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Message from Chief Paula Pechonick

He', Kulamàlsi hàch? I hope all is well with you and your families. In July, I reported that the Tribal Council was working on negotiations with the Cherokee Nation. It has turned out to be a slower process than I expected. They have postponed several meetings so far but we have been assured that they will be able to meet with us soon. I hope to have more extensive news to report to you at the General Council and Tribal Election, which will be held on November 3.

I will be delivering the State of the Tribe Address at General Council, which begins at 1:00 at the Delaware Community Center in Bartlesville. Votes to elect new tribal officials may be cast either there or at our Caney, KS headquarters build-

ing from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please plan on attending this important event if at all possible. I envision this annual meeting to be an orderly and informative opportunity for everyone to learn more about the exciting progress our tribe has made over the last year as well as to discuss our goals for the future. Door prizes will be awarded and we will eat, visit and have a stomp dance following the meeting.

For those of you who cannot be in attendance for General Council and the election, absentee ballots must be requested this time. When our previous administration decided to mail ballots to all voting-age tribal members, a dramatic increase in the voter response was envisioned. This, however, was not the case so we have returned

to having you request absentee ballots in order to save money on mail-outs. Therefore, if you cannot be present to cast your vote in person for the election on November 3 and haven't yet sent in for your absentee ballot, please remember to do so! There is a mail in request form on page 3 of this paper or you may download one from the tribal website. Absentee ballot requests must be received no later than October 15th. I strongly encourage each of you to vote and continue the forward momentum and progress of the Tribe.

As many of you have noticed, there is a lot of construction going on around our headquarters complex. We are very excited to be able to respond to the needs and concerns of our tribal members through the construction of a storm shelter, a new social services building, and an extension of the road through the property which will accommodate our growth.

The extension of Barbara Avenue, which runs in front of the headquarters and elder housing, is now finished. We will file with the city to have the name of Barbara Ave changed to something more suitable for the Tribe and would like your ideas. Chris Miller has been designated to collect your sug-

Call to General Council November 3, 2012 at 1:00 pm

Delaware Community Center
5100 Tuxedo Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK

gestions. You may email him cmiller@delawaretribe.org or call the office at 918-337-6590.

The Social Services building is starting to go up now. This new building will house our tribal library and archives collection as well as offices for services available to Tribal members. We applied for a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to equip computer workstations in the library portion of the new building. Unfortunately, the program was only able to award 14 grants and we were not selected. I have heard of organizations in the past offering the Tribe computers. If you know of an organization that might be interested in helping equip the library please contact the office and point us in the right direction. We intend for the walkway in front of the new building to be inlaid with personalized bricks similar to the area at the entrance of the community center building. The prices are very affordable and there is a form on page 24 for you to order

these if you choose. Please do not wait to order your bricks! There are a limited number of spaces available and due to our construction schedule there is a quick turnaround for the project. All orders must be submitted by Nov. 15.

On a sadder note, I am sorry to report the resignation of Wayne Stull after many years of service to the Tribe. He has served the Tribe well and tirelessly for years and said he needs a break for a while. We hope to have him continue to be active with the tribe in whatever capacity he sees fit.

For those of you with access to the internet, please look at our website for up-to-date information about the Tribe (www.delawaretribe.org). We are continuing to expand the website to meet the needs of Tribal members both local and worldwide.

I hope to see you all at General Council and at Delaware Days enjoying this beautiful fall weather! Lápich knewël! ■



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170 N.E. Barbara
Bartlesville OK 74006
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News from the Tribal Council

Council Member Verna Crawford

Vote! Vote! Vote! Send for you absentee ballot! To vote absentee in this election **YOU MUST REQUEST** an absentee ballot. Ballots will not be sent to all Delaware voters without a request.

This is a Tribal Council election year and there are many qualified candidates. In this issue of the *DIN* candidates have a statement of their goals and qualifications. Read them carefully and vote for the people you feel will best represent the interest of all Delaware people.

The Tribal Council and Trust Board have worked to establish new programs and improve others. The new Social Services building is under construction. Community Services, Education, and more will be housed in the new building.

The Tribal Justices are working to build a strong court system. Every sovereign government must have a strong judicial system as well as executive and legislative branches.

An established need for reform has been identified for both the Trust Document, Master Plan, and the Constitution. A proposed plan has been placed before the Trust Board and the people. Two town hall meetings have been held; videos are on the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org) for review. In my opinion the results of those meetings and comments on the Web indicates a need for more work. The need for change has been established. The challenge is to accomplish the restructuring with care. I hope the end product will be clear and concise,

delegating responsibilities and safeguards for the monies the Delaware Government holds in trust for our people.

Community Services and Education Committees are in the process of revising the guidelines to meet the needs of our people in today's world.

I request your vote to approve the 2013 fiscal year Trust budget. It must be approved or the Committees will not have operating funds for the new year.

Vice Chief and Trust Board Chairman Chet Brooks, Tribal Council and Trust Board Secretary Verna Crawford, Council member Nathan Young, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, and Enrollment Director Leslie Fall-Leaf will be attending NCAI (National Congress of American Indians), October 21-26 in Sacramento, CA. All Delaware Tribal members in the Sacramento area are invited to attend a meet-and-greet reception on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Check the tribal web site and the hotel for location. I invite anyone interested to call me for details at 1-918-521-2770. ■

Attention: Delaware Tribal members living in the Sacramento, CA area

You are invited to a meet-and-greet reception on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2012 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Sacramento. Tribal council members Vice Chief Chet Brooks, Council Secretary Verna Crawford, Council member Nathan Young, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, and Enrollment Director Leslie Fall-Leaf will be attending NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) Oct. 21-26. They will host the reception.

Tribal Manager's Report

Curtis Zunigha

Greetings fellow tribal members! As we head into the season known as Indian Summer I'm pleased to report significant growth and development here at the tribal center. The construction of the social services building is progressing with the foundation set, steel frames have been delivered, and a parking lot has been created. The tribe is planning to occupy offices by early February 2013. Offices for Community Services, Environmental Programs, Museum/Library Program, and Housing will establish a new home to serve tribal members.

At long last, settlement checks for 135 Delaware members were mailed out by the US Federal Court trustee. This is in regards to the "afterborns" (those born between 10/4/1972 and 8/1/1980) who had not received the initial payment several years ago in the "Idaho" federal court case and resulting settlement. We still need to locate about 230 tribal members who are entitled to payments in this case. I'm asking all tribal members to keep their addresses up to date at the enrollment office. You may do so by con-

tacting the office at 918-337-6590 or at the tribal website (www.delawaretribe.org).

Election season is also here with voting for three tribal council seats and three judges set for November 3. That's when the annual General Council Meeting will be held at the tribal center in Bartlesville. There will also be a voting station at the Caney, Kansas office. If you can't make it to the meeting and vote in person then please request an absentee ballot. The deadline for that request is October 15. A request form is available in this issue of the *DIN*. I'm encouraging all adult voting members of the tribe to attend the General Council meeting on November 3 with the election starting at 9am and the meeting starting at 1pm.

My Take

Council Member Nate Young

Often in tribal politics we fail to focus on the future. We fail to focus on what can be done and instead focus what someone else failed to do. I am reminded of the island of Sicily. Revenge and vendettas ruled the island. Is this what our 10,000 members need? Or do we want to focus on how our tribe can touch the lives of these 10,000 members and make the tribe meaningful to their lives. This is the second decade of the 21st century. Are we looking forward or backward? ■

I want to thank everyone for their positive comments and thoughtful inquiry of tribal issues during the Tribal Manager's listening sessions during the past three months. Because of the recent town hall meetings and input from tribal members through our website and Facebook page, I've determined that I should make myself available to tribal members through these sources rather than the weekly "after hours" sessions. Please continue to direct your comments and inquiries to me at the Delaware Tribal Center, online through our website, or at upcoming town hall meetings.

I'm pleased to announce that the Delaware Tribe is launching a new company, Delaware Facilities Management Solutions. They will be handling maintenance for our tribal facilities and housing program. For information on jobs and contracting opportunities check out the ad in this issue of the *DIN*.

On behalf of the dedicated staff here at the tribal center, we're grateful for the opportunity to serve you the tribal members. As we move ahead with a growth and development strategy we urge your continued input and support. And we must never forget our tribal identity is based on our unique culture. While we offer language and cultural history on our website, the most significant way to practice it is during Cultural Preservation activities on Tuesday and Thursday nights. And don't miss the annual Delaware Days celebration September 28-29 at the pow wow grounds north-east of Copan. Join our tribal fellowship and experience the enduring Lenape spirit. Wani-shi! ■

Election Day is Saturday, November 3, 2012!

REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE DELAWARE TRIBE 2012 ELECTION

All registered voters can choose either to vote in person or vote by Absentee Ballot via US Mail. There will be two polling locations to cast your vote in person. Both polling places will be open 9:00am to 1:00pm.

Delaware Tribe Community Center
5100 E. Tuxedo Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Delaware Tribe Kansas Headquarters
601 High St
Caney, KS 67333

All requests for Absentee Ballots must be postmarked by October 15, 2012 to receive a ballot via US Mail. Request forms must be submitted by U.S. Mail ONLY to Delaware Tribe Election Board, P.O. Box 1198 Bartlesville, OK 74005.

Your tribal registration number will appear with your name on the mailing label of the *Delaware Indian News* and all election correspondence. You will need this number when you cast your vote, so be sure to take note of it!

Please take time to vote. Make your voice count! Encourage your Delaware Tribal friends, family and neighbors near and far to vote as well. Wanishi!

To contact the Election Board, please email election-board@delawatribes.org or call 918-337-6586.■

If you have not yet requested an absentee ballot, CUT THIS OUT AND MAIL IT IN RIGHT AWAY!

(This form can be copied if multiple voters in your household need to request absentee ballots. Remember the deadline is October 15.)

Delaware Tribe of Indians Absentee Ballot Request Form Election November 3, 2012

I hereby request an absentee ballot for the 2012 Delaware Tribal Council & Judicial Elections.

Date : _____

Delaware Registration #: _____

Full Name: _____
First Middle Last Maiden (& previously married name(s) if any)

Address: _____
City State Zip

Telephone #: _____ E-mail address: _____

Signature: _____ Birth Date: _____

This form must be received at the Delaware Election Board Post Office Box by close of business on OCTOBER 15, 2012 to receive an Absentee Ballot. Only (1) ballot per request form. All request forms must be mailed to:

**Delaware Tribe Election Board
P.O. Box 1198
Bartlesville, OK 74005**

General Council Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call, Trust/Tribe
- III. Treasurer's Report, Trust/Tribe
- IV. State of the Trust Address
- V. State of the Tribe Address
- VI. Trust Committee Reports
- VII. Tribal Department Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- Adjourn

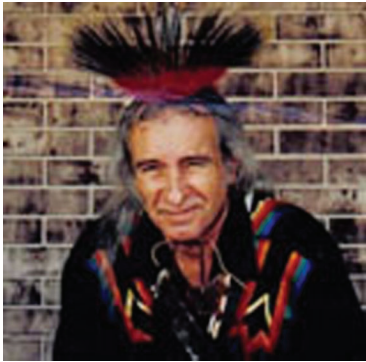
Remember to Vote!

Assistant Chief Chet Brooks

Chet asks all Delaware to remember to request their absentee ballot so that they can vote for candidates of their choice in November Election. He looks forward to meeting Sacramento area Delaware at NCAI meeting and request those Delaware to R.S.V.P. Ver-na Crawford (918-521-2770) or himself (918-331-6212) for meeting room details.

Làpich knewël. We Will Meet Again.■

Candidate Biographies, Tribal Council



Chet Brooks

Assistant Chief Chet Brooks began serving the Delaware Tribe when he became a Housing Commissioner in 1983. He served on the Housing Authority of Delaware Tribe for nine years ending in 1992. He campaigned for, assisted in the election and fully supported four of our last five chiefs' administrations since 1994. While he did not campaign for the other two post-1983 administrations, he did get his support during their terms.

He was elected to Delaware Tribal Council in 2008 and was elected Assistant Chief in 2010. In addition to being Assistant Chief he has served on Economic Development, Cultural Preservation, Land Management, Community Service and Education Committees. He is currently Chairman of Cultural Preservation Committee. Chet averaged working 28.98 hours per week for our Tribe in 2011 and 29.97 hours per week so far in 2012. He can prove it with log book and phone records.

Chet's proudest moments in his 29 years of service to our Tribe were our restorations to Federal Recognition in both 1996 and 2009. His small po-

litical donation to a Menominee Indian Woman, Ada Deer, running for Congress in 1991, helped us get restored in 1996. Ada Deer lost her bid for U.S. Congress but by 1994 she had been appointed Assistant Sec. of Interior-BIA. In August, 1995 Ada and her Chief Solicitor asked their photo be taken with Chet holding the poster "FEDERAL RECOGNITION IS NOT A LIST – 22 TREATIES PROVE MY TRIBE EXISTS" (see my candidate's ad in this issue). In September 1996, Ada Deer helped restore us to Federal Recognition and sent Chet a personal letter congratulating him for his effort.

Chet is also glad to have been instrumental in bringing approximately \$2,100,000 of Oklahoma fuel tax payments to our Tribe since 1999. No one on the Tribal Council, our Tribal Business Manager, and our Tribal Attorneys would support fuel and tobacco tax compacting for over two years so Chet, his Brother, and Tribal Member friend Martin Thomas drafted the Resolution and surprised everyone at 1998 General Council when it passed by affirmative vote of 80%+. He was also instrumental in bringing our Tribe approximately \$1,150,000 in payments from economic business developers since 2003.

Chet is from Bartlesville, OK and graduated from College High School in 1961. He attained a forestry and wood products degree from Oklahoma State University in 1966, worked for the US Forest Service four years in Northern California, Southern Pine As-

sociation, New Orleans, La. (4 years), Koppers Company, Pittsburgh, PA (4 years). Chet was also Exec. Vice President of a Washington, DC wood treating trade association for two years and a lumber broker for three years. In 1983 Chet became involved in Indian Smoke Shop Tobacco sales and did that for 19 years.

Chet firmly believes that the future of our great Tribe rests in the strategic planning of all Tribal programs, including economic development efforts which can provide more and better services to our elders, veterans, youth and all tribal members. Chet invites all Delawares (other candidates welcome) to an election rally at Delaware Community Center, Bartlesville, OK, Wed., Oct. 10th @6:30 P.M.

Chet sincerely desires to continue serving Delaware Tribe. He respectfully asks for your support and vote.

WANISHI!

Contact Chet at achilenape@yahoo.com or call him on 918-331-6212, leave message you are Delaware and he will return your call after 7:00 P.M. or weekend.■

John Carpenter

[Candidate profile not submitted.]■

Marilyn Cole

[Candidate profile not submitted.]■



Annette Ketchum

In November my name will be on the ballot for a tribal council seat. I served as your councilwoman from 2006-2010 for one term and I am seeking a second term. The reasons I believe you would want to check my name are: experience, knowledge, reside in Bartlesville, a vision for our future, a hard worker, and I know you.

I have served the tribe on committees for 25 years and know how the Department of Interior and BIA function. I am a student of our history, Indian history and cultural ways. Living in Bartlesville allows me to be available for all meetings and opportunities to meet various people to visit the Delaware. My vision for the future is based on where we have been, what our current needs are, how we can be prepared for future needs of Delaware, and how we will grow the Tribe in the next ten to twenty years and onward

The committees I have served are DIN, Cultural Preservation, Gift Shop, Education, and Elder Nutrition. Additionally, I have represented

the tribe at many out-of-state gatherings, classes, symposiums, and seminars—at no expense to the Tribe. I serve the Bartlesville History Museum Trust Authority (13 years), and Oklahoma Indian Summer (25 years), am a member of the Bartlesville Indian Women's Club (28 years), and camp at the Delaware Pow Wow (45 years). I have been a member of First Baptist (28 years) and a Delaware since birth.

My work experience has been secretarial or personal assistant, decorating, real estate, and volunteer work in many organizations. My husband and I raised two daughters and grandparented five adult grandchildren. My parents were Frank and Violet Woody Martin—he had Omaha blood and she was Delaware. My husband is also Delaware.

I attended Dewey High School, Dewey, OK; Oklahoma State University; and Kansas University. I was born and raised on my Grandmother's allotment. Beadwork, ribbonwork, traditional Indian clothing, and other arts and crafts are favorite activities. I enjoy storytelling, dancing, public speaking, and teaching.

Being your tribal councilwoman means I will perform all my duties with integrity. I will be available whenever you need to talk. I believe leaders should lead with new ideas, hard work, communication and outreach. Leadership with the powers of conviction, vision, and prayer will make the Tribal Council strong and of one voice. I believe this is what our Delaware people need at this time. If you cast your ballot for

me I will serve honestly, cautiously, and prayerfully.

Thank you for your vote. Reach me at 918-333-8865.■



John Sumpter

My name is John W. Sumpter. I come from the Falleaf/Elkhair line of the Lenape people. I attended schools in Copan and Tulsa, OK before graduating high school in Caney, KS. I entered service with the U.S. Army and upon completion of training, I was assigned to the 7th SFGP ABN, 1st Special Forces and served 1971-72 in Viet Nam assigned to the MACV Army Advisory Group as a light/heavy weapons specialist and senior military advisor to a 148 man Khmer (Cambodian) rifle company. During my enlistment, I furthered my education with collage courses majoring in law enforcement and various military courses, learning organization, accountability and leadership. I also attended the NCO Academy at Ft. Benning, GA where I further refined my skills and education in the art of leadership and organization. I learned how to utilize people, their skills, their judgments/advice and above all, I learned how to make good decisions based on good judgment. I got involved with tribal politics in the early 90's when I joined the Economic Development and Cultural Preservation committees.

Since that time I have seen the people slowly lose the right to have a say in the governing of our tribe

The trend seems to be, "what will we get out of it before the tribe." This trend is not new. It has happened with other administrations also. I will work to bring full accountability of the tribal council to the people of the tribe the way that it is supposed to be. I will work to bring full disclosure of our tribal government workings and all meetings to the tribe. The Tribe needs total disclosure in these and other matters that affect us all and we need our say. I will do the utmost in bringing about the changes that need to be made to bring the power back to the people where it should be, such as making sure that all motions from the floor of general council meeting are addressed, making sure that the tribal council understands that the supreme authority lies with THE DELAWARE PEOPLE, not the tribal council. Any further comments or questions that I can help with or bring to the table, email: longwalker-longwalk@sbcglobal.net or you can go to Facebook at Delaware Tribe of Indians for Better Governance to catch up with videos of tribal council and trust board meetings. Comments and suggestions can also be posted there. I feel that I can help bring about the changes that are needed in our tribal government and would appreciate your vote for the upcoming tribal council election. All I can say is, learn your candidates and don't just go on the word of relatives and friends who to vote for.

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Nate Young

Serving on the Delaware Tribal Council has been one of the most rewarding and satisfying experiences of my life. The opportunity to serve over 10,000 Delawares dispersed over the entire country is both humbling and challenging. The first tribe to sign a treaty with the United States was finally federally recognized in 2009 (subject to the Memorandum of Agreement with the Cherokee Nation). Unfortunately, during these years of uncertainty the Tribe lost most of our funding and the opportunity to exercise our sovereignty. New Cherokee Chief Bill Baker has agreed to renegotiate the current Memorandum of Agreement and remove those items that are most restrictive to the Delaware. This will be a step to restoring us to our previous position before the loss of recognition. I was honored to be selected the Tribal Council representative for these negotiations along with Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha.

It also has been an honor to be the Council's representative to work with Curtis on putting our first piece of land into trust in Caney, KS. Both the Central and Regional Offices of the Bureau of Indian Affairs have put their stamp of approval on this acquisition. This is our first Trust Land since leaving Kansas in 1867. Curtis has been an invaluable teammate on both

the MOA negotiations and the land in trust acquisition.

These projects have been very laborious and time consuming. It is not unusual for Curtis and me to spend two to three days a week on these projects. It has been an uphill battle at times, but we all know the goal. The goal is to take our Tribe to a new and higher level.

Luckily, for the Tribe I became acquainted with some Captive Insurance administrators. With the goal of making the Delaware a business friendly environment, they have agreed to recharter their companies with the Delaware. After receiving approval from the Internal Revenue Service, we negotiated an agreement with these companies that will bring hundreds of thousands of dollars in fees to the Tribe annually. They have already paid us thousands of dollars. This is what sovereignty is all about, determining our own future.

This is the result of team work by our elected leaders, our Council members, and our employees. The relationship between all the Council members is one of respect and civility. We have the goal of taking our Tribe into the 21st century for the benefit of all 10,000 members. The purpose is to make our Tribe an integral part of our member's lives. We are here to serve you, all of the members.

I ask your help today to allow me to continue serving you by giving me your vote.

Every candidate must give a brief biography. My father was Nathan Young of Dewey. My grandfather was Nathan Young, Sr. and my great-grandparents were John and Ella Thomas Young of Copan. Our allotment is located west of Copan near

Young Lake. The first 18 years of my life were in Dewey, with 16 years of those years living on a dirt street named Pawnee. Coincidentally my wife of the past 40 years is from Pawnee. Carol Chapman Young is Pawnee from her father and Kiowa from her mother. We are blessed with four children and three grandchildren.■

Council, Trust Board, and DEA Extend Sincere Thanks to Wayne Stull

Chet Brooks



Wayne resigned from these three recently in order to have time to pursue other interests He dedicated much of his time over more than ten years of service to the Delaware Tribe of Indians. During that period he served on Tribal Council (two terms as Assistant Chief), Trust Board (multiple terms, most recently as Trust Board Chair), and Delaware Enterprise Authority (DEA) for over five years. Members of all three groups are sorry to see Wayne resigned, will miss his efforts for our Delaware Tribe, and wish him, and his family, all the best possible in all their future endeavors. **Sincere thanks for your many years of service to Delaware Tribe of Indians, Wayne!**■

Candidate Biography, Chief Judge



Don Mason

Don Mason currently serves as general counsel for the Delaware Indian Tribal Child Welfare unit. Also, he serves as associate justice of the Delaware Indian Tribal Supreme Court.

Since 2010, Mason has worked extensively in tribal efforts to establish a working tribal court system. For many years, the tribe has had a ceremonial court which only on rare occasions actually works or even meets. Don made it a goal to start a working court system which meets regularly and issues orders such as marriage licenses, divorces, custody orders, guardianships and probate matters.

Don has spent many hours and drove many miles to observe other tribal courts in Oklahoma. He has watched these courts operate firsthand. Mason has also talked to many tribal judges and court personnel to gain knowledge as to

how to start a working court for the Delaware.

Recently, Don traveled to New Mexico for a weekend long course taught by and for tribal judges from around the nation in an effort to bring this knowledge back to the Delaware people in an effort to modernize our tribal court operations.

Also, since 2010, Don has been very involved in starting a tribal child support enforcement unit. Don has traveled and visited many other tribes to see how they operate their child support offices. He has discussed with many tribal child support leaders how to start and operate such an office for the benefit of the Delaware people. Mason continues to work on this issue which is on the threshold of coming together. Don remains committed to seeing the Delaware people have a child support office. He feels every Delaware child deserves to be supported.

As Chief Justice, Mason plans on continuing and intensifying our efforts in moving our tribal court system into the 21st century. He believes having an operating court is fundamental in our tribal efforts to be more, and do more for the Delaware people. As Chief Justice, Don believes it would be pivotal to have an operating and effective child welfare unit, child support enforcement unit and a tribal police department. These areas will be of special focus and urgency for Mason if elected Chief Justice.



Charles Randall

Hello,

My name is Charles Randall. I am the great-great-grandson of Eliza Welenuxkwe (Woo-le-noo squay) Snead and John A. Randall. After graduating from Fairfax public school, I attended Oklahoma State University where I met Mary Hummel, my wife of 50 years. We have one son, Charles Glen, and his wife Tracy, with three grandsons, Charles Dalton, Devin

Don is a graduate of Oklahoma State University and the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He has practiced law for over ten years. Don's legal practice is primarily criminal and family law. Don is a trained mediator. Don is in the process of becoming a parenting coordinator. In the past, he has served as a court appointed special advocate (CASA). Also, Mason has served as a Legal Aid attorney, and continues to serve on the pro bono panel of attorneys for Legal Aid.

Don is a direct descendant of Black Beaver. He can trace his family to the early days of Nowata County. ■

Candidate Biography, Tribal Court Judge

Glen and Denton Trey, all of Bartlesville.

I was appointed to the Delaware Tribe Judiciary at the June 6, 2011 Tribal Council meeting to fill the position vacated by Seth Pickett who resigned due to moving to Texas. Since that time, we have taken some very important steps to re-establish our Judicial System that had not been a functioning body since we lost our Federal Recognition. In August 2011 our team was awarded scholarships to attend the "Fostering Connections Tribal Gathering" in Oklahoma City addressing the problems, goals, strategies and objectives associated with establishing a child welfare system. In April 2012, we attended the Tribal Court Training Program for Judges funded by the BIA Office of Justice at

the University of New Mexico School of Law Southwest Indian Law Clinic and in June of this year we attended the Sovereignty Symposium in Oklahoma City sponsored by the Oklahoma Supreme Court. These have been important steps toward establishing our judicial system.

The term of my appointment is up for election in November and I am seeking to continue my position as Tribal Judge. It is important that we complete the task of setting up a functional judicial system to serve our Delaware people.

I ask for your vote in November and your support by being involved in tribal activities and letting your voice be heard. It is through your involvement that we can move forward as a stronger tribe.

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Contact Information Change Form

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Others Affected: _____

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.

Please include others in your household who are affected by this contact info change, including children, so that their records can be updated. Thank you!

Delaware Tribe of Indians

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Bartlesville, OK 74006
918-337-6590

Office Hours:
Monday–Friday
8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

www.delawaretribe.org

Community



Jared McGaha.

Jared carries the Paul Bunyan Trophy following Michigan State University's 28-14 win over Michigan. Jared is the son of Tony and Denise McGaha, grandson of Dennis and Karen Cummings and great-grandson of Bonnie Thaxton.



Billy Mills, Cece Biggoose and Patricia Mills at Oklahoma Indian Summer.



Jenifer Pechonick Recipient of "Native American 40 Under 40" Award

The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) is pleased to announce that it has selected the recipients of our prestigious national "Native American 40 Under 40" recognition awards. This award and honor recognizes 40 emerging American Indian leaders between the ages of 18 to 39 who have demonstrated leadership, initiative, and dedication to achieve significant contributions in business, communities, and Indian Country. The "Native American 40 Under 40" Awards will be presented at the 37th Annual Indian Progress in Business Awards Gala (IN-PRO), a featured event of RES

Oklahoma, November 14-15,



Photo by Titus Frenchman

2012, at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Tulsa, OK. Delaware Tribe of Indians leader Jenifer Pechonick has been selected as a recipient of this esteemed award. "I am honored to have been nominated and selected for the NCAIED's 'Native American 40 Under 40' award," Pechonick said. ■

Delaware War Mothers Reorganizing

It is with great pleasure we announce the reorganization of the Delaware War Mothers. This great organization consists of Grandmothers, Mothers, Daughters, Granddaughters, Sisters and Aunts who represent all Veterans. Our mission is to represent and honor our military relatives as well as visiting veterans who are shut-ins at their own home or a resident of a nursing home. Some past activities with veterans were helping them open their Christmas gifts at the Claremore Veterans Hospital, visiting with them so they see new faces, and sent phone cards overseas to active duty service men & women. Other past activities were wearing the club robes during grand entry at various powwows and participating in local parades.

Do you have ideas to help honor these fine people who have fought

for our country and freedom? Then please consider joining the Delaware War Mothers.

If you are a female Native American and would be interested in joining please attend one of the next meetings scheduled for Wednesday, October 10 at 1:00 pm in the dining hall at the Delaware Community Center or Thursday, October 11 at 6:30 pm in Curtis Zunigha's office at the Delaware Community Center.

The club would like to be active by January 1, 2013 so we can kick off the year fresh and be ready to assist our veterans. If you would like more information please contact Bess Marler at 918-440-1955, Evelyn Kay Anderson at 918-397-5116 or email the club at delawarewarmothers@yahoo.com. ■

You Are Invited! Have Lunch with the Elders

M-F 12 noon



Our Elder Nutrition program is doing well. We are having a good crowd every day. We try to serve a variety of foods and our cook, Archie, is doing a good job of preparing it.

The kitchen addition will be starting soon. The new equipment is ordered and will be ready for installation as soon as the building is finished.

We will have a couple of special treats for the elders they should really enjoy. We are still playing Bingo on Thursday after lunch and have chair exercises on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:45 am. Lunch is served at 12 noon. Come and join us!--Judy Dull, Elder Nutrition Supervisor

This is a Title VI program for Native American Elders, 55 and over. Native Americans under 55 and other guests can come eat for a small charge (under 18 are free). Donations are appreciated. ■

HEART OF THE DRUM

HEART OF THE DRUM, a feature length documentary film, was approved by the Tribal Council, by a unanimous vote to start the pre-production phase of the project. A Tribal Resolution is in effect to begin co-production with Angel City Film Works.

(Please note: Heart of the Drum is a working title for pre-production and fund raising; the final name is yet to be determined by agreement between the tribe and the film makers.)

Heart of the Drum portrays the constant rhythm of the cultural center of the tribe as a source of identity and renewal. We shall draw forward many untold stories of the Delaware's participation and contribution to America's history through the pre-Civil War and Civil War era into the present day. This is a combined modern day story that emphasizes the tribal perspective on growth while honoring the richness of heritage. Through humor, stories, and music the viewing audience will be engaged and surprised to learn how the Lenape Language and culture is a part of their daily lives today.

There are two key components to the collaborative

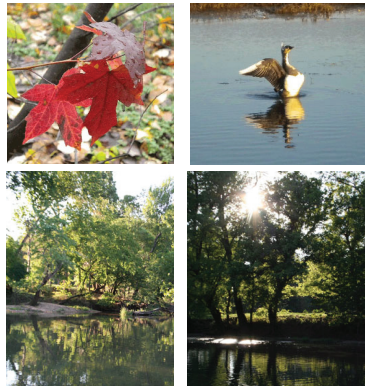
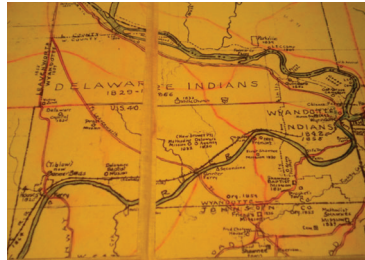


Jack Robinette and Edie Robinette-Petrachi.

agreement between Angel City Film Works and the Delaware Tribe of Indians. The first is that the copyright of both the intellectual property and the film itself shall remain with the tribe. The Tribe will function in the role of Executive Producer. The film makers have already secured PBS broadcast interest for the film in multiple locations. Second, there is a plan to collaborate creatively on the vision development of the project. Anita Mathis, Tribal Archivist and Librarian, is the Project Director for the tribe under the guidance of Chief Paula Pechonick and Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha. A committee will be created to focus the creative collaboration as well as review written content in funding proposals and for the film itself.

Film production will take place over the next twelve months. Included in the content will be interviews with the tribe, audio recordings, archival video interviews, photographs, maps, and narrated letters. Original music and graphic design will be created by tribal members. This style of documentary storytelling will allow individuals to personalize the film and connect back to Kansas through family and tribal collections. Some filming will occur of the cultural events at Delaware Days, but the in-person interviews are planned for later in the fall.

On location filming will occur in Ste Genevieve; Delaware Town near Springfield, MO; Fort Leavenworth; Kaw Point; and all points on the reserve between the Kansas and Missouri Rivers. The filming is being planned to capture



the beauty of all four seasons. Several points of story and interest, such as Grinter's Place, White Church, and Delaware Town, will include interviews with current-day curators and scholars who have affiliations with the tribe.

If you are interested in participating in the film project interviews, an announcement will be made for sign-ups in October, after Delaware Days. You can also participate by gathering with family members to share stories and discuss your own family trees. Digital copies of photos or letters can be made to use in the film and to be archived in the tribal libraries.

Stay tuned for updates on the tribal web site (www.delawaretribe.org), the electronic bulletin board in the Delaware Community Center, and at www.delawaresdoc.com.

For further information, contact Anita Mathis, Tribal Archivist and Tribal Project Director (amathis@delawaretribe.org); Edie Robinette-Petrachi, Film Director (edie@angelcityfilmworks.com), or Jack Robinette, Producer (jack@angelcityfilmworks.com).

Lenape Language Preservation Project

Jim Rementer

What's New

Several months ago we were made aware of a new problem facing users of the Lenape Talking Dictionary. A user of our dictionary (who is 91 years old) discovered that people using mobile devices such as an iPad to access the dictionary could not see the speaker icons which are used to play the sound files. It turns out that an Adobe program called Flash which is used on our web site, is not supported by many mobile devices. We turned to our computer programmers to find a workaround for this problem, and fortunately they did, although it did take a while. It would actually be beneficial to have the entire web site redone in a more up-to-date manner, but the expense for such a thing at this time is beyond our ability.

The grant we have been working under for the last year and a half, a DEL (Documenting Endangered Languages) grant from National Science Foundation, has now run out. We are actively seeking other funding to continue making improvements to the Talking Dictionary. Even without funding we will continue adding to the dictionary in the same way that we did during a three-year period between grants from 2007 through 2010. We feel that this is a project which benefits all Delaware people and should be worked on continuously and not just when there is funding available.



<http://talk-lenape.org>

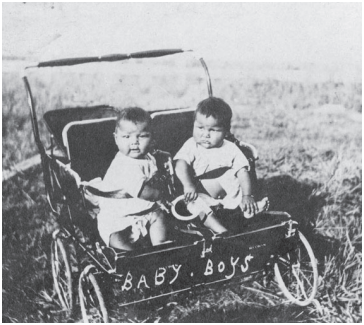
About the Dictionary

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 6,300 have sound files, and over 1,660 have sample sentences. We continue to convert audiotapes of Lenape speakers to digital format, which are then edited to extract the Lenape words. 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 crying, 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. ■

Mystery Photos from the Tribal Archives

Do you know who these people are?



If you do, please contact Anita Davis Mathis at (918) 337-6595 or (918) 440-8734 or amathis@delawaretribe.org

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, and traditional cultural properties.

Ethnohistory Conference, November 7-10

In an effort to raise public awareness of the Delaware's brief but significant historical connection to Southwest Missouri, we have organized a panel session on the topic at this year's Ethnohistory Conference. Our session, "The Delaware and the Ozark Frontier in the early 19th century," will be included as part of the conference which will be held on November 7-10 at the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. The Ethnohistory Conference is an annual meeting of historians and anthropologists who share an interest in the histories of native peoples of the Americas. Our list of presenters includes historians (including tribal member Dr. Nicky Kay Michael) and anthropologists whose research includes or is focused on Delaware history and culture in the 19th and 20th centuries. A guided tour of what archaeologists at Missouri State University have identified as the historic Delaware Town along the James River will be included as part of the

conference as will a viewing of the collections that have been uncovered from the Delaware occupation in the region. Anyone is welcome to attend the conference and the conference organizers have waived the registration costs for tribal members who wish to attend. Information on the conference can be found at <http://www.ethnohistory.org/meetings/>

We hope to use the information gathered from this session to assist us in our nomination of the Delaware Town Site to the National Register of Historic Places.

FY 2012 NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) Grant Awarded

We are very pleased to announce that the National Park Service's National NAGPRA office has awarded us funding that will help support our efforts to document and digitally reunite the burials that were excavated from the Abbott Farm National Historic Landmark in Trenton, NJ and the Chambers Site in western Pennsylvania. Abbott Farm is a multi-component Delaware village site along the lower Delaware River that was repeatedly occupied for approximately 10,000 years and by our count over 100 burials have been excavated from this one location. The Chambers Site is the cemetery region of what was once Kuskuskie's village that was established in the late 18th century and approximately

70 Delaware affiliated burials were excavated from this site by an amateur archaeologist in the 1960's. Today, the human remains and funerary objects from these two locations are now shared among the collections at the Chicago Field Museum, the American Museum of Natural History, the Carnegie Museum and the New Jersey State Museum. Over the course of the next two years, we will consult with these four additional museums who hold collections from these two significant sites and combine their collections with those curated at the State Museum of Pennsylvania and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology. It is our goal that, once reunited, we can move forward with a repatriation and reburial.

Upcoming Events

On behalf of the Tribe, Mike Pace attended the 200-year commemoration of the Delaware village at Greentown, Ohio on September 15. The commemoration is a day long event hosted by a local non-profit organization.

We have been invited by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) to work with them on the design of an exhibit that highlights the discovery of six prehistoric sites found during mitigation for road construction in downtown Philadelphia. The exhibit will be housed at the Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia and the opening of the exhibit is September 20. The exhibit design is being handled by Anita Davis Mathis, Jim Rementer, and Chief Paula Pechonick. Chief Pechonick and Anita Mathis have been invited and plan to attend the exhibit opening. ■

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 918-337-6595 or 918-440-8734. The material can be scanned or photographed and returned to you if requested. ■

Obituaries



Betty Lou Cruz

**June 17, 1926-
July 9, 2012**

Betty Lou Cruz, age 86, passed away suddenly on Monday, July 9, 2012.

Betty was a Fresno resident for 25 years, after moving from Manteca. She had also lived in Stockton and in San Diego, CA.

Betty was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. She was a proud member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, daughter of Mary Sarcoxie and granddaughter of Chief John Sarcoxie and Francis Ramsey, sister to Helen Brooks (deceased) and aunt to tribal members Joe and Chester Brooks. Her genealogy includes members of several other Bartlesville families, including Ramsey and Ogle. Although she spent most of her adult life in California, she maintained ties to her tribal home in Oklahoma.

Betty had an outgoing personality. She was a very generous and caring person and had many friends, including a number of beloved pets.

She is survived by her three children: Juanita (Vic) Fiorello

of Fresno, Pete Cruz, Jr. of San Diego, CA and Mary (Elton) Bailey of Prescott Valley, AZ., five grandchildren: Marilee, John, Wilber, James, and Sara, and seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service is scheduled for 10:00 A.M., Saturday, July 14, 2012 at Yost & Webb Chapel. ■



Barbara Rae Davis

**July 22, 1929-
July 4, 2012**

Barbara Rae Davis, 82, longtime Dewey resident, achieved her independence from her earthly bonds Wednesday morning July 4th.

Barbara was born July 22, 1929, near Dewey, to Joseph and Cina Haugh. Her family moved to Texas for a short while before returning to Dewey.

Barbara attended Dewey High and during her senior year, she was the Basketball Queen while her high school sweetheart Bernard Trent (BT) Andy Davis was the basketball captain. They graduated together in 1948. Andy joined the military and served in Korea. When he returned, they were

united in marriage on April 4, 1953.

Barbara began her career at the First National Bank of Dewey, then Westar. She was a teller and rose to become head cashier before retiring in 1978 after 30 years of service.

She also was active in the community, volunteering her time and talents at church, as well as for Indian taco dinners and the wild onion dinners. She was a member of the Dewey VFW Post #10099 Women's Auxiliary and ran the VFW bingo concession stand. Barbara enjoyed quilting and often donated her handiwork to raise funds for charity. She will be greatly missed by friends and family.

Barbara is survived by her two sons, David Davis of Dewey, and John and Catherine Davis of Copan; two sisters, Madolyn June Mull of Copan, and Beverly Booth of Dewey; four grandchildren: Debra (Davis) Hanmer, Lacey Dion Davis, Justin Trent Davis, and Alanah Mae Davis; and one great-grandchild Brayden Austin Harris. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years in 2009, and her parents.

Visitation was held Friday July 6, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. at the Davis Family Funeral Home (918-534-3030), 113 S. Osage, Dewey, OK.

Services for Mrs. Davis were held Saturday July 7, 2012, 10 a.m. at New Hope Indian Methodist Church in Dewey. Pastor Mike Svitak officiated. Interment followed in the Dewey Cemetery. Arrangements under the direction of the Davis Family Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.davisfamilyfuneralhome.com. ■



Kenadie Inman

**April 20, 2012-
September 7, 2012**

Kenadie Raelyn Inman passed away Friday, September 7, 2012. She was born on April 20, 2012 in Bartlesville to Amy L. Jones and Jeremy R. Inman. Kenadie was a sweet, happy baby with a beautiful smile. She had just learned to roll over and play with her feet.

Kenadie is survived by her parents, Amy Jones and Jeremy Inman of the home, paternal grandfather, Terry Inman of Coffeyville, Kansas, maternal grandmother Janet Beale of Cape Coral, Florida, maternal grandmother Brenda Jones of Bartlesville, maternal grandfather Boyd Jones of Bartlesville, three aunts, two uncles, and fourteen cousins. She is preceded by her paternal great grandparents, Ron and Darlene Inman.

Online condolences may be left at www.honoringmemories.com. The family asks those who wish to leave donations with Benjamin Funeral Service for a memorial fund for Kenadie. ■

Ronald Inman

**March 3, 1939-
September 7, 2012**

Ronald Lee Inman, 73, passed away Friday, September 7, 2012 at his home in



Nowata. He was born on March 5, 1939 in Ramona, Oklahoma. Ronnie graduated from Ramona High School and soon went to work for J&J Construction. Since 1988, he used his skills as a pipe-fitter and welder for American Airlines. Ronnie was a member of the Army Reserve; the Hillside Christian Church and Local 397 of the Pipefitters Union. He was a former Grand Master of Sunset Masonic Lodge #57 AF & AM at Nowata and held memberships in the Delaware and Ramona lodges as well. Ronnie enjoyed making knives, belts, saddles, and many other items with his hands. He loved being a cowboy, farming and rodeo. Ronnie was a long-time member of the Nowata Round-up Club.

Ronnie is survived by three children, Terry L. Inman of Coffeyville, Kansas, Jerry D. Inman and wife Tina of Nowata, Darla LaForte and husband Will of Coffeyville, Kansas, nine grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Darlene Inman, and a great granddaughter, Kenadie Inman. ■



Rosella Inman

**October 30, 1941-
September 7, 2012**

Rosella Darlene Inman, 70, passed away Friday, September 7, 2012 at her home in Nowata. She was born on October 30, 1941 in Winganon, Oklahoma to Gladys Pauline (Ketchum) and Joseph L. "Joe" Hayes.

Darlene grew up in the Alluwe area, where she played basketball and graduated from Alluwe High School. She loved to sing and as a young lady, cut a record with her friends, Vicki Couch and Janice Allison. Darlene married Ronnie Lee Inman on May 21, 1959 at the Hillside Christian Church in Nowata. She had worked for Marcus Manufacturing, Oklahoma Beverage and Western Publishing. Darlene lived all her life in the Nowata area with the exception of the years spent traveling with Ron on his job as a pipe fitter. She was a long time member of the Hillside Christian Church and the Nowata Round-up Club. Darlene was known in her family for her marvelous cooking and just being a grandmother. She enjoyed Bingo for many years and later, going to the casinos.

Darlene is survived by three children, Terry L. Inman of Coffeyville, Kansas, Jerry D. Inman and wife Tina of Nowata, Darla LaForte and husband

Will of Coffeyville, Kansas; four sisters, Janet Clanton and husband Johnnie of Copan, Joila Noblitt and husband Roy of Nowata, Treva Murrey and husband David of Garfield, Arkansas, Sue Decker and husband Roy of Worland, Wyoming; five brothers, Bob Stephens of Dumas, Texas, Jackie Stpehens (Uncle Mossy) of Nowata, Jim Hayes and wife Sue of Winganon, John Hayes and wife Marla of Bartlesville, Doyle Hayes and wife Jane of Nowata, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Darlene is preceded in death by her parents Joseph and Gladys Hayes, her spouse Ron Inman and her great granddaughter Kenadie Inman. ■



Patricia L. Moody

**December 1 1927-
July 5th 2012**

Patricia Moody was born in Dewey, Oklahoma to Louis Bullette and Mary T. Dallison Bullette. She attended Dewey schools, and the family moved to the Joplin Missouri area during her high school years. She was the third of five children; siblings are the late Louis Bullette and Juanita Davis of Joplin MO, and the late Peggy Renfro and Earleen Endicott of Wichita KS. She was preceded in death by her husband Jack Moody, her brother Louis (Luggy), and sister Peggy Lacy

Renfro, as well as her eldest son Tommy Moody.

She had four children: Tommy Moody and Jacque McDonald of Reeds, MO; Patti (Patty Cake) Carver of Webb City, MO; and Tony Moody, who resides in Tulsa. She also had seven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

She was a hard working Delaware girl who always had a good job. She worked at Gulf Chemical, Eagle Pitcher Industries, and could run a bulldozer all day long. She also loved her pets.

Services will be held September 29, 2012 at 10:00 am at the Delaware Cemetery in Dewey, OK. ■



Lovella Ann Hayes Ralstin

**November 3, 1939-
March 20, 2012**

Lovella Ann Hayes Ralstin, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at the age of 72. She was born on November 3, 1939 in Coffeyville, Kansas to Russell "Whitey" and Agnes Connor Hayes, daughter of the late Johnny Connor.

Lovella gained a love of travel during her early years as her parents moved throughout the Unites States following reservoir construction. During

retirement Lovella and her husband Mervin fulfilled their lifelong dream traveling and visiting many places including 48 states, parts of Canada and Mexico. During that time she worked extensively on completing the family genealogy. Lovella's biggest delight was her family; she was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

She is survived by her loving husband Mervin; daughters Rebecca Galindo and husband Pete, Martha Alexander and husband Paul, Helena Purl and husband Charlie; son Russell Glenn Ralstin and wife Sara; sister Kay Childress and husband Ron; eleven grandchildren (Alexandria Purl, Scott Villanueva, Rex Purl, Jeff Villanueva, Kayla Jennings, Amanda Purl, Michael Ralstin, Richard Alexander, David Alexander, Lacey Alexander, Stormy Ralstin); eight great-grandchildren (Brayden, Charlee, Bryson, Kylee, Gabby, Jacob, Connor, Jordon); and numerous other loving family and friends.

Interment was at Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Coffeyville, Kansas. Memorials may be sent to MDS Research Foundation, PO Box 180219, Tallahassee, FL 32318. ■

Anita Elizabeth Scott

**April 7, 1923-
August 12, 2012**

Anita Elizabeth Scott, 89, of Willis, Texas went to be with the Lord August 12, 2012. She was born April 7, 1923 in Wichita, Kansas. Anita is preceded in death by her husband Ray L. Scott; step-sister Mary Wiley; step-brother Walter Wi-



ley; and son-in-law William E. Rao, Jr. She is survived by her daughters Linda Rao and Sheri Griscom (Guy); son Dan Scott (Rosalie); 7 grandchildren; and 6 great grandchildren.

Anita and Ray were married on December 14, 1941 and were happily married for almost 65 years until Ray's passing in 2006. She was a member of Security First Baptist Church, where she attended the Median Sunday School Class. She also attended the Tuesday Ladies Bible Study at the First United Methodist Church in Conroe with her daughters. Faith was extremely important to her and she was a genuine prayer warrior. Her husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were her life. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. She will be deeply missed.

Funeral services were set for 2:30 P.M., Friday, August 17, 2012 in the Chapel at Forest Park The Woodlands Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests, in memory of Anita, memorial contributions may be made to Rose of Texas Hospice, 1610 Woodstead Court, Ste. 395, The Woodlands, Texas 77380. ■

***Chet Brooks Reminds Delaware Voters
Request Absentee Ballot By October 15th
Forms In DIN & on delawaretribe.org***

***All Delaware Tribal Members Are Invited
To Attend Election Rally To Be Held At
Delaware Community Ctr. - Bartlesville @
6:30 P.M., Wed., Oct. 10th***

***All Council & Judge Candidates Are Most
Welcome To Attend And Will Get Time To
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VOTERS HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO MAKE A REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT. I WAS NOT
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Minutes of the Tribal Council, June 2012-August 2012

Monday, June 4, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the meeting to order 6pm.

Curtis Zunigha gave the invocation.

Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Chet Brooks, Verna Crawford, Wayne Stull, Nathan Young, Janifer Brown, and Jenifer Pechonick. Guests present included: Leslie Fall-Leaf, Cece Biggoose, Bruce Martin, Cy Hughes, Charles and Mary Randall, and Greg Brown.

Bruce Martin addressed the Tribal Council regarding a donation for the Intertribal Youth Pow Wow, June 9, 2012. He was seeking an emergency donation for the Youth Pow Wow. Two Trust committees will donate \$200 each and Tribal members Curtis Zunigha and Nathan Young donated \$50 each.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. 2nd Nathan Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve the May 7, 2012 minutes. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the financials pending audit. 2nd Wayne Stull. Discussion: Janifer Brown requests a class on the financials. Nate, Jenifer, and Verna are interested in taking a class. Curtis Zunigha asked that Janifer shadow Jade Johnson as she prepares the financials. Jade can then host a workshop with the financials. Motion passed all in favor.

Unfinished Business

Laura Maynor, Melissa Gillman, James Hammon, Cy Hughes, LuAnn Hainline (Chair), Nicole Hammon (alternate) are working on an absentee ballot request and a candidate declaration form for the July DIN. Filing period for candidates is Aug 1-Sept 1. Absentee Ballot requests will be due back to the PO Box no later than Oct 14, Tribal members are encouraged to return their request ASAP.

Voters may download the form, get the form from DIN or be mailed the form.

The election will be November 3, 2012. Cy Hughes suggested the Election Committee be a standing committee so they can prepare all year for the election. The Chief asked about the polling place in Caney. Cy Hughes said since there wasn't a full committee present, they didn't discuss Caney. The Chief said discussion was held regarding having the polls open in Caney on Friday. Cy Hughes thought the committee needed additional volunteers to man the Caney polling place. Discussion was held regarding absentee ballot list for candidates. Discussion was held on banning individual mailouts all together.

Jenifer suggested offering candidates a word limit bio and a quarter page ad for the paper in lieu of providing address lists for personal mailouts. An additional concern was presented in the self-certification process of the ballots. Voters ballots are frequently invalidated because of the wrong or no roll numbers in the self-certification portion.

Nathan Young made a motion for the declaration of candidacy between Aug 1, 2012-Sept 1, 2012. 2nd Wayne Stull. 6 yes 1 abstain (Chet Brooks)

Janifer Brown made a motion that the Tribe will not provide a voter list to candidates. 2nd Nathan Young. Discussion: Chet Brooks said all the candidates at the table have been elected and in doing so sent out mailers. Curtis Zunigha said the Tribal Council may be interpreted as limiting free speech if we prevented candidates from sending mailouts. Curtis said he thinks the Tribal Council's intention is to not provide mailing lists to candidates. Janifer Brown said it should be stressed that all candidates will be given equal space in the DIN at no cost. 5 yes 2 abstain (Chet Brooks, Wayne Stull)

Office Report

Curtis Zunigha introduced Leslie Fall-Leaf as the Executive Assistant and Enrollment Director. Leslie reported she is trying to get training on the new software purchased. She is working to design a photo ID for Council approval.

There are requirements for information that needs to be on the card for the card to be accepted as a legal ID.

Curtis, Nathan Young, and Jade Johnson will meet with CN grants director. Nate and Jade will go with him on June 15. They will close out 2009/2010 Housing.

Caney property Fee-Trust Application: We are entering into a no-cost retainer agreement with Horizon to perform activities needed. Horizon is already an approved vendor. Horizon will perform the en-

vironmental review and certification on the property. In addition, the property deed is being prepared as we currently have a quit claim deed on the property.

The Library and Museum staff attended the ATALM conference in Tulsa. The Sovereignty Symposium is next week in OKC, the Tribe will be represented. The construction is underway for the Social Services building.

DIN report—next issue is July 1, we request information by June 15.

New Business

Nathan Young made a motion to approve resolution 2012-21 New member resolution, 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: There are 7 new members. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve 2012-22 A Resolution to Enact a Tribal Government Code of Conduct. 2nd Wayne Stull. Discussion: Nathan Young mentioned we forgot to include a severability clause that if a part of the code were deemed unconstitutional, the rest would be intact. We will amend the code next month.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm.

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Monday, July 2, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the meeting to order 5:50pm.

Chet Brooks gave the invocation.

Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Chet Brooks, Verna Crawford,

Wayne Stull, Nathan Young, Janifer Brown and Jenifer Pechonick. Guests present included: Don and Priscilla Mason, Leslie Fall-Leaf, LuAnn Hainline, Greg Schelin, Terry Barnes, Cece Biggoose, Cy Hughes, Charles and Mary Randall, Curtis Zunigha, Vicki Sousa, and Greg Brown.

The Chief recognized the guests in the audience and asked if anyone wanted to address the Council.

Greg Schelin asked the Council for a variance on the housing policy in his case.

He has 3 dogs. They are small shitzu mixed. He is a Native, disabled veteran. He will pay an extra pet fee and understands the expectations of housing upkeep.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to grant a variance to Greg Schelin on the pet policy. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna made a motion to amend the agenda to add the manager's report, the severability clause on the Code of Conduct, Don Mason's report, rescind resolution 2012-19, NCAI, change meeting time and an executive session. 2nd

Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the June 4, 2012 minutes with corrections if needed. 2nd Wayne Stull. Discussion: Chet discussed corrections which will be made prior to publication. Motion passed. (6 yes, 1 abstain Chet)

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve the financials pending audit. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: Janifer Brown said

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the class given by Jade was one of the best she had attended. Motion passed all in favor.

Manager's Report

Curtis Zunigha presented his report.

TRIBAL MANAGER REPORT

1. Cherokee MOA—The Cherokee Nation transferred \$150,000 to the Tribe on June 29 and we expect another \$150,000 in a couple weeks. The Housing Program is closing out FY2009 and FY2010 budget years and all funds have been spent or obligated. I have appealed to CN Secretary of State Charles Head for a meeting to draw down all program funds through FY2012. I've requested \$100,000 from the CN Roads Program to be applied to the extension of Barbara Street to Ohio Street.

2. Caney trust application—Horizon Engineering is working on the Environmental Assessment portion of the application. It is quite possible they will complete their part by the end of July. The property title and insurance statement has been prepared by First American in Independence, KS. I have assigned Jimmie Johnson to work with me and track the environmental assessments to completion.

3. Internet—The network server has been fixed and emails are flowing at a normal pace. I have attached a detailed action plan that Greg Brown is working on to address in-house IT issues.

4. Housing—I will be attending a HUD Indian Housing conference next Monday in Durant. Housing Program Manager Melanie Downs will also accompany me. We will

be presenting an assessment of our tribal housing needs based on a waiting list, total available units, and future housing plans. HUD is seeking tribal input to develop a national Indian Housing needs assessment for future funding allocations by Congress.

On May 7 the Tribal Council approved a resolution to purchase a home located at 408 Mistletoe in Bartlesville. We have determined that the housing unit did not meet certain environmental review standards and was not worth the effort to provide the corrective measures addressing asbestos and lead paint issues. Therefore I recommend the Tribal Council rescind this resolution and formally stop authorization to purchase this housing unit.

5. DIN —The July issue of the Delaware Indian News is now printed and is going to tribal members through the US Mail right now. It was a collaborative effort with staff and elected leaders. I give special commendation to Greg Brown for his editor role.

6. 2012 Election—The election committee has met twice and the tribal staff provides any support needed. The chair of the committee will be attending tonight's meeting to give a report on their progress.

7. Social Services Building—Construction continues. Projected completion is February 2013.

Nathan Young said he talked to representatives of the Cherokee Nation who said they feel like our housing funds should come directly to us. Curtis said that we need to do a political analysis on which Council members will vote to change the MOA.

Election Committee Report

Discussion was held regarding polling in Caney and times. The times for polling will be 9a-1p in Caney and the Education Building in Bartlesville. The office will set up a voice-mail and email for the election committee. LuAnn asked Terry Barnes to be on the committee and he accepted. The League of Women Voters are going to help.

Enrollment Cards

Leslie Fall-Leaf gave an update on the requirements for a Federal ID for the proposed enrollment card. She passed around a sample. The Council gave input on the card.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the presented card with changes.

2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: Leslie will bring a plan for minors' next meeting. Cy Hughes asked a question about why a notary would be necessary. Discussion was held regarding fraud potential. The photo ID is optional. Motion passed all in favor.

Wayne Stull made a motion to rescind 2012-19 Approval of Home Purchase, 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Discussion: The home presented was not fit to purchase.

Motion passed all in favor.

Severability Clause on the Code of Conduct

Nathan Young said when we adopted the Code of Conduct, we forgot to include a severability clause. Vicki will draft and get to Curtis.

Sovereignty Symposium

Don Mason reported he attended the Sovereignty Symposium in June. He highlighted the conference from his prospective. The first day consisted of

programs which focused on legal issues and economic issues. He went to Title IV programs the 2nd day, particularly Title IV-E which included much information about Title IV-B. Title IV-B – ICWA. He also attended a Title IV-E conference in June. He said he heard about the dangers and pitfalls of Title IV-E.

Vicki talked about internet gaming presentation at Sovereignty Symposium.

Curtis Zunigha brought a discussion to the floor encouraging a budget for 2013 for judges.

Wayne Stull made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-22 Tribal Membership. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: there are 8 new members. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-23 Approving the submission of the application for the Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement Start Up grant. 2nd Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

The Chief announced that we applied for and received 10 FEMA trailers. Curtis Zunigha gave an update the staff is working on an updated policy and an application.

New Business

Jenifer Pechonick made the motion to send 5 people to NCAI if funds are available. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed 4 yes 3 abstain (V. Crawford, C. Brooks, W. Stull)

Other Business

Janifer Brown made a motion to change the start time for the Council meeting to begin 15 minutes after Trust ends. 2nd Wayne Stull. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to allow shorts for certain personnel for summer season. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: Curtis will bring official wording for policy change next month. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to go into executive session, 2nd Nathan Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna made a motion to reconvene from executive session. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to pass resolution 2012-24 to reaffirm tribal jurisdiction in Kansas. 2nd Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

Monday, August 6, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Jenifer Pechonick

Chief Pechonick called the meeting to order at 5:40p.

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2012 DELAWARE TRIBE ELECTION BOARD

LuAnn Hainline, Chair
Jim Hammon, Vice Chair
Laura Maynor
Barbara Wallace
Melissa Buck Gillman
Cy Hughes

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Chet Brooks gave the invocation.

Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Chet Brooks, Verna Crawford, Wayne Stull, Nathan Young, Janifer Brown and Jenifer Pechonick. Guests present included: Mary Huddleston, Annette and Dee Ketchum, Vicki Sousa, Anna Pechonick, John Sumpter, Leslie Fall-Leaf, Jack Tatum, Curtis Zunigha, Cece Biggoose, Homer Scott, Don and Priscilla Mason, Anita Mathis, Marilyn Coffey, LuAnn Hainline, Barbara Wallace, Terry Barnes, Buck Young, Charles and Mary Randall. Karen Barnes Wilson, Rick Barnes, Nancy Sumpter and Madeline Anna.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to suspend the agenda for a presentation from Edie Robinette-Petrachi. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Edie Robinette-Petrachi addressed the Tribal Council. She

has made some initial steps in working on a documentary on the Tribe. The story is a present-day story but provides the links to the Tribe in KS as well as pieces of the Tribe's journey from the East coast. She said that she is working on state and private funding. She wants to know if the Tribe is interested in being a sponsor by managing the grants.

Chet Brooks made a motion to prepare a resolution to accept her proposal. 2nd Nate Young. Discussion: Authorize and formally accept the idea to make a documentary film about the Delawares in Kansas, the research, post production and production would take place over the next year and to consider being the role of being the fiscal sponsor on the Kansas Humanities grant, consider owning the copyright of the documentary. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the agenda with

amendment. 2nd Wayne Stull, motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the minutes from July 2, 2012 with corrections if any. 2nd Nate Young, motion passed all in favor.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the financials pending audit. 2nd Verna Crawford, motion passed all in favor.

Curtis Zunigha gave the office report. (Attached.)

Dee Ketchum made a report for the Council regarding Kansas economic development.

Leslie Fall-Leaf discussed enrollment.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to send Verna Crawford, Chet Brooks, Wayne Stull, Nate Young, Curtis Zunigha and Leslie Fall-Leaf to NCAI October 20-26. 2nd Jan Brown. Motion passed all in favor. Discussion: Jenifer Pechonick asked for all of the travelers to attend the November Elders meeting. Jenifer Pechonick also suggested the

agenda/breakout sessions be available to the Elders at the October meeting so they could express interest in topics.

LuAnn Hainline said they updated the election committee regulations. She presented a draft to the Council. They will review and provide comments to the Election Committee.

Wayne made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-25 approving Tribal member enrollment. 2nd Nate Young. Discussion: 36 members. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to accept the Wellness Center Policy and Procedures with corrections. 2nd Chet. Motion passed all in favor.

William Crawford has submitted his resignation as a judge. The Chief asked for interested Tribal members to submit their names for consideration at the September meeting moved to August 27.

Jenifer Pechonick made

a motion to approve Native American Artist Certification of Anthony Coffey. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Don Mason addressed the Council. He presented a letter of support from the judges for the Child Support Enforcement grant. He discussed several upcoming meetings and a possible training.

Chet Brooks asked for an executive session to discuss personnel.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel. 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed all in favor.

Nate Young made a motion to return to regular session. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick, Motion passed all in favor.

No action taken from executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.■

Minutes of the Delaware Trust Board, June 2012-August 2012

Monday, June 4, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary

Chairman Wayne Stull called the June 4, 2012 meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

Former Chief Curtis Zunigha gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll, those present were Chairman Wayne Stull, Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks, TJ Aaroe, John Sumpter, DeAnn Ketchum, Joe Brooks and Verna Crawford.

Chairman Stull greeted the guests. Guest present were Mary Randall, Cy Hughes, Bruce Martin, Chief Dee Ketchum, Annette Ketchum, Titus Frenchman, Nicky K. Michael, Betsey Brown, Yancy Red Corn, and Sam Caruso.

Tribal officials and employees present were Chief Paula Pechonick, Justice Charles Randall, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, Cece Biggoose, and Council member Nate Young.

Joe Brooks moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with six yes.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Assistant Chair Chet Brooks moved to approve the minutes of May 7, 2012 with corrections if needed. TJ Aaroe seconded the motion.

Motion carried with five yes and one abstention (Joe Brooks).

Treasurer's Report

Verna Crawford moved to accept the Treasurer's report pending audit seconded by Chet Brooks.

Chairman Stull stated he had turned in a voucher for mileage reimbursement on which he

had combined Trust and Council travel. He said he was told it had been done wrong. That Trust and Council must be submitted on separate forms. Wayne stated that any difference would be corrected and the next report would reflect the difference.

Motion carried with six yes.

Committee Reports

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CHAIR WAYNE STULL)

Chairman Stull requested Lesa Steele, Economic Development Coordinator, to give an Economic Development up-

date. Lesa stated that Earnest Tiger, Economic Development Director, is recovering from surgery and doing well. He will be out for some time.

The negotiations with the owner of the generator company are stalled. There are certain assurances that must be in the contract to protect the Tribe. We are waiting to hear from the owner and his lawyer.

There are other projects being pursued. One is a joint venture with a construction company to form a certified

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8A company. This would allow us to competitively bid on government contracts as an Indian Owned business. We are also reviewing several others and will be choosing which to move forward on at the next meeting in June.

Chet Brooks asked if the problem with the generator plant has anything to do with the amount of work he will have to do after we purchase the company?

What we want to do is to put a clause in the contract to hold a percentage of the money in escrow for the first five years to insure he carries out his duties as stated in the contract. The bank advised us to have this stated so that the Tribe would not be left without the expertise to operate the company in the beginning. He wants all the money up front and we want a guarantee he will stay for the first five years and train our personnel.

COMMUNITY SERVICES (CHAIR TJ AAROE)

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month following the Education Committee meeting. There are two meetings to report on. The Committee met on April 30 and May 14; the minutes for both are in the packets provided. Lacey Harris submitted 18 applications for assistance. Seventeen were approved and one rejected because applicant was not a tribal member.

TJ announced her resignation due to personal reasons. She said this would be her last official meeting. She hopes to be able to serve the Tribe again in the future. She will continue to serve on committees.

DeAnn Ketchum moved to accept TJ Aaroe's resignation.

Joe Brooks seconded the motion.

Motion carried with six yes and one abstention (Chet Brooks).

Wayne Stull stated that she had worked hard and was an asset to the Board and expected that in the future she would serve again.

Verna Crawford commended TJ for her efforts to serve and improve the Tribe.

Anyone wanting to be considered as a member of the Board needs to submit their request in writing to Chairman Stull. Those interested will be considered at the next meeting and a replacement will be selected.

CULTURAL PRESERVATION (CHAIR CHET BROOKS)

Meets the third Tuesday of each month at the Community Center. The Committee voted to allow the Dog Pound, an original organization of the Delaware Powwow, to hold their auction in conjunction with Delaware Days in September.

Chet announced that on July 13 at noon the Elders lunch will be steak barbeque.

Annette Ketchum reminded everyone on the second Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. cultural preservation night is held. Starting at 6 p.m. with a potluck dinner. If enough people show up there will be singing and dancing or fellowship.

Wayne Stull informed everyone that Curt Johnson has died. He had been a long-time supporter and attendee of the Delaware Powwow. Wayne stated that Curt had been well thought of.

Annette Ketchum added that there would be no funeral. He has been cremated and his wife will hold a memorial at a later date.

EDUCATION (CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD)

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month. The meeting was held May 14, 2012 at 1 p.m. Five requests, three athletic and two education, were presented and approved. The next meeting will be on June 11, at 1 p.m. and the Community Services Committee meeting will follow

LAND MANAGEMENT (CHAIR DEANN KETCHUM)

DeAnn Ketchum reported that a cemetery committee meeting was held at 2 pm today. Brice Obermeyer is still trying to find GPR (ground penetrating radar) to use at the cemeteries. He has a few more weeks to work on this. Next meeting will be held on June 4 at 2 pm. Jenifer Pechonick and Vicki Sousa have been in touch with the County Commissioners and found old records that the Tribe has been deeded the grounds at the old Delaware Cemetery and the Busby Cemetery.

We are going to look into the Fall Leaf Cemetery. The Silver Lake is under the care of the County because it is not primarily Delawares buried there.

Brice is looking into grants under historical preservation. Chet and Dee are going to take some guidelines we found that were written in the past that are really pretty good. They will review them and get input from the Elders Committee and come back to the Committee with recommendations. This will be reviewed at the July meeting.

Curtis Zunigha was asked to check into getting the back forty acres mowed for hay as been done in the past.

Many good comments were received regarding the cem-

etry during visits over Memorial Weekend.

Wayne Stull asked if anyone had asked Brice about buying a GPR machine. We could use it and hire it out to others. DeAnn will check on that.

REINVESTMENT (CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER)

Meets quarterly. John Sumpter stated that Yancy Red Corn, Sam Caruso, and Betsey Brown Red Eagle Feather were back. They have a letter of agreement to have them look into and make a proposal regarding investing out money. We would be spending our own money to investigate possible projects.

They were advised to make a presentation to the DEA, which will meet Thursday, June 14, 2012.

Wayne Stull stated that he would never be in favor of putting our money into any project that might put it into jeopardy. In his opinion the Trust Board does not have the expertise to supervise loaning money to others.

Verna Crawford stated that the Trust Board directed Arvest Bank to invest our money mostly in secure properties.

Nate Young stated that the Tribal Council would be the one who would be necessary to make the decision in conjunction with the Trust Board.

TRIBAL OPERATIONS (CHAIR JOE BROOKS)

Meets quarterly. No report.

New Business

Resolution #2012-05: Authorizing Tribal Officials to conduct business with the Office of Special Trustee. Curtis Zunigha said a new resolution must be done every year. The only changes are Board members who were not listed last year.

Joe Brooks moved to approve Resolution #2012-05: Authorizing Tribal Officials to conduct business with the Office of Special Trustee, with the removal of the names of TJ Aaroe and Vicki Sousa from the resolution. Seconded by DeAnn Ketchum. Motion carried with six yes.

Other Business

Joe Brooks moved for the Trust Board to pay 37½% of the insurance for Earnest Tiger till he comes back from workman's comp. Seconded by DeAnn Ketchum. Motion carried with four yes, one no (Verna Crawford), and 1 abstention, (TJ Aaroe).

Chairman Stull declared the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

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Monday, July 2, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary

Chairman Wayne Stull called the June 4, 2012 meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

Former Chief Curtis Zunigha gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll, those present were Chairman Wayne Stull, Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks, TJ Aaroe, John Sumpter, DeAnn Ketchum, Joe Brooks and Verna Crawford. All members were present.

Chairman Stull greeted the guests. Guest present were Matt White, Nancy Sumpter, Mary Randall, Attorney Vicki Sousa, and Arvest Bank Representatives Joshua Randolph and Scott Thompson.

Tribal officials and employees present were Chief Paula

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Pechonick, Council Member Jan Brown, Justice Charles Randall, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, Leslie Fall-Leaf, Lesa Steele, Cece Biggoose, and Council member Nate Young.

Verna Crawford moved to approve the agenda with the addition of NCAI under New Business, seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion carried with five yes.

Arvest Bank—Trust Fund Report by Joshua Randolph and Scott Thompson

(A note of explanation: As directed by the Trust Board the funds are invested in mostly secure stocks, government bonds, etc. There are two accounts, one is the principal and the other a sub-account.

The principal account is the bulk of the funds and produces the interest from which the Trust Committees operate. The sub-account (interest account) is invested in fixed assets and is the Trust operating account. In this manner these monies are also earning income for the committee operations. The funds are drawn down as needed by the Committees. This explanation is given by the secretary for clarification.)

A detailed report was distributed regarding the Tribe's Trust investments. (Report is on file).

Joshua Randolph stated the balance, as of Friday, June 29, 2012, was \$3,490,984.21. He noted that there has been an appreciation of about one half a million dollars over the years. The estimated annual income is approximately \$128,453.67. The income is about 3.8% yield on investments and is not taking into account the appreciation. The target objec-

tive was 30%, we stay on the conservative side and have kept on track with 30.4% return. The sub-account balance is \$245,878.07. This is the account earning are placed into. The total of both accounts in this report are \$3,750.00. Additional information is on file at the Tribal office.

Chairman Stull stated that he has been impressed with the way Arvest manages our funds ever since they took over.

Verna Crawford pointed out that the previous managers had lost a considerable amount of money. As the report shows, we have increased over the years with Arvest. She thanked them for taking care of us.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Joe Brooks moved to approve the minutes of June 4, 2012 with corrections if needed. Assistant Chair Chet Brooks seconded the motion.

Motion carried with five yes.

Treasurer's Report

Verna Crawford moved to accept the Treasurer's report pending audit seconded by Chet Brooks.

Discussion: Curtis Zunigha informed the Board that the reports were late due to auditors being in the office. Chairman Stull noted that there appears to be over spending by some committees. Accounting has indicated that committees have carry-over but we don't have information. It was noted that the information is needed by the committees. Verna Crawford commented that a workshop had been held on Tribal financials that was very informative and clarified many things. Motion carried with five yes.

Joe Brooks moved to setup a workshop on Trust Financials.

Seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with five yes.

Curtis Zunigha reported that extra people have been hired to keep up the cemeteries and that money has been coming out of the Land Management budget.

Committee Reports

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CHAIR WAYNE STULL)

Chairman Stull requested Lesa Steele, Economic Development Coordinator, to give an Economic Development update.

Lesa Steele reported:

"I reported last month that the generator project had been tabled due to stalled negotiations with the owner. As disappointing as that was, I hit the ground running to find new economic development opportunities for the board to consider.

On Thursday and Friday, June 7th and 8th, I attended a class in OKC at Tinker Air Force Base on government contracting. Although currently, we have no business, this was an excellent class on writing proposals when bidding on government contracts. What was more important though, was the networking that I did between sessions and during lunch. I met with James Ray from the Native American Business Enterprise Center and Kay Bills from Mid America Government Industry Coalition Inc. James and Kay know the Tribe's history and we had several discussions on how the Tribe could move forward with Economic Development. What I kept hearing over and over from them was to find the things that the Tribe is already doing and capitalize on them (what are we doing now and turn it into a business). We are

currently working to develop a startup business doing ground and facility maintenance. We have set a goal to have the business up and going in less than three months to enable us to bid on three small government contracts which will be available in September. We will also pursue private and commercial accounts as the business develops. I have been working on the management plan, researching the NAICS codes that apply to our business and in the process of preparing a preliminary operational budget.

At this same workshop I talked to two other tribal economic development groups, exploring the possibility of some teaming opportunities in the future to help build some capacity which will be needed when we apply for 8(a) certification.

I attended the Sovereignty Symposium on June 11-13 in OKC. I attended several breakout sessions on tribal economic development, and again met with Kay Bills and James Ray to relay the progress I had made, answer some questions I had and discuss how to continue moving forward.

On June 14th, the DEA board met to hear about four business acquisition opportunities.

Additional information was requested and forwarded to board members for review. This past Friday, we toured the facility of moderately sized business acquisition and discussed possibilities. We are currently gathering information on this company, which will aid our due diligence.

DEA will be considering various options including business acquisition, joint venture and possible partnership.

The DEA Board is pursuing the reestablishment of its 8(a) certification be it with an ac-

quisition, start-up or joint venture. Jenifer, James Ray, and I have a meeting scheduled with Vanessa Redfork in the District SBA office in OKC on Thursday, July 5th to discuss the easiest and quickest route to gain 8(a) certification. Once the tribe gets its 8(a) certification it can then bid as a sole-source on government contracts."

COMMUNITY SERVICES (ACTING CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD)

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month following the Education Committee meeting. No report in packet. The next meeting will be held July 16.

CULTURAL PRESERVATION (CHAIR CHET BROOKS)

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Chet announced that on July 13 at noon the Elders lunch will be steak barbeque.

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EDUCATION (CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD)

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LAND MANAGEMENT (CHAIR DEANN KETCHUM)

No report in packet

REINVESTMENT (CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER)

Meets quarterly. No report was given due to no meeting being held.

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TRIBAL OPERATIONS (CHAIR JOE BROOKS)

Meets quarterly. No report was given due to no meeting being held.

New Business

NCAI Annual meeting will be held in Sacramento, CA on October 22-26, 2012.

Chet Brooks moved to send Joe Brooks, John Sumpter and DeAnn Ketchum to NCAI as Trust Board representatives. Verna Crawford seconded the motion. Motion carried with five yes.

Other Business

None

Chairman Stull declared the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

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Monday, August 6, 2012 Delaware Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary

Chairman Wayne Stull called the August 6, 2012 meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll. Those present were Chairman Wayne Stull, Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks, John Sumpter, and Secretary Verna Crawford. Three members were present (one seat unfilled). Chet Brooks stated that DeAnn Ketchum was on her way. Chairman Stull recessed the meeting at 4:15 p.m. pending her arrival due to lack of a quorum without. Joe Brooks was absent on personal business so this is an unexcused absence.

Chairman Stull called the meeting back to order at 4:25 p.m.

Chairman Stull greeted the guests. Guests present were Mary Randall, Attorney Vicki Sousa, Annette Ketchum, Dee Ketchum, Nathan "Buck" Young, Marilyn Coffey, Anita Mathis, Edie Robinette-Petrachi, Priscilla Mason, Homer E. Scott Sr., Mary Huddleston, Madeline Anna, Barbara Wallace, LuAnn Hainline, Greg Brown, Bert L. Barnes, and Karen B. Wilson.

Tribal officials and employees present were Chief Paula Pechonick, Council Member Jan Brown, Justice Don Mason, Justice Charles Randall, Tribal Manager Chief Curtis Zunigha, Leslie Fall-Leaf, Lesa Steele, Cece Biggoose and Councilmember Nate Young.

Verna Crawford moved to approve the agenda with the amendment to move A. Appointing replacement Board Member under Old Business to follow approval of agenda, seconded by John Sumpter. Motion carried with four yes.

Chairman Stull announced that the September Trust Board meeting would be held on August 27, 2012 due to the first Monday of September being a holiday (Labor Day).

Chairman Stull announced that two requests for consideration for appointment to fill the Board seat that was vacated with the resignation of TJ Aaroe. They were Mary Huddleston and Homer Scott. A ballot vote was conducted. Homer Scott received three votes and Mary Huddleston received one.

Chairman Stull proceeded to swear in Homer Scott as the new member of the Trust Board.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

John Sumpter moved to approve the minutes of July 2, 2012 with corrections. DeAnn Ketchum seconded the motion.

DeAnn Ketchum pointed out that TJ Aaroe was listed in attendance and she was no longer on the Board at that meeting and the date in the body of the minutes was listed as June 4 not July 2. Secretary Verna Crawford acknowledged the changes.

Motion carried with four yes and one abstention (Homer Scott).

Treasurer's Report

Verna Crawford moved to accept the Treasurer's report pending audit. Seconded by Chet Brooks.

Committee Reports

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR WAYNE STULL

Chairman Stull requested Lesa Steele, Economic Development Coordinator to give an Economic Development update.

"This month has been another hectic month but a very productive one as well. I reported in July that we had not received the requested information on scope of work for the Corps of Engineers lakes. We have now received copies of those contracts and are working on gathering information that will be needed for the bid. As I have mentioned before, we anticipate the bid coming out in September/October. Rick Adair and I made trips to all four lakes and have assessed what equipment will be necessary to complete the scope of work. We are now in the process of pricing equipment, determining if it would be more cost effective to

purchase new, find used equipment or possibly rent some of the larger equipment. In talking with Cynthia Kitchens from the District office Tulsa, she is really encouraging the Tribe to put in a bid but followed that by saying that the key to really securing contracts will be the 8(a) certification for DFMS.

I have met with the Tribal Council and presented DEA's vision for Delaware Facilities Management Solutions (DFMS). In a recent meeting with SBA (Small Business Administration) Vanessa Woodfork advised us that if the Tribe will make a commitment to help support this business in the first two years, then the two-year rule would be waived. The two-year rule is a regulation from SBA that DFMS would need to be in business two years before applying for 8(a) certification. If the Tribe will commit to either intangibly or tangibly supporting DFMS, the SBA will waive this requirement.

DFMS has already been busy. We completed our first bid on some light construction work and have had a tribal member approach us to bid on some brush hogging.

I am currently writing the business plan for DFMS. This business plan will be submitted to the Council and DEA Board for approval and ultimately to the financial institution in an effort to obtain the start-up financing we need. We will apply for a 90% loan guarantee from the BIA for equipment costs and will open a line of credit for day-to-day operational costs. Our plan is to transfer the maintenance personnel that currently work in Chelsea and Bartlesville to

DFMS on October 1st. I am working with Melanie Downs (Program Director) and Rick Adair (Maintenance Supervisor) to set up a meeting with the employees to share our vision for DFMS and to answer any questions. We are working with HUD and with the tribal accounting department to make this transition as seamless as possible. We have secured an accounting program that will be government-contract compliant and will be setting up the payroll function either by the end of this week or the next.

Because of the type of work that DFMS will be doing and because of the contracts with the Corps, DFMS will need a safety program in place. I am writing a safety/health program for the DEA Board to approve on Thursday. There are several certifications that DFMS will also need; we are researching what certifications our employees currently have, what we will need and the quickest, most efficient way to obtain them.

I now have a part-time assistant to help me with the administrative duties regarding DFMS and the DEA. Her name is Michelle Vernon and she is a tribal member."

Councilman Nathan Young informed the Board that he had recently spoken with Earnest Tiger, Economic Development Director, who is currently on workman's comp leave of absence. Earnest will be undergoing two more surgeries to place screws in his neck and back. Chairman Stull stated that he has not been in touch with Earnest since he left because of the workman's comp case.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES: ACTING CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

The Community Services Committee met on Monday, July 16, 2012. Nine applications were approved: one housing, one medical, four senior glasses, one utility, one burial, and one emergency assistance for food. The committee directed Lacey Harris, Social Services director to buy a \$100 Wal-Mart gift card for the applicant for the latter.

The Committee will be reviewing and updating the guidelines for services provided. The next meeting will be Monday, August 13, 2012 following the Education meeting.

LAND MANAGEMENT: CHAIR DEANN KETCHUM
(Written report in packet.)

CULTURAL PRESERVATION: CHAIR CHET BROOKS

Meets the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. in the Community Center.

Chet Brooks reported the third second Tuesday potluck dinner was well attended. The next Cultural night will be Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 6 p.m. with a potluck dinner. Annette Ketchum added that we need to get the word out. Mary Randall reminded Chet that everyone was asked to bring a statement in the Delaware language and will converse in Delaware for 30 minutes. This will help revitalize our language. The next meeting will be August 20, 2012. This committee is probably the largest, there are 13 members.

EDUCATION: CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month. The Commit-

EDUCATION

- **School Supplies:** Grades pre-K through 5. Up to \$20 per school year. July 31 to September 30.
- **Education Assistance:** Grades 6 through 12. Eligible expenses: graduation, ACT/SAT exams, summer school, required items for which the student must pay. Maximum payment of \$50.00 per applicant per fiscal year.
- **Athletic Assistance:** For grades 6 through 12. The sport must be school sponsored. Maximum payment of \$50.00 per applicant per fiscal year. Summer league activities do not qualify.
- **Academic Achievement Award of \$100:** 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:** Maximum of \$75.00 per applicant per fiscal year.

tee met July 16. They approved three Academic Achievement awards (one pending copy of membership card) and one Athletic Assistance award. One request for Education Assistance for a graduation party room was denied because this did not meet the guidelines.

The committee received a suggestion to add a clothing allowance to the elementary school awards. This was taken under advisement. The guide-

- **Adult Vocational Training Assistance:** Costs of short-term vocational training classes, limited to out of school students who wish to learn new or upgrade current skills. Maximum of \$100 per applicant per fiscal year.
- **College Scholarships:** Maximum of \$800 (one time). Student must have a 2.5 GPA in the previous school session.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Student Eyeglass Assistance** - Students enrolled in grades K-12, colleges or universities and Vo-Tech schools. Maximum of \$100 per request, one request per year.
- **Burial Program** - Provides burial assistance for Delaware Tribal members, up to \$300.
- **Utility Assistance** - Emergency utility assistance for tribal members. Up to \$100 per request (one-time, once-per-year).
- **Housing Assistance** - Assistance in emergency situations on a one-month,

lines for Education are in the process of review and updating. The next meeting will be Monday, August 13, 2012 at 1 p.m. Scholarships will be reviewed and awarded at that time.

REINVESTMENT: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Meets quarterly. No report was given due to no meeting being held.

one-time, once-a-year basis, up to \$100.

- **Dental Assistance** - Assistance to pay for dental care. Emergency services are allowed; routine dental exams or cleaning are not covered. Up to \$250 (once per calendar year).
- **Medical Assistance** - Medical assistance, including but not limited to, medical equipment. Medical attention, nursing care and/or other related medical care is also included.
- **Medical Services and Emergency Travel** - Health transportation costs, assistance, and/or other related costs. One-time assistance not to exceed \$100.
- **Hospital Equipment Assistance** - May include rentals, small equipment purchases or related costs. Up to \$150.
- **Medical Bill Assistance** - Medical bill must be in a past-due or collection status. Up to \$100 assistance per year is allowed.

SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

- **Eyeglass Assistance** - Delaware Senior Citizens age 55 and over. Maximum of \$150 per request.
- **Prescription Medication Assistance** - Delaware Senior Citizens age 60 and over. \$25 per month not to exceed \$600 per year.
- **Emergency Assistance** - Delaware Senior citizens age 60 and over. Assistance includes but is not limited to groceries or related assistance. Up to \$50.

Applications and additional information on these or other available programs are available on the tribal web site (www.delaware-tribe.org) and the Tribal Offices. Applications can be mailed to:

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

For more information, contact Social Services Manager Lacey Harris (lharris@delaware-tribe.org) or 918-337-6590 ■

TRIBAL OPERATIONS: CHAIR JOE BROOKS

Meets quarterly. No report was given due to no meeting being held.

Old Business

Verna Crawford moved to appoint DeAnn Ketchum treasurer. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with five yes.

Chairman Stull set a Trust Financial Workshop for 1 p.m. on Monday, August 27, 2012.

Other Business

None

Chairman Stull declared the meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m. ■

As I See It

Dee Ketchum

As I have mentioned in a previous column, I believe it is potentially a good idea for the tribe to return to Kansas. This is approaching a milestone that no other tribe I know of has approached to return to a former reservation land. This will not and shall not disrupt our buildings and programs we have going on in Oklahoma, but it allows us to put land in trust, which we cannot do in Oklahoma because the Cherokee Nation has jurisdictional claim to 14 counties including Washington County.

There are many details to be worked out and the process is going on right now. A move would certainly brighten our economic future. There would be more funding for education for our youth. More services funding for the elders. More jobs for our people.

There has been some discussion about incorporating the Kansas Citizen Delaware as members of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. This could be a real plus under the right format. They would not share in any of the trust money that comes to us from the federal government. They would increase our numbers. They can authenticate their roles and are organized. I know the Governor of Kansas is going to ask, "what about the Kansas Delawares?"

It would seem to me that it would be of great value for our council to meet with their officers at some date in the near future and start talking about the possibilities. As we all know and can remember the Cherokee Tribe put on a mem-

bership campaign many years ago to increase its numbers to get more funding and programs from the federal government. It was successful; they now have 300,000 members making them the largest federally recognized tribe in the United States.

It will be a long, political road to return to Kansas, but we have been in Oklahoma for 145 years and the struggle has left us far behind other tribes and no chance to catch up without a jurisdictional land base. We will never have that jurisdiction in Oklahoma. Let's think about the future of the Tribe and ourselves, its members. Our federal recognition has been restored for three years and the limited progress is slow. ■

An Open Statement

Trust Board Member John Sumpter

After two town hall meetings and talks with some of the local tribal members, it seems that the common opinion is to leave the Trust Board as is but update the Master Plan and the Trust Document. I totally agree with this opinion. Tribal Council member, Jan Brown, stated at the last town hall meeting that the Tribal Council does have the power to abolish the Trust Board and it seems that the voting majority of the council seems to agree with that idea. The trust document clearly states that it will take 2/3 majority referendum vote of the ADULT VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRIBE. This matter is for the whole tribe to come together and decide on. I was finally able to provide our money investments with ARVEST on paper

and to provide them with the LETTER OF AGREEMENT, not a contract, to our people at the last town hall meeting. This has never been done before with the previous Trust Board and the individuals in control. I took an oath to protect our judgment funds. To keep them in SECURE AND SAFE investments and I can swear that it will be done as long as I am a trust board member and chairman of the reinvestment committee. So, why can't we look for an intuition that can give us a better deal on our monies and bring it before the people? Let us bring the master plan and trust document up to date with a code of conduct/ethics for the board to follow. Let us look to other ways such as this financial endowment idea that has been brought forth. There are better ways and better deals out there and the obstacles on the trust board are gone. LET US DO OUR JOB THAT, YOU THE PEOPLE, ENTRUSTED US TO DO AND THEN BRING IT BEFORE YOU THE PEOPLE FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

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Against Abolishing Trust Document and Master Trust Plan

Trust Board Member Joe Brooks

About one year ago a select few of our Tribal Council traveled to Muscogee, met with the BIA Acting Area Director Charles Head and Tribal Operations Officer Karen Ketcher and returned to Bartlesville reporting the next day that the BIA had told them that

The Delaware Tribal Council could abolish the Trust Board by fiat. I talked with Mr. Head and Ms. Ketcher within 2 days and learned that was not what they were told at all. What they were told was that the Trust Document and Master Plan were approved by a referendum vote of our adult voting membership and that was probably what it would take to abolish both documents. They were also told that the BIA Area office would transmit this question to Washington, D.C. Solicitor's Office for an opinion. Then, Our Chief and 3 Council Members, Moore, Pechonick and Stull, claiming a favorable Solicitors Opinion to their actions would arrive within days (Solicitors Opinion still hasn't arrived a year later), tried to stop the regular Trust Election which happens every 2 years. Thanks to the hard efforts of several Trust Members and one Council Member their plan was unsuccessful and the Trust Election happened anyway. Trust Board Members DeAnn Ketchum, Verna Crawford and John Sumpter were seated to 4 year Trust terms of office.

In the July issue of DIN our Chief announced the Delaware Tribe could expect this Trust question on the November Council Election Ballot. About 3 weeks ago Our Chief and at least 2 other Council Members made it clear that they would push this issue again, no matter what the Trust Board thinks.

Again, two Council Members and 3 Trust Board Members traveled to Muskogee BIA office and were told the same thing – We must follow both our Trust Document and Constitution. The Trust and Council then met in joint

workshop where the Council tried to say they are only trying to change the Master Plan not the Trust Document. Delaware People there are items in the Master Plan that need some adjustment but even leaving The Trust Document and Trust Board fully in place would still require a 2/3 referendum vote to amend the Master Plan. The Councils plan is rife with changes to the Trust Document and in fact would eliminate the Trust Board and elections thereof and would replace it with "appointee commissioners" of the Council – a plan for a train wreck. Folks, to amend or abolish the Trust Document or Master Plan requires a petition signed by 100 adult voting members. There has been no petition presented.

Two Town Meetings were held during the past week in which at least 24 Tribal Members expressed their opinions. At least 19 of those Tribal Members are against any such question being on Ballot this year – 2 were for it? – 3 were undecided? I have no way of knowing if this will be on ballot in November. Three Council Members have stated they will not vote for balloting this in this election. They are incumbent Council Members Chet Brooks and Nathan Young up for election this November and also Council Member Verna Crawford.

It is my opinion that if the Chief or any other Council Member votes for or gets this on ballot this November they should be reprimanded and recalled from office. I urge any voting Delaware Tribal Member to vote against said question.

Long Live the Delaware Tribe of Indians! ■

Delaware Tribe Accounting Department

Jade Johnson, Chief Financial Officer

Hi, all from the Accounting Department. We wish all of you a happy and healthy fall season.

As always, the Accounting Department has been active and busy. We have completed the Tribe, Trust and Housing Programs Audit for FY 2011. We are working to complete the Indirect Cost Proposal. We are making changes to the policies and procedures at the request of the Tribal Council. We are working on changing the format of the financial statements so they can be person-friendly. (The changing of the format will not conflict with the Accounting Policies and Procedures.)

To help make sure that everyone can fully understand what is taking place financially, the Tribal Council and Trust Board are holding monthly workshops to go through the financial statements before the actual monthly Tribal and Trust Board meetings.

Finally, the Tribe will soon be sending out a Request for Proposal to obtain a new auditing firm. This process is planned to be completed by September 21, 2012.

ICDBG (Indian Community Development Block Grant)

The ICDBG for the Social Services building is in full swing. Work on the second ICDBG for the Expansion of the Reten-

tion Pond, infrastructure and expansion to the Elder Nutrition Kitchen also proceeding briskly. The expansion of the roads is almost complete and the steel has been ordered for the Social Services building. SGS, our construction firm, is hoping to have the project completed by the end of 2012. The pond expansion is also almost complete. The parking lot for the Social Services Building has been constructed and the curbs are now in place. All that is left is to pour the foundation for the parking lot.

The expansion of the Elder Nutrition Kitchen has not begun but will start soon. ■

Delaware Tribe Environmental Programs

Jimmie Johnson, DTEP Director

The Delaware Tribe Environmental Program has had a busy couple of months since our last update. Here is a list of our latest endeavors.

In August, Jimmie Johnson and Michael Marshall attended ArcGIS Training provided by ITEC (Inter Tribal Environmental Council) in Perkins, Oklahoma, hosted by the Iowa Tribe.

Also in August, Environmental Program staff attended the ITEC conference held at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Catoosa, Oklahoma.

We are making progress in our NRDA National Zinc Trustee Council case. The Delaware Tribe is currently seeking a 638 contract with the BIA

to receive funding that was proposed in 2010, regarding this case.

Director Jimmie Johnson is currently assisting Scott Frazier from Oklahoma State University in performing energy audits on the Community Center and Wellness Center buildings to ensure we are utilizing our energy dollars efficiently.

DTEP purchased an energy audit training program to develop the capabilities to perform our own energy audits on tribally-owned buildings and residences. Our intention is to develop the capability to offer the energy audit services to tribal members for their personal residences to assist them with energy savings.

In July DTEP staff traveled to Durant, Oklahoma to observe the Choctaw Nation in their recycling program. This trip was very helpful in learning how to develop a large-scale recycling program.

With September being the last month of the Fiscal Year, we are busy finishing up our work on our 2012 GAP Grant, and are looking forward to the projects that we have proposed for next year. We hope to see everyone present at General Council in November and look forward to presenting our department's progress and goals to the Delaware people. ■

News from the Enrollment Department

Leslie Fall-Leaf, Enrollment Director

The enrollment department has been working diligently over the last few months to get all of your updated information entered into our new computer system and processing new enrollment applications. We have enrolled 53 new members since the last paper went out and want to extend our warmest welcome to all those people!

We also thank all of you who have sent us your information and helped us locate people on the "Lost List." Keep the info coming!

We have been working on the new photo ID cards and think we are ready to start printing! There will be new application rules so please don't send in the old applications. New application forms will be on the website soon or

can be requested by phone or email. These will need to be notarized and include a copy of your state ID and a passport photo.

We expect to have a lot of requests come in as we first start printing so I ask that you bear with us and remember that we are still learning how to do all this! Thank you all for your patience and for continuing to send us those updates!

To obtain new enrollment applications, please contact me at lfall-leaf@delaware-tribe.org. To update contact information, please email updates@delawaretribe.org. You may also call or send written requests to:

Enrollment Department
170 NE Barbara
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 337-6590 ■

News from Information Technology

Gregory Brown, I.T. Administrator and Webmaster

In the past six months or so, the Tribe has put extensive effort into rebuilding the tribal computer network, which will enable us to more efficiently and economically manage our many and varied responsibilities. The modernized systems will allow tribal staff and others to collaborate effectively, to share documents and databases more readily, and to keep our systems running more smoothly.

In concert with the increased capacity of the tribe's internal network, we have been trying to allow more access and trans-

parency through the tribal web site (as well as the tribe's quarterly newspaper). If you have access to the internet, please regularly check the tribe's web site at www.delawaretribe.org. This is the place to find the most up-to-date information available about programs, services, news, and events. We hope soon to regularly incorporate live streaming video of meetings and other events, as well as provide an enhanced mechanism to allow tribal members to provide feedback to their tribal leaders. ■

Delaware Tribe Social Services

Lacey Harris, Social Services Programs Manager

The Social Services program continues to grow, in preparation for even greater expansion with the completion of the new Social Services building in February of next year. Applications for Community Services and Educational Assistance continue to come in (see the informational boxes elsewhere in this issue, and on the tribal web site, to learn what is available). Some changes in policy, aimed at modernizing some of the programs, will be coming

soon and will be announced on the web site when they are implemented.

Community Services, Education, and Tenant-based Rental Assistance are now available at the tribe's Caney office as well as in Bartlesville. This satellite office in Caney, KS is open several days a week to better serve tribal members in the northern part of the tribe's service area. Because of the necessary disruptions involved with trying to service both

areas as well as work on the new building, if possible you should call the Caney office (620-879-2189) ahead of time if you need to make sure that the Social Services Manager is available.

LIHEAP heating assistance will be available this winter; check on the tribal web site for details about applying for the program during December. ■

Delaware Tribe Wellness Center

The Delaware Tribe Wellness Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Saturday 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. It is located next to the tribal offices at 170 NE Barbara, Bartlesville, OK. Barbara Avenue is located about a block west of the Tuxedo Blvd. and Madison Ave. intersection.

There is no fee for any member of the Delaware or Cherokee Tribe, just bring your CDIB card or tribal membership card with you. We encourage everyone else to get healthy for a small fee of \$20.00 a month or \$2.00 a day for non-tribal members. For more information, please contact us at 918-337-6590

The after-hours attendant is tribal member Mickey Morrison. Mickey is the grandson of Leona Shipley and son of Pat and Loyd Morrison. If you have any problems or questions please contact him at the front desk, call (918-337-6590), or email (mmorrison@delawaretribe.org).

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

Delaware Tribe Housing Program

DTHP Staff

It is hard to believe that summer is over, the air is getting cooler and the neighborhood children have returned to school. Fall is definitely on our doorstep. It is time to begin winterizing your homes and preparing for the harshness of the winter months. Check the weather-stripping around doors, cover outside faucets and make sure the furnace is working properly before those cold nights arrive.

Seeking Families in Need of Housing

The Delaware Tribe Housing Program office is currently seeking low income Native American families in need of housing. We are asking that if you, or someone you know, are interested in the possibility of receiving housing assistance to contact the DTHP so that an application may be sent to you. We have several rental units

coming available in the Chelsea and Claremore areas, including units at the elder complex at Delaware Acres. The qualifications for assistance through the DTHP housing programs are: the family must have at least one member who is a member of a federally recognized Native American tribe and the family's combined income cannot exceed the National Median Income limit established by HUD.

Current Services

Currently the DTHP is proud to be providing services to families from seven different Native American Tribes. These include:

- 57 Delaware households (169 people)
- 45 Cherokee households (140 people)
- 3 Creek households (11 people)
- 1 Choctaw household

- (7 people)
- 1 Shawnee household (5 people)
- 1 Osage household (3 people)
- 1 Western Cherokee household (3 people)
- 8 Non-Native American households (9 people)

In the past fiscal year we have had 6 homeownership units conveyed to: one Delaware family of four; two Delaware families of three each; one Cherokee family of five; and two Cherokee families of two each.

Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club of Chelsea is a community program that the DTHP is proud to support. The Boys & Girls Club provides services to the youth of Chelsea and gives them a safe place to go after school and during the summer. The Club offers activities for school

aged children and helps keep kids off the streets. The Club services are free to Delaware Tribal members and to children who live in DTHP property.

Currently the Boys & Girls Club of Chelsea is providing services to:

- 65 Delaware children
- 41 Cherokee Nation children
- 23 American Indian children
- 1 Creek Nation child
- 2 African American children
- 7 Hispanic children
- 167 White children
- 13 Other /unknown

We are proud to be associated with an organization such as the Boys & Girls Club that provides a fun place for so many of our community's kids to go.

Wanishi,
DTHP Staff ■

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**Delaware Tribe of Indians,
 ATTN: Commemorative Bricks,
 170 N.E. Barbara
 Bartlesville, OK 74006**

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