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President's Report

Well we are ending a fiscal year. We finished the budget for FY-2014. There are a lot of things we have worked on and a lot of things that we still need to do. You will find our quarterly report for all of our meetings in this edition. As always, I will speak on a few topics and the rest of the newsletter will let you know what else we have been doing.

FY-2014 Budget

The FY-2014 Budget was approved by the Wichita Executive Committee on Thursday, September 26, 2013. You will find a copy of the approved budget on page 7. Eyeglass assistance and Special Medications have been increased. Education assistance has been increased beginning in the Fall of 2014 for which funding starts in August of 2014. Children in middle school and high school can receive summer school assistance if needed. There are new restrictions on hotel assistance so that someone claiming to be homeless must go to a shelter if available. We want to focus more on long term assistance for the homeless rather than just a hotel for a few nights. Children's Clothing and Elder Assistance Payments will be available again for FY-2014. In the next newsletter we will publish some of the guidelines so that you will know when you may apply for these programs. Elders will be prior to the first of the year and Children's Clothing will be next summer. Make sure you get your receipts in.

Financials Ending 09/30/2013

The Committee discussed a council meeting in October to go over the budget and financials. After discussing the need to disclose financial information to the membership, the Committee all agreed to publish the budget and the financials in the newsletter so that all of the tribal membership would have the information rather than just a few at a meeting. The financials ending 09/30/2013 will be in the October 2013 newsletter.

Wichita Travel Plaza

We had hoped to have information regarding the Grand Opening of the Wichita Travel Plaza in this newsletter. The building will basically be done on October 1, 2013. We go through the punchlist on October 2, 2013. The contractor will fix anything that needs to be corrected. The Tribe will then turn the Wichita Travel Plaza over to the WTIDC to operate. The WTIDC has opened accounts, hired a consultant, worked on getting the phone line and surveillance in, conducted interviews and approved additional vendor contracts. Please watch the website, Anadarko Daily News, Facebook page for the grand opening information as it will be before the next newsletter. We will also send out the information via email once we have a concrete date. In the next newsletter we will recognize all of those who contributed to getting this long awaited project going.

Conclusion

I hope you find the newsletter informative on the issues we deal with. We hope to have a better update on the casino event center and expansion next month. The decisions we make aren't always easy to make. As always, keep us in your prayers

Wichita Executive Committee Report-#1

Wichita Executive Committee
Activity Summary
July 1-September 30, 2013

Please note that this is just to give you a summary of the various issues discussed by the Committee and in some cases the things approved. This is not all inclusive but it is being provided to you to give you an idea of the various things that come before the Committee. Listed are the main topics with brief listings of things discussed.

07/02/2013-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator-Sam Caruso-WCDC Merchant Services Agreement, Portable Building-Back Porch, DOE Grant, WDEP documents for review, approval to renew insurance policy for property/package, Special Diabetes Program assistance for client.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Hotel, Tobacco Compact, WCD Issues, Trust Applications, SSA, Lending Firm, Legal Fees, Land Exchange issues, Wright properties and HSDW work. Approval of Resolution WT-13-107 waiving appraisals for land exchange between WCD Tribes.
- Referendum Election-July 20, 2013, Selection of Election Officials & Compensation-Approved counters, polling place workers and compensation.
- Annual General Council Meeting-Meal, Security, etc.-Security approved in previous discussion and discussion on meal.
- Discussion on FY-2014 Budget-Discussion on internships, education, grant writer, children's clothing and consolidation of budget into one sheet. Request for list of salaries.

07/08/2013-Regular Meeting

- Minutes-Tabled
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP Report-Executive Session-Trust Applications, Tobacco Compact Arbitrators, Hearing on July 16, 2013, Land Exchange, Hotel, Sugar Creek Casino, PowerPoint for Council Meeting, Wichita Tax Commission.
- Wichita Tax Commission Report-Gary McAdams-Executive Session, insurance, financials and Oil and Gas Severance Tax expected collections.
- Sugar Creek Casino Report-Glen Coleman-Free Play, interior renovations cost, bank loan, MICS, event center rendering, carpet, inventory, cage fights and Wichita Gaming Commission.
- Tribal Administrator-Sam Caruso-GAP/Water Program, tribal credit card, salary report, Social Services Director -concurrence to hire Tiffany Lonewolf, employee grievance, foster care and reports for ICW/WDEP and TERO.
- Finley & Cook Report-Becky Carter-3 bids for Indirect Cost Proposal, FY-2014 Budget, TSSF reconstruction of payments, land projects earmarked, Indirect Cost, recorder for Secretary, Social Services food needs for clients,
- Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission-Mr. Jones left meeting as WEC to WTIDC, WTE, Maska, City Manager, Travel Plaza and Wichita Housing.
- Old Business-Approved Resolution WT-13-108 transferring funds for Wichita Travel Plaza,
- New Business-No New Business was discussed.

07/16/2013-Special Meeting

- Minutes-No Minutes
- Tribal Administrator-Sam Caruso-Employee Hearing, Approved adding T.A. and Accounting Liaison to tribal credit card, selection of Arledge & Associates for Indirect Cost Proposal, fitness center, compensation for B.P. and J.P. to assist with ballots for referendum election, approval of policy for employee participation in Annual Dance, employee appreciation day and approved paying insurance quarterly.
- Finley & Cook, PLLP-Becky Carter-capital improvements, land acquisitions, PowerPoint for council meeting and motor fuels tax.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Court Hearing held 07/16/13, Trust Applications, WCD Land Exchange, Tobacco Compact Arbitration, Smoke Shop, Tuition Express Contract for WCDC, NDA, Federal Charter Appeal, SBA, Travel Plaza and Liquor Ordinance and land. Approved posting complaint, motion to dismiss and order for Court Hearing on website.
- Review of Sample Ballots for 2013 Referendum Election-Approved printing of ballots with correction.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Tabled Performance Evaluation for Manager, approved education requirements for employees, WADC, financials, approved IGS to review financials and discussion on security assessment.
- Resolution WT-13-109-4th Quarter Funding-Tribally Funded Programs-Approved Resolution for 4th Quarter funding.

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- Resolution WT-13-110-Community Services Budget for FY-2013 to Include Children's Clothing for FY-2013-Approved Resolution WT-13-110 funding for Children's Clothing.
- Old Business–Gilcrease Museum-approved letter of support, approved Resolution WT-13-111-confirming authorization to sign Right-of-Easement for WTP and Dance Building RFQ-tabled.
- New Business-Denied ad request by Carnegie Herold, approved education request, information provided on IHP, approved TSSF request, consensus for someone besides WTC chair to give annual report, approval for donation for Visitation.

07/23/2013-Special Meeting

- Enrollment-WT-13-112-Approved 12 applicants.
- Wichita Tax Commission-4th Quarter Funding Release -Resolution WT-13-113-Approved resolution.
- Plan for Things to Do Before September 30, 2013-FY-2014 Budget, Procurement Manual, Security Training, Financials Review, Dance Building Bids, waterline for WTP, feasibility study, EPA approvals, American Indian Expo, Gaming Oversight Board, Section 125 Plan, land exchange, sweep accounts, security pledge-WTC accounts, WCDC Tuition Express contract, tribal lending, federal charter, liquor ordinance, WGC-check drop amounts, SCC-survey for employees, DOE grant closeout, HUD grant closeout, purchase recorder, Minutes, SSA, WTSC &WCD issues, SCC Event Center & Hotel, information for D. Leonard, information on bids for hotel for S. Wilson, 4% COLA increase, TSSF Guidelines for FY-2014, purchase PA system, tribal member follow up and Rock Springs Church Youth Group Donation.
- Plan for Things to Do in FY-2014-Land purchases, land exchange for WCD, expanding Annual Dance, election ordinance, a hotel and event center, scholarships, Wichita History Grant resubmission, federal charter, liquor ordinance amendment and law enforcement code along with other things.
- Old Business-Tabled performance review of GM for SCC, EPA information for review, SSA, WTSC and WCD issues.
- New Business-Approved F&C invoices, approved education assistance request by Terri Parton for same assistance given to other tribal members for Masters Program, approved VYPE magazine ad.

08/13/2013-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator Update-Sam Caruso-resignation of TA submitted 08/05/13, discussion on ICW travel issue, advertisement for TA, ICDBG grant closeouts, DOE grant closeout, approval for Moore Electric bid for heat and air unit for DOE grant, insurance claim on vehicles outstanding, TSSF client payments, FDPIR waiver, portable building bid notice, approved purchase of recorder, payroll issue and bill from F&C, approved Water QAPP and GAP QAPP, tabled hiring Communications Manager until new TA is hired, Wichita Child Development Center-complaints, payments and rates, tabled star rating, approved changing front door locks for resignation of TA, server and discussion on appointment of Acting TA.
- Minutes-Approved Minutes.
- Old Business-Approved donation to Rock Springs Youth Group, approved RFQ and $300,000 amount for Dance Building, tabled decision on old outside restrooms, approved disposition of records S.W. Bell, old check copies over 35 years old and old phone logs, tabled approval of the Records and Information Manual, approved meeting with the Dance Committee for accounting funds for 2013 dance, Sugar Creek Casino financials review update, Security Assessment information, tabled tribal member request, Wichita Travel Plaza discussion, future funding for Children's Shelter, Wichita History Center not funded for FY-2013 and SCC HR.
- New Business-Review of WGC financials, approved Resolution WT-13-114 releasing WGC 4th quarter funding, approved Resolution WT-13-115 releasing funding for Indirect Cost, approved HSDW invoices, approved Finley & cook invoices, approved burial assistance request, tabled tribal member request, approved travel for all WEC members for NCAI in Tulsa, approved travel and hotel for tribal princess for NCAI, approved joint claim with Pawnee Nation regarding repatriation, denied requests from OKC schools and Tulsa Shock and tabled Social Service request for cards.

08/14/2013-Special Meeting

- Enrollment-Resolution WT-13-116-Approved 7 applicants.
- Education-Resolution to Use Current Motor Fuels Funds for Fall Funding-WT-13-117-Tabled to get more information.

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- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Discussion included Liquor Ordinance, Travel Plaza LLC, Tuition Express Agreement, Federal Charter, WCD Land Exchange Appeal, WCD issues, Trust Applications, Tobacco Compact, Solid Waste Codes, IRS issue, BM and bank loan.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Glen Coleman-Bank loan, IRS issue update, approved transferring escrow funds for Wright properties back to SCC, cage fight issues, complimentary items, power pole construction, NOC's and IHS Audit, F&B Policies, alcohol policy, security assessment draft discussion, Cleet security training at SCC, G2E, casino openings, shuttle schedule, event evaluations, evaluation update to GM for tabled evaluation, Smoke Shop and shuttle pick up at C-store.
- Old Business-Approved appointing Gary McAdams as Acting Tribal Administrator, approval of use of funds for storm shelter and discussion on ICW travel issue.

08/20/2013-Special Meeting

- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Discussion was held on SBA, Tuition Express, BMI, Federal Charter, WCD Land Exchange, Trust Applications, Tobacco Compact, Federal Employee Tax Handbook, Gaming Ordinance-Complimentary Items, One Touch Bingo Comments for NIGC, Solid Waste Code and bank loan. Approved for WTIDC to move towards actions to meet with SBA as previously agreed upon by WTIDC and WEC in April, approved Solid Waste by Resolution WT-13-118, approved submission of One Touch Bingo consultation comments to NIGC.
- Old Business-Approved CDARS renewal, approved letter to AB&T to remove former TA from lock box for server back up, approved the President to sign MOU with City of Anadarko and IHS for wastewater treatment facility, approved permanent bar of C. Holder from SCC, approved resolution WT-13-117 tabled from last meeting for use of Motor Fuel funds for Fall funding, random drug tests and SSA, WTSC and WCD issues.
- New Business-SCC financials review, W/C issue at SCC, Tribal Administrator interviews information, approved purchase of 105 Expo carnival bracelets by CSBG and ICW, security at next years dance for playground, approved for President to be in Expo parade if she chooses since the Tribe is not participating, denied request for Expo Archery Contest, tabled Little League request, information on USDA consultation and approved DFV/TSSF request.

08/27/2013-Special Meeting

- Finley & Cook-Becky Carter-Bank investments, review of July financials, approved FY-2014 audit proposal by Bledsoe & Associates, discussion on HUD LOCCS system, approved wiring funds back to HUD, SCC future construction loan and coding issues.
- Tribal Administrator Update-Gary McAdams, Acting-Approved leaving unused Cultural Program funds in WADC account for future cultural activities for WADC, discussion on Transportation Priority List, approval for Acting TA salary, information on white maintenance truck cracked block, corrective action plan for BIA, budget justifications and heat and air update for DOE grant.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Discussion was held on BMI, Tuition Express, IRS, Federal Charter, WCD Land Exchange, Trust Applications, Tobacco Compact, Solid Waste Code bill, lending, SBA, VGT and bank loan.
- Enrollment-Resolution WT-13-119-Approved 12 applicants.
- Tribal Member Requests-Approved sponsorship for Little League Football, approved request for incarcerated member through TSSF Program as allowed and approved disposition and donation of old air conditioner.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Denied travel for Security employee at SCC, discussion on surveillance system, update on VGT, discussion on F&B manager, employee holidays and profit margin for F&B.
- Old Business-Update on VYPE ad, update regarding SSA, update on waterline for WTP, approval of donation for Little League Cheerleading and TA interview discussion.
- New Business-Approved purchase of Warrior Yearbook Ad, approved purchase of Football Program ad, update on IHP for housing, discussion on Expo, WADC and WGC and approval for assistance from TSSF.

09/03/2013-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator, Charles Tippeconnic-Executive Session-Personnel.
- American Indian Exposition-Tara Tartsah, Director, was present and explained the Expo will go by Constitution and add more to the carnival next year.
- Wichita Annual Dance Committee-Discussion on carnival, expanding dance, security for playground, food vendors, water for dance ground improving raffles and feeding something other than hot dogs on Thursday.

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- Wichita Gaming Commission-All but one WGC Commissioners present. Discussion on surveillance bid.
- Minutes-Approved
- Old Business-No Old Business was discussed.
- New Business-Tabled Wichita Travel Plaza-window security cover and tabled action regarding TA until discussions are held.

09/05/2013-Special Meeting

- Executive Session-Casino Projects & Legal Updates with Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP and Glen Coleman, General Manager-Discussion was held on hotel, event center, casino expansion, VGT reimbursement, architectural agreements, anniversary for casino, Tobacco Compact, WTE and Land Exchange, The Committee will move forward with expansion and event center. Approval of retainer for arbitrator for Tobacco Compact.
- Executive Session-Personnel Issues-Discussion.
- Approval of Surplus Sale on September 20, 2013-Approved.

09/10/2013-Special Meeting

- Executive Session-Personnel Issue-Discussion.
- Tribal Administrator Update-Charles Tippeconnic-Approved cash match for Food Distribution Resolution WT-13-122, approved tribal employee request, discussion on corrective action plan for BIA, DOE closeout and ICDBG grants.
- Old Business-Authorization for President to send draft response to Caddo Nation, authorization for President to sign IDC Negotiation Agreement for FY-2013, approved Resolution WT-13-120 authorizing F&C representative for drawdowns and authorization for the President to sign MOU with USACE regarding Spiro Mounds.
- New Business-Approved HSDW invoices, authorization for President to sign Texas Department of Transportation Programmatic Agreement, approved Resolution WT-13-121 appointing Rachel Crawford to WTIDC and denied membership fees to UINOKT but authorized President to pay individual fee.

09/17/2013-Special Meeting

- **Tribal Administrator Update**-Executive Session-Personnel Issues, approved PD for Health Programs Transporter, discussion on office space for Communications manager position, records position, FY-2014 budgets, foster care review board stipends, discussion on Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual and Records Manual and discussion on copier purchase.
- Resolution Approvals-Approved Resolution WT-13-123 Johnson O'Malley Contract renewal, approved WT-13-124 for Enrollment adding 11, approved Resolution WT -13-125 adding TA to credit card, tabled Resolution WT -13-126 for Records and Information Management Manual, tabled Resolution WT-13-127 for Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual and approved Resolution WT-13-128 for farming and grazing lease from AIPRA land.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Glen Coleman-F&C Audit discussion, electric key system, hold percentages, player tracking, IHS audit, sever sign in, surveillance, depreciation, budget for FY-2014 and event center & casino expansion.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Discussion was held on bank loan, event center, Trust Applications, WCD Land Exchange, Federal Charter, Tobacco Compact Arbitration, WTE, Tuition Express, SSA and WCD issue.
- Old Business-Info on VYPE magazine ad and consensus to move quarterly meeting due to conflict with NCAI travel during the week of October 14, 2013.
- New Business-No New Business was discussed.

09/24/2013-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator Update-Consensus to work on Columbus Day per Policies and Procedures, consensus for Special Diabetes use of seal on IHS diabetes project, approved 4% COLA for FY-2014, discussion on FY-2014 tribally funded programs budgets, approval to invoice WTC for space, utilities etc. in lieu of IDC, authorized Merit increases, discussion on WEC increases and approved increase to Tribal President salary to be included in FY-2014 budget.
- Minutes-Approved.
- Resolutions for Approval-Approved Resolution WT-13-126 for the Records and Information Manual tabled on 09/17/13, approved Resolution WT-13-127 for the Procurement Policies and Procedures tabled on 09/17/13, approved Resolution WT-13-129 for the Transportation Priority List for FY-2014, approved Resolution WT-13-130 increasing the Burial Assistance budget line item for FY-2013 due to more than expected deaths for FY-

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- Continued from Page 4-2013, approved Resolution WT -13-131 increasing the Legal Fees line item for FY-2013, approved Resolution WT-13-132 authorizing President to sign Child Care Provider Contract and approved Resolution WT-13-133 authorizing the purchase of a copier.
- Tabled-Commission Budgets for FY-2013, Old Business and New Business. Discussed TSSF request.

09/26/2013-Special Meeting

- Tabled Items from the 09/24/2013 Meeting-Discussion on WTC, WTSC and WGC budgets, tabled SCC-GM evaluation, approved FY-2014 SCC budget and approved HSDW invoices.
- Approval of Resolution WT-13-134-for the FY-2014 General Fund Consolidated Budget –After lengthy discussion and addressing concerns regarding the budget, the WEC approved the FY-2014 budget in the amount of $3,728,053 with salary and stipend increase effective October 1, 2013.
- Enrollment Resolution WT-13-135-Approved 2 applicants.

Wichita Executive Committee Meetings and Compensation

Meetings:

- 13 Special Meetings-July 1-September 30, 2013
- 1 Regular Meeting-July 8, 2013-In accordance with Governing Resolution.
- 1-General Council Meeting-July 20 , 2013

Compensation for Meetings for Elected Officials:

- Committee Members are compensated $100 per meeting. President is compensated $100 if meeting is after 5:00. Most meetings are after 5:00. Many Committee Members work outside of being Committee Members which is common with other tribes. Many meetings last 5, 6 or more hours. Regular Meetings will run close to 10 hours. Changes October 1, 2013 to $300 as approved 09/26/2013 with FY-14 Budget.
- Wichita Gaming Oversight Subcommittee-March 5, 2013, WEC voted to dissolve the WGOSC and the WEC will meet directly with manager.
- President's salary is $39,478.40. On average 55-60 per week. Changes October 1, 2013 to $52,000 as approved 09/26/2013 with FY-14 Budget.
- Old Business-Tribal Member Complaint
- New Business-Human Resources position at SCC, approval to dispose of old HIP and tribal funded program applications from 1980's, invoices and payment vouchers from early 1990's, and misc. documents, discussion on sod for Wichita Travel Plaza and discussion whether to hold council meeting or publish budget and financials. The Committee agreed to publish the budget and financials in the newsletter in lieu of a council meeting so that all tribal members will have the information.

President Additional Meetings

Quarter-July 1 to September 30, 2013. The number in front represents the number of meetings.

- 1-OIGA –08/13/2013 & 08/14/2013
- 1-Delaware Tribe-Gaming Commission-09/09/2013
- 1-Inter-Tribal Health Board Meeting-07/11/2013, 08/22/2013 (No quorum but listened to reports), 09/05/2013 (Went to Lawton but no quorum), 09/19/2013 (Cancelled)
- 1-NIGC Consultation-08/15/2013
- 1-UINOKT-07/29/2013 and 09/16/2013 Annual Convention
- 1-USDA Consultation-08/29/2013
- 1-Texas Department of Transportation-08/20/2013 ODOT also present.
- 1-Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Behavioral Health Summit-08/23/2013
- 1-SBA-Washington, DC-09/12/2013
- 1-WCD-07/31/2013, 08/15/2013
- 1-Court Hearing-Complaint Filed by Tribal Members
- 1-BIA Superintendent-Tribal Member Issue-09/13/2013
- 1-Fit Kids-With Health Department-09/23/2013
- 1-HUD-09/26/2013
- 3-Wichita Travel Plaza Meetings with MASKA-08/06/2013, 09/11/2013
- 1-Staff Meeting-Introduce New TA-09/03/2013
- 1-SCC Security Training-07/12/2013 & 08/26/2013
- 1-SCC Security Assessment-Exit Meeting-07/12/2013
- 1-SmokeShop-Meeting with Smoke Shop Manager and WTC Administrator-07/12/2013
- 1-SCC Follow Up for IHS Audit-08/26/2013

Other Events & Training Representing Tribe:

- 1-Annual American Indian Festival
- Pawnee-Wichita Visitation

FY-2014 Budget Approved 09/26/2013

General Fund Consolidated Budget
All Funding Sources
FY-2014

Presented to the Wichita Executive Committee for Approval on 09/26/2013
Approved by the Wichita Executive Committe 09/26/2013 by Resolution WT-13-134

Note: All figures are taken from the budgets and rounded to the nearest dollar.

Casino Revenue Funds		
Tribal Government Budget	$	250,000.00
Burial Assistance	$	90,505.00
Legal Fees	$	300,000.00
Indirect Cost Budget Supplement	$	600,000.00
Cultural/Language Program	$	114,390.00
Insurance-Health & Dental	$	131,100.00
Newsletter	$	88,510.00
Donations-Tribal Cultural Activities	$	20,000.00
Wichita Travel Center-Closeout	$	260,465.00
Cemetery/Mowing/Brush Hogging	$	78,853.00
Tribal Funded-Social Services	$	207,812.00
Tribal Funded-ICW	$	157,885.00
Tribal Funded-Food Distribution	$	42,517.00
Tribal Funded-Family Violence Program	$	30,133.00
Tribal Funded-Education	$	155,000.00
Tribal Funded-EPA Water- Match	$	3,421.00
Wichita Gaming Commission-Suppleme	$	100,000.00
Wichita Tribe Sports Commission-Suppl	$	15,738.00
Dance Building	$	300,000.00
Total Casino Revenue Funds	**$**	**2,946,329.00**

Tax Commission		
Tax Commission FY-14 Budget	$	192,639.00
Program Development FY-2014		
Security Officer	$	125,000.00
Cultural-Dance Ground Renovation	$	75,000.00
Internships	$	25,000.00
Reserved for Other Prog. Dev.	$	100,000.00
Total Tax Commission	**$**	**392,639.00**

Wicihita Tribal Gift Shop	**$**	**6,235.00**

Motor Fuels		
Education		
Scholarships	$	47,500.00
Incentives for Children/Grades	$	5,000.00
Cap/Gown	$	500.00
ACT Fees	$	500.00
Total-Education	$	53,500.00
Health Programs		
Eyeglass Assistance	$	12,000.00
Special Medications	$	5,000.00
Dentures	$	2,600.00
Partials	$	2,500.00
Diabetic Shoes	$	1,500.00
Hearing Aids	$	1,500.00
Nutritional Supplements	$	500.00
Health Services-Reserved	$	8,000.00
Total-Health Programs	$	33,600.00
Roads Reserved	$	10,000.00
Total Motor Fuels	**$**	**97,100.00**

WTIDC Distribution from AI-20% to Tribe		
Community Services		
Elders Assistance Payment	$	119,000.00
Children's Clothing Assistance	$	155,250.00
Donations/Sponsorships	$	10,000.00
Employee Christmas Party	$	1,500.00
Total WTIDC/AI Distribution	**$**	**285,750.00**

Total Budget for FY-2014	**$**	**3,728,053.00**

Reserved		
Economic Dev./Land	$	3,000,000.00

Tribal Administrator Introduction

Tribal Administrator
Charles Tippeconnic

Greetings, my name is Charles Tippeconnic and on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, I began working as the Tribal Administrator of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. It is an honor to have been selected to serve in this position and to work for a tribe that is growing in such a positive direction. The opportunities for continued growth of existing tribal programs and creating new programs to serve the needs of the tribe will be my primary focus.

A major emphasis will also be placed on providing exemplary customer service for all tribal members and the local community. Each and every employee of the tribal government including myself will be expected to provide program services and activities in a manner that is respectful to those that are requesting and receiving assistance.

I encourage all tribal members to visit the tribal complex and become more familiar with current programs and services that are available. Please use the tribal website at www.wichitatribe.com to view the listing of each program and a detailed description of activities and services that are being offered. I am willing to meet and visit with you at any time and discuss how we can work together to promote positive change and continued growth for the tribe. I can always be reached by telephone at (405) 247-8602 or by e-mail at charles.tippeconnic@wichitatribe.com.

Miss the Annual Meeting?

If you missed the 2013 Annual General Council Meeting and would like the information that was handed out, you may pick up the information at the Administration Building or send an email with your name and address to newsletter@wichitatribe.com. The handouts include:

President's Report
Tribal Administrator Report
Financial Reporting Package as of June 2013
Proposed FY-2014 Budget
Minutes from July 21, 2012 Council Meeting
WTIDC Information and Report
Wichita Gaming Commission Report
Sugar Creek Casino Flyers
Wichita Tax Commission Report
Wichita Housing Authority Report
Wichita Tribe Sports Commission Report

Tribal Offices Closed

November 11, 2013, Veteran's Day
November 28 & 29, 2013 Thanksgiving

Tribal Administration-Old Photo Display

If you get a chance to stop by the Tribal Complex, then please check out the display case in the Tribal Administration Building. There are pictures of Camp Creek, tribal princesses, old dances. Someone found a picture of their grandfather the other day that did not have a picture of him so he enjoyed the display.

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 adherence 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 October 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.

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

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Re-Advertisement: The Wichita & Affiliated Tribes has an opening for a ***Communications Manager***. Individual will work under the direction of the Tribal Administrator and will oversee the day to day direction and strategic management of the Tribe's web presence and Tribal newsletter. **Duties:** Individual will be responsible for monitoring, developing and maintaining the Tribe's website, and will also be responsible for preparing the Tribal newsletter for production and distribution. Individual will prepare Tribal marketing materials including flyers, pamphlets, and other items intended for public distribution. **Qualifications:** Must possess a Bachelor's Degree in related field, preference will be given to candidates with a Master's Degree and/or experience in a digital agency environment; Preferred knowledge in various web design tools and software; Strong project management experience and high level of accuracy and attention to detail preferred. 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 October 11, 2013 @ 5 p.m.** Indian Preference applies. **Previous Applicants Need Not Re-apply.**

Commissioner Vacancy

The following Commission currently has one vacancy:

Wichita Housing Authority

If you are interested in serving on this Commission then please submit a cover letter, and resume, no later than October 31, 2013 to:

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

Commissioner Vacancy

The following Commission currently has one vacancy:

Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission

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Weight-To-Go Winners

WEIGHT-TO-GO
Winners

Last month there was an article about the Weight-To-Go and the winners were listed. I had asked for pictures. Ms. Terri Anquoe had emailed those but they did not make the newsletter. We wanted to make sure that our tribal employee winners were recognized along with the those that participated.

Participants who completed the program received a t-shirt and were served a healthy lunch at the conclusion of the 7-week activity. Data collected revealed the total weight loss by the entire Challenge Group was 71 POUNDS!
Overall winners were:

1st place,Juanita (Nee-Kaye) Moore
$415.00/highest BF% lost
Pictured Top Right: Fran Harrison, Corey Reeder, Juanita Moore and Terri Anquoe.

2nd place,Brandi Dobson
Nike running shoes/highest points scored
Pictured Top Right: Terri Anquoe, Brandi Dobson and Corey Reeder.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!

Thanks to all of the Employees who participated below.

Juvenile Services-Anti Bullying Event

Juvenile Services Report
By Sofia Vaughn, Director

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Juvenile Services Program will be hosting the 2013 Fall Break Anti-Bullying campaign which will kick-off other events hosted by other community agencies during the month of October. Rezheadz, a Native American owned and operated motivational organization will be guests at the event scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2013 at the Iscani Gym in Anadarko. The event will not only feature speakers but a concert will be performed. The doors will open at 9:00am with the event beginning at 10:00am. Lunch will be provided and there will be door prizes awarded.

Jason "Smoke" Nichols and Melissa "MiMi" Nichols are a married couple who established Rezheadz in 2009 as an educational entertainment company. They tragically lost their daughter to bullying five years ago. Jason, who goes by the professional name "Smoke", became the first Native Hip Hop artist to reach the "Top 10 Charts" internationally. He inspires with humor and clarity as well as a practical example for positive action. He inspires youth to harness their full potential without bowing to peer pressure. Melissa is one of today's premiere Native American female motivational speakers, inspiring healthy choices.

This event is open to all students and parents as well as those interested in becoming more aware of the negative impact of bullying and its prevention.

Social Services Report

Social Services Report
By Tiffany Lonewolf, Director

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Social Services and Indian Child Welfare Program will be participating in the Take a Stand, Lend a Hand Against Bullying 6K & 3K Walk, held by the Anadarko Agency Recreation Association. The event is going to be held at the Anadarko Agency Parking lot, HWY 281 & Parker McKenzie Drive at October 19, 2013 at 6:30am. Social Services and Indian Child Welfare will have a booth with program information available, treats for the child and popcorn for everyone. We hope to see you there!

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Social Services will be participating in the 2013 Fall Break Anti-Bullying Campaign being held by The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Juvenile Services Program. The event is going to be held at the Iscani Gym (behind Wal-Mart) Anadarko, OK., on October 17, 2013, from 10:00am-2:00pm. Social Services will have a booth with program information available. We hope to see you there!

Wichita's Doing Great Things

Crystal Johnson Takes Photo with Tulsa Quarterback Dane Evans After OU Game

On September 14, 2013, the Tulsa Golden Hurricanes played OU in Norman, Oklahoma. Tribal member, Crystal Johnson was able to snap a picture with Tulsa Golden Hurricanes Quarterback Dane Evans who happens to be Wichita. Crystal also got his autograph. Dane wears jersey #9. Dane is Wichita but not eligible for enrollment. He is the son of Damon and Kathy Evans, the grandson of Peggy and Steve Evans and the great grandson of Doris McLemore. Dane was very happy to meet up with a fellow Wichita. His dad Damon is also in the picture. Next time you see Tulsa Golden Hurricanes football on television make sure you look out for #9.

Photos provided by Crystal Johnson and Peter Belgarde.

Wichita Young Men's Society

Cassandra McAdams, Organization Leader for the Wichita Little Sisters, is holding meetings every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Wichita Tribal Complex portable building. Parents of Wichita boys interested in learning our culture are encouraged to attend. You may contact Cassandra at (405) 638-1817 for more information about the meetings. Below are pictures of the boys learning to drum at the meeting on Wednesday, September 25, 2013.

Pictured: Jimmy Reeder, Brenton Chaddlesone, Joshua Brown, Gary McAdams, James Marquez, Kevin Marquez, Paul Tointigh and Kody McAdams. Also pictured in the background Paul Tointigh's family member, Evelyn Gonzalez-Reyes, Jauna Chaddlesone. Cassandra McAdams and Christy Marquez were also present.

The Pawnee- Wichita Visitation 2013: Continuing An Ancient Tradition

In May of this year a contingent of the Wichita Little Sisters, their Director Cassandra McAdams and their mothers, President Parton, my daughter Micah and I attended the Kitkehaki Dance Ceremony in Pawnee. The dance is similar to the Tail Dance but with rituals involving the wi?i:khi:?ic (pipe) , wi? i:k?a (tobacco), te:ss (corn) hinnih (and) te:ya:h (cedar). It begins with a traditional feast where the food is placed on the ground and served by young men who carry the food around the arena and dish it out to the seated participants. Of course, the meal is preceded by a ritual prayer which includes a food offering to Kinnike:sas (God) and Mother Earth. The whole of it, the feast, the dance, the prayers using the food and the pipe and the cedar smoking is conducted as a supplication to God in thankfulness for blessings received and a plea for God to continue to take pity on us.

It was in this setting that I met and conferred with the Pawnee Tobacco Man, William Howell, to set the date (July 17th) for the visitation which the "Awa:hi:h" (Pawnees) call the ko:skaha:rah. Ha:wah (again), we embarked on another leg of a centuries long journey.

On July 17th I went to the danceground about 7:00 am. Facing the east in the center of the arena, I said a prayer. When praying at this time, one tries to remember to say certain things. Mainly you ask God to take pity on our doings and to make a way for us. Being human and prone to missteps, I forgot to apologize to the animals, who make use of the camping area, for displacing them and to ask them to go away for awhile and not bother us while we camped. Alas, during the second week of the encampment, one of our visitors was bit by a snake. While it turned out not to be too serious, I wondered if my lapse in memory had set this in motion. After the prayer I cleansed the whole area with sage smoke.

About 2:00 pm I clocked out from work and went to sit under the dance arena arbor to await the arrival of the Pawnees. A little before 3:00 pm, a gentle rain began to fall; it was more like a heavy sprinkle. Soon thereafter, Bill Howell, his wife Clementine and their granddaughter Sara pulled up. Bill came over and said he had brought me the gift that the Pawnee men had prepared the previous Sunday. After he had described what they had done and who had participated he gave me the tobacco pouch. I accepted it and thanked him. We shook hands and I told him that everyone had been looking forward to their arrival and that we had been preparing the grounds and getting ready to take care of them. Bill then went to tell the folks who were waiting to be told that the tobacco had been accepted and that they were welcome to come set up their camps. On this first day, camps representing Steve Moore (the Tobacco Man's Second), Matt Reed (Second Chief of the Chaui Band) Charlie and Dawna Hare, Adrian SpottedHorsechief (Pawnee Business Council Member), Nancy Moore and Misty Nuttle (Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council), and Mikai Clark were established. As the visitation continued, the camps of Pius SpottedHorsechief, Cody SpottedHorsechief, Catherine Moore (the daughter of the late Tobacco Man Wilson Moore), Jimmy Horn (Chief of the Chaui Band), and the Tobacco Man's daughters Reva and Angel were added. Many others came and went as their schedules allowed, including Pawnee President Marshall Gover and Phammie Littlesun (Pawnee Business Council Member).

That evening supper was served with a talk and a prayer given by me and a thank you given by Bill Howell. Both Tobacco Men talked about the visitation, the making of the tobacco, the giving and acceptance of it, and how they were both glad that the tradition would continue another year. After Bill's talk, all the Pawnees came over and shook the hands of the Wichitas present. There was no handgame that night, so that the visitors could finish setting up their camps. For the rest of the visitation handgame would be played after supper except for the Friday before the Giveaway Day. At the conclusion of each handgame the host Tobacco Man gives a talk wherein he informs everyone about the next day's scheduled activities. Each evening's doings is concluded with the singing of the prayer song.

The next morning my family provided a breakfast for the visitors. The protocol of the previous night was followed concerning the prayer, the talks and the handshakes. The thank you was given by Steve Moore. Lunch that day was provided by Mike and Julie Telfer (granddaughter of the late Novaline Swift Holder). Again, the same protocol was followed with a different Pawnee man giving the thank you. Another of the protocols is that when the meal is ready or a scheduled activity is set to begin, the Tobacco Man of the host Tribe or his designee will go to the visiting Tobacco Man's camp and tell him that things are ready and that he should bring his people to the arena or to where the event is taking place. Whatever doings is going on it doesn't start until all the visitors are present. For instance, at the breakfast which was held at the portable building, none of the Pawnees entered the building until everyone was assembled and they entered as a group. Likewise, nobody left or even cleared their plates away until after the thank you was given.

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Over the duration of the visitation many Wichita families came forward to provide meals, activities, and gifts of ice, water, groceries, and money to the campers. The following is a list of some of the acts of generosity that occurred. (I apologize if I have left out anyone's contribution.)

Breakfasts:
McAdams Family
Roxanne Coker and Christi Marquez Families
Stuart and Pat Owings and Family
Dickie Miller and Family
Verna Jane Capes and Nelia Kay Holder and Family
Sara Chaddlesone and Family
President Terri Parton and Family
Cleta Ataddlety and Family
Wraymond Beartrack and Family

Lunches:
Mike and Julie Telfer and Family
Shoshana Tehauno and Family
President Terri Parton and Family
Kelly and Micah McAdams
Thomas Hamilton and Family
Wichita Little Sisters

Late Night Snacks:
Wichita Little Sisters – Drinks and Sandwiches
Drucilla Beartrack – Drinks and Sandwiches
Braun Akeens – Ice Cream

Activities:
Wichita Little Sisters – Swimming
President Parton – Swimming
Juana and Alfred Going – Bowling
David Capes, Jr. – Horseshoe Tournament and Ice Cream Social

On the Friday before the Giveaway Day, the Wichita Service Club sponsored the evening meal.

On Sunday, July 21st the Tobacco Ceremony was held. The Wichitas were represented by Gary McAdams (Tobacco Man), Wraymond Beartrack (Tobacco Man's Second), David Capes, Jr., Braun Akeens, John Hamilton, Thomas Hamilton, Joneil Tahmakera, Dickie Miller and Shad Courtney. The Pawnees were represented by Bill Howell (Tobacco Man), Steve Moore (Tobacco Man's Second), Adrian SpottedHorsechief, Pius SpottedHorsechief, Matt Reed, and Francis Brown. The ceremony was held beneath a shade directly west of the danceground. Once the Wichita and Pawnee men were gathered and seated, the ceremony began with opening remarks given by me and in turn each Wichita man was allowed the opportunity to express himself. When the last Wichita man had spoken I took the tobacco pouch which was sitting along with the pipe on a mat and opened it. In so doing I also placed a monetary gift on the mat and announced that the Giveaway Day would be held the following Saturday (July 27th). All of the Wichita men followed suit by placing money on the mat. It is said that if you want to smoke the tobacco you must pay for it. I then loaded the pipe, lit it, and the tobacco was smoked beginning with the Wichita Second Man; proceeding in a clockwise fashion; first to the Wichita men and then to the Pawnee men ending with the Pawnee Tobacco Man. When everyone had smoked, I reloaded the pipe and went away east of the gathering and offered a prayer of thanksgiving, for the well-being of the Pawnee and Wichita people, for all of God's creation and for the meal we were about to share. When I returned to the gathering, I put the tobacco and pipe away and instructed the Wichita men to bring the food and to place it on the ground in the middle of the gathering.

When all the food was brought out (boiled meat, corn, potatoes, frybread, fruit, and tea) the young Wichita men served the food beginning with the Pawnees. The servers placed their own plates where they were sitting and gave themselves a portion as they made their rounds. While we were eating, the mood was light and jovial in stark contrast to the solemnity of the tobacco ceremony. There is always a sense of relief at this point in the visitation which is mainly felt by the leadership of both Tribes for each of them have had to remain in camp from the moment the tobacco arrived until it was opened. The sense of relief seems to permeate the assembly and there is a lot of joking and teasing. When the Pawnees have finished eating, the Pawnee Tobacco Man gives his thank you talk and the rest of the Pawnee men are given the opportunity to express themselves. Soon thereafter, we all shake hands and are dismissed.

That evening we had supper and played handgame. The Pawnees won. I think someone posted on facebook that nine Pawnees were beating one hundred Wichitas. There weren't really one hundred Wichitas there, but there were only nine Pawnees because several of them had to return home to work including Tobacco Man, Bill Howell. Towards the end of the handgame we had a strange visitor, an old Apache woman from out west. She said she had come to this area for the Apache Blackfeet Dance. Her sudden appearance and some of her actions really spooked many of the people present from both tribes. She wanted to join the encampment, but it

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was decided that it was better not to have someone in camp who didn't have a tie to either tribe. She was given food and drink and sent on her way.

From then on things were rather uneventful. Things went well; the feasting continued and the Pawnees continued to beat us at handgame. On the last Thursday of the visitation and the last night of the handgame , the Pawnees were leading the series 4 to 3, but we were finally winning and on the verge of tying the series. We were in fact leading the last match 2 to 0 when Nancy Moore got up to guess for the Pawnees. By the end of the evening we had lost three straight games and the Pawnees took the series 5 to 3. During the whole visitation Nancy never lost a game. On Giveaway Day I gave Nancy a Most Valuable Player award. On the Friday before Giveaway Day there was a breakfast, a lunch, and the Wichita Service Club provided supper. There was no handgame which allowed the Wichitas time to get ready for the Saturday giveaway.

The morning of Giveaway Day is very busy because the meal must be ready by noon. For many of the Wichitas, the early start means that preparation begins around 6:00am. There will be many more Pawnees to feed today, but the burden has been lessened considerably by the contribution of Madeline Hamilton who gave $200 toward the purchase of meat. I purchased the meat Friday morning and gave it out that evening to three other families, keeping a portion for myself to cook.

People began arriving with their food just before noon. By 12:30 we had filled six tables with food: three for the Wichitas and three for the Pawnees. There was a table placed at the east end of the tables to hold the drinks. It is usually the practice to fix two of everything. For instance, if you are making boiled meat, you make two pots; one to place on the Pawnee side and one to place on the Wichita side.

Once everyone is gathered and seated around the arena, I get up and make my remarks to the visitors, essentially recapping the doings of the past week and a half and talking about the tradition of the visitation. I then address the Wichitas present, mainly thanking them for their help, their generosity, their behavior, and what we were able to accomplish by working together. At the close of the talk I call on John Hamilton to give the prayer for the meal. After the prayer, Bill's wife Clementine and my daughters pick their servers and get the tables ready for the meal to be served. On Giveaway Day, Pawnee women serve the Pawnees and Wichita women serve the Wichitas. After the meal, the Pawnee Tobacco Man gets up and gives a thank you and also recaps the activities of the past ten days. Then the tables are cleared and taken away, the drum is set up and everyone brings their giveaway items to the arena. The giveaway starts around 1:30 p.m. The Wichita portion lasts at least two hours and I would estimate that four to five thousand dollars in goods and money are given away. This is in addition to the thousands that have been spent in the days leading up to this day.

Finally, around 4:00 p.m. the drum is turned over to the Pawnees, so they can have their specials and make their pledges for when we go to Pawnee next year. About 5:30 p.m., the drum is turned back to the Wichitas and the day is concluded with the singing of the Wichita prayer song. There is much visiting that goes on after the giveaway , but then most of the Pawnees who have driven down for the day depart. Those who have been camping will remain to participate in the campbreaking ceremony which will be held the next day.

That evening Wraymond Beartrack ,the Wichita Second Man, who is part of a band made up of his father Wraydell Beartrack, his brother Wrandall Beartrack, and family friend Cameron Williams give a concert for everyone who stayed in camp. It ends around midnight. Tonight will be the only night that I do not spend in camp.

The next morning the Pawnees start breaking camp about 8:00am. I arrive at ten and most of the visitors have nearly finished packing for their return home. There are a few Wichitas present and others continue to arrive. At eleven we begin to assemble for the farewell ceremony. As the Pawnee men begin to make their way to the arena, so too, do the Wichita men. The Pawnee men line up in the center of the danceground facing east; the Wichita men line up opposite. The Pawnee line consists of Bill Howell, Steve Moore, Marshall Gover, Adrian SpottedHorsechief, Pius SpottedHorsechief, Jimmy Horn, Charlie Hare, Francis Brown, Bronson Peters, a Pawnee man and a white man who came with Catherine Moore. The Wichita line consists of myself, Stuart Owings, Wraymond Beartrack, David Capes, Jr., John Hamilton, Braun Akeens, and the husband of Gina Akeens. There may have been another one or two on both sides that I have forgotten.

Once everyone had lined up, the Pawnee Tobacco Man began his talk thanking us for everything we had done for them. One of the things he touched on was that since they were leaving the animals who used the area could come back now and it was then that I realized that I did not specifically ask the animals to leave when I was preparing the

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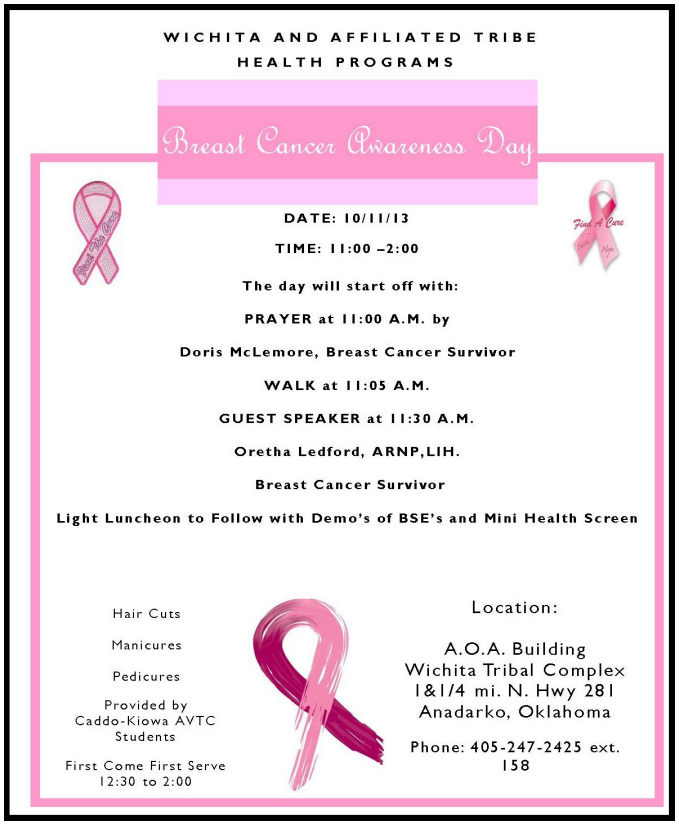
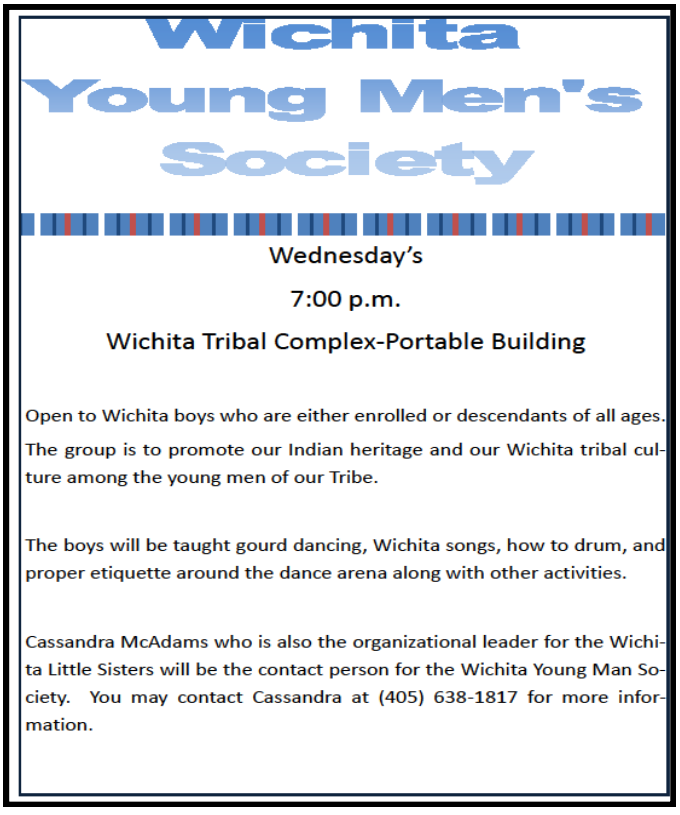
grounds for the arrival of our visitors. When Bill finished talking, each of the Pawnee men spoke their thanks and thoughts about their experiences. There were a couple who were first timers and they were effusive in describing how they had enjoyed themselves. When the last man had spoken, Adrian led the group in singing the Pawnee prayer song. Then one by one the Pawnee men came over to shake the hands of the Wichita men and then went over to the Wichita women who were sitting around the arena to express their thanks to each of them. The Pawnee women who had been sitting on the north side of the arena followed suit. The Pawnees then went to their cars and left for their journey home.

I then took a moment with each of the Wichitas to express my thanks for their help and support. Afterwards, some lingered awhile, seemingly reluctant to leave. When I left, only David Capes, Jr. and Wraymond Beartrack remained, breaking camp.

This story of the Pawnee-Wichita Visitation was provided by Gary McAdams.

Washington DC Trip

September 12, 2013
Meeting with SBA
By Terri Parton, President

On September 11, 2013, I flew to Washington DC to meet with representatives from the Small Business Administration and arrived approximately at 8:30 p.m. We met at 10:00 a.m. on September 12, 2013. Approximately 7 representatives from the SBA were present. Ben Hatfield, Wichita Tribal Enterprises Chairman, and S. Robert White, Jr., WTE President/CEO were also present. The meeting was set up by Wichita Tribal Enterprises and the WTIDC. Legal counsel was also present for each entity. The meeting was to give the Small Business Administration a better idea of how the Tribe, WTIDC and WTE interact. Mr. Hatfield explained how WTIDC serves as an economic development arm of the Tribe and how he interacts with Wichita Tribal Enterprises. Mr. White explained how he functions as the President/CEO and how contracts are handled. I provided input on my previous interactions on a frequent basis with Anadarko Industries while serving as former Secretary for the Tribe and former Secretary/Treasurer for WTIDC. We hope to strengthen relationships with the SBA for our future businesses. I returned home after 12:00 a.m. that same evening after several flight delays due to weather.