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# Prairie Band Potawatomi News

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A Report to the People of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

## Hundreds attend grand opening of the new Health Center

By Suzanne Heck

Members of the Indian Health Board and the Health Center staff went all out for the grand opening of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Health Center that was held on October 18.

Hundreds of people attended the standing-room only event that included many Prairie Band Potawatomi tribal members, state of Kansas dignitaries, and Indian Health Service (IHS) representatives from Oklahoma and Kansas. To top it off, Topeka television stations ran coverage of the event that was aired on their newscasts that evening and the next day.

Activities began with the posting of colors by the We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410 Color Guard and singing/drumming by the Ge mon en wek Singers, a youth group of Potawatomi-affiliated members from Topeka.

An invocation by Gaming Commission Chair Gary Mitchell was followed by opening remarks by Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Chair Tracy Stanhoff. "There is no place like the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation reservation; and I want to thank and publicly recognize the Indian Health Center staff and members of the Indian Health Board who helped to make the

new center a reality," said Stanhoff.

John Daugherty, Jr., Area Director of IHS from Oklahoma City, also was invited to give a short presentation to the audience. He said that he was glad to see tribes, like the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, putting their own money into the Indian health care system, because the Area IHS that he directs presently serves over 306,000 American Indians. He further stated that many more health care centers like the Prairie Band Potawatomi Health Center are needed to meet the needs of Indian people.

After Daugherty spoke, he joined with Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Council, the Indian Health Board, and members of the Gaming Commission in a ribbon-cutting ceremony that officially marked the opening of the Center. To conclude the day, tours of the new facility were conducted and refreshments were served. Tours were led by staff from the social services department and the health center who were on hand to



Lily Hall, left, and Vestina Nonken, right, who are on the Indian Health Board, greeted visitors at the grand opening.



John Daugherty, Jr., Director of the Area Indian Health Services, left, was guest speaker at the ceremony.



answer questions.

Members of the Indian Health Board include Helen Sumner, Vestina Nonken, Laveda Wahweotten, Lily Hall, Jackie Mitchell, James Wabaunsee, and Tracy Stanhoff.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Health Center comprises 36,300 square feet, which includes three wings (medical health center, Social Services Department, and a community education conference area) and took approximately a year to build. The construction cost of the Health Center was approximately \$6 million. All of the funding was pro-



Cutting the ribbon at the grand opening of the new Health Center were members of Tribal Council, the Indian Health Board, Gaming Commission and guest speaker John Daugherty, fourth from left.

Photo by Mary Young

vided by the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

The Social Services Department was the first group to move in to the new facility in September which was followed by staff from the Health Center who were originally housed in Holton, Kan. The new Health Center opened on September 20.

John Holtz is director of the Health Center and Larry Pickman is the director of Social Services.



The Ge mon en wek Singers, left, provided the singing/drumming for the grand opening ceremony.

Photo by Mary Young



### Upcoming dates to remember

November 7	Election Day: Don't forget to vote!
November 10	PBPN government offices closed (Veterans Day)
November 11	Veterans Memorial Service and Pow-Wow
November 23-24	PBPN government offices closed (Thanksgiving)
December 2	John Echohawk (Cobell Case), 9 a.m. (place to be announced)



### Laughter is the best medicine



Thamar Morris is seen here enjoying a good laugh with Joe Darling at the Potawatomi Fire Department open house held on October 13. Joe told the News that he is a tribal member and has recently moved to the reservation after residing in Tulsa.

Photo by Suzanne Heck



### Tribal Chair attends National Congress of American Indian Annual Meeting

Tribal Chair Tracy Stanhoff attended the National Congress of the American Indian's (NCAI) 63rd Annual Meeting in Sacramento, Calif. October 1-6.

"The theme of the meeting 'Building Self Sufficient Nations: Connecting Community & Culture', was selected to highlight the ever increasing need for improved public safety and health and human services in tribal communities while preserving the cultures that define who we are," said NCAI President Joe A. Garcia.

Tribal leaders participated in discussions on true tribal sovereignty as it relates to issues such as Homeland Security, Trust Reform/Settlement, Native Vote 2006, Indian Health Care and a score of other issues facing Indian Nations today.

The conference agenda included a list of speakers such as Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne and a trade show with over 100 exhibitors also scheduled to take place.

The NCAI is headquartered in Washington D.C. It was founded in 1944 and considers itself the major tribal government organization that monitors federal policies and issues that affect Indian people.

For more information go to [ncai.org](http://ncai.org).

PBPN appears before 10th Circuit Court of Appeals on fuel tax case

The PBPN was back in the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver on Sept. 28. The Tribe is asking the court to remand (send back) the Wagon v. Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, 04-631 case to the federal District Court to determine whether the State's fuel tax discriminates against the PBPN.

### Interchange at 150th Road and U.S. Highway 75 Overpass to Casino now open



The overpass bridge on 150th Road across U.S. Highway 75 opened to traffic on September 29. The photograph above was taken from the bridge on opening day facing west and shows cars heading toward Harrah's Prairie Band Casino. According to an article in the *Holton Recorder* (Oct. 2) Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) officials said the interchange was opened on schedule and that three of the four exit ramps are now also open to traffic. KDOT also predicted November 17 as the finish date for the entire interchange project except for some landscaping and striping of the roads which is planned for spring.

### Have you moved recently?

Let the Enrollment Department know if your address has changed by writing to:

16281 Q Rd.

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Questions?

Call Arlene Lingo at (785) 966-3934 or toll free (877) 715-6789

The News would also like to point out that we do not keep a mailing address list in our office. Address labels are computer-generated each month for the News for bulk-mailing purposes and tribal membership is verified electronically through the Enrollment Department/per capita list. To keep costs down, only one paper is sent per household.





## Shabbona Chronology Timeline from Tribal Council



Look for "Message to the Nation  
from Tribal Chair Tracy Stanhoff" in  
the next issue of the News

### Shabbona Project Chronology of Events Part 2

August 2006	Tribe attorney teams of Hobbs, Strauss, Dean & Walker – led by Fran Ayer of Washington D.C. and independent attorney Jordan Gallagher of Sycamore, Illinois assist Tribe with the on-going negotiations with local officials
September 2006	Negotiations continue with County continue – very close to agreement
September 2006	JJR our environmental engineer has prepared renderings of site
September 2006	Tribal Chair Tracy Stanhoff & Treasurer Ryan Dyer meet in Washington DC with Congressman Hastert's staff; Congresswoman Pelosi's staff; and our Kansas delegation regarding Shab-eh-nay Reservation
September 2006	Nation enters agreement with Nova for Bingo machines
Next steps	Finalize agreements with County, Fire & Sheriff
	Continue Dialog with Hastert's office & Congress
	Have PBPN EPA continue with land zoning
	Government Center modular building is ready for installation
	Bingo Hall modular building will be ready for installation late Oct/Nov

### Shabbona Project Chronology of Events Part 3

September 2006	Department of Interior Solicitor Olsen writes letter to Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert upholding the 2001 Solicitor Lesby letter proclaiming three main points regarding Shab-eh-nay reservation  1) the reservation set aside in Article III of the Treaty of Prairie du Chien signed July 29, 1829 still exists 2) the Dept of Interior holds a trust responsibility for this reservation to the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation 3) the Dept of Interior encourages settlement/negotiation in the matter and will provide full cooperation  This letter however, was used inappropriately by local Illinois politicians who "stretched and twisted the meaning" of the letter to their own agenda
October 2006	NCAI Annual conference in Sacramento, CA – Informal "greeting" with incoming Dept of Interior Deputy Secretary Solicitor Carl Artman
October 2006	Article appears in DeKalb Chronicle regarding "litigation and negotiations"
October 2006	DeKalb County Commission holds Executive Session to discuss "pending litigation"
October 2006	Tribe continues to publicly take "high road" on negotiations, even in light of misleading news article in DeKalb Chronicle
October 2006	Vice Chair Rey Kitchkumme travels to Illinois doing "grass roots" advocacy on behalf of the Tribe with local politicians
October 2006	Tribal Council finalizes next draft of Intergovernmental agreements and prepares for in-person presentation to DeKalb County, Shabbona Township, Shabbona Roads Dept., Shabbona Fire Dept., County Sheriff
October 2006	Tribal Chair Tracy Stanhoff and Councilman Junior Wahweotten travel to Washington DC and meet with our attorneys, lobbyists and the Dept of Interior to discuss our previous and next steps in this process

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## Bank's eye view: Dollar Cost Averaging: Riding the financial waves without getting seasick

By Rex Frazier, Financial Officer—Denison State Bank

Dollar cost averaging is the purchasing of set amounts of securities at set intervals, usually on a monthly basis. Some have referred to it as fixed investing. Everyone knows that the oldest maxim of investing is "Buy low, sell high." However, the execution of that maxim requires us to accurately predict what markets are about to do. That is a very difficult and stressful thing to do. Dollar cost averaging helps with the swings of the markets. The beauty of dollar cost averaging is that when the stock or mutual fund slumps, you buy more shares, and when it's pricier, you buy less. This provides a psychological safety net. A temporary decline in price can now be perceived as a purchasing opportunity instead of a setback.

Let's look at an example that's fairly exaggerated, but illustrates how it works:

Month	Amount	Price	Shares
1	\$300	\$5	60
2	\$300	\$10	30
3	\$300	\$6	50
4	\$300	\$12	25

5	\$300	\$12	25
6	\$300	\$5	60
Total:	\$1,800		255
Ave. Price:			\$7.05

What is important to notice here is that the average price per share over these six months was \$8.00 but the average price you paid was \$7.05. This is because you buy more shares when it is lower and fewer shares when it is more expensive.

There are three important factors in successfully dollar cost averaging:

1. You have to decide exactly the amount of money you want to invest. Make certain that you are financially capable of keeping the amount consistent. Failure to do so may make your dollar cost averaging plan ineffective.
2. You should select an investment that you would want to hold on to for the long term – preferably five to ten years, or even longer.
3. Invest your money at regular time intervals – it can be weekly, monthly, quarterly

or a schedule that works best for you – in an equity that you have picked out. If available, try to set up an automatic withdrawal plan so that the process becomes automated.

If you have a lump sum to invest from an inheritance, bonus, or other source, I do not recommend that you dollar cost average a lump sum. Dollar cost averaging out performs lump sum investing only in a declining market. With lump sums, the faster you get the money in the market to work for you, the better your returns should be. However, many of us don't get lump sums. We can use dollar cost averaging to invest from our regular income.

Dollar cost averaging doesn't guarantee a profit. However, with a sensible and long-term investment approach, dollar cost averaging can smooth out the market's ups and downs and may help reduce risk of loss.

As always, I look forward to answering any questions readers may have about this or any other subject. I can be reached at rfrazier@denisonstatebank.com or 1-800-633-2423.

### Introducing a new column:



## Real estate and living in the world to- day

By Christina Barth

Hello to all. This editorial is to introduce myself and the upcoming articles. My name is Christina Barth; I'm a tribal member of PBPN. My profession is a real estate agent and loan officer working for '1 Source Real Estate and Financing' located in Topeka, Kansas. I'm starting a real estate column in the tribal newspaper, in hopes of educating individuals about the importance of investing in mortgage properties. Investment properties in-

clude buying a home for your family to live in, buying properties to use as rental homes to pull in extra monthly income, or buying investment properties at a low cost that need to be refurbished, fixing them up and putting them back on the market to sell at a much higher price to excel profits from.

As a real estate agent and living in the world today, I understand the importance of investing your money. Many people throw away money every month due to rental fees. Instead of throwing away your hard earned money, invest into something you'll gain from. By purchasing mortgage properties, your money is going somewhere that you can benefit from now and also into the future. With time and work mortgage properties appreciate. By keeping up with the normal everyday maintenance of owning a home such as cleaning the gutters and taking care of your home inside and out, you will maintain its value and life. By making improvements and updates to a property, you will improve its appreciation, equity, and overall value.

Please read my future articles on real estate news. Future articles will include information on:

- First time home buyers
- Buying investment properties
- Steps needed to purchase a home
- Refinancing your home
- How to touch up your home for a faster sell
- Tips on renovation
- What to look for when buying a home or investment property
- Identity theft and prevention, and so much more!

Feel free to send your questions and comments. I will address real estate and mortgage questions in future articles located in the tribal newspaper. Thank You!

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## Around the Rez



Members of the Potawatomi Fire/EMS Department standing in front of the tribe's two ambulances. From left to right are Brian Bailey, Tim Flanary, Curtis Bigge, Melvin Lewis and Mike Barbosa.

### Fire Department News

A new E450 Ford ambulance was recently acquired by the Potawatomi Fire Dept. (see photo left) that includes state-of-the-art safety features and modern electronic equipment.

The PBPB now has two tribally-owned ambulances available for service. The new ambulance replaced a leased Government Services Administration (GSA) ambulance that was sent back.



Kevin C. Hickey (far right), Dekalb County (Ill.) Deputy Sheriff, came through the area September 26 for a visit on his way back home from a conference he attended in Kansas City. Seen above with Hickey are local law enforcement officers who posed for a photograph at the Jackson County Sheriff's Department. From left to right are Charles Connell, Jackson County Sheriff, Sam Grant, Tribal Chief of Police, and Jim Gilchrist, Director of the Department of Corrections for Jackson County.

## Photos of grand opening of new Health Center

### Preparing for the event



LEFT: Greeters, Delores Porter and Thamar Morris pose for the camera. Tribal elders were asked to greet and direct guests on the day of the grand opening; CENTER: Brenda Catron, Helen Sumner, and Dave Cornelius go over plans for the opening ceremony. Brenda and Helen were on the grand opening planning committee and Dave was one of the singers/drummers for the event; RIGHT: Rick Rector, Maintenance Department, holds balloons while helping to decorate for the opening;



Photos by Mary Young  
and Suzanne Heck



For more pictures  
of the new Health  
Center  
see page 8  
inside this issue  
of the News



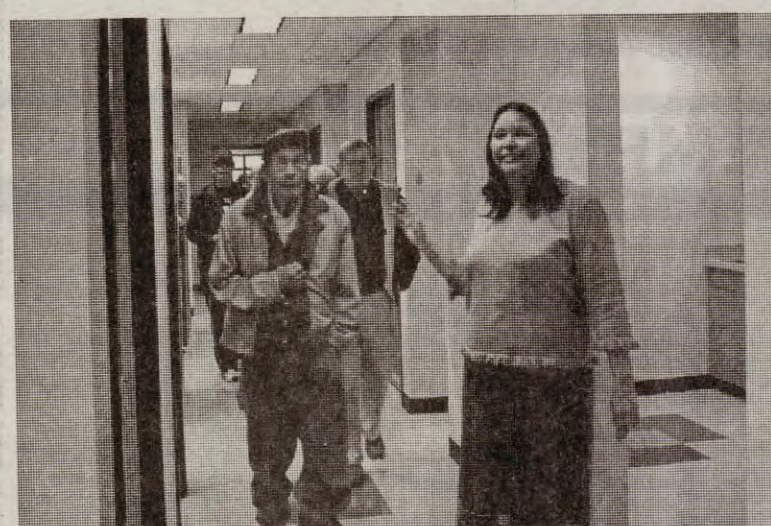
### During the ceremony



FAR LEFT: Laveda Wahweotten, helps with the guest book; SECOND FROM LEFT (TOP): A shot of the ceremony as it was beginning; THIRD FROM LEFT (TOP): Gary Mitchell giving the invocation; THIRD FROM LEFT (BOTTOM): Kansas dignitary Matt All; FAR RIGHT: In the photo third from left is Director of the Health Center, John Holtz, and next to him is tribal member Arlene Wahwassuck. Next to Arlene is Dr. Richard Pruiksma, a physician at the Health Center. The other people in the photograph are unidentified.



### The tours that followed



FAR LEFT: Jackie Mitchell, Tribal Council member, takes a group on a tour of the medical services wing; SECOND FROM LEFT (TOP): Dr. Randy Germain, who has been hired as the Health Center's dentist, shows off the new equipment that he will be use; SECOND FROM LEFT (BOTTOM): Attendees enjoying the refreshments that were served in the conference room in the new facility; FAR RIGHT (TOP): Chris Eteeyen, left, and Morris Taylor, who has his back to the camera, from the Vocational Rehabilitation program, visiting with tribal members Verna Rodriguez and Donica Nanez, from Chicago, in the new Social Services Department. FAR RIGHT (BOTTOM): Juanita Jessepe (sitting in photo) and Mary Young. Juanita was a greeter that day and Mary took photographs of the event in her role as coeditor of the News.







## 4th Annual Boys & Girls Club Golf Tournament raises over \$30,000



Former Harlem Globetrotter Gator Rivers gave a ball-handling demonstration with the help of tribal member and tournament organizer, Paula Hopkins at the golf fundraiser on October 6.

Photo by Suzanne Heck

By Suzanne Heck

Considered one of the greatest basketball handlers in the world, Gator Rivers, a former Harlem Globetrotter, was on hand to help raise funds at the Boys & Girls Club golf tournament held October 6 at Shawnee Country Club in Topeka.

Rivers, along with several other participants, also played in the tournament that day that raised over \$30,000 for the club.

Twenty-seven teams of four competed for trophies and awards and other fundraising events like a putting contest and closest to the pin (see winners at right).

After tournament play, Rivers gave a basketball demonstration with some members of the Boys & Girls Club staff to raise more funds for the club. "If I made two dollars to help the kids it was well worth the effort," Rivers said

after giving his demonstration.

Rivers is most well known for being a premier dribbler with the Harlem Globetrotters from 1973-1986. He has also been a successful high school basketball coach and collegiate player in Missouri where he presently resides.

Since that time he has established a youth foundation called the Gatorball Academy where he teaches basketball skills and visits with schools and youth organizations like the PBPB Boys & Girls Club.

Rivers said his involvement with the PBPB was through Coleen Green, Director of the Boys & Girls Club whom he said he had worked with and known before.

The tournament was organized by a committee of Boys & Girls Club volunteers who also manned, along with some of the Boys & Girls Club staff, the display tables, lunch, and other events that made up the day.

### Boys and Girls Club Golf Tournament Results

#### 1st Flight

- 1st Place Team: Lester Randell, Cory Wabski, Ray Wahwasuck, Emily McDonald  
2nd Place Team: Mike Turner, Jim Agle, Todd Hann, Amy Duffer  
3rd Place Team: Rick Kendall, Bud Carney, Lee Williams, Pam Smith

#### 2nd Flight

- 1st Place Team: Stephen McKee, Stephen Ortiz, John Tuckwin, Amy Campbell  
2nd Place Team: Francis Shopteese, Mike Kenny, Dave Hurrellbrink, Leida Tuckwin  
3rd Place Team: Gary Stella, John Welch, Rick Skinner, Barb Alcantar

#### 3rd Flight

- 1st Place Team: Todd Procopio, Pat Cabela, Chago Hale, Shayla Hale  
2nd Place Team: Ed Schober, Tony Janssen, Dave Mathewson, Eva Bursen  
3rd Place Team: Rex Fraizer, Jim Chamberlin, Jim Birkbeck, Jessica Huyett

Longest Drive Men: Todd Burnett  
Longest Drive Women: Julie Jones  
Closest to Pin Men: Mark Doan  
Closest to Pin Women in 2 Shots: Leida Tuckwin  
Closest to Center Line Men: Tom Tuckwin  
Closest to Center Line Women: Osh LeClere  
Special Putting Contest: B J Darnall



A special thanks to all the sponsors and individuals who contributed to the Boys and Girls Club this year

## November 2006 Pool Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>POOL PARTIES \$40 for the first hour and \$20 for each additional hour; \$20 charge for additional lifeguard (required for parties of 25+)</b> <b>COMMUNITY SWIM-19 to 44yrs-\$2; 5 to 18yrs-\$1; 4 and under and 45 and over FREE.</b> <i>All adults must have an approved background check on file to swim during regular club hours, with exception of community swim times.</i>						
1 Open lap swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	2 Elders swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	3 Childcare 10 to 12 Open lap 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	4 Community swim 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm	5 Pool Parties 12 pm to 3 pm Community swim 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm	6 Open lap swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	7 Elders swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30
8 Open lap swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	9 Elders swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	10 CLUB CLOSED	11 Community swim 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm	12 Pool Parties 12 pm to 3 pm Community swim 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm	13 Open lap swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	14 Elders swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30
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29 Open lap swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	30 Elders swim 12 to 2 JR youth 5 to 5:50 SR youth 6 to 7:30	Children under the age of 5 will not be allowed in the pool without parental supervision. THANK YOU.				

## Boys and Girls Club News

### After-School Program

The Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation develops and offers programs that help young people, ages 5-21, grow up to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens. The Club develops and conducts programs that are fun, engaging, stimulating, exciting, and helps participants acquire the capacities needed to succeed in life. The programs below are offered from September through May.

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

The After-School program provides activities for Boys & Girls Club members in these five core areas:

### New Teen Club Program Hours Expanded

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

Teen Club Hours:  
Sunday: 2 - 8 p.m.  
Monday -Thursday: 6 - 8 p.m.  
Friday: 6 - 10 p.m.  
Saturday: 4 -10 p.m.

### Boys & Girls Club builds character and leaders!

#### ●Character and Leadership Development

Empowers youth to support and influence their Club. Areas of emphasis include: Keystone Club, Youth of the Year, leadership training for junior staff, community service projects, youth councils, etc.

#### ●Education and Career Development

Enables youth to become proficient in basic educational disciplines: POWER HOUR, homework help, tutoring, The Ultimate Journey, Career Explorers Club, Goals for Growth, newsletter club, puzzles, educational games, motivational reading programs, typing skills, Internet exploration, NETSMARTZ, utilizing computer technology to improve the quality of life, etc.

#### ●Healthy Life Skills

Develops young people's capacity to engage in positive behaviors: Areas of emphasis include: SMART Moves, Street SMART, SMART Girls, youth entrepreneurial programs, health and prevention programs, independent living classes, etc.

#### ●The Arts

Enables youth to develop their creativity and cultural awareness: Areas of emphasis include: drawing, dancing, sewing, folk festivals/powwows, origami, painting, photography, puppetry, sculpture, storytelling, woodworking, etc.

#### ●Recreation and Fitness

Develops fitness, positive use of leisure time. Areas of emphasis include: team sports, fitness testing, aerobics, relay races, athletic leagues and tournaments and game room activities.



Pam-Saht Winsea (left), who is on the Boys & Girls Club staff, and PGA professional Steve McDonald (right), helped raise funds at the tournament.

## Boys and Girls Club Happenings

### Karate Lessons

Beginning October 16 the Boys & Girls Club is offering karate lessons for interested individuals provided by Mid-America Karate. A weekly lesson will be held Monday evenings from 4:30 - 6 p.m. For more information or to sign up, please contact Raphael Wahwassuck at (785) 966-3031.

### Dancers & Singers Practice

The Dancers & Singers group holds practice on Thursdays in the After School Program at 5 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club. If you haven't joined, now is your chance to sign-up! Contact the Club today at (785) 966-3031.

### Thanksgiving Dinner to be prepared and served by the BGC membership

The Boys & Girls Club will prepare and serve a Family Day Thanksgiving dinner at lunch time on Wednesday, November 22 at the Club.

## The Boys & Girls Club Activities Calendar

NOVEMBER 2006						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 SR, Youth RV High School Vocal Concert Leave @ 6:15 Dropped off by 9:00pm	2 Club Tech @ 4:30	3 Sr. Youth - Movies Fieldtrip - Leave @ 6:00	4
5 Volleyball League 2:00-6:00 Basketball 6-8pm	6 Karate @ 4:30-6:00	7 Jr. Keystone Club @ 4:30 KeystoneClub @ 6:30	8 Smart Moves @ 4:30	9 Club Tech @ 4:30	10 Closed	11 Sr. Youth Fieldtrip to Wetase Powwow - Leave @ 4:00
12 Volleyball League 2:00-6:00 Basketball 6-8pm	13 Club Open 7:30- 4:30	14 Panther Prowl Night Sr. Youth Leave @ 6:15 Drop off @ home by 8:30	15 Smart Moves @ 4:30	16 Club Tech Project @ 4:30	17 Indian Taco Sale from 11:00 - 2:00	18 3 on 3 Teen Basketball Tournament Starting @ 9:00 am
19 Volleyball League 2:00-6:00 Basketball 6-8pm	20 Karate @ 4:30-6:00	21 RVMS Girls Basketball Game Leave @ 4:15 dropped off at Home by 6:30 pm	22 Club Open 7:30-4:30 Family Day Thanksgiving Dinner @ noon	23 CLOSED For Thanksgiving 23rd - 25th	24	25
26 Volleyball League 2:00-6:00 Basketball 6-8pm	27 Karate @ 4:30-6:00	28 Jr. Keystone Club @ 4:30 KeystoneClub @ 6:30	29 Smart Moves @ 4:30	30 Club Tech Project @ 4:30	Boys & Girls Club of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation 15424 K Rd Mayetta, KS 66509 Phone (785)966-3031 Fax (785) 966-3018	





## Early Childhood Education Center News



Accredited by  
the NAEYC Academy  
for Early Childhood  
Program Accreditation



Parents and children enjoyed cookies and punch at an after-work reception on October 12 at Ben-no-tieh Wigwam to celebrate the childcare center's accreditation in the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Above, left to right, is Natalie McClane, who organized the reception, along with Nathan DeCoteau, Ann DeCoteau, Kyle Miller and Kyle Miller, Jr.

The NAEYC is the most widely recognized accreditation system of child care centers and programs. It utilizes internal self-study processes as well as external professional reviews. For more information go to [www.naeyc.org/accreditation](http://www.naeyc.org/accreditation).

## Red Ribbon Week Activities October 23-27, 2006

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|------------------|---|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Decorate department in red  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Community wall built at child care center                                 |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Everyone wear red day   |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Turn clothes inside out for "Don't let Drugs Turn You"                    |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Drug Free Goody Bag Day at Royal Valley Middle School-Safety Pup to visit |



Ben-no-tieh Wigwam will host a Harvest Event the evening of October 25

## About Red Ribbon Week

The PBP Early Childhood Education Center is in its fourth year of celebrating the Red Ribbon campaign. Red Ribbon Week is a statewide initiative where red ribbons symbolize a unity against the

illegal use of drugs. Wearing red ribbons is a way for the public to take a stand against illegal drug use and alcohol and tobacco and to show support for a drug-free youth.

## Bošho from Bořewatmi Tëshëmwën

By Sydney VanZile, Language Director

The Department was notified in late September that we were awarded the funding for the second year of the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Language Grant. This will allow for our immersion classes to continue. We welcome those of you who want to acquire your language to come and join us for classes.

There are pamphlets in the Department and also located at the Government Center front desk that will give a longer schedule. Please feel free to come by and pick one up or call and we will mail you a yearly schedule.

This will be the last installment of the Second Language Acquisition Theory. This month the Affective Filter Hypothesis will be touched upon. This is part of why some people have difficulty acquiring language.

In order for someone to acquire language, the language must reach the part of the brain that processes the language. Noam Chomsky, a linguist, calls this part of the brain the language acquisition device (LAD). The more the LAD is filled up with language, the more a person acquires.

But what happens if the LAD is not filling up?

Reasons for this can be many depending on each individual person. When something blocks the LAD from filling up, Krashen refers to this as an Affective Filter. This Filter blocks the comprehensible input that may be trying to get in. This Filter can also affect a person in other areas of learning such as academic subjects or day to day activities.

If a person has had a bad experience relating to language learning then the Filter goes up and blocks the language coming in. Perhaps you are bored or thinking of other things and are not listening attentively, then your Filter is up. Maybe you have a thought process that you will never learn the language, so your Filter is blocking any input. Students need to be relaxed and enjoying the instruction so that the Filter does not block the comprehensible input that may be occurring. If the student is engaged in and enjoying an activity such as a hands-on activity or singing then chances are good the Filter will be down and acquisition will take place even if the language input is on the difficult side.

We hope you will stop by and view some of our classes so you can see how acquisition takes place.

## Class schedule:

The dates and time of the immersion classes are as follows:

### November

Wed - Nov 15 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Thur - Nov 16 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Fri - Nov 17 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Sat - Nov 18 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Sun - Nov 19 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

### December

Dec 6 - 10 same as November classes

Classes are held in the Department in the lower level of the Elder Center.



October  
is  
Fall Moon

Eshkëkwakëk Kisès



## PBPN members place and play in the Senior Olympics

PBPN senior citizens joined the ranks with other senior athletes who participated in the 23rd annual Kansas Senior Olympics held in Topeka on September 21-24. Archery, badminton, basketball, bowling, cycling, track and field, golf, horseshoes, racquetball, road race, shuffleboard, softball, swimming, table tennis, and volleyball were some of the sports that the senior citizens engaged in at Topeka's Parks and Recreation sponsored events.

Team volleyball and softball, basketball, horseshoes, and bowling were the chosen sports by the PBPN senior citizens.

### 50+ Category

**Volleyball: 3rd place (bronze medal)**  
Mary LeClere

**Team volleyball: 4th place**  
Hedy Noland  
Martha Miller  
Emery Hale  
Clifton Walders

**Team softball: 1st place (gold medal)**  
Mary LeClere  
Donita Mattwaoshshe

**Team softball: 3rd place (bronze medal)**  
Hedy Noland  
Martha Miller  
Emery Hale  
Clifton Walders

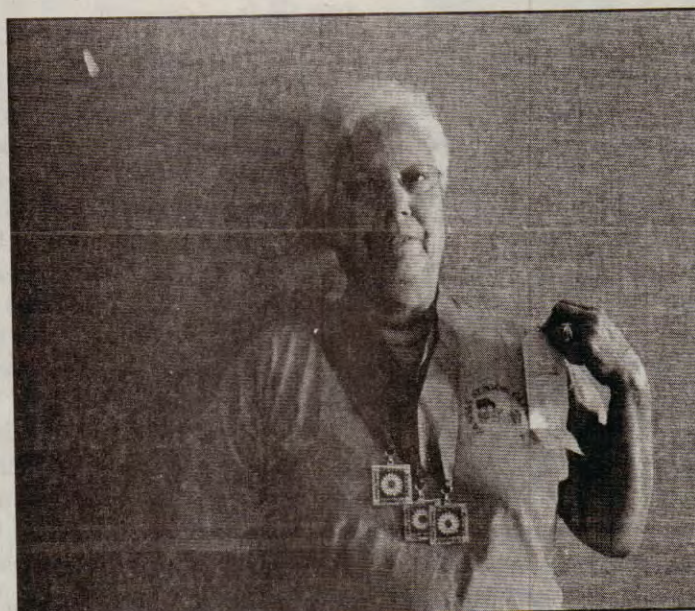
**Horseshoes: 1st place (gold medal)**  
Hedy Noland

**Basketball: 1st place (gold medal)**  
Hedy Noland

**Bowling: 1st place (gold medal)**  
Emery Hale

**Bowling: 3rd place (bronze medal)**  
Clifton Walders

Those who placed in the 2006 Kansas Senior Olympics have an opportunity to qualify for the National games.



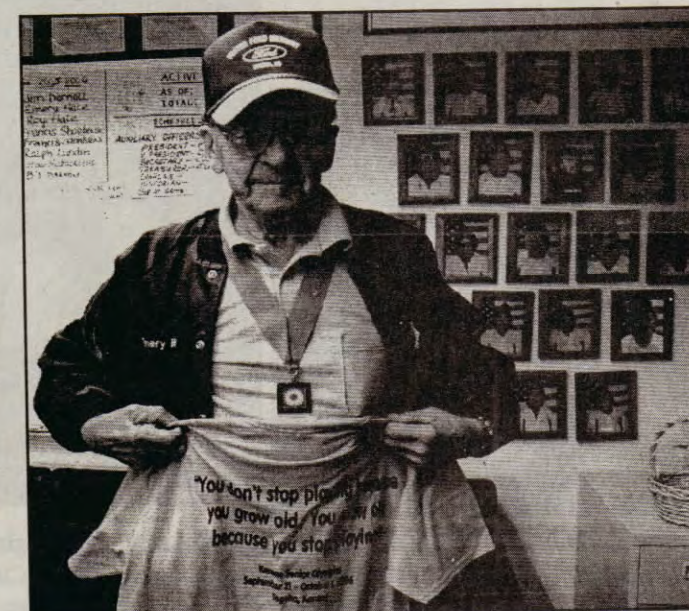
All-around team player, Hedy Noland, above, participated in the Kansas Senior Olympics event held in Topeka. Hedy won gold in several events and bronze in one event.



Mary LeClere, above, participated in the Kansas Senior Olympics in Topeka and came home with a gold and bronze medal. Mary was invited to participate in the Huntsman World Senior Olympics games at St. George, Utah, on October 12-14. She played on the women's Kansas Kids softball team at St. George.



Photos by  
Mary Young



Top-notch bowler, Emery Hale, brought home the "gold" for his age category when he scored 560. He said he plans to attend the Grand National Senior Olympics to be held in Louisville, Kentucky in 2007.

written on the back of the  
Senior Olympic tee shirt:

*"You don't stop playing  
because you grow old.  
You grow old because  
you stop playing."*

2007 National Senior Olympics  
Louisville, Kentucky  
June 22-July 7, 2007  
For more information, contact:  
Topeka Senior Olympics: (785) 368-3798

Photos unavailable for  
PBP medalists  
Donita Mattwaoshshe  
and  
Clifton Walders







Honor  
We-Ta-Se  
veterans  
by  
attending  
a  
Memorial  
Ceremony  
at  
the  
Veterans  
Memorial  
Prairie Peoples  
Park  
November 11  
at  
9:30 a.m.  
(before the  
pow-wow)



Come celebrate with family and friends  
during the 9th Annual We-Ta-Se Veterans Pow-wow

9th Annual  
We Ta Se  
Veterans  
POW WOW

Saturday  
Nov 11th, 2006  
Holtan, KS  
4H Building



Honored Veteran  
Andrew Mitchell  
Master of Ceremonies  
Dean Whitebreast  
Head Man Dancer  
Albany Potts  
Head Boy Dancer  
Russell Shobney

Honored Veteran  
Delphine Knoxsah  
Arena Director  
Perkins Whitetail  
Head Lady Dancer  
Hedy Noland  
Head Girl Dancer  
Faith Darnall

Invited Drum  
Whistling Wind

Host Drum  
Little Soldier  
Special Invited Drum—Ge Monen Wek

Invited Drum  
The Agency

Grand Entries at 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM Traditional Supper at 5:00 PM  
Supper and Concession Provided by Dance Ground

2007 We-Ta-Se Princess Announcement

All Dancers in Regalia who Registered by 3:00 pm will be paid

Special Dances & Contests in both Afternoon & Evening Sessions  
Tiny Tots, Spot Dance, Men & Women Golden Age (50+)

Raffles: \$1000 - Boom Box - TV - Pendleton Blanket  
10 Vendor tables \$20 each 1st Come Basis—No Food Vendors !

For more information call the We-Ta-Se (785) 966-2580

This is an Alcohol & Drug Free event. The We-Ta-Se is not responsible for thefts, accidents, lost articles, relatives, etc.



Raffle Sale

- \$1,000.00 grand prize
- 27-inch TV
- Boom box
- Pendleton blanket

Tickets 3 for \$1.00 and available from any We-Ta-Se member.

Drawing to be held evening of pow-wow, November 11. Name and phone number need to be on the ticket or you must be present during the drawing.

We-Ta-Se Princess  
applications now  
being taken through  
the We-Ta-Se office.



Princess  
will be  
announced  
at the pow-wow

## We-Ta-Se News



The photo (above left) is of Francis Shopteese and (above right) of the We-Ta-Se Color Guard shortly after posting colors at the dedication of a statue at the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission Final Signature event held in St. Louis on September 23. In the group photo are (left to right) Jim Darnall, Emery Hale, B.J. Darnall, Ralph Lundin and Francis Shopteese. The Color Guard also participated the following weekend at the dedication of the All Veterans Memorial BNSF (Burlington Northern Santa Fe) Railway Plaza on September 30 in Topeka.

Photos by Arlene Lingo

## A little We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410 History

One of the first Native American American Legion posts in the United States, the We-Ta-Se Post 410 marks its seventeenth year this year. The post presently has 81 tribal members who are all veterans of the armed services and 44 life members. The group performs at approximately 50 events a year including parades, powwows, and at Native

American funerals. Other notable performances have been before the Kansas Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission signature events, Kansas City Chiefs and Kansas City Royals games. In addition, they were the primary Color Guard during a memorial service in 2003 for Lori Piestewa, the first Native American woman killed in combat.

We-Ta-Se American Legion Post 410  
15434 K Rd  
Mayetta, Kansas 66509  
Main office: (785) 966-2580  
Fax: (785) 966-9853

Staff:

Francis Shopteese

Senior liaison officer.....work cell (785) 845-2584  
email: franciss@pbpnation.org

Jim Darnall

Liaison officer.....work cell: (785) 845-2646  
email: Jimd@pbpnation.org

## Leroy Mzhickteno nominated for WW II award

Submitted by 35th Infantry  
Division Association

Leroy Mzhickteno has been nominated for an award of the Order of Saint Maurice Medallion by the National Infantry Association. Leroy participated with valor and distinction as a member of Company E 137th Regiment, 35th Infantry Division during World War II in the European Theater of Operations. He was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge and numerous other awards for his service as a combat soldier with the 35th Division.

The Order of Saint Maurice Medallion is awarded to individuals who have represented the Infantry Community of the United States Army with honor, valor, and by their actions promoted the high ideals of Infantry as a core branch of the Army. Leroy meets the high standards and expectations and as such, has been nominated through the Santa Fe Chapter of the National Infantry



Leroy Mzhickteno at Pioneer Days in Mayetta, Kan.

Photo by Mary Young

Association.

According to a report from Major General (Ret) Jack Strukel, Leroy will be presented the award in special ceremonies to be announced after approval of his nomination.



2004 News photo of PBP Veterans Memorial

## Veterans names to be added to the Memorial Wall

- |                      |              |
|----------------------|--------------|
| •John Lewis          | Korea        |
| •William Duke Flynn  | US Army      |
| •Gary Eugene Nelson  | US Army      |
| •John Francis Cooper | Desert Storm |
| •Steven Joseph Cook  | Desert Storm |

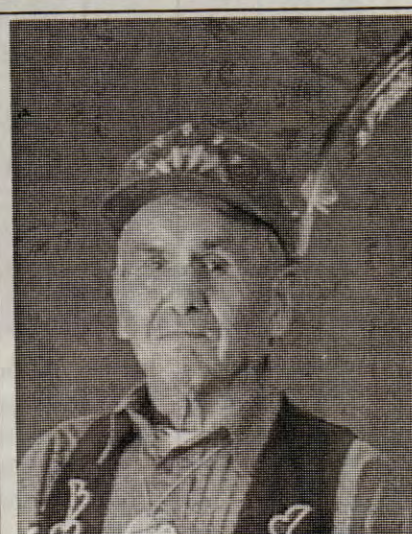


photo courtesy of Jones, Huyett

## Happy 91st Birthday Maynard Potts on October 27

From:

family, relatives, and  
members of the drum religion

Maynard Potts was one of 250 Indians from the four Indian reservations in Kansas sent to fight in the Pacific and the European theaters.

-Gary E. Mitchell,  
Potawatomi Home-Town Heroes





## When you see these World War II veterans thank them for serving their country



Milton LaClair, U.S. Army



Photos  
courtesy of  
We-Ta-Se  
Department  
and  
on  
display  
in  
the  
We-Ta-Se  
Building



Maynard Potts, U.S. Army

*World  
War II  
veteran*

*Wesley  
Wishkeno  
US Army*

*(no photo  
on file with  
We-Ta-Se)*



Francis Jenson, U.S. Army



Julia Kabance, U.S. Army



*We-Ta-Se  
means  
"One who is  
brave" in the  
Potawatomi  
language*



Leroy Mzhickteno, U.S. Army



Please thank  
the men and  
women who  
have served in  
the:

- Vietnam War
- Desert Storm
- Iraq  
Freedom
- Other  
conflicts

Layout  
by  
Suzanne Heck



Andrew Mitchell, U.S. Army

## When you see these Korean War veterans thank them for serving their country



Roy Hale  
U.S. Air Force



Lawrence Hale  
U.S. Army



We-Ta-Se  
American Legion Post 410  
has  
memorabilia  
and many other  
photographs, like the ones seen  
here, available for viewing

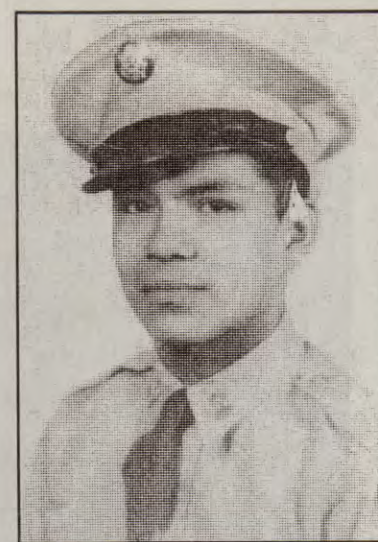


Preserve your veteran's  
history today by bringing veteran  
photos and other  
information to the We-Ta-Se  
office where the staff will scan  
photos and copy  
information while you wait.

For a list of veterans and other  
We-Ta-Se American Legion  
Post 410 information, go to  
[www.pbpnation.org](http://www.pbpnation.org)  
and look under  
the  
veterans link



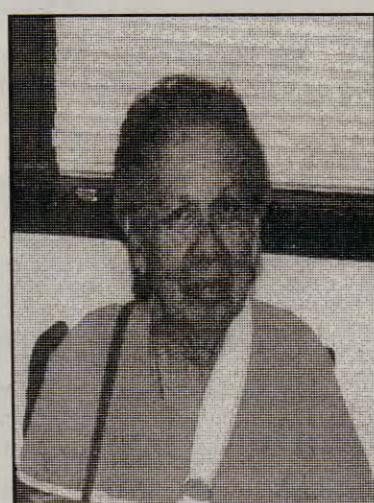
Terry Moore  
U.S. Army



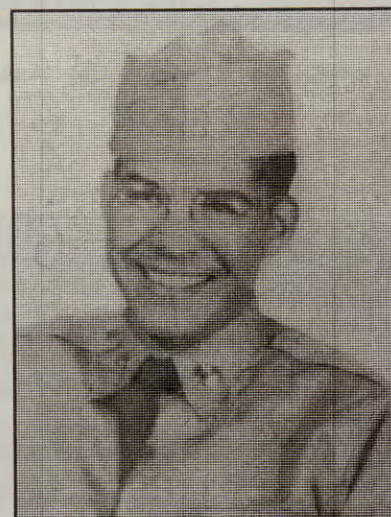
Orville Rice  
U.S. Army



Elmira McClure  
U.S. Army



Deloris (Marshno)  
Mansfield  
U.S. Army

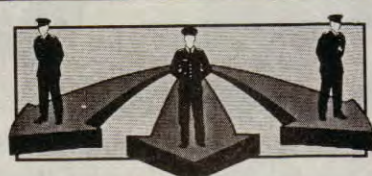


Lester Sumner  
U.S. Army

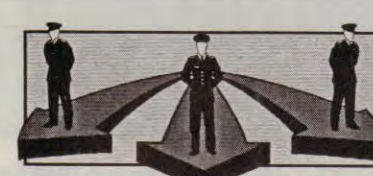


Thamar (Williams)  
Morris  
U.S. Army

### Korean Veterans (no photo on file with We-Ta-Se)



- John Seymore, U.S. Army
- Roy Ogden, U.S. Army







## November 2006

### Potawatomi Fire Keepers Elder Center

		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Chicken Stir-Fry Pork Fried Rice Cucumber Soup Roll / Garden Salad	Meatloaf Mashed Potato & Gravy Green Beans Roll / Fruit Salad	Tuna Noodle Casserole Peas & Carrots Tossed Salad / Toast Citrus Orange & Grapefruit
Monday	Tuesday	Philly Cheese steak Salad w/ Ranch Baked Potato Chips Banana & Yogurt	The Elder Centers Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner and Potluck	Closed Veterans Day
Ham & Beans Brown Rice Corn Bread Romaine Caesar Salad	Chicken Tenders Fettuccini Alfredo Broccoli Carrot Salad Roll / Oranges	Beef Burrito Combo Beans & Rice Tomato Lettuce Salad Chips & Salsa	Oven Fried Chicken Macaroni & Cheese Steamed Carrots Pea Salad / Roll	Tuna Sandwich Tomato Soup & Crackers Tossed Chefs Salad Whipped Fruit Cocktail
Beef Stroganoff Buttered Egg Noodles Garden Tomato Salad Garlic Toast	Pork Chop Casserole Hash browns & Gravy Mixed Vegetable Roll / Fruit Medley	Beef Stew Buttered Egg Noodles Spinach Pasta Salad Biscuit	Closed For Thanksgiving Holiday	
Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potato Steamed Zucchini Roll / Apple	Ham & Cheese Croissants Broccoli Soup & Cracker Macaroni Salad Baked Chips	Chicken Parmesan Brown Rice Broccoli Casserole Roll / Garden Salad	Chipped Beef on Toast Mashed Potato Mixed Vegetable Sweet Potato Fruit Salad	
Sloppy Joe Sandwich Green Bean / Chips Potato Salad Mandarin Orange	Fried Pork Chop Grilled Red Potato Corn Succotash Roll / Fruit Salad			

Lunch Hours 11:30-12:30

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

Menu Subject To Change

### Four Tribes' Child Protection Team (FTCPT) Continues Education Efforts by Carol A. Shopteese, LMSW, MBA – FTCPT Facilitator

Some of the Four Tribes' Child Protection Team members were asked to present at the Native Nations Law Symposium on August 25, 2006. The topic was: "ICWA from the Tribe's Perspective." The purpose of the Symposium is to "foster an environment of understanding and promote tolerance among all nations and peoples through education." Betty J. Rice, LBSW, and Carol A. Shopteese, LMSW, MBA, were the presenters and were well received by the audience, which was comprised of Tribal Members, court personnel, attorney and Judges working in Northeast Kansas.

Additionally, Ms. Rice and Ms. Shopteese presented to the Family Service & Guidance Center in Topeka, KS, on September 6, 2006. The topic was: Working with Native Americans and Better Understanding their Culture." Thomas S. Bartlett, Psy.D., wrote in his letter, "This was an extremely valuable presentation and was rated as one of the best presentations that our staff and trainees had heard to date. Your presentation served to educate us on many levels and provided us with both an experiential as well as intellectual learning experience." Dr. Bartlett advised that interns from Florida, the University of Washburn and the University of Kansas were in the audience for this training.

The FTCPT team of Ms. Rice and Ms. Shopteese provided training to KU Social Work Students in collaboration with the University of Kansas - School of Social Work to the KU Native Scholars Program and the Multicultural Scholars Program. The topic is entitled, "Tribal Social Workers: Strengths and Challenges of Being Native and Providing Services to Native People."

The work of the FTCPT is to promote and support good working relationships as well as to educate professionals and lay people about working with Native American families. Efforts such as this will help provide better services to our Nation's children whether they are in Tribal or State custody.



Qualified candidates/voters  
MUST be a parent./legal  
guardian of an eligible J.O.M.  
student in the PBP serving  
district.

Districts served:

USD 335  
USD 336  
USD 337  
USD 321

### Seeking interested person for

### Indian Education Committee

Meeting Date: November 13, 2006, 5:45 p.m.  
Place: Algonquin Room, Harrah's Prairie Band Casino  
12305 150th Rd, Mayetta, KS 66509

A new member will be appointed to the Indian Education Committee in an open meeting for a term of 1 year by a majority vote of parents and of eligible Indian students, in attendance. Nominations shall be taken from the floor by an eligible voter. Votes will be cast in secret ballot and tallied visible so that everyone in attendance will know results.

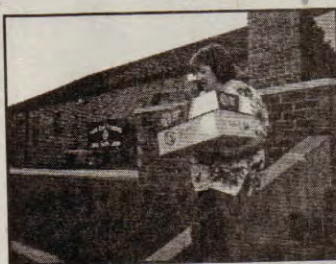
Responsibilities include attending monthly meetings and assisting in planning and implementing program and special events of the committee.

## In celebration of the new health center



Above: Leatrice Noriega smiled for the camera on opening day at the new health center.

More photos on  
"moving day"



At left:  
Nancy Davidson is  
seen leaving  
the "old"  
health  
center on  
moving day.



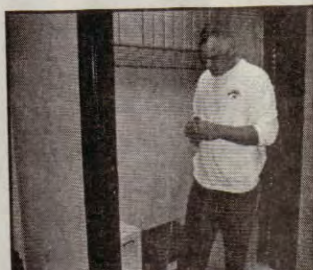
At right:  
Tim Mendez carries  
items to the  
new health  
center.



Above: Pharmacist Mike Carpenter dispenses meds at the pharmacy drive-up window to a tribal member.



Photos by  
Mary Young



At left:  
Ben  
Joslin, IT  
manager, checks out  
his cell  
phone  
messages.

At right: the  
health  
center will  
now have  
the capacity  
to provide  
radiology  
services.



Above: Micki Martinez participated in the blood drive held on October 6 at the new health center. The Community Blood Center of Topeka and the PBP Community Health Representatives sponsored the drive.



Above: The wind sock signals that the helipad and health center are now operational for airlift. In addition, the power lines will be lowered or installed underground for safety purposes. A lightening protection system will also be installed.





## October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Submitted by Mina Neuburger  
Community Health Nurse  
Prairie Band Potawatomi Health Center

### FACTS:

Next to skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common form of cancer diagnosed in women in the U.S., and it is the second leading cause of cancer death in women. According to the American Cancer Society, in 2006 about 212,920 women in the U.S. will be found to have invasive breast cancer and about 40,970 will die from the disease. The earlier breast cancer is detected, the better the treatment outcome. Regular screening mammograms can help women detect breast cancer early.

Although screening mammograms and clinical breast exams are services covered by Medicare, the data indicates that these services are being underutilized. There are eligible women with Medicare who have never taken advantage of these preventive benefits and others who do not get screening mammograms and/or clinical breast exams at regular intervals.

### Medicare Coverage:

The good news is that mammography rates for women age 50 and older are increasing and breast cancer deaths are in decline. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommends screening mammography, with or without clinical breast examination, every 1-2 years for women aged 40 and older.

Medicare provides coverage of an annual screening mammogram for all female beneficiaries. Medicare also provides coverage of clinical breast exams. (The clinical breast exam is a Medicare-covered service which is included as part of the pelvic screening exam) every 12 or 24 months depending on risk level for the disease.

**For more information about NBCAM, please visit:**  
<http://www.nbcam.org/>

## Reminder

### Medicare enrollment:

**Enrollment for Medicare starts on November 15, 2006. Open enrollment ends December 31 and coverage begins on January 1, 2007.**

For general Medicare information, ordering Medicare booklets, and information about health plans, contact 1-800-MEDICARE 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for assistance. English and Spanish-speaking customer service representatives at this number can answer questions about the Original Medicare Plan and provide up-to-date information regarding the health plans available in your area.

**To register online, go to  
<http://my.medicare.gov>**

Welcome to Medicare's free, secure online service for accessing your Medicare information. As a registered user of MyMedicare.gov, you will have access to personalized information regarding your Medicare benefits and services. You may use MyMedicare.gov to:

- View claim status (excluding Part D claims),
- Order a duplicate Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or replacement Medicare card,
- View eligibility, entitlement and preventive services information,
- View enrollment information including prescription drug plans,
- View or modify your drug list and pharmacy information,
- View address of record with Medicare and Part B deductible status, and
- Access online forms, publications and messages sent to you by CMS.

### Contact PBP Social Services and Managed Care for Medicare assistance:

**Kathy Slimmer: 966-8323**

**Jeannie Combs: 966-8344**  
(Three Rivers Independent Living)

**Nancy Davidson: 966-8200**  
Managed Care



## Recipe Corner

By Mary Young

We are nearing the close of the fall season. In this issue, we will feature a few pumpkin and apple recipes.

### Pumpkin Waffles

Courtesy of 1st Traveler's Choice Internet Cookbook. ([www.virtualcities.com](http://www.virtualcities.com)) A specialty recipe of The Kennebec Inn, Bed and Breakfast Inn, Bath, Maine.

- 1/2 c. all-purpose flour
- 1/2 c. whole wheat flour
- 1-1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. nutmeg
- 2 eggs, room temperature
- 2 tbsp. light brown sugar
- 1 c. buttermilk, room temperature
- 4 tbsp. butter, melted
- 1/2 c. canned pumpkin
- 1/4 c. finely chopped apple, peeled and cored
- 1/3 c. ground toasted walnuts

In a large bowl, sift together the flours, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, and nutmeg; set aside. In a separate large bowl, beat together the eggs and brown sugar. Add the buttermilk, butter, and pumpkin; beat well. Add the liquid mixture to the flour mixture and stir until just blended. Fold in the apples and nuts.

Ladle the batter into a hot, well-oiled waffle (iron) or non-oiled no-stick waffle pan) and cook until done. Serve with butter and a choice of warmed syrups such as maple, blueberry, and raspberry.

### Old-Fashioned Pumpkin Nut Loaf

Courtesy of Mawood's Kitchen

- 2 c. all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1-1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1-1/4 c. solid packed pumpkin

- 1 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. evaporated milk (not sweetened condensed)
- 2 tbsp. oil
- 1/2 c. chopped nuts

Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, pumpkin pie spice and salt in medium bowl.

Beat eggs, pumpkin, sugar, evaporated milk and oil in a larger mixer bowl until blended. Add flour mixture and nuts; mix just until moistened. Pour into a greased 9 x 5 inch loaf pan.

Bake in a 350 degree oven for about an hour or until wooden toothpick in center comes out clean. Cool in pan for 10 minutes; remove to wire rack to cool completely.

### Double Apple Corn Bread

Courtesy of the Wisconsin Apple Growers Association

- 2 eggs
- 1 c. milk
- 1/4 c. butter, melted
- 3/4 c. sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 c. all-purpose flour
- 1 c. corn meal
- 2 baking apples

**Applesauce topping:**  
3 apples, peeled and chopped  
1/2 c. water  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
1 c. honey

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Grease pie pan. In a bowl, combine first seven ingredients until well mixed. Peel and thinly slice the apples. Arrange one sliced apple in bottom of pie pan, covering the entire bottom of pan using a circular pattern with the apple. Pour corn bread mixture on top of apples. Arrange the second sliced apple on top of the corn bread mixture, covering the entire mixture using a circular pattern with the apple. Bake 30-35 minutes until a toothpick inserted comes out clean. Serve bread with applesauce topping.

**Applesauce topping:** In a sauce pan, heat apples, water, and cinnamon over medium heat until apples are very tender and soft. Add honey and heat through. Serve with corn bread.

## Support groups in the community area

### SUNDAY

Mayetta AA meeting—8:00 p.m., St. Xavier Catholic Church basement

### MONDAY

P.A.R.R. In-house AA meeting—7:00 p.m., 18301 Highway 75, south door, Mayetta

Holton NA meeting—8:00 p.m., Evangel United Methodist, 227 Pennsylvania, west door

### WEDNESDAY

We-Ta-Se AA meeting—7:00 p.m., 15241 K Road, Mayetta

Al-Anon meeting—7:00 p.m., First Christian Church, 5th & Wisconsin, upper level, Holton

### THURSDAY

Al-Anon luncheon meeting—noon, P.A.R.R., 18301 Highway 75, south door, Mayetta

Holton AA meeting—7:00 p.m., First Christian Church basement, 5th & Wisconsin

### FRIDAY

NA luncheon meeting—noon, 15421 K. Road, We-Ta-Se meeting room, Mayetta

Holton NA meeting—8:00 p.m., Evangel United Methodist, 227 Pennsylvania, west door

### SATURDAY

Holton AA meeting—9:00 a.m., First Christian Church basement, 5th & Wisconsin

## save the date!



## Third Annual AMERICAN INDIAN SYMPOSIUM:

### Continuing Our Journey

**November 8, 2006, Wednesday**

**8:00 am – 5:00 pm**

**Pierson Auditorium – University Center  
University of Missouri-Kansas City  
Kansas City, Missouri**

### Keynote Presenters:

**Suzan Shown Harjo (Cheyenne & Hodulgee Muscogees)—poet, writer, lecturer, curator, and policy advocate, who helped Native Peoples recover more than one million acres of land and numerous sacred places, and helped develop key Federal Indian law since 1975**

**Mary Daniel (Cheyenne/Ojibwa)—attorney-at-law with Kutak Rock LLP in Kansas City, Missouri, expert on Indian law and the Indian Child Welfare Act**

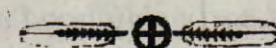
### SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

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**Purpose:** An American Indian Symposium providing an opportunity for public health and state and local officials to learn about delivering health and social services to the urban American Indian Community in culturally appropriate and respectful ways. Success stories and best practices will be shared with the goal of developing strategies for providing better service and increased collaboration among agencies.

**AUDIENCE:**  
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State and local officials and policymakers  
American Indians

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## Research reveals impact of prenatal meth exposure

*Permission to reprint article from Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project Record June 2006*

Pregnant women who use methamphetamine are 3.5 times more likely than other mothers to have underweight babies, new research finds.

The Brown Medical School-led study of 1,618 women from four medical centers in different parts of the United States is the first large-scale investigation of the prenatal effects of methamphetamine use.

Eighty-four of the 1,534 babies born to the women participating in the study were exposed to methamphetamine during pregnancy.

Newborns exposed to the drug during pregnancy aren't at risk of being born prematurely, but they are much more likely to be smaller than normal. This is because methamphetamine appears to restrict the flow of nutrient-rich blood into the placenta, which increases the likelihood that a newborn will be "small for gestational age," the researchers said.

Growth-restricted babies born to women who used methamphetamine during pregnancy weighed less than five pounds. The

long-term effects of this growth restriction include greater risk for type 2 diabetes and metabolic syndrome, a group of heart attack risk factors such as obesity and high blood pressure.

Children who are born underweight also tend to have learning difficulties and behavior problems, such as short attention span and hyperactivity, the researchers said. They plan to track the infants in the study to assess the long-term effects of methamphetamine use during pregnancy.

The National Institute on Drug Abuse and the National Center for Research Resources funded the work.

The findings were published in the September issue of Pediatrics. Article reprinted from [www.healthfinder.gov](http://www.healthfinder.gov).

Dr. Barry Lester, a research on the study, is a keynote speaker at the Governor's Conference for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect to be held at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita on November 7-9, 2006.

Dr. Lester's session, "Substance Use During Pregnancy: Time for Policy to Catch-up with Research," will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 9. For more information or to register, visit [http://www.kcsl.org/training\\_conference.html](http://www.kcsl.org/training_conference.html).





## Santa Claus (an old Indian legend): continues

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

Now before the time of Santeh' Claws, Indian children never had much and they certainly never received much, no matter what day it happened to be...yet the wish for better times, especially a child's wish for love and acceptance are simple yet powerful wishes...and these dreams and wishes will often ease the pain and hurt so many children know when they're growing up...the tribal elders always scolded, "Good things only come to those who are worthy and deserving." But the desires of the children, their wants and wishes, to be happy, loved and protected are very powerful wishes and will often rise above and take importance over the wisdom of the elders...yet it seems so very sad that quite often, these simple wishes are the only beautiful things some children have while growing up...look around you, especially today...from that early point in Indian history up to this present point in Indian history...moccasins to cover their feet...gloves to protect their hands...a coat to shelter their bodies...food to ease that constant pain in their stomachs, and if they're lucky, perhaps a blanket to snuggle under while they drift off and visit that special little world of an Indian child's dreams...these basic needs should not have to materialize and come true, only in their dreams...shouldn't these things be theirs just for being who they are, our children? Being a child shouldn't have to hurt...

Perhaps what happened to old Santeh' Claws so very long ago, lit the spark of hope in the hearts of the human beings, knowing that perhaps hard times can miraculously change for the better...

And knowing that good things can come from above during the darkest and most terrible of times...and maybe this belief, coupled with the knowledge that 2,000 winters ago, another poor baby called Jesus, was born on a simple bed of hay, near that distant, eastern village called Bethlehem...and that someday, that tiny frail baby, and only he, would carry the heaviest of burdens for all the human beings...for all the generations of humanity...and because of what took place on that very special night, His light, that beautiful, solitary, sparkling star passing through the quiet night sky, may someday also lead us...hopefully, those two very special events which took place so very long ago, can change all the ugly things of this world and make them beautiful...and maybe, that beautiful light of Jesus, can push back the darkness we all know is so very, very near, if we all just accept and we all just believe...that is the real message of the Christmas

season...

Now over the tribal generations, over the millennia, over all that the human beings could ever hope to be remembered for, this legend has come down through the ages for all human beings, everywhere...it has grown into a strong winter tradition...every winter season, the human beings, especially the children, scanned the heavens in hopes of catching sight of a jolly fat person flying towards them, dressed in red and riding in a sled pulled by a team of magnificent elk...coming to shower them with gifts, candy, toys or some other piece of hoped for good fortune...or just perhaps that very special personal gift of hope...while waiting, the human beings exchanged gifts and presents with their friends and with their families...they also began to realize just how very important their children were...that their children were their future...so they showered them with love and every other kind of important, meaningful gift and present...the human beings accepted all this, they remembered all this and they kept all these traditions in their hearts...but most of all, and the most important of all these traditions, every winter season, they renewed and recharged themselves with hope and love...

The powerful Bear Clan wanted old Santeh' Claws back...they demanded that all rumors concerning his unproven thievery stopped and any possible judicial litigation pending against him dropped immediately...they offered to pay all legal costs if the case were to ever come to trial...they contracted on retainer, the prestigious law firm of Dewey, Munch, Candy and Lovette, S.C.

This was the most noted, notorious, ruthless team of trial lawyers practicing at that particular time in Indian history...they desperately wanted his good name cleared and the real culprits brought to justice...they strongly pushed for an out of court settlement and a speedy resolution to this case...when settled, they demanded that his name was to be spoken of with only love and the greatest of respect...the huge Bear Clan further stated that old Santeh' Bear Claws was always cherished in their hearts, despite all the ugly rumors and nasty gossip forever circling about his cute little head...showing support for that rascal Santeh' Claws was a very risky, unpopular stand to be taking at that time...now, everyone wanted to be a "bear claws"...several months after, just like today, with hero worship and the

imitating of cult figures, hundreds of newborn infants were named, Santeh'... but it was suspected that that was only for some personal gain or perhaps some other sense of warped neighborly recognition, that happened all the time back then...the Bear Clan elite even managed, with a great deal of effort and perhaps by poking themselves in the eyes, to shed a few tears for everyone to see...

Thus, as the centuries passed and the tribal generations came and went, the legend grew larger and more magical...gradually, it changed into something sacred and rather spiritual, in a very special sort of way...and because of so much telling and retelling, some of the facts were changed to suit the story teller as well as the listener...some facts were dropped and some additions were made, depending of course on who was relating the story...but the legend has basically remained the same...and that is exactly how the events of that one magical evening so long ago have grown into this legendary Indian tale...the legend gradually spread from Italy, to Spain, to England and on to Germany...thus over time, the legend blanketed and was observed into the holiday traditions of all the Nations of the, "old country"...and they inadvertently spread the legend to Russia, to China, to Japan, to

Indonesia and all the island nations of the Pacific...the legend eventually made its way back to all the Central and South American countries...the legend however, never took hold on the dark continent of Africa...there were even several unsubstantiated reports from the early 20th century explorers to the frigid Antarctic, that emperor penguins were observed, dressed in their best spiffy black and white outfits, happily shuffling to and fro, honking Christmas melodies...there were also reports of Australian aborigines trying the Santa Claus tradition, in the middle 1920's, but that plan was quickly abandoned...it seems eight giant, red, bouncy kangaroos were used in place of the reindeer and according to the large local newspaper, *The Sydney Gazette*, "a very bruised, shaken, black and blue "Santa" spent several months picking up and retrieving several thousand presents and packages which had been scattered throughout the vast outback"...however, despite such minor mishaps and setbacks, the tradition seems to have finally taken a firm hold, and it's reported that those particular presents

and packages are currently in the process of finally being delivered...it was also further reported that, "once the bullets were removed from the kangaroo carcasses, the meat was donated to several shelters in and around the greater Sydney metropolitan area to help feed the ever growing number of homeless individuals. The efforts of "Santa Claus", (and the local police), in this particular instance, has brought such pleasant, surprisingly good cheer, that a committee was formed to study the feasibility of making Christmas an Australian national holiday." But like I said, these reports were unsubstantiated...

Now this very old Indian legend was told to me by my very old Indian friend on that dirty, dusty road in "uptown" Chicago...

He swore to its authenticity, he swore that the legend was true and that the legend was passed down from father to son in his tribe for as long as he could remember...he said his father told him the legend when he was a mere child around Christmas time...with a tear, and yet, with a very faint twinkle in his eye, the old Indian concluded his story...I sat quietly thinking for quite some time after that...eventually the old Indian coughed to clear his throat and the reverie was broken...I believe he was just anxious to be on his way...after a hearty handshake and a vigorous pat on the back, the old Indian, my old new friend was finally able to continue on his path...I thanked him and wished him good health and happiness on his journey and sadly watched him as he disappeared out of sight...

Now this is how the Santa Claus legend really came about...it has grown large over the years, perhaps a little too large...but even more sadly perhaps, a whole lot too commercialized...many parts of this legend have been changed...many parts of this legend have been forgotten...but I can't complain, because the very best and the most important parts of this legend are still here...and being an Indian, I inherently carry the best parts of this legend with me in my heart no matter where my path may lead me...I must always remember however, to not let his legend slip away or get lost or buried under the trash that has become the modern deteriorating Christmas season...however, the story today still holds a bit of the magic, the beauty, the wonder and the giddy high expectations of the original legend, and for this, I'm happy...

[Santa Claus (an old Indian Legend)  
Look for the conclusion in the next issue]



### Prairie Band Potawatomi Childcare

#### Public Hearing

**December 1, 2006 @ 1:00 p.m.**

**Please attend to voice  
your ideas or concerns.**

#### Plan Process:

1. Coordinate the provision of services with Federal, State and local child care and early childhood development programs.
2. Consult with appropriate representatives of local governments.
3. Hold at least one public hearing to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the provision of childcare services.
4. Incorporate any changes to the program as a result of the in-



**Reminder  
November is diabetes month...**



### Dental Pre-Admission Workshop

Arizona School of  
Dentistry and Oral Health  
December 1-2, 2006  
Mesa, Arizona

The purpose of the workshop is to provide a framework for undergraduate and graduate students in the application process to dental school. The workshop consists of presentations conducted by Native American dentists, university faculty, Native American dental students, and other health care professionals. It addresses common issues encountered by students in the application process. The workshop will assist students on how to select a dental school, develop a personal statement, DAT preparation, how to prepare for the interview with the professional school admissions committee, and a "mock interview" will be conducted.

A completed application needs to include the following:  
AAIP Student Primary Data Sheet Scholarship application, recent college and/or university transcripts, one letter of recommendation from a professor or academic advisor, copy of your Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood or tribal identification card, recent photograph for identification and publication purposes, one page personal statement: why you are seeking a professional career in the health professions. What influenced you and the experience(s) you have had to support this decision? Your career goals and where you plan to work.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Alan Galindo, MHR at (405) 946-7072 or email [agalindo@aaip.org](mailto:agalindo@aaip.org). The pre-admission workshop application may also be downloaded from the AAIP homepage at [www.aaip.org](http://www.aaip.org) under upcoming dental pre-admission workshop.

### Upcoming conferences and training opportunities

#### Governor's Conference for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

November 7-9, 2006

Hyatt Regency, Wichita

Visit [www.kcsl.org/training\\_conference.html](http://www.kcsl.org/training_conference.html)  
for more information

#### National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children Conference

November 27-29, 2006

Nashville, Tennessee

Visit [www.nationaldec.org](http://www.nationaldec.org)  
for more information

#### Kansas Meth Summit

November 28 & 29, 2006

Hyatt Regency Hotel &  
Convention Center  
Wichita, Kansas

#### Summit Registration Information:


Registration fee is \$50.00, which includes lunch and continental breakfasts. Checks should be payable to the Office of the Governor, referring to the Meth Summit in the memo. Tax ID #48-6029925. The registration form will serve as your invoice. Registration form and fee must be received by Friday, November 17, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Hotel reservations should be made directly to the Hyatt Regency (800) 233-1234. Mention the Kansas Methamphetamine Summit to receive the conference rate; the discounted rate will be offered until Tuesday, November 7, 2006.






## Ttiwenmo eginigyèn (Happy day you were born)

**Happy Birthday to Noah James Hall**



2 years old on September 10, 2006  
Love, Grandma

**Welcome to this world! Cheyenne Lynn Hall**



Born: September 14, 2006  
Weight: 8 lbs., 8 oz.  
Length: 19 in.  
Parents: Jen Tataro & James Hall

Just want everyone to enjoy the late great-great-grandchildren of Chief Nelson C. Sheppo like we do!  
Grandparents: Sandra Sheppo Hall & Paul Wilson

## Happy Sweet 16, Meems November 7



From, Mom, Kevin, Kobe, Lissa and Adria



Her family sends this message:

*"A job well done. We're all proud of you."*

From her parents:  
Dion & Sandra Quintana and grandmother: Theresa Asselin

## Congratulations to Carolyn Quintana!



Carolyn is a 7th grader at Northern Hills Junior High and on the volleyball team that took 1st place this season.

## Happy 5th Birthday October 1, 2006 Tabitha Jo Banks (O-Nah-Sha-qu)



We love you to the world! Mom and Dad

Send it to the News! birthdays, births, anniversaries, weddings, and more

## Micheal Tsotaddle November 11, 1957



Look who's 49 and ready to!!! He is the grandson of the late Dan McKinney and the son of Mavis and Joseph Tsotaddle of Carnegie, Oklahoma

## Grandchildren of tribal members homecoming crown bearers for Royal Valley School



Kindergarteners Disiree "Baby Doll" Duncan (l) and Devon Hale (r) were selected as crown-bearers for homecoming that was held September 29. Disiree is the granddaughter of (tribal member) Maureen Throssell and Kevin Throssell. Devon is the grandson of (tribal member) Aaron Hale and Joyce Hale.

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## Area Churches

By Mary Young

### Baptist

#### Bethany Baptist Church

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

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

#### Prairie Band Baptist Outreach

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

### Catholic

#### Our Lady of the Snows Parish

5971 - 166th Rd, Mayetta, KS

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

For additional information go to [www.pbppindiantribe.com](http://www.pbppindiantribe.com) and click on Our Lady of

Snows icon.

### Methodist

#### Pottawatomi United Methodist

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

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

### Pentecostal

#### Lakeview Faith Chapel

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

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

#### Potawatomi Pentecostal Church

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

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



Pastor Steve Cappleman Lakeview Faith Chapel

Greetings to all:

God is so good. He causes the universe to go on and on despite dire forecasts and predictions of doom, from black holes, meteorites, or global warming. God has the whole

world in His hands, and a plan that He will bring to pass.

This is not to say that there won't be things taking place. In these last days there will be wars, rumors of wars, and earthquakes as well as other events. But people who are children of God don't have to worry. The Christian has an eternal overall outlook that is the big picture, and that picture is not clouded by things that might really mess up the average person's life.

If anyone accepts Christ as their Saviour, they have peace because they know that

their name is written down in the Book of Life, and that no matter what happens they will go to heaven and live happily ever after.

Psalm 33:18-22 says these words about those who trust God with their lives: "Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy; to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine. Our soul waiteth for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name. Let the mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in thee."

Friends, there is victory in Jesus! If you haven't already, turn to Him with all your heart. I know He is coming soon for those who are ready!

Blessings!  
Pastor Steve Cappleman



## ...more on the American Indian Day Pow-wow Royalty

### Head girl dancer



Photo submitted by Juanita Jessepe

Sylvanna Levier, above, was the head girl dancer for the American Indian pow-wow held on September 23 at Prairie Peoples Park, an honor not taken lightly. Sylvanna is the daughter of Jackie Jessepe and John Levier.

Sylvanna has won many pow-wow contests in the past. She also volunteers with the Trashbusters during the annual Earthday community cleanup.

Sylvanna's applique dress was designed and sewn by her aunt Imelda Jessepe.



### Head boy dancer



Photo submitted by Barbara Tims

Isaiah Potts was the head boy dancer for the American Indian Day pow-wow held on September 23 held at Prairie Peoples Park. He is Barbara Tims grandson.

Isaiah, 15-years-old, designed and sewed his traditional outfit.







## Mayetta Pioneer Days—weekend

*Pioneer festivities began on October 6 with a barbecue dinner*

MAYETTA—The weather forecast for Jackson County called for a cool morning with clear skies and sunshine but by midday, temperatures climbed and sweatshirts were removed to enjoy the festivities of the Mayetta Pioneer Day celebration.

Pioneer Days included Mayetta's 120th year anniversary; Mayetta was founded in 1886 by Elizabeth and William Lunger. The town was named after their daughter Mary Etta minus the "r" because Kansas already had a town called Marietta.

Once again, Judy Darnell, tribal member, organized the two-day event. A kick-off barbecue supper and dance, music by The Highway 75 Band, was held on Friday, Oct. 6 at the Mayetta Catholic Church in Mayetta.

Beginning on Saturday a biscuit and gravy breakfast was served at the Methodist Church on Main Street with other activities starting at 9 a.m.

The first activity for the children was the turtle race. This event was exciting as the crowd watched and cheered for their favorite turtle. Some turtles were natural athletes, they immediately started to walk the distance to the finish line while others were slow. Then there were those that refused to budge and even a nudge didn't help! Worth mentioning is that Laury Shopteese's daughter, P-Qwas's turtle won third place.

Other activities for the children included the following: balloon stomp, mud eating contest (chocolate pudding), duck pond (under 5), snakes 'n' ladders, and a three-legged race.

Adults enjoyed a silent auction and then tested their skills at the coin toss, cow chip toss, Let's Make a Deal, jalapeno eating contest, and a grocery cart race. A dessert walk was offered to all age groups but mostly children tried out for this event.

A flea market was another all day event scheduled for that day. Adults and children stayed busy throughout the day with games and contests but everyone stopped to watch the parade that was led by the We-Ta-Se Post 410 Color Guard and was followed by the 2006 Senior Queen, Sarah Patterson, tribal member.

Music entertainment was provided by the Ed Thompson Band and B. J. Forgy and the Red River Special Machine.



Judy Darnell, above, posed in her original ribboned-frontier dress. Judy organized the Mayetta Pioneer Days event.



Above, l-r: Alvina LaClair, Paul George Tuckwin, and Sara Gartenmayer started out the day with breakfast at the Methodist Church.

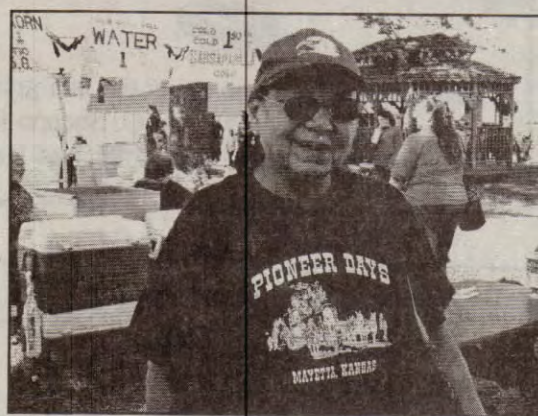


Above, Janice Ownby and Brian Jones check out a craft booth at the flea market.



Above, l-r: Roy and Joetta Walrod and Vida (Walrod) Keyser celebrate Pioneer Day and Vida's birthday.

Photos and text  
by  
Mary Young



Above, Mary Wabaunsee stopped to pose for a photo.



Above, Kevin Throssell and Ray Wahweoten pose for a photo.



Above, Velma Wahwasuck-Harjo turned the golden brown fry bread; another one is still in the pan.



Above, Elizabeth Wabaunsee-Tye smiles as she posed with a french fry from one of the food vendors.



and let the parade begin . . .



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Clockwise, above: 1) Led by the We-Ta-Se Post 410 Color Guard, the Mayetta Pioneer Days parade began promptly at 2 p.m. 2) One of the parade entries was a 1914 mail truck, this photo was taken prior to the parade. 3) The We-Ta-Se Ladies Auxiliary Unit 410 members threw candy to the crowd as they passed by on their float. 4) A first time parade entry, the PBP transit bus was driven by Micki Martinez, the motor vehicle director. 5) The 1928 Mayetta fire truck has Potawatomi roots; Sarah Patterson's mother, Pits-Saw Blandin sold the truck to Mayetta for \$50. (This story was told to the News by Roy Hale) 6) PBP fire truck 651 made a showing at the parade.



<Center: Tribal member Sarah Patterson was chosen as the "2006 Senior Queen" for the Mayetta Pioneer Days celebration. Sarah was dressed in her traditional setchkin blouse and skirt and was escorted by her nephew, Roy Hale.



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