

THE Absentee Shawnee NEWS



LI-SI-WI-NWI "AMONG THE SHAWNEE"

OCTOBER 2011



HAPPY HALLOWEEN 2011

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



GEORGE BLANCHARD
GOVERNOR



ISAAC GIBSON
LT. GOVERNOR



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SECRETARY



KATHY DEERE
TREASURER



JEFFREY GIBSON
REPRESENTATIVE

GOVERNOR'S Report

No report was made this month due to the General Council.

LT. GOVERNOR'S Report

This office and staff attended the Self Governance Tribal Strategic Planning Session in Carlton, MN September 7th and 8th. The Self Governance Tribe's meet annually to come up with a plan, on how they want to approach the new congressional delegates for the upcoming year. There were only a few Tribes in attendance, however the agenda had interesting topics and the panelists were knowledgeable on the issues.

Fee to Trust is still a very important topic; the Tribe's were urged to stay informed on the "Carcieri Fix". This is a case where the Narragansett Tribe filed suit against Governor Carcieri of Rhode Island and Ken Salazar the Secretary for the Department of the Interior for disallowing fee to trust applications. The panelists were adamant that Tribe's keep up with this case as the outcome could be detrimental to the sovereignty of all Tribe's.

There was also a push to move IHS under HHS instead of the Department of the Interior (DOI). The reasoning behind this was funding; HHS receives a larger annual increase than DOI; however the restrictions and oversight on the HHS funding is so overwhelming that the majority of the Tribe's preferred to remain under the Department of the Interior. A position paper and the strategic plan will be compiled as a result of this meeting.

The Tribe selected Silver Star Construction as the contractor for the Harrah/Newalla (Brendle Corner) Project. Official notice to the engineer will go out this week. Construction should start within the next 30 to 90 days. The Tribe is waiting on the engineers estimate for Kings Road so we can move forward on that project. Both of these projects are fairly small. We have larger projects on the priority list; these projects will probably start after the first of the year. I think I've mentioned before that the Tribe is going to enter into a contract with Cleveland County to resurface Franklin Road. I hope that project is started before the year end. If you have suggestions, or would like to identify a route for repairs please contact one of the elected officials and let them know. The route has to be on the Tribe's inventory and must be for public use.

General Council will have come and gone

by the time the next news letter is out; I hope to see all of you at the meeting. In this economy it is hard for all businesses, governments and families. Even with all of the hurdles that are placed in front of us we are making progress. We can talk about all of this at the General Council meeting.

Respectfully,

/s/
Isaac Gibson, Jr.
Lt. Governor



SECRETARY'S *Report*

Greetings Fellow Tribal Members,

This past month I had an opportunity to tour our new health care facility along with members of the health board. The grand opening is scheduled for April 2012 and they are working diligently to make this deadline. The building itself is very impressive and there will be ample space to provide most of the services that are needed by tribal members. They are using a lot of natural materials in the décor and construction, and I think you will be very proud of the finished product. This will be a great addition for our tribe and the community.

The first month of operations at the new Thunderbird Casino – Shawnee was a great success. We have received a lot of complements from Tribal members and customers. With the new facility up and running, the TEC Board and casino management are looking forward to making some facility improvements at Thunderbird Casino – Norman. We will keep you updated on the continued progress and the future of the Tribe's gaming operations.

There are more meetings in this position than just about any job I've ever had. Executive Committee Meetings, investment meetings, numerous board and committee meetings, department head meetings, and on, and on, and on. They are important and I'm learning a lot through attendance at these meetings, but it's hard for me to stay still and seated for such a long period of time. Many of the committee's will be seeking new members to join them in the coming months. If you are at least 18 years of age, have the time and interest in becoming a committee member, please complete the Notice of Interest Form printed in this newsletter. The application can be forwarded to me along with a resume, and I will submit it the appropriate committee when they have an opening that needs to be filled.

The phone system improvement team is

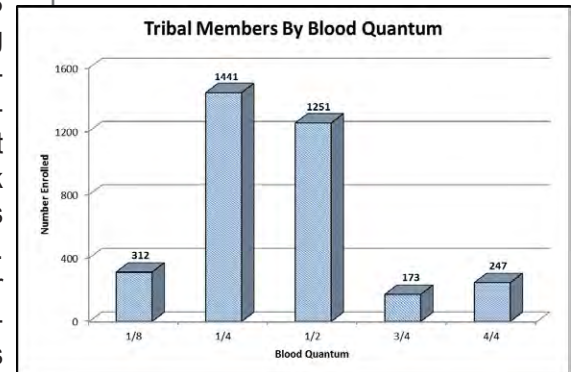
beginning to wrap up on the phone system enhancements. More than 50% of the telephone calls coming into the complex are being routed directly to the called department, and it seems to be working well. We will continue to evaluate the new enhancements to make sure they are working effectively.

Our next project is to improve the Absentee Shawnee Tribe website (www.astribe.com). We've formed a project team, consisting of some experienced and talented MIS folks and others, to work on improving the website. We've had our initial meeting and know that we want a pretty major overhaul in the design and content of the website. We've solicited feedback from employees and tribal members to get us started in the right direction. We're analyzing websites of other tribes, large businesses, and corporations to determine the design elements and menu options that we want to incorporate into our new website. The goal is to have a very professional appearance, with updated and pertinent information that is easy to understand, and is easy to navigate through. We plan to complete this project by the end of the year. You can email us at website@astribe.com if you have suggestions for the project team.

I'm in the initial planning stages for a new project with Representative Gibson and the education department for naming an Absentee Shawnee High School Athlete of The Year Award for both a male and female high school athlete, and an annual Absentee Shawnee High School Academic Student of the Year Award for both a male and female high school student. Our plan is to appoint a committee of high school faculty members and/or interested community leaders to review the applicants and help us determine who should receive this award. This will be an excellent way to recognize students who go above and beyond in athletics and academics. We would like to have this program ready for implementation by the beginning of the new year and accepting applications by February 2012. I'm looking forward to working with Representative Gibson on this joint project. He

is doing a great job in promoting our youth and education programs, and the inclusion of these new awards will be an excellent addition to his programs.

Our total enrollment is now 3,424 as of the end of August. This month, I'm providing a chart on the breakdown of tribal members by blood quantum. Each bar indicates the number of tribal members enrolled with the specified blood quantum amount noted below the bar.



If you plan to enroll a minor applicant, please include a photo with your enrollment application so we will have a picture on file. Pictures can be emailed to: Larry Buckley at larryb@astribe.com or Darrell Larney at dlarney@astribe.com.

Teri Reed – Secretary
teri@astribe.com
405-275-4030 Ext 104

An original Birth Certificate or a Certified State copy needs to be submitted along with the Enrollment Application. The application cannot be completed without one of the above.

TREASURER'S *Report*

Greetings Tribal Members,

Cooler weather is here!! Time to get our jackets, football, tailgate functions, and get your costume together for October festivities.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for ASEDA new business, Absentee Shawnee Counseling Services, OKC, OK, **Monday, October 3, 2011, time TBA.** Congratulations are in order for Governor Blanchard and Mary Birdtail as they were selected for AARP Indian Elder Honorees for 2011 awards. So when you see them tell them congratulations. Special recognition reception planned for **Tuesday, Oct 4, 2011, 6:30 pm**, Cowboy Hall of Fame/National Western Cowboy & Heritage Museum. General Council will be **Saturday, October 15th, 10am**, along with Tribal Health Fair at 8am, various activities are planned such as healthy breakfast, health screenings, 3K Walk & 1 Mile fun Walk, T-shirts, door prizes. Office of Treasurer, ALLNATIONS Bank, and ASEDA will be having a table with gifts and information to handout. So please stop by and pick up the latest information. Also, the AST Elders will be providing lunch that day and you know how seasoned and experienced cooks they are!!! Spread the word to AST members to come and enjoy the activities. Halloween carnival is planned by the Employee Committee of the AST on **Friday, October 28, 2011, 7 to 9pm**, at the AST Resource Center.

We continue to be busy with day to day functions here in the Office of Treasurer:

- Monthly Program Directors/Managers meeting here at Tribal Complex.
- Second time, the Executive Committee cooked and served Breakfast for the Elders and employees at both Title VI and Resource Ctr. two (2) Fridays on the following dates, August, 26th and September 2nd. Hope you got to eat with us and enjoyed the breakfast.

- Governor Blanchard, Sharrod Tabbytite (ASEDA), and I met with the Comanche Nation Transit and Transportation departments in Lawton, OK, to see how their operations work. To pursue developing a Department of Justice planning grant that provides transit and transportation services for our tribal members and others in surrounding areas, and we hope to accomplish this in the near future.

- ASEDA Board Monthly meetings and ASEDA Fleet Special meeting as Ad Hoc non-voting member.

- Executive Committee had a regular scheduled meeting and a special called meeting. See Resolutions Page.

- Congratulations to Executive Committee's Employee of Month September Winner, Rachel Howell, Director of Realty Department.

- Monthly Redstone Investment meeting. Investments are continually growing considering the economy.

- Attended Greater Shawnee Chamber of Commerce program, "A Tasty Affair", held at the Expo Conference Ctr, to meet with various businesses, programs, chamber and community members.

- Monthly Absentee Shawnee Health Authority, Li-Si-Wi-Nwi Health, Inc. Boards, and the Owners progress Meeting. Also, took a tour of the construction site of our new health facility.

- Monthly Elders meeting at the AST Resource Center.

- Governor Blanchard and I met with a group, called the Vinyard Indian Settlement, Karber Ridge, Herod, Illinois, website: <http://vinyardindiansettlement.org> They hosted a Reconnection Day Camp to remember and educate on the Shawnee traditions. Right now they are a non-profit organization with 501(c)3 tax status. Their plans are to get federally recognized.

- Evidence Based Sexual Assault Investigations Training, Thunderbird Casino, Norman, OK.

- Attended the Native American Finance Officers Association in Uncasville, Connecticut, topics discussed Capital and Credit; Economic Strategies; Tribal Assets; and Economic Challenges. Received updates concerning taxation, economic development, auditing requirements, health-

care reform, investments, regulating on-line gaming, and opportunity to hear other tribal nations.

Sincere appreciation goes to the ladies of the Finance Department and the Controller, Belinda Collins, as they daily continue the never ending processes for the financial side of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe. Without their tireless dedication and commitment we could not keep the financial transactions processes flowing!

Also, would like to extend my appreciation to the Financial Consultant, Eddie Broke-shoulder, who continues to assist me with numerous projects, attend meetings where I cannot attend, and consulting decisions in the office of Treasurer!

We appreciate all your phone calls, emails, and visits. May God continue to bless you and yours! See below articles from AllNations Bank; ASEDA (ASEDA FLEET), Financial Consultant, Eddie Brokeshoulder; and Finance Department.

Respectively,
Kathy Deere, Treasurer

FINANCE DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2011

The Finance office continues our efforts in keeping the day to day activities flowing efficiently and effectively through communication between the Finance office and Programs. In working together, we have found the most time effective and cost effective processes for transacting business.

The Indirect Cost Proposal for 2012 has begun. Our rate is up from 17.74% for 2010 to 21.98% for 2011 and we look for a small increase; if any for 2012 rate.

We began the budget process for 2012. Revenues for 2012 are estimated from the first $\frac{3}{4}$ of the year. (Calculate revenues through September 30, 2011 divide this number by 3 then times it by 4 to get an

annual estimate based on actual revenues for three-quarters of the year). The estimate for expenses will be calculated the same. Then the budgets will be balanced to ensure the estimated expenses do not exceed the estimated revenues.

The finance department continues to complete accounting by the seventh day of the month and have been since August 2010; so that financial reports can be created for the Health Authority and Li Si Wi Nwi, Health Inc. boards for health programs both Shawnee and Little Axe. The Finance staff will begin August reconciliations for financial reporting on the first of September. It is imperative the accounting / book-keeping continue to stay ahead of all of the accounting so that audits go smoothly so that Indirect Cost rates will stay up to date as well. Indirect cost proposals cannot be submitted without completed audits as the audits are used to calculate the proposal. We continue to explore avenues that will make accounting for the tribe's finances a smooth process including billing package for health programs. There are many processes in place in your Tribe's accounting department that ensure we keep accurate records of transactions. The Tribe's accounting processes must be in compliance with GAAP; (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) and GASB (Governmental Accounting Standards Board).

The Tribe currently has compact funds of BIA and I H S, 51 Grants, and the new Clinic business.

The 2010 Audit was completed and submitted on June 28, 2011 to the Department of Interior and to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse as required. It included the MD&A (Management Discussion and Analysis). The MD&A report is an informative report within the 2010 Audit; which is a brief review and explanation of the Audit. The Audit is an "unqualified" audit; which when compared to an educational grading scale is A.

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Finance Department has very hard working group of people and it is an honor to work with

them, the Treasurer's office and at the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

This department, as always, would like to extend a special thanks and note of appreciation to the Executive Committee for providing the tools, resources and support to enable the finance staff to reach its accomplished goals and to continue with this effort. A special thanks and note of appreciation to Program Managers and Employees of the Tribe for their assistance and dedication in our group effort toward accomplishing our goal. Now that we are caught up, we are dedicated to continue our efforts in this direction.

If you have any questions or needs, please call 405-275-4030 ext 162 and I will be glad to assist you in any way I can.

Respectfully, Belinda Collins, Controller

FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

Hello Tribal Members,

As financial consultant for office of Treasurer, I assist in management support, analyzing and evaluating Tribe's fiscal performance. The process involves performing an analysis of budgets, financial reports and evaluating supporting documents of business ventures.

Please visit Office of Treasurer booth at General Council, we will provide important financial information in form of hand-outs. Our office looks forward to meeting and discussing with you financial status of the Tribe.

The following activities I have been involved and participated:

General Fund: Reviewed and analyzed Treasurer's monthly general fund encumbrance report.

Indirect Cost: Reviewed and analyzed Treasurer's monthly Indirect Cost encumbrances report.

Absentee Shawnee Economic Development Authority, Inc. (ASEDA): Attended and participated in monthly board meeting discussing current business operations and future business strategies.

Redstone Investments: Attended monthly financial investment meeting, topics included investment strategies for the Tribe.

Greater Shawnee Chamber of Commerce: Attended Greater Shawnee Chamber program, "A Tasty Affair", held Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Conference Center, various businesses, programs and community members. The event allowed Treasurer, Controller and I, to visit companies and chamber members.

Native Language Preservation and Maintenance Program: Submitted under the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) funding opportunity grant was not funded. Eastern Shawnee Tribe and Absentee Shawnee Tribe collaborated in a joint venture to secure this grant. Both tribes have another opportunity to apply for 2012 funding.

A.A.R.P.: Attended local AARP meeting in Shawnee, and met with Dr. John Edwards, AARP Executive Council member. The purpose of the meeting was to develop partnerships with local community for the betterment of all citizens. AARP is a non-profit, non-partisan organization with membership for citizens age 50 and over.

In closing, should you have any questions, please contact me at 405.275.4030 ext 148.

Respectfully,

Eddie Brokeshoulder
Financial Consultant



ALLNATIONS BANK

Good day to our friends from all of us, at your bank, AllNations Bank:

With the economy still sputtering, you and your spouse may have found your money frustrations with each other worsening. In a recent American Express poll, 61% of couples said discussions of household finances were turning to arguments. A year ago it was 45%.

Unfortunately, "money conflicts tend to be more negative than other kinds of fights," says Lauren Pap, a professor at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, who's done research on the topic. And recent studies show a correlation between money disputes and marital discontent.

In an analysis of 4,500 couples, Jeffrey Dew of Utah State University found that those who disagreed about money once a week were twice as likely to divorce as those who differed less than once a month. Also a red flag, says Barbara Nusbaum, a New York psychologist specializing in money: You have the same fight again and again. You have reason for concern if the negativity spreads and the battles cause you to withdraw from each other. Often money fights are about more than just money, notes Nusbaum. They are about differences in what money means to you. It is about understanding what the money represents to each individual which could be status and/or security.

Each person in a relationship needs to have an understanding of how the other feels about money as well as other things in their every day life. Working together you can come to an understanding of what the problem is and what can be done to correct the problem. There are many things that can be done to alleviate the tension over money concerns. Set down and figure out what bills have to be paid each month and when they need to be paid so they will not be late and incur late fees and high interest rates. Working with what bills need to be paid and how much money comes in each month work out a budget.

Don't go grocery shopping without a list. You will wind up buying things you did not intend to buy and half of it will be wasted. Make a plan and stick to the plan. Eat more meals at home. Eating out is expensive. Reserve that indulgence only for very special occasions. Check for coupons that can be used at the grocery store or restaurant you are planning to go to. Check the web sites for the business establishment you are going to and they usually have discounts or coupons listed that you can print out. Other sites to check are www.cool-savings.com; www.refundswepers.com; or www.smartsource.com.

As we had discussed a few months ago your credit history is a very key element in getting lower interest rates and better terms. Fulfilling your financial obligations in a timely manner will build up your credit rating and enable you to do what you want to do when you want to do it.

ASEDA FLEET

This has been a very interesting and exciting summer for the ASEDA Inc. program. The ASEDAFLEET vehicle leasing and sales company is steadily moving forward and the small kinks that plague all startup companies are being taken care of by our hard working team. We are very close to an agreement with some lending institutions that will enable us to better serve individual Tribal members, and we hope to complete this very soon.

ASEDA Inc. has acquired and incorporated a drug counseling service that will be called Absentee Shawnee Counseling Service (ASCS). This project should start generating revenue in October. We are shooting for an October 1, 2011 opening. ASEDA Inc. has formed and incorporated a holding company called GOV CON Services which is a parent company that will be the parent company for several satellite companies that will allow us to bid on Federal contracts (8-A contracts). This is newly formed, but already has some companies interested in joining, and hopefully will generate some much needed jobs for

Tribal members, and also generate some additional revenues.

We hope to have some positive news for everyone at the General Council meeting on Oct. 15, 2011

Dan Little Axe, President of the Board of Directors, ASEDA Inc.

REPRESENTATIVE'S *Report*

Tribal Members our staff with the division of Human Services, Education and Career Services will be getting ready for general council in October. We have been working diligently for our programs to better assist our tribal people and always collectively striving toward a more efficient service. I wish everyone a happy healthy September!

Ne Ya Wa!
Representative Gibson

TERO

TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT
RIGHTS OFFICE

Absentee Shawnee Tribal Employment Rights Office (AS-TERO) is accepting applications for positions pertaining to:

- Machinist (Manual and CNC)
- Commercial Drivers (Class and B)
- Entry Level Labor (Landscaping/Construction/Moving and Material-Handling)
- Shipping and Receiving (packaging warehouse)
- Assembly/Production/Warehouse
- Hospitality (Banquets, Janitorial, Food Services)
- Oilfield Workers (must have experience)

FY-2011
YTD TAX COLLECTIONS
(thru AUGUST)

Run Date:
09/16/11

TAX CATEGORY	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	TAX COLLECTED
Sales (6%)	\$10,465.58	\$12.34	\$16,646.46	\$5,088.76	\$15,566.63	\$7,193.56	\$10,539.59	\$11,250.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$76,763.60	\$76,763.60
Gaming	\$102,200.00	\$90,000.00	\$126,145.00	\$200,000.00	\$196,337.00	\$207,561.00	\$100,000.00	\$103,835.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,086,078.00	\$1,086,078.00
Employee (1%)	\$15,754.96	\$0.00	\$18,485.67	\$6,507.55	\$9,378.31	\$18,471.03	\$4,217.44	\$21,160.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$93,975.50	\$93,975.50
Severance (8%)	\$888.64	\$2,062.45	\$2,103.94	\$966.79	\$1,424.72	\$2,347.87	\$0.00	\$2,340.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,134.99	\$12,134.99
M Vehicle	\$12,422.54	\$11,428.73	\$15,470.44	\$12,156.17	\$11,291.59	\$11,283.67	\$13,690.12	\$11,997.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$99,741.41	\$99,741.41
Tobacco Refund	\$18,501.65	\$18,412.20	\$14,507.15	\$13,955.28	\$13,165.79	\$19,772.47	\$15,870.57	\$15,434.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$129,619.92	\$129,619.92
TOTALS	\$160,233.37	\$81,915.72	\$193,358.66	\$238,674.55	\$247,164.34	\$266,629.60	\$144,317.72	\$166,019.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,498,313.42	\$1,498,313.42
Miscellaneous	\$160.00	\$80.00	\$132.50	\$150.00	\$212.50	\$120.00	\$130.00	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,065.00	\$1,065.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$160,393.37	\$81,995.72	\$193,491.16	\$238,824.55	\$247,376.84	\$266,749.60	\$144,447.72	\$166,099.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,499,378.42	\$1,499,378.42

NOTES:

items. Now, with the two properties combined, TEC provides over 200 jobs that help support tribal members and members of the surrounding communities. This project has been a goal of current and former Executive Committee Members, TEC Board Members, and tribal members. Many employees and members of the Thunderbird team put in a lot of extra effort to ensure a smooth opening and it was a pleasure working with these individuals to make the new casino a reality. The first month of operations was tremendously successful and now we can turn our efforts to making sure that Thunderbird Casino – Shawnee continues to be an enterprise that all tribal members can be proud of.

Thunderbird Casino – Norman has been a cornerstone of the Tribe for over 24 years and we will continue to strive to ensure that it is reaching its maximum potential. For this reason, there are exciting changes coming for Thunderbird Casino – Norman in the near future. We are working on several projects to improve the facility and customer experience. Many people worried that the new casino may negatively affect the Norman casino, however early analysis shows that Thunderbird Casino – Norman has continued its year-over-year growth.

We would like to thank the outgoing board members who left their mark of success on the Casino over the last three years, and we welcome the new board members whose efforts will help to mold the future of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's gaming enterprises. The new board has three meetings under its belt, and consists of:
 President - TR Kanuch
 Vice President – Brian Bush
 Secretary/ Treasurer – Briana Ponkilla
 Member – Alecia Onzahwah
 Member – Phillip Harris

We look forward to seeing all of you at this fall's General Council Meeting. As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about your Tribe's casinos.

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 405-360-9270

- Office/ Clerical (Microsoft Applications, Web Design, Database Management)
- Security Officer (CLEET certified or unarmed)
- Carpenter (Framer, Siding, Drywall, Roofer and Remodel)
- Bus Drivers (CDL with P and S endorsement) *paid training
- Forklift Operator (certified) willing to be trained as Crane Operator
- Welder and Pipefitter (Journeyman)
- Heat and Air Tech (Journeyman)

Jobs pertain to the Shawnee, Oklahoma City Area and surrounding areas. Please have your certifications updated and a current license. All applicants will have interview with reference check, background clearance and drug testing. Contact the TERO department if you currently have these qualifications and are looking for immediate employment. Update your application contact number or email if you currently have a file with TERO. Office hours are 8-5 Monday through Friday and applications are located at Resource Center in Little Axe or AST complex in Shawnee.

Randy Edge
 T.E.R.O. Director



Thunderbird Entertainment Center, Inc. (TEC) was proud to open the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's second gaming facility, Thunderbird Casino – Shawnee, last month. The development of the Thunderbird Casino-Shawnee started in September of 2010 with the signing of the funding agreement and ended with the tribal member invitational grand opening on August 10th, 2011. Many tribal members and their guests came out to support the new facility and enjoy offerings of free play, music and food. The new casino has an excellent mix of over 250 gaming machines and a dining area that serves a variety of delicious menu

Resolutions

Realty Department

The following are Resolutions passed through September 21, 2011

EXECUTIVE RESOLUTIONS:

E-AS-11-69 09/07/11

Approves and accepts **Carolyn Mary Cole, Fawntayne Catara Johnson, Weston Bobby Clayton Charley Lamb, Caden James Charley Lamb, Michael Arron Charley, Jenika Nicole Valdivia, Joseph Enrique Valdivia, Delsin Wyatt Bond, Jacob David Sexton, Marisela Rose Tiger, Ashlee Jean Tiger, Stephanie Nicole Tiger, Gracelynn Faith Spoon, Valarie Mae Burkhard, Abhi Chase Shrestha, Kurtis Robert Walker, Christopher Hugh Neske, Wendi Renee Jordan, Anthony Daniel McBride, Allison Lorraine McBride, Michael Andrew McBride, Aaron Wayne McBride, Ibraheem Bin Khalil Qurashi, Jason Tylar McPherson-Brittain, Maryam Anisah Khalil Qureshi, Sumiyah Khalil-Quraishi, Dakiah Ali Anderson, Micah RaShawn Anderson, and Stephen Lee Hill** as enrolled members of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma as of the date of this resolution.

E-AS-11-70 09/07/11

Grants membership relinquishment of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma to the above named minor, Tia Marissa Jim, provided she is accepted into the Oto Missouri Tribe.

E-AS-11-71 09/07/11

Grants voluntary relinquishment of membership of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma to Angel Ann Jim provided that she is accepted into the Oto-Missouria Tribe.

E-AS-11-72 09/21/11

Establishes that the 68th Semi-Annual General Council Meeting for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma be

set for October 21, 2011 @ 10:00 a.m. at the Little Axe Resource Center.

E-AS-11-73 09/21/11

Approves and accepts **Ginger Leanne De La Campa, Cheyanne Panther, Cyerra Lynn Panther, Kyle Lee Smith, Ryan James Smith, Dakota Paul Spriggs, Raelynn White, Jordan LaShell Moore, Christian Glenn Moore, Kasia Lee Elsloo, Lyla Lee Elsloo and Victoria Nicolette Sanchez** as enrolled members of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma as of the date of this resolution.

E-AS-11-74 09/21/11

Approves and accepts **Hilo Tsoitigh Johnson** as an enrolled member of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma as of the date of this resolution.

The Realty Department conducted an oil and gas lease sale on September 16, 2011. This is a competitive bidding process and we only accepted those bids that met the appraised value. We accepted sealed bids from various oil companies to try and generate interest in the trust tracts located in Cleveland County. Our goal was to get oil & gas companies to lease the trust tracts and hopefully generate money for our Absentee Shawnee landowners as well as all the other owners on the tracts. Information was posted to our website for the companies to see which tracts were available. If you own trust property located in Cleveland County; you may be contacted soon by a representative from an oil company regarding leasing your property.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Realty Department or visit the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's website www.astribe.com for more information.

Wills Clinic

October 14, 2011
Absentee Shawnee
Complex Building 1
Call OILS at:

(405) 943-6457 to make an appointment.
If anyone needs assistance with a will before then, call the same number to make arrangements for an appointment to meet with OILS attorney.

Due to a scheduling conflict at OILS the Wills Clinic has been changed to October 14. Those who have already made an appointment will receive a phone call from OILS regarding the date change. Anyone else wanting to make an appointment should call 943-6457 to do so.



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15TH ANNUAL VETERANS' DAY POW WOW SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2011

Noon-11pm, EXPO CENTER....off HWY 177 and Independence, Shawnee, OK

“CELEBRATING VETERANS’ DAY”

MC: TROY LITTLE AXE, SR (AST)

HEAD LADY DANCER: Twyla Blanchard, AST

HEAD MAN DANCER: Louis Paukei, Kiowa

HEAD GOURD DANCER: Jacob Tsofigh, Kiowa

LITTLE GIRL DANCER: Kalee Jones, Sac & Fox

LITTLE BOY DANCER: Mekathiwa Blanchard, AST

HEAD SINGER: Joseph Blanchard, Jr., AST

ADs: Sam Howell (Potawatomi) & Rich Birdtail (Cherokee)

COLOR GUARD: AST Veteran’s Honor Guard

CO-HOSTs: Comanche Indian Veterans Association, Lawton, OK

Young Buffalo Horse Singers, OKC, OK

SPECIAL GUEST: Ms. Indian Oklahoma, DEVON FRAZIER, AST

ALL DRUM GROUPS WELCOME

CONTESTS: TINY TOTS (GOV. GEORGE BLANCHARD & FAMILY)

GOLDEN AGE– MEN/WOMEN (LITTLE AXE FAMILY)

FANCY SHAWL (MS. PARKER)

FANCY (FEATHER) DANCER (RICH AND MARY BIRDTAIL)

50/50

RAFFLES

FOOD CONCESSION

AUCTION

GOURD DANCE: 2PM

SUPPER: 5PM

GRAND ENTRY: 7PM

ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS

FOR BOOTH SPACE OR GENERAL INFO CALL:

GENE PARKER, 613-1139

SUE BLANCHARD, 312-4621

MARY BIRDTAIL, 386-7851

**NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS
NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS PERMITTED ON PREMISES!**

THE GOVERNOR'S CORNER

Here are some words we all can use on a regular basis:

1. Look at it
Wi pi ti no
2. Look at me
Wi pi me lo
3. You'll look at it
Wi pi ti mo ko
4. Look at him or her
Wi pi me
5. Look at me now
Wi pi me ko
6. How are you?
Hi ke howaso li si mi mo?
7. What have you been doing?
Na he wa ke ti se ge li we?
8. See you again
Si li no ke ka no la
9. Go with me
Ka we ta me
10. Can you go with me?
Hi ta pe ka we ta me?
11. Go with them
Ka we ta mi ke
12. Let's go with them
Ka we ta mi pa

Governor George Blanchard



CURRENT JOB POSTINGS AS OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

GAMING COMMISSION

- Surveillance Operator
- Internal Auditor

COURT/LEGAL/POLICE

- Supreme Court Tribal Judge

BUILDING BLOCKS

- Floater
- Director

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- PT Victim Advocate

HEALTH

- Staff Physician – Shawnee Clinic
- Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant
- LPN
- Supply Technician
- Facilities Manager
- Quality Improvement Officer/Electronic Health Records (EHR) Coordinator

AST COUNTRY KITCHEN

- Cook

Job descriptions will be available online:

<http://www.astribe.com/Employment.html>

If you have any questions about the job positions and their job descriptions you can also contact Briana Ponkilla or Tricia Dietrich in the Human Resources Department at the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at: (405) 275-4030.

THE FOSTER CARE LICENSING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!



The FCLC has two (2) member positions open and would like for you to join in making a difference in bringing smiles to tribal foster children.

If you are interested in serving on the FCLC, please send your resume along with a letter of interest to Secretary, Teri Reed's office, located at

Absentee Shawnee Tribe
 ATTN: Secretary Terri Reed
 2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive
 Shawnee, OK 74801

CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMITTEE MEETING

October 22, 2011

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

LITTLE AXE RESOURCE CENTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
 BRIANA PONKILLA (405) 275-4030 x 131 or
bponkilla@astribe.com



REACH US and CATCH Training

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe Community Health and Prevention Programs, Physical Activity staff provided training on the Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) on September 24th with the AST Building Blocks staff. CATCH is an evidence-based, coordinated school health program designed to promote physical activity, healthy food choices, and to prevent tobacco use.

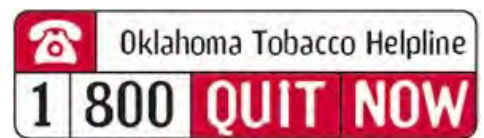
The program includes a fun and easy to use toolkit that allows improvement in the health of students and teaches lifelong health behaviors. It is a program that brings together school, families, and communities to teach children how to be healthy for life.

Why?

- Physical Activity and healthy eating benefit all people by improving the quality of their lives.
- Oklahoma ranks 50th in fruit and vegetable consumption in the United State that rates last place. ³
- 32% of Oklahomans are obese. ³
- By teaching children that eating healthy and being physically active every day can be fun, the CATCH Program has proven evidence that establishing healthy habits in childhood can promote behavior changes that last a lifetime. ¹
- CATCH is the most cost-effective program that is a youth-focused initiative to reduce obesity. ⁴

<http://www.catchinfo.org>

1. <http://www.catchinfor.org>
2. <http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/yrbs/pdf/obesity/ok>
3. <http://www.americashealthrankings.org/2009/report/AHR2009%>
4. Cawley, J. (2010). The Economics of Childhood Obesity. *Health Affairs*, 29:3, 364-371.



Supported by the Cooperative Agreement Number 5U58/DP001094-04 from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Happy Birthday!

October

Abma, Meadow Elisa
Adams, James Michael
Aguinaga, Aaron Juan
Ahtone, Caylen Evreaux
Alford Jr., Elroy Raymond
Alford, Herbert Vearl
Ardrey, Wanda Marie
Ash, Earl James
Aspen, Andrew James
Atwood, Joseph Eugene
Bailey, Beverly Jean Lovins
Balch, Shannon Eugene
Barnett, Charles Wayne
Battise, Tara Christine
Bayliss, Jeanette Williams
Beach, Brodie Aaron
Beartusk, Jonah Edward
Belvin Jr, Jesse Lee
Bender, Jason Allen
Bettelyoun, Kendall Ray
Bettelyoun, Michael Vincent
Bhandari, Dasan Krishna
Bittle Jr., James Carl
Blackbear, Jorey Rian
Blanchard Jr., George Melvin
Blanchard, Alex Gordon
Blanchard, Jared Dillon
Blanchard, Kevin Owen
Blood, Jennifer
Bond, Brandon Curtis
Bradley, Jimmie Lee
Bradley, Ronald Gene
Brady Jr., Cecil Edgar
Brady, Carlie Noelle
Breedlove, Cynthia Kay
Brittain, Shaye Dawn
Brokeshoulder, Aaron Dean
Brokeshoulder, Randall James
Brown, Kristopher Todd
Bui, Bennett Van
Byers, Sebastian Michael
Call, Kelly Edward
Campbell, Charlotte Lynn
Carlson, Harley Leann
Carpenter, Glenda Carol
Chapman, Atira Vonne
Chisholm, Candace Lauren
Chupp, Angela Marie
Citty, Dora Mae

Cochrane, Rachel D.
Coddington, Cameron Michael
Coddington, Hailey Elaine
Coleman, Janice Sue
Colungo, Khia Jayde
Coriz, Benjamin Allen
Cottrell, Steven Thomas
Crossley, Burton Jay
Crossley, Jeffery Mark
Cypret, Isaac Matthew
Dalitz, Christi Lynn
Daugherty, Steven Neil
Davis, Janice Laverne
Davis, Kimber Lee
Davis, Mary Louise
Davis, Ryan Kyle
Deardorff, Angela Dawn
Dees, Elizabeth Yvonne
DeLodge, Brendan Joseph
Dezeller, Joyce Fay
Dohrwardt, Sherry Ann
Dousett, Linda Sue
Dreessen, Laurie Dawn
Durmon, Ryland Ryder
Eckles, Erick Emmanuel
Eckles, Steven George
Edwards, Shawnee Dawn
Ellis, Allison Krista
Ellis, Henryetta (Blanchard)
Ellis, Kevin Mark
Ellis, Kimberly Marie
Ellis, Linda Jean
England, Connie Sue
Fife, Austin Scott
Fisher, Susan Renee
Foreman, Sidney Brian
Foreman, Wesley Josiah
Frazier, Anthony Lawrence
Gall, Rebecca Sue
Gibson, Bernice
Gibson, Collin Lane
Gibson, John Arnold
Gibson, Tyler Logan
Gillihan, Layton Douglas
Gilman Jr., Thomas Eugene
Gilman, Tomi-Lynn Sophia
Gonzalez, Kathrine Mary
Green, Shai Leigh
Green, Tristin Eason
Gregory, Derek Ryan
Gregory, Jacob Samuel

Griffin, Craig Robert
Hardeman, Uriah Terez
Harjo, Bryleigh Marie
Harjo, Linda Marie
Harjo, Stathan Ray
Harjoe, Dawn Nicole
Hayes, Jaeger Koen
Healy, Shawna Susan
Helvy, Camber Nicole
Herrera, Manuel Gustava
Herrera, Eian Anthany
Herrin, Susan Rena
Holderness, Nichole Ann
Holland, Tambi Dawn
Hood, Nova Dean
Hough, Marrisal Louise
Houstan, Thurman
Irvin, Timothy Logan
Jim, Angel Ann
Jimboy, Katie La Rae
Jimerson III, Robert E
Johnson, David Leroy
Johnson Sr., Josie Ed
Johnson, Chan Van Ness
Johnson, Emma Lee
Johnson, Jessica Lynn
Johnson, Manuel Steve
Johnson, Mark
Johnson, Sean Allen
Johnson, Shannon Renay
Johnson, Stevi Mahri
Jones, Kaiya Damon
Jones, Zackery Dene
Kilmer, Brittany Michelle
Kilmer, Ethan Allen
Kirby, Robert Micheal
Kleine, Elizabeth Ann
Kobs, Alexander Francis
Lasenberry, Lawrence Layton
Brooks
Lee, Cortney Raeanne
Leedom, Melanie Rochelle
Lewelling, Avis Jewel
Little Creek, Frank Dwight
Little Jim, Gabriel Clint
Little Jim, Justin Dale
Little Jr., David
Little, Freddie Don
Little, Michael Boyd
Little, Travis Shane
Littlebear, Anthony Karlin

Littlebear, Brett Cason
Littlebear, John
Littlebear, Lois Gwen
Littlecreek, Aaron Dale
Littlecreek, Dalton Dale
Littlecreek, Melissa Richelle
Littlehead, William Douglas
Littlejim, Gracey Lorene
Lockner, Isaac Joseph Leigh
Longacre, Thomas Andrew
Longhorn, Lance Calvin
Longhorn, Lydia Kye
Longhorn, Ryan Wade
Longhorn, Stephanie Lee
Longhorn, Vernice Correne
Longman Sr., Henry Daniel
Longman, Ciara Lynn
Lossie, Colton Lewis Cain
Lowe, Kerry Denise
Lucas Spybuck, Misty Rosileah
Mack, Dewayne George
Mack, Kailas Dail
MacK, Melissa Ann
Mack, Secote Vholoco
Martinez, Marina Cristine
Masquas, Katlyn Alexandria
Matthews, Anthony Edward
Scott
Mattingly, Erin Paige
Maxfield, Sky Colisa
Maxwell, Meagan Renee
McBride, Aaron Wayne
McGuffin, Mary Bradley
Megehee, Shirley Louise
Megehee, William Sean
Miller, Anna Mae
Miller, Brody Scott Glenn
Miller, Kale Donovan
Miller, Scott Alan
Mohawk, Jimmie Ray
Monk, Jessica Rita
Morgan, Letitia Rhea
Morton, Rhianna Elizabeth
Motes, Christopher Cole
Myers, Rachel Johnnice
Neese, Branden Hunter
Odell, Edna May Armstrong
Onzawah, Theodora Marie
Panther Sr., Donald Eric
Panther, Dakota Eric
Parker-Sexton, Queta Cara

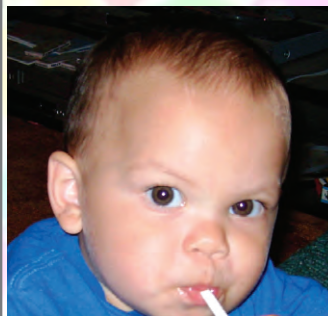
Birthdays

Perryman, John Lewis
 Perryman, Lillie D Blanchard
 Peter, Terrance Nicholie
 Petersen, Marsha Ann
 Ponkilla, Brigitte Nicole
 Powell, David W
 Ramirez, Antonio
 Ramirez, Helen Marie
 Rathbun, Nicholis Lee
 Ressler, Linda Kay
 Rickard, Janice Renee
 Rivas, Becky Marie
 Roach, Tanya Emma
 Robison, Burtis Charles
 Rock, Patricia Ann
 Rolette, Robbin Louise
 Rolette, Travis Anthony
 Rudloff, Emma Leann
 Salazar, Ellen Diesta
 Sanchez, Airez Pete
 Sanchez, Itzel Itzury
 Schulenberg, Justin Michael
 Schulenberg, Tina Yvette
 Scraper, Benjamin Alexander
 Self, Braydon Wayne
 Serena, Barbara Jean
 Shaffer, Nicholas Keith
 Shields, Darian Alexandria
 Shirey, Caeden Carlsen
 Sloan, Michael Ray
 Sloat, Jeromi Wayne
 Sloat, Zaurhea Elayne
 Smith, Shannon Dana
 Spoon Jr., John Wesley
 Spoon, Canaan Lee
 Spoon, Christina Ann
 Spoon, Lois Fern
 Spoon, Preston Gabriel
 Spoon, Steven Paul
 Spybuck, Brandi Christine
 Squire, Gwendale Lynn
 Stacey, Nils Greg
 Starr, Eric Glen
 Starr, Tricia Suzanne
 Stewart, Wanda Louise
 Sullivan, Pamela Kay
 Sultuska, George A
 Surface, Ian Robert
 Switch Jr., Douglas Vaughn
 Switch Jr., Randy Carrol
 Switch, Aaron Christopher

Switch, Sheryl Lynette
 Switch, Valerie June
 Tallchief, Bobby Eves
 Tapia, Carlito Cruz
 Taylor Jr., James Robert
 Taylor, Amanda Mae Alice
 Taylor, Gail Anne
 Taylor, Shelly Bennie
 Thapa, Blake Lee
 Thorpe III, George
 Thorpe Sr., Ronnie Allen
 Thorpe, Derrick James
 Thorpe, Patricia Ann
 Thorpe, Taj Robert
 Tiger, Aaron Dewayne
 Tiger, Anthony John
 Tiger, Christy Danielle
 Tiger, Cynthia Caylin
 Tiger, John Charles
 Tiger, Stormy Sky
 Tolbert, Jaleigh Renee
 Torbett, Lori Ann
 Turner, Georgie Ann
 Tyner, Dwight A.
 Upman, Ronald David
 Vaughn, Nathan Michael
 Voyles, Danielle Rose
 Walker, Randall Dean
 Warrior Sr., Lucian Jay
 Warrior, Necon Andrew
 Warrior, Watasha Nichole
 Wasley, Lewis Daniel
 Watkins III, Irvin Lee
 Watson, Aaron Wayne
 Watson, Katrina Dawn
 Whinery, Rachel Elaine
 White, Cynthia Diane
 White, David Leroy
 White, Evan James
 White, Nicholas Clay
 Wilkerson, Amy Marie
 Williams, Matthew Lee
 Williams, Amber Ann
 Williams, Charles Scott
 Williams, Darlene Kaye
 Williams, Timothy J.
 Wilson, Bridgette Nicole
 Wilson, Joseph Warren
 Wilson, Tanya Ann
 Wilson, Terry Wayne
 Wilson-Ongaco, Michelle Marie

Wolf, Christian Seminole
 Wolfe, Fanya Gayle
 Wood, Darla Sue
 Woody, Derek Wayne
 Wright, Michael Roosevelt
 Wright, Raven Roxanne
 Wunderlin, Tyler Jay
 Yandell, Paisley Alexis
 Yates, Kaitlin Cheyenne

Happy 3rd Birthday
 Ryder Cash Davenport
 We love you very much!
 Gogo & Pawpaw



HAPPY 11TH BIRTHDAY
 SEBASTIAN BYERS
 We Love You,
 Auntie Sherry &
 Uncle Marv



Happy 17th Birthday
 Kaitlin Yates
 From
 Uncle Nine Toes &
 Momma Seal

**Happy Birthday
 Kelly Edward!
 love Larry & Lisa**

Happy Birthday
 Uncle Kelly
 Love,
 The Fab Five
 Blanchard Girls

Happy Birthday
 grandson Ryan Davis
 We love you
 Grandma Chelle,
 Grandpa Greg, and Holly

**To Sidney and Siah
 Foreman
 We wish you a great
 birthday
 love Chelle and
 Rhonda**

*Happy 4th Birthday
 -son-
 Ryan Davis
 we love you bunches
 Mom, Dad,
 and jellybean*

Happy Birthday
 Landon, Mallory
 & Jordan
 Love, Mom & Marv

**Happy Birthday
 Sidney & Josiah
 Foreman
 & Ryan Davis
 from
 Sherry & Marv**

Happy Birthday
to our daughters:
Tina Schulenberg

October 3

Laurie Dreessen

October 5

Love always,
Mom & Dad

**Happy Birthday to
our granddaughter
Rachel Whinery**

October 3

love always.

Mema & Papa

Happy Birthday
to our grandson,
Justin Schulenberg
October 19



Love always,
Mema & Papa

**Happy 28th
Birthday
Tara G. Battise
October 30th
love. Tessa. Mom.
Gina. Ray. Karla &
Kyle**

Happy Birthday
Momma,
I love you very, very
much !!
Your daughter,
Tessa C. Baker

Happy 1st Birthday
Bryleigh!

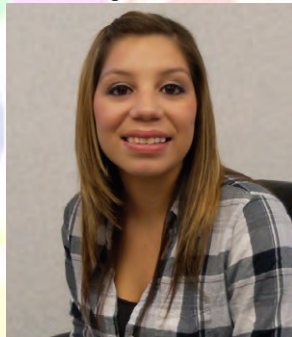


Love,
Momma and Daddy



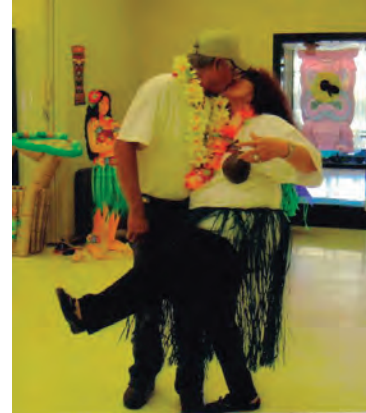
Congratulations to our
granddaughter, Leigha
Blackwell, upon graduating
from the Southern Nazarene
University.
May 14, 2011

Happy 20th Birthday
Bridgette Wilson



Have a great day
and pump it up!
Lots of Love,
Arlene Herrera

Happy 25th Anniversary
September 24, 1986



Richard and Mary Birdtail
"still crazy after all these years!"

Congratulations to our
granddaughter, Michelle
Whinery, RN. She earned
her associates degree as
a nurse at OCCC in Dec.,
2010. She is on duty at the
Midwest Regional Medical
Center in ICU.



Great job Jarett Geissler on a successful water drive donated to the Bethel Acres Fire Department. Good luck on reaching your goal of William Marshall. We are proud of you! Love Mom and Dad

Thank You

The Family of tribal members Josephine Creek and Bessie Creek would like to "thank" everyone that helped in any way in the contribution of clothing, food, money and prayers when they recently lost all possessions in a recent house fire out by Shawnee Twin Lake area. All is greatly appreciated.

Employee of the Month



August 2011 Employee of the Month

Captain Carolyn Stacy

"It is with the greatest honor and privilege that I nominate Captain Carolyn Stacy as the Absentee Shawnee Tribe "Employee of the Month". As a Nurse Practitioner, she performs her professional duties in an outstanding and caring manner since November 2010. She continues to demonstrate a deep devotion and commitment to the principles, values, and mission of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe and this Health Center. Her behavior, demeanor, and professionalism serve as a model for others to emulate and is a testimony to her leadership. She is insightful, honest, and empathetic with both clients and fellow staff members. Additionally, she is highly skilled, compassionate, sound critical thinker, and consistently displays the highest ethical standards. Her commitment to excellence in patient care combined with a marked spirit of teamwork make her an invaluable asset. She is well respected by her peers and her patients. On several occasions, I have had patients comment on her compassion, caring attitude and skills as a health care provider. She is always willing to go that extra mile for the patients. She is an excellent example for other employees and is looked at as a leader in the Shawnee Ambulatory Health Care. I can say without any hesitation that a large part of our success is a result of Captain Carolyn Stacy and without a doubt that Absentee Shawnee Tribe is fortunate to have her as a member of our health care family."

Merle Laverne Hurst

April 26, 1968 - September 3, 2011

The family would like to thank everybody in the Tribal Complex for all their help and support. We would also like to thank the many relatives who came and helped during our time of need. It is greatly appreciated.



Congratulations Mary Birdtail

She has been selected as one of the AARP Indian Elder Honorees for 2011. The program will be held October 4th at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City at 6:30 pm.

Mary Birdtail - Absentee Shawnee - is active in the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Elders Council and has held positions as President, Vice President and Secretary. She volunteers her time to make the Council successful during fund-raisers and community events.

She has worked for Cache (Okla.) Public Schools as a Secretary to the Principal and the Comanche Nation as an education clerk, where they sub-contracted from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Johnson O'Malley Program for Comanche and Cotton Counties. The office was instrumental in obtaining federal funding for 13 parent committees to serve Native American students in local schools in Southwest Oklahoma.

In 1980, she began working as a clerk for the Social Security Administration at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. While at the SSA, she was the claims clerk for claims representatives; mail clerk for the entire office; file clerk for all transmittals received; recorder for new Social Security cards requested; and secretary for 13 service representatives.

In 1988, she moved to Kansas City, Mo., where she began working for the National Archives and Records Administration where she was an archives aide and archives technician. She was the supervisor at the Federal Records Center in Lenexa, Kans., where she was quality control officer overseeing documents received for Social Security, Medicare, U.S. Department of Education and the Internal Revenue Service. She trained 20-30 people during this time. She worked for the IRS briefly in 1996 before returning to Oklahoma.

In 1997, she returned to college and received an Associate of Arts degree from Seminole State College. In 2000, she attended East Central University in Ada and obtained a Bachelor's degree in Social Work while working as a college courier. While in college, she was the Vice President of the Native American Student Association and Sigma Kappa Delta English Honor Society.

In 2004, She began working for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe as a receptionist and moved up as Tribal Liaison at Thunderbird Casino. Currently, she is the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Election Commissioner #2 serving her third term.

She said the proudest moment in her life was attending college with her children and witnessing all four of her children receive Bachelor's degrees in the respective fields of study. She is also the proud mother of two sons who served in the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Air Force.

*Have a Safe and Happy Halloween
from the Absentee Shawnee Tribe
of Oklahoma!*



**ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA
Notice of Interest: Committee, Board, or Commission**

To be considered to serve on a committee, board, or commission, tribal members (18 years of age or older) should complete the following contact information, attach a cover letter and resume, and submit to: AST Secretary, 2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801. Or, you may submit all documents by email to secretary@astribe.com.

Name: _____ CDIB #: _____

Address
: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Email: _____ Date: _____

I wish to be considered to serve on the following (check one):

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ASEDA (Economic Development) | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Advisory Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> TEC (Thunderbird Entertainment) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gaming Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Notice of Interest form should be updated annually. Number and frequency of vacancies vary by board/commission due to term limits, number of positions, resignations, etc.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The following are current programs administered by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Department:

- **Academic (K-12) Program:** assists with academic related expenses, and a portion of funds can be used for school-related athletic program expenses. Program has a maximum funding limit for the academic year.
- **Zahn Program:** established from a trust fund, program can help with some graduation expenses, and awards two (2) incentives: one for GED recipients and one for High School graduates. Program has a maximum amount of funding for graduation expenses.
- **Job Training Adult Education Program:** funds for vocational training at accredited vocational institutions. Program has a maximum funding limit for the calendar year or per program.
- **Higher Education: Education Incentive Award Program:** funds for undergraduate degrees, one associates or bachelors degree, at any accredited college or university. Funding levels are determined based upon grade point average and full-time or part-time status.
- **Graduate Scholarship Program:** funds for one master's degree or one doctoral degree, and can fund for one graduate admissions test. This program has funding levels based upon full-time and part-time status.

All funding is based upon the availability of funds at the time of application.

Attention:

Job Training Adult Education Program applicants: You MUST submit your application documents at least three weeks prior to the beginning of the course to ensure funding is available and can be disbursed to the institution to allow your enrollment in upcoming courses.

Applications for the Higher Education: Education Incentive Award Program are due November 15, 2011 for the spring 2012 semester. Continuing students need to submit their spring 2012 class schedule by November 15, 2011.

All applications and guidelines are available at www.astribe.com. Click on Services and select Education.

For more information, please call Tresha Spoon at (405) 275-4030 ext. 121 or 1-800-256-3341 or email to tresham@astribe.com.

Come join us at the AST Resource Center!!!

- Free Tutoring in all subjects!
- Snacks!
- Games and activities!
- Field Trips!
- Delinquency Prevention!

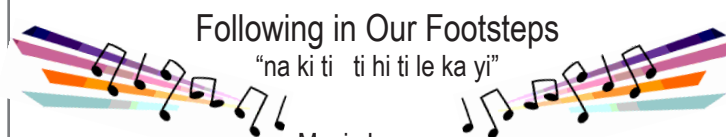


And Much More!

Open to all middle school and high school students

Everything is offered with no charge....Little Axe bus will transport students to the Resource Center and parents are responsible for picking students up at 6:00pm

For more information and sign up please contact Jared Duroy at (405) 481-6050



Music Lessons

Where: Little Axe Resource Center

When: Tuesday's and Thursday's 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

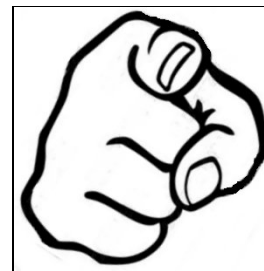
Call Phil Bradley at 405-370-5576 or 405-275-4030

ext:117

Middle School and High School Students:

Come and join the Absentee Shawnee Youth Council...

All middle school and high school youth are welcome!



We will be meeting once every month to cover topic that interest our youth.

We will have volunteer opportunities.

We will also become involved with our communities through hands-on activities and projects.

Our 3rd Meeting for the 2011-2012 school year will be October 22nd at 10:00 am in the basement of Building #3.

We will provide refreshments at each meeting!

If you are interested in becoming a member of the AST Youth Council, please contact.....

(405) 275-4030 Jared ext. 193 or Tresha ext. 121

HORSE SHOE BEND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM:

Horse Shoe Bend After School Program has been very effective with the tutoring services that is offer to the school ages Kindergarten through 8th grade. Students are excited to do their homework and finish. At the end of tutoring session providing all are done with homework I then sit with them and quiz them on different events that may be going on in the world. But most of the time they like to count money and count back the change, and also be quizzed on telling time. When they earn 5 points I treat them with a piece of candy. September 12, 2011 I met with the Education Department at Oklahoma Baptist University we are working together to get students from their program to provide some tutoring services for the after school program at Horse Shoe Bend. Right now I have three volunteers that come in to help with the students after school, Ms. Elaine Brown, Ms. Heather Capps , Ms. Chuck Edwards and myself.

Each month we are going to select a student from the after school program as a top achiever. This student selected will have had to turn in all completed assignments and with no misbehavior write ups at school and as will at the after school program.

Horse Shoe Bend After School Program Student of the Month of September is Ruben Wilson. Ruben is a third grader at North Rock Creek School. He is a member of the Sac and Fox Nation , he has been attending the after school program since August 15, 2011. Ruben likes to read and work on the computer. He has not missed a spelling word in his class, on Thursdays of each week a trial test is given and he has made a 100 on his test and so he is not required to take the spelling test on Fridays. Every Monday I can always count on him to remind me of his prize that I give him for his spelling test the past week then he shows me his new spelling words for the week. We then go over them on Mondays and Wednesday. Here is little about Ruben Wilson:

What is your Favorite:

Color? Blue Movie? GI Joe Class in school? Computers What do you like to do for fun? Likes to go fishing with his dad. Sport? Football. College Football Team? OU Teacher? Ms. Rosenbaum Automobile? Mustang. Animal? Dog Book? Big Foot Season? Fall Holiday? Christmas What do you want to be when you grow up? Be president of the United States. TV Show? Family Guy Food? Cheese Pizza Soft drink? Root Beer Fruit? Apple Music Group? Black Eye Pea

Ruben is the son of Calvin and Annie Wilson. He has one sister Katie. Ruben will receive a \$25.00 Gift Card from Wal-Mart donated by the White Turkey Band.



We had one Birthday in September and that is Brendan Winter he turned 5 years old. We celebrated with cup cakes and punch and gave him a card and gift. Brendan is our youngest student and everyone takes care of him to make sure he is okay. Brendan is an Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member and he is the son of Warren and Tammy Winter, he has one sister name Tara who is also enrolled in the after school program and is an Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member. Brendan works right along with the older students when counting money, he can identify his coins.

Students work really hard at the After School Program and all students get along with one another. Wednesdays are usually not so busy, younger students are not assigned any homework so once a month they watch a movie. I do not think they really like to watch movies they like to work on worksheets or play that quiz game we play. With the holidays approaching Wednesdays may be a craft day for us, like decorating the building inside and out.

If your child is struggling in any school subject please do not hesitate to call, I can help. I can find resources in your area for help with tutoring. Cell number is the best way to contact me, 405 481-0397.

Edwina Butler-Wolfe, Director
Horse Shoe Bend After School Program
Absentee Shawnee Tribe
405- 481-0397 Cell number

WALKING GROUP
Andrea Ellis Harrison is organizing a walking group at the Horse Shoe Bend Community Center Monday thru Friday at 6:15 p.m., while the weather is nice. Come out and be healthy.

Attention Absentee Shawnee Tribal Members!

You are invited to attend the

2011 Fall AST Tribal Health Fair

(In coordination with the AST General Council Meeting)

*Saturday, October 15th, 2011
Little Axe Resource Center
Beginning at 8:00 a.m.*

T-shirts!

Door Prizes!



Healthy
Breakfast

Free health
screenings

3K Poker Run &
1 Mile Fun Walk

Free screenings include:

Blood glucose

Flu vaccine & Pneumovax vaccinations

Eye glass cleaning & adjustments

Medicare benefit assistance

and more to be announced!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AT 405-878-4702. THIS EVENT IS IN COORDINATION WITH THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING.



**2011 AST FITNESS
FALL 3K POKER RUN/
1 MILE FUN
WALK
8:00 A.M.**

**T-shirts for
Participants!**

AST RESOURCE CENTER

Absentee Shawnee Tribe ICW/PSSF Program



Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is an exciting time of year for kids, and to help ensure they have a safe holiday, here are some tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

ALL DRESSED UP:

- Plan costumes that are bright, reflective and flame resistant. Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.
- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and Trick-or-Treat bags for greater visibility.
- Because masks can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic makeup and decorative hats as safer alternatives. Hats should fit properly to prevent them from sliding over eyes.
- If a sword, cane, or stick is a part of your child's costume, make sure it is not sharp or too long. A child may be easily hurt by these accessories if he stumbles or trips.
- Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.
- Teach children how to call 9-1-1 (or their local emergency number) if they have an emergency or become lost.

CARVING A NICHE:

- Small children should never carve pumpkins. Children can draw a face with markers. Then parents can do the cutting.
- Consider using a flashlight or glow stick instead of a candle to light your pumpkin. If you do use a candle, a votive candle is safest.
- Candlelit pumpkins should be placed on a sturdy table, away from curtains and other flammable objects, and should never be left unattended.

ON THE TRICK-OR-TREAT TRAIL:

- A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review the route that is acceptable to you. Agree on a specific time when they should return home.
- Only go to homes with a porch light on and never enter a home or car for a treat.
- Because pedestrian injuries are the most common injuries to children on Halloween, remind Trick-or-Treaters:
 - Stay in a group and communicate where they will be going.
 - Carry a cell phone for quick communication.
 - Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.
 - If no sidewalk is available, walk at the far edge of the roadway facing traffic.
 - Never cut across yards or use alleys.
- Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks (as recognized by local custom). Never cross between parked cars or out driveways.
- Don't assume the right of way. Motorists may have trouble seeing Trick-or-Treaters. Just because one car stops, doesn't mean others will!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



“Walking for Life”- Walk-A-Thon

The 2nd annual “Walking for Life” walk-a-thon was held at the Shawnee Mall on Saturday, September 10, 2011. It was a success! There were a total of 71 participants as we started the walk at the food court. Each participant received a t-shirt, a bracelet and a bottle of water. After each participant walked, they also received a nutritious snack.

Our very own Phil Bradley performed as did Bree Bishop and Kenny Milam from Nashville of PMB Recording studio. Miss Indian Oklahoma 2011 Devon Frasier performed a beautiful rendition of the Lord’s Prayer and The Star Spangle Banner in sign language.

The purpose for the walk is to bring awareness of and promote prevention of drug use and suicide. Nationally, Oklahoma ranks #10 in suicides, including attempts and has the potential of increasing if we do not address the crisis. One of our goals is to bring hope to those that have contemplated or attempted suicide. Another goal is to reduce the prevalence of Methamphetamines in our service area. Methamphetamine use is a growing problem among youth and adults. Like many street drugs, it endangers the life and health of the user. The “Walking for Life” walk-a-thon was a great way to not only show the awareness of the growing problems of drugs and suicide and its effects in the community, but also how they can be prevented.

The MSPI (Meth & Suicide Prevention Initiative) program has held a number of events and activities that brings the awareness of and promotes the prevention of meth use and suicide. We plan to continue to do so in the coming months. On a daily basis the MSPI Program utilizes music to promote wellness. Mr. Phil Bradley is the lead music instructor of the Creative Arts Department. He can be found on the Absentee Shawnee Tribal campus just west of the main building. There he teaches guitar, bass and drum lessons. Any tribally affiliated person is welcome to join in learning how to play an instrument and read music. Being able to play an instrument can instill a sense of confidence and thus gives each developing musician the confidence to reach and attain other goals.

The MSPI program is and has been a helpful resource to the many tribes in the Shawnee area. Through events, activities and the Creative Arts department, MSPI promotes wellness in the area of mental health and gives each person a healthy option as an alternative to drug use and suicide. If you know of any children or adults that might benefit from the free music lessons that MSPI offers, please contact us and we’ll be glad to set up a schedule for music classes. Mr. Phil Bradley can be reached at (405)275-4030, ext. 117 or (405)370-5576. Any other questions regarding the MSPI Program or affiliated activities, please contact Ms. Jenifer Sloan at (405) 878-4702.



Executive Directors "Report to the People"

The AST Health System has made significant progress in many areas since my last report.

Shawnee Health Center – If you have not been to the Shawnee Health Center in a while you will be pleasantly surprised about the many changes. The Waiting Room/Reception Area has new waiting room chairs, paint and wallpaper. A wall has been placed in front of the Pharmacy window to protect your privacy and confidentiality. Four additional exam rooms have been added and there are a total of eight (8) rooms now for patient care. A Pediatric Physician has been added to the staff, Dr. James Gormley and he will begin on Monday, October 3, 2011. He will work every Monday and Tuesday from 7 AM to 6 PM so if you are in need of a Pediatrician for your children I would like to encourage you to make an appointment with him at your convenience. Also, we have added another Physician Assistant, Stacy Curtis and she will report for work on the 17th of October, 2011. This will give us a total of 3 and ½ Health Care Providers in the Medical Clinic. Previously we had only 1 Family Nurse Practitioner so it should be much easier to get an appointment and be seen than it has been in the past.

In addition we have increased our hours of operation and the Shawnee Clinic is open from 7 AM to 6 PM Monday through Friday. Also the Pharmacy is open during the lunch time for your convenience.

Li-Si- Wi-Nwi Health Center (Little Axe) – The construction of the new comprehensive Ambulatory Health Care Center is going very well and continues to be on schedule to be completed by mid to late April 2012. The word has traveled fast throughout the medical community and inquiries are coming in on a regular basis regarding possible employment opportunities in the future, many of these have come from physicians and nurses. The current AST Tribal clinic in Little Axe is now open from 7 AM to 5:30 PM Monday through Friday and the Pharmacy is also open during the lunch hour. The new opening time will be convenient for the patients that need and early morning appointment. The Clinic has added a third dentist which should make it easier to get a dental appointment. In addition we have contracted for a Pediatric Dentist, Dr. Heath Whitfield, D.D.S. He specializes in children's oral surgery and he will be available one day a month at the clinic, so now would be a good time to make an appointment if you have children that need specialized dental services.

Other News –

The AST Health System will be conducting a comprehensive health fair on October 15th at the General Council Meeting. We will be serving breakfast and have many booths with prizes, important information and other services available.

Don't forget that flu season is here and flu shots are now available at both Clinic locations please stop by and get your flu shots before the flu bug bites. Flu shots will be available at the Health Fair on October 15. As a reminder we now have a Podiatrist (Dr. Regina Smith) available on weekly basis at the clinic in Little Axe. Our Shawnee Optometry Clinic is now making appointments for Mondays also. Dr. Fred K. Lee has joined our medical team to better meet your vision needs.

In closing we continue to strive to provide our patients comprehensive high quality health care services in a respectful and culturally sensitive manner.

PHARMACY NEWS

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL PHARMACY



**Visit your pharmacy and meet the new Pharmacists!
We are excited to meet you!**



- ❖ Both Shawnee and Little Axe pharmacy locations are now filling prescriptions for members of all tribes, but outside prescription orders are still restricted to Absentee Shawnee Tribal citizens with established charts.
- ❖ The following are a few tips to help us be more efficient in our delivery of pharmacy services to you:
 - Present insurance cards each time you pick up or drop off a prescription
 - Keep us informed of changes in address, phone number and other contact information.
 - Let the Pharmacy staff know if the prescription is going to be picked up or needs to be delivered.
 - When requesting refills, please provide either the refill number, which is located above your name on the prescription label, or the names of your medication.
 - If you have any questions at any time, feel free to call the Pharmacy or stop by and speak with one of our Pharmacists. We are here to assist you with your pharmaceutical needs!

❖ **New Hours of Operation for the Pharmacy:**

Shawnee: 7am-6pm Monday-Friday Little Axe: 7am-5:30pm Monday-Friday
We are open through the lunch hour!!

****Both pharmacy departments are closed the first Wednesday of each month to complete administrative duties****



OSU
Oklahoma State University
Native American High School

Visitation Day
November 4th, 2011



To Whom It May Concern:

The dates for the OSU Native American High School Visitation Day, hosted by the Oklahoma State University chapter of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) and the Native American Student Association (NASA), has been set for November 4th 2011. High School Visitation Weekend is an opportunity for interested high school sophomore, juniors and seniors to spend a day on a college campus.

At High School Visitation Day, students will have many valuable opportunities which will introduce them to our college atmosphere, including: touring the campus of Oklahoma State, interacting with Native American college students, attending workshops covering college admissions as well as other subject areas, visiting with the college administrators on campus, and meeting other high school juniors and seniors from around the Oklahoma area.

The cost of the OSU Native American High School Visitation Day is a \$10 registration fee which needs to be included with the registration forms. (Checks need to be made out to OSU-Native American Student Association) The registration fee and the registration forms must be postmarked by October 28th, 2011 (Fee includes: registration, t-shirt, and food) and sent to: (There will be a late fee of \$15 for registration after October 28th or the day of this event.

Office of Multicultural Affairs
Native American Student Association
ATTN: Derek Davidson or Robin Williams
009 Classroom Building
Stillwater, OK 74078

***Note: We would like to request that students who wish to participate in the OSU Native American High School Visitation Day please**

bring an adult sponsor (parent, teacher, etc.) per group. Transportation to and from OSU NA High School Visitation Day not included.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Robin Williams
robin.starr.williams@okstate.edu at
(405)744-0401 or Derek Davidson
derek.davidson@okstate.edu

Oklahoma State University
EXPERIENCE AND
FOOTBALL GAME!!!

GO POKES!

OSU Office of Admissions Event

Saturday, November 5, 2011

OSU vs. Kansas State

Register Online at:

<https://admissions.okstate.edu/events/experience>



Because our community deals with high rates of suicide the AST Behavioral Health Department would like to share statistics regarding suicide. According to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services;

Youth Statistics -

- Suicide is the third leading cause of death for young people 15-24 years old
- In 2000, 29 Oklahoma children under age 20 committed suicide – six were under age 15
- Suicide rates are slightly higher in rural counties
- One out of three suicides among youth 14 years or older involves alcohol
- Caucasians have the highest rate of suicide among children over age 15; for children younger than age 15, Native Americans have the highest suicide rate
- Between 1976-2000, suicides outnumbered homicides 72 percent of the time for Oklahoma youth ages 15-19

YOUTH SUICIDE: NATIONAL STATISTICS-

- In the U.S., roughly one young person age 24 or younger dies of suicide every two hours
- Although suicide among young children is rare, the dramatic increase in the rate among 10- to 14-year-olds underscores the urgent need for intensifying efforts to prevent suicide among this age group
- More than half of all young people who commit suicide abuse substances
- Males under age 25 are much more likely to commit suicide than their female counterparts, although females attempt suicide more often than males. In 1996, among youth ages 15-19, five males committed suicide for every female committing suicide. For young people ages 20-24, the rate was seven males to every one female.
- It is estimated that as many as 25 suicide attempts are made for every suicide completion
- Among those ages 15 to 19, firearm-related suicides accounted for 63 percent of the increase in the overall rate of suicide from 1980-1996

RISK FACTORS-

- Biological factors – mental health disorders, particularly mood disorders such as depression, schizophrenia, anxiety disorders and certain personality disorders
- Substance abuse
- Psychosocial factors – poor interpersonal problem-solving ability, poor coping skills, impulsive and/or aggressive tendencies, legal/disciplinary problems, history of trauma or abuse, previous suicide attempt, and family history of suicide
- Environmental factors – difficulty in school, neither working nor going to school (drifting), relational or social loss, easy access to lethal means and local clusters of suicide that have a contagious influence
- Social factors – lack of social support and sense of isolation, stigma associated with help seeking behavior, barriers to accessing health care, certain cultural and religious beliefs (such as a belief that suicide is a noble resolution of a personal dilemma), and exposure to (including the media) and influence of others who have died by suicide

WARNING SIGNS-

- Change in eating and sleeping habits
- Withdrawal from friends, family and regular activities
- Violent actions, rebellious behavior or running away
- Drug and alcohol use
- Unusual neglect or personal appearance
- Marked personality change
- Persistent boredom, difficulty concentrating or a decline in the quality of schoolwork
- Frequent complaints about physical symptoms, often related to emotions, such as stomach aches, headaches, fatigue, etc.
- Loss of interest in pleasurable activities
- Not tolerating praise or awards
- Complaints of being a bad person or feeling “rotten inside”
- Giving verbal hints with statements such as, “I won’t be a problem for you much longer,”
- “Nothing matters,” “It’s no use” or “I won’t see you again.”
- Putting affairs in order, such as giving away favorite possessions, cleaning his or her room, throwing away important belongings, etc.
- Becoming suddenly cheerful after a period of depression
- Having signs of psychosis (hallucinations or bizarre thoughts)

We do offer free training to become a caregiver of those at risk for suicide. Please contact AST Behavioral Health @ 405-878-4716 for more details.

S.O.N.Y. Conference

Serving Our Native Youth



Oklahoma City University, Meinders School of Business

Friday, November 11, 2011

9:00 am – 1:30 pm

- Workshops on College Preparation & Leadership skills for College-Ready Juniors and Seniors.
- College fair will be provided with booths with OCU information as well as financial aid information.
- Tours of the OCU campus
- Lunch will be provided
- Open to 11th – 12th grade students
- Registration 8:00 am – 9:00 am
- Program begins at 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
- Schools can PREREGISTER to attend BEFORE the conference.
- This event is FREE, but space is limited so register early!
- Registration Closes when full! Limited space available!
- Please send Registration forms by Friday, November 4, 2011

Scholarship Essay:
1st place (\$25,000), 2nd (\$15,000) place, and 3rd (\$10,000) place!

Please see Scholarship Essay Rules for more details.

For more information:
Christopher Roman Nose
cromannose@okcu.edu
Phone: (405) 208-5750
Fax: (405) 208-5529

Sponsors: OCU-Multicultural Students Affairs, OCU-Undergraduate Admissions, OCU-Native American Society, & OCU-American Indian Scholarship Program & Oklahoma City University



**Absentee Shawnee Tribe
Domestic Violence/
Sexual Assault Program**

Sexual Violence is Not Ok.

For reporting crimes of sexual assault and victims assistance contact,

Linda Gouge
Sexual Assault Advocate
lgouge@astribe.com
405-275-4030 ext 206

All calls will remain completely confidential!!



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Absentee Shawnee Domestic Violence Program Staff will be having some activities and events during the month.

During the entire month of October – The Shawl Display Project

The Shawl Display Project is a visual display that bears witness to the violence against victims. The Shawl Display Project comprises of Native American shawls designed by Tribal employees and survivors of abuse and those who have lost love ones to it. The shawls will be displayed around different areas around the Tribal complex during the month of October.

October 3, 2011 – 2:00 p.m.

*Absentee Shawnee Tribal Complex,
Building #1
Balloon Release and refreshments
Everyone is invited*

What is Domestic Violence?

Domestic violence is a pattern of behavior used to establish power and control over another person through the use of fear and intimidation, often including the threat or use of violence.

Domestic violence may include emotional abuse, economic abuse, sexual abuse, using children, threats, using male privilege, intimidation, isolation, and a variety of other behaviors used to maintain fear, intimidation, power and control.

If you think you or a family member is a victim of Domestic Violence and you need help, please call (405) 275-4030 and ask to speak to a staff member of the Domestic Violence Department.

Pest Extermination/Spray Service

The Lt. Governors office will begin offering a spraying service for the treatment of pest in residential dwellings. Priority will be given to the elderly first, then to any eligible tribal member.

The spraying service will be provided by Terminix.

Contact Andy Warrior, ext. 189, for more information and to fill out the necessary application.



menu subject to change

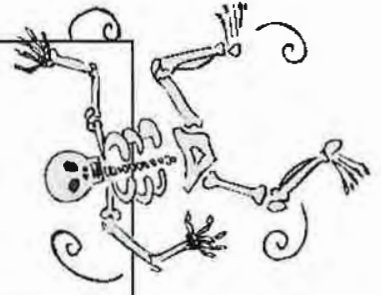
October 2011

2% milk served daily

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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HALLOWEEN

2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Polish Sausage Cabbage Cornbread Fruit Salad	Chef Salad w Chicken Eggs, Chez Peaches/Crackers	Title VI Closed Staff Training Homebound receiving Sack lunch on 10/4	Hamburger Lett, Tom, Onion Baked Beans Jell-O w Fruit	Oatmeal Rasins Toast Milk		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Chicken Sandwich Pita Bread Lett & Tom Coleslaw/ Grapes	Salmon Pattie Mac & Chez Turnip Greens Mandrain Oranges	Taco Salad Ranch Beans Lett, Tom, Chez Salsa/Ice Cream	Veggie Soup Grilled Chez Sandwich Peaches	Biscuit Sausage Gravy Juice	General Council Meeting 10 am Little Axe Resource Center	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Beef Tips & Noodles Seasoned Carrots Tossed Salad* Pineapples	Baked Fried Chicken Mashed Pot/Gravy Broccoli Bread/Fruit Cocktail	Rigatoni & meatsauce Spinach Salad* Bread Sticks	Tuna Sandwich Celery, Onion Lett, Tom. Yogurt/Plums	Breakfast Burrito Salsa Fruit		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Beef Stew Crackers Chez Sticks Peaches	Roast Red Pot. Greenbeans Roll Mixed Fruit	Beans w/Ham Cornbread Onion/Celery Apricots/Salad Bar*	Baked Pot. 3 Bean Chili Chez & Onions Cake	Grits Scrambled Eggs Texas Toast Juice/Milk		
30	31	<p>NOT GOING TO BE HOME CALL AND LET US KNOW AT 405-275-4030 EXT 169 OR NOTIFY YOUR DRIVER LUNCH SERVED MONDAY-THURSDAY 11AM TO 1PM BREAKFAST SERVED ON FRIDAYS 9AM TO 11AM SALAD BAR SERVED AT CONGREGATE SITES ONLY</p>				



DUI

ASSESSMENT & SCHOOLS (State Approved)

**Monday - Friday
8:00 to 5:00**

**Call Linda Or Glenna
PHONE: 275-3432**

**Absentee Shawnee Tribal Police Department
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive, Building 19
Shawnee, OK 74801**

FREE Smoke Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Detectors still Available!!

OEH personnel will provide and install smoke alarms and/or carbon monoxide detectors for enrolled Absentee Shawnee tribal members living in Pottawatomie, Cleveland, or Oklahoma County.

Please complete an application/short survey form and schedule a time and date for installation. Application/survey forms are available at the OEH office and at www.astribe.com.

Please contact OEH at 214-4235 for more information.

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE

Enrollment office Address Change Request

Date: _____ CDIB# _____ Birth Date: _____

Full Name: _____

New Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

County: _____ Home Phone () _____

_____ Cell Phone () _____

Tribal Member Signature

Date

**Please Mail to:
Absentee Shawnee Tribe
Enrollment Office
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK. 74801**

Foster Parents Needed!!!

Can you open your home and heart for a foster child.? Foster parents provide a temporary, safe home for children in crisis. Foster parents are partners with child welfare workers, lawyers and judges. It is not for everyone but if you have it in your heart - we need you.

- Can you love and care for a child who comes from a difficult background?
- Can you help a child develop a sense of belonging?
- Are you secure in yourself & your parenting Skills?
- Can you maintain a positive attitude toward a child's parents?
- Can you love with all your heart & then let go?

FOSTER PARENTS PROVIDE A TEMPORARY, SAFE HOME FOR CHILDREN IN CRISIS. THEY ARE PARTNERS WITH WORKERS, LAWYERS, AND JUDGES. IT IS NOT FOR EVERYONE! CAN YOU OPEN YOUR HOME AND HEART FOR A FOSTER CHILD?

Many children need a loving home and a family to help them through a very tough time. Please think about it and talk with your family before you become a foster home. They all need safe, supportive environments!

If you find yourself and your family interested in Foster Care, please contact J.R. Wind
405-275-4030 ext. 195.

TERO
TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT
RIGHTS OFFICE

RANDY EDGE
TERO DIRECTOR

2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801
redge@astribe.com

Phone 405.275.4030 ext.135
Cell 405.432.9859
Fax 405.878.4543

Are you out of work? Do you need a job? Come see AST TERO Randy Edge TERO Director for potential jobs in connection with the new AST casino being built in front of the tribal headquarters. Need folks for housekeeping, maintenance, security, player's club, gaming techs, and servers. Come by TERO and fill out a TERO application, please bring picture photo ID, social security card, CDIB, and resume. We can help you prepare for that next job.



AST COUNTRY KITCHEN

Sunday - 7am to 7pm
Monday - 7am to 3pm
Tuesday - 7am to 3pm
Wednesday - 7am to 8pm
Thursday - 7am to 8pm
Friday - 7am to 9pm
Saturday - 7am to 9pm

Early Bird Breakfast

\$4.99

2 Eggs/Bacon or Sausage/Hash
Browns
Biscuits & Gravy or Toast & Coffee
(Not valid on Saturday or Sunday. 1 coupon
per customer. With coupon.
No substitutions)



Open 7 Days A Week!



**Check out our
daily homemade
lunch specials!**

**Something
different
every day!**

366-7220

(In Front of Thunderbird Entertainment Center Next
to AST Smoke Shop)



**ABSENTEE SHAWNEE
TRIBAL MEMBERS
WE HAVE A PROMOTION JUST FOR YOU**



**EVERY WEEK RECEIVE
\$10 FREE SLOT PLAY**

Just show your
Absentee Shawnee
Tribal CDIB Card,
to take advantage
of the offer.

See Player's Club Desk
for complete details

Management reserves the right to change or alter any promotion.

PHARMACY NEWS

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL PHARMACY SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Pharmacy (Shawnee Location) can fill prescriptions for enrolled tribal citizens only.

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic Pharmacy in Little Axe can fill prescriptions for tribal citizens written by Physicians not located a Tribal Clinic under the following circumstances:

1. The prescription is for an Absentee Shawnee Tribal citizen who has an established chart at the Little Axe Clinic.
2. The prescription is on the formulary of approved medications and stocked in the pharmacy.

The following are a few tips to help us deliver pharmacy services to you more efficiently;

- ✓ Present insurance cards each time you pick up or drop off a prescription.
- ✓ Keep us informed of all changes in address, phone number and other contact information.
- ✓ Let the Pharmacy staff know if the prescription is going to be picked up or needs to be delivered.
- ✓ If you have any questions concerning your prescription please feel free to call and talk to our Pharmacist. They are here to assist you with your pharmaceutical needs.
- ✓ Please provide the prescription number that is listed above your name on the prescription bottle.

Office of Environmental Health & Engineering

• Tribal Housing Improvements Application

The Tribal Housing Improvement Program's goal is providing sanitary, safe, and decent housing for its members by utilizing the following criteria to select the most "in need" tribal members with homes that are in disrepair but are still suitable for rehabilitation. All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and criteria which is approved by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

THIP list all applicants by a priority list:

- a. Handicapped/Disabled and Elderly
- b. Income
- c. Family Size/Overcrowded Living Conditions
- d. Condition of Home

Other Programs available:

• Sanitation Facilities Assistance Program

Applications need to be completed and all necessary documents attached before the application will be processed.

Applications are available online on the website: www.astribe.com.

Submit completed application to:

Office of Environmental Health & Engineering
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.
Shawnee, OK 74801

Absentee Shawnee Tribe Complex
Office of Environmental Health & Engineering, Building 13
If you have any questions, you can reach us by phone at (405) 214-4235

**If you'd like to submit an ad or
article give us a call at
(405) 275-4030 ext. 146 or
send us an e-mail at
mediadept@astribe.com**

**ALL ARTICLES WILL BE
SUBMITTED AS
RECEIVED.**



Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

Li-Si-Wi-Nwi Medical Clinic & Dental Clinic
15702 E. Hwy 9
Norman, Oklahoma 73026

Medical Clinic: (405) 447-0300
Fax: (405) 447-2250
Dental Clinic: (405) 307-9704

Operating Hours:

Monday thru Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Weekends/Federal & Tribal Holidays Closed
Clinic and Pharmacy are opened during the
lunch hour.

- * Clinic is closed the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- * Pharmacy is closed the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE
OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA
2025 S. GORDON COOPER DR.
SHAWNEE, OK 74801

PRSR
STANDARD MAIL
U.S. Postage Paid
Permit No. 434
Shawnee, OK 74801

RETURN SERVICE
REQUESTED

2011 TRIBAL PHONE NUMBERS

Tribal Complex	(405) 275-4030
or	1-800 256-3341
Building Blocks	(405) 878-0633
Health Programs	(405) 878-4702
or	1-877-878-4702
Little Axe Clinic	(405) 447-0300
Little Axe Dental	(405) 307-9704
Shawnee Clinic	(405) 878-5850
Shawnee Pharmacy	(405) 878-5859
Behavioral Health	(405) 878-4716
LA Resource Center	(405) 364-7298
or	(405) 364-7569
LA Cultural Center	(405) 447-3372
AST Police	(405) 275-3200
or	(405) 275-3432
OEH/OEP	(405) 214-4235
AST Housing Authority	(405) 273-1050
Thunderbird Casino	(405) 360-9270
or	1-800-259-LUCK
AST Tribal Grocery & SmokeShop Little Axe	(405) 364-0668
AST Country Kitchen	(405) 366-7220
AST Smokeshop in Harrah	(405) 454-0055
ASEDA	(405) 878-6782
or	Fax: (405) 878-4542