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President's Report

E':si:rasi:ca:k?a! That means "How are you all?" I hope everyone is doing well. This is the April Newsletter and running a little behind. This newsletter covers the last quarter for the Commissions and the programs. I will mention a few highlights of upcoming events and some of the current things from the month of May.

Referendum Election

There will be a Referendum Election on Saturday, July 20, 2013, to consider amending the Governing Resolution to provide for Absentee Voting. There will be other items on the ballot for the Referendum Election for the General Council to consider. The Committee will provide you with more information over the next month.

Annual General Council Meeting

The Annual General Council Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Reports will be given by the Tribal Administrator, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP, Finley & Cook, Wichita Tax Commission, Wichita Gaming Commission, Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission, Anadarko Industries, Wichita Tribal Enterprises, Wichita Sports Commission, Wichita Housing Authority, Sugar Creek Casino, Treasurer and President. Reports will be around 20 minutes each with about 10 minutes for questions and answers. This is intended to be an informative meeting. I encourage our younger generation to come to the meeting .

In addition to the reports, the Committee will give a full report on the current operating budget and information on the proposed budget for FY-2014.

Special General Council Meeting Held

There was a Special General Council Meeting held on Saturday, May 18, 2013. There were several discussion topics. A Revenue Allocation Plan was discussed. The PowerPoint presented by HSDW in 2011 was presented. Absentee Voting was discussed along with the Blood Quantum issues. A Revenue Allocation Plan and the Blood Quantum issues will definitely need more discussion and information.

The Constitution was discussed. While a Constitution provides a lot more detail and provides more structure, our Tribe is one of the very few Tribes that has continued to exercise its sovereignty through the continued utilization of the Governing Resolution.

The Dance Building got a lot of attention and comments. The Council was informed that there are current needs for a facility for funerals, meetings, dances, community events, etc. This would be something that everyone can get use out of even those visiting home from out of state. An structural assessment was done on the Dance Building. The building can be remodeled but there is a significant amount of repairs that will need to be done. The foundation needs to be looked at by a licensed Architectural or Engineering Firm and the plumbing needs to be looked at. We hope to have this information soon. The building will be painted and doors added at the request of the Tribal Council.

Cemetery Cleanup

Though this is the April edition, I do want to say thank you to our Maintenance Staff on behalf of t he Wichita

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Wichita-Pawnee Visitation

The Wichita-Pawnee Visitation is perhaps the longest running tradition carried on by two Tribes in the lower 48 states. It has been going on continuously for well over a century and there is some scientific evidence as well as oral tradition that the visitation is several centuries old.

Linguistically, the Wichita and Pawnee are from one language family, accordingly, they were in the past, one people. It is estimated that a separation occurred about 800 to 1200 years ago and consequently, the languages developed differently from that point and the two Tribes, it seems, became unknown to one another. Sometime after that, contact was re-established and according to oral tradition the relationship was renewed.

As it is conducted today, the visitation consists of a traditional encampment with the Wichitas being the hosts in odd numbered years and the Pawnees being the hosts in even numbered years. The encampment usually lasts about ten days.

The visitation is initiated in the spring of each year when the leaders of each Tribe confer and decide when the visit will begin. Historically, the date set is around the middle of July.

From the Wichita perspective, on the day the visitation is to begin (which is usually a Wednesday) the Wichitas will meet at a place selected by the Wichita Tobacco Man for a tobacco making ceremony and a communal meal. Once the men conclude the ceremony and the meal is eaten, the group leaves for Pawnee, OK. Upon arrival in Pawnee no one proceeds to the site of the visitation until the Wichita leaders deliver the tobacco to the Pawnee Tobacco Man and it is accepted by him. At that time the Wichita leaders return to the group and leads them to the campground. Everyone then proceeds to set up their camps. That evening the Pawnees will provide a meal. When all of the food has been placed on the tables near the center of the arena, the Pawnee leader will come to the Wichita camp and invite the visitors over to the arena. Once everyone is gathered for the meal, the Pawnee leader will get up and give a talk about the visitation and welcome the visitors and then give a prayer or select one of the Pawnee men to give the prayer. Then the wife or female relative of the Pawnee leader will select the women who will serve the meal. The Wichita men will line up first, then the Wichita women followed by the Pawnee men and lastly the Pawnee women.

After the meal, the Wichita leader or a designee gets up and thanks the Pawnees and offers some remarks about the visitation and everyone is dismissed. Thus begins a cycle which includes breakfasts, lunches, and evening meals provided by various members of the host Tribe. And usually, a handgame is held every evening accept for the first evening and the evening prior to the Giveaway Day.

Along about the third day of the visitation, the Pawnee leader will set the day for the tobacco ceremony which is conducted by the men of both Tribes. On the day of the ceremony the Pawnee leader will come to the Wichita camp to invite the Wichita men to come to the special place which has been selected to hold the ceremony. At the ceremony each man is given the opportunity to express themselves; the tobacco which was delivered by the Wichita will be ritually opened and smoked by all the men present in a pipe ceremony. Upon the opening of the tobacco the Pawnee men present will make monetary donations and the date for the giveaway will be set. After everyone has smoked, the man handling the pipe will go outside the circle and offer a prayer. Then a meal is shared, Wichita thank yous are given and the ceremony is concluded.

Giveaway Day begins with a noon meal. When all the food has been placed on the tables in the arena, the Pawnee leader will come to the Wichita camp to invite them to the meal. The set-up is different from the other meal in that separate tables are set for the Wichita and Pawnee respectively. The Wichita women serve the Wichitas and the Pawnee women serve the Pawnees. Once everyone is gathered at the danceground the Pawnee leader gets up and addresses the gathering, first speaking to the Wichita people and then to his own people. At the conclusion of his speech he will select someone to pray for the meal and the activities that follow. Sometimes he will turn the meal over to the Wichitas and the Wichita leader will dispense with these duties. When the meal is finished, the Wichita leader speaks to the gathering, expressing his thoughts about the visitation and giving his thanks for the meal and for everything the Pawnees have done for his people. After his talk everyone is dismissed so that things can be made ready for the giveaway.

The giveaway customarily begins with a series of round dance songs then a wardance song is sung for the Pawnee leader and then for his helpers. Other Pawnees may request songs or else they just get up and giveaway during any of the wardance songs. When the Pawnees are done, the drum is turned over to the Wichitas. The first song sung by the Wichitas is called the Thank You song. Then songs are sung for the Wichita leader, his helpers and any other Wichita that requests one.

After each song , the Wichita who requested the song announces his/her pledge for the next year when the Pawnees come to visit the Wichitas.

Once the pledges are completed the drum is

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Wichita-Pawnee Visitation

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turned back to the Pawnees who conclude the program with a prayer song. There are no activities scheduled for the evening.

The next morning the Wichitas break camp, making a special effort to leave the camp area in the same condition as when they arrived. When everyone is packed up and ready to go, they will get in their vehicles and line up near the dance arena. Then the men of the two Tribes will line up in the arena facing each other and say their thank yous and good-byes. At the conclusion of the talks a prayer song is sung. Then all the Wichita women and children can go among the Pawnees present to say their thank yous and good-byes. Thus, the visitation is concluded until next year when the Pawnees come to visit the Wichitas.

Arts & Crafts Contest

The Wichita Cultural Education Program will be sponsoring an Arts & Crafts Contest to be held in conjunction with the Wichita Annual Dance. The Arts Contest will be open to enrolled Wichitas, Wichita descendants, and spouses of the same. The Crafts Contest will be restricted to enrolled Wichitas and Wichita descendants. There will be adult and youth categories. The age groups are 12 and under, 13 to 17, and 18 and over. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. The prize money for the 12 and under group will be $50 for 1st, $30 for 2nd, and $20 for 3rd. Prize money for the 13 to 17 age group will be $100 for 1st, $75 for 2nd, and $50 for 3rd. The 18 and over group will receive $200 for 1st, $100 for 2nd, and $50 for 3rd place.

The theme for the Art Contest will be based on Wichita Myth and Legend. Artwork must be submitted to Kateri Ahtone at the Wichita Cultural and Administration Building, Wichita Tribal Complex by July 15, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.. Winning art entries may be used on the Wichita Annual Dance T-Shirts and Program Books.

Craftwork must be of a traditional Indian item and submitted by August 9, 2013. Arts and Crafts Contest winners will be announced on August 15, 2013 and shown during the Wichita Annual Dance. Please contact Gary McAdams at (405) 247-2425, Ext. 169 for the contest rules.

Wichita-Pawnee Visitation Begins in July

The Wichita-Pawnee Visitation will begin on July 17, 2013. The encampment will be located at the Wichita Tribal Complex Campground-Danceground. For more information, you may contact Gary McAdams at (405)247-2425, Ext.169.

Wichita Language Class

The Wichita Language Class will be held on June 2, 9, 23,and 30, 2013. Classes will begin at 1:30 p.m. The classroom is located in the Portable Building at the Wichita Tribal Complex. For more information, you may contact Gary McAdams at (405)247-2425, Ext.169.

Wichita Song Class for Men & Boys

The Wichita Song Classes for Men & Boys are being held on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.. The classroom is located in the Portable Building at the Wichita Tribal Complex. For more information, you may contact Gary McAdams at (405)247-2425, Ext.169.

About the Wichita Language

There are many ways in which Wichita is a very special language, compared with other languages from around the world. The sound system is extraordinarily simple; almost no other language has so few different sounds. But the way in which words change their pronunciation in different sentences is exceptionally complex, and the internal structure of individual words (what they are made of, and how those pieces fit together) is more complex than that of any other language.

Wichita is closely related historically to Pawnee, Arikara, and Kitsai. That means that some time in the past--probably on the order of 800 to 1200 years ago-- the ancestors of these four tribes lived together and spoke one language, which then developed differently among the different groups after they were no longer living together. Some time even earlier than that, the ancestors of these groups and those of the Caddo also formed one group. Linguists have given the name Caddoan Family to this set of languages, but there is no sense in which any of the modern languages is older than any other-- they all go back to a single group, much as all the branches of a tree go back to the trunk, with no main branch being the source of any other branch, but rather all deriving from the trunk.

(The above description was written by Dr. David Rood in the Introduction to Wichita Language Lessons, 1993.)

Congratulations High School Graduating Seniors

Andrew Ahshapanek

Andrew is a senior at Anadarko High School and will be graduating in May 2013. He is an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. He also is of Delaware, Kiowa and Pawnee descent. Andrew is the AHS Class of 2013 Salutatorian and has maintained at least a 3.97 GPA throughout his high school years. Andrew is an active member and youth group member at the First United Methodist Church of Anadarko. He has been on the AHS Varsity Tennis team for four years and also represented the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes at the Inaugural Jim Thorpe Native American Games in 2012 in the sport of tennis. Andrew is a member of the National Honor Society, Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society, Oklahoma High School Honor Society, United States Tennis Association and North American Indian Tennis Association. Andrew has earned the All-Star Award in tennis and has placed at the OSSAA State Tennis Tournament the last three years of high school (2013 tournament will be in May). Andrew has volunteered in many activities including Caddo-Kiowa Tech Camp Counselor, FUMC Vacation Bible School Teacher, USTA Professional Circuit Tournament Ball Boy, USTA Pro Tour Tennis Exhibition Ball Boy, DNEP Annual Trash-Off, Anadarko Annual Summer Tennis Camp Instructor and FUMC Staff Parish Relation Committee.

The Anadarko Indian Education, Superintendent's Honor Roll, Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and the OSU Alumni Association have recognized Andrew for his academic excellence. Andrew has also been selected as a 2013 Gates Millennium Scholar. He was chosen for this distinguished honor from 54,000 applicants. Andrew also was recognized by the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes as Outstanding Native American Athlete. Andrew credits his family and his Christian faith for the person he is today. He strives to be a healthy, positive role model for all Native Americans.

Andrew has a sister Rebekah and an identical twin brother Daniel. Andrew is the son of Darren and Michelle Ahshapanek of Anadarko, the grandson of Don & Carol Ahshapanek of Anadarko, Beverly Casson and Ray Heaton Jr. of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He is the great grandson of Joan Horsechief (Wichita/Pawnee) and the great-great grandson of Alice Pickard (Wichita).

Andrew will be attending Cameron University and majoring in Computer Science.

Daniel Ahshapanek

Daniel is a senior at Anadarko High School and will be graduating in May 2013. He is an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. He is also of Delaware, Kiowa and Pawnee decent. Daniel has maintained at least a 3.94 GPA during his high school years. He is an active member and youth group member of the First United Methodist Church of Anadarko. Daniel represented the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes at the Inaugural Jim Thorpe Native American Games in 2012 and has been on the AHS varsity Tennis Team for four years. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society, Oklahoma High School Honor Society, United States Tennis Association and the North American Indian Tennis Association. Daniel has placed at the OSSAA State Tennis Tournament 2010-2012 and has earned the All-Star Award in tennis. He has volunteered in numerous activities such as: FUMC Vacation Bible School Teacher, DNEP Annual Trash-Off, Anadarko Annual Summer Tennis Camp Instructor, FUMC Mission Committee Member, Caddo-Kiowa Tech Camp Counselor, USTA Pro Tour Tennis Exhibition Ball Boy and USTA Professional Circuit Tournament Ball Boy.

Daniel has been recognized for his academic excellence by the Anadarko Indian Education, Superintendent's Honor Roll, Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and the OSU Alumni Association. Daniel was also chosen as a 2013 Gates Millennium Scholar. He was selected for this prestigious honor from 54,000 candidates. He was also recognized by the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes as Outstanding Native American Athlete. Daniel acknowledges his family and God for directing his path to where he is today. He hopes that he has been a positive role model for all Native children.

Daniel has a sister Rebekah and an identical twin brother Andrew. Daniel is the son of Darren and Michelle Ahshapanek of Anadarko, the grandson of Don & Carol Ahshapanek of Anadarko, Beverly Casson and Ray Heaton Jr. of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He is the great grandson of Joan Horsechief (Wichita/Pawnee) and the great-great grandson of Alice Pickard (Wichita).

Daniel will be attending the University of Oklahoma and majoring in Chemistry.

Congratulations Graduating High School Seniors

David Bigtree Calisay

David is a Class of 2013 Mulvane High School graduate from Mulvane Kansas. David enjoyed and participated in music, football, track and wrestling where he lettered all four years. He also was a Class President. David is quite a social bug where he has learned to talk in front of large groups. David is Wichita, Caddo, Delaware and Apache. He is a Wichita tribal member. David is the son of Katherine Calisay, the grandson of Mike & Mary (Wheeler) Lasiter of Mulvane, Kansas and the late William & Theodosiah (Tselee Redbone) Wheeler. He is also the great-grandson of the late Walter Wheeler (Wichita) & Grace Sargent (Caddo, Delaware) a descendant of the late William Sargent & Annie Miller-Halfmoon (Caddo-Delaware), and a descendant of the late Herbert Tselee Redbone (Apache) & Clara Blackbear (Apache).

Congratulations Graduates

Bachelor's Degrees-December 2012

Kristi Schoenberger
B.S. Finance

Jerri Moore
B.S. Elementary Education

Brooke Stephenson
B.S. Business Management

William Sain
B.A. English

Bachelor's Degrees-May 2013

Veronica Bruesch
B.A. American Indian Studies

Semary Hill
B.A. History

Kristen Frosio
B.S. Psychology

Amber Luke
B.B.A. Finance

Terri Parton
B.S. Business Administration

Sage Garland
Juris Doctorate, Law -May 2013

Candace French
Master of Arts, Criminal Justice-May 2013

Tracey Gregg Boothby
Doctorate of Musical Arts, Choral Conducting -May 2013

Jamie Rowe
A.A. American Indian Studies

Hunter White Eagle
Student of the Year
Apache Elementary School

Hunter White Eagle received the Student of the Year award at Apache Elementary School. He also received the Student of the Month award for December 2012. Hunter was a 4th Grader during the 2012-2013 school year. Hunter is the son of Jesse Jones and Sara White Eagle.

Congratulations Hunter!

College Graduate Incentives

All College Graduates graduating in the Fiscal Year 2013 are eligible for an incentive award. You must turn in your diploma, transcript and complete an application.

Associates-$150
Bachelors-$300
Masters-$500
PhD & JD-$750

Please contact Yolanda Walker or Louisa Riffel at (405) 247-8612 for more information.

Vacancy Announcements

Wichita Tribe Sports Commission Inspectors

The Wichita Tribe Sports Commission has immediate openings for both male and female inspectors for the boxing and MMA events at Sugar Creek Casino in Hinton, OK. Duties include monitoring fighters and seconds, both prefight and during the event to ensure the safety of the fighters and ensure strict adhesion to the rules and regulations set forth by the commission. No experience is necessary. All inspectors will obtain training and certification by the commission. Applicants must be available on Friday and Saturdays to be considered. Applicants must be willing to submit to a background investigation and drug test. Interested parties may obtain an application at the Administration Building at the Wichita Tribe Complex located 1 1/4 miles North of Anadarko on Hwy 281. Indian Preference applies. Closing date is July 31, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. however the Commission will continue to take applications for future events. If you have any questions, please call Commissioner Matt Roberson at 405-623-4191. Tribal Members are encouraged to apply.

WCDC JOB BANK APPLICATIONS

Wichita Child Development Center (WCDC) will be collecting applications for the center's job bank for on-call/substitute/ future positions:

- Teachers with Bachelors in Early Childhood
- Teachers with Associates in Early Childhood
- Teachers with CDA/CCP (or be willing to obtain within 18 months of hire)
- Teacher Assistants, willing to obtain required training/ certifications
- Cook with food handler's permit (or be willing to obtain within 1 month)

All positions must possess a valid Oklahoma Driver's License and have adequate transportation. These positions require a successful background check and drug screening. Salary is contingent upon education and experience. Application acceptance is on-going. Indian Preference Applies.

Please submit cover letter and resume to:

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
ATTN: HUMAN RESOURCES
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005
Phone 405/247-2425 ~ Fax 405/247-2430

Accounting Liaison

The Wichita & Affiliated Tribes has an opening for the position of ***Accounting Liaison***. Will work under the supervision of the Tribal Administrator. Assures all deliverables are sent and received by the Tribe, Outsourced Accounting Company, and Outsourced Payroll Company. Directly responsible for submitting all Accounts Payable and Payroll to outsourced companies. **Duties**: Must possess a general knowledge of the accounting and payroll functions. Acts as the clerical liaison between the Tribe, Program Directors, and outsourced companies. Receives and reviews all Payment Requests, Travel, Expense Claims and Payroll and insures all required supporting documentation is attached. Directly responsible for depositing all Accounts Receivables. **Qualifications:** Must have a minimum of High School Diploma or GED and have at least two (2) years college in Business or Accounting related field, or equivalent combination of work experience, training, and/or education. Must be knowledgeable in banking transactions, including deposits. Previous Accounting experience is preferred. A valid State of Oklahoma Driver's License is required and applicant must pass a drug screening test and a criminal background investigation. Applications/Resumes may be addressed to: Wichita & Affiliated Tribes, Attn: Human Resources, P.O. Box 729, Anadarko, OK 73005. **Closing date is June 3, 2013 @ 5 p.m.** Indian Preference applies.

Commissioner Vacancies

The following Commissions have one vacancy:

Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission
Wichita Tribe Sports Commission
Wichita Housing Authority

If you are interested in serving on this Commission then please submit a cover letter, and resume, no later than June 30, 2013 to:

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Attn: Secretary
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005
Fax: (405) 247-2430

SCC Vacancies & Education Reports

Sugar Creek Casino
Casino Job Postings

Surveillance Inspector
Part-Time Event Staff
F&B Cooks
F&B Cashiers
Bartendars

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and Indian Preference Considered. Please apply at the Players Club or online at sugarcreek.net

Applications may be faxed to (405) 542-2949 or mailed to Sugar Creek Casino 5304 N. Broadway, Hinton, OK 73047
(As of May 28, 2013.)

Education Programs

January – March 2013
1st Quarter Report
By Yolanda Walker, Director

Higher Education (College)
45 – Full-Time Assistance
2 – Part Time Assistance
7 – Graduate Assistance

Job Placement and Training
6 – Stipend Assistance
1 – Tuition Assistance

Direct Employment Assistance
5 – Stipend Assistance

Adult Education
4 – Tuition Assistance
4 – GED Assistance

Johnson O'Malley
39 – Basic Assistance

Please contact our office at (405) 247-8612 for further information regarding any of the Programs. All program assistance is based on the availability of funds.

Incentive Awards for Grades for Wichita Youth

Tribal Funded Assistance/Incentive Program
FY -2013

Grade Incentive Award
This program is available to enrolled Wichita youth in the 6th-12th grades. The 6th-8th grade student cannot have a grade lower than a "C" on any subject. Grade incentive awards are given once at the end of the academic year. Deadline: July 31, 2013

Please submit the following:

- Application
- Copy of tribal enrollment card
- Copy of final report card

Grade	GPA	Gift Card
6th-8th grade	2.0+	$25.00
9th-12th grade	2.5-2.99	$25.00
9th-12th grade	3.0-3.99	$50.00
9th-12th grade	4.0	$75.00

Assistance/Incentives are based on the availability of funds.
For more information contact the Higher Education office @ (405) 247-8612.

Elder Lawn Mowing Program

Lawn mowing will begin the week of June 2, 2013. Wichita Elders age 55 and above qualify for the program as long as they live in a specified radius from the Tribe. You may pick up an application at the front desk of the Tribal Administration Building or contact Kay Ahtone, Receptionist, at (405) 247-2425 ext. 100. The service will run for approximately 8 weeks. Spots are limited and services will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.

Did you know?

Sugar Creek Casino has 148 employees. There are 39 Wichita tribal members employed which is 26% of the total employment. We are striving to increase those numbers. Those numbers do not include the numbers for the Surveillance Department which is overseen by the Wichita Gaming Commission. Interested in employment? Please go to www.sugarcreekcasino.net for employment opportunities. You can also find the most recent postings on this page.

Commission Quarterly Reports

Wichita Housing Authority

Quarterly Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
Report Submitted by:
Shirley Davilla, Chairperson

The Wichita Housing Authority (WHA) submitted their Quarterly Report to the Wichita Executive Committee on April 1, 2013. Below you will find some of the highlights from the report.

- FY-2012 IHBG went into a single funding mode.
- Multiple open year grants are no longer allowed.
- The IHP submission was on time.
- As of April 1, 2013 the WHA was awaiting the Funding Approval Agreement due to lack of congressional appropriation.
- HUD received a budget cut ranging from 5% to 8%.
- The WHA continues to work on the audit as of April 1, 2013.

Programs operated by the WHA:

- Low Income Rental (40 units) 1937 US Housing Act
- Mutual Help Homeownership Opportunity (56 units) 1937 US Housing Act
- Low Income Rental (10 units) NAHASDA funded
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit rental (25 units) WHLP 1
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit rental (40 units) WHLP 2
- NAHASDA Rent to Own (16 units) ARRA of 2009
- Newly instituted HUD Section 184 Home Loan Guarantee Lease to Purchase

The Wichita Housing Authority is considering new development possibilities.

Website Updates & Facebook Page

The new website is up and running. Please visit www.wichitatribe.com. The website designers will be here on Friday, May 31, 2013 to train Administration on how to make the updates so that the updates can be performed in-house and more frequently.

The Tribe also has a Facebook page. Search "Wichita and Affiliated Tribes". The Facebook page will have more up to date information than the website.

Wichita Gaming Commission

Quarterly Staff Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
Report as Submitted by:
Andrea King, Executive Director

This Report focuses on the productivity of the Wichita Gaming Commission (WGC) staff for the period 01/01/2013 through 03/31/2013, as well as our Goals for Next Quarter.

The WGC welcomed our new Commission Margaret Bell on January 25, 2013.

The WGC has successfully completed the following for Q1-2013.

The WGC office processed and approved 37 employee licenses, 4 Vendors and 39 vendor technicians. The Wichita Gaming Commission office received our Kobetron on February 11, 2013; and began testing Sugar Creek Casino gaming machines to stay compliant with NIGC MICS standards. The Wichita Gaming Commission/staff has attended the following training in Q1: Executive Development Course, Entry Analytics and an NIGC Consultation.

The Wichita Gaming Commission will focus on accomplishing the following goals for Q2-2013:

- Complete revisions on Sugar Creek Casino policies to assure all policies are Tier C compliant.
- Focus on filling all staff vacancies within the Wichita Gaming Commission office
- Continue to review and correct audit findings in the Operations Audit

The Wichita Gaming Commission also submitted their quarterly financial report prepared by a CPA.

Tribal Offices Closed

July 4, 2013, Independence Day
Labor Day, September 2, 2013

Tribal Enrollment
As of 04/30/2013
2,659

Commission Quarterly Reports

Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission

Quarterly Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
Report Submitted by:
Benjamin Hatfield, Chairman

The Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission (WTIDC) submitted their Quarterly Report to the Wichita Executive Committee on April 23, 2013. Below you will find some of the highlights from the report.

- CrossTimbers Restaurant is officially closed.
- The facility is being maintained.
- The new occupant is expected to commence business in July 2013. (China City Buffet)
- Don Wauahdooah is no longer representative in any capacity with the WTIDC.
- Wichita Industries is looking at a project that includes electricity, water and waste water treatment facility operations.
- Wichita Industries is looking at a joint venture with another company.
- Don Wauahdooah is contracted to do work for Wichita Industries and to assist with the submission of an SBA 8(a) application.
- The WTIDC is looking at a comprehensive long term business plan.
- Anadarko Industries made a disbursement to the WTIDC.
- The WTIDC submitted a share of the revenue to the Tribe.
- The WTIDC continues to address on going matters with Anadarko Industries and Wichita Tribal Enterprises.

The WTIDC also presented financial reports prepared by a CPA.

Commissioners:
Benjamin Hatifield, Jesse Jones, Katherine Cunningham, and Gary McAdams. There is also one vacant position.

Wichita Tax Commission

Quarterly Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
Report Submitted by:
Gary McAdams, Chairman

The Wichita Tax Commission (WTC) submitted their Quarterly Report to the Wichita Executive Committee. Below you will find some of the highlights from the report.

- WTC denied appeal to waive penalty charge for Tag Registration.
- Four casino employees approved for alcohol licenses.
- WTC considered proposal by backgrounding company.
- Reviewed rules and regulation revisions.
- Began issuing W-2's to WTC Commissioners instead of 1099's.
- Recommendations were considered for implementing the Oil and Gas Severance Tax.
- WTC submitted revisions to the Oil and Gas Severance Tax to the WEC for approval.
- Safety issues for the tag office considered.
- Letter to be sent to oil companies notifying them the tax is being imposed.
- WTC reviewed the forms and approved the Administrative rules and regulations.
- Memo discussed from WGC regarding patron identification for compliance with Liquor Ordinance.
- Solicited bids for server and internet connection for Tag office.
- Certified mail rate was increased to $6.25 for tag renewals.

Statistics:
- Renewals-33
- New Registrations-71
- Liens-8
- Duplicate Titles-11
- Lost Decals-3

The Wichita Tax Commission also submitted financial reports prepared by staff.

Commissioners:
Gary McAdams, Sandra Wilson, Edward Stephenson, Katherine Cunningham and Roger Bruce Birch Sr.

Program Reports

Pictures Needed!!!

The Wichita Annual Dance Committee is currently collecting pictures for the 2013 Wichita Annual Dance to be held August 15 – 18, 2013. If you have any pictures you would like to submit, you may bring them by the Wichita Food Distribution building to have them scanned or you may also email them to Beth.parker@wichitatribe.com.

For more information, please contact Beth Parker at 405/247-9677 or at the email address above.

CHR/EMS Program

QUARTERLY ACTIVITY SUMMARY
January 1-March 31, 2013

Case Management (phone calls)	612
Office visits	80
Medication/Med. supplies (request/pick-up/& deliver)	97
Homevisits/health screenings	79
Transports	111
Meetings/Training	12
Admin. Activities (gsa, health Vendors, etc.)	6
Health Educ. Outreach Activities (provided)	4
Health Educ. Activities (participated)	1
Operations & Maintenance	10
Eyeglass Assistance	31
Special Medication/Equipment request	4

Should you have any questions, please give me a call or come by and visit.

CD/MH Program

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Linda Bruner, Substance & Alcohol Abuse Counselor

Client Contacts: 130
Client Transports: 42
Staff Training: 1

Human Resources Office

Activity Summary -- January 1 to March 31, 2013

Employee Statistics

Total # of Employees – 63
56 Regular Full-Time / 6 Part-Time / 1 Temporary
56 Native Americans / 7 Non-Native American
29 Wichita Tribal Members / 27 Native Americans / 7 Non-Native Americans

Total # New Employees – 10
3 – Wichita Tribal Members / 4 – Native Americans / 3 - Non-Native American

Total # of Employment Separations - 9

Job Vacancy Statistics

Maintenance Supervisor – 12 Applicants
3 – Wichita Tribal Members / 6 – Native Americans / 3 – Non-Native Americans

Family & Children Services Caseworker – 13 Applicants
7 - Native Americans / 6 - Non-Native Americans

Public Health Nurse – 4 Applicants
1 – Wichita Tribal Member / 1 – Native American / 2 – Non-Native Americans

Special Diabetes Program Assistant – 16 Applicants
6 – Wichita Tribal Members / 8 - Native Americans / 2 – Non-Native Americans

CHR Generalist – 22 Applications Received
6 – Wichita Tribal Members / 14 – Native Americans / 2 – Non-Native Americans

WCDC Job Bank – accepting applications ongoing – 2 Application Received
1 – Native American / 1 - Non-Native American

New Employees

Cynthia Billy, Tribal Funded Social Services Director
Brenda Coley, WCDC Master Teacher
Cynthia Hunter, WCDC Master Teacher
Jana Ledford, WCDC Cook/Substitute Teacher
Nahusheah Mandujano, Public Health Nurse
Rachel Palmer, WCDC Teacher Assistant
Corey Reeder, Special Diabetes Program Assistant
Aldelzon Saldana, Maintenance Supervisor
Shayla Wauahdooah, CHR Generalist
Taylor Wilson, WCDC Teacher Assistant

For more information call 405-247-2425 ext. 103
Breezy Prince, HR Manager/Compliance Officer

President's Report Cont. & Wichita Tribal Princess

(President's Report Continued)

Executive Committee and some of the Tribal members that I have spoken to, for the work that was done on Rock Spring Cemetery. The Wichita Executive Committee budgeted for three temporary laborers for the summer to help take care of the cemetery. The current Maintenance Staff is Tito Saldana and Kadiah Wauahdooah. The temporary labors are Daniel Gomez, Sy Boyiddle and Brandon Williams. All are Wichita tribal members with the exception of Tito who is married to a Wichita tribal member. Thank you for your hard work!

Moving Forward

I hope you see we are moving forward. I know some get impatient and think things should be happening faster but behind the scenes there are a lot of things going on that come up on a daily basis. There are a lot of moving parts to our government, programs and businesses. We always have to remember that a lot of the things we implement or ideas that everyone comes up with are actually things that past leaders, elders that have gone and others have thought about or wanted to see happen but couldn't because of lack funds or resources. Thank you to those who continue to pray for our leadership, elders, children and our people. We appreciate your prayers. May God bless each of you with a wonderful summer!

Wichita Tribal Princess

Wichita Tribal Director Tara Tartsah is accepting applications for young women seeking the title of 2013-2014 Wichita Tribal Princess.

Applicants must be between the ages of 15 and 21 years old. Must be an enrolled member or descendent of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.

Deadline will be June 17 and you must submit a short essay why you would want to be the Wichita Tribal Princess and what is your expectation of being the Tribal Princess. If there is more than one qualifying applicants then there will be an election held on Thursday August 15, 2013 of the Wichita Tribal Annual Dance. The princess will be announced Saturday August 18, 2013 during the Wichita Tribal Annual Dance.

You can submit your letter to the Wichita Tribal Office PO Box 729, Attn: Tara Tartsah or email to tartsah44@hotmail.com, if you have any questions I can be reached at 405-933-4130.

RES 2013

Trip Report
By Terri Parton, President

Res 2013 was held March 11-14, 2013, in Las Vegas, Nevada. I arrived on March 11, 2013 and left on March 14, 2013. While at the conference I ran into two tribal members, Vanessa Vance and Robin Montoya.

I attended the Welcome Reception on the evening of the 11th and the Opening General Session and the Tradeshow on the 12th.

The Tribal Business Leaders Forum was held on the 12th. Presenters included Annette Hamilton, from Ho-Chunk, Inc., David Hinson from the Minority Business Development Agency among others such as the NOVA Corporation and Chickasaw Nation Industries. Discussion included diversifying business away from gaming, scholarships, internships, returning net income back to the tribes and providing training. Discussion was also held on the importance of being at the table when decisions are made for Tribes. The importance was stressed to develop relationships and partnerships in Indian Country.

The Leadership Track was held on Wednesday. Presenters included Margo Gray-Proctor, George Thurman, Brian Patterson and Jefferson Keel. Discussion was held on energy development , having the right team, UINOKT, USET, IRS taxation, engaging younger generations and Buy Indian Act.

The Finance Track was also held on Wednesday. Topics discussed were having a business plan, having good financial reporting, financial information about your company, not waiting until a crisis happens to take care of things, three ways to finance including equity/capital, retained earnings and banks. Banker, attorney and CPA should be a part of your team. Other things discussed were CDFI, entrepreneurship, access to capital, micro loansand the 504 program.

Chris James, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Native American Affairs was also a presenter of the Finance Track. Laura Codopony one of the Tribe's attorneys from Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP attended RES 2013 separate and apart from the Tribe. Ms. Codopony and I spoke with Mr. James. We were also able to meet with the legal counsel for the WTIDC, Robert Tompkins.

I attended the 360 Perspectives with the U.S. SBA Track and the Community Development Track. The Community Development Track discussed the importance of the stability of tribes, having goals, strategies, and key players outside your community, communication and intertribal networks.

I attended the Closing General Session on Thursday which ended at 5:00 p.m. and flew back that evening.

Program Reports

Tribal Funded Social Services Program (TSSF)

January 1-March 31, 2013
Quarterly Report
By Cynthia Billy, Director

The Tribal Social Services Fund Program is happy to report that we have been able to assist many tribal members when in need.

The following are numbers of tribal families that have received assistance during the first quarter of the calendar year 2013:

Rental Assistance: 13 families
Utility Assistance: 27 families
Hotel Assistance: 4 families

Enrollment Office Seeking to Locate Tribal Members

The Enrollment Office of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is trying to locate the following individuals:

Cleve Ross	Michael Crismon
David Miller	Mitchel Crismon
David Zipprich	Phillip Arekeketa
De Loyce Crismon	Ralph Setzer
Delbert Setzer	Reba Holder
Don Zadoka	Robert Ashley
Dwayne Davis	Robert Hunt
James Williams	Ronald Swift
Jodene Smith	Russell Brim
John McIntosh	Sandra Morrison
Joyce Setzer	Stevie Stephenson
Ladonna Quinlin	William Zipprich
Loretta Santeo	Yoeman Hendrix
Mark Haddon	

Please contact Juanita Moore, Tribal Government Services Specialist at (405) 247-2425 ext. 134.

TERO Activity Report

January 1-March 31, 2013
Quarterly Report
By Edward Stephenson, Director

Completed Projects:

1. Classes were held on March 12, 2013 @ 10:00 for instructions on how to complete a job application and generate a resume.
2. March 27, 2013 we had our job fair which turned out to be very beneficial for those who were seeking employment.

Statistics for Job Fair:

- We had 120 participants that signed in and I did a head count on the ones that did not sign in and it totaled up to 40 which brought the head count to 160.
- There were 11 businesses that were present.
- At this point my follow up to who was hired by the businesses that was at the job fair totaled 12 people.

Complaints Received: Five

- Filed Cases: Two cases have been filed.
- One has been resolved (individual was reinstated at his job).
- Pending: Two cases are pending waiting for supplemental information before proceeding.

Online Applications:

The online applications are ready to be entered into the computer at the Multi-Purpose Building no later than May and will be available for anyone that is wanting to apply for employment. There will be some paper applications as well.

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Dates to Remember

3rd Annual American Indian Festival
Wichita, Kansas
July 13-14, 2013
Wichita/Pawnee Visitation
July 17, 2013
Annual General Council Meeting & Referendum Election
July 20, 2013
Wichita Annual Dance
August 15-18, 2013

Program Quarterly Reports

Food Distribution/AoA/Caregiver Programs

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Beth Parker, Director

Hello Everybody. The Food Distribution, Administration on Aging and Caregiver staff hope you are doing well. Below are the numbers reported for the second quarter, January - March 2013.

Food Distribution issued to 65 families in the month of January 2013. Out of the 65 families, 22 were Wichita Tribal members or descendants of the Wichita Tribe. In February, we issued to 58 households to which 17 were tribal households or descendants. March we had a total of 61 households with 19 being Wichita or descendants.

In the future, we are looking for ways to extend our program to include a food bank for individuals who may not qualify for the Food Distribution Program. There are a few times that an individual applies for the FDP, but may not meet the income guidelines. As we all know, it's becoming challenging to make it from payday to payday and with a little extra assistance, we hope to alleviate some of the stress a family may face on a weekly basis.

We are always open to ideas of how we can better serve our participants and tribal members. All ideas can be mailed to the following: Beth Parker, Director. PO Box 729, Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005.

As most of you are aware, I also oversee the Administration on Aging Program. During the months of January - March 2013, we had the following:

January 2013:
308 Congregate Meals
546 Home Delivered Meals
32 Recreation/Activities
19 Transports
20 Home Visits
130 Units of Outreach Information and Referrals

February 2013:
370 Congregate Meals
558 Home Delivered Meals
37 Recreation/Activities
10 Transports
10 Home Visits
130 Units of Information and Referrals

March 2013:
374 Congregate Meals
574 Home Delivered Meals
32 Recreation/Activities
21 Transports
14 Home Visits
65 Units of Outreach and Referrals

In the coming months we will be offering Chair Exercises at the AOA Center and we encourage everyone to come and participate. Flyers will be posted or you can call for more information and speak with either Beth Parker or Roxanne Coker.

If anyone would like o come to the center and provide some sort of activity, we are always open to suggestions.

Transportation
Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Jarrod Prince, Transportation Director

During the first quarter the Transportation Department has been evaluating potential county roads throughout the Wichita & Affiliated Tribes jurisdiction for possible future additions to the Indian Reservation Road Inventory. The department has been working on the required items needed to locate an additional road to the Indian Reservation Road Inventory such as: strip maps; legal descriptions; long range plan; ADT documentation; and route location by section, township, and range. We have also been working on the acknowledgement of public authority responsibility for the roads that may be added.

The Transportation Department has been collaborating with the Tribal Leaders, CDBG Director, and Maska Builders on the design and construction of the Wichita Travel Plaza, specifically the travel plaza's parking lot. The Wichita Travel Plaza will be located at 32107 U.S. Highway 281. The travel plaza project is the Wichita & Affiliated Tribes number one priority on the Transportation Improvement Plan. Another project on the horizon that the department is looking forward to is the overlay of the access road and parking lot areas located on the complex grounds at the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. If there are any questions regarding the 2% Transportation Planning Program, please contact Jarrod Prince at 405-247-2425 ext. 131.

Program Quarterly Reports

SDPI Program

Quarterly Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
By: Terri Anquoe, M.S. Coordinator

CLIENT SERVICES-

Transportation:	9
Diabetic Supplies:	44
Diabetes Education:	13
Nutrition Education:	25
Exercise Instruction:	9
Shoe Assistance:	6
Denture Assistance:	1

HEALTH EVENTS-

DIABETES ALERT DAY: 18
03/26/2013
WEAR RED DRESS DAY: 23
02/01/2013

PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS- 6

LIH Diabetes Team: 2
NYPD Coalition: 2
RIVERSIDE : 2

Our Special Diabetes Program FY 2013-14 continuation grant was submitted and reported to be well written with all component's submitted. Our statistics show progress with meeting objectives and measures. Availability of new grant funding is expected to be awarded June 2013!

Upcoming program activities are-

Diabetes Education Sessions
Health Programs Building
11:30am-1:00pm/May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2013

Employee Diabetes Awareness Presentation
Administration Building
9:00am-10:00am/May 21, 2013

Native Youth Preventing Diabetes Camp
June 10-14, 2013

Welcome Wichita tribal member Corey Reeder as the new Special Diabetes Program Assistant. With his expertise in customer service, sales & business management, combined with his knowledge of exercise & health, he is a great leader to clients as well as staff. Corey is a committed team member.

Juvenile Services Program

FY 2013 Quarterly Report
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Sofia Vaughn, Director

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Wichita Juvenile Services Program (JSP) is to provide preventive services to Wichita youth deemed "at risk" of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system by providing proactive case management and early intervention.

Program Update

JSP continues to advocate for enrolled Wichita youth involved with the juvenile justice system to include proactive advocacy with youth and families in the prevention of juvenile court involvement. JSP does not provide legal advice or payment of court costs or fees. JSP continues to participate with the Caddo County Graduated Sanctions program in prevention of a delinquency petition being filed and working with youth deemed at high risk of recidivism. During the first quarter of FY 2013 JSP has provided services to four tribal youth and their families which includes counseling for behavioral problems and mental health issues; financial assistance in prevention of separation of youth from family; and assisting youth in completion of Sanction requirements to include temporary court ordered detainment.

Projects

During this specific reporting period, JSP was not involved in any community activity; however, there are plans for a fall drug prevention campaign.

Conclusion

The Juvenile Services Program continues to assist Wichita enrolled youth and their families in becoming self-sufficient and productive community members by enabling them to stand on their own abilities and resources. It is the continued goal of JSP to promote the well being of at risk Wichita enrolled youth through proactive measures and maintaining involvement with OJA, school officials and other agencies.

Please make sure that you have your address updated! Mail to:
Wichita Tribe, Attn: Enrollment, P.O. Box 729, Anadarko, OK 73005

Program Quarterly Reports

CCDF Program

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Kathy Winters, CCDF Director

16 newly enrolled in the WCDC and Center is at capacity.

20 total staff at the WCDC.

CCDF provided child care assistance to 8 families each month for a total of $16,452.

Not including pay roll-CCDF and WCDC expenses were $42,319.29.

WCDC deposits from January –March were $54,159.36.

I would like the CCDF program to have an Early Care Child Development Center (WCDC) and a separate School Age Program. I think this is much needed in this community.

Expanding the CCDF program has been hindered due to space cost and possibly rental cost. The WCDC already receives payment for the shool age children. There would be new payments for any new children that would be enrolled in the program. Two new classrooms for infants and two's could be opened which would provide additonal income. I am anticipating an increase in the CCDF grant this October.

Improvements to the CCDF program are adjusting the sliding fee scale and increasing private pay to the State Rates.

PHN Program

Activity Summary
March 11-March 31, 2013

Below is the Public Health Nurse Activity for the March:

- 03 In Office Visits
- 01 Referrals,
- 15 Home visit's
- 10 Attempted Home Visit's,
- 04 Phone Contacts
- 01 Meeting
- Assisted with the Seat Belt Safety Checks at the Anadarko Public Schools, Ft. Sill Apache Health Fair and performed Blood Pressure Checks at the AOA every Wednesday from 11:30am to 1:00 pm.

Family & Children Services

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013

Family & Children Services Department provides various services through Indian Child Welfare (ICW), Promoting Safe & Stable Families (PSSF) and Child Welfare Services (CWS). We also have a Foster Care Program.

25 Wichita children were in State and/or Tribal custody from 13 families in various states: Colorado (2), Arizona (1) and Oklahoma (22); 14 court hearings were attended for these children, as well as pre-court/post court meetings, family team meetings, family counseling sessions and other services necessary, including home visits and court ordered supervised visits.

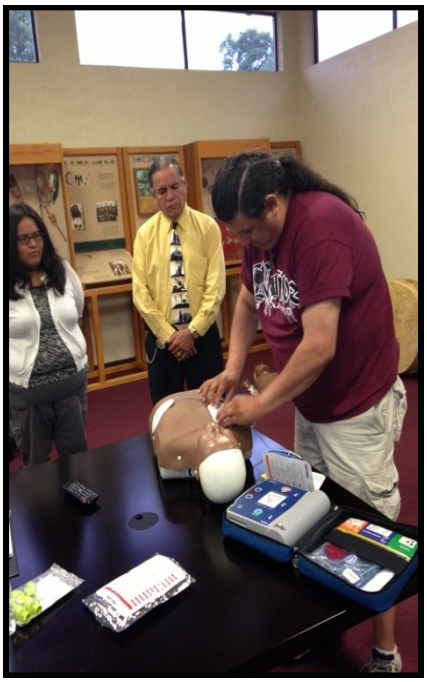
Preventive services for children who were at risk for abuse and/or neglect were provided to 5 families including 9 children through Promoting Safe & Stable Families with the goal of the children remaining in their homes.

Preventive and/or crisis assistance was provided to 6 families including 10 children through Child Welfare Services with the goal of stabilization to keep the families together.

Currently, 3 foster care homes are certified through the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. We continue to recruit for more homes because there is a desperate need.

AED Training

Tribal Employees recently recieved AED training. Pictured are Jamee Ware, Edward Stephenson and Jimmy Reeder. Thanks to Nasi Mandujano for setting this up for our tribal employees. AED's are located in the Administration Building and the Health Building here at the Wichita Tribal Complex.



EPA Programs

WDEP Water Program

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Jason Prince, EPA Director

The WDEP Water Program 106 has been monitoring the following locations: Sugar Creek (2 locations), Five Mile Creek, and the Washita River (2 locations). During the months of October, November, December, January, February and March, the sites were assessed for quality assurance and were found to be within guidelines described in the WDEP (QAPP) Quality Assurance Project Plan and uploaded to the EPA's data service WQX.

During this quarter, Craig Watkins, WDEP Water Coordinator, attended the EPA Region 6 Tribal Environmental Coalition in Oklahoma Meetings on January 15th and March 19th, 2013 at the Sac and Fox Learning Center in Stroud, Ok. The meetings gave more insight on building and maintaining watersheds for eroding riverbeds and creeks. The WDEP held a water education and outreach presentation at the Caddo Head Start on February 27th to present the aspects of the WDEP's Water Program and present sources of water found on tribal lands and the beneficial uses they serve. In total 40 students attended. On March 8th, the WDEP Water Program assisted the Delaware Nation and other organizations for their annual Clean Sweep Event. On March 26th, the WDEP Water Program went to the Wichita Housing Program to solicit environmental information from the employees.

Wichita Travel Plaza Construction
05/28/2013

Last week 2 tribal members were put to work on the construction site through the TERO Program. Thanks to Edward Stephenson, TERO Director.

WDEP GAP Program

Activity Summary
January 1-March 31, 2013
By Jason Prince, EPA Director

The WDEP General Assistance Program (GAP) has found 5 illegal dumpsites on Wichita Tribal Lands which were GPS and GIS then was uploaded to the IHS Database during the month of January.

Lonnie Standing GAP Technician attended 7 meetings in the first 2 quarters of the grant year they were 2 (TECO) Tribal Environmental Coalition in Oklahoma on January 15th and March 19th, 2013 at the Sac and Fox Learning Center in Stroud, Ok., 2 (RTOC) Regional Tribal Operations Committee on December 12th and February 1st Dallas, TX and Fort Sill Apache Casino, 2 (WOTEC) Western Oklahoma Tribal Operations Coalition meetings on November 29th and February 1st at the Fort Sill Apache Tribal Casino and Apache Tribal Complex, 1 Annual Tribal Environmental Summit on December13th and 14th Held in Dallas, TX.

WDEP GAP also had some activities which included 2 presentations one to the elders in the AOA Building and to the children in Caddo head start. WDEP GAP also solicits environmental information from the employees and from the elders of the Wichita Tribe.

WDEP GAP also did some outreach by posting flyers, handing out pamphlets and used the Anadarko Dailey News Paper to let the Wichita people know about the events WDEP is having. WDEP GAP Program assisted the Delaware Nation and other organizations for their annual Clean Sweep Event. On March 26th WDEP were able to help clean the streets of Anadarko.

Craig Watkins and Lonnie Standing, EPA employees, assisted other Tribes with cleaning up the Hall of Fame in Anadarko in March.