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"I'm going to tell you something" - A publication of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

## WICHITA TRIBAL NEWS

Anadarko, OK

June 2015

# Tribe Holds 9th Annual Honor the Child Event in Anadarko

This year we featured an exotic animal petting zoo with a lemur, kangaroo and more. Of course there were the pony rides, train rides and other activities like the pop-up planetarium and face painting. We weren't able to get a high school band because of testing but this year the radio station truck was in the parade and she cranked up the CD and the kids were dancing out of their little shoes! We had NO RAIN! YAY! This was our 9th annual event, time flies! We average between 700-800 participants and volunteers each year. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy the festivities. We look forward to another great event next Spring.



McGruff, Smokey the Bear, and Scruffy came to visit the children



Lee and Anniyah Davilla, children of Clarissa and Chris Davilla, with their mother



Employees of the Health and Diabetes Programs, Robin White, Fran Harrison, and Melvenia Domebo march in parade



Tiana Owens, daughter of Tatum Gerken and Daradondo Owens



# Thank You!

The Wichita & Affiliated Tribes Child Care & Development Fund Program would like to express appreciation to all volunteers and organizations for their participation and support for the "Honor the Child Day" parade and children's activities.

THANK YOU FOR  
TOUCHING THE LIVES OF  
OUR CHILDREN!

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## Wichita Executive Committee

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**President’s Report  
June Edition  
By Terri Parton,  
President  
May 26, 2015**

Here we are at the end of May. This month has definitely flown by. There have been a lot of activities throughout the month of May. It is a good time of the year. As you can see from the length of my report it has been a very busy month but a good month.

### Graduates and Education Banquet

First of all, on behalf of the Wichita Executive Committee, we would like to congratulate all of the graduates. Our young children graduated from kindergarten and are just starting out their journey to becoming an adult. Our seniors and college graduates are preparing for a new journey while continuing their education, entering the workforce or starting a family. We would like to wish them each continued success and many blessings upon their lives.

We would like to thank Yolanda Walker, Louisa Riffel and all of the staff that assisted for their work on graduation banquet and James Nelson for serving as the MC. A very special thanks to Lancer Stephens, Heather Shotton and Rachel Crawford, enrolled tribal members, for speaking to our graduates about their experiences in earning their college degrees. We hope to make this an annual event.

### Cemetery

Last year, the Wichita Executive Committee, decided to move forward with the expansion of the cemetery. Trees were cleared off, gravel was put down and grass was planted. The plan was to eventually put asphalted roads in. No one could have expected the type of rain that we have received over the last few months. The road on the east side has always washed out. It was made worse by the recent rains. The west side which is new has also continued to wash out. You probably have seen the news reports from other cemeteries regarding the graves due to the amount of rain. We have had a few issues due to the rain but most of the issues include the washout on the west side where the newly graveled road starts. We are currently working to get a civil engineer to address the erosion problem. We will then advertise for the work to be done to asphalt the roads and to address the erosion problem. For now, our maintenance crew will continue to do their best

to address the washouts that occur due to the heavy rain. We are working to address the issues and it will get fixed. The amount of rain that we received was something that we had no control over. While the roads are an issue, a few of the graves, just like other cemeteries in Oklahoma, have suffered some sinking but our maintenance crew has been addressing those issues. We have provided a few pictures of the washout along the road.

### Veterans

In this paper, there is a form for submission of input regarding the design of a Veterans Program. We had discussion at the Community Meeting held on April 11, 2015 on a Veterans Program. As we work on the budget for FY-2016, we want to make allowances for a Veterans Program for the budget that will go into effect on October 1. In addition, we would like input on a new Veterans monument. We have one that sits in front of the Administration Building. There is no longer room to add additional names. We have discussed over the last few years putting up another monument, moving the existing monument and adding benches, flags, etc. The main comments on the monument that we will be seeking include the design and placement of the monument.

### Membership Ordinance

In the March/April edition of the newspaper, the draft Membership Ordinance was printed. There was a request for comments through April 30, 2015. The request for comments was extended to May 15, 2015. No comments were submitted. The Committee will work on finalizing the Membership Ordinance for approval. There are a few changes that need to be made. The goal will be to have it approved by the Executive Committee prior to the Annual Council Meeting so that we can provide copies to the General Council. The Governing Resolution Article II-Membership, Section 4. states “The Tribal Executive Committee shall have the power to make ordinances covering loss of membership, future membership and adoption into membership subject to review by the Secretary of Interior.”

### Wichita Child Development Center Expansion

A request for bid proposals has gone out. We will be reviewing the bids during the next week. The signs on the old building have been removed.

### NIGC Consultation

On April 30, 2015, I attended

the NIGC Consultation. Sandra Wilson, WGC Chairman, also attended. The purpose of the consultation was to receive tribal input on: 1) NIGC’s Privacy Act regulations which is how NIGC handles requests; 2) NIGC’s NEPA manual which includes a Categorical Exclusion for tribes that would not require an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement unless there were extraordinary circumstances. 3) Class III Minimum Internal Control (MICS) guidance for tribal regulators for tribal regulators for Tribal Internal Controls (TICS); and 4) NIGC’s “Buy Indian Goods and Services” policy. There were many tribal leaders and regulators who provided comments at the consultation. Jonodeve O. Chaudhuri who was recently, officially named as the Chairman of NIGC, was also at the meeting.

### BIE Tribal Consultation

On May 1, 2015, the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) held a tribal consultation meeting at the Renaissance Convention Center in Oklahoma City. I was only able to attend the consultation for approximately 1 ½ hours. Some of the presenters included Monte Roesel, Don Yu, Vicki Forrest and Rose Marie Davis. Mr. Monte Roessel, Director of the Bureau of Indian Education went over a PowerPoint presentation. There are currently 64 BIE funded schools. Discussion was held on the American Indian Education Group that proposed a plan for reform. Secretarial Order #4444 was signed in 2014 that started the process for redesigning and restructuring the BIE. It seemed that most of the presentation was on schools outside of Oklahoma. One of the big issues that has been a concern to Oklahoma tribes is the moving of the line office out Oklahoma.

### HHS Tribal Consultation

On Wednesday, May 6, 2015, I attended the United States Department of Health and Human Services Consultation. I arrived early and sat in on the National Public Health Service Professional Recruitment discussion. They provided a lot of information on the National Health Service Corp, scholarship and loan repayment program, recruitment. The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes was scheduled for 12:45 p.m. and the Lawton Indian Health Board right after. The consultation included Regional Director, Marjorie Petty, and numerous HHS Policy experts.

I made four points during the consultation. The first com-

ment included the need for operating funds for the Lawton Indian Hospital. When the Lawton Indian Hospital was constructed in 1967, it did not receive the necessary operating funds that other hospitals received as when they were newly constructed. Congress had issued a report in fiscal year 2003 that basically explained that this issue was unique to Lawton. The impact of the 1967 deficiencies still impact the hospital today. There remains inadequate staffing and inadequate equipment. These two issues alone add to the requirement to contract out most of the services due to the lack of doctors and equipment to provide care. This leads to not enough contract dollars to provide all of the health needs to our Indian people. The second comment included explanation regarding the issues with recruitment when there are ceilings on salaries and the need for more flexibility when recruiting doctors. The salaries do not allow the hospital to be competitive. The third comment included a request to provide support costs to direct service tribes similar to contract support costs that the compact tribes receive. The final comment included the need for funding for Administrative staff for the Lawton Indian Health Board. Direct service tribes do not have the resources available to hire executive assistants, clerks, rent office space or for operating expenses to carry out the functions of the health board. A request was made for funds to establish an office. In addition, I explained that we receive many complaints regarding misdiagnosis, contract health taking too long and wait times at the hospital which are a result of not having adequate funding for operating costs, staff and equipment.

Vice President Cleanan (CJ) Watkins joined the consultation during the Lawton Indian Health Board allotted time. The same comments were reiterated along with the fact that the Lawton Indian Health Board only functions as an advisory board. Discussion was held with the panel on the Direct Service Tribes needing a voice to go to Congress, finding funding for organizational support, raising priority of the Lawton Service Unit for federal funding, increasing marketplace enrollment, Navigator, SAHMSA discussing technical assistance and the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The next day, May 7, 2015, I attended the consultation again where policy experts gave updates for the Affordable Care Act (ACA), American Children and Families (ACF), Centers for

Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), SAHMSA and other entities. I left after lunch to attend the UINOKT Meeting that afternoon.

We contacted SAHMSA regarding the technical assistance that they may be able to provide. Special thanks to Dr. Everett Rhoades for assisting me on background information prior to the consultation. He was very helpful. A lot of these things many have fought to get for many years. It is up to the younger generation to get involved, get the knowledge and continue to take these things on. Indian Health Service is huge and the issues affect many Indian people. I don’t know what will come of the consultation but if we can make one advancement in any of the areas then that will be step in a better direction.

### 2015 White House Conference on Aging Listening Session

On Wednesday, May 6, 2015, I attended the 2015 White House Conference on Aging at the National Center for Employee Development in Norman following the HHS Consultation. In addition, several of our AoA participants were brought to the conference by Roxanne Coker and Jimmy Reeder. There were four topics that were discussed that included retirement security, healthy aging, long term services and support and elder justice. I had one issue/question that I brought up during the listening session which was about the need for long term services and support. I explained that many of our elders get ill and placed in the hospital long term because they do not have the resources for care at home. Many times that is all they need to make a better improvement in their health and lives is to get the services that they need provided at HOME. We were informed that IHS is now authorized to provide long term care and services but they were not provided the funding to provide the services. The panel provided the cms.gov website and a new Oklahoma website okadrc.com for some information. We heard from other tribes and elders regarding food sovereignty, elder justice, putting tribal codes into place for elder justice, collaborating with state agencies, taking elders on trips, providing services and things to do for elders, healthy foods, diabetes, retirement security, more funding for elder programs, the Wisdom Warriors program, lack of funding barriers, housing, exploitation of elders, CHR’s needing to check on elders, gardening and transportation for elders. In addition, the tornado sirens went off in Norman that afternoon. We spent some time in the storm shelters until the all clear was blown. The conference continued after 6:00 p.m. but the elders were ready to go home. We went home through Purcell and had dinner at KFC. It was good conference for them to attend and I enjoyed spending



some time with them as well. I hope that we can continue to provide more conferences and opportunities for the elders in the AoA program and our tribal elders that may not participate. I encourage our tribal elders to participate in the program and the activities. If you are 55 or older, you may contact Judy Onkoba, AoA Director, at (405) 247-2425 ext. 191 for information on participating in the program. See page eleven for more info on the listening session.

UINOKT Meeting

On Thursday, May 7, 2015, the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma Kansas and Texas (UINOKT) met in Shawnee, Oklahoma the Grand Casino and Hotel. Regular business was conducted but the main purpose of the meeting was to address issues regarding administrative actions by the State of Oklahoma against the Citizen Pottawatomie Nation. UINOKT passed a resolution of support of the Citizen Pottawatomie Nation affirming their unified position that the dispute between the Citizen Pottawatomie Nation and the State of Oklahoma is subject to and must be covered by the dispute resolution procedures of the Model Tribal Gaming Compact. UINOKT later issued a press release which you will find in this newspaper (see page five).

ICWA Proposed Rule Tribal Consultation

On Thursday, May 14, 2015, I attended the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Proposed Rule consultation in Tulsa, Oklahoma. A slide show presentation was given on the background of ICWA and the proposed rules. There were 20 comments made during the tribal consultation. All of the comments were mostly in favor of the proposed rules, however, there were some suggested for improvement of the rules. Below are some of the comments that I provided on behalf of the Tribe:

- The constant inconsistency as evidenced in a recent court cases is specifically why there exists a need to implement these proposed rules.
- In 1978, Congress determined the best interest of Indian children when they enacted the Indian Child Welfare Act. The regulations are necessary to provide consistency in any proceeding involving Indian children to protect their rights as an Indian child.
- The proposed rule provides a definition for active efforts. Active efforts must be made to reunite an Indian child with his or her family. The definition gives specific things that should be done to keep Indian families united in a child custody proceeding.
- The “existing Indian family doctrine” is rejected. The courts should not make determinations on what constitutes and Indian family.

- The courts should follow the Indian Child Welfare Act and not make those determinations when in most cases a state court judge knows nothing about Indian families or what it means culturally to be an and Indian.
- The rule to require state courts to inquire in every proceeding whether a child is an Indian child is another step in protecting our Indian children. Many times children are taken into custody and go through the system for months before or years before someone determines that the child is an Indian child.
  - The requirement for notice of child custody proceedings to Indian tribes whether the proceeding is voluntary or involuntary will ensure that all Indian children receive protection when going through proceedings whether voluntary or involuntary.
  - Placement preference should be followed at the beginning of a court case. Following the placement preferences ensures that the best interest of Indian children are being followed when they are able to stay in their tribal community.
  - Our Indian children suffer enough when they are taken from their homes and their immediate families. These children have a right and a need to grow up knowing who they are and where they come from. Our Indian children have a right to be protected from courts decisions that don’t understand and take into consideration Native American culture and way of life.

The afternoon session was a public hearing. I had not intended to stay for the public hearing. I listened to nineteen (19) who presented at the public hearing before having to leave the public hearing to care of other tribal issues. There is a lot of support not to have these regulations passed by those who work outside Indian Country. It was interesting listening to the testimony. I submitted additional comments on behalf of the Tribe online with legal input from our attorneys. Thank you to all of those that took the time to submit comments on behalf of our children. We would also like to recognized Joni Williams and Johnna Hurt for the information that they provided and Ms. Hurt for providing testimony. Ms. Hurt also had her picture in Indian Country Today. Thank you to our Indian Child Welfare employees. It is not an easy job.

Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Meetings and Public Hearings

In the next edition, I will provide information from the meetings with the Senate on Indian Affairs Commission and guests.

Conclusion

As I explained in the previ-

ous newspaper, I will begin reporting on some of the bigger issues. There have and continue to be a lot of consultations going on. Our Tribe needs a voice at every table. It takes a lot of time to study and learn all of these various areas and become familiar with everything going on in Indian Country while taking care of the normal everyday things that need to be done. We are doing the best that we can and will continue to move forward. We have a lot of people who are sick and in the hospitals. Please remember them and their families in your prayers. As we head into our Wichita/Pawnee Visitation, Annual Meeting and Wichita Annual Dance times of the year, please keep our Tribe, Wichita people, elders, children, elected officials, visitors and community in your prayers so that these events will be filled with good times and fellowship among our people. Wishing each of you an enjoyable start to your summer!

This year’s 40th Annual Dance will be held August 13-16 and will feature many activities for all ages

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament  
Domino Tournament  
Horseshoe Tournament  
Archery Tournament

More details in next newspaper!



Editor's

Tribal Resolution for Men’s Health Week

WT-15-94

| RESOLUTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Proclaiming the Week of June 15-21, 2015 as Men’s Health Week                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco, and Tawakoni) (the “Tribe”) possesses substantial inherent sovereign powers and has exercised those powers since time immemorial, and                         |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | the Tribe has a duly established Tribal Government recognized by the Secretary of the Interior, and                                                                                                                     |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Article V of the Wichita Governing Resolution authorizes and empowers the Executive Committee of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes to act in all matters of business on behalf of the Tribe, and                        |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | despite advances in medical technology and treatment, Native American men live significantly shorter lives and suffer higher death rates for many causes compared to their female counterparts or US males overall, and |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems can result in reducing rates of mortality from disease, and                      |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | men who are informed about the value of preventative health and supported in accessing it will be more likely to participate in health screening and treatment, and                                                     |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children, and                                                                                                   |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | National Men’s Health Week is a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices, and                                 |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Health Week will focus on a broad range of men’s health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, prostate, testicular, and colon cancer, and                         |
| WHEREAS,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, along with other Indian Nations, is committed to increasing awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.                             |
| NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wichita Executive Committee hereby proclaims the week leading up to and including Father’s Day as Men’s Health Week for the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and we encourage all tribal members to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Approved by the Wichita Executive Committee, June 2, 2015, by a vote of 5-0-0.<br>Signed: Terri Parton, President<br>Signed: Myles Stephenson Jr. Secretary                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

2015 Annual General Tribal Council Meeting

July 18, 2015  
More details to come next issue!

Note

Hello all,

We are exploring new avenues to get newsworthy information to you all. I am maintaining the social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, Wordpress) and will be adding more soon. I am working towards live streaming meetings and events for tribal members outside of our service area to be able to participate more actively (more details to come). I am also working on making the mobile APP, Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, to be more interactive. All of these channels provide different information (with some overlap), so please try to get a mix of them all to get the latest news and information about our tribe and its membership.

Please send me any ideas or comments, as well as, newsworthy information for our tribal people to assist me in making this publication as inclusive and informatory as possible. Free issues of this paper are available at the Wichita Travel Plaza, Wichita Housing, and Wichita Child Development Center, for those with tribal interests, but not enrolled, as they are only mailed to enrolled tribal members. If you are a tribal member not receiving your newspaper by mail at this point and are wondering why, your address on file may be incorrect. Contact me to update. You may reach me at 405-247-2425 ext 165, 405-638-4461, or [newsletter@wichitatribe.com](mailto:newsletter@wichitatribe.com) Please send any announcements to include any milestones or community news of your own. Also, if you have any suggestions on stories or profiles that you would like to see, please let me know.

Please take note of the Veteran’s Survey on page seven and return if applicable to you, or pass along to a tribal veteran to do so. This will help us to determine needs for program allocation.

I appreciate all of the kind words and encouragement that I have received thus far. I am grateful to have this opportunity to serve my people.

So:ti:c?a,  
**Amber Luke**



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## Sports

### Stanley Holder III



Tribal member, Stanley Holder III, was awarded the Wedd Award for excellent sportsmanship, leadership and dedication. He is a terrific young athlete, many of his achievements reported on in previous issue. He is pictured above with his father, Stanley Holder II and mother Missy Holder.

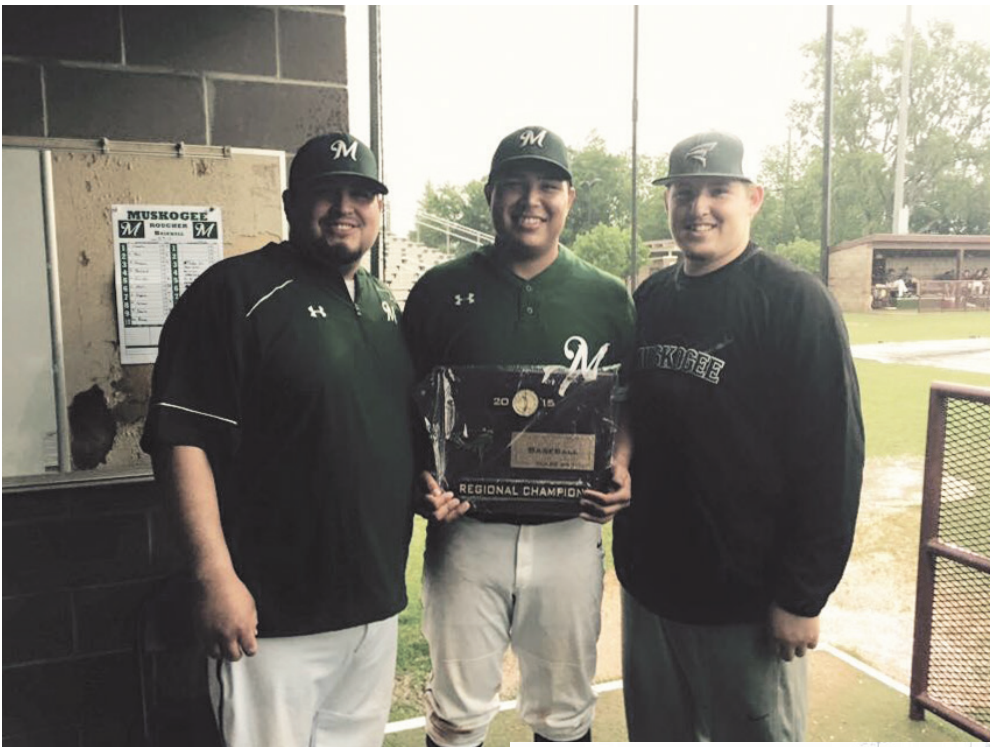
### Robin White, Special Diabetes Program Coordinator Receives Personal Trainer Certification

The Native American Fitness Council certified 35 Personal Trainers to run Native wellness centers & implement exercise programs for tribes throughout the United States. Robin White, tribal member and Special Diabetes Program Coordinator, was able to attend and sucessfully complete. Hands on training was emphasized in areas of movement technique, resistance training & cardiovascular methods. Lead NAFC instructors were Brian Laban (Hopi, Tewa), Elfreida Barton (Navajo) & Heidi Gabalski. Robin is pictured below (front row, third seated from right) with her class.



### Taylor Duncan

Wichita tribal member and senior right-handed pitcher, Taylor Duncan, led the Roughers' improbable run to the regional title. He scattered three hits in a 1-0 win over top-seeded Jenks in the second round, putting Muskogee in the driver's seat. He also went 4-for-9 with five RBIs in three games and scored three times. He was awarded MVP at the Muskogee sports banquet and was Tulsa World's High School Baseball Player of the Week on May 13, 2015.



Taylor is pictured above with Chase Adair, Taylor's uncle and coach of the Muskogee Roughers, to the right and Ned Adair to his left. Taylor is grandson of Beverly Adair. He is pictured to the right with his grandmother Beverly and Nyah and Nate Adair, Chase's children.



## DIABETES WALK

JUNE 20, 2015

TIME: 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

WICHITA AND AFFILIATED TRIBES  
TRIBAL COMPLEX



1 MILE FUN WALK  
HEALTH SCREEN  
DIABETES  
INFORMATION  
WATER BOTTLE OR HAND  
TOWEL PROVIDED TO THE  
FIRST 100 PARTICIPANTS

SNACKS AND  
WATER PROVIDED



PROMOTING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE



Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

Promoting a Healthy Lifestyle

Employee  
Softball Game  
vs  
Delaware Nation

Date: 6/13/15

Arrival Time: 2:00 p.m.  
Game Time: 3:00 p.m.

Where: Riverside  
Indian  
School  
SOFTBALL FIELD

\*\*\*LUNCH PROVIDED\*\*\*  
After softball game  
By  
Health Programs

Wichita Health

Wichita Health Building  
Special Diabetes Program  
1.25 mile North HWY 281  
Anadarko, OK 73005  
Phone: 405-247-2425 Ext. 160



\*\*Bring Own Glove\*\*



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Community News

Waco/Hueco Oak Grove Proclaimed  
Historic by Texas Tree Coalition

On April 14, 2015, Steve Houser from the Texas Tree Coalition presented the Wichita Executive Committee with an Historic Tree Proclamation for the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove. In October 2014, Gary McAdams, James Ross and President Terri Parton traveled to Waco to visit the Live Oak Grove and village sites. They had the opportunity to meet Helen Marie Taylor who owns the Helen Marie Taylor Museum in Waco, Texas where the live oaks sit and which also houses several displays of our Tribe. You can read more about the visit to the Waco in the October 2014 edition of the newsletter located on our website at [www.wichitatribe.com](http://www.wichitatribe.com).

The proclamation is pictured to the right, with the Wichita Executive Committee, and the language featured on such is found below.



Texas Tree Coalition

Historic Tree Proclamation

The Waco/Hueco Indian Village

Live Oak Grove

WHEREAS, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove grows along a Barron Branch near its mouth on the Brazos River on a site that provided American Indians with a dependable source of spring water; and  
WHEREAS, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove is a living witness to the daily activities of the Waco/Hueco Tribe as they lived on the site as documented in a 1824 letter from early colonist, Thomas Duke to Stephen F. Austin; and  
WHEREAS, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove is a living witness and keeper of the mystery as to when and why the Hueco Tribe left their village; and  
WHEREAS, in 1849, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove witnessed the founding of the city of Waco by Major George B. Erath; and  
WHEREAS, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove has had two stewards who have lived by example: the Waco/Heuco Tribe, who in historic times cared for these trees as part of their reverence to the land: and Helen Marie Taylor, who has been the trees' steadfast protector during contemporary times when such treasures were not appropriately valued; and  
WHEREAS, the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove has withstood the test of time-surviving historic Texas storms, floods, and periods of drought.  
Now, THEREFORE, I, Mary Graves, President of the Texas Historic Tree Coalition, do hereby proclaim the Waco/Hueco Indian Village Live Oak Grove a Historic Tree Grove, which shall be listed in our Historic Tree Registry as living legend and testament to our history.

ON THIS DAY, Friday, October 10, 2014  
Mary Graves, President  
Texas Historic Tree Coalition



Wichita Child  
Development  
Center  
Employee  
Receives New  
Accreditation

**Sarah Saddleblanket**, employee at Wichita Child Development Center, had attained her CDA license. She has taken online courses during her lunch break through Caddo-Kiowa Technology Center to achieve this. She has now been promoted from Assistant Teacher to Master Teacher. Congratulations on your efforts and we hope for the best for you and the Pee Wee classroom in the future.



United Indian Nations of  
Oklahoma, Kansas, and  
Texas (UINOKT)  
Take Action

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
May 13, 2015

For more information, contact Lindsay Early at (580) 291-9688.

TRIBAL NATIONS FROM OKLAHOMA, KANSAS, AND TEXAS UNITE AND TAKE SWIFT ACTION AGAINST THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA'S EFFORTS TO BREAK GAMING AGREEMENTS ON TRIBAL LAND

The United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas (UINOKT) recently passed a unanimous resolution to support the Citizen Potawatomi Nation against the State of Oklahoma's attempt to tax business enterprises on tribal land and break casino compacts.

The UNIOKT met on May 7th in an emergency session to discuss threats and impending actions from the State of Oklahoma against the economic sovereignty of Citizen Potawatomi Nation. The State's Tax Commission and Alcoholic Beverage Liquor Enforcement agency threatens to revoke licenses and permits used for gaming operations unless the Citizen Potawatomi Nation reports and collects taxes for all transactions between the Nation and non-members on trust land.

Native American Tribes, unlike other governments, don't have a tax base so tribes must operate businesses to generate tax revenue income to fund government services, which typically benefit the entire local community.

Currently, the State is in the process of revoking sales tax permits, which is necessary to hold licenses to sell alcoholic beverages in the Nation's casinos, unless the Nation reports and collects additional taxes for the State of Oklahoma.

"The Citizen Potawatomi Nation is a model of economic growth for a sovereign Nation," said Wallace Coffey, Chairman of the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas. "Without any help from state and federal sources, they developed a successful business enterprise platform, which generated a tax base to grow and support their tribal programs and members. When the State of Oklahoma impedes on this success by garnishing taxes outside of our agreed upon compact terms, it erodes tribal sovereignty."

The tribal members of the UINOKT passed a resolution condemning the State for going outside the Model Tribal Gaming Compact (Compact) agreement that was jointly signed by the State and every Nation in Oklahoma who operates tribal governmental gaming operations on trust land.

The UINOKT resolution calls for the State to stop the illegal action and to abide by the dispute resolution structure outlined in the official Compact agreements instead of trying to force the CPN to defend itself within the state's own administrative agencies.

The UINOKT is a regional intratribal organization consisting of federally recognized Indian Nations whose collective purpose is to insure and maintain the integrity of their sovereign rights as independent nations under the protection of laws, jurisdiction, and government of the United States as well as support the free and independent commercial activity of tribes on Indian lands, free from the taxation of goods and services by other sovereign entities.

Aleasia Wauahdooah

The Juvenile Services Program would like to especially recognize Aleasia Wauahdooah for all her help during the May 8, 2015 "Take Back Your Health" Day hosted by the Kiowa Tribe at the Red Buffalo Hall in Carnegie, Ok. We truly appreciate your extra efforts in helping make the program be a success. Especially on your 1st Friday day out of school.  
Yvonne Goetsch, Director, Juvenile Services





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## Events

### Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

### Food Distribution Program

Cooking with Commodities

June 3rd and 24th, 2015

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Wichita FDP Building



Drawing for Prizes  
in every Class!!

Recipes for your  
FDP Food  
Package?



For more information, contact Beth or Melonie at 405/247-9677.



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Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish).

For any other information dealing the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) issues, persons should either contact the USDA SNAP Hotline Number at (800) 221-5689, which is also in Spanish or call the State Information/Hotline Numbers (click the link for a listing of hotline numbers by State); found online at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/contactinfo/hotlines.htm>.

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## STEPHENSON

### 3rd Annual Family Pow-Wow

June 20-21 2015

Wichita Tribal Dance Grounds - Anadarko, Ok

MC - Cy Ahtone  
Head Singer - Anthony Monoessy  
Head Man Dancer - Billy Komahcheet  
Contest Coord. - RG Harris  
Head Gourd Dancer - TJ Sheridan  
Head Lady Dancer - Chay Toehay  
AD - Cletus Gayton  
Co-Host - Comanche Little Ponies  
Kiowa Tia-Piah Society

#### Saturday June 20th 2015

8am Flag Raising, Honoring  
Lupe Gooday Sr. - U.S. Army  
2pm Gourd Dancing  
6pm Supper Break  
7pm Grand Entry, Contest

#### Sunday June 21st 2015

8am Flag Raising, Honoring  
Lawrence Standing - U.S. Army  
2pm Gourd Dancing  
6pm Supper Break  
7pm Grand Entry, Contest

Drum Contest 1st - \$1200 2nd - \$600 3rd - \$300

#### Adult Categories

1st - \$300 2nd - \$200 3rd - \$100  
Men's Fancy, Straight, Grass/Traditional  
Women's Fancy/Jingle, Buckskin, Cloth

#### Teen Categories

1st - \$75 2nd - \$50 3rd - \$25  
Boy's Fancy, Straight, Grass/Traditional  
Girls Fancy/Jingle, Buckskin, Cloth

#### Junior Categories

1st - \$50 2nd - \$25 3rd - \$15  
Boy's Fancy, Straight, Grass/Traditional  
Girls Fancy/Jingle, Buckskin, Cloth

#### Golden Age

Sponsored by Tom Ware &  
Frankie Ware Families

#### Tiny Tots

Sponsored by Lacey Leonard, Kashlynn Cooper,  
Jaselynn Hernandez and Brycen Haunpo

#### Special Invitation To:

Kiowa Gourd Clan  
Wichita Tribal Princess  
Tribal Princesses and Organizations

For any information contact: Punkin Stephenson (405) 933-0334, or Goatie Nelson (405) 200-0219  
The Stephenson Family Powwow Committee/or Wichita Tribe will not be held responsible for any  
accidents, thefts or damage to property.

## AoA Activity Calendar

# JUNE

| SUNDAY | MONDAY            | TUESDAY     | WEDNESDAY                                           | THURSDAY    | FRIDAY       | SATURDAY             |
|--------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|
|        | 1<br>Bible Study  | 2<br>Bingo  | 3<br>Bible Study<br>Movie                           | 4<br>Bingo  | 5            | 6                    |
| 7      | 8<br>Bible Study  | 9<br>Bingo  | 10<br>Bible Study<br>Movie                          | 11<br>Bingo | 12           | 13                   |
| 14     | 15<br>Bible Study | 16<br>Bingo | 17<br>Bible Study<br>Diabetes Support<br>Movie      | 18<br>Bingo | 19           | 20                   |
| 21     | 22<br>Bible Study | 23<br>Bingo | 24<br>Bible Study<br>Movie<br>Sunshine Home<br>Care | 25<br>Bingo | 26<br>CLOSED | 27                   |
| 28     | 29<br>Bible Study | 30<br>Bingo |                                                     |             |              | SUBJECT TO<br>CHANGE |

### FREE RABIES CLINIC

### SEVEN WESTERN TRIBES CHR PROGRAMS



INDIAN OWNED  
Dogs and Cats only  
3 months and older

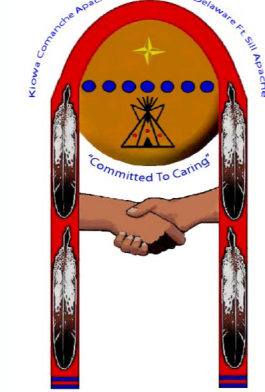
DATE: SATURDAY-JUNE 6, 2015

TIME: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

PLACE: WICHITA TRIBAL PARK  
1-1/4 MILE NORTH OF  
ANADARKO, OK

Sponsored by:  
The Seven Western Tribes of  
Oklahoma  
CHR PROGRAMS &

NATIVE AMERICANS FOR RURAL PREVENTION COALITION



Certificates and Tags provided  
Flea & Tick dipping to be done by pet owner  
Vaccinations given by certified Veterinarians

Information: Wichita Tribe CHR Office 405-247-2425 x 158 or 153

## 40th Annual Wichita Tribal Dance

August 13, 14, 15 & 16, 2015

Wichita Tribal Park

1.25 Miles North of Anadarko on Highway 281

Call (405) 247-2425 for more information

or visit our website at: [www.wichitatribes.com](http://www.wichitatribes.com)

- DANCE CONTEST IN ALL CATEGORIES!!! -



## AoA Menu

Happy  
Father's  
Day!

# JUNE

Happy  
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY                                                            | TUESDAY                                                                    | WEDNESDAY                                                                          | THURSDAY                                                   | FRIDAY                                                           | SATURDAY             |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
|        | 1 Beef<br>tips/noodles<br>Mixed veggies<br>Wheat bread<br>Peaches | 2 Chicken/rice<br>Peas and carrots<br>Salad bar<br>Wheat bread<br>Apricots | 3 Rib patty<br>Baked beans<br>Potato salad<br>Jell-O                               | 4 Grilled cheese<br>Tomato soup<br>Salad bar<br>Apple pie  | 5 oatmeal<br>Boiled egg<br>Sausage<br>Toast                      | 6                    |
| 7      | 8 Tamales<br>Spanish rice<br>Refried beans<br>Applesauce          | 9 Spaghetti<br>Green beans<br>Garlic bread<br>Salad bar<br>Pudding         | 10 Chkn fried steak<br>Mashed pot./gravy<br>Mixed veggies<br>Wheat bread<br>Jell-O | 11 Sloppy Joe's<br>Baked beans<br>Macaroni salad<br>Cookie | 12 Cereal<br>Scrambled eggs<br>Bacon<br>Toast                    | 13                   |
| 14     | 15 Beef<br>stroganoff<br>Corn<br>Wheat bread<br>Mixed fruit       | 16 Polish<br>sausage<br>Mac and cheese<br>Salad bar<br>Plums               | 17 Baked chicken<br>Rice pilaf<br>Broccoli<br>Cherry crisp                         | 18 Ham salad<br>Pork 'n beans<br>Chips<br>Cookie           | 19 Biscuits<br>and gravy<br>Sausage patty<br>Boiled egg<br>Juice | 20                   |
| 21     | 22 Goulash<br>Peas<br>Cornbread<br>Pears                          | 23 Fish<br>sandwich<br>Black-eyed peas<br>Slaw<br>Peach crisp              | 24 Pork chops<br>Mashed pot./gravy<br>Mixed veggies<br>Applesauce                  | 25 Beans<br>Spinach<br>Cornbread<br>Jell-O                 | 26<br>CLOSED                                                     | 27                   |
| 28     | 29 Chili<br>Corn chips<br>Slaw<br>Mixed fruit                     | 30 Ham<br>Scalloped<br>potatoes<br>Green beans<br>Peach crisp              |                                                                                    |                                                            |                                                                  | SUBJECT TO<br>CHANGE |



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## Community News

### Texas Archeological Society Annual Field School

The Texas Archeological Society (TAS) cordially invites you to participate in the annual field school to be held at Tait-Huffmeyer 7T6 Ranch site near Columbus, Texas, on June 13-19. Activities at this year’s field school will focus on excavation, pedestrian survey, and artifact processing. Additional information about this year’s field school can be found on the attached flyer or at the following URL:<http://www.txarch.org/Activities/fschool/fs2015/>.

The TAS Native American Scholarship Program is offering up to two representatives from each tribe financial assistance to attend the field school (no previous experience required!). Since 2003, the TAS Native American Program has provided over 90 scholarships to members from 17 Native American Tribes to attend the annual field school. These

scholarships are sponsored by donations from members of the TAS and other local archeological societies, the Council of Texas Archeologists, archeological contracting firms, foundations, and others. The scholarship program increases the level of understanding among the many people who have called Texas home. The program allows our members to meet, talk with, and learn from the native peoples whose traditions and lifeways are tied to Texas archeological sites. Additional information about the Native American Scholarship Program can be found at the following URL: <http://www.txarch.org/scholarships/native.html>.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact me by email at [marie.archambeault@yahoo.com](mailto:marie.archambeault@yahoo.com) or by phone at 813-765-3582



**Alexis Ahtone** and sister **Elora Moore**, daughters of Juanita Moore and granddaughters of Kay Ahtone, performed at Will Rogers Elementary Talent Show. Alexis did native sign language to The Star Spangled Banner while Elora sang, and Alexis signed God Bless the USA. We love seeing these girls demonstrate their heritage and patriotism in the community.



### Rose Roberson Appointed Superintendent of Anadarko Agency

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Plains Region, recently announced that Ms. Rose L. Roberson has been appointed as the Superintendent of the Anadarko Agency effective April 19, 2015.

She was chosen for her work ethic, her experience and knowledge, with 38 years working as a federal employee in various programs. She began her career working in the Regional Director’s office and through the years worked in the branches of Indian Education, Appraisals, Individual Indian Monies, Finance, Contracting, Tribal Government, Land Titles and Records, and then back to the Regional Director’s office as the Regional Management Analyst before becoming the Superintendent.

Mrs. Roberson and her husband Michael live in Anadarko, Oklahoma. They have three grown children, Matthew Roberson and his wife Kearstin, Kristin Roberson, and Austin Roberson. She is the daughter of the late Lewis L. (Pickard Carruth) and Helen Zadoka. Lewis L. Zadoka was the first elected President of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes under the Tribes Governing Resolution. Her in-laws were the late Dr. A. C. and Nancy Roberson also of Anadarko, Oklahoma. Rose credits her family for their never-ending support and encouragement in achieving her career goals.

Her brother and sister are Lewis L. (Dusty) Zadoka and Priscilla L. Zadoka both of Wichita, KS.

In this capacity, she will oversee the Office of the Superintendent, Branches of Administration, Land Operations (Soil and Moisture Conservation), Community Services and Job Training, Tribal Operations, and Real Property Management for the seven Federally-recognized tribes under the Anadarko Agency’s jurisdiction. She will also be a representative for the Anadarko Agency with other federal, state, and local governments.

A native Oklahoman, Ms. Roberson graduated from Anadarko High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Phoenix, graduating with Honors. She is also an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.

Rose served in various positions while a board member for the Anadarko School Board and Discovery Day Care Board. She is a present board member for the Washita Valley Community Action Council. She is also a passionate supporter of Bulldog Rescue organizations and she owns 2 English Bulldogs, Abby and Merle.

The federally recognized tribes under the jurisdiction of the Anadarko Agency are the Kiowa Indian Tribe of Oklahoma, Comanche Nation, Apache Tribe, Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, Caddo Nation, Delaware Nation, and Fort Sill Apache Tribe. These seven tribes include approximately 29,000 members who are eligible to receive various services through the Agency.

### Do You Have Community News to Share?

If you have a birthday, graduation, award or other significant event to share, please contact me at **405-247-2425 ext. 165** or at [newsletter@wichitatribe.com](mailto:newsletter@wichitatribe.com). We want to celebrate with you. Please include any information of note including dates, lineage, photos (in digital format or original photos) and contact information.

-Amber Luke

**Sandra Elaine Whish**, enrolled tribal member, and daughter of the late Donna Lee Fulton-Whish and the late Fred Whish, was married to Roger Allen Steely on March 31, 2015 in Norman, Oklahoma. The newlyweds will continue to reside in Norman, near family and friends.



### Veteran Needs Assessment & Monument Suggestions

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is considering putting a Veterans program in place in fiscal year 2016. We would like your input on how to get the information we need from Veterans, input on what you would like to see in a Veterans program and suggestions on a new monument for the Tribe.

1.

Are you a Veteran?

Yes

No
2.

Do you have family members that are Veterans?

Yes

No
3.

Would you or your Veteran family members be willing to submit copies of yours or their DD 214 to begin a program?

Yes

No
4.

Please list your branch of military service.
5.

Please list your length of military service.
6.

Are you currently enlisted?

Yes

No
7.

What services would you like to see for our tribally enrolled Veterans?

#### Monument Suggestions

The current monument is full and no other names can be added.

1.

Would you like for the Tribe to build a new monument?

Yes

No
2.

Where would you like the new monument placed?

(Current suggestions include by the New History Center, at the entrance to the complex, leave where it is or place near the dance arena.)
3.

Please provide a brief description of what you would like to see the monument look like.

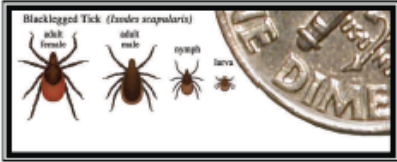
Mail form to: Wichita and Affiliated Tribes  
Veterans Monument  
P.O. Box 729  
Anadarko, OK 73005  
[terri.parton@wichitatribe.com](mailto:terri.parton@wichitatribe.com)



# Health Note

## Infection Prevention & Control News Bulletin

### TICK BORNE DISEASES



The Lyme disease bacterium, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, is spread through the bite of infected ticks. The blacklegged tick (or deer tick, *Ixodes scapularis*) spreads the disease in the northeastern, mid-Atlantic, and north-central United States.

Ticks can attach to any part of the human body but are often found in hard-to-see areas such as the groin, armpits, and scalp. In most cases, the tick must be attached for 36 to 48 hours or more before the Lyme disease bacterium can be transmitted.

Most humans are infected through the bites of immature ticks called nymphs. Nymphs are tiny (less than 2 mm) and difficult to see; they feed during the spring and summer months. Adult ticks can also transmit Lyme disease bacteria, but they are much larger and are more likely to be discovered and removed before they have had time to transmit the bacteria. Adult *Ixodes* ticks are most active during the cooler months of the year.

While it is a good idea to take preventive measures against ticks year-round, be extra vigilant in warmer months (April–September) when ticks are most active.

**Avoid Direct Contact with Ticks.** Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter.

**Walk in the center of trails.** **Repel Ticks with DEET or Permethrin.**

Use repellents that contain 20 to 30% DEET on exposed skin and clothing for protection that lasts up to several hours. Always follow product instructions. Parents should apply this product to their children, avoiding hands, eyes, and mouth.

Use products that contain permethrin on clothing. Treat clothing and gear, such as boots, pants, socks and tents with products containing 0.5% permethrin. It remains protective through several washings. Pre-treated clothing is available and may provide longer-lasting protection.

**Find and Remove Ticks from Your Body.** Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within 2 hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you.

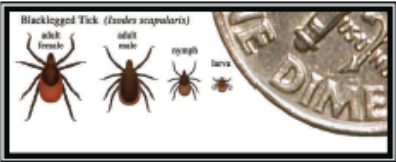
Conduct a full-body tick check using a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of your body upon return from tick-infested areas. Parents should check their children for ticks under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs, around the waist, and especially in their hair.

**Examine gear and pets.** Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine pets, coats, and day packs.

**Tumble clothes in a dryer on high heat for an hour to kill remaining ticks.** (Some research suggests that shorter drying times may also be effective, particularly if the clothing is not wet.)

## Infection Prevention & Control News Bulletin

### TICK BORNE DISEASES



If you had a tick bite, live in an area known for Lyme disease, or have recently traveled to an area where it occurs, and observe any of these symptoms, you should seek medical attention.

Early localized stage (3 to 30 days post-tick bite)

Red, expanding rash called erythema migrans (EM).

Fatigue, chills, fever, headache, muscle and joint aches, and swollen lymph nodes

Some people may experience an EM rash and the general symptoms. In other people, general symptoms may be the only evidence of infection.

Some people get a small bump or redness at the site of a tick bite that goes away in 1 to 2 days, like a mosquito bite. This is not a sign that you have Lyme disease. However, ticks can spread other organisms that may cause a different type of rash. For example, Southern Tick-associated Rash Illness (STARI) causes a rash with a very similar appearance.

RASH OCCURS IN APPROXIMATELY 70 TO 80 PERCENT OF INFECTED PERSONS AND BEGINS AT THE SITE OF A TICK BITE AFTER A DELAY OF 3 TO 30 DAYS (AVERAGE IS ABOUT 7 DAYS). RASH GRADUALLY EXPANDS OVER A PERIOD OF SEVERAL DAYS, AND CAN REACH UP TO 12 INCHES (30 CM) ACROSS. PARTS OF THE RASH MAY CLEAR AS IT ENLARGES, RESULTING IN A “BULL’S-EYE” APPEARANCE. RASH USUALLY FEELS WARM TO THE TOUCH BUT IS RARELY ITCHY OR PAINFUL. EM RASH MAY APPEAR ON ANY AREA OF THE BODY. EXAMPLES OF EM RASHES([HTTP://WWW.CDC.GOV/LYME/SIGNS\\_SYMPTOMS/RASHES.HTML](http://www.cdc.gov/lyme/signs_symptoms/rashes.html))

FOR MORE INFORMATION CLICK:

[http://www.cdc.gov/lyme/signs\\_symptoms/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/lyme/signs_symptoms/index.html)



## Infection Prevention & Control News Bulletin

### MOSQUITO PRECAUTIONS

West Nile virus is most commonly transmitted to humans by mosquitoes.

West Nile virus is not transmitted:

From person-to-person or from animal-to-person through casual contact. Normal veterinary infection control precautions should be followed when caring for a horse suspected to have this or any viral infection.

The most effective way to avoid West Nile virus disease is to prevent mosquito bites. Be aware of the West Nile virus activity in your area and take action to protect yourself and your family.

#### Avoid Mosquito Bites

Use insect repellents when you go outdoors. Repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, and some oil of lemon eucalyptus and para-menthane-diol products provide longer-lasting protection. To optimize safety and effectiveness, repellents should be used according to the label instructions.

When weather permits, wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors. Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing, so spraying clothes with repellent containing permethrin or another EPA-registered repellent will give extra protection. Don't apply repellents containing permethrin directly to skin. Do not spray repellent on the skin under your clothing.

Take extra care during peak mosquito biting hours. Take extra care to use repellent and protective clothing from dusk to dawn or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times.

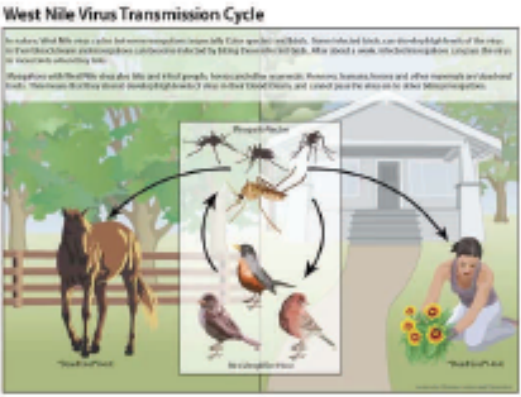
#### Mosquito-Proof Your Home

Install or repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes outside. Use your air conditioning, if you have it.

Help reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home by emptying standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, discarded tires, and birdbaths on a regular basis.

For more information click on link:

[HTTP://WWW.CDC.GOV/WESTNILE/PREVENTION/INDEX.HTML](http://www.cdc.gov/westnile/prevention/index.html)





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## Notices



JODI MARQUETTE  
AMERICAN INDIAN WILLS CLINIC

FRIDAY JULY 10, 2015

AT THE ANADARKO AGENCY  
HWY 281 N. & PARKER MCKENZIE DRIVE

### Information Session and Wills Clinic

The American Indian Wills Clinic  
will provide no—cost estate planning services to  
American Indians  
who live in Oklahoma.

To learn more about options for making arrangements  
for your Indian Land,  
**Attend our Information Session**  
**10:00 a.m.**

Wills and other estate planning documents will be  
drafted by appointment only  
From 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please Call (405) 208-5017 to make an appointment!.

*This Project was made possible, in part,  
by a generous grant from the Oklahoma  
Bar Foundation.*



## CASINO JOB POSTINGS

### Bar Supervisor

Sugar Creek Casino is now accepting  
Applications for the above position.

**Open until filled**

All applications must be submitted to the Sugar Creek Casino’s Human  
Resources Department by the above date and time.  
Please see the job description for requirements.

**Wichita & Affiliated Tribal Member & Indian Preference Considered.**  
Applications may be faxed to (405)542-2949 or mailed to Sugar Creek  
Casino 5304 N. Broadway Hinton, OK 73047

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

##### TRIBAL FUNDED SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                      |               |            |
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| OPENING DATE:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 06/02/2015           | CLOSING DATE: | 06/12/2015 |
| SUPERVISOR:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Tribal Administrator | SALARY:       | TBA        |
| LOCATION:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Family Services      | STATUS:       | Full-Time  |
| DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                      |               |            |
| Directly responsible for the overall administration and management of the Tribal Funded Social Services Program, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). Is also responsible for proper fiscal management of program funds and all other duties and responsibilities associated with the position. Responsible for proper management of program guidelines and budget. Receives applications, collects documents, conducts interviews, evaluates and assesses client needs, and determines eligibility for assistance. Responsible for the development and submission of monthly, quarterly, and annual fiscal, statistical, and narrative reports for all program components. Statistical data will be kept and an annual report will be given for services provided. |                      |               |            |
| QUALIFICATIONS – SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                      |               |            |
| Must have a Bachelor's Degree in Social Services, Business Administration, or related field from an accredited College or University; and have at least two (2) years of successful full-time paid employment in a social work capacity. Must have the ability to interpret and follow program guidelines relating to Tribal Funded Social Services Program, LIHEAP, and CSBG. Must have administrative ability and actual work experience in program management as required by funding agencies, inclusive of writing proposals, reporting, and developing budgets. Must also be familiar with, and have the ability to interpret federal guidelines relating to the programs.                                                                                                                                               |                      |               |            |
| INDIAN PREFERENCE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |               |            |
| N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                      |               |            |
| APPLICATION PROCEDURE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                      |               |            |
| Submit the following in a sealed envelope: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A current Wichita and Affiliated Tribes “Employment Application”</li><li>A Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB), if applicable</li><li>Current valid Oklahoma Driver's license</li><li>College Degree and/or Transcript, Certificates of Completion or Proficiency</li><li>Other documents deemed applicable</li></ul> Employment Applications are available at the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Administration Building, or may be found at <a href="http://www.wichitatribe.com">www.wichitatribe.com</a> . Applications must be received on or before the closing date, any received after the closing date will not be considered for that position but will be kept on file for 1 year.                                        |                      |               |            |
| The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is a Drug Free Workplace.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                      |               |            |

**\*\*This job vacancy announcement is not all inclusive\*\***

Tribal Enrollment  
as of June 2, 2015  
2,830

## Wichita Tribal Princess

Wichita Tribal Director Tara Tartsah is accepting applications for  
young women seeking the title of 2015-2016  
Wichita Tribal Princess.

Applicants must be between the ages of 14 and 21 years old. Must  
be an enrolled member or descendant of the  
Wichita Tribe of Oklahoma.

Deadline will be **June 16, 2015** 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. The princess will be  
announced Thursday August 13, 2015 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  
**405-933-6445**.

### Commissioner Vacancies

The following Commissions have at least one vacancy and  
will remain open until filled.

Wichita Industrial Development Commission  
Wichita Sports Commission  
Wichita Gaming Commission

If you are interested in serving on any Commission, then  
please submit a cover letter and resume, no later than June  
30, 2015 to:

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

## Kitikiti’sh Scholarship Announcement

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes will be offering the Kitikiti'sh Scholarship to two out-  
standing college students that are enrolled with the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. The  
word Kitikiti'sh is the spelling for "Wichita" in the Wichita language. Criteria will be  
based on 1) Cumulative GPA (2) ACT Composite Score (3) Description of Future Plans  
and (4) Description of Accomplishments, Leadership Roles, and Attributes (5) Financial  
Need. The Education Department will be mailing out the applications to high school  
graduating seniors that apply for their graduation incentive and current college students  
in the Higher Education Program who enroll for the fall semester. The applications will  
be mailed out as a courtesy but it is the applicant’s responsibility to obtain the applica-  
tion and submit prior to the deadline. Please contact the Education Department at  
(405) 247-2425 ext. 106 or 112 for the application and instructions. **The deadline to  
submit the application will be June 5, 2015.**



JOM Honor Dance

The Education Staff would like to thank the following people for their support in our 2015 honor dance-Wichita Executive Committee, JOM Parent Committee-Rose Horsechief and Johnetta Gonzalez, Gracemont School Staff-Mr. Jones, Mrs. Fullbright, volunteers- Valerie Key and Ambrea Murrow, and our head staff-James Nelson, Jimmy Reeder, Corey Reeder, Sydney Prince, Kitikiti'sh Little Sisters, and Wichita Young Men's Society. Also, thank you to Doris McLemore, Wichita Service Club, Wichita Tribal Princess Joli Herrera, and Wichita Tribe Maintenance Crew. We presented trophies/plaques to kindergarten, 8th Grade, and senior graduates, certificates and gift cards to honor roll and perfect attendance recipients, and t-shirts to all JOM students.



Joli Herrera, Mylia Redbone Houze, and Head Man Dancer Corey Reeder



Wichita Tribal Princess and Special Guest, Joli Herrera with Mylia Redbone Houze, Kiowa-Apache Blackfoot Society Princess



Head Lady Dancer and former Wichita princess, Sydney Prince



President Parton dances at JOM Honor Pow Wow

Education Banquet

The Education Staff would like to thank the following people for their support in our 2015 banquet-Wichita Executive Committee, Mr. James Nelson, Dr. Lancer Stephens, Dr. Heather Shotton, and Ms. Rachel Crawford M.A., Also, thank you to Doris McLemore, Beth Parker, Melonie French-Saldana, Wichita Tribe Maintenance Crew, Wichita Housing Authority, and other tribal employees who may have assisted with our event. The evening began with a delicious meal while our three guest speakers Lancer, Heather, and Rachel shared their journeys to obtain their college degrees. We recognized Kindergarten, 8th Grade, and Senior Graduates with gift bags and also honored three high school seniors and one vocational program graduate-Callie Goombi, Sydney Prince, Tramayne Wauahdooh, and Brittany Bert.



Recent grad, Julius Jones, with his father, Vice President Jesse Jones



Brianna Domebo, with her parents Cassandra and Dustin Domebo. Brianna is the granddaughter of the late Mike Cramer and great-granddaughter of Shirley Davilla.



Callie Goombi receives Pendleton for Outstanding Sports Achievements



Tremayne Wauahdooh with his Wichita Pendleton for Outstanding Sports Achievements



Sydney lulus with her Pendleton for Cultural Participation and Academic Achievement



Margot Stephenson with her grandson and recent graduate, Elijah Cisco.



Callie Goombi, recent grad, with her mother Renee Goombi. She is the daughter of Renee and Phillip Goombi and granddaughter of Karen Edmonds.



Recent Anadarko graduate Tremayne Wauahdooh with his mother Shayla Wauahdooh-Smith



Heather J. Shotton, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Native American Studies, University of Oklahoma



Speaker Lancer Stephens, PhD, Wichita/Creek Health Promotion Sciences, College of Public Health, Director of Outreach, Oklahoma Shared Clinical and Translational Resources, Director of Special Populations, Stephenson Cancer Center



Rachel Crawford, M.A. (Wichita/Navajo), Director of Health Equity, Native American/Alaska Native Initiatives, American Heart Association



Sydney Prince with her father Jarrod. Sydney graduated in the top ten at Anadarko High School.



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## Community News

### Aging Listening Session

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  
2015 American Indian and Alaska Native White House Conference on Aging Listening Session held in Norman Oklahoma - Unimpeded by Tornadoes and Flooding  
Albuquerque, NM, May 11, 2015 - With overwhelming and significant attendance over 108 American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) Elders, Tribal Leaders, Caregivers, and Service Providers from across the country convened in Norman Oklahoma on May 6, 2015. Although sudden threats of severe weather conditions loomed about the area the event took place with much success and accomplishment.

This event held in conjunction with the Department of Health and Human Services Region VI & VII Tribal Consultation Session, started off with full vigor and excitement. The meeting room was filled to capacity with some attendees standing. Attendees from thirty-one (31) Tribal Nations from the states of Arizona, Alaska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Washington traveled far and wide to voice their concerns about aging in Indian Country.

Assistant Secretary for Aging, Kathy Greenlee and Cynthia LaCounte, Director of American Indian/Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Programs, were present to listen and to respond to issues and questions presented by the attendees. The session was scheduled from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM but due to a severe tornado warnings in the vicinity of the event, attendees were required to move into shelter at the lower levels of the building. Assistant Secretary Greenlee and Director LaCounte graciously resumed the session after the threat had lifted and listened to every person presenting testimony until their conclusion at 8:00 PM. NICOA and our members were greatly honored to have our representatives from Washington, D.C. remain beyond the scheduled timeframe.

The National Indian Council on Aging, Inc. (NICOA), in partnership with the Administration on Community Living (ACL) and the White House Conference on Aging (WHCOA) co-orchestrated this momentous event. NICOA Executive Director Randella Bluehouse, concerned that aging issues of American Indian and Alaska Native Elders needed to be heard, advocated for this event. She attended the WHCOA Forum in Phoenix on March 31, 2015 and was disappointed with the lack of focus and inclusion of minority elders. She was most disappointed with the lack of discussion about aging in Indian Country. This motivated her to advocate for a listening session devoted solely to American Indian and Alaska Native Elders and stakeholders.

NICOA is thankful to Nora Super, Director of the White House Conference on Aging for listening to NICOA’s request and sanctioning this event. This speaks to the issue of inclusion and her attempt to better understand cultural diversity and how it impacts aging in America.

NICOA is grateful to the Oklahoma Indian Council on Aging for their participation and for volunteering to record the event. NICOA appreciates Julia Lothrop, Sr. Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist, Department of Health and Human Services Region VI & VII Tribal Consultation Session for providing the event space. Most importantly, the success of this event is due to the participation, thought provoking discussion and recommendations by the AI/AN Elders, Tribal Leaders, and Service Providers.

The collective voices from Indian Country will help to improve the health, social services and economic wellbeing of American Indian and Alaska Native Elders across America.



**Jaxon and Thunder Bowman**, sons of John Bowman, and **Calista and Acacia Luke**, daughters of Amber Luke and granddaughters of Vanessa Vance, received awards from the Chickasha JOM program for outstanding grades this academic year.

## Rock Springs Cemetery Update



As you know, Oklahoma received record setting rainfall in the month of May, 2015, on drought ridden land causing flash floods and damage to roadways. Our cemetery was not immune to these problems. Photos above and to the left depict some of the damage to the newly paved roads at the Rock Springs Cemetery. According to Transportation Director, Alex Riffel (seen above), the BIA has done a survey of the grounds in the past few days and will have a report and plans for a sediment and water control basin to control drainage and then will send out for bids to contract the work to do the repairs.

Please be respectful to the damaged property at this time, and patient with the work that is being done. The roads are unsafe for vehicles to drive on, so we encourage you to park at the front and walk up, rather than risk damage to your vehicle or roadways. Please do not try to drive around the ruts, as you may be on gravesites at that time. We are working on resolving this situation as quickly as possible.

## Wichita School Readiness Program



Signage was removed from the property on May 21, 2015. Additional work on the building will begin soon. We are hoping to have the renovations completed this summer and anticipate opening the School Readiness Program in the Fall. More details about the program were given in the CCDF report in the last edition of this paper, found online at [www.wichitatribe.com/government/newsletters](http://www.wichitatribe.com/government/newsletters). More details about the renovations will be given in subsequent editions as become available.

## 2015 Annual General Tribal Council Meeting

**July 18, 2015**  
**More details to come next issue!**

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# UPCOMING ENTERTAINMENT

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"Proud Mary", "Down On The Corner",  
"Lookin' Out My Back Door",  
"Who'll Stop The Rain",  
"Up Around The Bend",  
"Born On The Bayou" &  
"Have You Ever Seen The Rain"

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FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2015 @ 8PM

TICKETS: ~~VIP \$90~~, ~~ELITE \$80~~, PLATINUM \$70, GOLD \$60, SILVER \$50, CLASSIC \$40

\*NOTE: ADDITIONAL \$5.00 EACH WILL BE ADDED TO DAY OF SHOW PURCHASES. PAID ADMISSION RECEIVES \$10 MATCH PLAY AFTER THE SHOW



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SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2015 @ 8PM

TICKETS: ~~VIP \$85~~, ELITE \$75, PLATINUM \$65, GOLD \$55, SILVER \$45, CLASSIC \$35

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