



Reggie Wassana swears in as the newly elected Cheyenne District 3 Legislator on Saturday, Jan. 2, 2016 in Clinton, Okla. (Photos by Shaida Tabrizi)



Do you solemnly swear ... ?

Elected tribal officials are sworn into office

By Shaida Tabrizi, Reporter

One by one, the newest members of the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' legislative branch swear an oath of integrity, honesty and sincerity as they officially take up the post of district legislator.

On Jan. 2, 2016, a large crowd of tribal members met at the Clinton Community Center to witness the swearing in of legislators Burl Buffalomeat, C-1, Reggie Wassana, C-3, Patrick Spottedwolf, A-3 and Election Commissioner Dale Hamilton Sr. C-4. Legislator Winslow Sankey was also re-sworn in for his second term of office.

After an opening prayer, Chief Justice Daniel Webber took each man through the oath, which reads as follows: "That I will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution and Laws of the Cheyenne and Arapaho

Tribes of Oklahoma; That I will perform the duties of my office with all honesty, integrity and sincerity; That I will not allow my personal feelings towards any person or situation to determine my decision on any matter; That I will uphold the best interest of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma; That I will not knowingly receive directly or indirectly any money or other valuable things for the performance or non-performance of any act or duty pertaining to my office other than that compensation allowed by law.

These things I faithfully promise myself, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma and every member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. So help me God."

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HUD and VA award \$5.9 million to 26 tribes to provide homes to Native American homeless veterans



(WASHINGTON, D.C.) For the first time, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) awarded \$5.9 million in grants to 26 tribes to offer a permanent home and supportive services to Native American Veterans who are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

The Tribal HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH) Program is a demonstration program that will combine \$5.9 million in rental assistance from HUD with case management and clinical services provided by VA to serve 500 Native American Veterans. HUD Secretary Julián Castro announced the winners in Tulsa, Okla., at the winter meeting of the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes.

"By targeting resources directly to tribes, we can better honor the service and sacrifice of Native American Veterans who now need a roof over their heads," said Castro. "These heroes deserve hope for a brighter future, and by offering permanent housing solutions, combined with needed services and case management, we can work with tribes to end veteran homelessness."

seek Tribal HUD-VASH vouchers to help house and serve hundreds of Native American Veterans who are currently experiencing homelessness or at extreme risk of becoming homeless. Twenty-six tribes, from Alaska to New Mexico will deliver and manage the housing vouchers among their members who need them on tribal lands.

"Targeting HUD-VASH vouchers to Veterans living on tribal lands opens new opportunities for helping Native American Veterans exit homelessness as quickly as possible" said Secretary of Veteran Affairs Robert McDonald. "We are pleased that recent statutory changes to the HUD-VASH Program made it possible to award these vouchers for use within Indian Country, where Native American Veterans have existing support systems that can be aided by those provided under the HUD-VASH Program to help the Veterans remain stably housed."

Since 2008 more than 79,000 vouchers have been awarded and approximately 90,000 homeless Veterans have been served through the broader HUD-VASH program. Rental assistance and supportive services provided through HUD-VASH are a critical resource for local communities in ending

homelessness among our nation's Veterans.

In FY2015, Congress authorized funding for a demonstration program in order to expand the HUD-VASH program into Indian Country and directed HUD to coordinate with Indian tribes, tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) and other appropriate tribal organizations on the design of this program, and to ensure the effective delivery of housing assistance and supportive services to eligible Native American Veterans.

The Tribal HUD-VASH Program will provide rental assistance and supportive services to Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas.

HUD is making available \$5.9 million in grant funding to Indian Tribes and TDHEs to fund rental assistance and associated administrative fees. Indian tribes and TDHEs participating in this program will partner with the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide healthcare assistance to eligible Native American Veterans.

The Tribal HUD-VASH awards announced today are:

State	Tribal Entity	City	Amount	# of Veterans to be Housed
Alaska	Cook Inlet Housing Authority	Anchorage	\$313,058	20
	Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority	Juneau	\$324,749	20
Arizona	The Association of Village Council Presidents Regional Housing Authority	Bethel	\$391,740	20
	Navajo Housing Authority	Window Rock	\$268,835	20
	Hopi Housing Authority	Polacca	\$210,432	15
	San Carlos Apache Tribe of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona	San Carlos	\$233,100	15
Minnesota	Tobono O'odham Nation of Arizona	Sells	\$302,936	20
	Leech Lake Housing Authority	Cass Lake	\$159,022	20
Montana	White Earth Reservation Housing Authority	White Earth	\$142,980	20
	Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana	Browning	\$229,171	20
New Mexico	Zuni Tribe of the Zuni Reservation, New Mexico	Zuni	\$123,288	10
North Carolina	Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina	Pembroke	\$185,604	20
North Dakota	Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians	Belcourt	\$173,942	20
	Standing Rock Housing Authority	Fort Yates	\$234,178	20
Oklahoma	Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma	Tahlequah	\$194,405	20
	Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes	Concho	\$272,016	20
	Chectaw Nation of Oklahoma	Hugo	\$246,992	20
Oregon	Osage Nation of Oklahoma	Pawhuska	\$265,438	20
	Muscogee(Creek) Nation	Oklmulgee	\$216,566	20
	Warm Springs Housing Authority	Warm Springs	\$240,237	20
South Dakota	Ogala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota	Pine Ridge	\$190,898	20
	Sicangu Wicoti Aawayankapi (Rosebud)	Rosebud	\$183,011	20
Washington	Yakama Nation Housing Authority	Wapato	\$145,283	20
	Spokane Indian Housing Authority	Spokane	\$245,809	20
Wisconsin	Colville Indian Housing Authority	Nespelem	\$179,892	20
	Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin	Oneida	\$204,934	20
TOTAL:			\$5,878,516	500

Online gambling site resurfaces

Iowa Nation of Oklahoma announces launching of Pokertribe.com

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

The Iowa Nation of Oklahoma released a media statement announcing they are launching Pokertribe.com (singular) online gambling website in 2016.

In the Iowa tribes' statement it refers to a previous agreement between Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin and the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, who own Pokertribes.com (plural). It states, in part, "The State had previously determined that such Internet gaming was authorized under the Compact and had entered into a First Amended Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") with another Oklahoma tribe that authorized the offering of the subject "covered games" via the Internet games to persons located outside the United States. The parties to that Agreement submitted it to the United States Department of the Interior ("DOI") but the agency rejected the language determining the Agreement constituted an amendment to the Compact and would have to be approved by DOI. The Oklahoma Tribes involved in the Agreement initially brought an action in federal court challenging the agency's decision but later dismissed the action and decided not to move forward with the concept."

What this paragraph refers to is the original Pokertribes.com software initially purchased by former C&A Governor Janice Boswell from Universal Entertainment Group (UEG). In 2013, the state of Oklahoma made a stand against online gambling within the borders of Oklahoma, but later, revised that decision, signing an agreement with the C&A Tribes for 20 percent of revenue generated from the site, which would only be offered internationally, and not within the state of Oklahoma. Prior to launching the site internationally, the DOI ruled this would be illegal and could not be launched. The initial investment of \$9.4 million by former Governor Janice Boswell to UEG remains in question

by C&A tribal members, who had no knowledge of the transaction between Boswell and UEG.

In 2014 when the newly elected C&A Governor Eddie Hamilton came into office, his administration abandoned the plans to pursue online gaming outside the U.S. borders, stating spending more money on what was expected to be a costly and fruitless effort through federal court hearings was not worth the risk. He then proceeded to terminate several casino personnel and the attorney general responsible for pursuing federal approval of the website's international operations, as reported by the *Tulsa World*.

"To be clear, this administration does not and has not ever opposed Internet gaming. However, we have questioned the troubling background of UEG, the dubious nature of the transaction, and the ridiculous attempt to alter our gaming compact to increase payments and give greater control to the State of Oklahoma. In our case, people employed by the tribes paid millions in our gaming revenues to a troublesome vendor for a speculative gaming deal, and several of them negotiated personal interests in the deal. Then they attempted to sell the tribes' sovereignty to the state. It was a great deal for those individuals and a great deal for the state, but not for the Tribes, so we put an end to it," Hamilton said.

It now appears the Iowa tribe sees online gambling worth the risk and is moving forward with launching their recently purchased site from UEG of Pokertribe.com (singular) and Pokertribe.gov. The Iowa tribe determined after reading the state's agreement that the offering of "covered games" via the Internet was authorized under the Oklahoma Indian Gaming Compact, and it would appear Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin agrees.

The State of Oklahoma invoked the arbitration provision within the Compact, and



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both the state and the Iowa tribe agreed to appoint retired state appellate court judge Charles Chapel as the sole arbitrator to resolve any disputes surrounding the tribes' compact with the state. Chapel, who served 17 years on the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals, rendered his decision on Nov. 24, 2015.

Chapel concluded, "that the use of the Internet is merely using technology to play 'covered games' as a way to increase tribal revenues. It does not extend or restrict the scope of the games and does not amend the compact in any way."

"The tribes are currently analyzing the arbitration decision, monitoring the pending federal suit and evaluating available options. These options could involve the use of the software acquired by the prior administration or exploring a partnership with a different vendor about whom we would have fewer concerns. From what we have seen of the arbitration decision, it confirms our longstanding position that our predecessors' attempt to amend the gaming compact was completely unnecessary and the terms they were willing to agree to with the state to try to carry out their arrangement with UEG would



have been devastating for the tribes," Hamilton said. "From what I've seen in the news, the Iowa tribe does not appear to be burdened by any of the issues our tribes faced. We wish them the best while we continue to evaluate our legal options against the wrongdoers, and explore potential opportunities available to us as a result of the arbitration decision."

The National Indian Gaming Commission's only comment in reference to the media alert released by the Iowa Nation was, "yes we are aware of the situation and we are continuing to monitor it," Mark Gaston, NIGC communication specialist said.

Attempts to reach Iowa Nation Chairman Bobby Walkup for comment were unsuccessful.

Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair

On the first Monday and Tuesday of April each year, the Native American Language department of the Sam Noble Museum hosts the Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair. Hundreds of pre-kindergarten through 12th-grade Native American language students participate in judged written and oral performance categories that celebrate the use of native languages in traditional and modern ways.

Started in 2003 by former Native American Language curator Mary Linn, Ph.D, the fair provides Native language learners an opportunity to showcase their accomplishments. The fair supports individual and community goals in language maintenance, revitalization and renewal in these ways:

Excellence in language teaching

In preparing for the fair, students and teachers have concrete goals to work toward in their language classes. In addition, the fair provides students and teachers with peer support and new ideas for language learning. The languages have new life with new speakers.

Creating better students

Multiple educational studies show that students in Native language programs perform as well as or better than their peers on academically rigorous tasks.

Instilling pride

Educational studies show that children in Native language programs have higher self-esteem and cultural pride and ultimately have stronger relationships with adults and their communities.

Creating a community of speakers

The fair introduces students to a community of language learners and speakers like themselves. Turning back years of shame associated with language use, the fair helps give prestige and prominence to the learning and speaking of Native languages.

Culturally appropriate assessment

Public speaking has always been a highly-regarded part of Native life. The fair creates a safe and supportive environment for students to use their languages and receive feedback.

Support of literacy and the arts

The fair underscores the value of written and oral literacy, and helps to produce the next generation of writers, storytellers and artists in Native communities.

Transition to higher education

The fair brings Native students into the museum and the University of Oklahoma, many for the first time, and welcomes them into an academic environment.

The fair increases the public's awareness of language diversity and its contribution to Oklahoma's rich cultural heritage.

The first language fair in 2003 attracted almost 200 students and teachers to participate in three categories, Poster Art, Spoken Language and Song with Language.

2016 Oklahoma Native American Language Fair

AT A GLANCE

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March 11 Judge & Volunteer Registration Closes
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April 5 Day 2, 6th - 12th Grade

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The 2015 Fair featured twelve categories, Poster Art, Spoken Language, Modern and Traditional Song, Comics & Cartoons, Books & Literature, PowerPoint Presentation, Advocacy Essay, Film & Video, Spoken and Written Poetry and Master Performers.

The 2015 Language Fair marked the 13th anniversary of the event and drew some 2,700 visitors over two days to observe the work of 1,166 student participants from 90 different tribal, public school, community and family language teaching programs performed in 43 languages. Over 150 live performances and over 360 material submissions filled the program for this year's fair (total of 514 entries). More than 80 judges, volunteers and staff supported the planning and operation of the fair. The 2015 theme was "Language in Our Future," which led many students to consider the role of Native language in the contemporary world; cell phones, computers, spaceships and robots decorated many of the Poster Art submissions.

Sponsorship for the 2015 fair was provided by the Sac and Fox Nation, the Chickasaw Nation, the Choctaw Nation, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the OU Department of Anthropology - Native American Languages Program, OU Department of Native American Studies and University Silkscreen.

The 2016 Fair will be held on Monday, April 4 and Tuesday, April 5, 2016. The new registration website is currently under construction and will be available Jan. 1, 2016.

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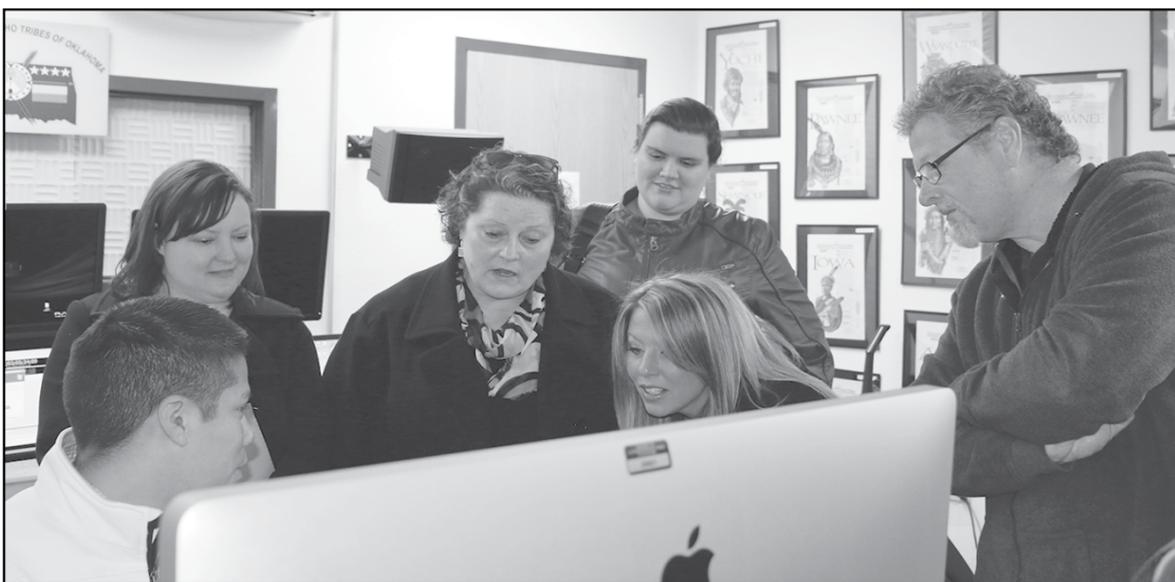
Oklahoma Mission of Mercy host 7th annual free dental services in February

(OKLAHOMA CITY) The Oklahoma Dental Association, in partnership with the Oklahoma Dental Foundation and the Delta Dental of Oklahoma Charitable Foundation, is planning the 7th annual Oklahoma Mission of Mercy (OkMOM), a two-day event scheduled for February 5-6, 2016, at the Cox Convention Center, downtown OKC. This free, two-day dental clinic is open to the public as a fully-functional dental facility with approximately 2,000 volunteers, including dental professionals who will provide their services at absolutely no charge. A variety of services will be offered at the event including: cleanings,

fillings, extractions and anterior root canals. There will be no eligibility or income requirements to be treated and ODA member dentists expect to serve 2,000 children and adults on a first-come, first-served basis; no appointments will be accepted. Since 2010, 10,599 patients have received 54,042 different dental procedures totaling \$7,026,271 in free dental treatment through the Oklahoma Mission of Mercy.

That's an average of \$662.92 per patient.

The ODA would like to invite you to join us for the Opening Ceremony of the event, 8:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 5, 8:30 a.m., at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City.



Educators from El Reno Public Schools learn ways to encourage and train their young filmmakers while visiting the CATV studio to begin a collaborative student documentary project. From l-r: CATV Production Assistant Adam Youngbear, Ann Marshall, Kristy Ehlers, Sarah Overholser, Jennifer Havener and CATV Director Randy Burselson. (Photo by Shaida Tabrizi)

El Reno student documentary project involves C&A tribes

By Shaida Tabrizi, Reporter

Lights, camera, action? Nowadays it's more like hit 'record' and go.

Thanks to smartphones with constantly improving camera technology and apps like Snapchat, Instagram and YouTube, budding filmmakers seem to be popping up everywhere.

Local educators from El Reno Public Schools have decided to channel their students' enthusiasm for anything you can watch on a screen into a project that will involve culture and history while also introducing them to the untapped wealth of surrounding resources.

On Jan. 6 representatives from the El Reno Learning Center and the Roblyer Learning Center met with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Television (CATV) staff to discuss a collaborative project with their students. Through a grant from the Oklahoma Arts Council as well as

one from the 21st Century Community Learning Centers, students at each school will produce 5-8 minute documentaries about a specific historical element as it relates to the El Reno area.

At an enthusiastic meeting in the tribes' Education Building, the two groups brainstormed ways to help students learn simple techniques to improve their filming and editing techniques, from tours of CATV and other local studios to guest speaking sessions at the schools themselves.

"We want to learn. I have a lot of students that are in this artistic world that can go out and get jobs and careers," El Reno Learning Center Principal Garland Delk said, adding that he encourages all his students to look outside life in El Reno. "Life's always about edits. You're always trying to make some-

thing better. It's always thinking about the next project."

Members of the CATV team shared insights on editing software and inexpensive upgrades to cell phone cameras to improve filming at the meeting and made tentative plans to visit the students at their schools.

"We are an educational station. Our primary goal is promoting and preserving the culture," CATV Producer Darren Brown said. "But the I-A objective is to train, starting with Native youth, but with all those that will follow."

The student documentary project will conclude by May 1, 2016 and the planners hope to showcase the final pieces at a local theater.

For more information about the project, call Kristy K. Ehlers at 405-262-5417.

Legislative News

The Regular Session for December was held on Saturday, December 12, 2015. The bills passed were: No bills were passed.

Attendance. The Legislature holds several Public Hearings throughout the month, both at Concho and at various communities, in order to get feedback from Tribal members regarding Legislative actions. This feedback is extremely important and we want to thank those who attend and those who take this information to their family and friends to discuss. The following Public Hearings were held throughout December 2015, along with the attendance of each Legislator.

Please contact your legislator or the legislative clerk for additional information. The Legislative Clerk Assistant, Andrea Main, can be reached at 405-422-7777 or by email, amain@c-a-tribes.org

Hearing	Desc	C1	C2	C3	C4	A1	A2	A3	A4
Dec-4	Working Session/Concho	*	*			*	*		
Dec-4	Special Session/Concho	*	*	*		*	*		
Dec-8	Hearing/Concho	*				*	*		
Dec-8	Special Session/Concho	*	*	*		*	*		
Dec-10	Hearing/Concho	*				*	*		
Dec-12	Regular Session/Concho	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Dec-16	Hearing/Concho	*				*	*		
Dec-16	Special Session/Concho	*	*			*	*		
Dec-17	Hearing/Concho	*	*	*		*	*		
Dec-24	Hearing/Concho	*	*	*		*	*		

A1 and C1 legislators host community informational meetings

Arapaho District 1, Eugene Mosqueda, Cheyenne District 1, Burl Buffalomeat

Submitted article

Several things in the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' sixth Legislature have come to be underscored as the "newness" of the start of year 2016. After the constitutionally scheduled legislative elections, two seats were refilled and a new speaker was chosen. It remains to be seen how this will change the dynamics of things for the sixth Legislature.

One of the seats that have changed is Cheyenne District 1 with the election of Burl Buffalomeat of Seiling, Okla. He ran on a simple campaign wanting to do his best to bring concerns to the Tribes to address the needs of those he is now representing. With his involvement in the communities serving as Master of Ceremonies for countless benefit dances among a host of other helpful deeds in other endeavors, many have come to know Buffalomeat and he hopes to continue his helping practices the best way he can in his new position as the C-1 Legislator.

It has occurred to both A1 and C2 legislators,

Eugene Mosqueda and Burl Buffalomeat that starting things in 'concert' together may better meet their goals with community involvement so they have decided to see what they can do together. Legislative offices can be as independent as is determined by any such official but it has been decided by the A-1 and C-1 Legislators to see how things can be different and better when resources, time and efforts are combined at whatever level is practical and good. It is not a new idea for legislators to see how things can be different and better when resources, time and efforts are combined at whatever level is practical and good. It is not a new idea for legislators to see how things can be different and better when resources, time and efforts are combined at whatever level is practical and good. It is not a new idea for legislators to see how things can be different and better when resources, time and efforts are combined at whatever level is practical and good.

Because the focus of any political office should be the people they serve, the first items of business in the new year for these two legislators will be to host joint informational meetings in various communities to share ideas that constituents might have with the two offices. Legislators will share updates and tentative plans for the new year, and merely ensure there is a platform for interaction

that can only be helpful. Community work teams and community committees are a couple of ideas that have come up and the hope is that more people can work together to get more things done.

Below is a list of community meetings planned. All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and a meal will be served.

Friday, Jan. 15-Seiling Community Center in Seiling, Okla.

Wednesday, Jan. 20-Canton Community Gym in Canton, Okla.

Thursday, Jan. 21-Watonga Community Center in Watonga, Okla.

Wednesday, Feb. 10-Downtown Oklahoma City Public Library, 300 Park Ave in Oklahoma City.

Wednesday, Feb. 17-Woodward Pioneer Room in Woodward, Okla.

For more information or for any question, contact the Arapaho District One Concho Office at 405-422-7477 or email mbell@c-a-tribes.org or Cheyenne District One Concho Office at 405-422-7755.

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How much environmental damage is fracking causing in Oklahoma?

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Oklahoma homeowners are continuing to reel from daily earthquakes shaking the ground, and causing major damage to their homes. On Jan. 7, 30 earthquakes were recorded in the town of Fairview, Okla., in one day.

All evidence points to “fracking” as the culprit causing the surge of earthquakes that have begun to plague Oklahoma beginning in 2011 and increasing exponentially over the past four years.

Oklahoma’s increased earthquake phenomenon included a 5.7-magnitude tremor that injured residents and damaged 200 buildings in November 2011. In 2014, Oklahoma was the most seismically active state in the Lower 48 and recorded three times as many quakes as California according to the Center for Investigating Reporting Website.

There is a general consensus among scientists that the

spike in Oklahoma’s earthquake activity has been triggered by disposal wells, used to dispose of waste from oil and gas drilling operations, including hydraulic fracturing, or “fracking,” a phenomenon known as “induced” seismicity. Nearly two-dozen published papers have concluded disposal wells and quakes are likely connected, the *New Yorker* reported in April 2015. There are about 3,200 active disposal wells in Oklahoma as of April 2015, according to data from the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the state’s oil and gas regulator.

What is fracking?

Fracking is the process of drilling down into the earth before a high-pressure water mixture is directed at the rock to release the gas inside. Water, sand and chemicals are injected into the rock at high pressure which allows the gas to flow out to the head of the well. The process can be carried out vertically or, more commonly, by drilling horizontally to the rock layer and can create new pathways to release gas or can be used to extend existing channels.

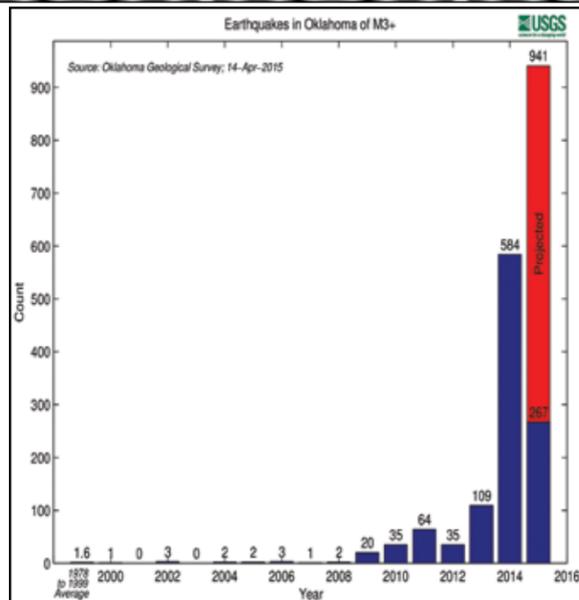
The term fracking refers to how the rock is fractured apart by the high pressure mixture.

Why is it controversial?

The extensive use of fracking in the US, where it has revolutionized the energy industry, has prompted environmental concerns. Fracking uses huge amounts of water, which must be transported to the fracking site, at significant environmental cost.

Environmentalists say potentially carcinogenic chemicals used may escape and contaminate groundwater around the fracking site. The industry suggests pollution incidents are the results of bad practice, rather than an inherently risky technique.

There are also worries that the fracking process causes earthquakes, which continually get worse over time.

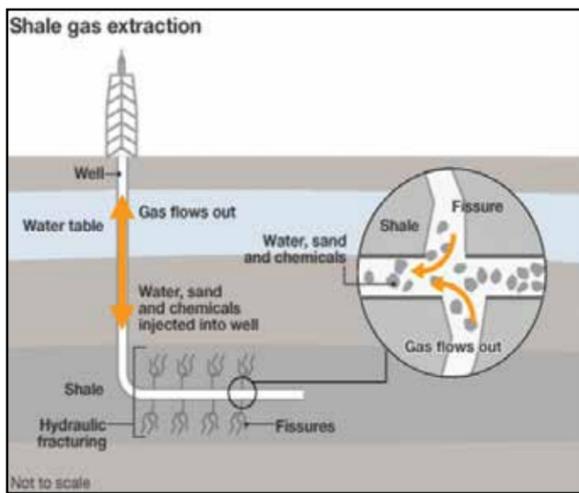


Campaigners say that fracking is simply distracting energy firms and governments from investing in renewable sources of energy, and encouraging continued reliance on fossil fuels.

The Oklahoma Corporation Commission is trying to minimize earthquakes by restricting the underground disposal of drilling wastewater, has been forced to take legal steps to get one Oklahoma based company to comply with its latest directives. SandRidge Energy operates six wells currently “in question” by the commission and to date have failed to respond to the commission’s request for shutting in the wells and/or reducing the amount of wastewater being injected into the earth.

Experts are advising Oklahoma residents to begin “sealing” items in their homes and to be fully versed in the language provided in earthquake insurance.

To report an earthquake or for information regarding active well site near a property call the Oklahoma Corporation Commission at 405-521-2211.



The big warning: Geophysicist suggests preparing for stronger quakes

(OKLAHOMA CITY) Edmond area residents should prepare for a larger, more damaging earthquake, research geophysicist Daniel McNamara said. The recent temblor swarms could signal a magnitude 5.0 quake is likely, he said.

McNamara works in the U.S. Geological Survey’s Geologic Hazards Science Center in Golden, Colo. He and his colleagues provide data used for short-term forecasting and establishing building codes.

The faults underneath the Edmond region bear a striking resemblance to the faults under Prague, where a magnitude 5.6 quake struck in 2011, he said. Two temblors larger than magnitude 4 hit Prague before the 2011 event shook the region.

A magnitude 4.3 quake hit Edmond on Dec. 29 and a magnitude 4.2 temblor hit Jan 1.

“When we see two magnitude 4s in a single fault, it starts to look like something could rupture,” McNamara said. “The orientation of the fault is very close, nearly identical to Prague.”

USGS Geophysics Researcher Daniel McNamara said the fault system underneath Edmond is capable of producing a larger, more damaging earthquake.

Edmond’s fault could produce a temblor of the same magnitude, about 5.6,

he said.

Residents should take precautions to secure heavy furniture, such as bookshelves and large televisions, McNamara said. It’s common to bolt down things in California, and Oklahomans should adopt the same approach, he said.

Oklahoma Geological Survey Director Jeremy Boak said he’s not quite as alarmed as McNamara, but did not want to rule out the possibility of more damaging seismic events in the Edmond region. Boak’s agency manages equipment statewide that records quakes, but it isn’t charged with alerting the public of seismic hazards.

Boak said he wasn’t sure there is enough data to make a specific prediction about location and probability of a larger Oklahoma quake. Sooner State seismic data OGS and USGS gather follow the Gutenberg-Richter principle, in which a number of smaller quakes will lead to a larger quake.

“Dan McNamara is technically correct, there is some risk,” Boak said. “We’ve had that feeling for quite some time.”

Boak said more seismic data is needed to pinpoint the location of a stronger future quake. But residents should heed McNamara’s warning, because he’s the

By: Sarah Terry-Cobo, *The Journal Record*

nation’s leading researcher on seismic hazards.

Edmond resident and Realtor Benjamin Floyd said he was moderately concerned about the warning. He owns 525 Realty Group and is also a home builder, certified home inspector and lives in the neighborhood closest to the Jan. 1 temblor.

“A 5.6 is huge,” Floyd said. “If it hits central Edmond, we’ll see bricks falling off walls.”

But it would take a magnitude 6.0 or stronger to create major structural damage, he said.

His construction crews repaired minor damage to mortar in Fairfax Park Estates homes Wednesday. He hasn’t seen any catastrophic structural damage to more than a dozen residences he examined in the neighborhood. He lives in the addition and had only one stone fall from outside his home.

But some damage is odd, he said. All the mortar from a stone fireplace was blown off of one home, though none of the stones fell.

Floyd said he wasn’t likely to bolt down heavy furniture and appliances in his home. But if stronger earthquakes continue, those precautions are wise, he said.

Native Business: Traits of Successful Employees

Employees of a successful organization think differently than their counterparts at a failing company and are able to seize opportunities faster. Quality employees think more like entrepreneurs and work daily to drive the company forward. The mindset of success is learned where positive habits are developed and executed consistently.

Focus on opportunities, not problems. Problems are challenges without a recom-

mendation for improvement. Focus on problems does not help because energy is concentrated on symptoms like hard feelings. Opportunities differ because they come with an evaluation of a situation to understand why an obstacle exists plus a recommendation for corrective action to mitigate a problem.

Hard work. The ability to focus and work intensely at the execution of one’s role. Never stop learning to un-

derstand how things are connected and how one’s role contributes to the success of the organization.

Challenge the status quo. A willingness to look at a situation and define the moving parts so one can understand how things work to see if there is a better way to do something. Conversely, understanding how something works may also reinforce the appropriateness of an activity. It is the ability to look at

a practice and self-evaluate, “does this make sense.” If-yes, keep it. If-no, then work to make it better.

Learn from failure. Making small calculated-mistakes on the pathway to progress is a way to acquire new knowledge and improve. A term in business that describes this mindset is “fall forward fast.” Companies that innovate will consider small mistakes a component of progress. Employees are

likely to feel a deeper sense of trust with their managers and more empowered to own results.

Jim Stanley freely shares his business knowledge in the interest of promoting economic development in Indian Country. Jim oversees all fishing operations of the Quinault Indian Nation, is the Treasurer of the Tribal C-Store Summit Group, and has over 13 years commercial lending experience.



BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

The 18th annual Native Diabetes Prevention Conference

Jan. 24-27, 2016 at the Hilton in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information visit www.aaii.org.

Strategic Purchasing Procedures for Tribes

Jan. 25-26, 2016 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Robert’s Rules of Order

Jan. 25-27, 2016 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more infor-

mation visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The Native American Human Resources Conference

Jan. 27-29, 2016 at Caesar’s Palace in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or www.10times.com/native-american-human-resources.

American Indian Higher Education Consortium 2016 Winter Meeting

Feb. 8-11, 2016 Holiday Inn Capitol in Washington,

D.C. For more information or to register visit www.aihec.org.

The 17th annual American Indian Studies Association Conference

Feb. 4-5, 2016 at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz. For more information or to register call 480-727-8691 or email, elizabeth.martos@asu.edu.

Detecting and Preventing Fraud, Theft and Embezzlement in Tribal Organizations

Feb. 17-18, 2016 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit or to register www.falmouthinstitute.com.

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Feb. 17-18, 2016 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Audit Preparation for Tribes and Tribal Organizations

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The Essentials of Indian Law-Everything You Need to Know to Work in Indian Country

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The 2016 Healthy Native Communities Fellowship Leadership Training

Feb. 28-March 4, 2016 in Scottsdale, Ariz. For more

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Conducting Credible Tribal Elections

March 21-22, 2016 in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The 2016 Amerind/National American Indian Housing Council Conference & Trade Fair

May 9-11, 2016 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort in Honolulu. For more information or to register visit www.naihc.net.

Swearing in

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Legislature C1



Legislature A3



Election Commission A2



From l-r: Burl Buffalomeat is sworn in as the newly elected Cheyenne District 1 legislator. Patrick Spottedwolf is sworn in for another term as Arapaho District 3 legislator and Dale Hamilton is sworn in as the newly elected Arapaho District 2 Election Commissioner. Not pictured is Winslow Sankey, who is serving another term as Arapaho District 4 legislator.

After the newly elected officials took their oaths, many thanked their families for support and shared their plans for the upcoming term.

"I'm here to help our Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes," Buffalomeat said. "I'm going to carry on the same tradition, the same that I was taught to stand up for my people, my family and my friends. I'm going to do the same thing for the elders."

Spottedwolf drew attention to the controversial acts of police violence against Native American youth in the Clinton area and asked tribal members to work together to change this problem.

"One of the things I want to try for is,

our young people are getting in trouble. And the police are coming after them really hard. Here in Clinton, two people were shot for no reason at all. They were shot because their parents called the police, hoping the police would come and quiet the person down. But instead they pulled out a gun and started shooting before they even talked to them," Spottedwolf said. "That's not right. Together we can change these things. We have to keep doing that in order to protect our people, protect our children. I know we can work together."

During the first regular meeting of the Sixth Legislature, Wassana was voted in as Speaker of the House.

Culture & Heritage, 2015 year in review



On behalf of the Culture & Heritage Program we would like to thank all the participants, programs and instructors who attended the meetings, events, and activities hosted in 2015. Without your support we wouldn't be able to have reached the goals set forth by the Culture and Heritage Program throughout the year.

We hope to continue 2016 with more activities, events and opportunities to learn traditional history, culture and crafts. Ha-ho.



Powwows & Events CALENDAR

70th Birthday Dance for Nellie Littleman

Jan. 16, 2016 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Supper at 6 p.m., with dance to follow. For more information call 580-339-1008.

Family Craft Time

5 p.m. - 8 p.m., Jan. 19 at the Canton Community Center in Canton, Okla., Jan. 21 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla., and Jan. 26 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Chokers and bandoliers projects. All projects

are yours to keep. For more information call 405-422-7428.

Higher Education's Meet and Greet-Redlands Community College

10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Jan. 19, 2016 at the Redlands Community College, hallway next to conference center in El Reno, Okla. For more information call 405-422-7646.

First Birthday Dance for Timothy Lee Fletcher Jr.

Jan. 30, 2016 at the Geary Community Center in Geary, Okla. Chalepah Blackfeet Society Dance 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., supper at 6 p.m. with dance to follow. Everyone invited to attend, lots of raffles. Sponsored by the Fletcher family.

First Birthday Dance for Nauko Fletcher-Whiteman

Jan. 30, 2016 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dancing begins at 3 p.m., supper at 5:30 p.m., followed by celebration dance. For more

Buffalo Burgers

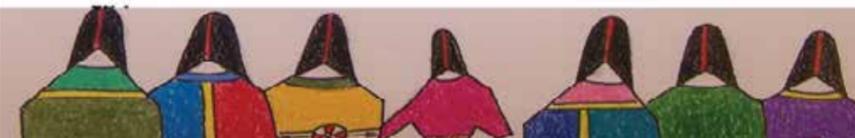


- 2 pounds ground bison (buffalo)
- 2 Tbsp finely chopped fresh sage
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons black pepper
- 1/2 onion, finely chopped
- 2 Tbsp vegetable oil
- Smoky barbecue sauce

Sauté the onions in the olive oil over medium-high heat until translucent. Turn off the heat and let it cool. When the onions are cool enough to touch, use your hands to gently mix them in with the bison burger meat, and add everything else. Do not overwork the meat, it will result in a tough burger. Gently fold it until the onions, sage, salt and pepper are well mixed in.

Form patties with the meat, using about 1/4 to 1/3 of a pound of meat per patty. Grill or fry the burgers on medium heat, about 6-7 minutes per side, less or more depending on the thickness of the burger and the heat of the pan/grill, or until the internal temperature is 140°F for medium rare, or 160°F for well done. Let the burgers rest about 5 minutes before serving.

Serve the burger with lettuce and tomato, topped with a smoky barbecue sauce.




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The ninth annual Doyle Lonelodge Memorial Basketball Tournament

Jan. 30-31, 2016 at the Clinton R.E.Sp.E.C.T. gym in Clinton, Okla. Deadline to register is 5 p.m., Jan. 26, 2016. All teams must consist of Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members 18 years or older. For more information or to register call 405-422-7570.

Arapaho Chief's Meet-

ing 12 noon, Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016 at the Geary Community Center. Discussing Arapaho tribal issues, dance to follow. For more information contact Robert Tabor at 405-301-4558.

LIHEAP Community Outreach Meetings

11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Feb. 10 Seiling Community Center, Feb. 16 Woodward Public Library and Feb. 18, Kingfisher Memorial Library.

Portable floor heaters and blankets will be distributed

to those who qualify, first come first served. Remember to bring proof of income for all household members 18 years and older, CDIBs for household members and a copy of utility bill. For more information call 405-422-7476.

The ninth annual Preparing for the 7th Generation Conference

April 12-14, 2016 at the Double Tree Hilton in Tulsa, Okla. Registration is free. For more information call 405-715-4474.

List of C-A tribal members on Cobell list of "Whereabouts Unknown"

(WASHINGTON-D.C.) As of December 2015, nearly \$1.2 billion has been paid to individual Indians, according to a filing in federal court. The figure accounts for more than 94 percent of the available settlement funds. But finding everyone who is eligible for a payment has been rather difficult, according to the filing.

Tens of thousands of beneficiaries who are owed a share of the settlement still haven't been identified or located due to inaccurate records, inadequate data and just plain

bad information.

For more information you can also call the toll-free number, 1-800-961-6109, or email Info@IndianTrust.com.

Members of Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma designated as "Whereabouts Unknown" as well as Class Members whose contact information is not current with the Claims Administrator is listed below.

Agnes Oldbear
Albert W Cooley Jr Estate
Alice K Nightwalker
Allan L Sitting Bull Jr Estate
Alvin Tall Bear
Amelia M Curtis
Andrew Yellow Eagle Jr Estate
Anita L Kent
Anna Curtis Estate
Annie Shomo
Anthony Shoulderblade Estate
Ardena F Sittingbull
Arthur Madbull Estate
Arthur Rowledge
Arthur Thunderbull
Beatrice W Nanpooya
Betty Lumpmouth
Beverly A Welch
Bobby R Whiteman
Buddy G Two Babies Sr
C Geboe
Carrie Lastbull
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Charles A Hail
Charles Behan
Charles Campbell Estate
Charles S Blackbird Estate
Christopher L Plumley
Cinda Lincoln Pekar
Clara M Pigg Estate
Clarence Haag
Claude Harrold
Coleene Osage Estate
Connie B Oldman
Corey F Rowe
Craig E Ross
Daisy Williams
Daniel B Beard
Daniel Behan Estate Closed
Daniel W Blackowl Estate
Danielle M Slinkey Estate
Darwin L Dickinson Estate
David L Madbull Estate
David Surveyor
David V Flyingman
Deborah S Valor
Delores L Williams Newby Estate
Delores Mendez
Denton Dyer Estate
Derald W Riley
Dorothy Blind
Dorothy I Calhoun
Dorothy Shortman
Dustin Whiteman
Earl S Knight Estate
Edmond H Burns Jr
Edward Bull
Edward Island
Edward J Pena Jr Estate
Edward L Moats Estate
Edward Owl King Estate
Edwin J Taylor
Ellen L Sweezy
Elliot Tasso Sr Estate
Elsie Welbourne
Elvin Surveyor
Elwood H Harrington
Emily Geboe Estate
Emmett Whiteshield
Eric D Minnis Estate
Erma Bearhead
Ernest Big Medicine

Erwin F Chapman
Esther Pawnee
Evelyn Miller Estate
Floyd Blackwolf Jr Estate
Frances Beaver
Francis Flores Jr
Francis J Flores Jr Estate
Frank Flying Estate
Fred C Logan Sr Estate
Fred Littleman Estate
Fred Roundstone
Fred Standingwater
Fred Yellowhawk
Freda Sue Crowels Heirs
Freeman White Hawk Estate
Freida M Valor
Garland W Gould
Garland W Gould
Gary Hicks
Gena D Lime
George Cleveland
George Fletcher Estate
George I Franklin Estate
Gilbert Gould
Gilford Loneman
Gladys A Kaney Estate
Gloria J Cleveland
Gordon J Pawpa Estate
Grace Tucker Whittaker
Gwendlyn E Reynolds Estate
Gwendolyn M Riggs
H Roman Nose
Harold A Goss
Harry R Whiteshield Jr Estate
Harvey Mousetrail
Henry Mann Jr Estate
Herman G White Hawk
Holding T Together
Hortense Cadel
Ida Wassana Estate
Iola M Hadley Estate
James D White Buffalo
James E Sifford
James G Geboe
James Scabbyhorse Jr
Jamie L Limpy
Jasper Whitehat
Jay M Burgett Estate
Jay Mark Bull Bear Estate
Jeanette Riggs
Jeannie Lone Elk
Jeremy A Limpy
Jessie M White Horse Estate
Jim Landreath
Joann Winsee Estate
Joanne H Sissons Estate
Johanna Hauser Sanford Estate
John Antelope Jr
John Greany Sr Estate
John J Bent
John L Hoof
John L Old Camp
John Michon
John Red Cloud
John T Youngbull
Johnnie S Youngbull
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Julia S Finley Estate
Julia W Roman
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Lillian Levi Estate
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Louis F Murray
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Lucy Y Wilson
Lulu J Little Elk
Lulu Jean Blackowl
Lyman Drunkard
Lynn A Flyingout Estate
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Maggie Lonelodge
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Marcus Enriquez Jr Estate
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Marge J Stone
Marie Cleveland Estate
Marie J Anderson
Marion F Koen
Mark A Thompson Estate
Marlene Cleveland
Marlene Finley
Marlene Hadley
Marlene N Hill
Martha Thunderbull Estate
Martin Fingernail Estate
Martsaha
Mary A Little Yellowman
Mary E Hauser Hunter
Mary E Mad Bull Estate
Mary F Flyingman Saumpty
Mary Gilbert
Mary K Sanders
Mary Littlebird
Maude Allrunner Estate
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Melinda Phillips Estate
Merle E Ellis Estate
Michael Starr S
Michelle D Youngbear
Milton R Osage Sr Estate
Minnie Harrison Primeaux Estate
Minnie Williams Estate
Nancy Birdchief
Nellie White Skunk Johnson Estate
Nettie J Crotzer
Nina M Antelope
Norman Murphy Estate
Olga P Phillips Estate
Patricia Starr
Patricia Sue Mcleod Estate
Paul Bigeagle
Paul Littlebear
Paul Rhoads
Pauline Hendricksen

Peyton L Bighorse Estate
Philemon Whiteskunk
Phyllis R Lefthand
Ralph D Williams Estate
Ralph Fletcher
Ralph L West
Ralph Turtle
Ramona A Rodriguez
Remus A Walker
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Richard R Tallbull
Richard R Wilshausen Estate
Richard R Wilshusen Estate
Richard Thunderbull Sr
Richard W Alford Estate
Richard W Hicks Estate
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Robert Friday Jr Estate
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Robert White Jr
Roberta D Flores Estate
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Ronald R Waters Estate
Ronald T Shortteeth Estate
Ronnie L Goodblanket
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Roy Candy
Ruby Miller
Samuel Allen Fletcher
Samuel C Pawnee Estate
Samuel D Walker Estate
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Seeger Williams
Silas W Whiteshield
Sioux W Deer
Sonja Birdshead Estate
Stanley Old Bear Sr
Stephanie A Parker Estate
Sullivan B Miller
Summer M Harrington
Tara M Nunn
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Terry A Say Live Estate
Terry G Williams
Terry L Wilson
Thomas H Spottedcrow
Thomas Rabbit Sr Estate
Tina D Washa
Tina M Monetathchi Estate
Tiona S Gomez
Truman B White Crane
Ulysses R Nicholson Estate
Velma E Dollar Beaver Estate
Verna Yellowcloud
Victor R Tabor Estate
Virginia S Williams
Waymon M Medicinebird
White Bird
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William Jr Tallbird Estate
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Winona Harrison Estate

Defensive Driving Course and Alive @ 25 Workshop are huge success

Thanks to participants and Tribal Transportation Safety Department

By Morgan Halfred



On Dec. 18, 2015 the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Transportation Safety Program held a Defensive Driving Course in Clinton, Okla. for tribal members and employees, with Karla Sisco, TTAP-Program Manager, as the instructor. We had a turn out of 17 participants, which we were pleased to see.

On Dec. 22, 2015 we also held an Alive @ 25 workshop at the same location. The Alive @ 25 workshop is geared toward children and young adults between the ages of 15-25. Despite the fact the workshop was held over Christmas break we still had 15 students to attend. Tabatha Harris, TTAP-Tribal Safety Circuit Rider, was the instructor

for this workshop. We also had Pioneer Telephone Cooperative provide a simulated driving device for the students to experience what it is like to drive in certain conditions. When students got the hang of it, they were asked to pull out their cell phone and text someone, although it is just a simulation, hopefully they remember it next time they think about texting and driving in real life scenario. Every participant also received an incentive for participating.

The Tribal Transportation Safety Program looks forward to having more courses and workshops in the future. For more information or questions, please contact the Tribal Transportation Program at 405-422-7596.



Happy Birthday



Happy 3rd Birthday
Matthew Kendric
Kauley!
Jan. 9
We love you!

To my little sister
Amy Ray Nicole
Roman Nose
Best wishes and
happy birthday!
Dec. 21 Love y'all. Miss
y'all everyday.
From your bro Zak
locked down behind the
fences with the razor z...



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JOSIAN TSATOKE
JAN. 19
LOVE, GRANDPA AND
DAD



Happy Belated Birthday
to our beautiful
Miss Indian Oklahoma
Carmen "Pretty Horses"
Sankey
Jan. 11
Your family is very proud
of you.
Love, mom, dad,
Courtney, Todd & Sage

Happy Belated
Birthday
Charlize Hatch
Jan. 1
Love, your auntie Gail
and family from Elk
City

Happy Belated
Birthday Carol Hatch
Jan. 10
From the Elk City crew



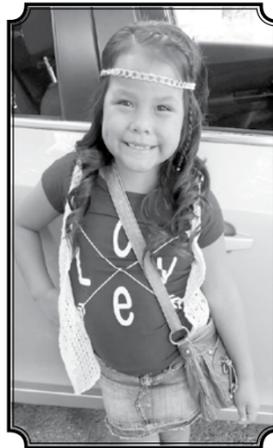
Happy Birthday Gary Lee Morton Jr!
We love you too bunch!
January 18th



Happy Birthday to
Charisse Warrior!
January 18
From your Aunties:
Carol, Jo and Nell! And
many other cousins and
friends! Love and good
memories!



Missing You
Deforest "Mock"
Tallbear Sr.
1/19/2012
Miss you every day,
daddy.
Margaret, Blaine,
Brandy, Baylee, Tori
De & Jeannie, Andie,
Macey, Little, Mayelle,
Malaina, Eli and Lylah
Mitchell



Happy 7th Birthday to our crazy,
beautiful, free spirited, amazing,
loving, awesome child
Aracelie Aubriel Carlton!
We hope you have an amazing
day. Keep dreaming big baby girl,
reach far beyond the moon and
stars! We love you, Booga and are
very proud of you! Love always
mommy, daddy and sissys!

Happy Birthday James
Sleeper, Melissa Curley
& Kendra Sleeper!
We love y'all! May God
bless y'all with many
many more happy
bitrthdays



Kaisynn Pete Allrunner
Born Dec. 30, 2015
7 lbs. 6 oz. 20 inches long
Integris Regional Hospital in
Clinton, Okla.
Proud parents are Jacob Allrunner
and Brittni Richardson
Maternal grandparents are Sandra
Richardson & Glen Richardson
Paternal grandparents are
Sandra Jean Williams and Donald
Allrunner
Great grandparents are Herman &
Jessie Youngbear
Great-great-grandparents are
Jacob Allrunner and Sage Woman
Allrunner



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Happy Anniversary
Jan. 27
38 years and counting to Gail & Raymond Tablepab



Niveyah Happy
Lilyian Ramos
Happy 1st Birthday
Jan. 13
Love ya lots,
Grandma Jackie, papa
Sheldon, auntie Abby and
Kayla, uncle Jr., your
bubba Raydon & Quinton



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Canton Community Hall: January 14th 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Clinton Community Bldg: January 21st 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Concho Community Bldg: January 28th 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

DRINKS & SNACKS PROVIDED.

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED & MONITORED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES.
CLASSES WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY @ 5:30 P.M.
NO SUPPLIES WILL BE GIVEN OUT AFTER 6:00 P.M.
THIS IS TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR INSTRUCTION.

For more information, please contact:
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Respect Program: 405.422.7885

THANK YOU

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Program for providing each child with a wonderful Christmas gift. The children and their families enjoyed the Christmas Party and seeing the children have so much fun with their new gifts was a joy. All three centers Concho, Canton, & Clinton are grateful for the generosity and support shown to our program and our children.

The Head Start Program would also like to thank the JOM

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IN LOVING MEMORY



Sandra Lynn Bedoka
April 6, 1959
Dec. 30, 2015

Funeral services for Sandra Lynn Bedoka were held Jan. 7 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla., followed by an Interment at the Concho Indian Cemetery.



Bruce James Bushy
Dec. 27, 1959
Jan. 5, 2016

Funeral services for Bruce James Bushy were held Jan. 9 at the Concho Native American Church in Concho, Okla., followed by an Interment at the Concho Indian Cemetery.



Robert D. Pedro
Jan. 27, 1938
Dec. 4, 2015

Memorial services were held Jan. 9 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla., followed by an Interment at the Pedro Family Cemetery.



Robin Dale RedNose
July 8, 1965
Jan. 3, 2016

Memorial services were held Jan. 7 at the Comanche National Funeral Home Chapel in Lawton, Okla., followed by an Interment at the Memory Lane Cemetery in Anadarko, Okla.

Erin Ashley Magpie
09/10/1992 - 12/22/2015

Funeral Service
Wednesday, January 06, 2016
2:00 p.m.
Boulder Funeral Home Chapel
123 11th St. South
Fargo, ND

Interment
Holy Cross North Cemetery
Fargo, ND

Boulder Funeral Home, Fargo, ND (701) 237-6441

CLASSIFIEDS

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver's license and a copy of CDIB to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email atisdale@c-a-tribes.org.

Director of Procurement, Grants & Contracts
Closing: Until Filled

Green House Garden Project Coordinator
Closing: Until Filled

Warehouse Tech I Food Dist. - Watonga
Closing: Until Filled

Land Management Director - Concho
Closing: Until Filled

PUBLIC NOTICE
TO: ALL CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBAL MEMBERS
(18 YEARS AND OLDER ON OR BEFORE January 23, 2016)
Special Tribal Council Meeting
10 a.m. Saturday Jan. 23rd, 2016
Concho Community Hall – Concho, Okla.

Qualifications:
Bachelor's degree or master's degree preferred. Supervisory experience. Must have substantial experience in government grants and contracts administration and compliance. Must have in-depth knowledge of federal, state and local government rules and regulations concerning grants and contracts. Must have well-developed analytical, problem solving and managerial skills. Good computer skills in using on-line systems and databases is required. Experience in managing post grant and contract activities are necessary. Excellent interpersonal, organizational, oral and written communications skills are required. Knowledge of Cheyenne-Arapaho culture, history, traditions and service area. Dependable transportation and valid Oklahoma driver's license is required. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference. Must pass pre-hire drug screen.
SALARY: Negotiable

Qualifications:
Associates degree or certificate in landscaping, gardening or horticulture preferred. Must be able to pass background investigation. Knowledge and experience in the area of gardening and greenhouses. Knowledge of traditional Native foods and cultivation of foods. Ability to research and implement healthy and organic gardening methods. Two years supervisory experience. Ability to work with minimal supervision. Ability to communicate proficiently both orally and written. Knowledge of Microsoft Office programs. Knowledge of financial reporting/budgets. Display a high level of initiative, effort and commitment towards completing assignments in a timely manner. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Qualifications:
High school graduate or GED required. Must be able to do moderate to heavy lifting. Must pass a physical examination. Must have demonstrated ability to operate PC Computer. Oklahoma CDL preferred, forklift operator's license. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Qualifications:
Incumbent should be able to follow directions, communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Some knowledge of maps, plans and other data related to construction will be beneficial but not required. Have some knowledge in realty terminology, oil and gas and leasing desired but not required. Familiar with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal lands. Hold a bachelor's degree or master's degree in areas relative to land management, some college and/or related work experience or equivalent. Work experience of five years or more in any of the following areas is preferred: Oil & Gas Landman, Land Management & Real Estate, Energy, Natural Resource, Title & Abstract or Tribal Land Management. Must have knowledge in the operation of various office machines and be computer literate. Must have knowledge of Hearth Act. Ability to communicate and relate to Indian and non-Indian communities. Must possess a current Oklahoma state driver's license. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

In accordance with the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes' Constitution, pursuant to Article V. Sec.3 (b) Special Meetings of the Tribal Council may be called by five Members of the Legislature or by petition signed by one hundred fifty Members of the Tribes. All requests for a Special Meeting of the Tribal Council shall be submitted to the Coordinator of the Office of the Tribal Council. Upon receipt of a valid petition, the Coordinator of the Office of the Tribal Council shall call the Special Meeting. The purpose of the Special Meeting shall be conducted at the Special Meeting.

A Special Tribal Council Meeting is being called for on Saturday, January 23rd, 2016 at 10:00 am. The special tribal council meeting shall be held at the Concho Community Building, Concho, Okla. This meeting is being rescheduled from Dec. 29th, 2015 due to unforeseen weather events.

The purpose shall be:
A Tribal Council Resolution to Approve Tribal Trust Accounting Lawsuit

The following items will be posted at the Office of Tribal Council (located at Concho Community Hall), Concho Tribal headquarters, & Watonga Republican. Any resolution is available to the public.

Business:
Resolution No. 122915sptc-001 A Tribal Council Resolution to Approve Tribal Trust Accounting Lawsuit

In accordance with the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes' Constitution, Article V. Sec. 3 (c) The Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council shall provide notice of all Regular Meetings and Special Meetings of the Tribal Council at least fifteen days before such Meeting.

(Reminder to have CDIB's on hand for sign in)

Veterans Service Office Director - Concho
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Citizenship and right to work in the United States. Must be a veteran, having separated under honorable conditions from any branch of the U.S. armed forces after having served active duty for at least 181 consecutive days, or by reason of disability incurred while serving on active duty. A bachelor's degree is desirable. One to two years of related experience and/or training or equivalent combination of education and experience. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Transit Driver II On-Call Status Tribal Transit
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Valid Oklahoma Class D driver's license. Must possess or be willing to obtain CPR certification. Transit drivers must pass a pre-employment drug screening process and are subjected to random drug testing. Must be able to lift a minimum of 50 pounds with no physical barriers. Applicant must be able to communicate effectively to patrons and supervisors any findings or incidents. High school diploma or GED equivalent is required. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Staff Assistant-E.N.C. Caregiver Program
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Must be computer literate in Microsoft Office or comparable software programs. Must have good organizational skills. Possess a high school diploma or GED certification. Valid Oklahoma driver's license required. Cheyenne-Arapaho tribal preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

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January 11, 2016
10:00am – 2:00pm

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TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINES
At 3 p.m. every 8th and 23rd of the month. Unless the 8th or 23rd falls on a weekend, it will be the Friday preceding.

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P.O. BOX 133
(405) 422-7411 Office
(405) 422-8230 Fax

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P.O. BOX 714
(580) 331-2318 Office
(580) 331-2317 Office
(405) 422-8229 Fax

Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Elder Care Program

Office Hours: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

2016 WINTER HEATING ASSISTANCE

****Effective February 2, 2016****

Print Name:	Always provide your CDIB# 2801A
Date of Birth:	If NEW to the program, submit copy of your CDIB and D.L. or State ID. (please do not fax)
Spouses Name:	
Physical Address:	City: State: Zip:
Phone ()	Message Phone ()

I UTILITY HEATING ASSISTANCE FOR YOUR PRIMARY HEATING SOURCE

- ✓ We will assist with current amount ONLY, NO PAST DUE balances
- ✓ If you have a "ZERO" or "CREDIT" balance, NO payment will be made
- ✓ Must submit your complete current utility statement each time you apply, if the bill is not in your name, you must submit a completed 2015 Residence Verification Form.
- ✓ Maximum allowable amount is up to \$300.00 on current bill only (Pre-paid is capped at \$200.00)
- ✓ One (1) request per household.
- ✓ This is in addition to your regular 90-day Elder Care Assistance
- ✓ This will exclude "yard lights" or "Security lights" on electric bills if they are to be paid.
- ✓ If you are on Average billing or Budget billing then that is the amount we will pay. We will NOT pay the current amount if you are on Average or Budget billing.

*****FINAL DISCONNECTION NOTICES OR RE-CONNECT FEES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED*****

X _____
Tribal Member Signature MM/DD/YY

Please select the month in which you are applying for the Winter Heating Assistance Program:
February 2016 **March 2016**

Final Submission dates for this assistance are as follows:
February 2016 ~ last day we will take utility bills and applications will be *March 31, 2016*
March 2016 ~ last day we will take utility bills and applications will be *April 29, 2016*

ALL bills and Applications MUST be in by the dates listed above, NO EXCEPTIONS
Please allow additional time to process check requests, up to 21 days from the date application is turned in to the Elder Care Program

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Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes)
In the Interest of:)
H. W. B., aka H.W.) Case No. JFJ-2015-06
DOB: 07-09-2015)
Alleged Deprived Neglected or Dependent Child.)
And Concerning:)
Unknown Biological Father)

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: Unknown Biological Father

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Juvenile Petition has been filed in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Trial Court, Juvenile Division, alleging that the above named minor child is a deprived, neglected or dependent child and requesting the Court to adjudicate said child as such, and further stating that the termination of the parent-child legal relationship between the child H. W. B., also known as H.W., and her unknown biological father is a possible remedy available if the Juvenile Petition is sustained, all as more fully set out in the Juvenile Petition.

YOU ARE THEREFORE ORDERED TO APPEAR at the Courtroom of the Tribal District Court, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 16th day of January, 2016, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m., and to remain and answer the allegations contained in the Juvenile Petition and state whether you admit or deny the allegations of the Juvenile Petition.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Court will hear evidence in support of and in opposition to the granting of the juvenile petition at the time and place above shown. You have the right to be present, to be represented by counsel, and an opportunity to be heard at said time and place, including the right to deny the allegations contained in the juvenile petition and the right to object to the granting of the juvenile petition and to show why your said child should not be adjudicated to be a dependent or neglected child. Your failure to willfully appear at said hearing shall constitute a denial of your interest in the child, which denial may result, without further notice of this proceeding or any subsequent proceedings, in an order of the Court adjudicating your said child as a dependent or neglected child in accordance with law.

Dated this 6th day of January, 2016.

[Signature]
Lisa B. Otipoby Herbert, Judge
Cheyenne and Arapaho District Court

[Signature]
Albert Ghezzi, Attorney General
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
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Deadline for TPC Poster entries January 29

Submitted article

Approximately 14,000 students enter the Statewide Trash Poster Contest, annually, making this poster judging very competitive and certainly very interesting! In addition to other prizes, 12 chosen state winning posters will be featured in 35,000 printed calendars. Thirty-thousand copies each of "one" additional state winning poster is also selected and will be reproduced in a large dynamic color poster format for display as the "Promotional Poster of the Year." These items are distributed to Oklahoma federal, state, city and county agencies, schools, libraries, municipalities and many other businesses, organizations, groups and individuals, statewide, nationally and internationally.

The contest is organized by the following representatives from their respective partnership organizations: Melody Johnson, Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), Sarah Ivey, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Tom Creider, Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department, State Parks (OTRD-SP), Rhonda Ward, Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA), Glen Henry, Oklahoma State Department of Education (SDE), Donna Hardridge, Oklahoma Highway Safety Office (OHSO), Jeanette Nance, Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (KOB), Lisa Synar, Oklahoma City Beautiful (OKCB), Jennifer Brown, Oklahoma Arts Council (OAC), Lind-

say Farris, Oklahoma Highway Patrol, Melody Marti, O.G.&E., Jennifer Lown, Oklahoma Employees Credit Union, and Jackie Smith, Oklahoma Environmental Management Authority. The Annual Trash Poster Contest winners are announced in April each year.

Entry Forms

Entry forms can be obtained by contacting the ODOT Beautification Office 405-521-4037, or by going to the ODOT Website, odot.ok.gov, clicking on "Programs and Projects," then clicking on "Beautification," and then clicking on "Poster Contest" and printing the Trash Poster Contest Entry Form from your computer. The contest begins in December each year.

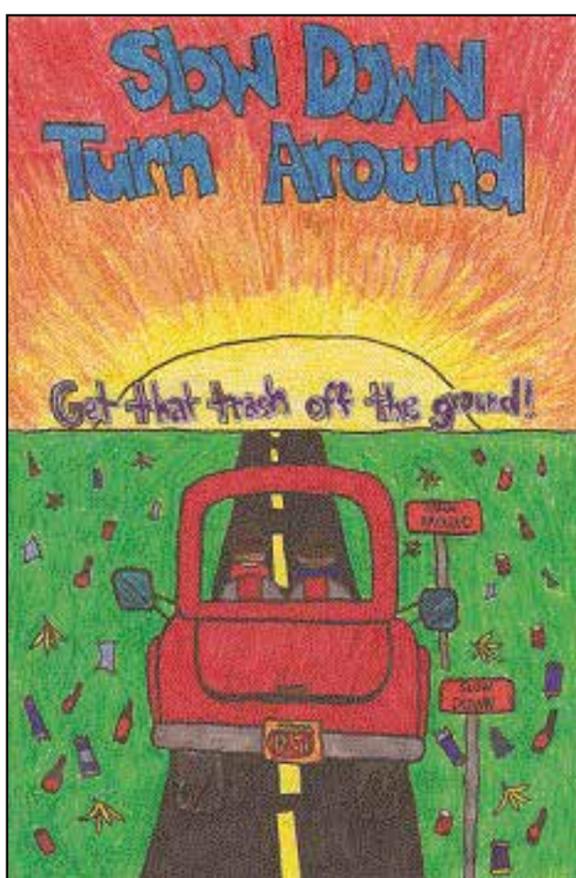
The entry form must be filled out completely, legibly, and in detail, and attached to the upper right corner on the BACK of the poster. Entries must be sent to your local County Department of Environmental Quality Office (DEQ) by the last working business day of January each year. Late entries or entries sent to the wrong office will NOT be judged.

Contest Divisions

The contest is divided into four divisions by grade: K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. All Oklahoma K-12 students are eligible and encouraged to enter.

Prizes

Local Prizes – All 1st, 2nd and 3rd place county winners receive a certificate. Some local sponsors also present other prizes, but those vary



The 2015 Promotional Poster of the Year was awarded to 8th grader, Abby Reed in Love County. (Courtesy photo)

by county. State Prizes – State judging is completed in early March. In April, each of the 13 state winners will receive a cash award for first, second and third places from each grade category, and for the "Promotional Poster of the Year." State winners also will receive a T-shirt with their design on it and a mounted poster board copy and laminated placemat of their poster. Teachers of the 13 state winners receive vouchers for a two-night stay at an Okla-

homa State Park and vouchers to purchase classroom school art supplies.

Awards Luncheon

State winners and teachers are honored at an April Awards Event at the ODOT Building in Oklahoma City. The winning students are also introduced to the Oklahoma State House of Representatives at the State Capitol that same day. All state winners and their teachers receive proper notification prior to the awards event.

IAIA announces new online class in the Performing Arts Department

Playwriting 1 (Instructor Jay Musckett)

This course is an introduction to the writing of plays with concentration on form and techniques. The objective of this course is to instill the qualities and structure of basic playwriting so that students, at the end of this course, can complete a piece of their own as well as be able to appreciate the form as a means of expression.

In order to accomplish this, students will dive into the particulars that makes up the craft of playwriting as well as developing a healthy habit of writing. Students will also be reading plays and analyzing them.

Jay B Musckett is a Diné writer and director from Mexican Springs, N.M. He is a graduate from the University of New Mexico with a BA in Theatre and a BA Media Arts. He is currently adjunct faculty at IAIA.

"I fully believe that the culture of theatre is an actual extension of Native culture. You can't have one without the other as they breathe life into one another," Musckett stated.

Daniel Banks, Chair of the Performing Arts Department at IAIA remarked, "We are very lucky to have playwright Jay Musckett working with Performing Arts at IAIA. He taught Playwriting

1 on campus last semester and the student work generated over the course of the semester was dynamic, risky and inspiring. Jay is a true artist and a brilliant teacher."

Admission is open now, Spring Semester classes start Jan. 19, 2016. To apply for Playwriting 1 or other online classes or for more information about Performing Arts at IAIA email PerformingArts@iaia.edu.

For more information on IAIA classes, please contact the IAIA Office of Admissions and Recruitment by phone at 800-804-6422, or via e-mail at admissions@iaia.edu.

Offering undergraduate degrees in Studio Arts, Cinematic Arts and Technology, Creative Writing, Museum Studies and Indigenous Liberal Studies, and graduate degrees in Creative Writing, IAIA has graduated more than 3,800 students, and welcomes students from the 567 federally-recognized tribes and non-Native Americans looking to obtain a world-class arts education. In any given year, as many as 112 tribes are represented on campus, with about 20 percent of its student body non-Native American, adding to the vibrant cultural mix of IAIA's diverse and welcoming students, faculty and staff.

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Watonga Lucky Star expansion in the works

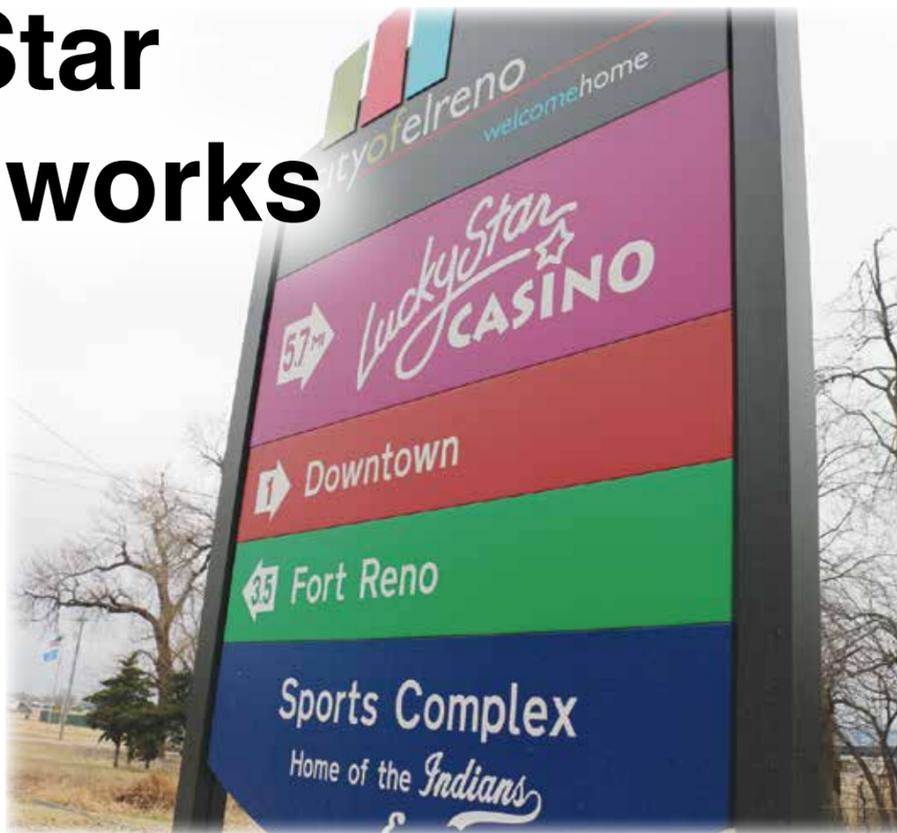
Plans to expand the Watonga based Lucky Star Casino are being finalized. The expansion will begin in late summer 2016, early fall, according to Lucky Star Casino General Manager Mannix Barnes.

“Our C&A Transportation Department has completed the removal of trees to make way for a much needed parking lot at our Watonga Casino. We are also working on plans to expand the Watonga Casino that would include more than 10,000 sq. ft. of floor space to accommodate more machines, diner/deli and add table games. We feel the proposed expansion would create more job opportunities for tribal members located in Watonga and surrounding areas. Part of the proposal would also include a feasibility study to determine the impact and need for a C-Store Travel Truck plaza in the same area,” Barnes said. “The Governor and Lt. Governor have also been working diligently with local mu-

nicipalities on signage and other opportunities for our casinos and travel centers. If you drive through El Reno you will see the new directional signage that’s being installed throughout the city. We plan to do the same at all of our other locations.”

Lucky Star Casino (formerly named Feather Warrior) was first opened in April 2004. In 2009 the casino was named “Business of the Year” at the 84th annual Watonga Chamber of Commerce Achievement Award banquet.

“The Cheyenne and Arapaho people should be very excited about the progress and changes we are making at our different casinos across western Oklahoma. I am fortunate to work with such a business minded administration whose vision includes the proposed expansion of our Watonga casino and the complete upgrade of our current facilities at Concho, Clinton and Canton,” Barnes said.



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