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Message from Chief Paula Pechonick

In the January *DIN*, I reported we were looking for a Tribal Manager. Indeed we have hired one—former Chief Curtis Zunigha. He has jumped right in and tackled several projects. He has focused on policies and procedures. I'm sure we've hired a good one.

I am excited to report that this *DIN* will update you on the good news happening within the Tribe. A new housing program is being started in Kansas (see page 4). Our Caney office is open and serving Tribal members. Our Economic Development projects are moving along, not as fast as we would like but always continuing a forward momentum (see page 10).

By request of Tribal members, we will hold General

Council the same day as the election to encourage greater attendance. It will be held November 3, the first Saturday in November. I hope you will attend. Our goal is to have a celebration of the successes of the past year and a transparent and productive discussion of plans for the upcoming year. Your input is important and your questions will be answered. But please don't hold your complaints, questions or concerns until November. I am available almost anytime and so is the staff and rest of the Council. Harboring bad feelings is not conducive to moving the Tribe forward.

Regarding the election, I support returning to the old way—those who cannot vote in person should request an absentee

ballot. We will have a request form in the July newspaper and on the web site, if the majority of the Tribal Council agrees. I was not on the Council when the vote was changed to referendum, but I am told (and from reading the minutes) the reasoning was to encourage more voters. Over the years we have had a small percentage of increase in voters but the cost is thousands of dollars more per election, money that the Tribe can use for more important services to our members.

The ICDBG projects should be near completion by the General Council. There is an update of progress in this issue (see page 5).

In February, I went to RES 2012 (the so-called "Reservation Economic Summit"). I was encouraged by the number of companies who were interested in doing business with the Tribe. I hope to keep moving forward on viable projects. I was able to see many Chiefs



Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, BIA Assistant Secretary Larry EchoHawk, and Chief Paula Pechonick meet to discuss the trust fund settlement and the tribe's expansion into Kansas, March 14, 2012.

and a couple of Tribal members, including former Council member David Brown, who now works in Acquisitions for the BIA.

In March, I went to Washington, DC to meet with the BIA and the Assistant Secretary of Interior. We found out the BIA's opinion on our Trust Board. They are getting a let-

ter to us—which we will post when we receive it—explaining the Tribe's options. We also met with the Assistant Secretary's Counsel regarding the Tribe's options in Kansas (gaming and non-gaming) and an economic development joint venture (non-gaming) in Connecticut. We enjoyed visiting *continued on page 2*

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Tribal Election and General Council

The Tribal Election and General Council will be held on **November 3, 2012** at the Delaware Community Center in Bartlesville. More information regarding the election and the annual meeting will be in the July *DIN*. Please make sure your address is current with the Tribal Office. In addition, if you have suggestions about items for the agenda for General Council, please email the Tribal Manager at czunigha@delawaretribe.org. ■



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with Tribal members Terry and Rickey Parks, who work at the BIA. Terry is a former Tribal Council member and works in Self-Determination.

I was unable to meet with Assistant Secretary EchoHawk due to scheduling conflicts in his office, but he came to Oklahoma on March 14 and we were able to visit with him and attend a reception. I feel

very positive about the meetings and as soon as I have anything in writing, we will let you know.

If you are a Tribal member and you have questions or input about strategic plans for the Tribe, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the Tribal Council members.

Please make sure your address is current with the Tribe. We are implementing a new enrollment system soon, hope-

fully by the time you receive this publication. I have a personal goal to find as many missing Delawares as we can in the months to come. Please join me in this effort.

I hope Spring is good to you. I hope to see you at the Delaware Powwow on Memorial Day weekend!

Be nicer than you have to be.
Wanishi,
Chief Pechonick■

From the Desk of Wayne Stull, Trust Board Chairman

In remembrance of a strong advocate and a champion for the constructive advancement of our tribe, I would like to take this opportunity to remember our friend and brother, Raymond Cline. Raymond represented our Tribe well, not only as a long-time Chairman of our Trust Board and as a Tribal Council member, but he also served several local and state boards and organizations and made known to all his affiliation to the Delaware Tribe of Indians. Our Tribe owes Raymond Cline a debt of gratitude for setting an example of being a good steward with our tribal trust funds. Our condolences are extended to the family, relatives and friends of our brother Raymond Cline.

Recently, Chief Pechonick, myself, and a delegation from



Raymond Cline, 1949-2012.

our Tribe traveled to Washington DC to meet with Assistant Secretary of the Interior Larry EchoHawk and BIA officials to discuss issues that would improve our Tribe's ability to deliver services and programs to our tribal members. Chief Pechonick is determined to improve the quantity and quality of services that our tribal government is able to provide to our tribal citizens. I wholeheartedly support her efforts and in our meeting with the BIA, we were able to convey the need for the expansion and direct funneling of resources to our tribal government. In our discussions with the BIA, the need for and the functioning of our tribal Trust Board as an essential and practical layer of tribal governance was examined. Following the March 2009 BIA secretarial election, our tribal constitution was approved by our tribal membership and certified by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Bureau of Indian Affairs secretarial election also established the Tribal Council as the official governing body of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. In coming months, our Tribe and tribal officials will be discuss-

ing the BIA position on the need of our tribal Trust Board and we as tribal members will also be discussing the utility of our tribal Trust Board.

Between February 27 and March 1, Chief Pechonick and I, along with Economic Development staff, attended the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development RES 2012 Economic Summit to experience the types of economic development projects that are now prevalent throughout Indian country. This year's visit to RES 2012 marked the first time that the Delaware Tribe participated in the procurement and marketing of a Delaware tribal economic development project. Since our Tribe is in the process of finalizing the purchase of an existing business, our DEA board made the decision to test market procurement contracting opportunities for the project. Our staff met with five national corporations and we now know that there are tremendous contracting opportunities for the company that we are purchasing. This administration is aggressively moving forward to make economic development for our Tribe a reality.■

From the Desk of Nate Young, Tribal Council Member

Change. It can be for the better or the worse. However, it is inevitable. Failure to prepare for change often results in disaster. In 2009, our tribe had its federal recognition restored forever. A major change. Because of our restored federal recognition, we must begin to prepare for the changes that come from our restored status. We must become a "player" on the local, state, and federal levels. We cannot afford to play the role of a victim, but that of an aggressive tribe always trying to find the open doors that will lead to a brighter and better future for our membership. Our Council and Chief Pechonick have adopted this philosophy. If we do not take advantage of the opportunities opened for us today, those opportunities may never come our way again.

One positive change is that the Council and Chief have hired Curtis Zunigha, a tribal member and former Chief, to be our Tribal Manager. The hiring of Curtis has been a blessing for the Chief and Council.

It has allowed the Council and Chief to focus on tribal governance and to assist us in the strategic planning process. Curtis has been of invaluable assistance in our negotiation with the Cherokee over the Memorandum of Agreement. Recently, I attended a meeting of our Chief, Assistant Chief, and Curtis with Assistant Secretary of the Interior Larry EchoHawk. I was truly impressed with the presentation given by Chief Pechonick and our Tribal Manager. It was obvious to the Assistant Secretary that the Delaware leadership was prepared to discuss the issues.

I would be remiss to fail to mention how well this Council and Chief Pechonick have worked together. We have continued our practice of meeting informally several times a month to discuss pending business. Many of our elder tribal leaders would be surprised to see the civility and respect shown.■

Current Tribal Government

TRIBAL COUNCIL

Paula Pechonick, Chief
Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief
Verna Crawford, Secretary
Janifer Brown, Treasurer
Jenifer Pechonick
Wayne Stull
Nate Young

TRIBAL COURT

Chief Justice Arthur Stull
Rick Barnes
William Crawford

TRUST BOARD

Wayne Stull, Chairman
Chet Brooks, Vice-Chair
Verna Crawford, Secretary
Teri Jo Aaroe, Treasurer
Larry Joe Brooks
DeAnn Ketchum
John Sumpter

Don Mason
Charles Randall

Contact information, including email addresses, is on the tribal web site at www.delawaretribe.org.

From the Desk of Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief

Happy Spring to all Delaware Tribal Members. The weather has been so nice in Northeast Oklahoma that it seems like Spring (*Sikan* in Lenape) started more than a month ago. Around Christmas I sent many tribal members a 2012 Delaware Calendar and I hope those that received it enjoy the Lenape art contained within.

It is unfortunate that in late January my Yahoo email account was hacked and many of you on my email list received an email from the hacker trying to make it look like it was from me. The hackers scam was that he was "Chet Brooks, out of money and stranded in Spain and please send me \$2,300 so I can get back to the USA." The crazy part about it was that the hacker left no way or address to send the money to. Many of my Delaware friends and relatives let me know about this as soon as it happened and most know me well enough to know it was not me. As soon as I found this out I called as many as I had phone numbers for and advised them not to open it, but the real hurt to me was (since the hacker was fishing for email addresses) he or

she deleted all of my email address book. So I could not advise about 200 Delawares not to open that particular email. While I can recover about 60 or 70 Delaware email addresses over the next few months my email contacts has been cut by two-thirds.

I apologize to all of my Delaware relatives and friends for any inconvenience the above has caused and sincerely hope you understand that it was the actions of an unknown scamming hacker that caused it and not myself. Should any of you get hacked, Yahoo's advice is to immediately change your email account password and run a virus and security scan from active virus and security software such as Norton, McAfee, etc. Should hacking reoccur within a short period, set up a new email account. I did the above and no further hacks have occurred and no damage has occurred to the files on my computer, so I'm keeping my old email account.

Having lost over 120 Delaware email addresses, however, I ask any Delawares who received the 2012 Calendar to email or call me so that I can recover your email address. In

fact any Delaware who would like a calendar and photo depicting the "Great Penn Treaty and list of Trade Goods," please email me or call my cell, leave a message, and I will return your call. Your correspondence and discussions are very important to me.

Congratulations are in order for the election to another term for Trust Board Chairman Wayne Stull and Trust Member Verna Crawford. Congratulations to DeAnn Ketchum and John Sumpter on their Trust Board election. And speaking of elections, in the November 2011 Trust Board Election 649 ballots were counted but more than 100 ballots were discarded because voters did not include their Tribal Registration Number. Delaware voters, please do not disqualify your vote in the November 2012 Tribal Council Election.

Yes, my Tribal Council term is up in November and, yes, I am seeking a second term on the Tribal Council. I am respectfully asking for your vote in that election.

Likely items to come up this year are: (1) a majority of the Tribal Council wants to do away with the Trust Board and a majority of Trust Board disagrees; (2) a majority of the Tribal Council wants to eliminate referendum voting (where

Generator Mechanic Wanted Delaware Enterprise Authority (DEA)

Tribal Kohler Generator Dealer is looking for a field service technician with experience in the PM and repair of generators from 15Kw to 2,200 Kw.

The successful candidate will be customer friendly and have the ability to work unsupervised. Must be able to plan work, and think on his or her feet to resolve issues that arise in the field. A military background in generator maintenance is a plus.

This is an opportunity for someone to advance as the owner is looking for a technician that takes great pride in their work, desiring long-term employment and the challenge of assuming responsibility for major critical sites.

The initial employment opportunities will be located within northeastern Oklahoma with the intent of creating a national company operating throughout the nation.

Send resume to:

Delaware Enterprise Authority
170 Barbara Street
Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74006

every adult member gets a ballot) and go back to "requesting an absentee ballot"; and (3) there needs to be more transparency and achievement in our economic development.

I currently am opposed to (1) because I think it may be viewed by many as a greed-driven action of our Council to "take over and spend Trust Funds as the Council pleases." There are pros and cons regarding (2). The cons are that, according to projections, it will cause only about half of the numbers than that would vote by referendum. Local Washington County Delawares say that is a pro because, in addition to the fact that conducting the elections will cost half as much, they are more qualified to make decisions anyway as most of the issues affect them more directly. I'm mixed on this one and can only say whatever we do should be absolutely fair (beyond dispute) to all candidates and all voters.

Regarding (3), our Tribe has had no viable business since the Tribal Smoke Shop closed down in approx. 1990. We have fiddled around ever since that date and probably totally missed the boat on Indian Gaming and other viable business, and even continue to do so today. Yes, we need to get totally transparent about economic development, get off our cans and think out of the box and give proper consideration to any stake in any business that someone else is willing to invest in.

Ultimately, our adult voting membership will decide the answer to all of the above. This is why I need your correspondence and discussion. Please email me at achilenape@yahoo.com or leave a message on my cell phone 918-331-6212 and I will return your call.

MAY THE GREAT SPIRIT BLESS YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES IN THE SPRING – SIKAN 2012 ■

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We invite contributions, but reserve the right to limit printing based upon available space. Tribal members are encouraged to support the *DIN* with contributions.

The deadline for articles, letters, ads and calendar of events is June 15, 2012 for the July 2012 issue. Submissions may be mailed, faxed or hand delivered to the tribal of-

office or emailed to din@delawaretribe.org.

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The mission of the *Delaware Indian News* is to serve, empower and inform the Lenape people, while adhering to the policy of unbiased reporting in an ethical and professional manner. ■

Delaware Tribe of Indians Offers Housing, Education, and Community Services Assistance in Caney, KS

The Delaware Tribe of Indians offers housing, education, and community services assistance at its Caney, KS facility. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

Community Services assistance is in the form of monetary payments for: elder and student eyeglasses, dental expenses, utility bills, medical bills, emergency housing, burial expenses, and medical equipment expenses. Education programs include monetary assistance for: adult vocational training classes, general education expenses for 6th through 12th grade students, drivers' education expenses, school supplies for Pre-K through 5th grade students, athletic expenses, and higher education scholarships. Inquiries about tribal services can be directed to Lacey Harris by calling the office or sending an email to lharris@delawaretribe.org.



Applications for the tribal housing program will also be available. Eligibility is limited to qualified tribal members and other Native Americans. Programs include low-rent housing and home ownership in OK as well as rental assistance in KS. Additional housing information can be obtained by calling the Tribal headquarters or accessing the tribe's website at www.delawaretribe.org. Enrollment forms for Delaware

Tribe membership will also be available.

Tribal members are invited to come to the Caney office to apply for these services. As the tribe's presence continues to expand, more employment and contracting opportunities will result. The Delaware Tribe office in Caney, Kansas is located at 601 South High St and the phone number is 1-620-879-2189.■

Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program

The Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program is a home mortgage specifically designed for American Indian and Alaska Native families, Alaska Villages, Tribes, or Tribally Designated Housing Entities. Section 184 loans can be used, both on and off native lands, for new construction, rehabilitation, purchase of an existing home, or refinance.

Because of the unique status of Indian lands being held in Trust, Native American home ownership has historically been an underserved market. Working with an expanding

network of private sector and tribal partners, the Section 184 Program endeavors to increase access to capital for Native Americans and provide private funding opportunities for tribal housing agencies with the Section 184 Program.

To help increase Native access to financing, the Office of Loan Guarantee within HUD's Office of Native American Programs, guarantees the Section 184 home mortgage loans made to Native borrowers. By guaranteeing these loans 100%, we encourage lenders to serve the Native communities. This increases the marketability and

value of the Native assets and strengthens the financial standing of Native communities.

Section 184 is synonymous with home ownership in Indian Country. As of 2010, the Section 184 program has guaranteed over 12,000 loans (almost \$2 billion dollars in guaranteed funds) to individuals, Tribes, and TDHEs.

For more information on the Section 184 Home Loan program visit www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/homeownership/184 or contact your local bank to find out if they participate in this program.■

Former Delaware Tribe Chief Returns to Bartlesville as Tribal Manager

Curtis Zunigha, former Chief of the Delaware Tribe of Indians in the 1990s, has recently been hired as the Tribal Manager. Zunigha, a U.S. Air Force veteran who was also Tribal Manager twenty years ago, will oversee tribal operations and provide administrative support to the tribal government led by current Chief Paula Pechonick. He has served the tribe in many capacities over the last 25 years including Housing Director, Election Chairman, two terms as a Tribal Councilman, and from 1994-98 as Chief. Experience was a major factor in his selection to manage a staff of 27 and an annual budget nearing \$1 million.

Zunigha left Bartlesville in 2009 to serve as Manager of the American Indian/Alaska Native Program for the 2010 Census at their headquarters in Washington, D.C. According to the Census Bureau, the 2010



count in Indian Country was the most successful in history. On December 13, 2011 Zunigha was presented the Department of Commerce's highest honorary award, the Gold Medal, by Secretary John E. Bryson. The award was for "distinguished performance characterized by extraordinary, notable, or prestigious contributions that impact the mission and reflect favorably on the Department."

Curtis can be reached at 918-337-6573 or by email at czunigha@delawaretribe.org■



2011 Commerce Department Gold Medal Award Ceremony. Curtis Zunigha is fifth from the left.

Oklahoma Crime Victims in Indian Country May Receive Compensation

Brian Hendrix accepted the position of State-Tribal Crime Victim Liaison with the Oklahoma District Attorney's Council and began working October 26, 2011.

Funding for the position is through a federal grant from the Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crimes. The project, the only one of its type in the nation, is a demonstration program dedicated to improving communication among tribal, state, federal, and local officials in order to enhance victim assistance and outreach services to tribal communities in Oklahoma. The purpose of the project is to enhance victims' compensation and assistance outreach to Oklahoma's 38 federally recognized tribes.

Brian comes to the District Attorneys Council with a great deal of experience in working with Oklahoma tribes and federal grants. Brian previously served as the Executive Director for the Payne County Drug Court Program. During his tenure at the Payne County Drug Court, Hendrix served as a faculty member for the National Association of Drug Court Professionals Tribal Training Initiative and the Native American Alliance Foundation. His role as a faculty member afforded him the opportunity to interact with tribal leaders from Oklahoma and other states across the nation while assisting them in the development and imple-

mentation of Healing to Wellness Courts. Prior to his work in Payne County, Mr. Hendrix delivered and coordinated children's protective services first as a Child Protection Worker and then as the Indian Child Welfare Coordinator for Muscogee Creek Nation.

Throughout the last two months, Brian has been in the field contacting victim advocates at seventeen different tribes. By the end of September, he will have met with a representative from each of the thirty-eight federally-recognized tribes in the state and plans to develop a permanent point of contact within each tribal community. Additionally, he is working with the Native Alliance Against Violence to include victim's rights and victim's compensation information in regional trainings to a combined audience of tribal service advocates and state victim/witness personnel.

For more information contact:

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Update on the Indian Community Development Block Grants: *Xantki* ("finally")

Councilwoman Janifer Brown

Two ICDBG grants are in the works. If you'll remember, I talked about them during General Council last year, but to see them actually happening is exciting.

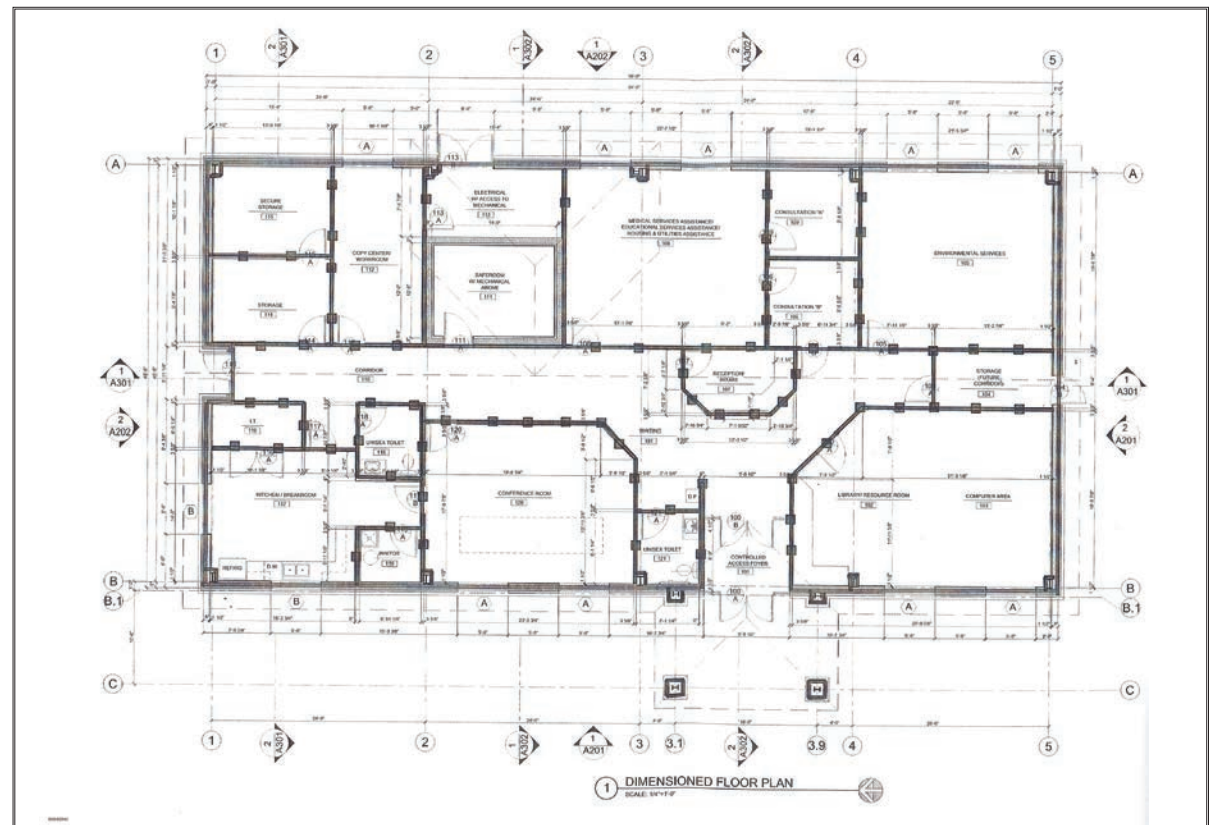
April 9, 2012 is the date set for the ground breaking to start the "Social Services Building." It will be located south of the Wellness Center. It took a couple of months to get a design that we liked and that also fit the grant amount. This building will become the place to apply for all services offered by our tribe, whether tribally or federally funded.

The finish date is set for November 10, 2012. That is just in time for all to have a tour when you come to the yearly General Council meeting.

The second ICDBG grant is still in the planning stages. This grant is designed to provide a parking lot for the Social Services Building, to extend Barbara St. out to Madison (necessary to comply with code), to upgrade if necessary the retention pond, and to renovate the kitchen facility. The design for the kitchen has been decided on and is being reviewed by the

architect. The road extension and parking lots are in the final stages of design and are being priced. Hopefully the prices for both sections will be right so no changes will be needed. The start date will not be decided on until the pricing is complete and agreed upon.

We also plan to rename Barbara St. once the project is completed. If you have a suggestion for a name, please email it to me (**temalosa@yahoo.com**) or call the tribal office. ■



Schematic drawing of new Social Services Building.

Delaware Tribe Housing Program

Susan Hefner

Spring is in the air. Before we know it the grass will be growing, flowers blooming, and trees budding. As the warmer weather starts I would like to remind everyone to keep your flower beds cleaned, yards mowed, weed eaten, curbs trimmed, and trash picked up. Take pride in your homes.

Also I would like to remind everyone in our rental units that we are responsible for the maintenance of the units. However, as stated in the Rental Agreement, it is the participant's responsibility to report problems and the need for repairs **immediately**.

The DTHP would like to remind everyone to observe all safety guidelines for using a grill or gas cooker and please do not store these items next to the siding of the houses. We have had several instances where residents have damaged the vinyl siding by placing a hot grill or gas cooker against the houses. Luckily, this has only resulted in minor damage so far, but the potential for fire or personal injury is a possi-

bility. Chimneys, outdoor fireplaces and outdoor fire pits are not allowed on the Rental Program property as the insurance company has identified these items to pose an increased risk of fire and injury. In addition, you are not to use higher than 60-watt bulbs in fixtures.

We all love our pets and the DTHP wants you to be able to have them. However, there are a few guidelines the DTHP requires you to follow. The policy of the DTHP is that our Rental Program participants may have up to two (2) pets, if the Pet Deposit has been paid and a completed Pet Application submitted to the DTHP. Dogs cannot exceed twenty-five (25) pounds at maturity. If your family has acquired a pet and you have not submitted the deposit and application, please contact the DTHP office.

The DTHP realizes that changes in households do occur over the course of time. If your household has experienced any changes in income or household size, the change must be reported to the DTHP **IMMEDIATELY**. If you do

not report changes immediately, you may have to repay all monies due, retroactively to the date the changes occurred.

There have been some administrative changes at the DTHP to increase efficiency. The DTHP will no longer be mailing monthly billing statements due to the rising cost of

postage. This however in no way changes your rent/payment due date. Your payment is still due on or before the 1st of each month.

There has been a change in the date that late fees will be assessed. Payments not received by the 10th of the month

will have a late fee of \$10.00 added to the account.

Filter changes on rental units will continue to be done on the 1st Tuesday and Wednesday of each month.

Wanishi,
DTHP staff ■

News from the Enrollment Department

Shirley Moore

The Delaware Tribe of Indians' Office of Enrollment is responsible for all aspects of tribal membership. This office maintains up-to-date tribal enrollment records, processes applications for tribal enrollment, processes relinquishments of tribal enrollment, issues Verification of Indian Preference forms (BIA Form 4432), and facilitates tribal elections by providing a list of eligible voters to the Election Committee.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP?

The first step in the process is printing out an Enrollment Application found on the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org/enrollment.htm). Fill it out and mail it by certified mail (with all necessary attached documentation, including **original** birth certificate) to the address on the form. After review and verification, you will be issued a tribal membership card and will begin receiving the quarterly newspaper, *Delaware Indian News*.

If you should need additional information, please contact Shirley Moore at 918-337-6570 or email at smoore@delawaretribe.org.

HOW DO I GET A PHOTO ID?

With our new enrollment software (described below), we will soon

be able to easily produce a tribal photo ID. To get one:

1. Download the APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP VERIFICATION CARD from the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org/enrollment.htm) or pick up a form at the Tribal Office.
2. Fill out the form (don't forget the genealogical information on the back).
3. Along with the form, send in a passport-sized photo. Please put your name and tribal roll number on the back of the photo.

We will mail you photo ID as soon as we are able to process the paperwork.

NEW ENROLLMENT SOFTWARE

The Enrollment Department is pleased to announce that the tribe has purchased a NEW ENROLLMENT SYSTEM. This state-of-the-art software, called **Progeny ES**, is now used by over 300 tribal enrollment offices. It will provide greatly expanded data management capabilities for the tribal enrollment database.

CHANGES IN ENROLLMENT STATUS

It is the duty of members to inform Tribal Enrollment of any change in their enrollment status. This can be anything from a new address

or telephone number to a name change due to marriage or divorce. If for any reason you need to update your enrollment status due to a recent change, simply print out a STATUS CHANGE FORM online at www.delawaretribe.org/enrollment.htm, fill it out, and mail it to the address found on the form. Alternatively, you can scan the status change form and email it to smoore@delawaretribe.org, fax it to (918) 337-6591, or simply bring it by the tribal offices if you live nearby. The tribe appreciates this GREATLY!!!

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Housing, After Hours Emergencies

If you have a maintenance emergency that occurs after regular business hours, please call the office at 918-789-2525. When you hear the recording you will receive directions to dial 2 to report a maintenance problem. Once you dial 2 you will hear a recording giving you additional choices.

For a maintenance emergency you will be instructed to dial 4 to be directed to the maintenance department cell phone, which is always with a maintenance technician 24 hours a day 7 days a week. You may need to leave a message on the cell phone. Please be sure to leave your name, address, contact number and the nature of the problem you are having.

Leaving all the above information is critical for us to be able to respond to your call. Thanks in advance. ■



Delaware Tribe Accounting Department

Jade Johnson

The Accounting department has received the new FY 2012 Indirect Cost Rate of 18.55%. This is an increase from the previous FY 2011 Indirect Cost rate of 15.76%. We are moving swiftly on the FY 2011 Audits for the Tribe, Trust, and Housing Program. We anticipate the audits are to be completed by the end of April 2012.

We have added a new member to the accounting team, Michael Taylor. Michael started January 1, 2012, and we are happy to have him join the team.

The Chief Financial Officer will be attending the Indirect Cost Summit on March 26-28 in Phoenix, AZ. This training is designed to show Tribal organizations how to compute their own indirect cost rate.

Last year, the Tribe contracted this task out.

The Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) for the Social Services building is coming along. The proposed start date is April 9, 2012 and the proposed completion date is November 10, 2012. The Tribe is hoping that the building will be completed by the next General Council meeting (see related article elsewhere in this issue).

The second ICDBG grant for the infrastructure and expansion of the Elder Nutrition Kitchen is still in the planning stages. The planning team is drafting designs for the kitchen expansion. The team is also making plans to survey the property and re-plat of the roads on the property. ■

Delaware Tribe Environmental Programs

Jimmie Johnson, DTEP Director

The Delaware Tribe Environmental Program staff recently attended an “Advanced Grant Writing” class facilitated by “The Falmouth Institute” in Las Vegas, Nevada. This three-day class covered all aspects of the grant writing process and provided our staff with a good structural foundation for grant writing endeavors.

While on the subject of grant writing, our Fiscal Year 2013 EPA GAP grant proposal has been submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency for approval. Items in this grant include: salaries for DTEP personnel; maintenance of the 2008 Honda Pickup Truck purchased from GAP funds in 2010; supervision and expansion of the existing recycling program; and research into the fields of E-Recycling (Comput-

ers, Cell Phones, Televisions, Miscellaneous Electronic Devices) and Energy Efficiency Auditing of our tribally-owned facilities and housing stock.

On another note, on April 21st 2012 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm the Delaware Tribe Environmental Program will be participating in “Operation Clean House,” a county-wide recycling event held at the ConocoPhillips parking lot and the Washington County Fairgrounds. Items that can be accepted at the ConocoPhillips parking lot are: compact fluorescent bulbs or tubes, pollutants, household cleaners and toxins, yard care products, pesticides, herbicides, acids, caustics, thinners, household flammable liquids, smoke alarms, oil based paints (NO LATEX or ACRYLIC PAINT), phar-

maceuticals, and electronics (cell phones, computers, TVs, VCRs, microwaves, rechargeable batteries, most electronic devices). Items that will be accepted in Dewey are: used motor oil, antifreeze, automotive batteries, car/pickup tires (limit 8, NO DEALERS) appliances (washers, dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators with Freon certificates). Waste that CANNOT be accepted at EITHER location; Alkaline batteries, latex paints, commercially-generated waste, radioactive waste, pressurized gas cylinders, explosives, ammunition, water-reactive chemicals, dioxins, unknowns, trash.

We encourage everyone to take advantage of this free event to properly dispose of household waste that can often be expensive to store and potentially be hazardous to your health.

Thank you. ■

Delaware Tribe Emergency Management

Jimmie Johnson, DTEP Director

Good day. The Delaware Tribe Emergency Management Office would like to remind everyone that Severe Storm season is here. We advise you to be aware of the weather conditions on a daily basis and remember that during storm season conditions can deteriorate rapidly, so be ready to take action on very short notice.

We would like to take this opportunity to explain some of the terms that you will hear relating to severe weather. A “Severe Thunderstorm Watch” means atmospheric conditions are favorable for the development of storms that are

likely to reach severe limits. A “Tornado Watch” means atmospheric conditions are favorable for the development of “super-cell” thunderstorms capable of producing large hail and tornadoes. A “Severe Thunderstorm Warning” indicates that a storm or storms have developed and will be affecting the warned areas; warnings are issued by county based on the geographic location of the storm cell.

A “Tornado Warning” means a storm has formed and the storm conditions are favorable for the development of a tornado. This also includes confirmed reports of tornadoes by

spotters, or even a radar-indicated tornado.

If you are located within the area that a Thunderstorm Watch or Tornado Watch has been issued we advise you to be aware of the weather conditions in your area and the conditions of approaching weather.

If you are located within the area that a Thunderstorm Warning or Tornado Warning has been issued we advise you to respond to, and follow, instructions given to you by the meteorologists on your television, radio, or NOAA Weather Radio.

STAY INFORMED... STAY SAFE!!!!!! ■

You Are Invited!

Have Lunch with the Elders

If you haven't been to lunch with your elders lately, we'd like to invite you to join us. Lunch is served at 12 noon, Monday through Friday, at the Delaware Community Center.

After lunch we have card games on Tuesday and Bingo on Thursday, and yes—there are prizes. The other three days we offer chair exercises in the mornings at 10:30. More activities will be added as we grow. Suggestions for other projects are welcome.

This is a Title VI program for Native American Elders, 60 and over. Native Americans under 60 and other guests can come eat for a small charge. Donations are appreciated. Come join us. ■

Blood Pressure Checks

Free blood pressure checks are available in the Delaware Community Center on the first Wednesday of each month from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. ■

Community

Whitney Thomas Crowned Miss Phoenix 2012

Whitney Thomas was recently crowned Miss Phoenix 2012 on Saturday January 28th, and will be preparing for the Miss Arizona pageant in June. She is the daughter of Kevin Thomas and Kala Ketchum (Delaware) and the granddaughter of Dee and Annette Ketchum (maternal), James Thomas, and Michael and Jeanette Gardner (paternal). Whitney is a 23-year-old graduate from California State University, Fullerton. She received her B.A. in Communications Entertainment Studies and minored in Women's Studies. One of her many passions is promoting her platform, *Love Doesn't Hurt: Supporting Victims of Domestic Violence*. She has volunteered at numerous shelters and coordinated events benefiting victims, through her involvement in her sorority, Alpha Chi Omega and as a member of the Miss America Organization. Whitney is a fourth-generation flutist who shares her love for music and the arts with her grandmother.



As a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians she is very involved in her culture and celebrates her heritage at the annual Delaware Tribal Powwow in Copan. Through competing in the Miss America Organization she has earned over \$5,000 in scholarships and plans to continue her education at Arizona State University, pursuing a Masters degree in Marketing. Her ultimate goal is to become an event planner, specializing in fundraising for charitable causes. ■

Wedding Anniversary Gilbert and Mary Watters

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert R. Watters of Copan, OK will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on March 24, 2012 at New Hope United Methodist Church in Dewey, OK.

Gilbert Ray Watters and Mary Louis Skye were united in marriage on March 24, 1952 at the First Baptist Church in Dewey, OK.

They moved to San Angelo, TX where Gilbert finished his tour of duty in the US Air Force at Goodfellow Air Force Base. In 1954, they returned to Dewey where they lived until 1974 when they built their home near Copan Lake west of Copan, OK.

Gilbert retired from Bartlesville Fire Department in 1979 and Mary retired from Phillips Petroleum Company in 1986.

Their children Bo and Carrie Ann Watters and Laura and Jack Maynor are hosting the reception on Saturday from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

Gilbert and Mary are very proud of their family. Their grandchildren are Jennifer Revard and her husband Chris; Jeremy Scott Johnson and wife Red Day; Jimmie John Johnson and wife Jade; Katie Wilson and her husband Tim; and the late Sarah Scimeca and her husband Bill Scimeca.



Their great-grandchildren are Chase Brantley and Lyndee Paige Revard; Marian Rae and Jennings Cash Johnson; Trey Christian, Grant Austin and Maura Lee Johnson; and Skye Elizabeth, Anna Rose and Beau Michael Scimeca. ■

48th Annual Delaware Powwow May 25-27, 2012

The 48th Annual Delaware Powwow will be held May 25, 26 and 27 at the Fred Fall Leaf Memorial Campgrounds. The campgrounds are located three miles east of Highway 75 on Road 600. Admission and parking are free.

This year's head staff includes: Head Singer Robert Crowels, Head Man Dancer Jason Bender, Head Lady Dancer Kristin Morrison, Master of Ceremonies Brad Kills Crow and Neil Lawhead, Stomp Dance MC David Tyner, Arena Directors Dude Blalock and Chris Soap, Host Northern Drum Red Land Singers.

Host gourd dance groups will be Osage Gourd Dancers

and Lenape Gourd Dance Society. Color Guard units will be Lenape Color Guard and Broken Arrow Color Guard.

The 2012 Delaware Powwow Princess will be Nawnee LittleAxe of Bartlesville.

On Friday, May 25, Gourd Dancing will begin at 6 pm and continue until 8 pm. Grand Entry is at 8 pm. Contests will be held each night in the various age groups. Stomp Dancing will be held Friday and Saturday nights following the Pow Wow.

On Saturday and Sunday, gourd dancing will be from 3 to 8 pm and Grand Entry at 8 pm.

Anyone caught selling meat pies or other food items will

be asked to leave the powwow grounds. A concession stand (with the world-famous Charburger) is available with proceeds going to the powwow. The Powwow Committee is not responsible for accidents or theft. If you are camping, please fill up your water containers before you come to the grounds. No chairs are to be set up around the arena prior to approximately 10 a.m.; an announcement will be made when it is time to set up chairs. The Delaware Powwow is the home of the "Dog Pound" and their Princess, LuAnn Hainline. For more information call 918-338-9358. ■

Arrivals

Sebastian Neil Orsburn was born to Faith Elkhair and Tim Orsburn on January 1, 2012, 5:05 pm at the Jane Phillips Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds and was 20 inches long.



Jim Thorpe Native American Games Coming To Oklahoma City

Press Release

An exciting week of athletic competition is coming to Oklahoma City in honor of one of Oklahoma's greatest athletes. The Jim Thorpe Native American Games will take place June 10-17, 2012 at different venues throughout Oklahoma City including: ASA Softball Hall of Fame, Remington Park, Oklahoma City Tennis Center, Oklahoma City University, Lincoln Park Golf Course, Millwood High School, and Bishop McGuinness High School.

Athletes representing Indian nations, bands and tribes from across the United States will gather to share their talents in the spirit of the "World's Greatest Athlete" and Native American Legend... Jim Thorpe. The Games will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Jim Thorpe's record setting Olympic performance in Sweden.

Over 3,000 Native American athletes are expected to participate in 11 different sports throughout the week that will include basketball, softball, baseball, tennis, wrestling, track and field, cross country, golf, martial arts, stickball and beach volleyball. Entry forms for all sports can be downloaded from the Jim Thorpe Games website.

In addition to these 11 sports, a Jim Thorpe Native American All-Star Football Game will take place on Friday, June 15, 2012. This game will showcase Native American high school seniors from across Oklahoma.

If you are interested in participating in the All-Star Game or if you are a high school coach who would like to nominate one of your players, contact the Jim Thorpe Native American Games office.

Remington Park will be the host site for the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Native American Art exhibit, Health Fair, College and Career Fair and traditional cultural exhibitions throughout the week. Remington Park will also be the site of an NFL Punt, Pass and Kick competition and a 5K Run.

Proceeds from the Games will benefit the Jim Thorpe Bright Path Youth Programs that include Jim Thorpe All-Star Games, Children's Challenge, Artfest and the statewide Red Ribbon Week. In addition, a portion of the proceeds will benefit the "Awakening the Spirit" Native American Diabetes Awareness and Prevention program of the American Diabetes Association.

Thousands of Native American athletes, primarily young people, will participate in the Jim Thorpe Native American Games; making it one of the largest events of its kind. In addition to the sporting events; cultural activities associated with the Games will include art show, traditional entertainment and sporting exhibitions.

"The Native American communities know the importance and value of supporting healthy lifestyle choices for



their youth. Some of the many benefits of the Games will include promoting leadership development, increasing cultural awareness and most importantly – motivating young people to achieve great things," said Annetta Abbott (Choctaw), Executive Director. "Our young people are not only the leaders of the future; they are the leaders of today."

For additional information on the Games contact Annetta Abbott, Executive Director, 405-208-9253 or aabbott@jimthorpegames.com or visit their website www.jimthorpegames.com.

Tribal members, please notify the office if you are participating in the games. Contact Chris Miller (cmiller@delawaretribe.org or 918-337-6590). ■



In Memoriam Raymond Cline

Text of 2010 Nomination for Indian Elder Honors, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)

Note: Mr. Cline was honored at the 2010 Indian Elder Honors event in Oklahoma City (http://nativetimes.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=4249&catid=49&Itemid=25).

Raymond M. Cline has served the Delaware Tribe of Indians for more than 20 years as a volunteer and as an elected official.

Raymond is the son of Shirley M (Secondine) Hutton and the late Michael N Cline. The grandson of Charles and Minnie (Parker) Secondine and Ben and Dora C (Sanders) Cline. He has one brother, Eddie L Cline; a half sister, Kathy A (Cline) Parrett; and a half brother, Harold D Cline. He is extremely proud of his Delaware and Cherokee heritage.

Raymond's dedication and service to the Delaware Tribe of Indians and the community at large has not gone unrecognized. In 1993, he was honored by Tribal Resolution and Chief Lewis Ketchum for his tireless work and dedication to the Delaware Tribe. Also in 1993, the Nowata Chamber of Commerce honored Raymond M. Cline with the Businessman of the Year Award. In addition to his continued commitment to the Delaware Tribe, Raymond serves on the Board of Directors for the Nowata City/County Library.

He is the president of the Nowata Historical Society, Museum and Glass Mansion (a private house museum); Chairman of the Nowata Educational Endowment Foundation; Museum for the Shenandoah Valley; and Chairman of the Nowata Chamber Industrial Foundation.

As chairman of Nowata Industrial Foundation, Raymond was instrumental in acquiring the location for the new Cherokee Nation Nowata Indian Clinic, which provides medical services to tribal members. He has been Chair of the Community Service committee since the creation of the Delaware Trust Board and has implemented programs to assist Delaware Tribal Members.

Raymond as a Tribal Council member believed strongly that the Trust Board and the Tribal Council should be working together to advance our Tribe economically, culturally, socially and educationally. Restoration of our Tribal Federal Recognition is of the most important issues facing our tribe. During the years under his watch as Chairman of the Trust Board, the Trust Board audit reports have been clean and trust business conducted in a businesslike manner. ■

Tribal Representatives Go to Business Trade Fair

Report on RES2012 – Las Vegas, NV

Wayne Stull, Chief Paula Pechonick, Earnest Tigger and Lesa Steele attended the 26th Annual Reservation Economic Summit (RES) on February 27 – March 1, 2012 at the Mandalay Bay Resort in Las Vegas, Nevada. RES 2012 is described as the premier American Indian economic and business development conference in the nation with over 3,000 attendees--a combination of a Reservation Economic Summit and American Indian Business Trade Fair. The theme of RES 2012 was “Indigenous Economic Globalization Now – EMPOWER. CREATE. INNOVATE.” This

theme was woven into all the week-long events, which included break-out sessions featuring some of the best minds in Indian Country on a variety of topics including energy and international trade, with a special panel discussion regarding tribal 8(a) programs and certification.

Beginning on Tuesday and Wednesday, the Tribe participated in the RES 2012 American Indian Business Trade Fair, which had hundreds of exhibitors from every industry doing business (or looking to do business) in Indian Country. We created a brochure outlining the product line and services

offered by Supply and Equipment International (SEI), contacted each business represented at the trade fair, and made personal contact to introduce them to what DEA partnered with SEI had to offer.

Before leaving for RES 2012, Earnest and Lesa attended a training session with the owner to educate ourselves with the key talking points to discuss with potential customers. Over 100 brochures were passed out to various prospects. We now have a listing of those prospects and are in the process of making follow-up contacts and providing additional information. We are also registering



SEI into various company databases as to what products/services we can supply.

Before leaving for RES 2012, we registered to participate in the RES 2012 Procurement Pavilion, which gave Native businesses access to business organizations and government entities looking for strategic alliances within Indian Country. We were matched with five major companies and met with each on Thursday, which proved to give the DEA several very promising leads to selling/

servicing our products in the future.

Now, upon our return, we are creating a database with the contacts that we made during RES 2012 and entering our information about the Tribe and SEI with those companies that we met with at the Procurement Pavilion and during the trade fair.

For further information about RES 2012, go to their web site at <http://res2012.biz>. ■



Delaware Enterprise Authority

Lesla Steele, Economic Development Coordinator

The swearing-in ceremony of Chief Paula Pechonick in November 2010 occurred with tribal members nationwide believing that the Delaware Tribe could achieve significantly more now and in the future than we have in the past. Since the day that Paula Pechonick became our first female chief, she has accepted the responsibility of reviewing and examining the effectiveness of our tribal government—all programs and projects and their level of responsiveness to all tribal members, whether local or in some distant location from our tribal headquarters. After a year and five months in office, the changes that have occurred under Chief Pechonick's administration are measurable

and visible through the construction activities that are underway, through the expansion of personnel and programs, through the level of funding, through the addition of grants and entitlement programs, and through the reactivation of the Delaware Enterprise Authority as the economic development arm of the Tribe.

Chief Pechonick now serves as the Vice President of the Delaware Enterprise Authority. In her role as Vice President, she is able to convey the importance of creating sustainable economic development projects that will be profitable for our Tribe and create high-wage and salary employment opportunities for our tribal members and others.

The DEA has spent the last several months researching and developing business plans and development strategies for two major economic development projects. We are now working to secure financing for our projects.

It should be mentioned here that our Tribe was allocated 22.5 million dollars in Tribal Economic Development (TED) Bonds through the United States Treasury in a program managed by the Internal Revenue Service under President Obama's American Recovery and Re-investment Act. Our Tribe, along with tribes throughout the nation, discovered that the TED bonds actually provided little to no incentive to attract financial

investment in tribal economic development projects. We were advised that less than five percent of the two billion dollars in tribal economic development bonds have actually been utilized by the 565 federally-recognized Indian tribes in our nation.

After spending several months exploring our options with the TED bonds, we are now working to accomplish the financing of our projects through conventional financing. The financial industry in the United States is an industry that is recovering from a near-fatal collapse and consequently lending requirements are more stringent now than ever. In spite of the restrictive conditions within the financial industry, the DEA is moving forward to finalize the financing for our business acquisitions. The DEA is looking forward to



making a major announcement soon in regard to our economic development program.

We are announcing here an employment opportunity for a generator mechanic/technician (see the job listing elsewhere in this issue). The initial employment opportunities will be located within northeastern Oklahoma, with the intent of creating a national company operating throughout the nation. As we finalize the purchase of a back-up power system company, we will provide our tribal members with plans for how we intend to grow the business, tribal employment/training programs, and the opportunities that this business will provide. ■

Lenape Language Preservation Project

Jim Rementer

What's New

In the Stories section of the Lenape Talking Dictionary we have recently added a story or anecdote told in 1939 by Willie Longbone (1867–1946). The title is *That Is Money*, and the URL of the story is:

<http://talk-lenape.org/story.php?story=42>

It is wonderful to have recordings made that long ago, and excerpts from the following article tell how they came into existence:

Willie's Tales

This last week Willie Longbone sang, the 71-year-old Delaware Indian, perched on a high stool, pounding a deer-skin drum. Willie Longbone sang for fun, but his audience, a seminar of the Linguistic Institute of America convened on the University of Michigan campus, plied their pencils feverishly, transcribing his words into phonetic symbols. Then for their benefit Willie translated his songs and long, chanted stories into English. Reason the scribbling audience paid such close attention was that Willie Longbone was speaking a nearly dead language.

Willie Longbone learned English at a Government school. Recently Professor Charles Voegelin of DePauw University discovered Willie on his 80-acre allotment in Oklahoma, and brought him to Ann Arbor for the summer session. Willie has already made some 50 phonographic recordings of Delaware songs and tales. Between performances

he walks around the University of Michigan campus in faded overalls, and a floppy straw hat.

--*Time Magazine, Aug. 07, 1939*

We hope to add more of his recordings in the future. Unfortunately many have been played so many times, probably by Dr. Voegelin, that the old records have become extremely worn and distorted. It takes a lot of time to prepare the sound files so they are understandable. We would like to thank Dr. Ives Goddard for his expertise in re-editing this story.

Project History

In 2002 the Lenape Language Preservation Project received a grant from the National Science Foundation to produce a dictionary database of Lenape. We had the database built to create a Lenape Talking Dictionary which could be placed online, and much of the funding went to digitizing and preserving our existing audiotapes made in past years with native speakers of Lenape. The Dictionary first went online in October 2005, and was officially online in February 2006.

In April 2011 we received a smaller DEL (Documenting Endangered Languages) grant, also from the National Science Foundation, to upgrade the dictionary database. Included in the upgrade is the ability to look up words using Lenape, and a better connection of the singular and plural forms. Also featured are Stories in Lenape which can be played line-by-line. At the present time there

are sixteen stories and two hymns to listen to and learn from.

On the top line click on the word "Stories" and you will be taken to a list of them. You can click on the red speaker icons to hear the titles of the stories. To hear the entire story click on the word "View" next to the name of the story. You will see the story written in short phrases or sentences in Lenape with a free English translation under it. There are a series of red speaker icons and by clicking each one you will hear the Lenape for that line. As the previous line finishes playing if you click the next icon and then the next on down through the story you can hear the story as it was spoken in its entirety. We will be adding more stories as time permits.

One of the stories entitled *One Wehixamukès Story* was translated into French by Valérie Leteinturier in 1989, and this story is also translated into German by Dr. Grant Leneaux, a Delaware tribal member and a professor of language so non-English speakers are able to read a sample of a true Lenape story.

Additional Information

The Talking Dictionary is a work in progress. At present the number of Lenape words in the Dictionary is 15,250 and we have many more to add. Of these words over 6,250 have sound files, and over 1,650 have sample sentences. We continue to convert audiotapes of Lenape speakers to digital format, which are then edited to extract the Lenape words.

View the Talking Dictionary online at <http://talk-lenape.org>.

These are then entered into the Dictionary database and become immediately available on the Internet. We should mention that the sound files are not all of studio quality. Most were recorded whenever and wherever possible – sitting in someone's living room, on their porch, in a classroom, etc., so you may hear a dog barking in the background, or a baby cry-

ing, or other people talking.

We hope you will find this useful as a learning tool. We will continue adding to the Grammar and Lessons sections so you can start learning how to construct sentences in Lenape. It is now up to the Lenape people who want to learn the language to make good use of this material the Lenape elders left for your benefit. ■

Mini-Lesson in Lenape Greetings and Pleasantries

If you see someone you know, you say:

Kulamàlsi hàch?	How are you?
Hè! Kulamàlsi hàch?	Hi! How are you?

The person may reply:

Nulamàlsi	I am fine
Osòmi	Fine
Ku mayay	Not really

When you are greeting two persons or more at the same time, you will use:

Kulamàlsihëmo hàch?	How are y'all?
Hè! Kulamàlsihëmo hàch?	Hi! How are y'all?

The response may be Osòmi or Ku mayay as given above, or it may be:

Nulamàlsihëna	We're fine
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Obituaries



John Richard Buoy

Mr. John Richard Buoy, 61, of Winfield, formerly of Oglesby, Okla., passed away January 28, 2012, at home.

John was retired from the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Postal Service.

John was honored with special medals, ribbons and awards because of his involvement in the Vietnam War, the Gulf War and Desert Storm.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Stella Buoy; brothers, Carl and Jack Buoy; sister, Joyce Hartness; and father and mother-in-law, Richard and Dorothy Null.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Mrs. Charlotte Null Buoy; daughters, Mamie and Stella Buoy; sisters and brothers, Maudine Hindman, Harold Buoy, Ben Buoy, James Buoy and Mary Suzie Buoy; and beloved pug, Pixie Lou Buoy.

The family would like to say a special thank you to all the Hospice staff, especially Tammy Hale and Mary Dunlap.

A tribute to the life of Mr. John Richard Buoy will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 1, at Gatens-Harding Funeral

Home with Pastor Joey Scarborough and Chaplin Pete Thompson officiating. Burial with full military honors will follow at Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.hardingfamilygroup.com.

Gatens-Harding Funeral Home, 147 Main St., Poca, is serving the Buoy family. ■



Raymond Michael Cline

Funeral services for Raymond Michael Cline will be Thursday, 2:00 p.m., March 8, 2012 at Hillside Christian Church with Ben Killion and Van Longbons officiating. Interment will follow at Nowata Relocated Cemetery. Services have been entrusted to Benjamin Funeral Service.

Raymond Michael Cline, 62, passed away Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at his home in Nowata, Oklahoma. Raymond was born on August 12, 1949 to Michael N. and Shirley (Secondine) Cline in Nowata, Oklahoma. Raymond graduated from Nowata High School and then

went on to college at NEO. He was a member of Hillside Christian Church and lived his life in the Nowata area. As a business man in Nowata he was very active in his community.

Raymond's Delaware tribal elders gave him the name *Notemos*, which means "one who looks out for others and is a caregiver." This is an accurate description of him not only in his interactions with people but also in his care for the city and county in which he lived and has been witnessed by all who knew him.

Raymond has participated in numerous fundraising activities, giving generously of his resources and time for individuals in need as well as community related projects. He was one of the most vocal supporters of this community, serving on many local boards serving in some capacity using his wisdom to promote our community in the best possible way. He had a vast store of knowledge that we have been able to call upon when we have had problems that needed solutions.

In 1993, Raymond was named Nowata Chamber of Commerce Businessman of the Year and also received the Nowata Area Chamber of Commerce 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award. He served on the Board of Directors for the Nowata City-County Library, Glass Mansion Museum, Chairman of the Nowata Educational Endowment Foundation and the Museum of the for the Shenandoah Valley. As chairman of the Nowata Industrial Foundation, Mr. Cline was instrumental in acquiring a location for the Cherokee Nation

Will Rogers Health Center located in Nowata. He was also a philanthropist, frequently coming to the aid of causes such as the Nowata Animal Shelter among others. He has come full circle by serving as President of the Nowata Historical Society, which is located in the building that once housed the hospital where he was born.

Raymond Cline was among those recognized at the 2010 AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. Raymond served the Delaware tribe for more than 20 years, most recently serving as trust board chairman and as tribal council treasurer. He has been chairman of the community service committee since the creation of the Delaware Trust Board and has implemented programs to assist Delaware tribal members. He served as tribal council treasurer for 20 years.

Raymond always looked for the positive and expected the same approach of others. He has always been ready to assist when there is a need and he did it without fanfare. Raymond had a way of encouraging others to try to do their best and getting them involved in the community and its organizations that work to improve the quality of life for others. His life has been an exemplary example of a lifetime of serving others.

Raymond is survived by his mother, Shirley M. Hutton of Nowata, Oklahoma; one son, Tracie Morrison and wife Lisa of Chelsea, Oklahoma; two brothers, Eddie Lee Cline of Forestville, California and

Harold Dean Cline; one sister, Cathy Parrett and husband Bill of Nowata, Oklahoma; and two nieces.

Raymond is preceded in death by his father, Michael N. Cline.

Online condolences can be left at www.honoringmemories.com. Family has asked that memorial contributions be sent to the Nowata Historical Society or the Nowata City/County Library. ■

John Robert Jackson

John Robert Jackson, 63, of Bartlesville, died Wednesday [January 18, 2012] at the Jane Phillips Medical Center.

Mr. Jackson was born on July 31, 1948, in Pawnee, OK, and was raised in various communities in Kansas and Oklahoma. He enjoyed the Indian powwows, stomp dancing and cheering on his favorite football team OU. Boomer Sooner!

Mr. Jackson is survived by his daughter Leandra Jackson; four grandchildren; one brother David Lee Jackson; one sister Sandra Niles; one uncle James Jackson; three aunts, Rosetta Coffey, Betty Notah and Jean Kirkendall; and a host of other family and friends.

A traditional Delaware Indian Wake will be held on Friday evening January 20, 2012, at the Delaware Tribal Headquarters. Graveside services will be held 10 a.m. on Monday, January 23, 2012, at the Delaware Indian Cemetery north of Dewey.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Davis Family Funeral Home. ■

Preserving Delaware History: Documents, Books, Pictures

Anita Mathis

The project to preserve Delaware history discussed in the last two issues of this newspaper continues. We continue to collect books, other documents, images, and artifacts.

Tribal members are welcome to come to my office and see what is being done to preserve our Tribal history. I have begun to receive donations from Tribal members that have been true treasures for our Tribe.

I am located in the Tribal Offices next to the Elder Housing, Monday-Thursday 10:00am to 4:00pm.

We are hoping to pursue larger grants that will help us build and equip a tribal museum building, but in the meantime these digital copies of our tribal records provide us the opportunity to share them more widely and also

help ensure their long-term preservation.

As tribal members we hope you will donate pictures, artifacts, or any information on past Tribal members, customs, dress, books, activities etc. For now material can be scanned and/or photographed and returned to the owner; eventually we would love donations or long-term loans of the actual objects.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or to make arrangements to donate or loan any pictures, documents, books, artifacts or anything related to our Delaware Heritage.

With your help this can be a tremendous success.

Thank you.

Anita Davis Mathis
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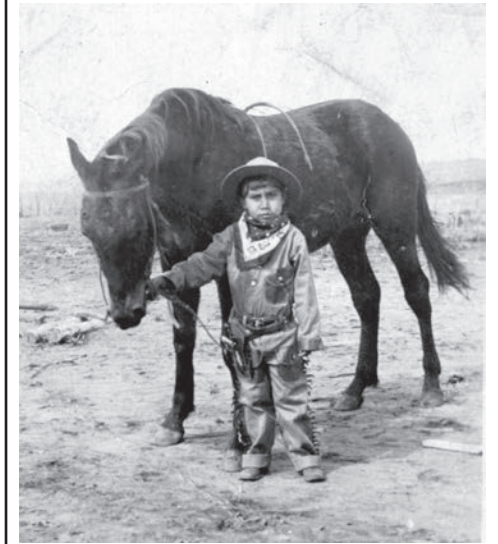


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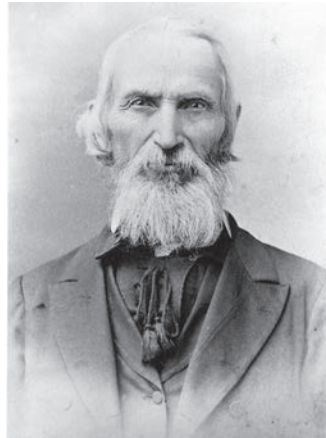


Grandma Brown

Do you know who this is?



If you do, please contact Anita Davis Mathis at (918) 440-8734 or amathis@delawaretribe.org



Charles Journeycake



Raymond Cline



Earl Wilkerson



Lincoln Owen Longbone (Buster)

If you have any pictures, documents, books, or artifacts to donate or loan to the Tribal Archives, please contact Anita Mathis at amathis@delawaretribe.org or at 918-440-8734. The material can be scanned or photographed and returned to you if requested; otherwise the items will be stored securely for use in the future once the museum is built. ■



John Anderson and Reed Wilson



Geneva Howard, Anna Davis, and Elizabeth West



John Sumpter, Bonnie Thaxton and Bea Shull Freeland



Elgia Bryan

Minutes of the Tribal Council, December 2011-February 2012

Monday, Dec 5, 2011 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the December 5th meeting to order at 6pm. Annette Ketchum gave the invocation. Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Janifer Brown, Wayne Stull, Verna Crawford and Jenifer Pechonick.

The Chief recognized the guests present: Annette and DeAnn Ketchum, Charles and Mary Randall, Cass Smith, Jimmie and Jade Johnson, Vicki Sousa, Curtis Zunigha, Nate and Buck Young, Jack Tatum and Earnest Tiger.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve the amended agenda. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Discussion: SAMSHA will be at the January meeting and Curtis Zunigha asked to be on the agenda. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 7, 2011 meeting. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed with one abstention (Verna Crawford).

Treasurer's report: Jade Johnson presented the financials.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the financials pending audit. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Reports in Packet:

Shirley submitted an ICWA report; Don Mason will give a report about ICWA at the next meeting.

Housing submitted an update on applications, move-ins and vacancies.

New Business:

Former Chief Curtis Zunigha presented to the Council the need for a five year strategic plan for the Tribe.

Verna Crawford made a motion to hold the January meeting on the 9th of January, 2012. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: We need to post this on the website. Motion passed all in favor.

There is an empty Tribal Council seat. Four tribal members expressed interest in the vacancy.

DeAnn Ketchum, Cass Smith and Nate Young spoke. Joe Brooks was not present but expressed interest by letter.

A vote was taken. Nate Young was sworn in to fill the vacancy.

Wayne Stull made a motion for a joint meeting between the Tribe and Trust. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: The Trust Board requested a joint meeting with the Tribal Council. The joint meeting will be held between the Trust and Tribe meetings on January 9, 2012.

Charles Randall submitted some suggestions to the Tribal Council of Constitutional changes for review. He also suggested a Code of Conduct.

Resolutions:

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve resolution 2011-30 Approval of Tribal Membership. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: there are 12 new members. Motion passed all in favor.

Other Business:

Jack Tatum said that we need to come up with a solution of how to conduct business at the General Council meeting.

Charles Randall said that he thinks that his suggestions will remedy this.

The Council went into Executive Session.

The Council returned to regular session at 8:15.

Nate Young made a motion the Tribe does not acknowledge any legal liability from any contract that may have existed between employees and the former Housing Authority. 2nd Wayne Stull. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to accept recommendations from executive session regarding personnel. 2nd Wayne Stull. Motion passed all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Monday, Jan 9, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the January 9th meeting to order at 6pm. Chet Brooks gave the invocation. Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Janifer Brown, Wayne Stull, Verna Crawford, Nathan Young and Jenifer Pechonick.

The Chief recognized the guests present. Melanie Downs, Montana Adams, Priscilla and Don Mason, Charles and Mary Randall, Cy Hughes, Jimmie and Jade Johnson, Laura and Jack Maynor, Vicki Sousa, Teri Jo Aaroe, Nancy Sumpter, John Sumpter, Lacey Harris, CeCe Biggoose, Curtis Zunigha, Marilyn and James Coffey, Verna Artherton, Mike and Amy Marshall, Jack Tatum

Barbara Wallace, Tonya Anna, Shirley Moore, Vicki Sousa and Earnest Tiger.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve the amended agenda. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: Changes include: Education donations, personnel policies, add an executive session. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections from the December 5, 2011. 2nd Wayne Stull. Correction: Verna was left off the roll call. Motion passed all in favor.

Treasurer's report:

Janifer Brown presented the financials, she said the financials are correct as far as the amount of money in each fund and the amount of money spent, however, the column entitled variance is incorrect.

Wayne Stull made a motion to table the financials until the February meeting. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Curtis Zunigha was hired as Tribal Manager. Mike Taylor was hired as an addition to the accounting staff as a clerk.

Don Mason went to the ICWA conference in November. His goal was to make contact with other tribal Child Support Enforcement departments. The Kaw Nation and the Cherokee's have strong programs.

Resolutions:

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve resolution 2012-01 Approval of Tribal Membership. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: there are 11 new

members. Motion passed all in favor.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve resolution 2012-02 to approve the submission of the SEDS ANA grant. 2nd Wayne Stull. Motion passed all in favor.

Other Business:

POLL VOTES

Dec 22, 2011 – Apply for ICD-BG vote passed all in favor.

Dec 29, 2011 – Vote on Tribal Manager from applications received.

Verna made a motion to ratify the poll votes. 2nd Nathan Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Lacey Harris read two letters from donors who sent donations to our scholarship fund. One was from a foundation and another from a tribal member, Stewart Meyer. She presented two checks. The Tribal Council accepted the donations. Wayne Stull said we need to print a thank you in the newspaper.

Chet Brooks made a motion that the Tribal Council provide \$3,000 of funding to the Veteran's Group and \$4,000 to the Elder's Committee in 2012 as needed, if available with the Trust money being spent first. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Discussion: the Chief noted the combination of the Tribe and Trust contribution make the budget of the two line items greater than the total budget of the Cultural Preservation and the Land Management. Nancy Sumpter said that she feels two people keep fighting the resolution (she pointed to Chief and Janifer Brown). The Chief said that she is not against it but

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she feels like the Tribe doesn't have money to match the Trust. Janifer Brown said that she had never seen a budget and wants to know about the oversight of the money. The Chief said the Veterans received \$500 from the Cultural Committee and asked John Sumpter how the money was spent. He said they used the money to eat at Rib Crib because they weren't fed at the event. The Chief said they used the money to make a donation at the War Mother's. John Sumpter said the color guard donated their time; he donated his personal money to the children, and the Veteran's Committee donated money given to them by the Cultural Committee to the Straight Dance Contest. Jenifer Pechonick asked for a budget for the Elder proposal. Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis Zunigha said that he will do everything in his authority to make sure the staff is able to carry out the directives of the Tribal Council.

Nathan Young recognized the Department heads and tribal employees present.

Nathan Young motion to go into Executive Session 2nd Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

The Council went into Executive Session.

The Council returned to regular session at 7:30pm.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to send Chief Pechonick and Earnest Tiger to RES2012. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed, 6 yes and 1 abstain (Chief Pechonick).

Verna Crawford made a motion when the next CD matures, we need cash it in and use money to pay for enrollment system, the Veteran's Commit-

tee, Elder's Committee and for tribal Business manager salary and to put the remainder back into a CD. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Monday, Feb 6, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the February 6th meeting to order at 6pm. Chet Brooks gave the invocation in Lenape and English. Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Janifer Brown, Wayne Stull, Verna Crawford, Nathan Young and Jenifer Pechonick.

The Chief recognized the guests present. Charles and Mary Randall, Curtis Zunigha, Rick Barnes, Priscilla and Don Mason, Titus Frenchman, James Hammon, Greg Brown, Earnest Tiger, Vicki Sousa, CeCe Biggoose, Marilyn and James Coffey.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the agenda. 2nd Wayne Stull. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections from January 9, 2012. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed all in favor.

Treasurer's report: Janifer Brown presented the financials. She said there is a note added to the November financials regarding the NAGPRA drawdown, it has since been resolved but it is applicable to the December financials as well.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the financials pending audit. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Unfinished Business

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve housing policies including: Indian Preference Policy, Housing Inspection Policy, Pet Policy, Continued Occupancy – Rental Program, Collection Policy – Low Rent and Homeownership. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: Nathan Young wanted the audience to know that the Council came together to review these policies and worked together to review them. Vicki Sousa asked about the 25lb limit on the dogs. Wayne Stull asked for Curtis Zunigha and Melanie Downs to work together to shut down the former housing authority website, have a tab on the Tribe's website for housing and include the approved policies. Motion passed all in favor.

Greg Brown and Jim Hammon reported on a consultation that they attended at Delaware Water Gap, paid for by National Park Service. NPS wanted the Tribe to consult on a large power line that is scheduled to run through Delaware Water Gap. Although none of the proposed actions would impact the area of the Tribe's fairly recent reburial of ancestral remains, the Tribe, as well as several other tribes, was asked to comment on the power line and what the impact would be to the Tribe's concerns (especially archaeological sites along the river and elsewhere in the Park). Consultation is very important and something the Historic Preservation Office does 50 or 60 times a month as part of the Section 106 process, but because this is a very large and important project (to run electricity from western Pennsylvania to New York and New Jersey), the Tribe ought to make a strong statement, hence

the request for a tribal resolution. The National Park Service solicited comments not only from the Tribe, but from other affected groups, before making its recommendation about whether to approve a permit to allow the line to be run through the Delaware Water Gap. The tribes brought in for consultation all agreed that our recommendation should be to deny the permit—the so-called "No Action" alternative. There were many conservation groups who also objected. However, the project may happen regardless (at which time the Tribe will have additional opportunities to consult and participate in the decision making process). The park will make a preliminary recommendation in March and its final recommendation in October, taking tribal comments into consideration.

Chet Brooks made a motion to approve resolution 2012-03 as the Tribe's official comment on the Susquehanna to Roseland 500kV Transmission Line Right-of-Way and Special Use Permit Draft Environmental Impact Statement recommending no action. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

New Business

RESOLUTIONS:

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve resolution 2012-04 Approval of Tribal Membership. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Discussion: there are 5 new members. Motion passed all in favor.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve resolution 2012-05 to approve Requesting the US Congress to declare the Claremore Indian Hospital and Surrounding Parcel of land as Indian Country under 18 U.S.C.

1151(B). 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Other Business

Nathan Young said Tribal Judges Don Mason, Charles Randall and Rick Barnes will start meeting on a regular schedule.

Titus Frenchman said Kerry Holton, President of the Delaware Nation and Cara Cowan Watts, Councilwoman from Cherokee Nation, spoke at the Elder's lunch last week and asked for a resolution to help clarify our position on the issue of fake tribes. Jenifer Pechonick asked that we be mindful to not exclude our Canadian brothers and sisters. Five years ago, the resolutions would have been against the Delaware Tribe of Indians. Wayne Stull asked Titus Frenchmen to supply Curtis Zunigha with the sample resolutions. Curtis Zunigha asked if the Council wanted to have community meetings to obtain additional input.

Janifer Brown asked Titus Frenchmen for an updated Elder's Budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. ■



NOTE

Minutes of both Tribal Council and Trust Board are posted monthly on the official tribal web site at www.delawaretribe.org. Other information including enrollment/registration, community and education services, scholarship application forms, job openings, and more may also be found on the site.

Minutes of the Delaware Trust Board, December 2011-February 2012

Monday, Dec 5, 2011 Delaware Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by
Lacey Harris*

Call to Order: 4:15pm

Invocation: Earnest Tiger

Roll call: Members present: Verna Crawford, Chet Brooks, Wayne Stull, TJ Aaroe, Joe Brooks, John Sumpter, and DeAnn Ketchum

Guests: Chief Pechonick, Nancy Sumpter, Titus Frenchman, Janifer Brown, Charles Randall, Mary Randall, and Verna Artherton.

Others present: Lacey Harris, Vicki Sousa, and Ernest Tiger.

Wayne entertained a **motion** to accept the agenda as presented. Joe Brooks made the motion, Verna Crawford seconded. All in favor and passed.

Wayne Stull welcomed guests and swore in DeAnn Ketchum.

Approval of October 3, 2011 Minutes

Verna made a **motion** to approve minutes with corrections. Chet Brooks seconded. All in favor and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Wayne called for the Treasurer's report. Board reviewed the financials. The current budget will go through January.

Joe Brooks made a **motion** to accept the Treasurer's report pending audit. All in favor and passed.

Chet made a **motion** to reconsider the current proposed budget, and ultimately have the committees of each program oversee and revise their own budgets. Joe Brooks seconded. All in favor and passed.

Programs Report

Land Management: Gary Deckard told Wayne he needs to form an LLC before they can deed the cemeteries. Wayne said he has passed that information on to the Tribal Attorney.

Economic Development: Earnest Tiger stated that three investment groups have requested additional information on the current projects DEA is working on. He has met with Christopher James about restoring SBA 8(a). He will also be meeting again with SBA to see about furthering 8(a) certification.

Community Service/Education: The committee will

meet the following Monday at 2:00pm.

Reinvestment: Nothing to report.

Cultural Preservation: Chet Brooks reports that there was a Stomp Dance held at the Fall-leaf Pow-Wow grounds. The Stomp Dance raised around \$2,000.

Tribal Operations: Nothing to report.

New Business

No new business.

Other Business

No other business.

Joe Brooks made a **motion** to go into executive session. Chet

seconded, meeting closed by executive session at 4:47pm.

Monday, Jan 9, 2012 Delaware Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by
Lacey Harris*

Call to Order: 4:07

Innovation: Earnest Tiger

Roll call: Members present were Verna Crawford, Chet Brooks, Wayne Stull, TJ Aaroe, Joe Brooks, John Sumpter, and DeAnn Ketchum.

Guests: Chief Pechonick, Nancy Sumpter, Janifer Brown, Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Verna Artherton, Laura Maynor, Jack Maynor, Cy

Hughes, Amy Marshall, Don Mason, Priscilla Mason, Barbara Wallace, and Toyna Anna.

Others present: Curtis Zunigha, Lacey Harris, Tribal Attorney Vicki J. Sousa, Jimmie Johnson, Jade Johnson, Earnest Tiger, Melanie Downs, Marilyn Coffey, CeCe Biggoose, and Mike Marshall.

Wayne Stull welcomed all guests. Verna Crawford made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Joe Brooks seconded. All in favor, passed.

Approval of December 5, 2011 Minutes

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve minutes with corrections *continued on page 17*

TRIBAL COMMITTEES FOR 2012

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Chair: T.J. Aaroe
Co-Chair: Verna Crawford
Members: Darrell Glenn, Chet Brooks, Mary Huddleston, John Sumpter, Titus Frenchman.
Staff support: Lacey Harris.

EDUCATION

Chair: Verna Crawford
Co-Chair: T.J. Aaroe
Members: Darrell Glenn, Chet Brooks, Mary Huddleston, John Sumpter, Titus Frenchman.
Staff support: Lacey Harris.

CULTURAL PRESERVATION

Chair: Chet Brooks
Co-Chair: John Sumpter
Members: Paula Pechonick, Jan Brown, Jenifer Pechonick, Jack Tatum, Jim Hammon, Bonnie Thaxton, Anita Mathis, Kenny Brown, Bruce Martin.
Staff support: Jim Rementer

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chair: Wayne Stull
Co-Chair: Joe Brooks
Members: Jenifer Pechonick, Verna Crawford, Earnest Tiger.
Staff support: Lesa Steele

LAND MANAGEMENT

Chair: DeAnn Ketchum
Co-Chair: Wayne Stull
Members: Annette Ketchum, Steve Fallleaf, Jo Griffith, Jenifer Pechonick, Titus Frenchman.
Staff support: Curtis Zunigha

TRIBAL OPERATIONS

Chair: Joe Brooks
Co-Chair: DeAnn Ketchum
Staff support: Curtis Zunigha

REINVESTMENT

Chair: John Sumpter
Co-Chair: Chet Brooks
Members: Cass Smith, Nicky Michael, Jania Stark, Bruce Martin.
Staff support: Jade Johnson

ELDERS

Chair: Titus Frenchman
Vice-Chair: Barbara Wallace
Treasurer: Susan Cade

VETERANS

Chair: John Sumpter
Vice Chair: Kenny Brown
Sergeant-At-Arms: Glenn Miller

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rections. Joe Brooks seconded. All in favor, passed. **Corrections:** TJ Aaroe will be the Vice Chair of Education and DeAnn Ketchum will be Vice Chair of Tribal Operations.

Treasurer's Report

Wayne Stull called for the Treasurer's report. Curtis Zunigha reported that it is unavailable yet due to computer issues. Curtis explained to Wayne that one of the deficiencies is the Tribe's accounting software. The accounting software is web based and uses, for licensing reasons, the Child Care Center server. The vast amount of data being transmitted is causing the system to crash. He stated that Andy Grimes, the IT technician working with the Child Care Center, is going to upgrade the connection with the Child Care server. The software will still be protected and accessed by the accounting department only. The upgrade will take place on January 21st and 22nd. The next goal is to have up to date financials.

Joe Brooks made a motion to table the financials. DeAnn Ketchum seconded. All in favor, passed.

Committees

Land Management (Wayne Stull, DeAnn Ketchum, Annette Ketchum, Steve Fallleaf, Joe Griffith, John Sumpter, Jenifer Pechonick and Titus Frenchman). Susan Cade had questions on management of cemeteries. Gary Deckard would like Vicki Sousa to contact him about the Tribe setting up a LLC. There was question on who will open and close graves. Wayne suggested Homer Scott.

Economic Development (Wayne Stull, Joe Brooks, Earnest Tiger, Jenifer Pechonick, and Verna Crawford).

Community Service/Education (TJ Aaroe, Verna Crawford, Darrell Glenn, Chet Brooks, John Sumpter, Mary Huddleston, and Titus Frenchman).

Reinvestment (John Sumpter and Chet Brooks).

Cultural Preservation (Chet Brooks, John Sumpter, Paula Pechonick, and Janifer Brown).

Tribal Operations (Joe Brooks, DeAnn Ketchum, Bruce Martin, Nicky Michael, Cass Smith, and Jamie Stark).

Old Business

Chet Brooks made a motion to reduce the age at which eyeglass assistance could be obtained to age 55. All in favor, passed.

New Business

Chet Brooks made a motion to rescind the budget accepted October 4th, and return to the budget prepared by Jade Johnson. Joe Brooks seconded. All in favor, passed.

Other Business

No other business

Meeting adjourned at 5:04pm.

Monday, Feb 6, 2012 Delaware Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by
Lacey Harris*

Call to Order: 4:20pm

Invocation: Earnest Tiger

Roll call: Members present: Chairman Wayne Stull, Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks, Treasurer TJ Aaroe, members DeAnn Ketchum, John Sumpt-

er, Joe Brooks, and Secretary Verna Crawford.

Guests: Lacey Harris, Earnest Tiger, Jan Brown, Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa, John Randall, Charles Randall, Chief Pechonick, Nancy Sumpter, Jade Johnson, Greg Brown, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, and Titus Frenchman.

Chet Brooks moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.

Approval of January 9, 2012 Minutes

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve minutes with corrections. Joe Brooks seconded. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Wayne noted that the November and December Financials had been tabled at the January meeting.

Verna Crawford made a motion to accept the November and December financial reports pending audit. TJ seconded. All in favor and passed.

Unfinished Business:

Committee Reports

Economic Development: Earnest Tiger reported on a January 17th meeting in Oklahoma City concerning the financing of the current projects. One loan approval for the Generator project with Oklahoma State Bank with 100% loan guarantee.

Land Management: Committee Chairperson DeAnn Ketchum reported that a sub-committee was formed for the cemeteries. Wayne stated that committees are open to tribal members. Wayne suggested to DeAnn to coordinate with Vicki

Sousa to work on the cemeteries. John Sumpter questioned if the sub-committees could work as a limited liability company. DeAnn asked who will head the sub-committee, and Titus responded there was some suggestion for him to look into it. Curtis Zunigha stated that there is no meeting set for land management at this time, and looking into an LLC is needed. John mentioned a meeting for land management to be set up for March 1st at 2pm. Verna

suggested Edna Havens be on the sub-committee. John and Titus will also serve on that committee.

Community Service/Education: The committee will meet the following Monday, January 16th at 2:00pm.

New Business:

No new business.

Other Business:

No other business.

Meeting adjourned at 4:52pm. ■

Cultural Preservation Program Committee Report

Annette Ketchum

The Trust Board's Cultural Preservation committee meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month. The committee is chaired by Chet Brooks and co-chaired by John Sumpter. It is an open meeting for any tribal member to observe.

The cultural committee makes decisions pertaining to the Delaware Culture and oversees the Trust Distribution Funds allocated for our culture. Those departments working closely with the Cultural Preservation Program are: elders committee, children programs, historical preservation, and document preservation.

For the past year or more Cultural Preservation dinner gatherings have been on hold. However, the committee voted to restart this activity and have it monthly, not weekly. The first gathering is April 10. (It will generally be on the second Tuesday of the month.)

The dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish to share. The plates, silverware,

cups, etc. will be provided. At 7:00 the leaders will be teaching and demonstrating the traditional dances, shell shaking and the lead dance. We encourage people of all ages to come and learn. Girls, be sure to bring your cans.

In May Culture Preservation will sponsor "Delaware Night" at the Fall-Leaf Dance Grounds on Thursday May 24, at 6:00 p.m., at the Thaxton Camp. It will be a covered dish dinner. Please bring your dishes, and plan to visit with many Delaware friends and families you have not seen since last year. It is a beautiful time together. Dancing will follow after dark. This is the start of the 48th Annual Delaware Pow Wow Weekend.

On September 28 and 29 the annual Delaware Days Celebration will be held at Fall-Leaf Dance Grounds. The covered dish dinners will be at 6:30 p.m. each evening. More details will be published regarding this annual event. Put it on your calendar. ■

Delaware Tribe Historic Preservation Office

Brice Obermeyer

The Delaware Tribe's Historic Preservation Office (DTHPO) is tasked with protecting and preserving sites of cultural and religious significance to the Delaware Tribe. Such sites include current and past gravesites, archaeological sites, traditional cultural properties and reburial locations.

The DTHPO is funded by the revenue generated from the consultation fees provided by private companies who require our services. A vast majority of our daily time is spent providing formal and timely responses to consultation requests from public and private companies. Beyond such routine work, we also have the following news items to share about our work over the past few months.

Cemetery Preservation

As reported in the December issue of the *Delaware Indian News*, we are pleased to be able

to provide for the preservation and maintenance of Delaware cemeteries beginning in the Spring of 2012. Our inaugural efforts will begin with the Delaware, Busby, Silverlake and Jackson-Falleaf cemeteries in Washington County with plans to extend this service to the additional four counties in the Delaware Service area in subsequent years. While we have the locations of many Delaware cemeteries in Oklahoma, we are also aware that there are other unrecorded burial locations in Washington and other counties and we would like to include such locations in our database so that we may have a lasting record and protect them from any future disturbance.

If you know of such unrecorded locations, please contact Brice Obermeyer at (918) 335-7026 or bobermeyer@delawaretribe.org.

2012 Flint Hills Conference, April 6-7, 2012

Our office is partnering with the Osage Nation to host the 2012 Flint Hills Conference at the campus of Emporia State University in Emporia, KS on April 6-7, 2012. The Flint Hills Conference is a regional meeting of archaeologists and advocates with an interest in the archaeology and history of Eastern Kansas and Oklahoma. The conference will include presentations on regional archaeology, tribal historic preservation and Delaware and Osage NAGPRA related issues. Participation at the conference is free and we encourage anyone with an interest to attend. If you would like to attend the conference or contribute a presentation, please contact our office at bobermeyer@delawaretribe.org.

NAGPRA-Funded Research

Following our extensive consultations with the State Museum of Pennsylvania, New York University College of Dentistry and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology at Harvard University in summer 2011, as well as several other institutions with shared collections in the region, we have now digitized and reviewed all of the provided inventories, photographs, primary and secondary documents and site files for five Delaware affiliated historic cemeteries and a dozen isolated burials. There are several hundred individual burials that were excavated from these sites that await reburial.

Documentation and Repatriation of the Wapwallopen Site

Our consultation and review of the collected information from the State Museum of Pennsylvania (SMOP) identified the Wapwallopen site as the first collection to seek repatriation. Wapwallopen is a historic Delaware village (ca. 1740-1760) located along the Susquehanna River in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. We have identified this site as our primary site to be repatriated because (1) the Notice of Inventory Completion for the site has been posted and it is already affiliated with the Delaware Tribe and the Delaware Nation, (2) it appears from our research that all of the remains that were excavated are held by one institution, and (3) the records from the excavation are thorough enough for us to most confidently identify the funerary objects and re-associate them with the appropriate individuals.

To ensure that all of the human remains and funerary objects were accounted for, Greg Brown travelled to the SMOP in Harrisburg, PA to research the Wapwallopen collection from February 21-24. His research on the collection answered many unresolved questions and we now feel confident that all the human remains and funerary objects that were excavated are in the museum AND are now associated with the correct individuals. Greg did also find additional funerary objects in the collection that were not included in the inventory. The SMOP is currently drafting a correction to their Notice of Inventory Completion based on our research and Greg's findings. Once the corrected Notice

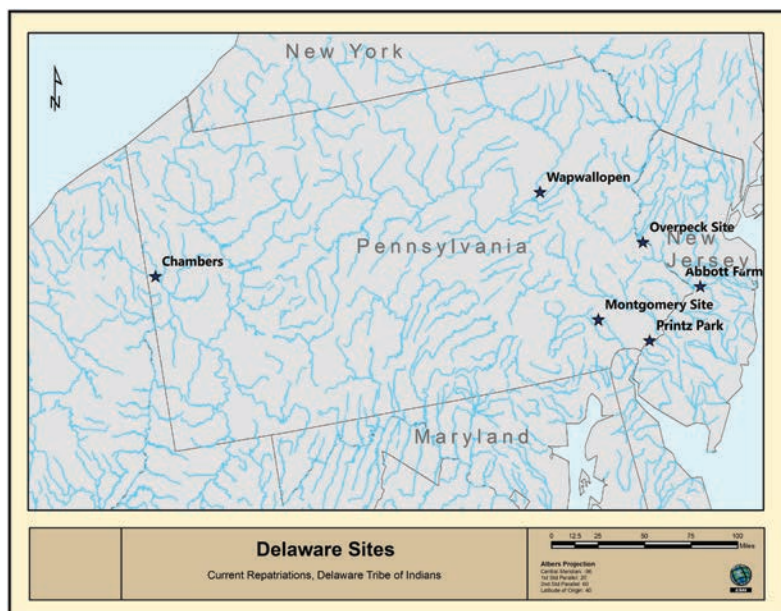
is published, we can move forward with the repatriation.

We will now consult with the Delaware Nation and the Stockbridge-Munsee to answer a few additional questions and concerns about the treatment and preparation of the individuals as we wait for their upcoming repatriation and reburial. We will also begin discussing with the other two tribes the location for a reburial spot. We would like to have the reburial in the Wilkes-Barre vicinity of Pennsylvania because of its proximity to the original cemetery. Although we would like to have the reburial in the summer of 2012, funding and the need for consensus will probably push this reburial to summer of 2013.

Traditional Delaware Funerals: An Ethnographic Approach for Documenting Funerary Objects under NAGPRA

A final draft report on Traditional Delaware Funerals is now complete and two paper copies and two digital copies were submitted for the Tribal Council's review and comment. The approved report will satisfy the primary deliverable for our FY2010 NAGPRA Documentation Grant. We will also share the approved report with the Delaware Nation and the Stockbridge Munsee. The approved report will also be shared with our collaborating museums and be submitted to an appropriate journal for publication in order to widely disseminate our guidance for correctly documenting the funerary status of Delaware affiliated funerary objects.

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Some of the sites we are currently working to repatriate.

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Draft Report on Treatment History

An additional deliverable of our FY 2010 NAGPRA Documentation Grant is to research and report on the treatment histories of Delaware affiliated collections at our collaborating museums. A draft report on the Treatment Histories of Delaware Affiliated Collections at the New York University College of Dentistry, Peabody Museum and State Museum of Pennsylvania is complete and has been sent to each museum for their final review. Once edited and approved by the museums, we will finalize the report and submit it to the Tribal Council for approval.

Repatriation of Individual Human Remains from the New York Area

Consultations with the New York College of Dentistry are now complete and we are prepared to repatriate from them as well as from the National Park Service and the National Museum of the American Indian who hold several sets of remains from the New York area.

Once we are able to find a secure location in the lower Hudson River Valley, we will officially proceed with the reburial. Plans are currently underway for representatives from the Delaware Tribe, Delaware Nation and the Stockbridge Munsee to meet in May at Morristown, NJ to discuss this, and other issues

FY 2012 NAGPRA Grant Submitted

In early March we submitted a grant proposal to the National Park Service's National NAGPRA office seeking funding that will enable our office to continue working toward the documentation and repatriation of the Abbott Farm Complex and the Chambers Site two sites—from which almost 200 graves were excavated. Our request for approximately \$90,000 over the next two years, if funded, would allow us to consult with four additional museums who hold collections from these two significant sites and combine all of the collections in order to facilitate our repatriation. NAGPRA grants are competitive and notifications of awards are sent out in June.

The abstract for the grant is included below:

The Delaware Tribe seeks federal funding to carry out consultations and research that will lead to the comprehensive listing of all of the Notice of Inventory Completions for all of the human remains and funerary objects from two significant Delaware burial sites; the Abbott Farm Complex and the Chambers Site. With support from a FY 2010 Documentation Grant, we consulted with the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology on their Abbott Farm collection and with the State Museum of Pennsylvania on their Chambers Site collection. During these consultations we learned that at least four other museums also hold collections from the Abbott Farm Complex and the Chambers Site. However, we have not had an op-

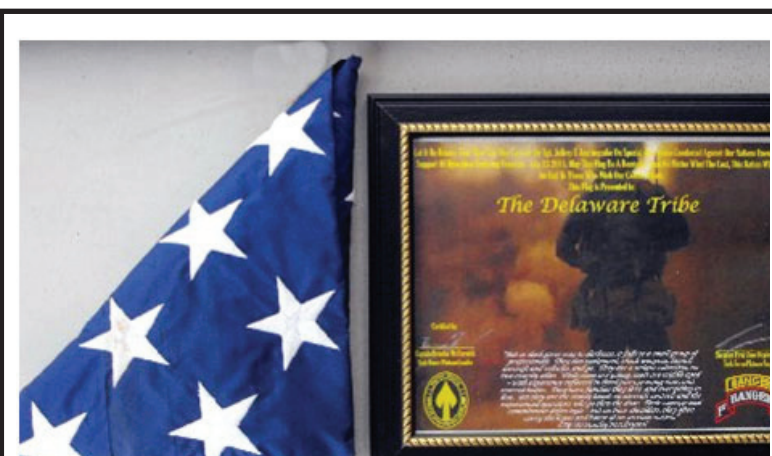
portunity to consult with the four additional museums and each museum is at different stages in their documentation process.

The Delaware Tribe requests NAGPRA funding that will allow us to consult with the New Jersey State Museum, the Field Museum of Natural History and the American Museum of Natural History on their collections from the Abbott Farm Complex and with the Carnegie Museum of Natural History on their collection from the Cham-

bers Site. While we will also consult with each museum on their other collections, our grant supported consultations will focus on work that will lead to a NAGPRA inventory for the Chambers Site, a cultural affiliation study for both sites and the publication of four Notices of Inventory Completion; one from each of the additional museums. We will also document the treatment histories of the collections in preparation for a repatriation of both sites. ■



Delaware Nation President Kerry Holton, Cherokee Nation Tribal Council Member Cara Cowan Watts and Delaware Tribe of Indians Elder Committee chairman Titus Frenchman at Delaware Community Center, during intertribal discussion of issues relating to tribal positions on the issue of non-federally recognized tribes.



A Lenape Solchël

Chris Miller

Jeffrey Journeycake, a Delaware soldier in the United States Army, 1/75 Rangers Battalion, has sent to the Tribe a flag that he had carried on his last deployment. His words are better than any I can give you so I type what he has written below for you to read for yourselves.

Wanishi Jeffrey, for your service to our Country and for our people. Thank you so much.

To: The Delaware Tribe of Indians

Hello, my name is Jeffrey Journeycake. I am a proud member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. I'm from Miami, Oklahoma but currently stationed in Savannah, Georgia, in the 1/75 Ranger Battalion.

I would like to dedicate this flag in honor of the Delaware Tribe. I carried it with me on over 60 missions in Afghanistan, on my last deployment.

*Best Regards,
Jeffrey Journeycake*

Editorials

As I See It

Dee Ketchum

The Cherokee Nation (CN) has recently published that it influences the economy of the State of Oklahoma through employment and businesses in the amount of 1.06 billion dollars. That's awesome. But what is not awe-inspiring is the fact that the Cherokee Nation influences the Delaware Tribe as well. The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signed by Chief Smith (Cherokee) and Chief Douglas (Delaware) in 2006 to help the restoration of our federal recognition has

solidified our Tribe's powerless position in the 14 counties which CN claims as its jurisdiction area even though those chiefs are no longer in office.

Our tribe, although federally recognized, cannot grow and flourish because we are by definition landless—no jurisdiction. We will never be allowed jurisdiction in the fourteen counties, much less have land in trust with the tax advantages for tribal businesses and attracting other business partnerships. It simply will not happen because the Cherokee Nation will not allow its land base to be fractured by giving any jurisdiction to the Dela-

ware Tribe. We did have dual jurisdiction in the five-county area during my term as Chief, but that is off the table.

There is talk about establishing tribal offices in Caney, KS to have a presence in that state (at a former child care building). Caney would be a start for separation from CN, but, I am concerned since the southeast Kansas area is the realm of the Old Osage Nation. We could spend a lot of time planning and then find out Caney wouldn't work for land in trust or jurisdiction.

So, what is our Tribe to do? It seems to me that we must return to our last reservation. That is

in Wyandotte-Leavenworth-Douglas counties of northeast Kansas. We can maintain our presence in Bartlesville exactly as it is. But on our old reservation we will have the latitude to have jurisdiction, land in trust, and control of our own Housing Department and Child Care Department without Cherokee Nation oversight. We can develop businesses without paying taxes to CN or the State of Oklahoma. We can attract partnerships with businesses. We can protect the Delaware Tribe's history and culture without the fear of Cherokee Nation absorbing us.

Without the stronghold of Cherokee Nation over our Tribe, we can be good neighbors in Bartlesville and Kansas City area with benefits to our elders, our youth, and our yet unborn Delaware descendants. If it is a matter of survival for our Tribe, then shame on us if we do nothing. If it is a matter of having a better standard of livelihood for Delawares—jobs, education, medicine—then we need to act now. Or, we can just sit and hope that someone has pity on us. That isn't going to happen. And that's the way I see it. ■

WILL WE SUCCEED AS A TRIBE OR FALL IN POLITICAL TURMOIL?

Article by Trust Board Member Joe Brooks, # 13 Delaware Acres Ct., Chelsea, OK 74016

It is a nice Spring Day Lënape Elders, Brothers and Sisters. For over 30 years I have served the Delaware Tribe, first as Council Member, several terms as Trust Board Member, and three years as Chief. During that 30 years we have had success and we have had failure, and I suppose that is the "normal course of events for most Tribes." However, in the last year I have become very worried concerning "The future of our Tribe." My concerns follow:

Five or six years ago our Tribe chartered the Delaware Enterprise Authority to be a holding company to oversee any economic development to be done by our tribe. This was done under a prior Chief along

with the consent of four Council members (Stull, Crawford, Hayes, and one other, now deceased). Two Council members (Ketchum and Zunigha) opposed this action, presuming the Charter gave excessive powers to DEA, was initially costing the Tribe \$50,000 in an unsecured loan, and gave the then-Chief sole appointment power to appoint the five-person DEA Board. Disregarding the fact that such power is probably unconstitutional (Chief has one vote on our seven-member Tribal Council), the then-Chief appoints himself and then-Assistant Chief to the DEA Board. The DEA then waste two years doing little but throwing two concerned Council members out of a couple of

their meetings, arguing "It is none of their ***** business." But finally, in May 2010 the DEA gets a potential developer to commit \$50,000 per month to our Tribe to investigate business potential in Ohio. In all fairness to DEA they did submit a "Required Annual Financial Report" to Tribal Council in October 2010. DEA also paid back the \$50,000 start-up loan to Tribal Council. Did they do so because our now Chief was campaigning on a platform to take DEA out of business, or at least regulate them? Or did DEA submit required Annual Report because they perceived there was a General Council move to abolish them or a possible initiative petition to do same? At any rate the Trust Board has continued to fund the office of Economic Development Director at a rate of \$15,000 per year but myself and at least three other Trust Board members have been concerned for our Trust Responsi-

bility in this regard. Relatives, the DEA has taken in \$875,000 from one group of developers in the last 23 months. The DEA is five months late in submitting their required Annual Financials to the Tribal Council. Along with three other Trust members, I am very concerned. HOW MUCH OF THE \$875,000 IS LEFT AND WHY IS OUR COUNCIL UNCONCERNED ABOUT HOW THE DIFFERENCE WAS SPENT?

My additional concern is about our Trust Board. In no way do I contend that our Trust Board is any part of our Governing Body. The Supreme Authority of our Tribe rest in the adult voting membership and our Constitution is explicit that the elected Tribal Council is our Governing Body. You are probably aware that the Trust Board has the explicit duty to oversee our Trust expenditures according to the Master Trust Plan. You are probably aware that one "Newly Appointed

Tribal Council Member" published a half-baked article in the October 2011 *Delaware* continued on page 21

Editorial Policy

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Editorials must be signed by the author and include the author's address. The DIN does not guarantee publication upon submission of comments.

The deadline for editorials and other submissions is March 15, 2012 for the April 2012 issue. Submissions may be mailed, faxed or hand delivered to the tribal office or emailed to din@delawaretribe.org. ■

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Indian News stating that our new 2009 Constitution (folks, our Constitution is not new—it is the same one we have had since 1982 as amended) gave the Tribal Council the power to simply abolish the Trust Board. You are probably not aware that certain members of our Tribal Council even went to the BIA Office in Muskogee about this and came back reporting it would be just fine for the Council to simply abolish the Trust Board and that the Council was even going to stop the Trust Board Election (a week or so after two Candidates had filed for Trust Chairman and four Candidates had filed for three empty Trust seats). Thank God there was one Council member (also a Trust member) who along with three other Trust members were able to stop this

dictatorial action on the part of a large majority of our Council. The truth of the matter is that it will probably take a majority vote of a referendum of all adult voting members (or at least a quorum majority vote of a General Council) to dissolve the Trust Board. That was what the Muskogee Area BIA Office and the Washington, D.C. Solicitors Office hinted it would take way back in September, 2011. Even though this type action was attempted over 10 years ago and failed, our Chief announced in January *DIN* that we are likely to be voting on this in November 2012. In all due respect to our Chief, five of our six Council members and our Trust Chairman, and one or two Trust members who have or would support either of the above two items, I must say that I do not support

either. I will not support either and I personally invite all Tribal members who wish to discuss these matters to email me at shattalenno@msn.com or phone me at 918-637-9397. Leave a message that you wish to discuss the Delaware Tribe, and I will return your call.

Wanishi Lenape Elders, Brothers and Sisters and GOD BLESS THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS. ■

Delaware Health and Wellness Center



Attention all Delaware, Cherokee and Friends: Do you want to exercise?

The Delaware Health and Wellness Center is currently open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

There is no fee for any member of the Delaware or Cherokee Tribe. (Bring your membership card with you.) Others are charged a small fee of \$20.00 a month or \$2.00 a day. We encourage everyone to get healthy!

The Delaware Wellness Center is located at the Tribal Office at 170 NE Barbara, Bartlesville, OK.

Please note that there is no medical staff on duty, so use of the equipment is at your own risk ■

Looking for Help

We are looking to keep the Wellness Center open until 7:00 or 8:00 pm Monday through Friday, and 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays. We would like to find someone who is willing to staff the front desk so that this can be accomplished.

If you are interested, please contact Curtis Zunigha at 918-337-6573 or by email at czunigha@delawaretribe.org. ■



Grand Gateway Accepting Applications for Need

The Masonic Charity Foundation of Oklahoma has partnered with Grand Gateway Area Agency on Aging for the sixth year.

Ed Crone, executive director of Grand Gateway, recently accepted a check from David Ray, president, the Masonic Charity Foundation, in the amount of \$63,346 to help with direct

services for the age 55 and over population in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, Nowata, Ottawa, Rogers and Washington Counties of northeast Oklahoma.

Grand Gateway Area Agency on Aging, because of the Masonic Charity Foundation, has been able to help people with such needs as ramps, utilities, small home repair, pest control,

car repair, dental and many other needs. This funding is meant to help meet needs of the senior population where there is no other resource available to help.

For a specific need, call Grand Gateway and ask for an application, 1-800-482-4594. ■


Lifeline and Link Up Programs

The Lifeline and Link Up programs help to provide telephone service to low-income consumers living on Tribal lands for as little as \$1 a month. Lifeline and Link Up, run by the Federal Communi-


cations Commission (FCC), help eligible low-income consumers establish and maintain telephone service by discounting services provided to them by wireline and wireless providers. These programs are

part of the Federal Universal Service Fund, or USF.

For more information, go to <http://www.fcc.gov/guides/lifeline-and-link-affordable-telephone-service-income-eligible-consumers>. ■



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Contest APRIL 14, 2012 Contest
Prize Money Washington County Fair Building Prize Money
Dewey, OK

Head Singer: Head Man Dancer: Head Lady Dancer: Head Gourd Dancer: 2012-2013 Princess: Master of Ceremonies: Arena Director: Honored Guest :	Damian Blackfox Dakota Schrock Brittany Pelkey Fred Spotted Bear Allison Jones Neil LawHead Dude Blalock Bartlesville Indian Women's Club
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Agenda

Contest in Tiny Tots (0-5), Juniors (6-12), Teens (13-18) and Adults

Categories-Cloth, Buckskin, Fancy/Jingle
Fancy, Straight, Grass/Traditional

1:00pm 1:00p.m. 4:30p.m. 6:00p.m.	Crown Princess Gourd Dance Dinner break Grand Entry
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All contestants must be dressed to receive prize money.

Arts & crafts Own tables-\$25, Ours \$30	Operation Eagle concession stand
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Admittance is free*****come join the fun

For more information call or write:

Operation Eagle Office Will Rogers Complex 4620 E. Frank Phillips Blvd. Bartlesville, OK 74006 (918) 337-0130	Arts & Crafts: Leslie Donnell 918-337-0130
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American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships and Loans



The American Indian Graduate Center, Inc. announces the availability of fellowships and loans for service to American Indian and Alaska Native undergraduate and graduate students.

To find out more information and eligibility requirements about various programs, please visit www.aigc.org to view programs listed under scholarships and fellowships. In addition, there are links to other scholarships on the site (http://www.aigc.org/Other_OpportunitiesOther_Scholarships_and_Fellowships.aspx)

Undergraduate Scholarships

WELLS FARGO AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is funded by Wells Fargo and administered by American Indian Graduate Center.

ACCENTURE AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP

The Accenture American Indian Scholarship program was established in 2005 to build personal and lasting relationships with students who will become the future leaders in the American Indian communities and possibly with Accenture. At that time, the scholarship sought the very brightest American Indian and Alaska Native undergraduate and graduate students; however, recently, Accenture LLP is limiting the funds to the very brightest American Indian and Alaska Native incoming fresh-

men and undergraduate students. The Accenture scholarship program is sponsored and funded by Accenture LLP and administered by the American Indian Graduate Center.

Graduate Fellowships

AIGC FELLOWSHIP

The AIGC fellowship program provides approximately \$1,200,000 in fellowships to over 375 Native American and Alaska Native graduate students each year.

BIE-LOAN FOR SERVICE

AIGC administers a Bureau of Indian Education contract to provide financial assistance in the form of loans to eligible American Indian and Alaska Natives seeking graduate and professional degrees. The goal is to promote opportunity for careers with tribal governments, Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Affairs—funded organizations on and off reservations. Loans are paid back at the rate of one year of service for one year of funding.

WELLS FARGO AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This scholarship is funded by Wells Fargo and administered by American Indian Graduate Center.

OTHER AIGC GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

AIGC manages a number of private funds and awards and

provides these as supplemental scholarships (\$500 - \$5000 each) based on field of study and other criteria defined by the donor. All successful applicants for the AIGC Fellowship (above) are considered for these fellowships and will be notified at the time that awards are announced. These funds are known as:

- **Grace Wall Barreda Memorial Fellowship** – Public Health and Environmental Studies
- **Ruth Muskrat Bronson Fellowship** – Primarily Nursing or Health related programs
- **Jeanette Elmer Fellowship** – Library Science
- **Edna Furber Fellowship** – Women studying Creative Fine Arts
- **Katrin Lamon Fellowship** – Literature or Journalism
- **Gerald Peet Fellowship** – Medicine
- **John Rainer Memorial Fellowship** – Continuing AIGC Fellows in all degree areas
- **Dr. Beryl Blue Spruce Memorial Fellowship** – Pueblo Citizens Medicine or Nursing (OB/GYN)
- **Dr. George Blue Spruce Fellowship** – Dentistry

For further information, please contact us at (505) 881-4584 (Toll-free 1-800-628-1920).■

Wanishi! (Thank You!!)

Thank you to Stewart and Adonna Meyer for their generous contribution to our scholarship fund.■

Wanishi! (Thank You!!)

Thank you to the G. Clifford Newbold Scholarship Fund for Native Americans for their generous contribution to our scholarship fund.■

George Clifford Newbold Scholarship

Applications are available for the George Clifford Newbold Scholarship Fund dedicated to the memory of Cliff Newbold, an outdoorsman, raconteur, naturalist and gentleman who treasured his native background. The fund is set up to award an annual scholarship of \$2,000 a year for four years to qualified students of Native American heritage who evidence a desire to further their education in the fields of business or education and use this education for the benefit of their native community. It will be a renewable grant based on demonstrated achievement in your studies and the ongoing

recommendation and evaluation of your professors. Preference will be given to those students of Lenni Lenape heritage and to those who are current New Jersey residents, however these factors are not a restriction to application. All will be considered, however the foundation believes students whose tribal heritage includes communities operating gambling facilities should turn to those organizations for assistance.

The deadline for applications is **May 31, 2012**.

For more information, go to the web site at www.newboldscholarship.org/. ■

Address Correction Form

Send form to: **Delaware Tribe of Indians, 170 N.E. Barbara, Bartlesville, OK 74006**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

To have a name changed on the tribal roll, send proper documentation, such as a legal document, stating the change (examples: marriage license, adoption papers, divorce papers, etc.). Be sure to include your previous name or names since that will be the way it is listed on the roll. Including Tribal Registration number is helpful, but not required.

Delaware Tribe Community Services Program

All registered Delaware Tribal members are eligible to apply for assistance to any Tribal Program for which they qualify. Non-tribal members are not eligible for services from this program.

- **Student Eyeglass Assistance** - Provides eyeglass assistance to students enrolled in grades K-12, colleges or universities and Vo-Tech schools. Students must complete an application requesting such services. Approval of application requesting services must be obtained before services are provided. Funds can be designated to pay for glasses, contacts, physician visits, or related costs. A maximum of \$100 per request. One request per year is allowed. Payment for services will be made only to the vendor or provider of services and not to the student requesting such services.
- **Burial Program** - Provides burial assistance for Delaware Tribal members. An amount of \$300 has been designated. The \$300 may be applied to the funeral bill, wake/feed (paid to club, organization church, etc., not to family or family member), grave marker, flowers. Applicant should first exhaust all other resources, for example personal insurance, burial insurance, etc. All payments will be made to the funeral home providing service and not to tribal member's family. The committee only compensates for one certified copy of the death certificate. Documentation must be provided, such as the death certificate, copy of funeral home bill, food bill, etc.
- **Utility Assistance** - Provides emergency utility assistance for tribal members. Payment will be made directly to the vendor or utility company and will include gas, propane, water, electricity, wood or related utility services. Utility deposits and reconnect fees are not considered by this program. Only past-due balances are paid by the committee and current residence status of applicant applies. Original billing and cut-off notice must accompany the application. Telephone and cable TV are not covered. A limit of \$100 per request may be made. This is a one-time, once-per-year request. Bills submitted must be in tribal member's name.
- **Housing Assistance** - Provides assistance in emergency situations on a one-month, one-time, once-a-year basis. Amount of assistance that can be approved is limited up to \$100. Approval of application must be obtained prior to service payment. Payment for services are made only to the vendor or provider of services and not to the individual tribal member or family. Eviction notice, proof of ownership and/or other documentation must be submitted with application. Tribal member's name must be on the rental/lease contract.
- **Dental Assistance** - Provides assistance to pay for dental care for Delaware Tribal members. Services include tooth repair, dental fillings, and dentures. Emergency services are allowed. Routine dental exams or cleaning are not covered. Payment will be made to vendor and not the tribal member. Amount of assistance that can be approved is limited up to \$250. Maximum program assistance is once per calendar year.
- **Medical Assistance** - Assists Delaware Tribal members for medical assistance, including but not limited to, medical equipment. In some cases equipment must be returned to the committee. Purchase or rental not to exceed \$150 (tread mill and exercise bike not included). Home health care is included (three months on program/three months off program, care not to exceed 3 hours per day/5 days per week. Rate of pay is \$6.00 per hour, not to exceed \$360 monthly). Medical attention, nursing care and/or other related medical care is also included.

- **Medical Services and Emergency Travel** - Provides medical transportation services for Delaware Tribal members to include, but not limited to, health transportation costs, assistance, and/or other related costs. For emergency travel designated as personal health, physician's statement of need must be submitted. For death of family member (parent, brother, sister or grandparent), death certificate or obituary must be submitted prior to approval. This is a one-time assistance not to exceed \$100.
- **Hospital Equipment Assistance** - Provides assistance with hospital equipment. Certain Delaware Tribal members are hospitalized during the year and some costs of hospital equipment is not paid by third parties. Funds will be used to pay for hospital equipment which may include rentals, small equipment purchases or related costs. Some hospital equipment is available for loan from the committee (tread mill and exercise bike excluded). Funds are disbursed to vendors and will be handled on a case-by-case basis by the Community Service Committee amounts of assistance is limited in amounts up to \$150.
- **Medical Bill Assistance** - Assistance with medical bills for Delaware Tribal members. The medical bill must be in a past-due or collection status. Original billing and billing showing collection status must be submitted. Funds are disbursed to the vendor and not individual tribal members. A limit of \$100 assistance per year is allowed.

SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

- **Eyeglass Assistance** - Provides assistance for eyeglasses to Delaware Senior Citizens age 55 and over. Senior Citizens are allowed to apply for eyeglass assistance every three years. Funds will be used to pay for eye care to include glasses, physician visits or related costs. Funds are distributed to vendors and not tribal members. A maximum limit of \$150 per request.
- **Prescription Medication Assistance** - Provides prescription medication assistance to Delaware Senior Citizens age 60 and over. Funds are disbursed to vendors and include pharmacy or related costs. Funds are allocated as follows: \$25 per month not to exceed \$600 per year. Applicants are responsible for any amounts over the approved amount.
- **Emergency Assistance** - Provides emergency assistance to Delaware Senior citizens age 60 and over. Funds are to be used for senior citizen tribal members in emergency situations. Assistance includes but is not limited to groceries or related assistance. Applicants must utilize all other community resources prior to application. Documentation must be submitted. Appliances and home furnishings are not allowed. Funds are allocated at \$50 and will be disbursed as determined by the Community Service Committee. Applications are handled on a case-by-case basis.

Applications are available on the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org/commservices.htm) or at the Tribal Offices.

The Community Services Committee meets on the second Monday of each month, unless there are unforeseen scheduling conflicts. Applications will be reviewed and payments authorized once per month. Applications received after the meeting will be addressed at the next meeting. Emergency assistance is addressed by the Committee on an as-need basis between meetings.

Committee Chairperson TJ Aaroe ■

Delaware Tribe Education Programs

All registered Delaware Tribal members are eligible to apply for assistance to any Tribal Program for which they qualify.

- **School Supplies:** Students in grades pre-K through 5th grade may receive reimbursement of up to \$20 per school year. Payments are made from July 31 to September 30. Parents must send a school supply list with the school name and a receipt for the supplies.
- **Education Assistance:** Students in grades 6th through 12th grade may apply. Eligible expenses include: graduation, ACT/SAT exams, summer school, etc. Items required for subjects for which the student must pay. This program has a maximum payment of \$50.00 per applicant per fiscal year. Vo-Tech class requirements will be on an individual basis. **
- **Athletic Assistance:** This program is for registered Delaware Tribe of Indians students who need some type of assistance for students in grades 6 through 12. The sport must be school sponsored (such as football, soft/baseball, basketball, cheerleading, wrestling, physical education, track, archery). Eligible expenses include: sport shoes, uniforms, tournament fees (if student must pay them) and other related athletic items. This program has a maximum payment of \$50.00 per applicant per fiscal year. Summer league activities do not qualify. **
- **Academic Achievement Award of \$100:** Available to registered Delaware Tribal members that have graduated in the current fiscal year/academic school year from high school, college, or Vo-Tech with a current 3.5 grade point average.
- **Driver's Education Assistance:** Can be used to help defray costs of driver's education classes through an accredited training facility. This program has a maximum of \$75.00 per applicant per fiscal year. The assistance will be made based on funding availability.

- **Adult Vocational Training Assistance:** Can be used to help with costs of short-term vocational training classes. They are limited to out of school students who wish to learn new or upgrade current skills. This program has a maximum of \$100.00 per applicant per fiscal year. The assistance will be made based on funding availability.
- **College Scholarships:** All Delaware are eligible for a maximum of \$800 one time. Paid at a rate of \$400 per semester. Student must have a 2.5 GPA in the previous school session. Applications must be received by July 31 for fall and January 31 for spring scholarship awards.

Applications and additional information on these or other available programs are available on the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org/education.htm) and the Tribal Offices. Applications can be mailed to:

Delaware Tribal Offices
Attention: Education Committee
170 N.E Barbara
Bartlesville, OK 74006

** Paid receipts are required. The receipt must plainly state what was purchased. Be sure to include documentation which class requires the item.

The Education Committee meets on the second Monday of each month, unless there are unforeseen scheduling conflicts. Applications will be reviewed and payments authorized once per month. Applications received after the meeting will be addressed at the next meeting. Fall scholarships will be considered at the August meeting and Spring at the February meeting.

Committee Chairperson Verna Crawford ■

Be Sure to Check Out the Tribal Web Site

For current news, job openings, meeting schedules, and other information, don't forget to visit the tribe's web site at www.delawaretribe.org.

For current news and events, check the listings on the right side of the screen or click on the "What's Happening" image. Job openings are listed on the "Careers" link on the menu; meetings are listed on the "Calendar" and an archive of minutes, along with contact information for tribal officers, is under "Tribal Government." Don't forget to click on the "Culture Site" link on the menu for information on the tribe's history and culture, courtesy of the tribe's Culture Preservation Committee.



The site is updated regularly with the latest information. If you have anything to post on the site, please contact the webmaster at gbrown@delawaretribe.org.

Mark Your Calendars:

Delaware Days

Friday/Saturday, Sept 28–29

Delaware Days 2012, which is sponsored by the Delaware Tribe's Culture Preservation Committee, will be held at the Fall-Leaf Dance Grounds northeast of Copan on September 28 and 29.

The events will begin on Friday evening with a stomp dance with Social Dance songs.

In the late afternoon on Saturday there will be presentations to certain tribal members. One will be the elder of the year, and the other is the honored veteran.

On Saturday at 5:30 there will be a potluck supper at which the Culture Committee will supply the meat, and everyone else should bring something to share. There will then be a stomp dance with Social Dance songs.

Please make plans to join us.