahmahmie, chair of the Prairie Band Potawatomi. "Although we have generally been opposed to the expansion of gaming in Kansas, additional gaming through tribally operated casinos in southeast Kansas and Wyandotte County would help to resolve this issue in a constitutional manner. Our tribes intend to take a close look at southeast Kansas for two important reasons.

"First, a 2004 study conducted by

Christiansen Capital Advisors through the Kansas Lottery for the Governor's Commission on Gaming found that southeast Kansas provides exceptional state revenue potential because of its proximity to major population and tourist areas in four states.

"Just as the proposal of two of our tribes for a casino in Wyandotte County will keep gaming by Kansans in Kansas, so also a casino in Cherokee County will do that, and also it will attract additional gaming and tourism dollars from Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas," he said.

"If a feasibility study commissioned specifically for this site validates the findings of the Christiansen report, we expect to rapidly move forward on a Memorandum of Agreement with Kansans for Economic Growth, secure support from Cherokee County and then seek to negotiate a joint tribal compact for the project with Gov. Kathleen Sebelius," Pahmahmie said. "Our history of successfully operating our own casinos in northeast Kansas provides us with the experience necessary to provide a quality, destination resort hotel and casino that all of our tribal members and the residents of Kansas will be proud of.

"Second, a southeast Kansas location has the best chance for legislative support because it provides solutions to interests elsewhere in the state who prefer to limit statewide gaming expansion."

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Prairie Band to assume management of Harrah's Casino in 2008

Below is a May 9 press release from Harrah's announcing the nonrenewal of their contract as of January 2008.

Tribal Council and the Casino Management

Committee are expecting a smooth transition. Look for more information in upcoming issues of the News and plan to attend the General Council meeting on July 16 to learn more of the details.

Submitted by: Harrah's Entertainment, Inc.

LAS VEGAS, May 9, 2005-The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and Harrah's Kansas Corporation, a subsidiary of Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. (NYSE:HET) today announced that Harrah's will not seek renewal of its management contract for Harrah's Prairie Band Casino.

Harrah's will continue to operate the property until its contract expires in January 2008, while working with tribal officials to prepare for a seamless transition of operations to the Nation. Harrah's has managed the property on behalf of the Nation since it opened in January 1998.

"The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

and Harrah's have been a very successful owner and management team since 1998," said Zach Pahmahmie, chairman of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. "The Nation is honored for the 10 years' management

experience we'll have gained by the end of our agreement with Harrah's in 2008. We expect a smooth transition in the remaining years of our management agreement between the Nation and Harrah's."

"We have long understood that the Nation's ultimate goal is self management, and believe the tribe will be well-prepared for this transition," said Carlos

Tolosa, president of Harrah's Eastern Region. "Harrah's is proud to have worked with the Nation in building a successful business and we're confident their resort will continue to thrive for years to come."

Various subsidiaries of Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. own or manage 25 casinos in the United States, primarily under the Harrah's and Horseshoe brand names. Founded 67 years ago, Harrah's Entertainment is focused on building

loyalty and value with its valued customers through a unique combination of great service, excellent products, unsurpassed distribution, operational excellence and technology leadership.



Tribal Council members and Harrah's Manager, Patrick Browne met with the Harrah's Leadership Team on May 11 to answer questions. All-employee meetings at Harrah's were also held to notify employees about the upcoming change in management.

Tribal leaders conference held at Harrah's Event Center

By Mary Young

A tribal leadership conference was held at the Prairie Band Casino Hotel and Convention Center April 26 - April 28. Approximately 60 participants were registered for the conference.

Representatives included Mary Carter and Kelly Moore, Self-Determination Specialists from the Southern Plains Regional Office. They also attended the "ribbon cutting ceremony" of the Dutch Creek bridge (see photo below).

One speaker at the conference was Philip Lujan, Magistrate for the Court of Indian Offenses, from the Anadarko Agency who spoke on tribal courts and Court of Indian Offenses (CFR Courts). In his presentation he gave his own definition of sovereignty. He said: "Sovereignty is just a slogan. Sovereignty is an abstraction unless you have a court system or justice system that reaches out into the Indian community and affects their lives, protects them and solves problems. This is how sovereignty

actually walks the earth, and comes alive in tribal members lives."

Another presenter was Stephen Parker, an Appeals Officer, Court of Indian Offenses for the Anadarko and Pawnee Agencies. Regarding tribal courts he said, "The judiciary needs to be in the tribes constitution and an independent judiciary may not rule in favor of leaders." He further said, "a resolution will allow political issues to be resolved politically and courts are designed to obey the laws. Tribal councils set policy and tribal courts apply these laws, they do not make these laws."

Another speaker was Sharlot Johnson a Tribal Operations Officer of the Western Regional Office who spoke about enrollment.

PBPN Enrollment Office staff who attended reported that they are following the rules. Staff member Kim Henry said, "Basically we are following most of the suggested procedures that Ms. Johnson spoke about."



The Dutch Creek bridge located on K Road north of 110 Rd (which is actually off the reservation) was finished this spring and a ribbon cutting ceremony was held. Tribal leaders, along with Tim Ramirez, Director of Road & Bridge, attended the official opening. Jackson County officials including Road and Bridge Administrator Ray Hallauer and Terry Mick, foreman for JACO Road and Bridge, and County Commissioner, Lois Pelton attended. Tim Penney, Federal Hwy Administration was on hand to cut the ribbon. The bridge was a coordinated effort between the county and PBPN. The bridge span was originally a 19 ft. bridge but has been expanded to 102-1/2 feet. The old bridge was prone to flooding so the new one should alleviate that problem. Photo by Mary Young.



Tribal Council and reservation residents meet with Jackson County Commissioners at Thunderhill and voice concerns

Story and photos by: Suzanne Heck

Tribal Council, along with other concerned reservation residents and Jackson County Commissioners (JCC), took a tour of the Thunderhill Racetrack conducted by owner Mike Henry on May 16.

The tour was important to the Tribe as Jackson County Commissioners are expected to vote soon on whether to zone Thunderhill from an agricultural to heavy industrial use category. It's an issue that has been festering between the County and tribe ever since Henry filed for the land use change last year. The racetrack is located on the reservation at the intersection of 142nd and P Roads.

Henry's application to go from agricultural to heavy industrial was approved by the County's Planning Commission on April 21 and now a final vote is expected to be made by the JCC in the next two weeks.

The group that gathered for the tour got a first-hand look at the racetrack and walked an area near Little Soldier Creek where a recent motocross trail has been developed. Questions were raised about embankment erosion and damage to the wildlife habitat that Henry answered still needed to be dealt with.

Another question directed at Henry was what he planned to do about the high level of noise the racetrack generates. Longtime reservation resident Cecilia "Meeks" Jackson, who was in attendance that day, said (with the help of Mary LeClere) that her home was a place where Potawatomi traditional ceremonies are held and that the racetrack noise disrupted the serenity of the ceremonies. Her home is located one-half west of the racetrack. Henry said that he had not been aware of the track's impact on traditional ceremonies until he filed for the zoning change and several tribal members had spoken out at earlier Jackson

County Planning Commission meetings. He said that he had taken sound levels at her home and nearby locations and they measured that the noise levels were not real high.

Also present was Rey Kitchkumme, Vice Chair of the Tribal Council, and Tribal Chief of Police Terry Scott. They both voiced their concerns about the coolers of beer that are allowed to be brought into the racetrack. Scott said that his department had dealt with fights at the track due to drinking and Rey found several bottles of beer in trash containers and on the grounds and took them to Henry to get his point across.

Henry told Chief Scott, "You are welcome to come in here at anytime to check things out." Scott retorted that he just wanted it all to go away.

Scott also said that one of his concerns was the number of car trailers who left the track without any taillights on them at night after the races.

Jackson County Commissioners who attended that day included Brad Hamilton, Lois Pelton, and John Grau. After the racetrack tour ended the commissioners took a driving tour to the homes of some reservation residents, including a stop at Meeks Jackson's that was led by Latane Donelin of the PBPN Department of Planning and Environmental Protection. Latane also pointed out some tribal cemeteries to the JCC that are near the racetrack.

In related news, on May 9 the JCC and other officials met with Tribal Council and PBPN's attorney David Prager regarding a Memorandum of Understanding concerning land use regulations on the reservation. Both groups have been meeting for two years concerning the issue and to date there is still no agreement. The two groups plan to meet again on June 20.



Cecilia "Meeks" Jackson, who is sitting in the photograph above, attended a meeting between the Jackson County Commissioners, the PBPN, and Thunderhill Racetrack owner Mike Henry who is on the far left.



Rey Kitchkumme found several beer bottles in trash containers located around the racetrack.



News from Tribal Council



From Tribal Council Chair, Zach Pahmahmie

Open Letter to all Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Members Concerning the Tribal Enrollment Audit

Many of you recently received a letter from the Nation requesting documents to complete your enrollment file. You are probably wondering why and what will result from this audit. This open letter will address your concerns and answer the most commonly asked questions. Let's begin with the basic questions.

Perhaps the most common question is:

Q. Am I in danger of being disenrolled?

A. Absolutely not. Regardless of what information is discovered, no current tribal member will be subject to disenrollment procedures. Tribal Council unanimously agreed that this audit is about providing the Prairie Band Potawatomi members with an enrollment department that lives up to the standards that the tribal members expect and deserve. This is not about disenrollment in any way, shape or form.

Q. Why is the tribe conducting this audit?

A. The Tribal Council recognizes that many tribal member files are incomplete. In many cases there are no applications, birth certificates, or family trees.

Q. What will completing the membership files do for my family and me?

A. It will ensure that your children, grandchildren, and each subsequent generation are given fair and full access to membership in the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. In addition, it will speed up the researching process for those who apply for membership in the future.

Q. I already submitted that information. What happened to the documents I gave to the tribal enrollment office in the first place?

A. We do not know. Tribal Council is working with the BIA to launch an investigation into why some files are missing documents. It is the hope that this investigation will yield some answers to this important question.

We do know that it is something that has happened over a long period of time. It is not something that one person or one event created. In addition, the BIA-Horton office has agreed to assist by providing available documentation that they maintain in their files. With cooperation from the BIA-Horton Field Office, we hope to receive some individual member information directly from BIA files. However, the BIA files may not provide all the information needed for the PBPB Enrollment Department to complete your file. This is the reason we are asking for your assistance.

Q. What makes this time different? Five years from now, will someone ask me for these documents again?

A. No. The Tribal Council is developing long-range policies, procedures and safeguards to ensure that these documents remain safe and secure long into the future.

Q. Who is conducting the audit?

A. A company called DCIAmerica is leading the audit. DCI has been working with tribes since 1990 and has facilitated more work for tribal enrollment departments all over Indian Country than any other company. The main areas in which DCI works with enrollment issues are:

- Drafting tribal constitutions dealing with enrollment criteria and membership standards
- Drafting enrollment ordinances
- Developing and drafting policies and procedures
- Conducting enrollment audits for tribes

James Mills is the President of DCI and the project leader. He is assisted by enrollment professionals who have decades of experience working in enrollment departments across the country. The team has proven themselves time and again and adheres to strict standards of ethics in regard to enrollment issues.

The Tribal Council has taken on the enormous task of making a sound and efficient enrollment department that will serve the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation in the future. Tribal enrollment is a fundamental aspect of tribal survival.

Many of you have already forwarded complete documents to the Nation's Enrollment Department. We would like to thank you for your cooperation. If you have further questions, comments, or concerns regarding this much needed audit, please address them at the July 16, 2005 General Council meeting. Thank you for your time and understanding.

**An enrollment form and per capita deposit form
are both available
on page 3**



From Tribal Council Treasurer, Ryan Dyer

I would like to extend a warm Bosh to all Tribal members. There are many governmental updates that are important to communicate to the membership this month. On Friday, May 6 Harrahs announced that they will not be seeking to renew the management agreement with the Nation. Upon the expiration of the management agreement in January of 2008 the Nation will be responsible for management of our facility. There are many decisions that need to be made well in advance of that deadline. The first decision will be whether you would like to direct Council to release a request for proposals from other management companies or you would like for the Nation to establish a self-management strategy.

Regardless of which direction we take, we will be establishing a transition team in the near future. This will most likely consist of Tribal Council members, the casino management committee members, and some current key employees within the business. Their duties will be to assure a seamless transition away from Harrahs and into whatever form of management we choose. It is important for the membership to understand that the Council is committed to continuing to provide the premier gaming experience in Kansas and maintain our position as the best area casino and best place to work. Our loyal customers throughout the years will experience the same great customer service and gaming excitement regardless of the form of management we choose. There will be

many opportunities in the near future for our membership to accept the challenge of casino operations and management. I would encourage anyone interested in employment at the casino facility to contact Ruth Vega in the HR department.

The Nation has also announced that we are in preliminary discussions with the other three Tribes in Kansas to develop a casino project in Southeast Kansas. Rey Kitchkumme and I toured potential development sites and met with members of Kansans for Economic Growth, a development company, as well as other Tribal leaders to discuss this endeavor. We do not have any formal agreements in place but are staying involved in this project and should be able to provide more information at a later date.

We were unable to acquire the Sha-be-nay reservation as we intended in the beginning of April but are still seeking to reclaim the land on behalf of the Nation. This has been a long battle that we continue to fight and as we progress we will keep you informed. We recently broke ground for our new housing development located on the reservation called "Prairie Ridge". This is a planned 14 manufactured home community and should provide high quality, affordable housing for our membership. If you are interested in applying for one of these properties please contact the housing department.

We have many economic development and investment

projects that are continuing including a water project, wind powered generator project, the Highway 75 and 150 interchange and commercial development and new capital improvements at the Casino. We are striving to conduct any development in an intelligent and respectful way.

The overall economic outlook remains flat so the Nation is investing in some fixed rate securities to hedge our risk and guarantee decent returns on our investments. These are middle term investments that fit well into our portfolio, maintaining our conservative position while allowing our wealth to build for the future. Our overall investment portfolio remains solid and we are still well positioned to see increases when the economy rebalances yet mitigate our loss should the economy drastically take a turn for the worse. I am committed to effectively managing your assets and can assure you that the trust that you showed in me through the electoral process is well placed.

In closing I would like to recognize the employees of the Nation. I appreciate the hard work and dedication that you exhibit for the betterment of the Tribe. Without the teamwork and efforts of us all none of this would be possible. Thank you for allowing me to serve on your behalf and if you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact my office.



From Tribal Council Member, Jackie Mitchell

Haskell Board of Regents met on May 11th and 12th. One of the most urgent topics was funding for the upcoming year. With level funding for the last three years, it is getting increasingly harder to insure that all the needs of the students are met. Summer school has had to be cancelled for the last two years. All budgets are getting harder to manage. One of the biggest shortfalls is the food budget. This is an ongoing concern. It is of great urgency. Dr. Karen Swisher and her staff have been looking at ways to meet the shortages. The Board of Regents is very concerned about the shortages. One method is to look for outside funding from possible contributors. Haskell has been a part of our history, many have attended or had relatives that attended Haskell. Native Americans from all over the country have ties to Haskell and we all want to preserve this part of our history. Elections for the Board of Regents were also held. I was elected secretary of the board for the next two years.

Haskell graduation was a beautiful experience with several Prairie Band Potawatomi tribal members graduating. Another special event was the unveiling of the Mothers War Memorial. This memorial honors the mothers and grandmothers of veterans and the silent pain and sorrow of the mothers whose sons and daughters

never came home from war. It is a wonderful tribute to native women and was especially special because one of our tribal members, Barry Coffin, designed and made it. We-Ta-Se was part of the tribute, the 21-gun salute in the gym was a once in a lifetime experience.

It has been a very special spring with baby namings and graduations making it very special. Congratulations to all students that have made this milestone in their lives. It is so very wonderful to see how tribal members are taking their education so very serious and graduating. Tribal members are indeed fortunate to be able to take advantage of the educational funding that is available for students of all ages. Our tribe will be the greatest benefactor of this when educated tribal members come and work for the tribe and casino.

Harrahs announced that they will not seek an additional term of management with our tribe. Therefore in 2008, our casino will be managed by ourselves or another management group. This brings us to an important time in our history to insure that we continue to maintain and increase our present level of revenue. This will be possible if all tribal members work together to insure this happens. Tribal Council is working on the transition and will be

giving additional information as time goes on. We are confident that we will be able to make a smooth transition and will have a team in place to assist the Council with this new project.

Many new developments have been happening on the reservation including the blacktop project west of K road on 158th road, the senior garden apartments are almost complete, groundbreaking for a new community center, fourteen additional homes will be available on 158th and L roads by mid summer, and the new clinic bidding is being completed. The pow wow committee is gearing up for another great pow wow, members should make every attempt to come home and share this time with all of us. The Prairie Peoples Park is looking very special and has been the place of many spring celebrations including the Earth Day celebration and graduation parties. The Tribal Maintenance Department does a fine job of keeping it looking good. Much thanks to all the departments of the tribe for all the good work that they do for the general membership and all members of this community.

Thank you for allowing me to serve on Tribal Council and if you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at 785-966-4016 or email me at jackiem@pbpnation.org.



Harrah's Casino News

Spotlight on Tribal Member Hattie Mitchell

Submitted by: John Tuckwin, Harrah's HR Dept.

Have you ever had the opportunity to visit Japan and study in England all in the same summer? A tribal member, Hattie Mitchell, is planning to do just that, this summer.

Hattie will be traveling to Japan this May. She will be sightseeing, learning the language, absorbing the culture and visiting art galleries for one month. She will also be occupying herself with one of her favorite pastime's, shopping.

After Japan, Hattie will be off to England where she will attend Cambridge University. At Cambridge she will complete three courses while concentrating on International Politics. The credits she earns at Cambridge will transfer to Washburn University for her business degree. She is completing her junior year with a double major in business and pre-engineering. The Dean's Honor Roll is an additional college accomplishment. Hattie said, "I enjoy learning and plan to work on an advanced degree in environmental engineering after I receive my Bachelor's Degree."

Hattie began her education career on the reservation. Her father was her first teacher. "As a child, I learned to pray in the Potawatomi language from my father. He taught me about The Drum Way, our traditional religion," Hattie said. Her mother and father are Mary Wabnum Mitchell and Edward Joseph Mitchell. She has five brothers, Jimi, Eugene, Joe, William and John. "My family has always been support-

ive of my education," she said.

Her formal education continued at Royal Valley where she graduated in 2002. During her senior year at Royal Valley, Hattie was voted Homecoming Queen. She also participated in volleyball, basketball, track, Art Club, band and was the President of the Native American Club.

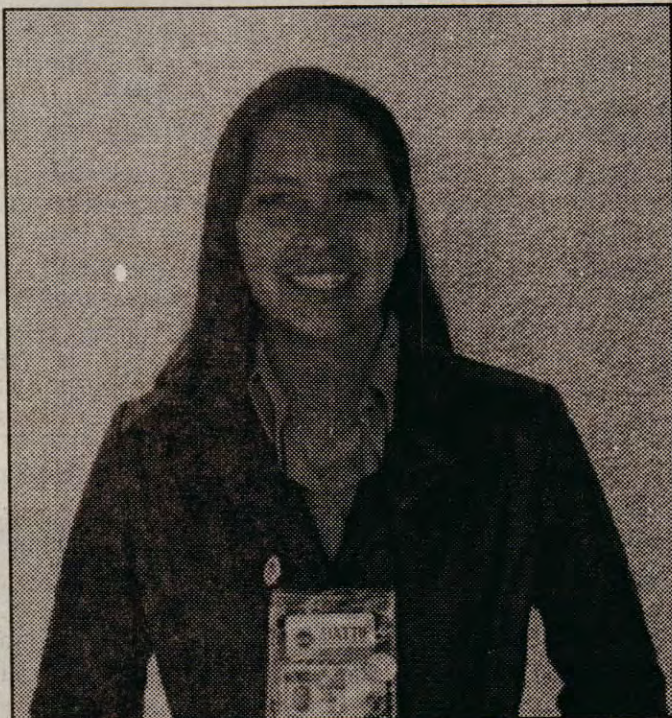
Hattie is currently enrolled at Washburn University. She enjoys college and said, "I really enjoyed being part of the Flag Core in the Washburn Band. We got to perform at the football games." She is working relentlessly toward her goal of obtaining a degree in business. She anticipates graduating in 2006 with a business major.

Along with being enrolled in college full-time, Hattie is a full-time employee at Harrah's Prairie Band Casino. She has held several positions including being a host in the buffet, and a cashier. Presently she is working in Teleservices.

Hattie said, "I have had an excellent job experience at Harrah's and have learned a great deal

about customer service."

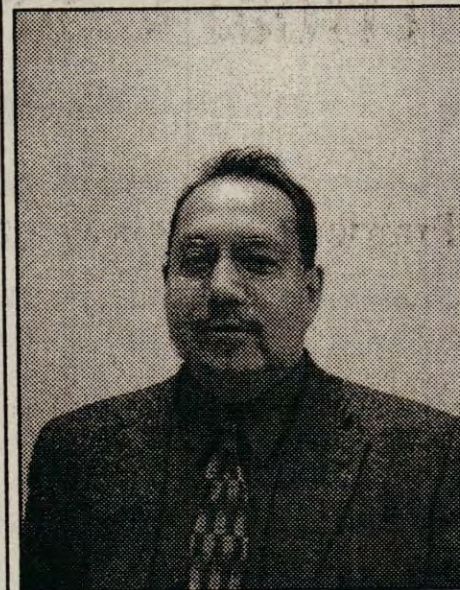
It appears that Hattie has the desire and devotion to meet the goals she has set for herself. She is an inspiration to the Potawatomi Nation.



Hattie Mitchell

Harrah's
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CASINO

Tribal members receive promotions at Harrah's Casino



Chuck Wahweotten

Submitted by: Kim Schemmel, Harrah's HR Dept.

Chuck Wahweotten has been promoted to the position of Table Games Shift Manager. He began his career with Harrah's Prairie Band Casino in 2000 as a Table Games Supervisor. After two years he was promoted to Slot Performance and then to Asst. Shift Manager in Slots, where in 2004 he received the prestigious Chairman's Award for Team Excellence.

Chuck was previously employed by the Prairie Band Potawatomi Gaming Commission as a Gaming Inspector for four years. With this experience, Chuck brings a wealth of knowledge about Indian Gaming Regulations and the casino industry.

Chuck received an Associates Degree from Haskell Indian Nations University and is currently pursuing his Business Administration degree from Friends University. Graduation is expected later this year.



Dominic Ortiz

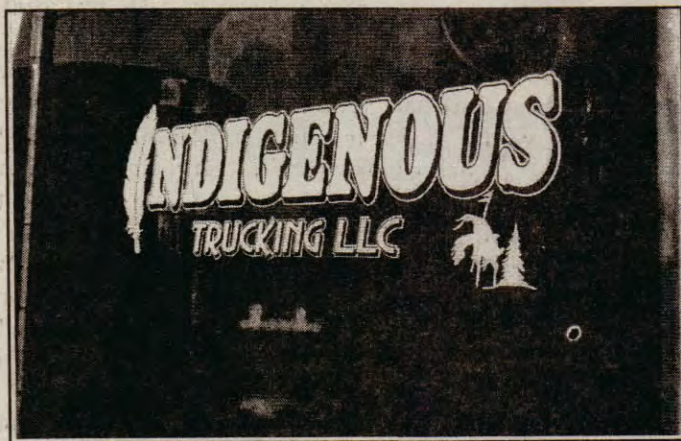
Submitted by: Kim Schemmel, Harrah's HR Dept.

Harrah's Prairie Band Casino is proud to announce the recent promotion of Dominic Ortiz to Financial Controller. Dominic has been with Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. since May of 2000. He started at the North Kansas City Harrah's as a Finance Intern and Finance Supervisor, before starting the ACE Program as a Management Intern at the Prairie Band location. Dominic previously had worked with Ernst & Young, LLC.

Dominic received his Associates of Arts Degree from Haskell Indian Nations University, Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting & Business Administration and Masters of Accounting & Information Systems from the University of Kansas. Dominic has been an honorary chair of the National Indian Gaming Association and currently serves as a National Representative for the American Indian Business Leaders.

Entrepreneur Spotlight on the Cadue's

Bob and Fawn Cadue
O/O Indigenous Trucking, LLC
Mayetta, KS



Bob Cadue has started his own trucking business with the help of the HUD Small Business Development Grant program. They bought the truck in early March and have since leased on to CRST in Eldridge, Iowa. "Our first week was pretty successful and we look forward to working very hard," said Fawn Cadue.

She further said, "The next step in our plan is being implemented as we are working, just hauling loads." They look forward to the expansion of their trucking industry and hope when all is ready, some of the Nation's members will want to work with them. (submitted by Fawn Cadue)

American Indian Chamber of Commerce in Kansas (AICCK)
1100 SW Gage, Topeka, KS (785) 845-7919 (temp)

Free dinner and a movie for anyone who joins as a member before June 16, 2005. The Chamber meets the third Thursday of every month. AICCK provides dinner and promptly starts the meeting at 7:30 pm. RSVP at (785) 933-2185.

Information from the Per Capita Office

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Information from the Enrollment Dept.

Reminder:

All address and name changes are routed through Enrollment Office.

- All changes must now be mailed in or brought in-person to the Enrollment Office.
- Changes are no longer accepted by phone or e-mail. Fax accepted with legible signature.
- Each change of address must be in writing with a verifiable signature from the adult member or the person designated to handle that member's personal information, such as a Power of Attorney.
- Name changes must be accompanied by legal documents showing the change, such as a marriage certificate or divorce decree, and a copy of that person's Social Security card showing the name change.

Sample of form to be used:

Date of Update:				
First	Middle	Last Name	Maiden	Jr/Sr
Print Legibly				
Other names used:				
Contact name for minor (Per Capita use):				
Old address	City	State	Zip	
New address	City	State	Zip	
Social Security:		Date of birth:		
Enrollment #:		Request new card <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
Home phone:		Work phone:		
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Tribal Council Meetings Report for May

Below is a list of meetings for May, up to press time, as reported by Tribal Council. The list includes the date the meeting occurred, the type of meeting, and who on the Council attended. For meeting minutes (if available) or other information call the Government Center at 877-715-6789 and ask for any Tribal Council member or Laverne Hale (4014) in the Tribal Council Secretary's office.

Date	Meeting	Attending
6	-Southeast KS Casino	RK, SO, RD, JP, JM, JW
11	-Sac Fox 3-Tribes -Harrah's All-Employee -Special Tribal Council	RD RK, SO, JW RK, SO, RD, JW
12	-Harrah's All-Employee	RD
16	-Jackson Cty Comm/ Thunderhill Mtg	ZP, RK, SO
17	-Charitable Contrib (at French Middle Schl) -Special Tribal Council -Topeka Chamb of Comm	RD ZP, SO, RD, JW, JM, JP, RK RD

Tribal Council name abbreviations: ZP (Z ich Pahmahmie), RK (Rey Kitchkumme), SO (Steve Ortiz), RD (Ryan Dyer), JM (Jackie Mitchell), JP (James Potter), JW (James Wabaunsee)

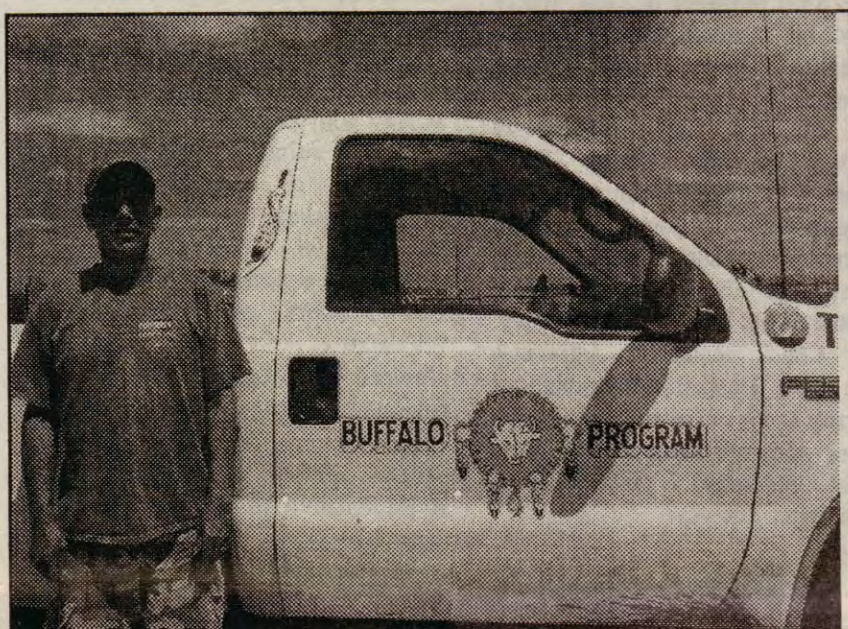
Due to space limitations meetings are abbreviated and locations unavailable.

We-Ta-Se helps dedicate War Mothers Memorial designed by tribal member Barry Coffin



Standing near a War Mother's Memorial that was dedicated on May 13 at Haskell Indian Nations University are from left to right Steve Ortiz, Emery Hale, Glen Levier, Ralph Lundin, Tim Ramirez, Francis Shopteese, and Jim Darnall who are all We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410 members. The men did a 21-gun salute at the dedication and were honored along with other military veterans including Barry Coffin, who sculpted the memorial and is a PBPB tribal member and Vietnam veteran himself.

Photo submitted by: Jackie Mitchell



In the photo at left is the buffalo program's pickup truck that now has its own logo painted on it. Local sign painter, Lester Arnold (not pictured) painted the design on the truck. Standing next to the truck is Boney Pahmahmie of Road & Bridge who works with the bison program.

As an aside, Boney reported to the News on the day that this photo was taken that five new calves had been born to the bison herd so far this spring.

Tribal Emergency Response Committee plans for future

Leaders from various departments in the Nation have been meeting to work out a coordinated plan should a disaster ever occur on the reservation. Jackson County is also involved in the emergency services planning process.



Potawatomi Tribal Fire Department: EMS week:

The Potawatomi Tribal Fire Department (PTFD) gave Tribal Council members a preview of Ladder 651, the new 100-foot aerial platform fire truck on Monday, April 26, at the Government Center.

Ladder 651 was delivered from Pierce Manufacturing Inc. on Sunday, April 25, to the PTFD. Ladder 651 can carry 300 gallons of water and has a pump capacity of 2,000 gallons per minute. This particular model is a 4-person cab with three air-pack seats.

Ladder 651 was purchased to reach high areas like the roofs of buildings at the Casino/Hotel, Government Center, and Boys and Girls Club, for example.

The PTFD crew had three intensive days of training on Ladder 651.

EMS Week held May 15-21, 2005.

Agenda:

Monday, May 16

PBP Head Start. To kickoff EMS Week, EMS held a coloring contest with zoo tickets as prizes.

Tuesday, May 17

EMS Week display at the PBPB Government Center (11:00 am-3:00 pm).

Wednesday, May 18

- EMS Week display and safety demonstration at PBP Elders Center (11:00 am-1:00 pm).
- EMS Week display at Harrah's featuring Ladder 651 on display (4:00 pm-7:00 pm).

Thursday, May 19

Display at the PBPB Bingo Hall (5:00 pm-7:00 pm).

Friday, May 20

- PTFD Open House (11:00 am-2:00 pm).



Community members and Tribal Council at the EMS Open House.



The above photo is of Ladder 651 which is a 100-ft. aerial platform model which was recently displayed at the Government Center.



The photo at left shows the outriggers (striped posts) that stabilize the truck. Jon Boursaw, center, watches as Chief Price, right, and the driver who delivered the truck, left, adjust the outriggers in preparation for the demo.



The above photo shows Ladder 651 on display at Harrah's during EMS Week. The 100-ft. aerial platform can reach and cover the three-story roof of the Casino/Hotel.



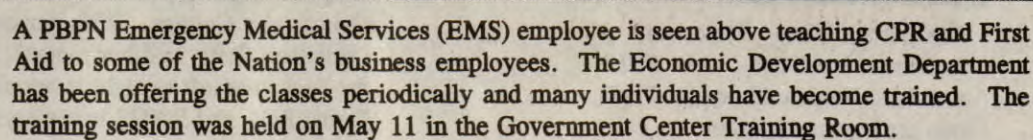
In the above photo, Chief Price demonstrates the lowering of the basket.



The above photo shows the view from the top as Chief Price elevated the basket over the Government Center roof. Ryan Dyer, Eric Hale, Chief Price and Mary Young are in the basket but not shown.



The photo at left is of Life Team Midwest from Wichita who attended the EMS Open House held on Friday. Another life saving unit, Life Star, Topeka, also attended.





Graduation

Prairie Band Potawatomi News

6th Annual Student Recognition Night held at Harrah's

Photos by: Suzanne Heck



A family affair: Clockwise beginning in the back are Alan "Boney," Brittany, Sage, Sierra, Brenda, and Vanessa Pahmahmie. Several families came together that night to celebrate the graduates and students.



Suzie Jim (l) and Cherie Jim (r) stop for a pose after looking at some of the displays about the graduates that were posted around the room. Earlier that evening Cherie was recognized for her excellent leadership in organizing PBPB's group presentation at the 3rd Annual Oklahoma Native American Language Fair.

Prairie Band Student Recognition Night Title VII/JOM Awards

All-Around Student of the Year

Kiona Ingels-Elementary
Evan Evans-Middle School
Amy Gerhardt-High School

Outstanding Achievement

Wesley Nasky

Outstanding Athlete

Tarissa Danielson (Female)
Justen Dreasher (Male)

Outstanding Teacher

Aaric Davis (RVHS)

People Who Make a Difference

Nathan Hale

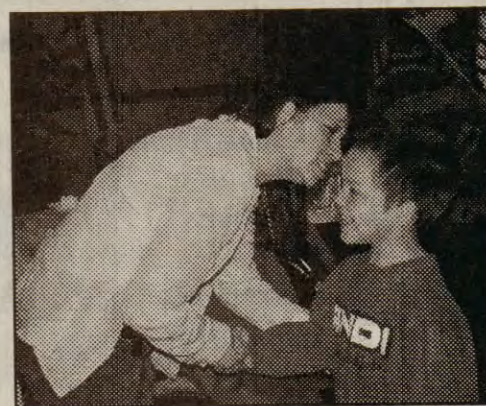
Outstanding Parent

Christi Ingels

sponsored by: JOM, Title VII, PBPB Education Dept., and
PBPB Boys & Girls Club



This little girl couldn't wait to get a piece of cake and is seen here trying to get a swipe of the frosting with her finger.

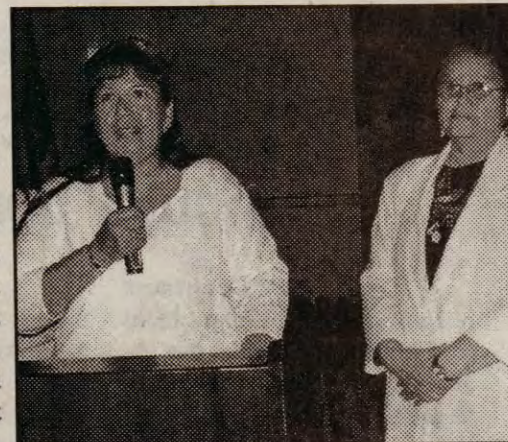


In the photos (l) and (r) are students who received a certificate and were congratulated by members of the Indian Education Committee and other school VIPs.



Above are students in the Title VII Language Class who gave a special presentation at the banquet. Sydney VanZile, fourth from left, advises the group.

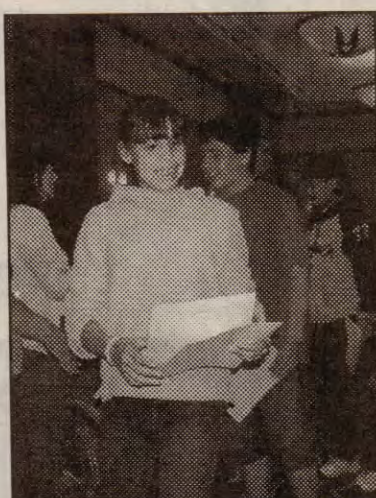
The photo (r) shows Anita Evans at the microphone thanking Mary Wabnum Mitchell for 25 years of serving on the Indian Education Committee. Mary chaired the 2004 committee along with Anita, Elizabeth Wabaunsee Tye, Joanna Mitchell, Carrie O'Toole, LaDonna Kirkaldie and the late Robert Shuckahosee.



JOM Title VII 8th Grade Graduates recognized at the banquet

- Michael Ashawasegai-RVMS
- Aaron Barber-Delia
- Theresa Belair-Delia
- Keith Buskirk-RVMS
- Emily Catron-Rossville
- Krista Catron-Holton
- Evan Evans-RVMS
- Jaime Farias-RVMS
- Manuel Gracia-RVMS
- Shanna Greemore-RVMS
- Sydney Jessepe-RVMS
- Cherie Jim-RVMS
- Ethan "Pam" Johnson-RVMS
- Matt "Wa-skeh" LittleAxe-RVMS
- Samuel Mahkuk-RVMS
- Derek Martin-JHMS
- Rebecca Matchie-RVMS
- Belinda McKinney-RVMS
- John Miller-Holton
- Ashley Milton-RVMS
- Derek Otero-RVMS
- Erin Pahmahmie-RVMS
- Rusty Potts-RVMS
- Anthony Sandoval-RVMS
- Tyler Shobney-Delia
- Kara Throssell-RVMS
- Carmen Wakole-RVMS
- Zachary Wamego-JHMS
- Erin Winter-RVMS

RVMS-Royal Valley Middle School
JHMS-Jackson Heights Middle School



Students received certificates for their hard work during the school year as seen in the photos above and below.



Above is Jim McKinney listening to a child (unidentified) sing a song in the Potawatomi language. Jim gave the invocation at the banquet and has been teaching the Potawatomi language to the youth along with Sydney VanZile.

JOM/Title VII 12th Grade Graduates recognized at the banquet

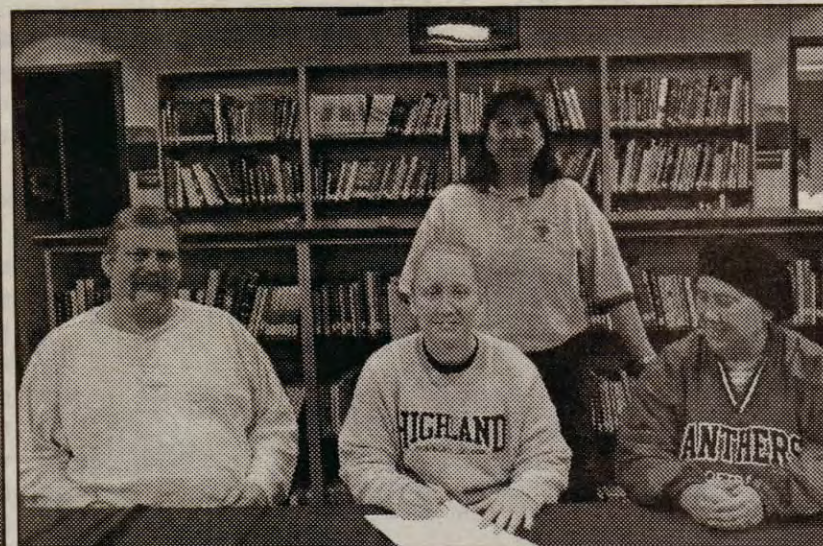
- Justine Berryhill-JHHS
- Cassandra Bowden, RVHS
- Tarissa Danielson, RVHS
- Andrea Fowler, RVHS
- Amy Gerhardt, JHHS
- Matthew Kent, RVHS
- Roseanna Lewis, RVHS
- Jessica Matchie, RVHS
- Megan Matchie, RVHS
- John "Mishan" Mitchell, RVHS
- William Mitchell, RVHS
- Andrew Pahmahmie, RVHS
- Vanessa Pahmahmie, RVHS
- Morning Star Pelcher, RVHS
- Asa VanZile, HHS
- Caleb Wahwasuck, HHS

JHHS-Jackson Heights High School
RVHS-Royal Valley High School
HHS-Holton High School

Athletic scholarship winners



Royal Valley High School senior Tarissa Danielson (center front) is seen here signing a letter of intent to play basketball at Highland Community College. With her on the front row is her sister Miyah Danielson (left), and her mother, Frances Wabaunsee (right). In the back row left to right is her sister Lan Danielson with nephew Donte Bell, and RVHS instructors Gary Sorenson and Anita Evans.



Royal Valley's Amanda Area (center front) is seen here signing a letter of intent to play softball for Highland Community College. With her are her father Jim Area (left), and mother Melissa (right), and RVHS Coach Anita Evans standing behind.



Haskell's Vice President of Academic Affairs and PBPB member, Venida Chenault, Ph.D. was the keynote speaker.



Graduation and Scholarship News



Briana Nocktonick
8th Grade Graduate
Chase Middle School, Topeka, KS



Lenore (Zah-wee) Fleming
B. A. Biology & B.A. Philosophy
Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA.



Ryan "Mat-ne-ya" Kingfisher
8th Grade Graduate
Woodard Jr. High
Yuma, AZ



LaVonne Chenault-Goslin
Master's in
Educational Administration
University of Duluth, Duluth, MN

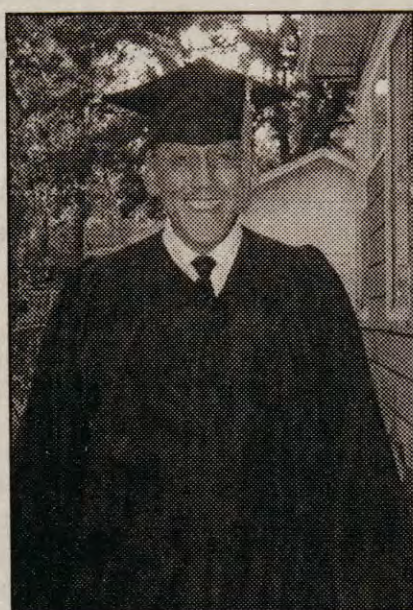


Dalton Leon Cade Autaubo
Sunset Elementary School Graduate
Anadarko, OK

*Thanks to those who
submitted their
graduation photos
to the News*



Suzette Cordova
Medical Assistant Diploma
Maric College
Modesto, CA



Sonny J. Shoptese
B.S. Criminal Justice
Washburn University



Ashley Corrin McClammy
Washburn Rural High School
Topeka, KS



Nickolasa Price
Associate of Arts
Highland Community College
Highland, KS



Holly Johnson
High School Graduate
Shawnee Heights High School
Tecumseh, KS

Congratulations!!! PBPN High School Graduates of 2005

Submitted by: Student Services Program

Tiffany Allen	Freestate High School	Lawrence, KS
Steffany Allen	Perry-Leocompton High School	Perry, KS
Cory Anderson-Isbell	Abundant Life Christian School	Madison, WI
Anthony Battese	Apache High School	Apache, OK
Justine Berryhill	Jackson Heights High School	Holton, KS
Michael Cadue	Park Hill High School	Kansas City, MO
Cody-Reid Camacho	Northland Lutheran High School	Mosinee, WI
Bradley Cook	Century High School	Bismarck, ND
Matthew Daubon	Lakeland Union High School	Minocqua, WI
Ryan Delge	Iola High School	Iola, KS
Kendra Dizmang	Widefield High School	Security, CO
Seana Edwards	Sherman Indian High School	Riverside, CA
Madelyn Greene	Horton High School	Horton, KS
Tara Guinn	Coalgate High School	Coalgate, OK
Terrance Herrera	Highland Park High School	Topeka, KS
Ashley Hopkins	Meeker High School	Meeker, OK
Ebony Humphrey	Larned Senior High School	Larned, KS
Holly Johnson	Shawnee Heights High School	Topeka, KS
Shannon Johnson	Viewmont High School	Bountiful, UT
Sarah Joplin	Field Kinley High School	Coffeyville, KS
Matthew Kent	Royal Valley High School	Hoyt, KS
Naomi Kitchkommie	Holdenville High School	Holdenville, OK
Christina Kittleson	Lamar High School	Lamar, MO
Roseanna Lewis	Royal Valley High School	Hoyt, KS
Michael Lockman	Lincoln High School	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
Janice Malone	Portage Northern High School	Portage, MI
Richard Marshno, Jr.	Highland Park High School	Topeka, KS
Daniel Martinez	Shawnee Heights High School	Topeka, KS
Jason Matchie, Jr.	Seaman High School	Hoyt, KS
Jessica Matchie	Royal Valley High School	Holton, KS
Megan Matchie	Holton High School	Topeka, KS
Ashley McClammy	Washburn Rural High School	Topeka, KS
Clinton Medovich	Washburn Rural High School	Topeka, KS
Vanessa Miller	McCloud High School	McCloud, OK
Allison Milton	Riverside Indian School	Anadarko, OK
William Mitchell	Royal Valley High School	Hoyt, KS
Mishan Mitchell	Royal Valley High School	Hoyt, KS
Elliott Morris	Kickapoo Nation School	Powhattan, KS
Danielle Moss	Wabeno High School	Wabeno, WI
Charisse Nave	Highland Park High School	Topeka, KS
Tony Nazario	Paradise Valley High School	Phoenix, AZ
Charles Ortega	Hayden High School	Topeka, KS
Andrew Pahmahmie	Royal Valley High School	Hoyt, KS
Amanda Perrote	Oneida Nation High School	Oneida, WI
Charles Perry	Highland Park High School	Topeka, KS
Alyse Wabaunsee	Kamiakin High School	Kennewick, WA
Lindsey Wabaunsee	Riverside Indian School	Anadarko, OK
Caleb Wahwasuck	Holton High School	Holton, KS
Robert Webster, Jr.	Riverside University High School	Milwaukee, WI

***ATTENTION GRADUATES: Don't forget to send in a copy of your diploma to Student Services to receive your graduation incentive check.

Congratulations

PBPN Undergraduates Who Received Degrees 2004-2005

Submitted by: Student Services Program

Fall 04 Graduates:

Vega, Gilbert	Friends University
Wahwassuck, Theresa	Central Missouri State University
Williams, Johnny	Haskell Indian Nations University

Spring 05 Graduates:

Fleming, Lenora	Bucknell University
Goslin, Robbie	Haskell Indian Nations University
Shoptese, Sonny	Washburn University
Trull, Shirley	University of Phoenix
Young, Katherine	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Rupnick, Joseph	Baker University

PBPN scholars who have received Associates or Graduate degrees will be listed in the next news issue.

Sharon McClane Scholarship available for seniors, vo-tech students & college students

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Johnson O'Malley Program
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Michelle Simon receives scholarship from Washburn



Michelle Simon, Mayetta, received the Outstanding Student in Advertising award and a Zula Bennington Greene Endowed Scholarship from Washburn University's Department of Mass Media this spring.

Economic Development Office Job Opening

Administrative Assistant position. Full time position will assist CEO of Tribal Business and Economic Development Specialist with tribal enterprises and economic development projects. Indian preference exercised for this position. Call 866-694-3937 or 785-966-3060 for details.



More student achievements and congratulations

Congratulations to Patricia Lewis

She attends Royal Valley High School and was recognized for academic achievement as a U.S. National Honor Roll Award winner. She will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy Official Yearbook.

Submitted by: Nickolosa Price



Theresa and Wamp

**Congratulations
to
Theresa A. Belair,
Rossville Jr. High Graduate
for breaking the Rossville Jr. High
4 x 400 relay team track record
from 5:00 to 4:46**

Submitted by: Virgil "Wamp"
Shopteese & Angie Bell

**LOOK FOR MORE
GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS
IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE NEWS**



Lythia and Larry D.
Shopteese, Jr.

**Congratulations
to
Larry D. Shopteese, Jr.
on his
high school graduation
from
Lansing Special
Education School,
Lansing, KS**

Wants a pen pal: Larry D. Shopteese, Jr., #79740,
L.C.F., P.O.Box 2, Lansing, KS 66043



**Congratulations
to
Asa VanZile
for winning
Kansas State University's
Camp Tech
logo/graphic design contest
out of 100 entries**

Submitted by: Sydney VanZile

**Congratulations
to
Evon Jessepe
A.A. in Applied Science
in Mortuary Science
Kansas City Community College
Kansas City, KS**

**Congratulations
to
Daniel Martinez on his recent graduation
and 18th birthday
from
Wesley & Lance Wishkeno
Camilla Chouteau & LeeRoy Chouteau,
Jr.
and
LeAnn, Cheyenne & Dakota**



Submitted by:
LaVonne
Chenault-Goslin

**Congratulations
to
Robbie Goslin, Jr.
B.S. Environmental
Science
Haskell Indian Nations
University
Lawrence, KS
from his mom
& family**

2005 golf instructional dates for the PBPB Boys & Girls Club

- All instruction is held at Lake Shawnee Golf Course, Topeka, KS
- Clubs and equipment provided, if necessary, by Lake Shawnee
- 10-student limit. No charge to the students
- Students need to be 8 years old by the instructional date to be eligible. Age limit 17
- Students must sign-up and go through the Boys & Girls Club for the instruction

Saturday, May 14 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Wednesday, May 25 th	4:00pm - 6:00pm	
Saturday, May 28 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Wednesday, June 1 st	4:00pm - 6:00pm	
Wednesday, June 8 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Saturday, June 18 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Friday, June 24 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Saturday, July 2 nd	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Thursday, July 14 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Friday, July 15 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	3-day camp
Saturday, July 16 th	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Saturday, July 23 rd	2:00pm - 4:00pm	
Saturday, July 30 th	2:00pm - 4:30pm	
Saturday, August 6 th	2:00pm - 4:30pm	
Saturday, August 20 th	4:00pm - 8:00pm	End of summer
Sunday, August 21 st	4:00pm - 8:00pm	Two-day tournament

Submitted by: Steve McDonald

About Steve McDonald



Steve McDonald

PBPB tribal member Steve McDonald is an 18-year member of the Professional Golf Association (PGA) and is currently the Director of Golf Instruction at Lake Shawnee Golf Course in Topeka, KS.

He sits on the Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors and volunteers free golf lessons to the Potawatomi youth (see above). He is the 2005 National Native American Junior Golf Championships Tournament Director and also acts as a golf consultant for several tribal nations.

In addition, Steve sits on the National Board of Directors of the First Nations Golf Association which is an organization dedicated to bringing adult golf opportunities to native players from across the U.S. and Canada.

Recently Steve has been named the 2006 Commissioner of Golf for the Indigenous Games to be held in Denver and he is working with Roy Spoonhunter of the PBPB Boys & Girls Club, to get a team of athletes and coaches together from Kansas for next year's games.

1st Quarter, 2005 Charitable Contributions

April 28
Bingo Hall

Native American
Singers & Dancers
perform



1st Quarter Awards

• Housing & Credit Counseling (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• Sunrise Optimist Foundation (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• Artrain USA, Inc. (Ann Arbor, MI)	\$10,000
• Mayetta Area Business Association (Mayetta, KS)	\$250
• Midland Hospice Care (Topeka, KS)	\$5,000
• Stormont Vail Foundation (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (Topeka, KS)	\$3,000
• French Middle School (Topeka, KS)	\$2,500
• Royal Valley High School After-Prom (Hoyt, KS)	\$500
• Kansas Crime Stoppers Association (Topeka, KS)	\$2,000
• Nebraska Intertribal Health Coalition (Lincoln, NE)	\$1,000
• Plainville Police Department (Plainville, KS)	\$2,000
• Adult Education Center (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence (Lawrence, KS)	\$10,000
• Jayhawk Area Council, BSA (Topeka, KS)	\$1,000
• Florence Crittenton Services (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 604 (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000
• First Nations Students Association (Lawrence, KS)	\$1,500
• Havensville Living History Day (Havensville, KS)	\$500
• Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (Denver, CO)	\$2,500
• Washburn University Endowment (Topeka, KS)	\$5,000
• American Indian Veteran's History Foundation (Lincoln, NE)	\$5,000
• American Lung Association (Topeka, KS)	\$5,000
• Iwasil Boys & Girls Club (Seattle, WA)	\$10,000
• Kansas Elk's Training Center for the Handicapped, Inc. (Wichita, KS)	\$10,000
• Tallgrass Christian Camp (Lawrence, KS)	\$3,000
• USD 501 Outdoor Environment Education (Topeka, KS)	\$10,000

Mobile Health Unit purchased with help of PBPB

At right is a photo of Washburn University's School of Nursing Mobile Health Unit that was recently purchased with the help of a former PBPB Charitable Contributions donation. The unit visits the Fire Keepers Elder Center and Early Childhood Education Center a couple of times a month and offers various health-related information.



Don't miss the PBPB Pow-Wow Golf Tournament

2 Person Open Scramble
Friday, June 10

Registration at 8 a.m. Tee Time 9 a.m.

Bring your own team
Village Greens Golf Course
Ozawkie, KS
785-876-2255



This is a benefit tournament for the upcoming 2005 Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Pow wow

For more information call Jerry Tuckwin, 785-842-0121 or Micki Martinez, 877-727-6743



What makes a good driver?



A course on defensive driving was held on May 12 in the lower level of the Government Center that was sponsored by Potawatomi Tribal Police Dept. Presenters were Herbert Nance, left, and Officer Larry Rodecap, right. If you missed this session, another course will be offered this fall. The Hunters Education Workshop will also be presented this fall. Look for flyers.

Greetings from the Language and Cultural Department

Submitted by Sydney Van Zile

I would like to inform you of the upcoming language classes that are scheduled for the summer.

During the month of June, we have scheduled during the day a Tribal Employee Language Class. These classes will be held at the Language Department on Monday and Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and will be an hour in length. These classes will run 5 weeks and will begin on June 6, 2005. Limit of 15.

Also during June, an Elder Class will be scheduled for Monday, beginning June 6th at 3:00 p.m. for an hour.

We will also be having class for the Boys and Girls Club for four weeks and those classes will begin at 10:30 a.m. on June 13, 2005. These classes will run everyday during the du-



ration of the four weeks.

In July, we will be having our first Language and Cultural Day Camp. This is scheduled for the week of July 11 - 15, 2005. It will be from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Prairie Peoples Park. This camp will be for children and youth from the 5th grade and older. This camp is intended to introduce the youth to more cultural activities such as tribal games, traditional food preparation, tribal housing as well as history and language. Enrollment forms will be placed at various sites beginning in June.

PBPN bids farewell to the Mayetta Postmaster



Elaine Stephenson, left, and Cheryl Walker, right, will soon be working with other people. Elaine will be leaving Mayetta to begin working in the Soldier post office and Cheryl will be working with the new postmaster.

A note from Cheryl

Cheryl Wahweotten Walker has worked for PBPN as a mail courier for almost four years. She said, "There are 100-400 pieces of mail transferred through here including incoming and outgoing mail (interoffice and U.S. mail) on a daily basis."

Cheryl has worked with Elaine Stephenson since she began her mail courier position. She said, "Elaine has taught me a lot about the postal business and I appreciate all the knowledge Elaine has shared with her. Elaine will be greatly missed and I wish her all the best." Cheryl further stated, "you cannot imagine all the mail that comes to the little town of Mayetta."

Elaine handles a number of pieces including the monthly newspaper, election, per capita, enrollment and Harrah's mailing; for instance, election alone is 3,000-5,000 pieces.

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Please include your name, address, and telephone number where we can contact you should we need to verify information.

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To contact the PBPN Tribal Government:

**16281 Q Road
Mayetta, KS 66509**

**Toll free:
1-877-715-6789
Or call (785) 966-4000**

Nation Station update:

Submitted by Rosemary Bergeron

Nation Station has made some necessary changes in the past few weeks. We are striving to protect assets and maintain a balance of operations.

I recently went to a vendor show in Des Moines, Iowa for the supplier of our floor merchandise and food. We switched to this vendor last October. This was a good move as we have more of the new products presented to us in a timely manner. There were over 750 vendors exhibiting at the show and we purchased many new products for the floor, the cooler, and the deli departments. We will be bringing many into the store beginning the last week of May.

We will have new varieties of pizza for sale in the freezer section. This will include Chicago Style Pizza, Tony's and Freschetta. There are new ice cream products and frozen pretzels. We sampled these products and they are excellent.

The cooler section will be reset in the coming month. We are attempting to organize shelves for a better presentation of the products.

Unfortunately with the increase cost of gasoline, we have had to make some necessary adjustments. All gasoline and diesel is prepaid. This will eliminate drive-offs. Unfortunately, this presents an issue with some customers. Please remember that we are no different than any other convenience store, we have to minimize losses. Although some of you are familiar faces, not all cashiers are familiar with everyone that comes to the station. Therefore, we had to make no exceptions for anyone. We ask customers to leave a credit card or a driver's license if they wish to fill. Most customers have been very cooperative and understand the purpose of prepaid.

The store hours will remain as follows:
Sunday through Thursday 6:00 am-9:00 pm
Friday and Saturday 6:00 am-10:00 pm

Stop by and see the new t-shirts we have in stock. We receive new shipments of merchandise periodically so come by and shop for those special people in your life.

Community Services Program Guideline Revision

Submitted by Larry Pickman, Social Service Dept.

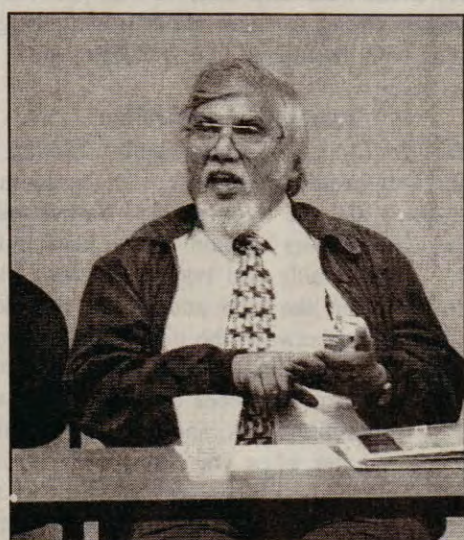
The PBPN Social Services Department has announced that on April 16, 2005, the General Council approved a motion to amend the Community Service Program (CSP) guidelines pertaining to the medical assistance components. Basically, this change limits tribal members with health care coverage to an annual maximum CSP assistance for medical services of \$1,500. Tribal members who do not have insurance are still eligible up to \$4,000 annually. Included in the revised guidelines is authorization for up to \$10,000 for those with a critical or terminal illness. These guidelines have been put into effect and will be followed for the approved 2005 allocation of \$300,000 for medical assistance until funds are depleted.

To enable the CSP to process applications on a timely basis, program staff state that if no current application is on file an updated application will have to be completed to approve assistance. If a members address changes the CSP program needs to be notified. If you live in another state, the CSP will mail or fax an application if requested. Members are required to submit their medical bills at the same time as your application. Also, it is requested that you do not list PBPN CSP as a secondary insurance, when you receive medical bills.

The Community Services Program is funded by the PBPN and is administered through the Social Services Department. Myra Matchie serves as the Community Services Program Coordinator.

If you should have any questions regarding these revised guidelines please contact the Social Services Department at (785) 966-2932 or 1-(888) 966-2932. The Social Services Department office fax number is (785) 966-2950.

Psychiatrist is guest speaker for Social Services



Mahasen DeSilva, MD, the Director of the Children's Unit in Stormont-Vail West, was the guest speaker for a Social Services Department training on May 13 in the PBPN Government Center. Dr. DeSilva is a board certified Child and Adult Psychiatrist who also works part time at the V.A. Hospital in Topeka.

Tips on Stress Management

Submitted by Denny Ah-Tye

Here are some ways of dealing with life's burdens:

- Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.
- Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
- Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of reading it.
- Drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
- If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
- If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
- Never buy a car you can't push.
- Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because you won't have a leg to stand on.
- Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.
- The second mouse gets the cheese.

Newspaper Information

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Managed Care Services Provided by Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center

Melanie Baker, Managed Care Services (MCS) Supervisor, has recently revised the brochure for the MCS program.

"The managed care services program has been confusing for our patients. I felt it was very important for our patients to have an understanding of the Managed Care Services program. So, in order to clarify aspects of the program, our MCS brochure was created. I believe this brochure has and will continue to receive positive reactions from our patients as they better understand the MCS program." Melanie Baker, MCS Supervisor.

Listed below is the information contained in the MCS brochure:

Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center

MANAGED CARE SERVICES



Alternate Resources

Since the Managed Care Service program is the payer of last resort you must utilize alternate resources of healthcare coverage or payment available and accessible to you. You are required by federal regulations to apply for an alternate resource if there is reason to believe that you may be eligible. If you are eligible for an alternate resource and you refuse to apply for or refuse to use that alternate resource, you will not be allowed to use the Managed Care Service program.

Some examples of alternate resources include:

- Medicare (Part A, Part B)
- Medicaid/Healthcare
- Veteran's Benefits (Champus, Champva)
- Private insurance
- State Maternal and Child Health Programs
- Auto Insurance
- Workmen's Compensation
- State Vocational Rehabilitation

It is frequently to your advantage to sign up for these types of programs. Often these alternate resources can pay for or be a source of health care services that the Managed Care Service program cannot provide.

For questions or assistance applying for alternate resources, please contact:

Melanie Baker at (785) 364-2176 ext. 226

Denial and Appeals

If you are denied payment by Managed Care Services, a letter from the Managed Care Service program will explain the reason. You have the right to appeal in writing to the Health Director of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center within 30 days from the date of the denial letter. The Health Director will review your case and respond in writing within seven (7) from receipt. If the Health Director denies your appeal, you have the right to appeal in writing to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Council; whose decision is final, within 30 days from the date of the response from the Health Director.

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Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center Update

Submitted by John Holtz, Clinic Administrator

Since moving to our new clinic location at 510 Kansas Avenue in late February, we have received numerous positive comments as well as a steady increase in the number of patients that we serve. The clinic is now located in the former Holton Community Hospital building which has been totally remodeled. Our patients particularly appreciate the modern, attractive, professional environment of the new clinic location.

Our patients also appreciate our new staff members who are committed to providing service to our patients in a friendly, efficient, and professional manner.

Our newly hired staff members include:

Nancy Davidson, Receptionist/Medical Records Clerk- Nancy coordinates our patient appointments, registers and assists patients when they arrive, handles a variety of medical records responsibilities and uses her friendly, outgoing personality to help our patients feel welcome when they arrive at the clinic.

Judy Bryant, Nursing Supervisor - Judy has several years of nursing and leadership experience. She also has extensive pediatric experience and a 'can do' attitude.

Nola Ahlquist-Turner - Nurse Practitioner. Nola has returned to the clinic and provides well women exams on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Nola is highly regarded by our patients who respect her expertise, patience, and friendly manner. To schedule an appointment with Nola please call the main clinic number, (785) 364-2176 extension 222 or toll free at (866) 694-6728 extension 222.

Loree Brooks, Reimbursement Specialist - Loree is responsible for optimizing the billing and reimbursement activities of the clinic. She has several years of medical coding and billing experience. Although we do not charge our patients for services provided at our clinic, it is vitally important that we effectively bill insurance companies if our patients have insurance. The funds that are collected from our patient's insurance allow the clinic to pay for its expenses rather than being subsidized by the tribal budget.

We have also implemented several im-

provements which are designed to improve our services.

Some of the improvements include:

A Managed Care Services brochure has been developed by Melanie Baker, Managed Care Supervisor. The brochure outlines our Managed Care Services program. Information on the brochure is featured in the left column of this issue.

A Performance Improvement Team is working to streamline patient visits. A Patient Flow Tool has been developed to document the time a patient spends during their visit. Times are calculated for patient registration, nurse screening, physician exams, lab, and other areas of their clinic visit. Our goal is to complete a typical patient appointment in less than one hour.

The clinic will also be implementing a program which provides same day appointments.

Dr. Steve Stevenson commented: "Same day appointments allow patients to call before they arrive at the clinic to see which appointment times may be available to be seen by a physician. The advantage to same day scheduling is the patient wait time can be significantly reduced compared to patients just walking in to take their chances of when a physician might be available. All patients are encouraged to call before they come to the clinic to receive the most time efficient service."

Open house and reception:

Please join us on Tuesday, June 28th, from 2:00 - 4:00 for an open house/reception as we welcome Dr. Terry Harter, our new Medical Director. If you have not visited the new clinic location, this will be an excellent opportunity to tour the clinic and meet our friendly staff.

As a reminder to our patients the clinic and pharmacy hours and phone numbers follows:

Clinic Hours

Monday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
8:00 am to 11:30 am, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Tuesday

8:00 am to 11:30 am

CLOSED TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Phone: (785) 364-2176 ext. 222

Toll Free: 1 (866) 694-6728

Pharmacy Hours

Monday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
8:00 am to NOON & 12:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday

8:00 am to NOON

CLOSED TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Phone: (785) 364-2176 ext. 227

Toll Free Phone: 1 (866) 727-6330



Fried Bread Man

In this May issue of the *Prairie Band Potawatomi News*, the four children, Joe Fast Elk, Mary Swift Bird, Linda Sitting Arrow, and Andrew (Kebaswèn) were visiting and talking about summer activities. The children had a guest with them this evening; Kebaswèn had brought his pet dog (Nemosh) with him to the gathering. Kebaswèn had also called his pet Nemosh. Kebaswèn had been in the process of expressing his concern over Nemosh because he had developed a bad habit of chasing cars and trucks. Kebaswèn shared how his family had tried everything to break Nemosh from chasing cars, but nothing seemed to work. Kebaswèn looked at Mary and said, "Do you think our friend Fried Bread Man could help my family's nemosh?" Nemosh seemed to understand the conversation was about him, and looked up and wagged his tail. As a nemosh will sometimes do, he was letting the children know that he was listening.

Mary answered Kebaswèn's question, "I think Fried Man Bread can offer some assistance."

"I am just worried because Nemosh almost got run over last night," said Kebaswèn.

"Let's ask him tonight!" exclaimed Joe.

Joe and Kebaswèn both started the fire. After the fire was started, Linda and Mary placed some logs around the fire to sit on. The setting was serene, partly caused by the sound from the crackling fire and dancing flames and the setting sun in a cloudless sky.

The stars seemed to twinkle as the planet Venus appeared extra bright as the full moon began to rise. This was a special time for the children as they made their tobacco offering and became silent as they began to pray together.

In the silence, a warm comforting fog comes in and engulfs the four children and Nemosh as Fried Bread Man walks out of the cloud. He greets the children and warmly shakes their hand individually. Fried Bread Man looks and reaches down to Nemosh and began to pet him on his head and said, "I see we have a guest tonight." Nemosh reacts warmly and wags his tail in a greeting.

"It's so good to see all of you," smiled Fried Bread Man. To everyone he said, "What are your plans for the summer?"

Linda spoke up, "My cousin Mary and I have been practicing team dancing for the upcoming pow-wows."

"We will be dancing in the fancy shawl category and we have been playing our pow-wow tapes to hear the songs, as well as to practice together, said Mary."

"I am looking forward to the summer months," said Linda.

Mary was smiling as she said, "I was so surprised that Linda suggested we dance together as a team."

Fried Bread Man looked at Joe and Kebaswèn, and asked them, "What are your plans for the summer?"

Joe said, "I plan to play Little League baseball the first part of the summer. Then, after that, go hunting and maybe catch some fish (kigos) too."

"How about you, Kebaswèn?" asked Fried Bread Man.

"First off, I will be playing Little League baseball because I got the position I tried out for as a right fielder," said Kebaswèn. "Joe is also on the same team."

Joe spoke up, "Kebaswèn and I will be hunting and fishing together after the baseball season ends."

Nemosh looked up at everyone from where he was laying, and seemed to be saying, "I plan to hangout with my best buddy Kebaswèn and try to tree some squirrels (séngoyèk) for him."

"You all have good plans for the summer," said Fried Bread Man.

"Fried Bread Man, could you help our family's dog Nemosh?" asked Kebaswèn.

"What does Nemosh need help with?" asked Fried Bread Man.

"He has a bad habit of chasing cars," said Ke-

baswèn.

"I can try to help," said Fried Bread Man. He called to Nemosh, "Come here, Nemosh."

Nemosh eagerly stood up and walked over to Fried Bread Man wagging his tail. Then Fried Bread Man began to talk to Nemosh silently as he petted his head.

Nemosh silently spoke to Fried Bread Man, "I only chase cars to protect my human family from harm. I have a great love for them and wish no harm to them. I understand my role is to serve man, to love, protect, and serve my human family."

Fried Bread Man silently responded by telling Nemosh, "Nemosh, do not chase cars anymore."

"I will stop this habit," answered Nemosh silently.

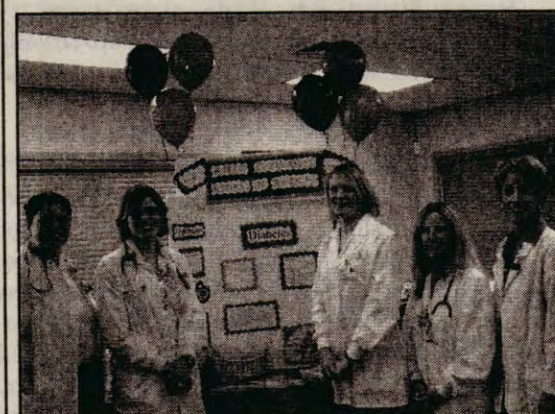
Fried Bread Man stood up and told the children that Nemosh had been helped. All Nemosh could do was sit and wag his tail in agreement. Fried Bread Man then said, "Before we close, I have something to share about traditional gardening with the four of you, and Nemosh."

Traditional gardening:

Please do a tobacco offering before turning the soil. Our brothers and sisters to the south in Oklahoma and the Sac and Fox Nation call it "The Three Sisters Method." You plant Indian corn in small hills and two weeks later plant pole beans on the hills and Indian pumpkins and squash in between the hills. As the growing starts, the pumpkin and squash's broad leaves will keep the weeds down, the corn acts like poles for the beans, and the beans fertilize the corn. Later when you begin to harvest the crops, give the best vegetables to the elders and then feed your family. Remember to grow your garden without pesticides and chemicals because there are many natural things we can use for insects, like ashes on the leaves of pumpkins. Milkweeds will be out and one way to find them is to look for butterflies; the butterflies are attracted to the milkweed.

This concludes the May issue of Fried Bread Man. Have a good month.

Ben-no-tteh Wigwam sponsors health fair on April 15



Students from the Baker University School of Nursing participated at the health fair. One event featured a vision test for the children. The nursing students (l-r) are: Marlene Eicher, Starr Slavin, Sarah Aspegren, Stacey Weil, and Sue Iverson.



Diabetic information

Did you know Holton Community Hospital offers a support group for Diabetics?

Are you Diabetic?

Do you have a family member who is diabetic?

Do you wish you had someone to talk to about your concerns?

Would you be interested in learning the latest information related to diabetes care?

Be informed as you journey through life with Diabetes! An RN and a RD provide a Certified Diabetic Program at HCH bring timely topics to share at each meeting.

The group meets every third Thursday of the month at 4:00 pm in the physicians' lounge in the basement of the medical pharmacy building at HCH.



Introducing the clinic's new doctor



Dr. Terry Harter

Hello, I'm Dr. Terry Harter. I will be joining the Prairie Band Potawatomi Family Health Center in June. I consider it an honor to have been offered the position of Medical Director of the clinic and I am looking forward to working with the current staff to provide quality family health care.

A little about me. I was raised on a farm near Westmoreland, Kansas. After high school I served in the United States Navy as a Hospital Corpsman. I then attended Kansas State University and the University of Kansas - Medical School. My Family Practice Residency was in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. I have been practicing family medicine in Holton for the past 15 years.

My wife Nancy and I live near Holton. We enjoy camping, home improvement projects and, spending time with our family. We have four spoiled dogs and lots of Koi fish.

I am looking forward to meeting the members of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. I believe the clinic can provide a family friendly place to promote health as well as treat illness and injuries.



Dr. Harter will officially start on Monday, June 20, 2005.



Ask the Dentist

By Jessica A. Rickert, DDS

Dear Dr. Jessica,

What is a preventative antibiotic, and why does the patient have to take "pre-meds" before the dental appointment? Are they prescribed to all patients?

From a patient who needs to know.

Dear Patient,

This is such an important question for you to understand. A pre-medication is an antibiotic taken before a dental appointment to prevent infections. The usual dose is 2,000 mg of Amoxicillin one hour prior to the appointment for adults. There are other antibiotics

used, if you are allergic to Amoxicillin.

There are many harmless bacteria in your mouth, harmless as long as they do not penetrate the surface of the tissue. If you have decay, an abscess, or periodontal (gum) problems, there are millions of harmful bacteria in your mouth. All dental procedures, except maybe x-rays, cause bacteria from the mouth to go under the into the blood bacteria stick joints and to certain condibacteria are course, and get and water from the blood stream. So, they multiply and multiply, and by the time the patient has symptoms, there is much damage done. Death can result.

Bacteria will not stick to healthy heart tissue or healthy joints.



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Some patients, such as those on chemotherapy, immunosuppressant drugs and diabetics cannot resist infections. For them, pre-medication with antibiotics is often recommended. The antibiotic is in the entire system in one hour, and kills any bacteria, which may enter the bloodstream.

The best way to guard against problems in the body is to maintain an extremely clean mouth through daily brushing, flossing and professional dental cleanings. Cut way back on eating sugary foods and drinks. Harmful bacteria love that white sugar (sucrose)!

Always remind the doctor or dentist that you have a heart problem or artificial joints. Sometimes, the dentist and medical doctor have to confer to decide the best treatment for you. Good luck with your dental care.



MAKING MEDICARE MAKE SENSE

Answers To Some of The Most Commonly Asked Medicare Questions

Q: Since Medicare is Adding a Prescription Drug Benefit in 2006 People with Medicare Will Have Questions Soon About Enrollment, Deadlines, and What They Need To Do. Where Can People Get Questions Answered and Counseling Locally and For Free on This Critical Medicare Benefit?

A: Through counseling, education, and outreach activities, the State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs), help consumers understand the Medicare program and make the best health care decisions for their individual circumstances. These valuable services are provided by the SHIPs free of charge.

The SHIP network includes nearly 1,200 sponsoring organizations supporting over 10,000 counselors (mostly volunteers) and staff nationwide. In 2004, SHIPs served over 2 million Medicare beneficiaries through one-on-one and telephone counseling and public education programs.

SHIP volunteers located in almost every county in the nation can help consumers identify, understand, and enroll in Medicare Advantage plans, supplemental Medicare insurance policies (or Medigap plans), Medicare

Savings Programs, long-term care insurance and financing, prescription drug coverage, and other public and private health insurance coverage options available to people with Medicare.

This year, the 54 SHIP programs across the nation are a key partner in Medicare's education and outreach effort to insure that everyone with Medicare knows that they will be eligible for prescription drug coverage regardless of their income, or how they get their health care or their drug coverage today. People with Medicare need to know that they will have a choice of at least two prescription drug plans, and that there will be extra assistance for those who need it the most. This important coverage will begin in January 2006.

The significant increase in funding for the SHIPs, a total of \$31.7 million, demonstrates CMS' confidence in its 12 year partnership with the SHIP network. It is also clear evidence of CMS' strong belief and commitment to providing one-on-one counseling and assistance to people with Medicare and their families, especially as they need to learn and make decisions about the new Medicare prescription drug coverage.

This increased funding brings increased performance requirements for all of the SHIPs across the U.S. and the territories. It also brings increased commitment from CMS to continually educate the SHIP network and provide accessible and on-going training to in-

sure that the network is fully capable of utilizing all of CMS' online and other support tools. While general enrollment for the new Medicare drug coverage in 2006 begins on November 15 of this year, providing education and awareness counseling to people with Medicare is important right now. The community-based SHIPs will help drive increased awareness of Medicare prescription drug coverage throughout the coming months to enable people with Medicare to make informed decisions about their health care and prescription drug coverage needs.

This year the SHIPs will be putting emphasis on reaching people with limited incomes who are eligible for extra help with their drug costs.

Recently the CMS Administrator said that the SHIP programs in every state are the key foot soldiers in providing one-on-one assistance to people with Medicare to help them get the best health care. Again, this help is free of charge.

SHIP programs and their volunteers have extensive experience in helping people with Medicare make important decisions about their health care and health insurance. For more information about the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit or to find out the toll-free 1-800 # for the SHIP in your state, call 1-800-Medicare, which is 1-800-633-4227, or visit Medicare's consumer website, www.medicare.gov.

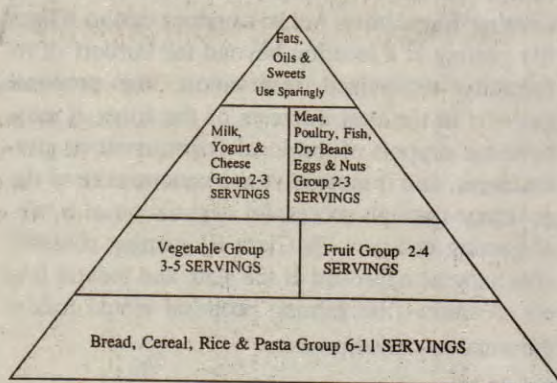
Cooking with commodities

By Mary Young

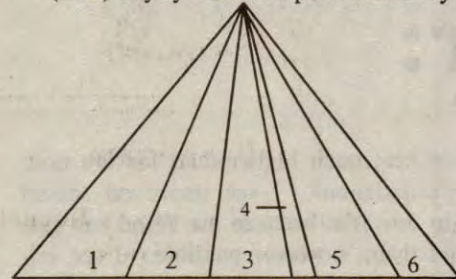
Samples, free drawings, and recipes drew community members to the Fire Keepers Elder Center for a free demonstration on how to cook with commodities sponsored by the PBP Food Distribution Program (FDP) along with some William Jewell College nursing students who gave the presentation. Larry Berryhill, director for the FDP, was on hand to answer questions.

Two days prior to the demonstration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) introduced a new food pyramid that is geared to promote a healthier eating style as well as eating smaller portions. The following is a comparison of the two pyramids:

(old) Food Pyramid:



(new) MyPyramid: steps to a healthy you:



The following is for a 2,000-calorie diet. To find the amounts that are right for you, go to MyPyramid.gov.

1. Grains—eat 6 oz. every day. Make half your grains whole.
2. Vegetables—eat 2-1/2 cups every day. Vary your veggies.
3. Fruits—eat 2 cups every day. Focus on fruits.
4. Know the limits on fats, sugars, and salt (sodium).
5. Milk—get 3 cups every day. Get your calcium-rich foods.
6. Meat & beans—go lean with protein. Eat 5-1/2 oz. every day.

Another important item during the presentation was how to read a label on packaged foods. Be sure to read the Nutrition Facts label to help you maintain your food plan. The label will offer serving size, servings per container, total calories and calories from fat.

The following is a sample of a Nutrition Facts label guide: (from the Eating Healthy on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation handout)

Serving size: Is your serving the same as the one on the label? If you eat double the serving size listed, you are eating twice the nutrients and calories. If you eat one-half the serving size, you are eating one-half the nutrients and calories.

Calories: Look here to see how a serving of the food adds to the total number of calories you need each day.

Total fat: Most people need to cut back on fat. Too much fat may contribute to heart disease and cancer. Try to limit your calories from fat. Choose foods with a big difference between the total number of calories and the number of calories from fat.

Saturated fat: Saturated fat is part of the total fat in food. It is listed separately because it may raise blood cholesterol and your risk of heart disease. (no more than 12 g. per day)

Cholesterol: Too much cholesterol may lead to heart disease. Challenge yourself to eat less than 300 mg. each day.

Sodium: You call it "salt," the label calls it "sodium." Either way, it may add up to high blood pressure in some people. So, keep your sodium intake low—2,400-3,000 mg. Or less each day.

Total carbohydrate: Carbohydrates give you energy. Foods like bread, potatoes, fruits, and vegetables contain carbohydrates.

Dietary fiber: Fiber may help reduce the risk of heart disease and cancer. Fruits, vegetables, whole-grain foods, and beans are all good sources of fiber.

Protein: Most people get more protein than they need. Eat small servings of lean meat, fish, and poultry. Use skim or lowfat milk, yogurt, and cheese. Try vegetable proteins like beans, grains, and cereals.

Vitamins and minerals: Your goal is 100% of each for the day. Don't count on one food to do it all. Eat a variety of foods.

Daily values: For fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium, choose foods with a low % Daily Value. For total carbohydrate, dietary fiber, vitamins, and minerals, your goal is to choose foods that add up to 100% of each.



Nursing students from the William Jewell College (L-r): Sheri King, Deanna Mast, June Thomas, Beth Atkin, and Joe Venturina. They provided food samples and recipes from the demonstration at the Fire Keepers Elder Center on April 22 at noon.



Juanita Jessepe, left, and Meeks Jackson, right, were two of the lucky winners for the free drawing held after the presentation and cooking demonstration. The baskets were filled with commodities that were used in the demonstration.

Commodity Sugar Applesauce Cake

2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg
1 tsp. vanilla extract
1-1/2 cups unsweetened applesauce

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray an 8 x 4 in. loaf pan with cooking spray.
- Sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon and nutmeg. Set aside.
- Beat the eggs until light and add sugar. Add applesauce and vanilla. Fold in raisins.
- Pour batter into loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees for about an hour.



Recipe Corner

By Mary Young

As mentioned in the last issue, *Recipe Corner* will feature the same cooks to share their recipes with the readers.

Double Layer Pumpkin Pie

Mindimoye, Oneida/Ojibway

1 graham cracker crust
Mix together until smooth:
4 oz. softened cream cheese
1 tbsp. Milk
1 tbsp. sugar
Stir in 1-1/2 cups thawed whipped topping and spread on crust.

Mix until smooth (1—2 min.)
1 cup milk
2 pkg. vanilla flavor instant pudding mix
Stir into pudding mixture:
2 can pumpkin
1 tsp. each: cinnamon, ginger, cloves
Spread over cream cheese layer.

Apple Butter

Mary Cornelius Clark, Oneida

Peel apples, slice thinly, wash and cook to mash easily.
Measure:
5 cups apples
4 cups sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. nutmeg
1/4 tsp. cloves

Put back to cook. As it starts to boil, keep stirring from bottom of kettle to avoid burning as it thickens about 1/2 hour. DO NOT COOK IN ALUMINUM KETTLE.

Wild Rice Hotdish

Mindimoye, Oneida/Ojibway

1 lb. ground beef
1 cup wild rice
2 medium onions, cut fine
1 can mushroom soup
1 green pepper, cut fine
1/4 cup soy sauce
1 stalk celery, cut fine
water to equal 4 cups

Brown above in a little butter.
Mix all together, cover and bake 1-1/2 hour at 375.

Until next issue, *Recipe Corner* would like to say wis-ne-men!



Genealogy Office news:

Memorial Day will soon be here and we want to remind everyone the office is continuing our work to identify unmarked gravesites. If you plan to visit and have information about your family burial plot, please contact Roy Hale (785) 845-2584 or Delores Abrams at the email or phone number below. We would be glad to meet with you anytime.

If you have your family tree completed in hard-copy or in a computer family tree program and would like to have it preserved for future generations in our archives, please contact our office.

The Genealogy Office will participate in the upcoming Potawatomi Language Conference, June 7-9, 2005, at Harrahs Prairie Band Casino Convention Center. We will have a one-hour Genealogy presentation each day and invite everyone to come. Scheduled times and dates will be presented in the June Tribal newspaper and on the Genealogy Office web page.



PBPN Genealogy Office Coordinators (Left): Delores (Nioce) Abrams and Vivian Gonzales (Kitchkumme) Gonzales.

The Genealogy Office is continuing to collect old obituaries, newspaper articles, old photographs, and any material that may be helpful to tribal members searching for family information. Please contact our office if you have material to contribute and we would be glad to meet with you at your convenience. For additional information on research sources available and how you can help, the Genealogy Office web page address is www.pbpindiantribe.com/genealogy.

Delores Nioce-Abrams
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Office Hours: 10 am - 3 pm, Tuesday and Thursday or by appointment

Genealogy Office news: updated as of May 9, 2005

The Genealogy Office will participate in the 3rd Annual Potawatomi Language Conference scheduled for June 6-9, 2005, at the PBPN Casino. We will have a one-hour session each day of the conference and topics will vary each day. Topics to be covered are: What is Genealogy and How Do I start; Records Available and How to Document Information; Computer and Chart Genealogy Family Trees; and U.S. Federal Census Records. Gary Mitchell is scheduled for one session on his experience with his Computer Family Tree. A completed conference agenda is not available at this time, but scheduled times and topics will be posted on the genealogy web page as soon as they are available www.pbpindiantribe.com and we are listed under History icon.

Our office will be available at the June 10-12 Pow-wow for anyone who would like to contact us concerning family genealogy. Please check at Our Lady of Snows concession stand and sign-up for a time and day you would like to meet at the pow-wow.

Our office needs help with identifying unmarked graves in Shipshew Cemetery. If you should be in the area visiting, please contact Roy Hale (785) 845-2584 or Delores Abrams (785) 966-0037 and we would be glad to meet you at the cemetery.

Delores Nioce-Abrams
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Telephone: (785) 966-0037

Ladies 8-Ball Annual Tournament:

Ages 25 & up
Deadline date: June 7, 2005 Game time: June 11, 2005, 8:30 am until done
Entry fee: \$12.00

Contact: Nona, Joy, Warren or Curtis at (785) 966-0040 or 0041

Fire Keepers Elder Center, 15372 K Road, Mayetta, KS

June "2005"

**Native Seniors 50+ Free
Adults \$3.50
Children \$2.00**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Liver & Onion Potato & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll	Baked BBQ Chicken Macaroni Salad Mandarin Oranges Potluck Beans & a roll	Salisbury Steak Potatoes & Gravy Zucchini & Carrots Dinner Roll	Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Refried Beans Tomato Salad	Fish Sandwich Tomato Soup Cole slaw & Spinach Crackers
Country Fried Steak Potato & Gravy Steamed Broccoli Dinner Roll	Ham & Beans Sliced Carrots Corn Bread Chefs Salad	Pork Chops Potatoes & Gravy Succotash Dinner Roll	Birthday Dinner Indian Tacos	Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches Baked Fries Fruit Salad
Indian Dog & Chili Garden Salad Sliced Apples Cheese & Crackers	Oven Fried Chicken Potatoes & Gravy Broccoli Normandy Dinner Roll	Cranberry Chicken Potatoes & Gravy Mixed Vegetables Dinner Roll	Beef Pot Pie Over Buttered Noodles Garden Salad Biscuits	Lemon Baked Fish Baked Potato Brussels Sprouts Dinner Roll
Ham & Ch. Croissants Minestone Soup Fruit Salad Crackers	Chicken Casserole W/ Rice & Vegetable Spinach Salad Biscuits	Meatloaf Potatoes & Gravy Brussels Sprouts Carrot Salad & a roll	Lasagna Green Beans Garden Salad Garlic Toast	Beef Stroganoff Zucchini & Carrots Garden Salad Biscuits

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

Revival

June 16-19, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.
Evangelist Danny Rogers,
Alabama

Potawatomi Pentecostal Church
4-1/2 miles west of Hwy. 75 on 134 Road
Mayetta, KS
(785) 966-2885

PBPN explore interest in Southeast Kansas Casino

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At a news conference held on Friday, April 22, Speaker of the House Doug Mays said some legislators opposed to expanded gambling in general could vote for a revised compact because it could lock down further expansion while making some revenue from Kansas gamblers who are now going to Missouri to play.

News reports quoted Mays as saying: "The further west you go, the more votes you lose. By the time you get to Wichita, the votes are gone. But House approval could spur momentum in the Senate, where more members have expressed interest in raising revenue in future years for schools and social services."

Steve Cadue, chair of the Kickapoo Tribe, said, "We are exploring this initiative because it holds the promise of allowing our tribes and our state to compete effectively in this entertainment industry while also respecting traditional Kansas values."

Fredia Perkins, vice chair of the Sac and Fox Nation, joined with Pahlmahmie and Cadue to support exploration of the southeast Kansas pro-

posal. She said the three Tribes intend to work with representatives of Kansans for Economic Growth over the next 30-60 days to carefully evaluate the feasibility and development potential.

Ross Vogel of Kansans for Economic Growth said his organization had been solicited by various gaming developers for potential partnerships for a destination casino project for southeast Kansas.

"We recognized the opportunity for a quality resort hotel and casino that we could help bring to southeast Kansas through tribal gaming," Vogel said. "We are especially excited to be involved in a joint tribal gaming project because of the positive effect it will have on members of the Kansas tribes involved and their respective reservations, as well as the residents of southeast Kansas and the state as whole."

The Tribes have successfully owned and operated their own casinos in northeast Kansas for nearly a decade, Vogel said.

"We recognize the potential for a destination resort hotel and casino project in this part of the state, which we estimate will attract 90 percent of its patrons from beyond Kansas and become a

true destination resort," he said.

Of the four resident Tribes in Kansas, only the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska is not involved with this project at this time. Pahlmahmie said the three tribes exploring the southeast Kansas project will soon send a letter to the Chair of the Iowa Tribe, Leon Campbell, inviting the Iowa Tribe to join the southeast Kansas project.

"All three tribes encouraged the Iowa Tribe to forego their efforts to negotiate a gaming compact with Kansas for a casino project in Park City, Kan., north of Wichita, in light of its improbable chance for success," Pahlmahmie said.

In a letter to the *Wichita Eagle* published on Sunday, April 24, Gov. Sebelius stated she was not prepared to negotiate a compact with the Iowa Tribe for a Sedgwick County casino at this time. The letter said in part: "...the tribe does not have one (an agreement) with Sedgwick County, and its proposals have been actively opposed by the city of Wichita. Moreover, the local legislative delegation is deeply split on the proposal, and legislative leaders in Topeka are generally skeptical, if not opposed. Not does it appear that the tribe has made any contacts with our congressional delega-

tion or the Interior Department."

Pahlmahmie said: "We respect the Iowa Tribes' right of self-determination and understand their interest in seeking an off-reservation tribal casino in Sedgwick County. However, given the governor's present refusal to negotiate with the Iowa Tribe in light of local, state and perhaps even federal opposition, it is difficult to imagine a scenario in which the Iowa Tribe can be successful at their current proposed location in Park City."

In order for a Native American tribe to obtain permission under the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to conduct casino (Class III) gaming at a location beyond the borders of its federally recognized reservation, the proposal must be in the best interests of the tribe; it must have the support of the local government or governments, and it must have the concurrence of the governor through successful negotiation of a tribal gaming compact. A Class III gaming compact also must be approved at the state and federal levels. A multi-tribe gaming proposal would follow the same approval process.

Editorials and Letters to the Editor:

(submitted by Angela C. Wahweotten)

To Kansans that are being given propaganda but not the truth:

Win Kansas says we need gambling now! Wait to put in a casino and we'll lose money. The Tribes have gambling and they give nothing to the state. The money can be used for education. We will make 300 MILLION dollars a year...! Have you been hearing them? I have, in the daily T.V. news broadcasts, in the newspaper, anywhere they can push their agenda. I have some problems with what they are saying.

First, as an American Indian, I am a dual citizen of the United States and my Tribe. The tribe I am a member of, the Prairie Band Potawatomi, has been working with the state and Harrah's for around eight years to run our own casino. I want the citizens of MY state, the state of Kansas, to know that we do contribute a percentage of our money to the state right off the top. Don't let anyone tell you that

we got our compact with no strings attached! We, also, contribute through disaster relief, by creating jobs and training that go to non-Indians as well as American Indians of our tribe and others, through the taxes, state and Federal, that come from our employees' earnings, and taxes that are paid from our winners' take, again state and Federal. It's possible that you have seen signs recognizing our contributions when you have been out and about in northeast, Kansas. To say that tribes contribute nothing to the state is completely false information. We live here, too. We don't live in a vacuum. And I might add, we paid for our casino, it didn't come from U.S. taxpayer dollars. Let Win Kansas put their money where their mouth is.

Secondly, as far as the education pitch, what happened with the lottery? Isn't "The money can be used for education" the same sales talk that was used when the lottery was brought in? Our education system is just a tough business folks, it's our children. I would really like to see all parents (moms and dads)

begin a volunteer - get involved with our children again - program to be in the schools at least once a year to help the schools that are dealing with 23 students per classroom. That's just wrong, in my opinion, that they have that many students allowed to be taught by one poor soul, but I digress.

Third, this is about the 300 MILLION dollars, let's not forget the approximately 150 million dollars we need to spend to put up a world class, resort style, casino. Where did Win Kansas come up with "We will bring in 300 MILLION dollars a year"? That amount is a number that Win Kansas pulled from research, a crystal ball, where? Have they done their homework on saturation? Anyone that has been to a tribal General Council meeting knows you need to know your facts.

Now for my persuasive pitch, I want to tell you about the children and FAMILIES I am seeing on the reservation where crime, alcohol, drugs, violence, poverty, and death by suicide or murder have been the norm for centuries. Do you know the statistics for Native

Americans are much higher than for the non-minority population? I see improved school districts in our area because the Tribe has gotten behind them, however possible. I see improved medical and emergency services. I see happier, healthier, more connected, intact families. If a person were to look, they would see motivation, sobriety, and better examples for our children. Our tribe has a place members can come home to, and a willingness to work with surrounding communities on issues such as zoning, land management, improving roads and bridges, and representation.

This is the way we have dealt with the ability and responsibility of being able to operate a casino because of whom we are and where we have been. I'm writing about major improvement in the lives American Indians that is long overdue. I'm thankful for the recent changes and have to say the changes are due to the casino. No matter what the state decides to do or what you have been told, that's some facts that I thought should be on the table.

Sincerely - Angela C. Wahweotten



Why do they stay?

Submitted by Rose Bone

A victim of domestic violence may act in ways that you don't understand and to people not aware of the dynamics of abuse. The victim may not understand his or her actions, denying the abuse in a desperate attempt for self-preservation. A victim of domestic violence will often lose the ability to view other people's behavior in an objective or neutral light. A victim loses the ability to trust other people. Thus, he or she often feels isolated.

The abuser's control of a victim may affect the simplest decision a victim may need to make. A victim may not be allowed to work outside the home therefore the victim has no income to afford to live on his/her own. The victim may have children and not be able to afford costs associated with day-care, school, medical or daily needs. The victim may feel if they leave they are taking the children away from their other parent and want the children to grow up in a two-parent home no matter what the cost. The victim may not want their partner to go to jail. There also may be cultural or social barriers that prevent a victim from leaving. The abuser attempts to strip the victim of their self-esteem and sense of control. Some of the methods that the abuser uses are isolation, blaming the victim for their anger, belittling the victim and lashing out at the victim physically and/or sexually. Victims often try to change their behavior to "make things better", but in reality there is nothing that the victim can do to change the abuser's behavior. This leaves the victim feeling hopeless and helpless. The victim often feels completely trapped in her/his situation. Sometimes the victim believes the only way to end the abuse is to take their life.

Many people believe that the victim of violence must somehow have invited it, encouraged it, or even found some kind of satisfaction from it. No victim likes to be abused. Victims have the same expectations of love, trust and a fulfilling relationship, as we all do.

Seventy per cent of all incidents of domestic violence take place after separation from the batterer. The greatest risk for abuse or death if caught by the batterer is when a victim makes an attempt to leave the batterer.

Abuse escalates in frequency and severity over time. It does not go away without intervention. Native American women experience the highest rate of violence of any group in the United States. A report released by the Department of Justice, American Indians and Crime, found that Native American women suffer violent crime at a rate three and a half times greater than the national average. National researchers estimate that this number is actually much higher than has been captured by statistics; according to the Department of Justice over 70% of sexual assaults are never reported.

Research suggests that a short period of incarceration, followed by court ordered counseling, may stop the cycle of violence. The counseling must be specific in nature and targeted to stop the abusive situation. There is, however, no guarantee that an abuser will desist even with the best counseling. This is also a deterrent for a victim because they feel when the batterer gets done with the courts, they will come after them and it will be worse for



The photo shows the old community building that now houses the Domestic Violence Program of the Social Services Dept. The photo is a view from the PTFD 100-ft. aerial platform fire truck positioned over the Government Center. (Photo by Mary Young)

telling.

Batterers are not all the same. Some also commit other crimes; they may have a long history of disobeying the law and violent behavior. Others may respond to psycho-educational programs that help them learn about proper sex-role socialization, anger and violence management, and advance techniques that can be used to effectively eliminate violence in their relationships.

Studies show in more than half of all battering incidents, the batterer is under the influence of alcohol or drugs. While drugs and alcohol do not cause the violence, they are often used as an excuse for the violence.

Mutual restraining orders are not the appropriate action because that is just another way of punishing the victim.

FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION
(785)966-0173 Toll free: 1-(800)-966-0173

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 Meeting - 8:00 p.m. Friday, SW 135 Buchanan.

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.



Mayetta Area

Open AA Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m. to ??, We Ta Se Building, 15434 K Road

Alateen Monday at 5-6 pm, at the We Ta Se Building, 15434 K Road.

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

PARR Ranch—Open meeting, Monday at 7:00 pm, 18367—182 Rd.

**** Women's NA Meeting**— Friday at 6:00 pm at the We Ta Se building, 15434 K Road.

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

Holton AA Meeting—at EUM Church (1 block south of post office—enter south door), Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Lawrence Area

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



Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

TOLL-FREE NUMBERS

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

Government Center
877 715-6789

Alcohol & Drug
866 966-2411

Boys & Girls Club
866 727-6242
(866 PBP-NBGC)

PBP Family Health Center
1 (866) 694 6728

Pharmacy
1 (866) 727-6330

Managed Care
1 (866) 694-6728

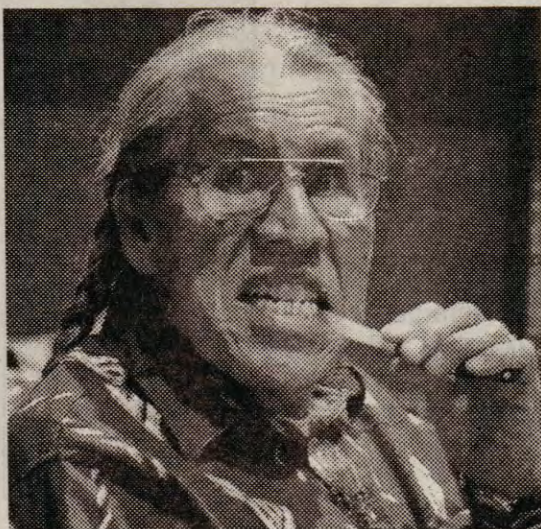
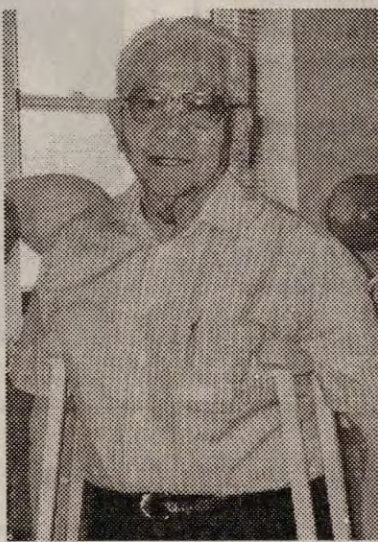
Housing
866 966-2756

Social Services
888 966-2932

Tribal Court
866 966-2242

Transit Program
(785) 966-2995 or 966-3024
or
1 (877) 727-6743
(877-PBP-NRIDE)

Faces around the rez





Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Pow Wow Celebration June 10-12, 2005 Mayetta, KS

- Drum Contest \$12,500
- Dance Contests \$34,850
- Plenty of camping-limited RV space
- 4 Person Golf Scramble
- Rez Ride Motorcycle Run

for more information go to www.PowWows.com

Government offices closed May 30, 2005 for Memorial Day

Pow Wow Booster 2005

Support your Pow Wow

- Level 1-\$25: you get 1 pow wow admission, 1 pow wow program book and your name in the program as a pow wow booster.
- Level 2-\$40: You get 2 pow wow admissions, 1 pow wow program book and business card size ad to say whatever message you wish. You design or we can.

See a pow wow committee member today to become a booster:

- At the Casino-Ruth Harjo or Blake Garrison
- At the Government Center-Ann DeCouteau, Laverne Hale, Jim Potter or Jolene Thomas
- At the Police Dept.-Micki Martinez or Rebekah Potts
- Out and About-Chago Hale, Dumps Mitchell or Richele Pahmahmie

For more details call: 785-966-3024 or 1-877-727-6743



PBPN
Annual
General Council
Meeting
July 16, 2005

12th Annual Potawatomi Gathering hosted by NOTTAWASEPPI HURON BAND OF POTAWATOMI

July 28-31, 2005
Check in day-July 27, 2005

on the reservation
2221 1-1/2 Mile Road
Fulton, MI 49052
Phone: 269-729-5151, Fax: 269-729-5920

Just a reminder!

Beginning June 1, 2005 childcare fees will be collected on the first working day of the month. If not paid on the first of the month, services will be dropped and families will need to reapply. Currently, families are billed after services but effective June 1 families will be billed in advance. The fees will be due upon the first working day of every month. Families were given a six month advance notice of the new billing collection day. The center encouraged parents to pay a little extra money on their current bills so on June 1, two months would not be due. Call Edie at 785-966-2527 for further questions or concerns.

Upward Bound: Billy Mills Summer Academy
4th Annual Cultural Event & Powwow
June 23, 5:30 p.m.
Haskell Indian Nations University

Call for vendors!

Upcoming
"Pathways to
our Future"
sponsored by
Early Childhood
Education Center
to be held
August 8-10, 2005

Over 200 professionals expected

For details call Natalie McClane
at 785-966-2707
or email:
nataliem@pbpnation.org

The Third Annual Potawatomi Language Conference

The Gift of Language
Giving & Sharing

When: June 7, 8, 9 2005
Where: Harrah's Casino Conference Center
Hosted by: The Potawatomi Language Restoration Project Inc.
P.O. Box 82, Mayetta, KS, 66509
Contact: Lou & Lisa Aitkens, ph: 785-966-2464
email: lou_aitkens@hotmail.com

We would like to extend an invitation to all who are interested in the Potawatomi language to come and join us.

Closing date for registering for
the conference is June 1

Did you go to Haskell in the 1970s?

Class of 1970-79 Reunion
being planned during
Homecoming Oct. 21-23.

- Calling all:
- graduates
 - students
 - varsity athletes
 - coaches, managers
 - cheerleaders
 - royalties
 - faculty & Staff

Register online at
www.haskell.edu/haskell/alumni
or contact Gloria Graves at
785-749-8470

Make plans to attend the Chilocco National Alumni Association Reunion June 2-5, 2005

Clarion Hotel Airport
Oklahoma City, OK
Contact CNAA President: James Edwards 918-742-1549 or Carlotta Pickard Naves 405-947-7360

Opportunity for Tribal Youth National Indian Youth Police Academy July 11-23, 2005

To participate in activities at the Washington State Patrol
Training Facility in Shelton, WA
For applications: www.niypa.com or call 888-370-1752

PBPN Summer Youth Work Program Dates

First session: June 6-July 1
Second session: July 5-29

Good luck to the workers!

Thank you

I would like to say a huge thank you to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribe and the PBP Education Department for your wonderful financial scholarship assistance with my master's degree at the University of Minnesota-Duluth for the past two years. Without your help, I would have never been able to go back to school for my graduate degree. I am blessed to be a member of this tribe, and I will always attribute reaching my goal to your generous financial assistance and support. I am now serving as a role model to all four of my children. I am very proud to be graduating this month with my degree. The PBP Education Department has been wonderful to me, and the late Sharon McClane and interim director, June Quoetone and current director Gwen Shunatona always responded to my questions and requests very quickly and always professionally. I would like to publicly express my appreciation of their services and support.

LaVonne Chenault-Goslin

A card of thanks

I wish to thank all the people here at the Elder Center, my family and friends for all the prayers and cards during my surgery. I appreciate and thank everyone for their kindness.

Caroline Moore

Hello, to all my relatives
and friends!
From Joseph Wabske

Wishing each of you health
and happiness!

Contact information:
310 N. Center
Apt. 17
Casper, WY 82601
Phone: 307-265-0993

Ganiŋtēk

(those who are born)

Correction

The birth announcement
of Miriah Levelle in last
month's issue should have
read:
Mariah Levelle Eteeyan
born to Nicole Martinez & Tony
Eteeyan

Grandparents: Cheryl Walker
and Hardy & Rubina Eteeyan

Welcome

Ra'ynah Lynn Lewis



Born: Feb. 22, 2005
Wt: 6 lbs, 6 oz.
Lgh: 19 3/4 in.

Parents: Ashley Hale & Jerry "Nuk"
Lewis
Grandparents: Deb Shobney, LaVern
"Kabot" Hale, Charlene Lewis Lopez

Great-Grandparents: Masquas Hale and
Gerald & Vernona Lewis

Ttiwenmo eginigyén (Happy day you were born)

Happy Birthday and many more
on May 8
to
Don Lewis

Love,
Melissa & grandchildren



Happy 91st
Birthday,
Catherine
(Ce-Ceene)
Lewis
on June 12
From your
daughter, Phyllis,
&
family



Kanibwēŋtēk (The one's that stood up together)

Family and friends
are
invited to
Pete & Marge Lewis's
50th Anniversary
celebration
hosted by
their children and grand-
children

June 11, 2 p.m.

Our Lady of the Snows, Mayetta, KS
For details call Marcia, 219-789-3241

Happy Anniversary!
Love Melissa, Marissa, Makiah, Geryan,
Shayla, Tristan, and Zjaiton



Happy 14th
Anniversary
to
Jim and Patty
Potter
June 6

Happy Birthday
to
Geryan Murdock, 7, on June 1
Marissa, 11, on June 10



Love,
mommy,
(Melissa Lewis)

Happy
Birthday
Christopher
Grant
on
June 7
We love &
miss you.
Aunt Brenda,
Brandon & Joey
LaClair

Attention

May 28th at 3:34 a.m.....

Someone will be "30"!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
ROBERT LARA!!

We Love You,

Mom, Jim and Ricky



**David Lee "Skup" Knoxsah**

David Lee "Skup" Knoxsah, 56, Holton, died April 11, 2005, at a Hiawatha hospital after a brief illness.

He was born Oct. 5, 1948, at Holton, the son of Henry and Leona Mzhickteno Knoxsah. He grew up in northeastern Kansas, attending public schools and Chilocco Indian School. He attended KCKS Vo-Tech and graduated with a degree in graphic arts.

Mr. Knoxsah was a member of the Kickapoo Tribe, Thunder Clan. He served in the U.S. Army with the 101st Airborne from 1967 to 1969 during the Vietnam War. He was a well-known Indian artist who was active in tribal events, community activities and traditional gatherings.

He was a member of the Comanche Tribe Little Ponies Gourd Society.

He married Mary Conklin on March 21, 1985, in Lansing. She survives.

Other survivors include five children, Shona Knoxsah, Alex Knoxsah and Armando Knoxsah, all of the home, Aaron Shaad, Wichita, and Quanna Bogart and husband Jim, Liberal; two grandchildren, Kara and Sidney Bogart, both of Liberal; six brothers and sisters, Vernona Lewis, Holton, Aurora Martin, Clifford Knoxsah and Marty Knoxsah, all of Topeka, Deena Desjarlait, Mayetta, and Martin Knoxsah, Horton; an aunt, Rozella Knight, Stilwell, Okla.; an uncle, LeRoy Mzhickteno, Mayetta; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Virgil Knoxsah and Jim Knoxsah; and grandparents, Bill and Ona Seeley Mzhickteno and Marie and Mitchell Knoxsah.

Native American church services will be held at 5:30 p.m. April 14 at Oscar Greene's home on the Kickapoo Reservation west of Horton. Burial will be at 2 p.m. April 15 in the Kennekuk Indian Cemetery on the Kickapoo Reservation. A prayer service and visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. April 13 at the Kickapoo Community Building on the reservation. Friends may call at Dishon-Maple-Chaney Mortuary in Horton anytime on April 13.

Memorial contributions may be made to the David "Skup" Knoxsah memorial fund to be designated later, sent in care of Dishon-Maple-Chaney Mortuary, 909 Central Ave., Horton, KS 66439.

(Courtesy of Holton Recorder 4/13/05)

**George M. Hernandez**

George M. Hernandez, 77, Topeka, died April 11, 2005, at a Topeka hospital. He was born Sept. 24, 1927, in Topeka, the son of Vincent and Deonisia Rivera Hernandez. Mr. Hernandez was a carpenter and belonged to local carpenter union 1445 for 32 years. He was a member of Assumption Catholic Church. He married Arlene M. Marshno on Nov. 22, 1959, in Topeka. She died Oct. 29, 1994. He also was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters. Survivors include three sons, Vincent Mark Hernandez, Mayetta, and Daniel Gregory Hernandez and Harold Ernest Hernandez, both of Topeka; four daughters, Patricia A. Matchie, Georgie "Dolly" Potts and Denise "Nina" Hinds, all of Mayetta, and Antoinette Marie "Toni" Dodds, Topeka; two brothers, John Hernandez, Louisville, Ky., and Tom Jimenez, Topeka; two sisters, Ines Anguanio and Micila "Mickey" Munoz, both of Topeka; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandson. A funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. April 15 at Assumption Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Prairie Peoples Cemetery at Mayetta, with military honors provided by We-Ta-Se Post 410 VFW. Mr. Hernandez will lie in state after 2 p.m. Thursday at Brennan-Mathena Funeral Home in Topeka, where a scriptural rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to the George Hernandez Memorial Fund, sent in care of Brennan-Mathena Funeral Home, 800 W. Sixth, Topeka, KS 66603.

(Courtesy of Holton Recorder 4/13/05)

Veronica "Kadese" Martin

Veronica "Kadese" Martin, 70, Holton, died April 18, 2005, at a Topeka hospice. She was born Aug. 18, 1934, in Emmett, the daughter of Peter Joseph Shoptese Sr. and Eunice Green Shoptese. She graduated from Mayetta High School in 1953 and lived most of her life in the Holton community. Mrs. Martin worked for the J.C. Penney Department Store in Holton for 23 years, then for Casey's General Store in Holton for 18 years. She was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. She married Gerald Lee Martin on July 31, 1954, in Holton. He survives. Other survivors include a son, Mark A. Martin and wife Michelle, Netawaka; a daughter, Nancy Martin and Rick Cochran, Netawaka; a sister, Monica Waller, Topeka; a brother, Pete Shoptese Jr., Topeka; seven grandchildren, Erika Hundley, Kevin Harmon, Derek Martin, David Martin, Daniel Martin, Stacie Martin and Cody Martin; and a great-grandson, Chase Andru Nimmo. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. April 21 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton, where family members will greet friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 20. Private family burial will be in Shipshew Cemetery west of Mayetta. Memorial contributions may be made to the Veronica "Kadese" Martin Memorial Fund, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. (Courtesy of Holton Recorder 4/18/05)

Michael David Waller

Michael David Waller, 41, Muscotah, died Saturday, April 30, 2005, at a Topeka care facility. He was born October 15, 1963, in Fairfax, Oklahoma, the son of Phillip and Monica Shoptese Waller. He attended Royal Valley schools and also attended Vo-Tech School in Tulsa. He had worked for Topeka Carrier Service. Mr. Waller was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and the Osage Nation. He married Joyce Singleton on February 21, 1990, in Holton. She survives. Other survivors include his mother, Monica Waller of Topeka, a sister, Lillian Ross in North Dakota, two step-sons, Vance Spiker of Holton and Camoran Shoptese of Muscotah, four step-daughters, Ashley Shoptese of Horton, Traci and Teresa Shoptese both of Muscotah and Angie Zimmerman. Six step-grandchildren also survive. Services will be 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2005 at the Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial will be in Shipshew Cemetery west of Mayetta. Family will greet friends from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday evening at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to the Michael Waller Memorial Fund c/o Mercer Funeral Home, P. O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

Chris Laverne Puckkee

Chris Laverne "Wah-Wa-Ssuck" Puckkee, 73, Topeka, died April 18, 2005, at his home. He was born Dec. 10, 1931, in Mayetta, the son of Ralph and Angeline Vieux Puckkee. He lived in Topeka for 10 years and previously lived in Las Vegas. Mr. Puckkee was self-employed in the heating and cooling business. He was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and a life member of the American Legion We-Ta-Se Post 410. He married Maxine Tibbs in 1956. She died in 1991. He also was preceded in death by a son, Loren Dale Wabnum. Survivors include a daughter, Tina Beier, Topeka; two sisters, Mary Earwood, Topeka, and Maxine Ramirez, Mayetta; a brother, Melvin "Sonny" Jessepe; four grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters. Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. April 22 at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church on the Potawatomi Reservation. A rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. April 21 at the church hall. Burial will be in the Shipshew Cemetery. He will lie in state at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton until 3 p.m. April 21 and after 4 p.m. April 21 in the church hall. (Courtesy of Holton Recorder 4/20/05)

**Robert Richard Brooks**

Robert Richard Brooks, 35, Mayetta, died Thursday, April 28, 2005, at a Topeka hospice.

Funeral services were held May 2 in Holton Cemetery with full military honors provided by We-Ta-Se Post 410.



We-Ta-Se Post 410 has been designated to provide full military honors for a fellow veteran if other posts are unable to perform the function.

**Laura E. Shegonee**

Laura E. Shegonee, 65, of Lac du Flambeau, WI, died on Wednesday, April 13, 2005, at her home. She was born on August 2, 1939, in Arpin, Wis., to Gilbert and Melvina (nee Wewasson) Shegonee.

Laura loved music, puzzle books, watching TV and writing poetry. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her smiling face and loving touch.

Other survivors include four sons, Mario Marquez, David (Patti) Marquez, Raymond (Penny) Marquez and Susano (Jarette) Cross; 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; three sisters, Verna (Jose) Rodriguez, Faye Perry and Barbara (Felix) Marin; and one brother, Loyal Shegonee. Further survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Her parents, husband Pedro, son Peter, sister Kathy Patterson and two brothers, Delbert and Joby Shegonee, preceded her in death.

Traditional Native American services were held Saturday, April 16, 2005, in Lac du Flambeau, Wis.

(Courtesy of Lac du Flambeau News, April 2005)

Donna Jean Fox Amerson

Donna Jean Fox Amerson, 70, died April 30, 2005, at Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan, Alabama. She was born August 23, 1934 in Topeka, the daughter of William M. and Helen L. Dean Fox. Mrs. Amerson was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. She was a member of White Oak United Methodist Church and she resided in Eufaula and Georgetown since 1976. She married Gaylon G. Amerson on April 23, 1969. He survives. Other survivors include three sons, Brad (Lisa) Hodgson, Eufaula, Alabama, Mike (Mary Anne) Hodgson, Quenemo, Kansas, Bill (Gina) Hodgson, Vassar, Kansas; a daughter, Denise (Jim) Newton, Eufaula, Alabama; three sisters, Beverly Brandt, Scranton, Kansas, Sharon Landis, Mayetta, Carole Haver, Albany, Missouri; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2005 at Chapman Funeral Home Chapel in Eufaula. Burial followed in White Oak Methodist Church Cemetery. (Courtesy of Chapman Funeral Home 5/3/05)

Jennifer S. Bayless

Jennifer S. Bayless, 52, Havensville, died May 3, 2005, at her home. She was born Feb. 7, 1953, at Mayetta, the daughter of Louis "Roe Cloud" and Luetta Jean McKinney Jessepe. Mrs. Bayless was a homemaker. She was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribe and the Native American Church. She married Clifford Bayless in 1977 at her father's home on the Kickapoo reservation. He survives. Other survivors include her father, Louis "Roe Cloud" Jessepe, Horton; three sons, Marlin Jessepe, Lincoln, Neb., Ish Wilson, Lawrence, and Randy Jessepe, Oklahoma City, Okla.; a daughter, Tawn Jessepe, Horton; two brothers, Dewey Jessepe, Horton, and John Klusener, Topeka; a sister, Shirley Potts, Sabetha; and three grandchildren. Mrs. Bayless was preceded in death by her mother, Luetta Jessepe; and a sister, Annette Jessepe. Native American church services were held May 6 at the Roe Cloud Jessepe home on the Kickapoo Reservation west of Horton. Burial was May 7 in the Jessepe Cemetery on the Kickapoo Reservation. Dishon-Maple-Chaney Mortuary, Horton, was in charge of arrangements. (Courtesy of Holton Recorder 5/9/05)

"Maug-Neat" Ruby M. Wabnum Shuckahosee

"Maug-Neat" Ruby M. Wabnum Shuckahosee, 79, Mayetta, died Thursday, May 5, 2005, on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation west of Mayetta.

She was born Dec. 9, 1925, on the Potawatomi Reservation, the daughter of John and Emma Young Wabnum. She attended Chilocco Indian School of Oklahoma and lived most of her life on the Potawatomi Reservation near Mayetta.

Ms. Shuckahosee worked for an ammunition plant in De Soto during World II. She worked for Slimaker Dress Factory in Holton and later taught Indian culture at Royal Valley Schools in Hoyt for many years before retiring.

She was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and the Indian Drum Religion.

Survivors include two daughters, Leatrice Noriega, Topeka, and Alexis Bailey, Mesquite, Texas; four sons, Robin Shuckahosee, Topeka, Leslie Shuckahosee, Mayetta, Joe Garcia, Emmett, and Wilson Garcia Jr., Junction City; a sister, Adelaide Rhoades, Holton; 16 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, four sons, a sister and two brothers.

Drum services will be held Wednesday evening at the Danceground Building west of Mayetta. Burial will be Thursday afternoon in Mitchell Cemetery.

Mercer Funeral Home in Holton is in charge of arrangements.

(Courtesy of Holton Recorder 5/11/05)

We-Ta-Se Post 410 to post colors during candlelight service

We-Ta-Se Post 410 will post colors during a candlelight service in honor of the Viet Nam Traveling Wall.

Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 8:30 p.m., Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, 701 N. 94th St., Kansas City, Kansas.

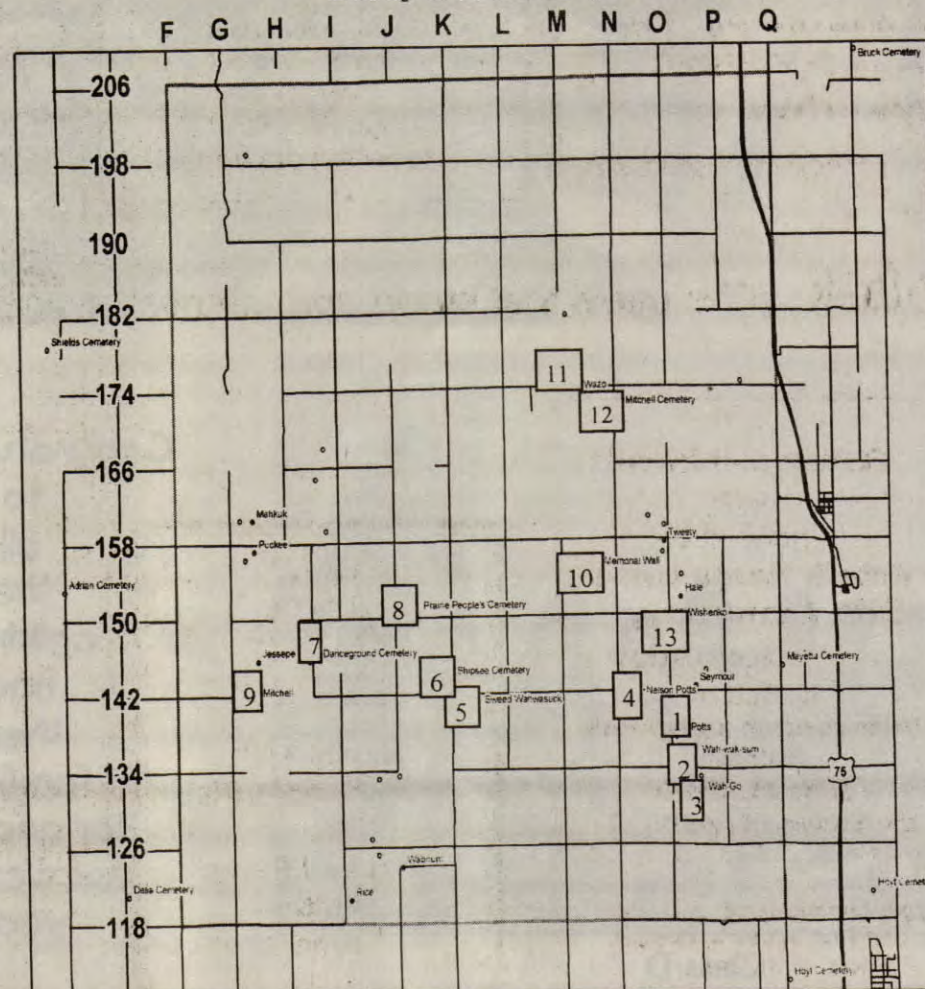
Come witness this moving experience in memory of our Viet Nam Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice.



Following is a list of the Cemeteries that will be visited by the Post 410 on Memorial weekend and the order. Starting at around 8:00 am. All times are estimation give or take 5 Min.

- 1) Potts (Potts Home Place) 20 Min.
- 2) Wah-wak-sum (West of Dolly Richards) 20 Min.
- 3) Wah-Go (Hale Home Place) 30 Min.
- 4) Nelson Potts (142 & O) 20 Min.
- 5) Sweed Wahwasuck (142& K 1/4 m. East south side) 20 Min.
- 6) Shipshew (142 & K) 30 Min.
- 7) Dance Ground (142 & H.5 North 1/2 m. West side) 30 Min.
- 8) Prairie Peoples Cemetery (3/4 W est of K & 150) 15 Min.
- 9) John Mitchell (142 & G 1/2 East m. South side) 20 Min.
- 10) Memorial Wall (Prairie Peoples Park) 20 Min.
- 11) Wazo (174 & n 3/4 Miles west on south side) 20 Min.
- 12) Andy Mitchell (170 & N No Weapons) 20 Min.
- 13) Wishkeno (150 & O) 20 Min.

End up at Potts home place for lunch.

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Infant Room

Ben-no-tteh
Wigwam
Celebration Day
held
May 12, 2005
at the
Boys & Girls Club

"Be the Light"

photos by: Suzanne Heck



Early Head Start

Congratulations
ladies
from
Ben-no-tteh
Wigwam
for
graduating
from
Highland College
with A.A degrees
in
Early Childhood



L to R: Vicki Wahquahboshkuk,
Norma Shipshee, Sandi Jim
photo submitted by Edie Wamego



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Toddler I



Toddler II



Class A/C

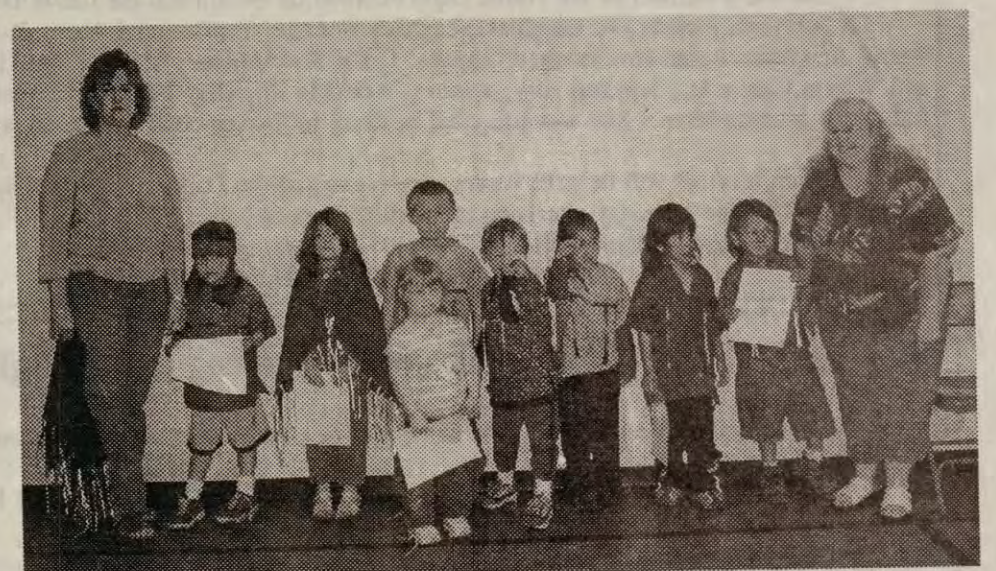


Class B



Class D

Congratulations
to
all
the
children
and
their
families
for another
successful
year



Class E/F