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The Wichita Housing Authority developed the Iscani Pool as an amenity to the 40 units LIHTC project. The pool is licensed by the State of Oklahoma. It is also heated and open year round. Aquatic programs include many defined water aerobics classes, swimming lessons, pool parties and general swimming. Recently, a slide (pictured) has been added for swimmers' pleasure, a new hot water heater is scheduled for installation, as well as a chair lift that operates at a push of a button. Tenants and Wichita tribal members are allowed to swim at no cost (this excludes pool rentals for private parties). Just bring in your CDIB for free admission.



Hours of Operation

M-F
Water Fitness Classes
9:00am- 10:00 am
M-F
General Swim
12:00pm- 5:00pm
T-TH
Water Fitness Classes
5:30pm & 6:30pm
12:00pm- 5:00pm

SAT
General Swim
10:00am- 5:00pm
SUN
General Swim
12:00pm- 5:00 pm
**OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC
PRIVATE PARTIES**

Photos from the Community Easter Event and more can be found on our Flickr page at
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/131236426@N03/albums>

Thank You

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Wichita Tribe Employees

For your contributions to the
2nd Community Easter event!



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President’s Report
March Edition
By Terri Parton,
President
Submitted April 6, 2016
Information as of March
31, 2016

We hope you are enjoying the nicer weather. We have a lot of projects that are moving along and we hope this report will give you some insight on the progress of those projects. We aren’t always able to put a lot of detail into some of the updates but we hope that this provides enough information to you to show the work that we are doing.

Behind the scenes there is planning, contracts, reviews, budgets, paperwork, reading and problem solving that go on with each event and project that we do. On behalf of the Wichita Executive Committee, we are thankful for everyone that plays a part in moving these projects forward whether it is preparing contracts, working on a project with us, making sure programs do their part, making sure our tribal members get services through our programs and even just supporting the administration on the projects that we pursue. All of these things play huge role in making sure our Tribe moves forward in a good direction. Below are just few updates on the things we continue to work on.

ELECTIONS AND ANNUAL MEETING
Don’t forget to mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting and 2016 Tribal Elections to be held on Saturday, July 16, 2016.

TRIBAL MEMBER HEALTH PLAN
As of March 31, 2016, there have been 1,505 enrolled tribal members who have submitted an application for their card. We currently have over 2,900 enrolled tribal members. We need you to fill out the application and get your health card. If you have not submitted an application for your health card then please do so. This will allow you to receive limited medical, dental, prescription and other medical benefits. If you have questions about the card, please email them to me at terri.parton@wichitatribe.com. You or your provider can also call 1-877-810-4587 to Native Health Care and in cases of prescription issue then you can call MEDTRACK at 1-(800)-771-4648. The Native Health Care and MEDTRACK numbers are on your card. Please remember that this is NOT a prima-

ry insurance. **PLEASE DO NOT GIVE THESE CARDS TO IHS.** The government has a responsibility to provide health care. The Tribe should not be funding IHS. Applications are available at the Administration Building if you have not filled out an application. If you are an enrolled tribal member, please call (405) 247-2425 ext. 100 for an application.

HINTON TRAVEL INN
The Wichita Executive Committee has reviewed cost estimations for the renovations to the Hinton Travel Inn. Final costs are being prepared and work will begin on the Hinton Travel Inn sometime in April. Work will begin on the outside of the facility and then move to the interior. New carpet, bedding, furniture, paint, pool repairs and lobby upgrade are some of the improvements that will be made to the Hinton Travel Inn. We will also be looking to change the name of the hotel once the renovations are complete.

ROCK SPRING CEMETERY
The Wichita Executive Committee will be discussing the GMP hopefully during our Quarterly Meeting in April. The contractor is still working on the civil engineering for the GMP.

COMMUNITY EASTER EVENT
The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes would like to thank all of our employees and volunteers who came out to make our Community Easter Event a success. There were several local businesses that participated. We have an official “Thank You” to all of those that participated in this newspaper. We hope to continue this event in the future. It was a little chilly that morning but it ended up being a great day.

COMMUNITY VISIONING SESSION
As previously explained in the last few newspapers, the Wichita Executive Committee has had planning sessions for Tribal Government and Economic Development. We are now ready to have a one-day Community Visioning Session to gain community input from our tribal membership. We strongly encourage you to attend. We will be serving lunch and offering door prizes. This is a time for tribal membership to offer input on our future. We really want tribal membership to participate. There will be information that does not appear in the newspapers so it would be worth coming to and be a part of the

planning for our Tribe and our children’s future. The agenda for the meeting and additional information is included in this newspaper (page 8).

MAZZIO’S BUILDING RENOVATIONS FOR THE WCDC
On Monday, March 28, 2016, a new contractor begun the finishing work on the Wichita School Readiness Center. The completion of the renovations should be around 30 days. An official opening day will be announced after the renovations are complete.

WICHITA HISTORY CENTER
The Wichita Executive Committee approved the 65% design for the Wichita History Center on Thursday, March 24, 2016. Dirt work began on Thursday, March 31, 2016. The Wichita History Center will be completed sometime in the fall.

STORM SHELTERS
The Wichita Executive Committee approved funding for a limited number of storm shelters. We are in the process of getting quotes for the shelters. We hope to provide information on the application process in the next newspaper.

WAGE SCALE
The Wichita Executive Committee has been working on a wage scale along with Ms. Prince, Mr. Nelson and Blue Stone Strategy Group. After looking at where the Tribe stood as far as wages, we have a decided to take a step to move us closer to where the Tribe needs to be with salaries. Almost all of the salaries that we offer to employees are not competitive with other similar tribes and governments. We have a wage scale now that is not officially approved but we are using this as our basis on where the salaries need to be. Our next step will be to have Human Resource Compensation Administrative Policies & Procedures Guidelines put into place. We will be working on getting that accomplished over the next 30 days. This will give us guidelines on where compensation should be when someone begins employment based on education, experience and job duties. It will also give us a more uniform basis for Merit increases. We will also be working on the evaluation tool that will be used. Evaluations should be done at a higher standard than it has been in the past. It will be up to employees to perform so that they receive a good evaluation and can earn a Merit increase.

For many years, the Tribe did not give salary increases and eventually we began to give across the board Cost of Living Allowances (COLA). Increases in the future will be based on Merit and so employees may or may not receive an increase in the future. Individual job performance will be based on many factors. For directors, being innovative and looking for ways to grow their program, are they applying for new grants or just reapplying for the same thing year after year, is administration getting complaints on specific programs, are budgets being managed properly, is the program having carryover funds that could have been used for services for tribal members, etc. Time, job description duties and performance should be monitored more thoroughly in the future.

With higher salaries positions will become more competitive in the future, and the Tribe will have higher expectations of job performance from employees and so will tribal members. It has been very hard to apply for grants when we can’t recruit those with the credentials to fill the positions due to the salaries limits that we have had in place.

On Thursday, March 31, 2016, the Wichita Executive Committee, by a vote 6-0-0, approved a 3% salary increase for tribal government employees effective April 4, 2016.

The Tribe is doing its best to increase the benefits of employees and so it becomes their responsibility to our tribal people to give them the best service possible. We continue to seek ways to increase services to tribal members.

SMOKE SHOP
The Wichita Executive Committee has been discussing with the Wichita Tax Commission over the last year about

the need for a bigger and newer Smoke Shop. The Smoke Shop construction began in March. There is a picture in this newspaper (page 6) of the building as it is being worked on.

WCD LAND PARTITION
On January 9, 2007, the Wichita Executive Committee approved Resolution WT-07-09 approving and agreeing to the partitioning of 600 acres of the jointly held lands. Caddo’s received 312 acres, Wichita’s received 180 acres and the Delaware Nation received 108 acres. The Caddo and Delaware Tribes signed similar resolutions agreeing to the partitioning. The resolutions granted each respective tribe in perpetuity the right of exclusive use and sole governmental authority. The lands that were not partitioned would remain for joint use and under the authority of the WCD Tribes which is not to be confused with WCD Enterprises, Inc.

The Tribes over the years have sought to have the land placed in title to each of the respective tribes while honoring the resolutions collectively developed and approved by all three tribes back in 2006 and 2007.

On March 22, 2016, the IBIA ruled on an appeal regarding the land partition. The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes sought a review of a June 26, 2014 decision by the Regional Director to withhold further action on deciding an appeal by the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes from a June 7, 2013 decision of BIA’s Anadarko Agency Superintendent concerning the partition of lands jointly held by the Wichita, Caddo and the Delaware Tribes (collectively, the WCD Tribes). The Interior Board of Indian Appeals (IBIA) vacated the Regional Director’s June 26, 2014 decision and remanded the matter to the Regional Director for further consideration and issuance of a new decision. The Regional Office has requested to host a meeting between the three Tribes.

CONCLUSION
It is going to be a busy spring and summer. May the Creator continue to bless each of you with good health and wellness. So:ti:cʔa

Dates to remember

April 27	Lawton IHS Centennial
April 28	Honor the Child
April 28	JOM Pow Wow
April 29	Elder Info Meeting
April 30	Community Visioning Meeting
May 30	Filing Period Opens
June 10	Filing Period Closes
July 16	Annual General Council Meeting
July16	2016 Tribal Elections
August 11-14	Wichita Annual Dance

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Notices

Wichita Tribe Summer Intern Program

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is currently accepting applications from enrolled Wichita Tribal members who are interested in participating in the summer intern program located at the Wichita Tribal complex. This program is established for Wichita graduating seniors and Tribal college students that will be attending college in the fall of 2016. This will be an 8-week program scheduled between June and July time frame. The program will be held at the Wichita Tribal Complex where the intern will work with the Summer Youth Program and within Tribal programs.

The student will be required to work with the SummerYouth Program the first part of the day and occasionally attend field trips. The second half of the day the intern will work, observe and participate in all programs including Administration, Education, AoA, Social Services, Health, Culture, Environmental Protection, Food Distribution, Transportation and TERO Programs along with any other programs not listed. The interns will be rotated among the departments. The week of July 5, 2016, the intern will be required to write and research other Tribes and do a comparison to the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes programs. The second half of the program, beginning in July, will allow the intern to work more in depth in a specialized areas based on their interest in the various departments of the Tribe. For example, an intern might be interested in the Social Services fields so they would be assigned to work with that director or within those programs for a specific amount of time. Each intern will also have an opportunity present their experiences with the intern program at the Annual Meeting to be held on July 16, 2016. A final presentation with a written report will be provided to the Wichita Executive Committee.

The intern will have the responsibility of having reliable transportation to and from the Tribal Complex. Hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a 1 hour lunch break. The intern will also be required to go through an application and resume writing course offered by the Human Resources Department.

The purpose of the intern program is to give experience to the intern and also to gain perspective of the Tribe from our youth. This is a nine (9) week program with a few days of orientation in May. The intern program will run from May 26, 2016 to July 29, 2016.

Deadline for applications: May 2, 2016

Prerequisites: Qualifies as at least a sophomore, junior or senior in high school or an undergraduate attending college

MAKE THE GRADES.
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PROMISE

HOW TO APPLY
Online at www.okpromise.org
or get an application from your counselor.

WHO MAY APPLY
Applicants must be:

- Oklahoma residents.
- 8th-, 9th- or 10th-grade students (homeschool students must be age 13, 14 or 15).
- Students whose parents earn \$50,000 or less per year.*
- Students who promise to meet the requirements of the program.

***Special income provisions may apply to:**

- Children adopted from certain court-ordered custody and children in the custody of court-appointed legal guardians.
- Families receiving Social Security disability and death benefits.
- Families receiving nontaxable military benefits.

Contact the Oklahoma's Promise office for more information.

Additional documentation may be required.

THE PROMISE
Upon completion of the program's requirements, you will earn:

- Tuition at an Oklahoma public two-year college or four-year university.
- OR-
- A portion of tuition at an accredited Oklahoma private college or university.
- OR-
- A portion of tuition for courses at public technology centers that are approved for credit toward an Associate in Applied Science degree at a public college.

(The Oklahoma's Promise scholarship does not cover fees, books, supplies, or room and board.)

GET MORE INFO
www.okpromise.org
okpromise@osrhe.edu
(800) 858-1840 or (405) 225-9152
Ask your counselor
Scan here with your smartphone

Find us on:
facebook®

A program created by the Oklahoma Legislature and administered by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

during the fall 2016.

Application requirements: College transcript or report card with courses and grades, current resume, and a cover letter explaining why you wish to be considered for the program and an overview of your career goals.
Background Investigation: Applicants

must submit and pass a background investigation in order to work with the Summer Youth Program.

Those interested should submit application requirements to Human Resources, Breezy Prince, at breezy.prince@wichitatribe.com. Interviews and selection will be held prior to May 13, 2016 and those selected will be required to

attend orientation on May 26 and 27. This will include a visit to each of the programs and the various entities owned by the Tribe within Caddo County.

Vacancies

HOUSING SPECIALIST

The Wichita Housing Authority is accepting applications for the position of Housing Specialist. A copy of the position description is available at the Wichita Housing Authority offices. Applicants must have experience in working with HUD homeownership and rental programs, LIHTC rental units developed under private investments, and strong customer skills. Resumes will be accepted until close of business on Monday, April 4, 2016. Wichita and Native American preference in hiring is applicable. Preference must be evidenced by inclusion of CDIB or other enrollment documentation attached to the resume. Wichita Housing Authority also is required to offer HUD Section 3 preference under the Indian Housing Block Grant. Resumes may be delivered to the Wichita Housing Authority offices located at 1 South Coronado Circle, Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes has an opening for a GARDENING COORDINATOR for the Food Distribution Program. Will help build and coordinate a community garden and nutrition education program. Will work with elders and children to support their abilities to grow healthy and fresh food. This is a Temporary position not to exceed 90 days. **QUALIFICATIONS:** High School Diploma or GED. Knowledge and experience with organic vegetable gardening and/or farming. Work experience demonstrating program/community development skills. Possess a valid State of Oklahoma Driver's License; and pass a drug screening test and a criminal background investigation. Applications available at the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes or at www.wichitatribe.com. For additional information contact Human Resources at (405) 247-2425. Closing date is April 8, 2016 at 5 p.m.

CASINO JOB POSTINGS

Dishwasher
Deep Cleaner
Housekeeper
Lead Cage Cashier
Dishwasher-Part-time
Housekeeper-Part-time
Deep Cleaner-Part time
Event Staff-Part time
Slot Attendant-Part time

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

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)542-2952 or mailed to Sugar Creek Casino 5304 N. Broadway Hinton, OK 73047

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Community News

TERO Commissioners Sought

In 1987, the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes passed the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance. The ordinance allowed for the establishment of a Commission to oversee the TERO office. The Wichita Executive Committee has determined a need to appoint four commissioners to improve the TERO Commission and to assist in carrying out the intent of the ordinance.

The Wichita Executive Committee is seeking four (4) individuals, preferably enrolled tribal members, to serve as Commissioners under the Wichita Tribal Employment Rights Commission. The Commission will be comprised of four (4) commissioners and one Executive Committee Member as an ex-officio member.

The first item of business after appointment will be to review and make recommendations in regards to the current ordinance. Because this will be a new board, the Committee has

voted to only implement Section 6 and Section 7 of the ordinance to the new board until the board is established.

After the ordinance has been reviewed and revised, Commissioners will be formulating, adopting, amending rules, regulations and guidelines, requiring employers to submit a TERO compliance plans, establish hiring goals and establish training programs and other duties.

Those interested in serving on the board may submit a resume and a letter of interest to:

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Attn: Myles Stephenson, Jr., Secretary
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005

All resumes and letters of interest will need to be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 29, 2016.

TERO Job Fair

The TERO program held a Job Fair on March 24. There was a great turnout. On behalf of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes TERO Program we would like to thank the following employers that attended this event. Wichita Child Development Center, Wichita Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention, Wichita Victims of Crime Act Program, Wichita Education Department, Sugar Creek Casino, Security Finance, AT&T, BIA Law Enforcement, Apache Tribe Voc-Rehab Program, and Goodyear. Also, thank you to the Wichita Tribe maintenance department for their help in setting up for the event and cleaning up, Amber Luke for getting the food set up for the event and Beth Parker for the beautiful banner. I want to thank Edith Littlechief, Breezy Prince, Lois Samaniego, and Kayla Bryant. Once again thank you all very much for your assistance and participation.



You are cordially invited to the Lawton Indian Hospital's Centennial Celebration

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

10:00 am

Lawton Indian Hospital

1515 Lawrie Tatum Road

Lawton, OK

Reception to follow

For more information, please call

(580) 354-5100

Doctoral Student Seeks Research Participants

Darryl Washington, a doctoral student at Oral Roberts University, has contacted the Tribe to request the Tribe's assistance in identifying potential research participants for his research project on the topic of culture and learning. According to Mr. Washington, the purpose of the research is to discover the effects of cultural suppression on learning. He describes cultural suppression as occurring when a people, group or race is not allowed to express traditions and beliefs in the same manner as their ancestors were accustomed to living. Mr. Washington proposes to conduct phone interviews with a representative sample or several Native Americans, especially elders, from a random sample from each of the 39 Oklahoma Tribes. He is also interested in conducting a focus group interview or a group interview during a community gathering. Persons interested in taking part in the individual or group interviews should contact Gary McAdams at (405)247-2425, Ext.169 or you may contact Mr. Washington directly at was:84927@oru.edu

HINTON TRAVEL INN

Desk clerk position available. Computer Skills needed.
Work hours 3:00-11:00 pm
Monday - Friday
Hour Wage-\$ 10.00
(p) 1-405-542-6011
Ask For Manager.
Apply in person.



Note

Hello all,

As I was putting this paper together, I built the sidebar on page one and realized that it is now in Volume 2! This is the first edition of the second year of the Wichita Tribal News. It has come a long way from the newsletter that it sprung from, and even changed quite a bit from inception. I have enjoyed learning as I've gone over the last year, but still have more ideas for implementation. I am going to start adding more pieces in this publication on history and culture, for a start.

If you have any ideas for stories along this line, or if you have old stories and/or photographs to share, please contact me by phone (405)638-4461 or email amber.luke@wichitatribe.com. I would love to get more tribal member input.

Of course, I still encourage you all to follow our other news outlets on Facebook, Twitter, Flickr, WordPress, and the website www.wichitatribe.com for the latest news from the tribe. There will be new things coming in those channels as well.

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Amber Luke

Editor's

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Community News

Attention: Wichita and Affiliated Tribal Members

The Wichita Department of Environmental Programs will be accepting applications for tribal members to participate in the following Assessments:

- ◊ Mold Assessments
- ◊ Indoor Asthma Trigger Assessments
- ◊ Water Assessments for homes using rural water
- ◊ Water Assessments for homes using well water

There will be 20 slots available and Assessments will be given on a first come first serve basis. Please call the Wichita Department of Environmental Programs Office for more information on these assessments and how to obtain an application.

Wichita Department of Environmental Programs
Sonnie Allen, General Assistance Coordinator
Phone: (405) 247-2425 Ext. 115



The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Present

The Elder Lawn Mowing Program

The lawn mowing will begin the first week of April 2016

If you are a Wichita tribal elder aged 55 or above, you qualify for the program if you live within the Anadarko/Gracemont area.

You may also qualify if you are a Wichita tribal member with a demonstrated special need. Please be advised that the lawn mowing crew is hired to do other jobs, such as mowing the Rock Springs Cemetery and assisting with the grounds at the tribal complex. Schedules may have to be adjusted at times.

Applications will be available March 1, 2016. You may request an application to be mailed, by contacting Kay at (405) 247-2425 ext 100. There are limitations on service, so please call with any questions you may have. The service will run for approximately 16 weeks.



A service of the Wichita and
Affiliated Tribes



Home Rehabilitation Program Update- April 2016

We have been busy in the month of March with getting the Home Rehabilitation Program going. So far we have (10) tribal members who participating in the program. We have inspected all of the homes and will be determening exactly what needs to be done. We have been working with a few contractors to get beds and planning as well. Reminders have been sent out to incomplete applicants to complete the application process.

Elders Lawn service

The lawn service will be starting on April 4, 2016 at the tribe the first week. There will be four new workers added to the maintenance crew. All of the workers are Wichita members.

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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. 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

2016
Gracemont Public School

JOM Honor PowWow

Thursday, April 28, 2016
H.S. Auditorium
5:30-9:30 p.m.

Head Staff TBA

SONG CLASSES

The Wichita Song Class will meet Thursday at 6:30 PM in the portable building at the Wichita Tribal Complex which is located one mile north of Anadarko on Hwy. 281, then one half mile west on Wichita Lane. Instruction will be provided by Jimmy Reeder. For more information you may contact Gary McAdams at (405)247-2425, Ext. 169.

2016 HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR ASSISTANCE



Enrolled Wichita tribal members in their senior year of high school may apply for Senior Assistance. Each senior is eligible for \$500.00 toward the costs of Senior Pictures, Graduation Announcements and/or a Class Ring. No service area requirement.

All payments will be made to the vendor.

Please call (405)247-8612 or stop by the Wichita Tribe Education Office for an application.

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Notices

NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF ANADARKO

The City of Anadarko has identified a substantial number of properties that are not compliant to city code Title 4 Sections 3A-1 thru 3A-4 and Title 4 section 3-10. The properties need to be cleaned up, mowed, trees trimmed, debris removed, and in some instances demolition is necessary.

As a result, the City of Anadarko in conjunction with Caddo County has scheduled City Wide Clean Up Days April 20th 2016 through April 23rd 2016. The city will be divided into 3 sections as follows:

- Day1, April 20th, 2016 west of 1st street and north from Louisiana Street
- Day 2, April 21st, 2016 west of 1st Street and south of Louisiana Street
- Day 3, April 22nd, 2016 all area’s east of 1st Street

All debris must be bagged or contained and placed at the curb prior to the date scheduled for your area. City crews will pick up only items at the curb and will pick up in your area only one time. Furniture, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, and bulky items can be placed at the curb or delivered to the sited below. No hazardous items can be set out for disposal.

If you cannot have your items at the curb on your scheduled day you can take items to our central roll off site or visit one of 4 other sites during the cleanup dates. You can also take large items and debris to the Alex land fill at no charge if you have a photo ID and a copy of a recent utility bill. Roll Off Hours are Tuesday thru Saturday 9am-6pm.

- A tire disposal unit will be set up at the Save A Lot parking lot.
 - In addition to the central Roll Off location on Country Club road; four additional sited will be set up for your convenience:
1. City Hall parking lot – 501 W Virginia
 2. Fire Station 2 parking lot – 1 Airport Road
 3. Save A Lot parking lot – 112 W Central

Please keep in mind, city crew will complete a onetime only curbside pickup in your neighborhood on the scheduled dates. All properties not cleaned up by the end of April 2016 will be subjected to code violations pursuant to the city codes referenced above.

If you have questions or concerns, please call the Utility Billing Department at 405-247-2481.

Thank you,
Jo Spanglehour,
City Clerk

P O Box 647 – 501 W. Virginia, Anadarko, OK 73005 Phone – 405-247-2481 Fax – 405-247-2866 www.cityofanadarko.org

Tribal members that need assistance with moving these items to the proper locations for pick up, can contact Jason Prince at (405) 247-2425 ext. 141. We will do our best to acomodate your requests.



Construction progress on the Smoke Shop located by Sugar Creek Casino. More information in the President’s Report on page 2.

Society of American Indian Gouvernement Employees Youth Opportunity

Society of American Indian
Government Employees
P.O. Box 7715, Washington, D.C. 20044



Honoring Our Ancestors
Through Government Service
www.saige.org

2016 SAIGE YOUTH PROGRAM PRESS RELEASE

February 24, 2016

SAIGE Announces Youth Program at 13th Annual National Training Conference

the Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) is a national Non-profit organization that advocates for American Indian and Alaska Native government employees. SAIGE will host their 13th annual national training program, “**Serving Our Nations**,” June 5^h-9th, 2016 at the Hard Rock Hotel, in Catoosa, Oklahoma.

As part of the Training Program, SAIGE will also host the annual Native Student Youth Program. This program is designed to provide Native American students an opportunity to learn about careers within the federal government, to participate in professional and personal development workshops and leadership training, and to network with Native American professionals.

SAIGE encourages Native American youth to realize their potential to become leaders in their communities and schools, continue their educations by obtaining a college degree, and ultimately, to seek careers in the government sector in one of the multitude of civil service professions. Federal agency representatives attending the Training Program have the opportunity to meet students, participate as Exhibitors, and promote career opportunities within their respective agencies.

SAIGE is offering a limited number of scholarships for Native students from tribal and mainstream colleges and universities to attend the 2016 Training Conference June 5-9, 2016 in Catoosa, Oklahoma. The scholarships will include conference fee, airfare and hotel accommodations.

The Youth Program is open to Native Students between the ages of 18 and 25 who demonstrate they are currently enrolled in good standing at an accredited high school, college or university. Students must be interested in gaining a professional degree and in the possibility of pursuing a career with the federal government. SAIGE invites American Indian/Alaska Native students to submit their application form, letter of reference, proof of school enrollment, and completed emergency medical information form for consideration to attend the conference. A short essay about their interest in government careers and information about themselves is also required. Completed application packets must be postmarked or electronic copies sent no later than **April 30, 2016**. To obtain a complete application visit our website at: www.saige.org under Special Programs/Youth Track News.

We look forward to you joining us in Catoosa, Oklahoma (Tulsa, Oklahoma area)

Contact: JoAnn Brant
Youth Program Coordinator
(202) 564-0375 brant.joann@epa.gov

Society of American Indian
Government Employees



13th Annual National Training Program

“Serving Our Nations”

Hard Rock Hotel, Catoosa, OK

June 6 - 9, 2016

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Community News



THE POWER OF TWO
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FRIDAY, APRIL 22, FROM 9AM-1PM
AT OKLAHOMA CITY
UNIVERSITY SCHOOL
OF LAW

RSVP: LISA.LEE@OKCU.EDU
BY APRIL 15 405-208-5354

800 N. HARVEY,
OKLAHOMA CITY, 73102

Enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes , Tasha Fridia, is a second year law student attending Oklahoma City University School of Law. Presently, she serves on the executive board for the National Native American Law Students Association (NNALSA). One of the organizational goals is to increase the number of Native Americans in the legal profession.

In furtherance of that goal, NNALSA has partnered with OCU Law to offer an event specifically for tribal higher education professionals, current high school and college students, as well as other tribal members interested in law school. This event will include sessions on: how to navigate the law school application process, financial aid/funding sources for law school, and a lunch session with current Native American law students. Thr hope is that every tribe in the state will bring a delegation of students so that they can learn about the power of two degrees and how a legal education can strengthen their nations.

Please join them at the OCU Law campus in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City. RSVP including the number of students, staff and tribal members you will bring. Instructions can be found on the flyer at left.

Gun Safety Locks Available

The Indian Health Service and the Veteran’s Administration has provided the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes with gun locks. You may pick one up at no charge in the Administration building at the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. Please see Kay Ahtone or call (405)247-2425 ext. 100, for more information.

FREE ADVERTISEMENT FOR TRIBAL MEMBER BUSINESSES

The Wichita Tribal News is distributed to tribal member homes and free to the public on newsstands in Caddo County. We will be offering ad space to Wichita tribal member owned business for **FREE** for the next few months. Please send your ad copy to newsletter@wichitatribe.com or call 405-247-2425 ext. 165 for more information. Ads may be altered for size or otherwise, but copy for proof will be provided before run.

Tara Tartsah Clark, enrolled tribal member and acting Human Resources Manager at Sugar Creek Casino, recently received her Human Resources Certification from the National Native American Human Resources Association (NNAHRA). Congratulations Tara!



Wichita & Affiliated Tribes Child Care Program



Presents

“Week of the Young Child” Parade & Children’s Celebration

April 28, 2016
8:45 AM to 2:00 PM

Beginning on Broadway & Ending At Oklahoma Street Junior High School Gym

*** Parade * KID-I-D-Kits * Moon bounce ***
Cultural Educational Activities*Information Booths
*** Petting Zoo * Pony Rides * Face Painting *Childrens Train Rides***

Ages 6 & Under are welcome!

Prior Registration is recommended- Lunch & T-Shirts are provided on first come first serve basis.

Information : 247-2425

Program Quarterly Reports



AGENDA



One Day Economic Community Visioning Session
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes: Wichita Economic Development Initiative

April 30, 2016	10am-3pm
10:00am – 10:15am	Opening Prayer Welcome & Introductions Blue Stone Strategy Group and Who We Are
10:15am – 10:45am	Creating the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Tribal Economy and Current Approved Initiatives
10:45am – 11:00am	Economic Development “Building the Tribal Economy”
11:00am – 11:30am	Tribal Government Economic and Community Development Land Use Priorities
11:30am – 12:00pm	Wichita Economic Development and Planning Efforts Executive Committee and Industrial Commission Board Priorities
12:00pm	LUNCH BREAK (working lunch)
12:00pm – 1:00pm	What Kind of Jobs/Career Opportunities and Training Needs to be Developed for Tribal Members Facilitated Discussion
1:00pm – 1:40pm	Community Input of Economic Development Priorities
1:40 – 2:20pm	Wichita Executive Committee Goals & Priorities - Facilitated Discussion - Community top priorities and action items - Community input on economic development opportunities and challenges
2:20pm – 3:00pm	Wichita Plan of Action - Next Steps - Closing Thoughts

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Community Visioning Meeting for Enrolled Tribal Members

Saturday, April 30, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m. in the
Community Building located at the
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

Lunch will be provided. There will also be door prizes available.

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Executive Committee will hold a one day Community Visioning Session to gain tribal community input on the economic development vision, community priorities and other priorities defined by the Wichita Executive Committee from their recent planning sessions in December 2015 and the one held in January 2016 with the Industrial Development Commission.

The purpose of the community visioning session will be to provide information on the Tribe’s current prioritized initiatives and to collect input from enrolled Tribal members on what they envision economic development to be for the Tribe. Discussion will include what opportunities are available, resources available, top business opportunities, top business challenges, action plan update on progress from the planning sessions, and what enrolled tribal members believe the economic development priorities should be.

As part of a process to educate the tribal community on current Executive Committee economic development initiatives, the Wichita Executive Committee will conduct a listening work session with enrolled Tribal members to gain tribal participation in determining priorities as part of the decision making process. The Community Visioning Session will be designed on a consensus building approach among all tribal participants that provides for community input and dialogue on Best Practices for building Tribal economies. The basis of the presentation and discussions will be designed from the Wichita Executive Committee Economic Development Executive Summaries that were done with the facilitation of Blue Stone Strategy Group.

On behalf of the Wichita Executive Committee, I encourage our tribal membership to come out and participate in this Community Visioning Session. -President, Terri Parton

Political Paid Advertising Available for 2016 Election Cycle

On July 16, 2016, Wichita tribal members will go to the polls and vote on a new Executive Committee for the tribe. The offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three (3) committee members will be decided by secret ballot. The tribe will mail the required Election Notice to all eligible voters and as part of the June Edition of the Wichita Tribal News. In addition to the notice of the election, a list of all persons filing for office will be included. This year we will print the candidate list and election notice, as well as offer candidates an opportunity to introduce themselves to voters by purchasing a paid political announcement. The deadline for submitting the advertisement is June 15, 2015. All advertisements can be emailed to newsletter@wichitatribe.com or delivered to the Wichita Tribal Complex to Amber Luke, Communications Manager. All advertisement fees must be paid to Accounting Liaison, Joanne Belgarde, by June 15, 2015, for the ad to be run. Ads must be print ready ad copy, preferably in digital format. Prices and sizes are as follows:

1/4 page (6” X 10”)	\$100
1/8 page (6” X 5”)	\$50

For more information, call Amber Luke 405-247-2425 ext. 165.

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Announces Notice of Filing Period

The Executive Committee of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is announcing the official opening of the filing period for the 2016 Tribal election. The filing period opens May 30, 2016 and closes at 5 p.m. June 10, 2016 for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three Committee Members.

Tribal members must be at least 21 years of age to be eligible for candidacy. Eligible Tribal members interested in filing for a position on the Executive Committee must submit their letter of intent and a filing fee to Tribal Secretary, Myles Stephenson. Letters of intent and fees must be received by close of business (5 p.m.) June 10, 2016.

Notices of candidacy and filing fees may be hand delivered to the Cultural and Administration Building at the Wichita Tribal Headquarters located one and a quarter (1 ¼) miles north of Anadarko, Oklahoma on Hwy. 281. Candidates may also mail their notices and filing fees to the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, Attn: Myles Stephenson, Secretary, P.O. Box 729, Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005.

The filing fee for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer is \$125.00. The filing fee for Committee Member is \$100.00. **All fees must be paid in the form of a money order or cashier’s check and made payable to the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.**

The Tribal election will be held on Saturday, July 16, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Conference Room of the Administration building located at the Tribal Complex 1 ¼ miles north of Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Election Procedures for 2016 Election

ELECTION PROCEDURES (as amended) WICHITA AND AFFILIATED TRIBES

SECTION 1-APPLICABILITY OF PROCEDURES:

These election procedures are applicable to all elections conducted by the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco, and Tawakonie) pursuant to Articles VII, and XI of the Wichita Governing Resolution. In case of disputes as to compliance with these procedures, substantial rather than complete compliance shall be deemed adequate. Copies of these procedures shall be distributed to any eligible voter requesting them.

SECTION 2-ELECTION NOTICES:

An election notice shall be mailed no less than 10 days before such election to all eligible voters with identifiable addresses. The notice shall contain a list of all candidates, the positions they're running for and information regarding the time and place of the election. In elections called pursuant to Article XI-Amendments, the notice and proposed amendments shall be mailed to Tribal members not less than 30 days before such election.

SECTION 3-FILING NOTICE:

Candidates must file their notice of candidacy with the Secretary of the Wichita Executive Committee 30 days prior to the date of any regular of special election. There will be a filing fee of \$125.00 for candidates filing for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and a \$100.00 filing fee for those candidates filing for the office of Committee Member. These filing periods will apply to any filing period after July 12, 2004, the date of this amendment.***

SECTION 4-OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE POLLS:

The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and remain open for 8 hours. The polls will close at 5:00 p.m. All eligible tribal voters shall register with the polling place officials in order to verify their membership and right to vote.

SECTION 5-POLLING PLACE:

The polling place shall be in the Conference Room of the Wichita Tribal Administration Building located north of Anadarko, Oklahoma. There shall be no loitering in or around the lobby area of the polling place while the polls are open ** or during the counting of the ballots.*****

SECTION 6-POLLING PLACE OFFICIALS:

The officials who shall conduct the election shall be selected by the Wichita Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall select three*two**three individuals and one alternate to assist with the balloting and three individuals and one alternate to count the ballots.

A. It shall be the duty of the polling place workers who assist with balloting:

- To count the blank ballots prior to the opening of the polls and to verify that the total of the number of ballots voted, plus the number of spoiled ballots, and the number of unused ballots equals the number of blank ballots available at the beginning of the balloting.
- To see that the names of each person offering to vote is entitled to be on the official voters list of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.
- To require that each member who votes to present a valid federal, state or Tribal photo identification (ID).*****
- To deny to vote, any member who is intoxicated.*****
- To require that each member who votes signs his name beside the listing of his name on the official voters list.

OR

To require that each member who votes signs

his name on the sheet provided and to assure that the listing of each member who votes is marked clearly on the official voters list with the word "voted". (Any voter who signs with an "X" or a thumbprint shall have that mark initialed by two polling place officials.)

- To issue one ballot for each position, amendment or issue* to each eligible voter. (Should any voter spoil or mutilate his ballot(s) in his effort to vote, he/she shall fold it in such a manner that the polling officials cannot see how he had voted, and return with it to the table where ballots are being issued. Such voter shall then, in the presence of the polling officials, destroy the ballot. The polling officials shall make a record of such destruction and shall provide such voter with another ballot(s).
- To see that the ballot is marked and deposited in the locked ballot box by the voter himself.
- To assure that the ballot box remains locked at all times.
- To assure that no person is allowed to electioneer within 20* 50 feet of polling place.
- To insure that there is no loitering in or around the lobby area of the polling place while the polls are open (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.).**
- It shall be the duty of the polling place worker who assists with the counting of ballots:

- To count the ballots immediately after the closing of the polls.
- To certify the election results.
- To package the ballots, together with the unused ballots, the signed voter list and other records of the election and see that it is securely stored at the Anadarko Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs for a period of thirty (30) days.

SECTION 7-ASSISTANCE FOR INFIRM VOTERS:

When any voter presents himself for a ballot and states that he/she because of physical disability or infirmity is unable to mark his ballot, one of the polling place officials shall cause such voter to be sworn after the following:

"Do you solemnly swear (or affirm) that you are unable to mark and prepare your ballot for voting because of physical disability or infirmity?"

Should voter so qualify himself, it shall be the duty of two polling place officials to give the voter such assistance as he needs, but in all such instances the voter must without suggestions from such officials state the way he/she wishes to vote and in no instance shall an election official volunteer any suggestions to such voter as to how he should vote. Such assistance shall be given at the ballot box, and all voters, other than the election officers, shall be kept sufficiently distant so that they will not hear or know how such disabled voter voted. No ballots will be taken from the polling place for voting.

SECTION 8-ABSENTEE VOTING:

All persons desiring to vote in this election shall present themselves at the polling place during the hours of voting. No absentee voting will be permitted.

SECTION 9-COUNTING OF BALLOTS:

Immediately following the closing of the polls, the polling place officials who have assisted with the balloting shall deliver the locked ballot box to the three officials who are to count the ballots. The place designated for counting shall be the conference room of the Tribal Administration Building. Each of the candidates will be allowed to have a representative to serve as observer for the counting of ballots. Each candidate will provide written verification of their selected representative to the Secretary of the Executive Committee prior to the counting of the ballots. These representatives, the invited representatives of the Superintendent of the Anadarko Agency and the three counters and the alternate***** shall be the only persons present during the counting of the bal-

lots.

The ballot box shall be opened in the presence of the above named persons (provided however, that if any of representatives are not present when the polls close the counting may begin without them). One counter shall lift the ballot from the ballot box, identify which position, amendment or issue it concerns and read the vote on that particular ballot. The other two counters shall tally the votes on tally sheets as they are being read. The counting shall proceed in this manner until all three counters agree on the number of votes received for each amendment or issue.

So long as the three counters agree that the clear intent of the voter can be discerned on the ballot, it shall be counted. If the mismarking is such that the counters cannot agree on the clear intent, the vote for that ballot shall not be counted. Whenever a ballot or any portion thereof is not counted, this fact shall be clearly marked on the face of the ballot with the reason indicated. This statement shall be initialed by the counters.

SECTION 10-CERTIFICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS:

Following the completion of the counting, the counters shall sign the tally sheets indicating their certification of the count and shall then make publicly known the results of the election and shall post these results on the door of the Wichita Tribal Office.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Election Procedures were approved by the Executive Committee of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes on September 9, 1992, with a vote of 4 for 0 against, with 0 abstentions. On July 10, 2000, the Executive Committee Amended Section 6, Section 6 A4, and Section 6 A7 by a vote of 4-0-0. On June 14, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 5, Section 6, and added Section 6 A8 by a vote of 5-0-0. On July 12, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 3 by a vote of 4-0-0. On July 30, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 5 by a vote of 5-0-0. On June 04, 2012, the Executive Committee added Section 6 A3 by a vote of 4-0-0 and Section 6 A4 by a vote of 3-0-0. On June 27, 2013, the Executive Committee amended Section 9 by a vote of 4-0-0.

Signed: Myles Stephenson, Secretary
Signed: Terri Parton, President

*Amended on July 10, 2000
**Amended on June 14, 2004
***Amended on July 12, 2004
****Amended on July 30, 2004
*****Amended on June 04, 2012
*****Amended on June 04, 2012
*****Amended on June 27, 2013

Free Photo CDIB's

The Wichita Executive Committee has approved free photo CDIB's beginning July 1 through July 15, 2016 for tribal members 18 years and over. According to the approved Election Procedures, you must have a valid Federal, State or Tribal photo identification in order to vote. This notice will give tribal members plenty of time to make plans to get a free ID, if needed, prior to the elections. This is the only period of time that the ID's will be free. You may contact the enrollment office at any other time and purchase one for \$5.

Eric Mammedaty Fights in SCS #29



Eric “Two Gunz” Mammedaty is the 20 year old son of Melanie Pahcuddy and Wilford “Bud” Pahcuddy Jr., grandson of the late Ladonna Capes Talasee, and is from the Ethel Wheeler family. He recently was the first Wichita tribal member to fight in the Sugar Creek Showdown. He is new to MMA and has trained the past few months with First Nations MMA, Manny Muro and Ronald Wetselline. This was his first fight, as was it for his opponent, Jeremiah Perkins of Fort Cobb, OK. The fight was called at 2:43 in round two as a TKO win for Perkins with a referee stoppage due to strikes. The fight was chosen as the fight of the night. He is looking forward to his next fight later this month.



Sugar Creek Showdowns- What Goes into Promoting a Fight?

Sugar Creek Showdown (SCS Fights) is the only tribal owned fight promotion in existence. Sugar Creek Showdowns does their best to treat every fighter the same whether they are a local fighter or fighter who is here for the first time out of town. They take extra care in matching amateur fighters where most just match just record and weight. They try, if at all possible, to match height and age making for some really close and exciting fights. This not only promotes safety to the fighters but it gives a fair chance to each fighter. They also do their best to make sure fighters are not overmatched.

Over the years Sugar Creek Showdowns have become known all across the United States and in many foreign countries. Sugar Creek Showdowns does their best to bring in the best fights. As soon as one fight is over they start putting together the next fight. Putting a fight together can mean time spent after regular hours and weekends when fighters and coaches are available. With today’s technology they spend endless hours communicating with fighters and coaches through

emails, Facebook, calls and text.

Sugar Creek Casino has had many fight teams that fight at Sugar Creek Casino on a regular basis. They always try to let some new teams in at every event and they take care to keep a good mix of local fighters. They bring in fighters from other areas when no equal local talent is available and they are raising the level of competition. A fight card can include a first time amateur to a world ranked fighter fighting at Sugar Creek Casino. They have had former UFC, current Bellator, Strikeforce and XFL fighters that fight at the casino on a regular basis. Sugar Creek Showdowns are sanctioned by the Wichita Tribal Sports Commission and recognized by the ABC. They also have many fighters who came through the ranks with at Sugar Creek Showdowns that are now fighting in the UFC, Bellator and Invicta organizations.

Sugar Creek Casino and Sugar Creek Showdowns serves as the event holder and promoter. Some of the duties that go along with preparation for the fights include: matching the fights, arranging

transportation when needed and arranging housing for the fighters that are more than an hour away. They do their best to make sure the event center is set up including cage, lights, sound and ticketing. They walk the fighters through the program at weigh-ins and through the team meetings. They do everything they can to make sure the fighter and the fan enjoys their time at Sugar Creek Casino and with Sugar Creek Showdowns. They do their best to keep the costs down handle most everything personally to build good relationships with patrons and fighters.

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes thanks all of the patrons, fighters and Sugar Creek Showdowns, Sugar Creek Casino and Wichita Tribe Sports Commission for making all of the MMA Cage Fights at Sugar Creek Casino a huge success. We hope you enjoy many more fights at Sugar Creek Casino.

This story was written by President Terri Parton with information provided by Glen Coleman, Sugar Creek Casino manager and promoter with Sugar Creek Showdowns.



Iron House Gym and Trinity Combat presented promoter Glen Coleman with this gift. It was in appreciation of having the best promotion in Oklahoma and the dedication he puts into having great fights year in and year out!



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April 2016

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	11. Beef Tip/Noodles Corn Hot Roll Pears	12. Fish Sticks Blackeye Peas Coleslaw Apple Sauce Corn Bread Salad Bar	13. Ham Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans Peach Crisp White Bread	14. Hot dogs/Chili Pork & Beans Chips Brownies Salad Bar	15. Pancakes Sausage Links Boiled Eggs Juice	
	18. Beef Stroganoff Corn Wheat Bread Cake	19.Chicken&Dumpling Peas & Carrots Mix Fruit Salad Bar	20. Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Peas Pudding Roll	21. Goulash Spinach Peaches Biscuits Salad Bar	22. Cold Cereal Bacon Boiled Eggs Toast	
	25. Pinto Beans Fried Potatoes Corn Bread Apple Sauce	26. Baked Chicken Rice Pilaf Cobbler Wheat Bread Salad Bar	27. Brisket Potatoes Salad Baked Beans Peaches White Bread	28. Sloppy Joe's Chips Cake Salad Bar		

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Commissioner Vacancy

The following commission will have one vacancy on
April 30, 2016:

Wichita Housing Authority

If you are interested in serving on this commission, please submit a
cover letter and resume no later than March 31, 2015 to
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Attn: Secretary
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005
Fax: (405)247-2430

Commissioner Vacancy

The following commission will have one vacancy on
May 31, 2016:

Wichita Gaming Commission

If you are interested in serving on any this commission, please submit
a cover letter and resume no later than March 31, 2015 to
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Attn: Secretary
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005
Fax: (405)247-2430

Wichita Tribal Youth Summer Camp

This camp will be for boys and girls ages 6-12 years old. This is for enrolled Wichita members. This overnight camp will have activities such as fishing, swimming, athletics, cultural arts and crafts, culture lessons, and storytelling. Each camper will be provided an individual tent, sleeping bag, pillow, hygiene bag, flashlight, tackle box, and fishing pole. They will be able to take these items home with them at the end of camp. Campers will be dropped off Tuesday, May 31st @ 8AM and picked up Friday, June 3rd by 5PM. Please note for the over-night camp that we will ask that if your camper becomes homesick and asks to go home, that you make sure that you are available to do so. More information will be provided at a later date.

Applications for the summer camp will be available April 25th-May 6th. The applications will be due May 6th. A copy of the participant's CDIB is required. No late submissions will be accepted.

Wichita Summer Youth Program

This program will run from June 6th-July 29th. MONDAY-THURSDAY. You will be able to drop your camper off at 8AM Monday-Thurs-day, and pick them up by 5PM each day. Daily activities will include cultural arts and crafts, cultural lessons, storytelling, and athletics. Through the summer program we will take weekly field trips as well. Consent forms and more information will be sent home before each trip.

Applications for the summer camp/program will be available April 25th-May 6th. The applications will be due May 6th. A copy of the participant's CDIB is required. No late submissions will be accepted.



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EDUCATION INCENTIVES

Enrolled Wichita Tribal Members
2016 High School Graduation Incentive
Submit: Application, High School Transcript,
Diploma, & CDIB

2016 Grade Incentive Award
Submit: Application, Final Official Report
Card (both semesters), & CDIB
Awards (Gift Cards) are given once at the end of the academic year.

Grade	GPA
6 th -8 th grade	2.0+
9 th -12 th grade	2.5-2.99
9 th -12 th grade	3.0-3.49
9 th -12 th grade	3.50-4.0

2016 College Graduation Incentive
Submit: Application, Final Official Transcript, Diploma, & CDIB
Associates, Bachelors, Masters, or Doctorate Degree.

For an application or more info call the Education Office
#(405) 247-8612. Funding is based on the FY-2016 yearly budget.
All applications must be received by July 31, 2016.
It is the applicants responsibility to turn in the
required documents prior to the due date.



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Community Garden Seed Planting Takes Place

Coordinator, Beth Parker, works with the youth after-school program to do seed planting activity for the Community Garden. They will continue the gardening project through the summer. For more information about this project, contact Beth Parker at 405-247-2425 ext. 117.

Photos from this and other daily events can be found on our Flickr page
Wichita Newsletter

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/131236426@No3/albums>



OCA All-State Basketball Roster Announced



Congratulations to **Elijah Collins** for being selected to the boys 2016 Oklahoma Coaches Association All-State roster for basketball. He will participate in the All-State boys basketball games scheduled for Thursday, July 28, at Oral Roberts’ Mabee Center. The small school game begins at 7 pm. Elijah is an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and a senior at Carnegie High School.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Will be held for
ELDERS

Within the community

Local providers will be on hand to assist with information and enrollment

MEAL will be PROVIDED



Friday, April 29, 2016

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Community Building

2.5 miles North of Anadarko



For more information
Roxanne Coker 247-8692
Debra Lonewolf 247-8691



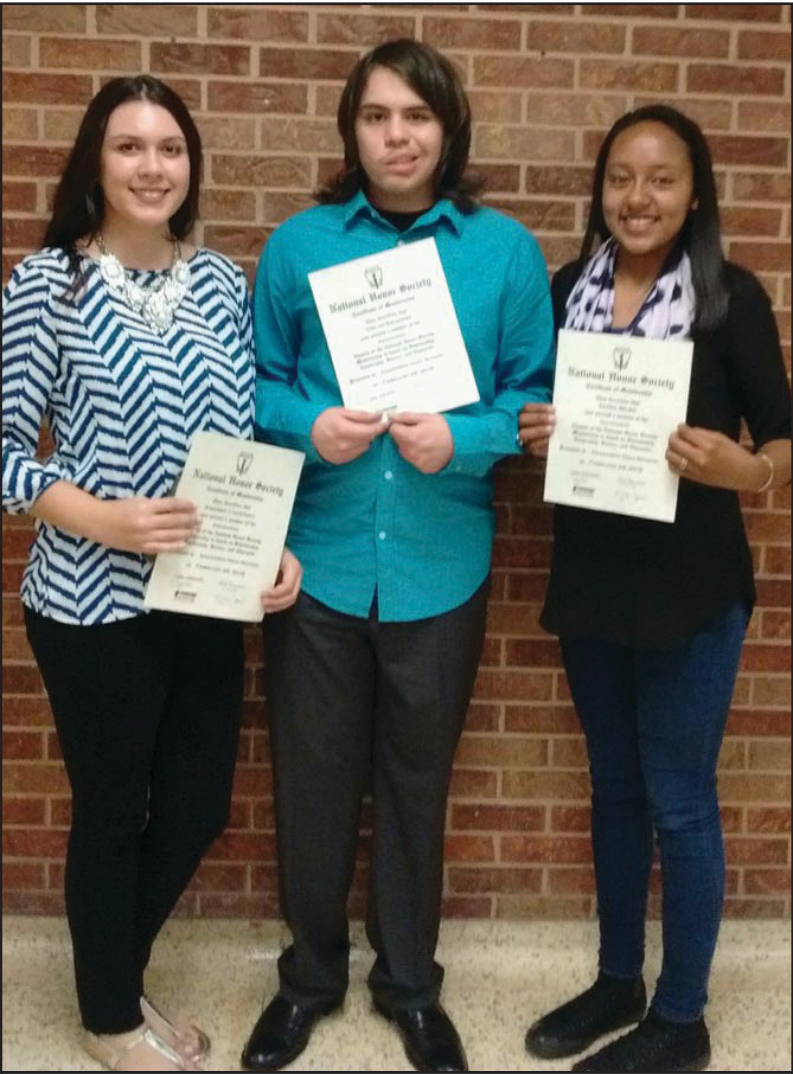
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Tribal Funded Social Services
Social Services/Domestic Violence/VOCA
Special Diabetes
CHR
Injury Prevention
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Environmental Protection Agency

Benefits available to them through Medicare Part D, the Low Income subsidy, the Medicare Savings Program, or Medicare prevention benefits and screenings.



Annis Courtney, Oscar Saldana, and Tayra Ward recently were accepted into the National Honor Society. Annis is the daughter of Shad Courtney and granddaughter of Charlene Harris. Oscar is the son of Melonie and Aldezon “Tito” Saldana and grandson of the late Robert Earl French. Tayra is the daughter of Israel Ward and Paula Pewo and the granddaughter of Sandra Ward and the late Judith Roulain. Congratulations on your scholastic achievements.

New Wheelchair Accessible Van Purchased for CHR Programs

This van with ramp can now be used to transport tribal members in wheelchairs to appointments and such more easily. Photos below with Patient Transporter, Cassandra McAdams.



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Obituaries



Judith E. Roulain, 55, of Anadarko went to be with her Heavenly Father on February 24, 2016 with her family by her side.

She was born on March 13, 1960 to Clayton F. Arnold and Diane LaJoy Miller Arnold in Lawton, OK. She was a member of the Wichita & Affiliated Tribes of Oklahoma. She attended school in Anadarko and Riverside Indian School. She worked at Dairy Queen for 16 years. She was very close to Linda Brown whom she thought of as a mother. She also worked at Riverside Indian School for seven years where she felt blessed with a whole new family. Her hobbies were bike riding, playing pool, running, and watching Nascar racing.

She is survived by four daughters, Diane Pewo, Paula Pewo, Daysha Roulain and Daydense Roulain all of

Anadarko; four grandchildren, Leondre Head, Desmond Head, Tayra Ward and Tayvious Toahty; three brothers, Darrell Arnold, Oklahoma City, Vincent Arnold (Boss), Anadarko and Charlie Arnold, Binger; three sisters, Lisa Arnold, Anadarko, Diane (Mithlo) Downing, Midwest City and Rose Botone, Binger; numerous sister girls; three nieces, Sunshine Rodriquez, Anadarko, Rebecca Arnold, Albuquerque, N.M. and Kateri Arnold, Albuquerque, N.M.; three nephews, Charlie Rodriquez, Anadarko, Thomas Arnold, Jr., Miami, FL and Antony Arnold all of Albuquerque, NM; close relatives, Donna Miller and David Miller of Durant; numerous other close relatives; three aunts, Marjorie Botone, Binger, Charlene Wright, Binger and Genevine Edmonds, Binger and their families.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Clayton and Diane Arnold; two brothers, Clayton Freeman Arnold, III (Chicky), and Thomas L. Arnold; niece, Aurora (Cookie) Rodriquez. Funeral services will at 11 a.m. Monday, February 29, 2016 at the Wichita Tribal Complex, Community Building, Anadarko.

Burial will be in the Rock Springs Cemetery, Anadarko

Officiating will be the Rev. Marvin Delaware

Pallbearers: Tamera Mithlo, Rose Botone, Diane Downing, Sherry Delaune, Sarah Neese, Shara Moffitt, LeeAnn Herrera, Sianna Peterson. Honorary Pallbearers: Leondre Head, Desmond Head, Darrell Arnold, Vincent (Boss) Arnold, Charlie Arnold, Billy Pewo, Charlie Rodriquez, and Thomas Arnold, Jr.

Services were under the direction of Ray & Martha’s Funeral Home, Anadarko.

Enrollment

March 31, 2016

2,923

Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Program

Contracts Counselor

New Services Offered

Jamie Swanson LPC, LMFT, is an enrolled member of the Kiowa Tribe. She has a B.A. in Psychology from Oral Robersts University, M.S. from Cameron Univeristy, and is certified in Art Therapy through the University of Oklahoma. She has recently been contracted with the Wichita Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Program to provide free counseling services to Wichita youth aged 10-24. Families and parents of Wichita children within this age bracket may also qualify for these services. She will offer individual counseling, EMDR trauma focused therapy, as well as group sessions (described below). She also accepts SoonerCare for indigenous youth in the program that are of outside tribes. Other groups or services offered will be domestic violence counseling, bereavement counseling, and blended family counseling.

SPECIALIZED GROUPS OFFERED

Specialized Groups offered by the Behavioral Health Services (Jamie Swanson) offered for the Wichita and Affiliated Tribal members from the ages of 10-24 or parents of children under age of 18. These services are sponsored by Wichita and Affiliated Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention and Surveillance Program. The more you know, the better you’ll be prepared for understanding what can put your child at risk. There is no single cause of suicide. It most occurs when stressors exceed current coping abilities of someone suffering from a mental health condition. It’s important to learn about the factors that can put a child, teen or young adult at risk for suicide.

These classes will offer parents and children a stronger foundation to help families cope with stress. In turn our individuals will be better able to cope with stress as well.

Parenting Classes (STEP Approach)

This is a 8 week course offered once weekly providing valuable tools which will improve communication among family members and lessens conflict. Easy to understand and apply, STEP presents effective skills that can be used immediately. Dynamic video vignettes let parents see how easy it is to put STEP to work in the home. There are three different classes offered depending upon your child’s age: for parents of children who are Early Childhood – ages Birth to 5, Latency Age 6 through 12 and Teenage – 13 to 18 years of age.

Anger Management Classes

The aim of counseling and anger management classes is to teach you to:

- Identify situations that are likely to set you off and respond in nonaggressive ways before you get angry
- Learn specific skills to use in situations likely to trigger your anger
- Recognize when you aren’t thinking logically about a situation, and correct your thinking
- Calm yourself down when you begin to feel upset
- Express your feelings and needs assertively (but not aggressively) in situations that make you feel angry
- Focus on problem-solving in frustrating situations – instead of using energy to be angry, you’ll learn how to redirect your energy to resolve the situation.
- Communicate your needs. Learn how to recognize and talk about things that frustrate you, rather than letting you anger flare up. Knowing how to express yourself can help you avoid impulsive and hurtful words or actions, resolve conflicts, and maintain positive relationships.
- Maintain better health. The stress caused by ongoing angry feel-

ings can increase your risk of health problems, such as headaches, difficulty sleeping, digestive issues, heart problems and high blood pressure.

- Prevent psychological and social problems linked to anger. Examples include depression, problems at work and troubled relationships.
- Help avoid addictive escapes. It’s common for people who always feel angry to turn to alcohol, drugs, or food to dull anger. Instead, you can use anger management techniques to keep your cool and maintain control.
- Effectively to defuse anger and resolve conflicts

Prep Classes (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program)

These are designed to teach practical skills such as communication, having fun and friendship, maintaining commitment, identifying relationship danger signs and avoiding common pitfall.

Life Skills Class for teens and young adults

Even during the best times, parents wonder whether their teens are developing all the skills they need to be successful in life. A problem in this “appraisal” process is that parents see their teens in some of their most regressed and infantile states – when they are at home with their family. Furthermore, new neuroscience research indicated that the human brain does not reach maturity until a person reaches their early twenties. So, how do parents of teens know what to look for in the development of life skills? It’s the hope that this class will help set up the foundation of what is the most essential to developing some important skills for life.



If you or a family member are in need of help with any of the following:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Panic Attacks
- Family Counseling
- Anger Management
- Co-Dependency
- Stress Management
- Trauma (abuse/neglect)
- Crisis Intervention
- Couples Therapy
- Life Skills
- Self-Esteem
- Parenting Education
- Domestic Violence
- Bereavement
- Self-Injury
- Life Transitions
- Other Behavioral Health Issues

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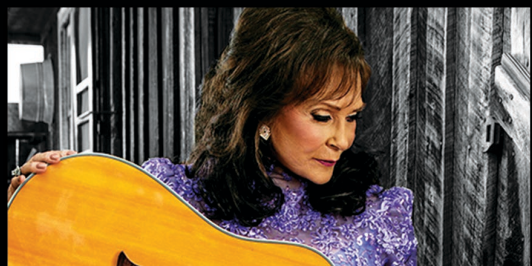
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