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Message from the Chief

Chief Paula Pechonick

Wëlikishku! Spring is here! I hope this issue of the *DIN* finds you well. As we close the second quarter of my fourth year in office I find it hard to believe time goes so fast. I want to get a few things out of the way before I tell you how we've been since the last issue. This time, four years ago, I had no thoughts of running for Chief. I heard talk of others running; I talked to two former Chiefs to hear they were not going to run. As I prayed to the Creator to help our Tribe I asked who was supposed to be our next Chief and was quite surprised when He told me – the next Chief was supposed to be me! “Oh no... I said, I'm not doing this alone,” and conceded that I would run if He would stay by my side. (And He has, throughout my administration.) I asked Janifer Brown if she would run with me. The campaign season wasn't too rough on us. After the votes were counted, Dale Lewis came to me and said, “Congrat-

ulations! This is the highest your popularity will ever be.” I made the decision early on—I would not let the inevitable stress get to me. This mindset has worked well for moving forward, though some days don't go as I hoped, we've come a long way!

I am happy to announce that I purchased the center spread of this issue of the *DIN* to announce my campaign for re-election. I have once again asked Janifer Brown and Jenifer Pechonick to serve with me. (Verna had already told me she planned to run.) I have had a good Council and we have made much progress. We don't always agree and spend more time by far in workshops and meetings than any other modern-day Council. The complicated relationship of the Trust Board and Tribal Council, compounded with Chet Brooks serving on both the Tribal Council and as Trust Board Chair and Verna Crawford as secretary of both Tribal Council and the Trust Board, creates an atmosphere, at

times, which is not conducive to maintaining attention on matters before the Tribal Council.

Just before the holidays, I had to make a hard decision not to continue a contract with two consultants, but I did not feel the contract was in the Tribe's best interest to continue under the terms. A split vote left the Council somewhat fractionated for quite some time; this was compounded by the extended absence of Nathan Young due to knee surgery just after Christmas. We move forward, nonetheless. Inclement weather and the extended illnesses of several employees, as well as intermittent winter sinus/respiratory issues for each of our Councilwomen, has slowed progress of our second quarter goals of hiring additional support staff, the launch of a comprehensive community-wide survey of Tribal members everywhere, and plans of aggressive efforts to reunite with those tribal members on the missing list.

Nevertheless, spring is here! I look forward to the nicer weather bringing abundant health to officials and employees as well as tribal members and foster a productive spirit. Don't get me wrong—we are still moving mountains!!

Here are some of the highlights since the last *DIN*. We have been working with the Department of Commerce in Kansas on development of the acreage near Lawrence and economic development. We went to the annual BIA budget meeting in Muskogee, OK to make sure the Tribe is included on future budgets. We



Lenape Gourd Dance Society in 1994 (see page 10).

have been working closely with the BIA and the Cherokee Nation to smoothly separate our monies. We have been meeting regularly with Cherokee Nation Secretary of State Chuck Hoskin, Jr. to discuss any concerns and resolve any issues.

One success of these meetings is that our Housing money was released in February for FY2014, and in the future our HUD money no longer pass through the Cherokee Nation.

We started language classes on Sunday afternoons and traditional clothing class Tuesday evenings at the Tribal Center. All are welcome. I attended a program to honor a tribal member, artist and professor Ruthe Blalock Jones, in Tulsa. We continue to work on a 638 program jurisdiction in Kansas. We are working with federal offices in Washington, DC for jurisdiction of other programs in Kansas. We visited with United

States Senator Jerry Moran of Kansas when he visited Caney March 18. I spoke at the American Indian Chamber of Commerce in Tulsa to continue efforts for the Tribe to be better known. We continue to keep the web site updated and find ways to keep tribal members informed.

I hope to see you at the powwow Memorial Day weekend. In the very near future you will receive a comprehensive needs survey to assist us in putting together a Tribal strategic plan. When you receive it, please take some time to fill it out and return this survey. You will be able to return by mail or complete online.

Please keep letting us know how the Tribe can better serve you and your family. Together we can build a better future.

Wanishi,
Chief Pechonick ■

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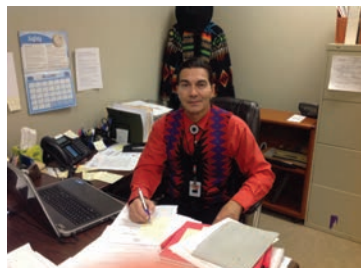
From the Office of the Tribal Manager, Curtis Zunigha

It's been quite a demanding winter season here in Oklahoma including being shut down for several days due to snow and ice. We've done our best to continue services and provide for the needs of our community. Maintaining 117 units of tribal housing in 4 counties has been a challenge, but one that we've met through the good work of our housing staff and maintenance company. We have also accomplished some goals in our relationship with Cherokee Nation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

In January we signed an implementation agreement with Cherokee Nation that transfers control of a \$576,436 federal housing grant to the Delaware Tribe. Then we reached a settlement with the BIA to receive \$262,893 in claims for mismanagement of trust funds. Our tribal advocacy impressed the BIA so much they asked Chief Pechonick to be interviewed for a video presentation on the value of BIA funding to tribal communities in Oklahoma.

On February 21 the Tribe was visited by two individuals from the National Museum of the American Indian for consultation with tribal leaders, scholars, and community members. Their consultation was for a planned 2016 exhibit called Native New York: Where Nations Rise. The exhibit will be at the NMAI New York City facility and feature an exhibit about the Lenape during pre-contact and post-contact colonial era times.

We are pleased to have recently entered into an agreement with Monterey's Little Mexico Restaurant in Bartlesville. All tribal members showing their membership card receive a 15% discount on meals. And on a designated day once a month 20% all food



sales to tribal members will be donated to the tribe's non-profit foundation. If you are in Bartlesville and like Mexican food, stop by and enjoy the meal and the tribal benefit.

As a US Air Force veteran I am proud to announce the new Veterans Committee that recently formed. In addition to performing ceremonial duties with the Lenape Color Guard, the new group will assist veterans with filing VA claims and addressing national issues like funding for clinics. A younger generation of men and women veterans is joining the ranks and we heartily thank them for their service. Come visit the Community Center in Bartlesville to see the Wall of Honor featuring veterans as far back as the Civil War.

We are proud of our accomplishments since the last issue. To all readers I must acknowledge that our success is due to our elected leaders, dedicated staff, and volunteers. But it is also due to the enduring hope and resilience of our people. It's an honor and a privilege to serve my tribe and live among my people.

Yes it's been a long and challenging winter. Now spring is upon us. My elders called this time the Indian New Year because new life reveals itself in abundance throughout all creation. I hope to see you later this spring during the Delaware Pow Wow at Copan, OK on Memorial Day weekend. Wanishi.■

From the Desk of Council Member Nate Young

A total knee replacement, accidents that have slowed my recovery, and the bad weather have limited my involvement in Council activities the past few months. Thankfully, some Council and Trust Board members, along with several of our tribal members, have kept me informed of the latest developments at the tribe. Assistant Chief Chet Brooks and Council Secretary Verna Crawford have always been available to share information. Another that has always been helpful is Executive Assistant Sandra Jamison. During my absences, I discovered that Tribal Council member Jenifer Pechonick has devoted a lot of time and energy on our service area expansion. Glowing reports from Kansas officials show the results of her hard work.

Most important is the gratitude I owe my wife Carol for chauffeuring me to and from Bartlesville. The daughter of a former tribal president and council member (a decorated Marine combat veteran) she is aware of the importance of serving your tribe.

Government funding of many programs has caused a real hard-

ship. All of our employees have kept the tribe moving forward, even through tough times. They often do more with less. In addition, every member of the Council has worked diligently for a better and brighter future for our Tribe. We do not always agree on every issue, but every Council member has given his or her best.

John F. Kennedy said, "The very word 'secrecy' is repugnant in a free and open society; and we are as a people inherently and historically opposed to secret societies, to secret oaths, and to secret proceedings." Ronald Reagan stated, "Trust, but verify." Should not a Delaware tribal member have the same rights they have as an American citizen, an Oklahoman, Texan, etc.? The issue of open records and a tribal open meeting law will not go away. The concern is that through the process of initiative petition our members may adopt a Constitutional amendment or tribal law ordinance that does not have the protections of the Freedom of Information Act or similar state laws.

At the March 10 Tribal Council meeting Councilperson Annette Ketchum, during a dis-



cussion on tribal scholarships, stated we need more accountability on the use of our funds. She is correct in the need for accountability in government. Our accountability is to our 10,000 tribal members.

Finally, I would like to make an appeal for any assistance we can give to the Delaware War Mothers. Both my late father's and mother-in-law's tribes (Pawnee and Kiowa) hold their War Mother societies in high regard. We need to assist both our War Mothers and our Veterans as much as possible to show our respect for their sacrifice.■

From the Desk of Council Member Jenifer Pechonick

We are preparing to send out a comprehensive nationwide survey to assess the needs of all our Tribal members.



Here's how you can help:

1. Update addresses as soon as possible for anyone who did not receive this issue of the *DIN*.

2. Enroll your family! There is no cutoff date to enroll. We allow people who are enrolled in other Tribes. We have no minimum blood quantum.

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Spread the word! Let your Delaware friends and relatives know NOW is the time to enroll!

On a personal note, I greatly enjoy serving on the Tribal Council.

My seat is up in November and I have to decide whether or not to run. I want your opinion! Let me know! You can call or text me (918-214-6872), email me ([jeniferp917@aol.com](mailto:jeniferp917@aol.com)) or fill out my survey (it's quick! It's easy! It's anonymous!): <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7ZR3YFL>

I look forward to hearing from you!■



## Community

### Celebration of Life and Chili Benefit for Karen Cummings

On February 8, 2014, the Elders sponsored a Celebration of Life and Chili Benefit to honor the memory of Karen Lee Buck Cummings. Karen was the daughter of Bonnie Thaxton and sister of Bucky Buck. She passed away December 10, 2013, after a courageous fight against breast cancer.

In lieu of flowers the family requested donations to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research. The Elders Benefit raised \$1,430.10 for Cancer Research. Thanks to everyone who supported our efforts. ■



If you wish to make a contribution in Karen's name, go to [ww5.komen.org/](http://ww5.komen.org/).



### 50th Annual Delaware Powwow

This year is the very special, 50th annual Delaware Powwow! See you at Fred Fall-Leaf Memorial Campgrounds three miles east of Route 75, May 23-25, 2014. Admission and parking are free. Book your calendars! ■



### Lewis Ketchum's 100th Birthday

On January 4, 2014, his children hosted a celebration for Lewis Ketchum's 100th birthday at the Community Center. Along with his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, the tribal community wishes him a happy birthday. ■



L-R, Pat Donnell, Lewis A. Ketchum, and Dee Ketchum.

### Visit to Keepsake Candles

On February 11, 2014, the Elders Council sponsored a trip to Keepsake Candles. Those going were: Bonnie Thaxton, Kay Anderson, Jan Brown, Mary Waters, Mary Randall and Charles Randall. Alice Ririe gave us a tour and explained how they make the candles. ■



### Boys & Girls Club

Chief Pechonick, Councilwoman Jan Brown, and April Lockhart, Director of the Boys & Girls Club in Chelsea met recently to discuss upgrades to the facility. They discussed a collaboration with Cherokee Nation and The Pocahontas Club to provide more sports and recreation equipment. The club provides programs to enrich the lives of native youth through social and family values and cultural awareness. The club's membership includes Delaware children many of whom live in tribal housing in Chelsea.



### Craft Classes on Tuesday Nights!

Tribal members invite interested friends and neighbors to craft classes at the Delaware Community Center on Tuesday nights.

Starting April 1, and every two weeks through the end of April, we will be setting up a drum and singing, 6:30 till 8:00 pm. Other tribal members will be teaching moccasin making and other crafts every Tuesday, starting at 5:30 pm. ■





## Delaware Tribe Historic Preservation Office

*Gregory Brown and Brice Obermeyer*

This has been an incredibly busy and exciting three months in the Historic Preservation department, as a number of projects begin to wind toward their partial conclusion and others begin in earnest.

### NAGPRA Work, Cultural Affiliation

We continue to work on “cultural affiliation” studies for two major sites, described last year in the January and April issues of the *DIN*. These affiliation studies, funded by a grant from the National NAGPRA office in Washington DC, will allow us to begin to repatriate over 200 individuals from the Chambers site in western Pennsylvania, occupied in the period between about 1760 and 1775, and the Abbott Farm site near Trenton, NJ, a site occupied and heavily used for several thousand years and one of the most important archaeological sites on the East Coast.

The final draft of our Chambers affiliation report has been

completed, finally, and is being shared with other federally-recognized tribes who may have been present on and around the site (including Wyandots, Hurons, Miamis, Senecas, Shawnees, and others) and with the two museums that now have the remains. Work on the Abbott Farm site, which is spread between at least five different museums, will continue through the summer.

### Expansion of Consultation Program

A new federal program called “Positive Train Control” will cause a large upsurge in tribal consultation nationwide, and we are expanding our program to accommodate it. Our Historic Preservation Office for several years has responded to requests from agencies and developers to review their projects for possible impacts to archaeological resources in lands where the tribe was present, now and in the past (in our case parts of no less than

14 states!). These are often abbreviated Section 106 requests, since they involve provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

The Positive Train Control program mandates railroad companies nationwide to construct new cell towers every two miles (within the next 18 months or so) as a measure to technologically control their trains, resulting in a huge uptick in cell tower construction and, accompanying that, many more Section 106 requests to handle. This program, which provides income for the tribe in the form of consultation fees, will add to the already very active program of Section 106 requests from other sources.

To handle this increasing load, we are excited to introduce two new part-time members of the DTHPO staff, both based at Temple University in Philadelphia. Blair Fink and Susan Bacher are Ph.D. students in the Anthropology Department at Temple, working under our colleague Dr. Michael Stewart, and are experts in the archaeology of the Delaware River Valley, original homeland of the Lenape people. They will handle consulting requests from the East

Coast, and their physical presence near records repositories and the sites themselves is one of many reasons we are excited to finally have a presence on the East Coast.

### Other DTHPO Activities

We have worked with the Haudenosaunee Standing Committee on a project in the town of Otsiningo, NY, where a burial was inadvertently discovered, successfully allowing the burial to remain undisturbed. In collaboration with the St. Regis Mohawk, we are consulting on the mitigation efforts at a multi-component archaeological site at Million Dollar Beach Site near Fort William Henry, NY, eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places; and in collaboration with the St. Regis Mohawk and Stockbridge Munsee we are consulting on the planned mitigation of the impact of Exit 3.4 to an archaeological site in Albany, NY.

Brice Obermeyer has presented several talks of the history of the Kansas Delawares (“Talk by



*Blair Fink and Susan Bacher. Welcome to our tribal community.*

the Stove” at the Grinter House, Kansas City, KS on January 11, and a taped interview for National Public Radio on February 13). He also consulted with the Ohio Historical Society on their interpretive plan. Greg Brown, Cultural Resource Department Director Anita Mathis, Language Program Director Jim Rementer, and Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha consulted with historians from the National Museum of the American Indian on a proposed exhibit (see elsewhere in this issue), and Brice Obermeyer and Greg Brown just returned from a trip to the Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference near Philadelphia, where we consulted on several NAGPRA and Section 106 projects. ■

## News from the Enrollment Department

*Leslie Fall-Leaf*

2014 is going great so far! Spring is almost upon us here in Oklahoma and with warm weather comes pow-wows and much needed fellowship after being cooped up all winter. This year so far has brought 43 new tribal members to the fold, pushing our total enrollment up to 10,736 people (all of whom we wish to welcome either for the first time or back again).

As you can imagine nearly 11,000 people is a lot for the two of us here in Enrollment to keep up with, but please keep sending us your address updates and applications for enrollment

and the new photo id cards. Please understand that we are doing our very best to get all those verified and processed in a timely manner. All applications and forms may be obtained by either downloading them from the tribal web page ([www.delawaretribe.org](http://www.delawaretribe.org)) or calling and requesting them from our office. Remember that the most effective way to ensure prompt and timely service is to make sure all requested documentation is included with your applications.

Due to the high cost of postage and the volume of applications we receive, there is now a

\$10.00 fee if you wish to have your documents returned to you through the mail. For security reasons we only send those documents via certified mail with a return receipt. If the fee is not received we will keep your documents in your permanent folder. There is no charge if you pick your documents up in person.

Also, please notice that in order to assess the need for additional services, we are now gathering information on our tribal veterans and there is a reporting form for them as well. ■

## Delaware Indian News

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We invite contributions, but reserve the right to limit printing based upon available space. The deadline for articles, letters, ads and calendar of events is June 15, 2014 for the July 2014 issue. Submissions may be mailed, faxed or hand delivered to the tribal office or emailed to [din@delawaretribe.org](mailto:din@delawaretribe.org). Paid advertisements are available; for rates, please contact the editor.

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## Instructions for Voting in November 2014 Election!

On November 1, 2014 the election for Chief and three Tribal Council seats will be conducted. You may vote in person at the official polling sites or obtain an absentee ballot.

If you cannot vote in person, be sure to apply to get an absentee ballot for tribal elections. It's easy to do so; just fill out the form below and mail it in.

If you voted in the November 2013 election, you are already on the list and do not need to re-register. Likewise, once you have registered for an absentee ballot you will remain on the list until you fail to vote in three consecutive elections, after which you will need to re-register.

PLEASE NOTE: We need one form per voter. You may copy this form if you need multiple copies, or look for a downloadable form on the Enrollment page of the tribal web site.

### Absentee Ballot Request Delaware Tribe of Indians

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Delaware Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send form to:

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

## Donations Gratefully Accepted

The Delaware Tribe of Indians has many departments and committees that provide services and assistance to Delaware Tribal members. Departments such as the Archives, Library, and Museum are always in need of financial assistance.

Any Delaware Tribal member or friend of the Delaware Tribe who would like to donate to support these worthwhile endeavors may send donations to the **Lenape Charitable Fund**. The Lenape Charitable Fund is a 501(c)(3) and all donations are tax deductible.

Please indicate where you would like your donation to go:

- Delaware Tribal Archives
- Delaware Tribal Library
- Delaware Tribal Museum
- Delaware Language Preservation Project
- Elders Committee
- Tribal Cemeteries Upkeep/Improvements
- Trust Community Services Committee
- Trust Cultural Preservation Committee
- Trust Education Committee:
  - All services
  - Scholarships
  - Other
- Veterans Committee
- Wellness Center
- Use funds where most needed.

Send donations to

**Lenape Charitable Fund**  
**170 NE Barbara**  
**Bartlesville, OK 74006-2746**

## Again Accepting LIHEAP Applications

This summer, the Delaware Tribe of Indians is providing funding through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for eligible Delaware Tribal members.

LIHEAP is a federally funded program that serves low-income households needing assistance paying their home energy bills. The program gives priority to low-income households with the highest energy burden or the presence of a vulnerable individual in the household, such as a young child, a disabled person, or a frail elder.

Income eligibility levels are based on income plus the number of persons residing in the home. For example, a household of two people cannot have a combined income totaling more than \$23,265 per year, and a household of four cannot have a combined income of more than

\$35,325 per year. Tables are available on the tribal web site.

LIHEAP payments could possibly be provided by other area agencies; however, a household can only legally receive services through one agency.

To be eligible for assistance through the Delaware Tribe, a person must reside in the Tribal Service area of the Delaware Tribe, have a tribal enrollment card, show proof of income for the previous six months, and provide a copy of the utility bill with the tribal member's name listed on the bill. Payments will be made to the vendor in the recipient's name.

Applications will be accepted starting June 1, 2014 and go through September 30, 2014.

For more information, contact Lacey Harris, Delaware Tribe LIHEAP Coordinator, at 918-337-6521. ■

## Delawares and Cherokees Reach Housing Agreement

Reprinted from Bartlesville Radio web page, Feb 26, 2014

[www.bartlesvillerradio.com/pages/news/67442014/delawares-and-cherokees-reach-housing-agreement](http://www.bartlesvillerradio.com/pages/news/67442014/delawares-and-cherokees-reach-housing-agreement)

The Delaware Tribe of Indians and the Cherokee Nation have signed an agreement allowing the Delaware to seek and receive federal housing funding directly from the U.S. Housing and Urban Development.

According to Delaware Chief Paula Pechonick, the Delaware Tribe is pleased to accomplish another step toward self-determination as a federally recognized tribe. She says members are grateful that negotiations with Chief Baker's administration have resulted in this implementation agreement. Pechonick says the Delaware Tribe is moving forward with its restored status as a HUD grantee to provide clean, safe and affordable housing for tribal members. Pechonick also recognizes the continuing relationship with the Cherokee Nation to address the many unmet housing needs not provided by this agreement.

The Delaware Tribe is headquartered in Bartlesville. It was placed in the Cherokee Nation jurisdiction in 1867 by treaty. The two tribes signed a memorandum of agreement in 2008 to enable the Delaware to regain its federal recognition.

Cherokee Nation Secretary of State Chuck Hoskin, Jr. says it is a good day for both the Cherokee Nation and the Delaware Tribe because the new agreement allows their Delaware brothers and sisters to return to the table and negotiate and deal with the federal government directly. Hoskin says he is pleased to have played a necessary role as the intermediary, but even more pleased the Delaware will be able to pursue its own self-determination and governance by securing funding directly from the federal government. ■



## Delaware Tribe Environmental Program

*Jimmie Johnson, Environmental Program Director*

Greetings,

Hope this finds everyone well.

In January 2014 I traveled to Flagstaff Arizona to the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) at Northern Arizona University. There I attended the 40-hour Introduction to Tribal Air Quality class presented by ITEP. This class taught the basics of a tribal air quality program which included research and monitoring for toxics. This class along with the other training scheduled throughout the year fulfills grant obligations and builds the capacity for the environmental program to secure future grants and funding.

We are very excited to announce that the DTEP is hosting an electronics recycling drive again this year; this event will run from mid-March to April 25. Any and all electronic devices that are no longer in use can be brought to the DTEP offices for proper recycling at no cost to you. All items received will be taken to Operation Clean House, to be held on April 26, 2014 in Bartlesville and Dewey, Oklahoma. Operation Clean House is a county-wide household waste recycling event that is free of charge to anyone who wishes to properly dispose of household hazardous waste. (See Acceptance Guidelines on this page for what can be accepted.)



*We have new eRecycling tubs in all the buildings on the Bartlesville and Caney campuses.*

DTEP plans to purchase and distribute modular recycling sorting stations in the common areas of all of the tribal offices. These will replace the blue trash can style recycling sorting bins that have been in place for the last several years. These new stations will be more clearly marked for easier sorting of the materials to be recycled.

In other news, I will be attending the Inter Tribal Environmental Council (ITEC) Summit to be held in Dallas Texas at the end of March. This summit provides a forum for tribal environmental staff to voice concerns regarding environmental issues. Environmental Protection Agency Region VI staff will also be in attendance to field questions and concerns of tribal staff.

We have submitted a grant proposal for the Environmental Protection Agency General Assistance Program (GAP). This grant is utilized to fund all ac-

tivities performed by the Environmental Program. Funding levels for the upcoming fiscal year have been decreased by the funding agency, but we are looking to maintain activities that have been started including Solid Waste Management/Recycling and ongoing training in Air Quality Monitoring, Mold Testing, Asbestos Testing, and Energy Efficiency. We hope to locate and secure a funding mechanism in the near future to implement the activities that were outlined in the Delaware Tribe Energy Plan document that was produced during the energy workshop last fall.

Feel free to contact me if there are any questions or concerns for the Environmental Program. Wanishi.

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### Operation Clean house Annual Countywide Recycling Event



**Saturday, April 26, 2014  
8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Dispose of your *hazardous household waste* in an environmentally-responsible manner, free of charge.

Choose your location *based on the material you need to discard*

#### Phillips 66 Parking Lot

West of the railroad tracks on Adams Blvd.

or

North of the

#### Fair Grounds in Dewey

For additional info, call Washington County Commissioners 918.337.2820

Together, we're providing a safer, healthier environment  
in the place we all call home.

## Operation Clean House: Acceptance Guidelines

### Can be accepted, Phillips 66 Parking Lot:

- Compact fluorescent bulbs
- Pollutants
- Household cleaners and toxins
- Yard-care products
- Pesticides
- Herbicides
- Acids
- Caustics
- Thinners
- Household flammable liquids
- Smoke alarms
- Oil-based paints (no latex paint)
- Oil-based aerosol and hobby paints
- Pharmaceuticals
- Electronics (cell phones, computers, TVs, VCRs, microwaves, rechargeable batteries, most electronic devices)

### Can be accepted, Fair Grounds in Dewey:

- Used motor oil
- Antifreeze
- Automotive batteries
- Car/pickup tires (limit 8, no dealers)
- Appliances, e.g. washers, dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators (with Freon-free certification)

### Cannot be accepted:

- Latex paints
- Commercially generated waste
- Radioactive waste
- Pressurized gas cylinders
- Explosives
- Ammunition
- Water-reactive chemicals
- Dioxins
- Unknowns
- Trash



## DELAWARE TRIBE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DRIVE

**UNTIL APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>**

All electronics will be accepted including; computers, TVs, all cables, stereos, audio/video equipment, DVD players, computer accessories (mice, keyboards, speakers, etc).

Drop-off locations: Social Services Building, Community Center Building

For more info call: Jimmie Johnson @918-337-6590

## Choose To Lose

Bonnie Jo Griffith  
Co-Chair, Wellness Committee

### “Helping Delawares Live a Long, Healthy Life”

**C**hoose to Lose is a weight loss program sponsored by the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Wellness Council, and the Delaware Health and Wellness Center.

This program is open to all members of the Delaware Health and Wellness Center, age 18 and over. For Delaware Wellness Center membership information, call 918-337-6590. For information on Choose to Lose, please call Bonnie Jo Griffith, 918-331-3805 or email her at [bjgriffith@aol.com](mailto:bjgriffith@aol.com).

All Choose to Lose participants must weigh in at the Delaware Tribe of Indians Wellness Center between the hours of 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on April 8, 9 or 10, 2014. These weigh-ins will be witnessed by a member of the Wellness Committee, or their designee, and logged for reference at the end of the program. The same scale will be used for all weigh-ins.

Each participant will be required to sign a Release of Liability.

Participants are encouraged to utilize the Wellness Center and maintain a healthy diet.

Participants will weigh out from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on June 3, 4, or 5, 2014. These weigh outs-must be witnessed by a member of the Wellness Council, or their designee, and signed off by both the participant and the witness. The same scale used for the weigh-ins will be used for the weigh-outs.

Prizes will be awarded to the three participants obtaining the largest percentage of weight loss.

The person having the highest percentage of weight loss will receive a \$200 cash award. The participant with the second high percentage of weight loss will be awarded \$100 cash, with the third highest winning \$50.

Winners will announced at noon on June 6.

The Delaware Health and Wellness Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It is locat-



ed at the Tribal Complex at 170 N.E. Barbara, Bartlesville, OK.

Even participants who don't fall in the money ranking will be winners if they lose weight. Choose to Lose and enjoy this time of healthy activity and eating. Hopefully after eight weeks each of us enrolling in this program will have developed healthy living habits, which are worth much more than the monetary awards. Join us as we encourage everyone to join in and possibly get a bit of extra cash in their pockets. Most importantly though, let's all be encouraged to get healthy and help end the cycle of diabetes and obesity among Natives. We can do this!!

**CHOOSE TO LOSE!!**■

## Wellness Center

Allan Barnes

**A**ctivity has increased since the beginning of the New Year here at the Wellness Center! Of course, that's only natural, considering New Year's resolutions and this extremely cold winter. But the numbers don't lie. Based on last month's figures alone our fitness center visits have increased by 32% to nearly 300 visits from new and existing members. The Therapy Pool has also seen significant growth.

Have you increased your activity? Or do you intend to get started now that winter is giving way to warmer weather? Our three treadmill machines can get you off to a good start. Whether it's once a week, or as often as you like, a twenty-minute walk is a good start. Go at your own pace and fancy work-out clothes aren't necessary, just a pair of tennis shoes and you're good to go. There is no overcrowding and the atmosphere is casual.

The Therapy Pool is being well received and all agree it is a great low-impact workout. Kept at a very comfortable 90 degrees it is an excellent way to exercise. Very basic exercises can be performed with satisfying results. If you have any questions regarding how to get started, just call us at (918) 337-6590. Remember, safety is our first concern and we can help determine if the pool is a good fit for you

Cassie Brown is available by appointment to provide a therapeutic massage on Tuesdays and



Wednesdays in the Wellness Center. Her clients recommend her highly. Ms. Brown has over 10 years experience. Rates are \$45 per hour or \$25 for a half-hour. To arrange an appointment, call Cassandra Brown at 918-214-7853.

The Wellness Center is open Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. It is located at the Tribal Complex at 170 NE Barbara, Bartlesville, OK. There is no fee for Delaware and Cherokee members. Bring in your tribal membership card or your CDIB card. Members of other tribes with their membership card pay just \$10 per month. The Wellness Center is open to the public. Non-Tribal members can work out for just \$20 per month. You can also use the Center as a walk-in for just \$2 per visit. Members can bring in a guest for free (after two visits the guest must register or pay the walk-in fee).

For more information call 918-337-6590.

*Please note: there is no medical staff on duty; so use the equipment at your own risk.*■

## Needed! Foster and Adoptive Parents

SAVE THE DATE

May 3, 2014 9:30am-2:00pm

Delaware Community Center

FOSTER PARENT/ADOPTIVE FAMILY RECRUITMENT FAIR

Apply to become licensed and certified

All children need a loving touch, kind words, safety, security, and a family. These aren't optional in a child's life. These are things that are needed for healthy development of children. These things make the difference between a life of success and a life of struggle.

That's what you can do as a Foster/Adoptive Parent for Delaware Children who, by no fault of their own, are in out-of-home placements. Did you ever wonder why somebody didn't do something about that? Then you realized that you are that somebody! You can make the difference in the lives of Delaware Children. The Delaware Tribal Social Services Department is recruiting foster parents for placement of Delaware children who have been removed from their parents, family member or caregiver for any number of reasons. Examples of these are substance abuse, neglect, domestic violence and a parent's inability to handle the stress of being a parent.

Contact Allan Barnes for more information on how you can make a positive difference in the lives of Delaware children (918-337-6590, or [abarnes@delawaretribe.org](mailto:abarnes@delawaretribe.org)).■

## 15% Off at Monterey's!

Delaware tribal members now get 15% off on meals at Monterey's Little Mexico, 3815 SE Adams Blvd, Bartlesville.

Offer applies when you show your organization ID or member card at any Monterey's Little Mexico. Members are also entitled to 10% off any catering order for the duration of the offer.

Limit 3 per table. Excludes Alcohol, 3 for \$18.99 Offer, Tax, and Gratuity. Offer Expires 2/1/15.

[www.monterey.com](http://www.monterey.com)■



## Report on the Lenape Language Preservation Project

Jim Rementer

### What's New

We are happy to announce that once again we have been funded for the Lenape Language Dictionary Project. It is a Documenting Endangered Languages (DEL) grant under the National Science Foundation, and it became effective September 15, 2013. This grant enables us to make improvements to the Dictionary.

Working with our programmers, several improvements have already been implemented. One of the most important improvements is the ability to search for Lenape words not only in the dictionary section but also in the "Sentences" and the "Stories" sections. At the bottom of the page is an illustration of the new front page of the Dictionary. Note that under the line where you enter the word you want to look for you can click the box for Sentences or Stories to search in those sections as well. Also note that you can only choose one section at a time to search and this applies to looking up the word in English or Lenape.

We feel that this is a great improvement as it allows those wanting to learn the language to see and hear the use of the word in context. Another new feature, as suggested by language committee member Jan Brown, is that if you look for a word and it is not in the dictionary you will see a message stating, *Not yet in dictionary*.

As an example of how the display will look, if you look up a word in the Sentence section, the word for "cat" was searched for in the illustration on the right at the bottom of the page. You can see some of the results along with the sound files which allow you to hear the sentences in their entirety.

### Project History

In 2002 the Lenape Language Preservation Project received a grant from the National Science Foundation to produce a dictionary database of Lenape. Much of the funding went to digitizing and preserving our existing audiotapes made in past years with native speakers of Lenape. The Dictionary was officially online

in February 2006. The Talking Dictionary is a work in progress, and we continue to convert audiotapes of Lenape speakers to digital format from which we extract the Lenape words. These are then entered into the Dictionary 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 the porch, etc.

We would appreciate your comments about the Lenape Talking Dictionary. We will continue adding to the Grammar and Lessons sections so you can start learning how to construct sentences in Lenape. We hope you will find this useful as a learning tool. Go to [www.talk-lenape.org](http://www.talk-lenape.org). It is now up to you, the Lenape people, who want to learn the language of your ancestors to make good use of this material the Lenape elders left for your benefit. ■

## New Lenape Language Classes Offered on Bartlesville Campus

Due to popular demand, the Culture Preservation Committee has decided to begin a new session of Lenape language classes. The new classes will be held at the Delaware Tribal Community Center in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Classes will be on the second, third, and fourth Monday of each month beginning at 6 PM. The class sessions will last about an hour or so and the students will be given a printed lesson to study and keep.

If you are interested in attending the classes, please contact Bruce Martin at 918-337-6571, or send an email to Bruce at [bmartin@delawaretribe.org](mailto:bmartin@delawaretribe.org). Include your name, telephone number, and email address. We need these so you can be contacted if there is a last-minute change in class scheduling.

The classes are sponsored by the Delaware Tribal Culture Preservation Committee, and there is no charge for attending. The instructor for the class will be Jim Rementer, and assistant instructor is Janifer Brown. They have both worked for a number of years with our last fluent speakers in an effort to record and preserve the language.

The Lenape language was originally spoken in the old homeland which was all of the state of New Jersey, northern Delaware, eastern Pennsylvania, and southeastern New York. ■



A recent class (left) and a previous Lenape Language class taught by Lucy Blalock showing some of her students and the assistant teacher, a younger Jim Rementer.



Chief Pechonick at the American Indian Chamber of Commerce Oklahoma (AICCOK) Networking Lunch in Tulsa at the Tulsa Country Club on March 13, 2014. She was invited by the AICCOK leaders to be the guest speaker at their March membership meeting. Chief spoke to the group about the Delaware Tribe history, location, government, and expansion to Kansas.

The screenshot shows the 'Lenape Talking Dictionary' website. On the left, there are search options: 'By English WORD or PHRASE' and 'By Lenape WORD or PHRASE'. On the right, 'Search Results' are displayed for the word 'cat'. The results include English and Lenape phrases with audio icons. For example, 'English: A cat is washing his face. Lenape: Puhis kaitkove.' and 'English: I like cats. Lenape: Nshinikahik pushiak.' The website also features a 'How to use' section and a 'Welcome to the Lenape Talking Dictionary' message.

### Bartlesville Tribal Offices:

170 NE Barbara  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
918-337-6590

### Office Hours:

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. M-F

### Chelsea Housing Office:

6 Northview Dr.  
Chelsea, OK  
918-789-2525

### Tribal Web Site:

[www.delawaretribe.org](http://www.delawaretribe.org)

### Caney Office:

601 High Street  
Caney, KS 67333  
620-879-2189

### General Email:

[tribe@delawaretribe.org](mailto:tribe@delawaretribe.org)



## Child Support Services

CSS Staff

**“Providing a solid foundation and a secure future for our most precious resource... our children”**

**S**ikòni winkpèkw shè (spring is here) and the Delaware Tribe of Indians Child Support Services Team would like to wish you a happy springtime! Our team has been working diligently the last few months to develop a program that will provide services to Delaware Tribal members and Native American families in our Oklahoma and Kansas service areas.

Our team has a very busy spring planned! We will be participating in several upcoming local events, including: Spring into Sunfest, March 29 at Sooner Park; the Delaware Tribe Foster Care Fair, Saturday May 3 at Forsyth Hall on the Bartlesville campus; the 50th Annual Delaware Pow-Wow May 23 thru 25; and Sunfest, May 31 thru June 1 at Sooner Park. We will have booths at each of these events to provide information about the services our department will offer and answer questions individuals may have about our program. Also, we will have crafts available for kids. We look forward to seeing you there!

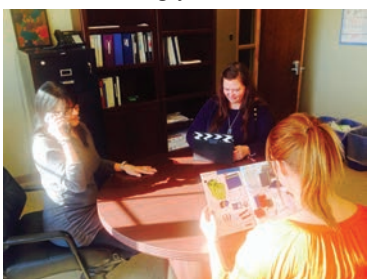
The team has been working closely with our tribal judges to develop an effective and successful Tribal Court. The judges have shown great interest in observing child support dockets in local district and tribal child support courts. Observing other courts in action has been a great learning experience for the CSS staff and the tribal judges. Doing this has established the Delaware Tribe CSS department as a provider in our service areas and helped us to build relationships with other tribes, as well as local child support programs.

Our team continues to develop a holistic approach toward serving the tribal community. We believe that our children are our most important resource, and that they are the key to preserving our traditions and culture. We want to ensure that our families have not only the financial support to secure a successful future, but a solid emotional foundation as well. We have been researching local resources in our service areas and are developing a list of referrals to help meet the

needs of our families.

In the upcoming months, the Child Support Services team will attend state, regional and national conferences. Attending conferences allows our staff members the opportunity to learn about new state and federal policies, and includes breakout sessions to discuss topics such as budgets, tax intercepts, and the Affordable Care Act. During the month of May, the team will travel to Kansas City for the Region VII Tribes Together Child Support Workshop. This will be a great opportunity for the CSS Department to ask questions about Region VII and continue to build a relationship with the state of Kansas.

We continue to work to become a comprehensive Tribal Title IV-D Child Support Services program. In October 2014 we will begin to accept applications from clients and become fully operational. We look forward to working with our Tribal communities. Wanishi!■



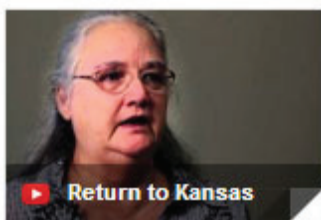
Left to right, CSS staff (Gina Roth, director, Kinzie Gomez, Child Support Administrative Assistant, and Rachel Overmyer, Child Support Program Coordinator) working at their conference table in the Caney office; right, the Child Support team showing off their dream catchers. They will be doing crafts like this at Pow-Wow and Sunfest.

### Want to Know About “Return to Kansas”?

See our video on YouTube!!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bY0nznd3pgA>

or search YouTube for “Return to Kansas Delaware”



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## GOLF TOURNAMENT

### Fundraiser

**April 26, 2014**  
1:00 p.m. | Adams Golf Course

**4 Man Scramble | \$65 entry fee**  
Includes golf towel, cart, green fees, lunch and free drinks.

**Mulligan Tickets | \$1 each**  
Remaining tickets used for door prizes

On the 18th hole you can tee off, or pay our bow hunter \$5 to shoot an arrow for you. You drop your ball where the arrow lands on the green.

### PRIZES FOR

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place  
2 long drive holes  
2 closest to the pin holes  
\$5,000 hole-in-one on Hole #6

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For more information or to enter a team call Lori Pannell at 918.397.2125

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U.S. Senator Jerry Moran (R. KS) discusses community development issues with Chief Pechonick at his March 2014 town hall meeting in Caney, KS. The Delaware Tribe's building in Caney houses several



## Ruthe Blalock Jones to be Inducted into Tulsa City-County Library's Circle of Honor

Article from Tulsa City-County Library Web Site, Oct 8, 2012

<http://www.tulsalibrary.org/news/ruthe-blalock-jones-receive-2014-circle-honor-award>

Tulsa City-County Library's American Indian Resource Center will induct Ruthe Blalock Jones into the Circle of Honor during a special presentation March 1, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. at Hardesty Regional Library's Connor's Cove, 8316 E. 93rd St.

Jones' award presentation begins the monthlong American Indian Festival of Words celebration honoring the achievements and accomplishments of Native Americans. Programs will be held throughout TCCL locations during March. All library events are free and open to the public.

Jones, of Shawnee-Delaware-Peoria descent, was born in Claremore, Okla. Her work as an artist began at age 10 under the tutelage of Charles Banks Wilson. At age 13, she entered the Philbrook Indian Annual show and earned an honorable mention. She attended Bacone College and earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Tulsa in 1972. In 2011, she was appointed Commissioner of Indian arts and Crafts Board (IACB) by Department of the Interior Secretary Kenneth Salazar. She is director

emeritus and associate professor of Art at Bacone College.

Her works focus on the traditional American Indian ceremonial and social events. They are recorded in paintings, drawings, limited edition prints in linoleum block, woodcut and serigraphs. In recent years, her works have been published by Gilcrease Museum, The University of Oklahoma Press, The Museum of Natural History, Time-Life Books, and the United States Department of Justice Annual Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect.

Recent showings have been at the UTSUNOMIYA Museum of Art, Utsunomiya, Japan; "Arts in Embassies," Kampala, Uganda; Endicott College, Beverly, Massachusetts; Cherokee Art Market 2011, Cherokee Casino, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Red Earth master Artists Exhibit 2011, Red Earth Gallery, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Select collections of her art include the Heard Museum, Phoenix, Ariz.; Museum of the American Indian, New York; Hampton University, Hampton, Va., The National Museum of Natural History, Washington

D.C., and Avery Collection, Arizona State University.

Past advisory positions have been with the Chicago Art Institute, Oklahoma Historical Society and Advisory Committee to the director of the Sam Noble Museum, University of Oklahoma. Most recently, she served as a panelist at the British Museum, London, England.

The Circle of Honor ceremony recognizes an American Indian for his or her achievements by acknowledging the inductee's contributions that have enriched others' lives and by celebrating the inductee's action in the face of adversity, commitment to the preservation of American Indian culture and legacy for future generations.

"I was proud and honored when I was informed that I had been named to the Circle of Honor. It is especially humbling and gratifying to follow in such a prestigious line of past honorees," said Jones. "As an artist, the award recognizes and honors artists and the work we do. Speaking for most Indian artists that I know, I believe we are all interested in honoring and preserving the culture and

traditions of our families and tribes. That is what I have tried to do with help along the way from my parents, relatives and friends, teachers, collectors and others. I will strive to continue on this path and try to live up to the high standard of the award and the previous recipients. I am mindful of those who have gone on and are not here to share this honor. I believe they are here in spirit; one especially is my recently departed friend Charles Banks Wilson, who I know would be very proud. N'yweh, Thank you."

Sponsored by the Maxine and Jack Zarrow Family Foundation, Cherokee Builders Inc., American Indian Resource Center and the Tulsa Library Trust. The award consists of a \$5,000 honorarium and a medallion featuring the American Indian Resource Center's turtle logo.

The Circle of Honor alternates annually with the American Indian Festival of Words Author Award. Past Circle of Honor recipients include Charles Chibitty, Wilma Mankiller, Neal McCaleb, Bill Mills and Kirke Kickingbird.



The American Indian Resource Center, located at the Zarrow Regional Library, 2224 W. 51st St., provides educational and informational resources, activities and services honoring American Indian heritage, arts and achievements. The center also provides access to more than 4,000 books and media for adults and children by and about American Indians, including historical and rare materials, new releases, videos and music CDs.

Recent additions to the collection include native-language printed materials and CDs for independent learning. The goal of this collection is to promote, revitalize and preserve our country's native languages.

For more information on the Circle of Honor ceremony, call the AskUs Hotline, 918-549-7323, or visit the library's website [tulsalibrary.org/airc](http://tulsalibrary.org/airc). ■

## LENAPE GOURD DANCE SOCIETY

*Bruce Martin*

Recently I have been approached by a few tribal members wondering what happened to the Lenape Gourd Dance Society.

I have wondered that myself. The past few times that I have seen the Lenape Gourd Dance Society, there were only three or four members dancing. I remember back in the day there were a lot of us.

I would like this to be a call to all Lenapes who would like to

revive the Lenape Gourd Dance Society. I have talked with John Sumpter, who is the Director of this Society, and offered to help him recruit past members to rejoin and to search for new members. I think as a Lenape, when we have been asked to be the Host Gourd Dance group at a dance, it would be nice to bring more than two or three dancers.

Having served on various pow-wow committees, there usually will not be a lot of money

thrown at Gourd Dance groups, but we can get organized and try to do our best to represent. We are not in this to make money, but rather to dance, have a good time, and represent our heritage the best that we can.

With modern technology we should be able to communicate with each other, travel to more places and represent the Lenape Gourd Dance Society as it should be, honorably and respectfully.

As John Sumpter told me, "The society was formed with the blessings of the Arapahoe Star Hawk Society back in 1995 with the efforts of Don and Betty

Wilson. This blessing was given by the leader at the time, Stanly Sleeper, with the understanding that we would follow their guidelines as close as possible, but still be able to mold it to fit our group. If we get enough interest, we can get meetings started every quarter and do our initiations at the Copan dance. Don would like that. Put our beginnings in the article so that people will know that we started in a proper way and did not just get together and call ourselves a gourd dance group. Since the Delawares are not a pow-wow people and these ways are adopt-

ed by us, this will be important to know. I, myself, made several trips to El Reno to talk to Stanly and learn more about this way. I relied on Don a lot but there were times that he said I should go talk to Stanly."

This organization is not sanctioned by the Tribe, but is a separate organization. If anyone would be interested in joining, or rejoining, please contact us with your interest or information.

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[longwalkerlongwalk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:longwalkerlongwalk@sbcglobal.net)

Bruce Martin (918) 337-6571  
[bmartin@delawaretribe.org](mailto:bmartin@delawaretribe.org) ■



## Delaware Tribe Scholarship Recipients, Spring 2014

Congratulations to the recipients of scholarships for the spring 2014 semester. We are proud of you!

| Name                | From              | School                              | Major/Specialization              |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Michael Adair       | Tulsa, OK         | Tulsa Community College             | Molecular Biology                 |
| Erienne Adams       | Wellington, KS    | Cowley College                      | Dental Hygiene                    |
| Zachary Anderson    | Edmond, OK        | University of Oklahoma              | Pre-Med                           |
| Morgan Atkins       | Stillwater, OK    | Oklahoma State University           | Undergraduate/Music               |
| Cody Barber         | Gillette, WY      | Laramie County College              | Phys Ed                           |
| Andrea Barker       | 29 Palms, CA      | Ashford University                  | Environmental Studies/Park Ranger |
| Natalie Bohr        | Coffeyville, KS   | University of Phoenix               | Health Care Administration        |
| Shane Brooks        | Shawnee, OK       | Seminole State College of Florida   | Business Administration           |
| Sabrina Brown       | Collinsville, OK  | Rogers State University             | Psychology                        |
| Allison Brundage    | Salina, OK        | Rogers State University             | Sonography                        |
| Dustin Christy      | Fenton, MO        | Missouri State University           | Computer Science                  |
| Sarah Cornett       | Webb City, MO     | Crowder College                     | General Studies                   |
| Elyse Coulter       | New London, MO    | Drury University                    | Architecture                      |
| Kyle Davis          | Hermitage, TN     | University of Tennessee             | Accounting                        |
| Crystal Dombrowski  | Claremore, OK     | Rogers State University             | Registered Nursing                |
| Hunter Durham       | Nixa, MO          | Palm Beach Atlantic                 | Marketing/Sales                   |
| Alex Felton         | Broken Arrow, OK  | University of Central Oklahoma      | Business Administration           |
| Luke Felton         | Broken Arrow, OK  | University of Arkansas              | Pre-Med                           |
| John Franke         | Nowata, OK        | Oklahoma State University           | Mechanical Engineering            |
| Kasie Garman        | Catoosa, OK       | Tulsa Community College             | Medical Billing                   |
| Carolyn Garrison    | Tulsa, OK         | Oklahoma State University           | Business Administration           |
| Kristina Gray       | Nampa, ID         | Boise State University              | Art History/Museum Studies        |
| Candice Guy         | Davis, CA         | University of California, Davis     | Science & AG Ed PhD               |
| Madeline Haff       | San Diego, CA     | University of California, San Diego | Human Development                 |
| Connor Harris       | Edmond, OK        | University of Central Oklahoma      | Mass Communication/Pre-Law        |
| Lori Ann Hasselman  | Abilene, KS       | Haskell University                  | Higher Ed/American Indian         |
| Stephen Hatfield    | Wilson, OK        | Southeastern Oklahoma State U       | Exercise Science/Coaching         |
| Sara J. Hayes       | Bartlesville, OK  | Oklahoma Wesleyan University        | MBA/Project Management            |
| Applelonia Hoard    | Tahlequah, OK     | Northeastern State University       | Physical Therapy                  |
| Rebecca Jackson     | Ramona, OK        | Oral Roberts University             | Elementary Ed                     |
| Allison Jenkins     | Albuquerque, NM   | New Mexico State University         | Animal Science                    |
| Sidney Ketchum      | Jones, OK         | Southern Nazarene University        | Reg Nursing/Medical Missionary    |
| Keathen Kingfisher  | Salina, OK        | Northeastern State University       | Criminal Justice                  |
| Wade Kreibel        | Coffeyville, KS   | Coffeyville Community College       | Business Administration           |
| Charles Lewis       | Okmulgee, OK      | Oklahoma State U Inst of Technology | Natural Gas Tech                  |
| Taylor McKinney     | Bartlesville, OK  | Rogers State University             | Social Science                    |
| James Monck III     | Lexington, KY     | University of Louisville            | Music/Classical Guitar            |
| Alexandra Perry     | St. Louis, MO     | Saint Xavier University             | International Business            |
| Meagan Perry        | St. Louis, MO     | Indiana University                  | Speech Pathology                  |
| Cole Ready          | Montrose, CO      | Colorado State University           | Marketing/International Studies   |
| Lindsey Roberts     | Overland Park, KS | University of Kansas                | Nursing                           |
| Erick Scott         | Ochelata, OK      | University of Central Oklahoma      | Music/ Production                 |
| Jacob Seely         | McPherson, KS     | Pittsburg State University          | Mechanical Engineering            |
| Katherine R. Seigel | Columbia, MO      | University of Missouri              | Education                         |
| Laura Seigel        | Leavenworth, KS   | University of Kansas                | Architectural Engineering         |
| Michael Soares      | Pleasanton, CA    | Cal State Poly Tech                 | Music/Audio Engineering           |
| Michael Stacy       | San Diego, CA     | Cuyamaca College                    | Wastewater Management             |
| Hannah Stalnaker    | Edmond, OK        | Oklahoma State U, Oklahoma City     | Cardio/Sonographer                |
| Shaunda Stanley     | Bartlesville, OK  | ITT Tech                            | Assoc of Nursing/Reg Nursing      |
| Cory Bear Tompkins  | Copan, OK         | Haskell University                  | American Indian Studies           |
| Keri Tucker         | Augusta, KS       | Butler County Community College     | Court Reporter/Victims            |
| Heather Turner      | Peoria, AZ        | Northern Arizona University         | H&R Management                    |
| Kyra Williams       | Pueblo West, CO   | Colorado State Pueblo               | Liberal Arts/Ministry             |

## Delaware Tribe Housing Program

### DTHP Staff

The Chelsea office has several low-rent one-bedroom units available at Delaware Acres. These units are now available to both elderly and non-elderly tenants. The Bartlesville office is still accepting applications for our newly-remodeled one- and two-bedroom apartments at The Lodges. Low-rent family units are becoming available in Bartlesville, Chelsea and surrounding areas.

**We encourage low income elderly, disabled and small family Delaware tribal members to apply!**

Bartlesville office:

166 NE Barbara  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 337-6572

Chelsea office:

#6 North View Road  
Chelsea, OK 74016  
(918) 789-2525

### Current Delaware Housing Residents

Please contact the Housing Office with any issues.

Emergency Contacts:

Mike Marshall (918) 214-5560  
Walter Dye (918) 214-5561

## Job Opportunities with the Tribe

If you are looking for work, be sure to regularly check our jobs board on the web site ([www.delawaretribe.org](http://www.delawaretribe.org)). Job opportunities are posted on the **Careers** page on the top menu.



Jobs are posted as they become available, so make sure to check back often.

The Delaware Tribe of Indians is an equal opportunity employer. Delaware and Indian Preference is considered.

## More Artifacts from the Frank Speck Collection

More artifacts in the collection in our Tribal Museum, available for viewing by appointment. More are in the Jan 2014 *DIN*. See page 24 for details. ■



**CONTINUE MANAGED GROWTH.  
CONTINUE STABLE GOVERNMENT.**

**Keep the**  
**What can you do ?**

✓ **VOTE.**

- ◆ Check with enrollment to make sure you're address is current and you are going to receive an absentee ballot. *Tribal elections have been decided by as few as 10 votes! EVERY VOTE COUNTS!*

✓ **ENROLL YOUR FAMILY.**

- ◆ The Tribe's rolls are NOT closed, NO cutoff date to enroll your family, NO minimum/required amount/blood quantum and we do NOT prohibit dual enrollment.

✓ **UPDATE ADDRESSES.**

- ◆ If someone in your family is not receiving correspondence from the Tribe, they are missing! Update addresses today! Our enrollment department is eager to help.

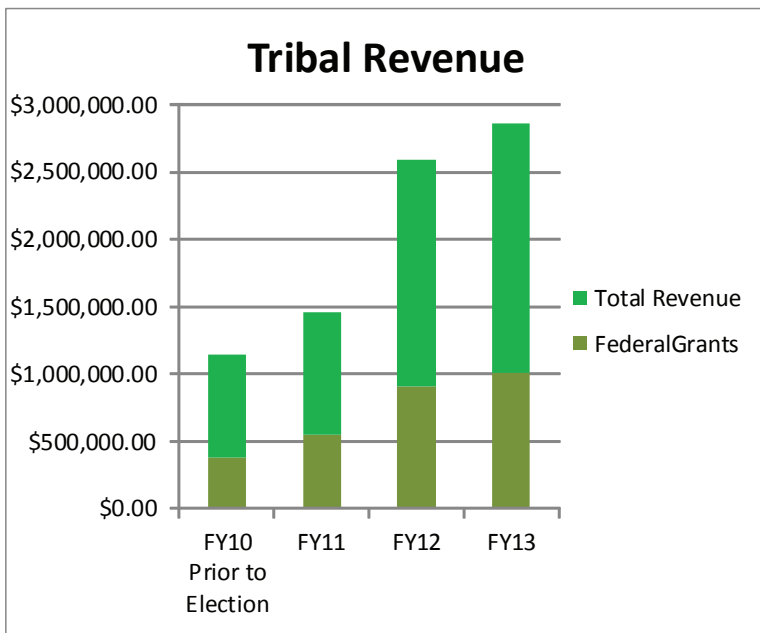
✓ **CALL YOUR RELATIVES.**

- ◆ Spread the word. Remind your relatives to enroll their families, update addresses and encourage members to vote.



**CONTINUE THE INTEGRITY.  
CONTINUE THE FUTURE FOCUS.**

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This administration has worked to:

- ◆ Employ Delaware people
- ◆ Promote Living Wages
- ◆ Secure Benefits to Employees
- ◆ Focus on Services to Tribal Members
- ◆ Grow the Tribe
- ◆ Inform Tribal Members
- ◆ Find revenue outside of federal grants
- ◆ Explore Economic Development besides gaming
- ◆ Move forward on all fronts

**RE-ELECT CHIEF PAULA PECHONICK &  
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***Progress  
&  
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**PROMOTING UNITY AND  
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DELAWARE PEOPLE**

## Obituaries



### Olen Eugene (Hoot) Gibson

September 12, 1923-  
December 17, 2013

Olen Eugene (Hoot) Gibson died on December 17, 2013 after a short illness. He was born in Vinita, Oklahoma on September 12, 1923. His early years were spent on a farm his family owned in Oklahoma. Following the depression, his family moved to Colorado, where he graduated from Ft. Collins High School. He married Lillian Jean Achziger on September 22, 1946 with whom he had two children, Ronald and Cheryl. He served his country in World War II as an airplane mechanic in the Army and was proud to go on an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. in 2010.

He had a very long and successful career as a salesman of industrial products. He won several national and international awards for his excellent abilities as a salesman. He enjoyed traveling, hunting and fishing in Canada. He was a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and was proud of his Indian heritage. His pride and joy were his five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He loved to spend time with his family and enjoyed conversation with virtually anyone.

He was a faithful and devoted Christian. He was a member of LifePointe Church in Ft. Collins, Colorado and served on the Benevolent Committee and in Youth Ministry for several years. He had a heart for missions, served on the Global Missions Board and went on several missions trips, two of which were to Ukraine. He loved the congregation of LifePointe Church as they loved him.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, brother and sister. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Lillian Gibson; his son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Sue Gibson; his daughter, Cheryl Wagner; five grand-children, Kate Broome, Zack Gibson, Ian Gibson, Cory Hill and Cody Hill; and one great grand-child, Ariana Hill.

The celebration of his life was held on Monday, December 23, 2013 at LifePointe Church. Burial followed at Grandview Cemetery in Ft. Collins. Memorials in honor of Olen can be made to LifePointe Church, 900 East Prospect Road, Ft. Collins, Colorado 80524. ■



### Wanda Jean Goodman

July 6, 1926-  
February 27, 2014

Wanda Jean Goodman, 87-year-old Miami resident, died on Thursday Feb 27, 2014. She was born in Ketchum on July 6, 1926 to Charlie and Ardith Woolery Marshall. She was the great-great granddaughter of Elizabeth and Rev James S. Ketchum, and the granddaughter of Jane A. Ketchum and T. Wyman Thompson. She was raised in the Ketchum Cleora area, where she spent many a summer picking cotton in the local fields. She enjoyed playing cards, listening to coun-



try music, singing and playing the harmonica. She was a great cook, and was loved by her entire family. Survivors include her son Gary Goodman of White Oak and daughter Brenda Goodman of Miami; twin sisters, Shirlene of California and Lorene of Oregon; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Clifford Marshall, daughter Sherry Jean Goodman, and Uncle Buck Woolery. Buck Woolery was the first flying game ranger in Oklahoma. ■



### Robert "Terry" Harper

May 14, 1959-  
January 22, 2014

Robert "Terry" Harper, age 54, a Mesquite, TX resident, was born on Thursday, May 14, 1959, at Pomona, CA. Terry passed away on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at Mesquite, TX. He graduated from Atoka High School in 1978. He was an automotive and diesel mechanic and a breakdown supervisor at Stevens Transport. Terry married Heather Dawn (Butteris) on June 30, 2012 in Stoutland, MO. Terry attended Wildwood



Baptist Church in Mesquite, TX. Terry was proud of his Native American heritage, being a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and Cherokee Nation being fourth generation descendant of Eliza Welenukwe (Woo-le-noo-squay). He was saved at the Farris Baptist Church as a young man.

Terry is survived by his wife, Heather Dawn Harper of the home in Mesquite, TX; father, Louis Harper of Farris, OK; daughters, Sarah Harper of Victoria, TX and Hannah Galvan and husband Gus of Victoria, TX; stepdaughters, Kaitlyn Boone of Richardson, TX and Kyrstin Boone of Garland, TX; siblings, Carol Doralee Little of Farris, OK, Ann Harper of Farris, OK, Rick Grisham of Buffalo, NY, Cy Hughes and husband Rick of Midwest City, OK, Ronnie Grisham of Eules, TX, and Roy Grisham and wife Kimberly of Watauga, TX; grandsons, Nathan Galvan of Victoria, TX and Donovan Harper of Victoria, TX; along with numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. ■



### Henry R. McEwin

November 27, 1918-  
February 26, 2014

McEwin, Henry B., 95, retired Chilocco Indian School Grounds Manager and World War II Army Veteran, passed away Wednesday, February 26, 2014. Visitation with family present was from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, February 27, at Broadway Mortuary, 1147 S. Broadway. Funeral Services 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Brown-Winters Funeral Home, Miami, OK. Henry was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Beatrice McEwin and daughter, Diane Craddock.

Survivors include his daughters, Sharon Garrison, Shirley (Ken) White; grandchildren, Stacie Allen, Lana (Matt) Armstrong, Jason Craddock, Lisa (Wayne) Molt; great-grandchildren, Keith, Brooklyn, Abigail.

Memorials to: Harry Hynes Hospice and Immanuel Baptist Church. Share condolences at [www.CozineMemorial.com](http://www.CozineMemorial.com). Services by Broadway Mortuary. ■

If one of your relatives or close friends has passed, please send us an obituary. We will run it in the next *Delaware Indian News*. Obituaries can be sent to [din@delawaretribe.org](mailto:din@delawaretribe.org) or to the Tribal Offices.

Please also pass along any birth or death announcements to the Enrollment Office at [lfall-leaf@delawaretribe.org](mailto:lfall-leaf@delawaretribe.org). Remember that the Community Services Committee has a burial assistance program if you need help. ■





## Arthur (Art) D. Randall

June 25, 1934-  
February 2, 2014

Arthur (Art) D. Randall passed away on February 2, 2014 after a short battle with cancer. He was born in Fairfax, OK, June 25th, 1934 to Lester and Marie Randall. He graduated from Fairfax High School in 1952 and attended Business College in Tulsa. He married the love of his life, Barbara Jean Neely of Cleveland OK, in 1956. The couple remained in Tulsa where Art enjoyed a career in Freight Management and retired from Overnite Transportation in 2000.

Art was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He enjoyed volunteer work and serving his Lord as Deacon at Parkview Baptist Church. An avid fisherman, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends at his lake home on Grand Lake. Arthur was proud of his Native American heritage, a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and Cherokee Nation.

Art was preceded in death by his parents, Lester and Marie Randall, brother Bobby Lester (2013) and sister Virginia Allene (1999). He is survived by his loving wife, Barbara Jean, of 57 years, sons Craig and Chris, and grandchildren Michael and Elisabeth, also four siblings, Charles Edward, rural Pawhuska, David Joe, Tyro, KS, Judith Elaine, Edmond, and Jerri Lynn, Bartlesville, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Parkview Baptist Church at 10:30

a.m. Friday February 7th, 2014. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Clarehouse or St Francis Hospice of Tulsa, OK. ■



## David Lee Whiteturkey

February 27, 1945-  
February 28, 2014

Mr. David Lee Whiteturkey, 69, of Bartlesville, died at 11:10 A.M. on Friday, February 28, 2014 at the Hillcrest Medical Center in Tulsa.

Memorial services were held on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 in the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Mike Svitak of the New Hope Indian United Methodist Church officiating and full military rites accorded by the Ceremonial Detail of the James H. Teel American Legion Post # 105. Memorial services and cremation were under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

A memorial fund has been established and those who wish may send their contributions to the Washington County SPCA, 16620 State Highway 123, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74006.

Mr. Whiteturkey was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma on February 27, 1945, the son of Eddie Lee and Jennie May (Line) Whiteturkey. He grew up and received his education in the Dewey schools and he graduated from Dewey High School in 1965. He entered the U.S. Air Force on January 27, 1966 and was stationed at the

Clinton (Oklahoma) Air Force Base and in Alaska during the Viet Nam era.

Following his Honorable Discharge on December 1, 1969 he returned to the Bartlesville area to make his home. He had been employed at Leonard Printing and then operated his own business, Tee Pee Engravers in Bartlesville.

He was married to Anita Sue Friend in 1973 and they were married for 40 years. He was a past member of the Caney Valley CB Club and was on the original "Tornado Watch Team" for the Civil Defense, a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the National Rifle Association.

Mr. Whiteturkey is survived by his wife Sue Whiteturkey, two step children, Kevin Leard of McCloud, Okla. and Teresa Leard of Florida and a number of cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at [www.stumpff.org](http://www.stumpff.org). ■

## "The Cherokee Word for Water"



Tribal officials were invited to a special screening of the film "The Cherokee Word for Water" on February 7 with special guest Charlie Soap (center bottom), and the film was re-screened for tribal elders in the Community Center on March 25.

## Check Out the Tribal Web Site

Have you visited our Tribe's web site recently?

We have a brand-new look (right) that is much more modern and attractive. Major stories are shown in a slideshow at the top of the page; wait a few seconds for the next slide in the sequence. Click on the picture to get the full story. A "News Ticker" give the latest updates including closings and/or schedule changes. Below this are several "sections" (News and Events, Culture and Language, Our Community, and Tribal Newspaper) with an ever-growing variety of stories and announcements. We'll be adding a lot more to the Culture and Language section very soon.

Videos of major tribal events including Council and Trust Board meetings are linked through the "Videos" button, while "Latest News" provides some of the very latest links. Keep watching for the long-awaited online gift shop as well.

Don't forget to use the menu at the top of the page for contact info, services and programs (including downloadable application forms), an event calendar, job postings, and other information.

The site is updated regularly with the latest information. We hope you like it. If you have anything to post on the site, please contact us at [tribe@delawaretribe.org](mailto:tribe@delawaretribe.org).

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# Minutes of the Tribal Council, December 2013-February 2014

## Monday, Dec 2, 2013 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Sandi Jamison*

The Chief called the meeting to order at 5:13 pm. Assistant Chief Chet Brooks prayed.

Present: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Annette Ketchum, Janifer Brown, Verna Crawford, and Nate Young. Jenifer Pechonick was absent to work on Title VI grant; given excused absence.

Guests: Cy Hughes, Mary Randall, Mary Watters, Gilbert Watters, John Young, Sonja Key, Jean Lewis, Charles Randall, Rick L. Barnes, Carolyn Rowe, Steve Rowe, Jim Grinter, Curtis Zunigha, Bruce Martin, and Sandi Jamison.

Chief Pechonick welcomed guests and asked if there were any questions from the attendees. Curtis Zunigha asked if the presentation regarding the HUD housing matters could be made at the beginning of the meeting along with the resolution presentation.

Nate Young made a motion to alter the agenda to allow Sonja Key to make her presentation; 2nd Annette Ketchum. Motion passed all in favor. Curtis Zunigha introduced Sonja Key, stating that the Tribal Council had met her earlier in the workshop today. Nate Young asked Ms. Key to give a brief personal background of herself. Sonja Key is a consultant from Washington, DC and had previously been the branch manager at a Native American organization in Oklahoma City. She stated that she and Curtis have been working on the housing plan for fiscal year 2014 to change the housing plan fiscal year period ending date to be March 31 of each year instead of the normal September 30 fiscal year end date. This will allow the Delaware Tribe to get funding by next March rather than the funding being delayed until 2015.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-65 to change the fiscal year end for the housing program and submit housing plan to HUD, 2nd Annette Ketchum. Motion passed all in favor.

Janifer Brown made a motion to accept the agenda, 2nd Nate Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the November 5 meeting minutes as presented, 2nd Nate Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to accept the financials, 2nd Verna Crawford. Discussion about the space budget not being just for the therapy pool; Jean Lewis clarified the budget. Motion passed with all in favor. Filed for audit.

Annette Ketchum acknowledged the reports as presented and thanked the staff for their effort to prepare these reports.

Curtis Zunigha gave a brief synopsis of his monthly report verbally. (1) Three job descriptions and policy and procedures documents were prepared for the Tribal Council and would like to have approved to proceed with these. Jan Brown brought to his attention that the documents were probably two-sided document but the documents that the Tribal Council received were only one-sided. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting. (2) Curtis has met with staff department heads and they are to develop annual plans using a prepared template. The initial plan will be for the time period of January 2014-September 2014; thereafter it will be a yearly report from September-September. (3) The BIA ATG funds have still not been approved and submitted by Cherokee Nation. Therefore, the BIA has asked the Delaware Tribe to submit another request for extension through January 6. We and BIA do not understand why the Cherokee Nation is holding

this up because it means money for them through their multi-year funding, which our portion will be extracted and given to us. (4) The Disabled American Veterans initiated their office today in the lobby with the goal to help veterans and their families with processing paperwork. They will be in the lobby on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. (5) Two representatives will be here next Monday from the National Museum of the American Indian to talk with anyone who is interested in providing information about the Delaware Tribe (history and today's activities) that will become part of the museum's exhibit to be featured in 2016 called Native New York: Where Nations Rise, and they are interested in learning more about the Delaware and Manhattan Island.

Nate Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-64 Approve Tribal Membership, 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: 17 members newly enrolled, Annette Ketchum read the names. Motion passed all in favor.

Janifer Brown made a motion for the Tribal Council to go into Executive Session on personnel matters, 2nd Annette Ketchum. At 5:54 p.m. guests were asked to leave and Executive Session began. At 6:08 p.m. guests were invited to return.

Janifer Brown made a motion for the meeting to reconvene, 2nd by Annette Ketchum, Motion passed all in favor.

Discussion of the Gray & Gray contract as to whether to terminate the contract and maybe review it later. Secret vote was read with votes as follows: Yes = 3; No = 3; tie vote.

Nate Young stated for the record that according to Robert's Rules of Order we cannot vote on this again unless it is put on the agenda. He will research this.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Janifer Brown. Adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

## Tuesday, Jan 7, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Councilwoman Jenifer Pechonick*

The Chief called the meeting to order at 5:20pm. Councilman Nathan Young led the Lord's Prayer. Present: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Jenifer Pechonick, Annette Ketchum, Janifer Brown, Verna Crawford and Nate Young. Annette Ketchum arrived after roll call.

The meeting is being held on Tuesday instead of Monday due to weather.

Guests: Bruce Martin, Charles and Mary Randall, Gilbert and Mary Watters, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Jean Lewis, Curtis Zunigha, Greg Brown, Cy Young, Sandi Jamison, and Nicky Michael.

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

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the minutes December 2, 2013 with corrections. 2nd Chet Brooks. Discussion: 6 yes, 1 abstain (Jenifer Pechonick). Motion passed.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report pending audit. 2nd Verna Crawford. Discussion: Bonnie Jo Griffith asked if the report was online. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the reports in the packet, 2nd Janifer Brown. Motion passed.

Curtis Zunigha verbally added to his written report. He recognized Greg Brown for his work on the Delaware Indian News and commented the issue was a good one with much information and many pictures. Curtis discussed the implementation plan the Cherokee's presented which includes the Current Assisted Stock (CAS) but not our Needs money. Sonja Key consulted for Housing she stated when the BIA acknowledges the Kansas service

area HUD will follow. The Indian Housing Plan is complete. We received a distribution of 3 funds. He recognized Nordhaus Law Firm and Tom Peckham.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve a \$10,000 payment to Nordhaus, 2nd Annette Ketchum. Discussion: money will come from the funds from the distribution to pay a portion of the outstanding legal fees incurred over the years. Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis highlighted the 2014 holiday schedule.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the 2014 holiday schedule. 2nd Nathan Young.

Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis also reported Bruce Martin has been working with staff and Council with regards to community center rental.

The State of Kansas sent a tax bill to the Tribe for Caney and Lawrence. The county exempted Caney property but the State overruled. We will ask formally for an exemption on both properties.

Verna made a motion to hold Tribal Council meetings for 2014 the first Monday of each month, weather permitting, or if Monday is unavailable, the next possible day. The Tribal Council will meet in Caney the first month of each quarter. 2nd Annette Ketchum.

Discussion: Due to weather, the Council was unable to meet yesterday in Caney. The pipes froze in Caney, so the meeting was moved to Bartlesville tonight. September's meeting will be held on the Tuesday after Labor Day. Motion passed all in favor.

Nathan Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-01. 2nd Chet Brooks.

Discussion: Jenifer Pechonick read the names of 17 new tribal members. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-02 Transfer of Lawrence property

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from LTI, LLC to the Delaware Tribe of Indians. 2nd Janifer Brown. 5 yes 2 abstain (N. Young, C. Brooks) Discussion: Nathan Young said the resolution contains "support the submission of a BIA Trust Application in Kansas." LTI is a Tribally owned LLC. Nathan Young made a friendly amendment to the resolution to strike the language regarding the Trust application. The motion is withdrawn.

Verna made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-02 as amended. 2nd Chet Brooks.

Discussion: language which pertains to submittal of Trust application to be stricken.

Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to table Resolution 2014-03 due to the wording of the resolution. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to approve resolution 2014-04 to approve implementation agreement #2 for NAHASDA funding implementing 2008 MOA for CAS, 2nd Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

Chet Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-05 to adopt election rules used in the 2013 Trust Board Election with one necessary minor change. Discussion: Discussion was held about the resolution wording. Tabled; to be discussed at a workshop.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Turner & Associates to conduct the audit for 2013. 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Bonnie Jo Griffith asked to be recognized. She asked if Verna Crawford as the secretary keeps copies of the resolutions and minutes. She also suggested the official copy of the minutes be signed by the secretary. She also asked about the Gaming Commission. The Gaming Commission is provisioned through the Gaming Regulations approved by NIGC (National Indian Gaming Commission) about 1999.

Nicky Michael asked if the Tribe's 501(c)3 was current. Jean Lewis confirmed it is current.

Nathan Young made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed all in favor.

### Monday, Feb 3, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Tribal Council Secretary*

Chief Paula Pechonick called the meeting to order at 5:42 pm. Assistant Chief Chet Brooks gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called the roll. Those present: Chief Paula Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Council Secretary Verna Crawford, Council Treasurer Janifer Brown, and Council Member Jenifer Pechonick. Nathan Young and Annette Ketchum were absent. Crawford announced a quorum was established.

**Janifer Brown** made a motion to excuse the absence of Nate Young for a doctor's appointment and to unexcuse Annette Ketchum who was absent for personal reasons. Chet Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried with four yes and one abstention (Jenifer Pechonick).

**Chief Pechonick** welcomed guests, asking if any guest would like to address the Council.

**Guests:** those present included Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Gil Watters, Greg Brown, Susan Cade, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Nancy Sumpter, Curtis Zunigha, Sandi Jamison, Greg Brown, Gina Roth, Kinzie Gomez, and Rachel Overmyer.

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment to move Resolution 2014-6: Child Support Enforcement Services Code before the minutes, seconded by Jenifer Pechonick. Discussion: Since the staff of the Child Support Enforcement department were present to answer any questions regarding their resolution.

**Motion** carried with all in favor.

**Chet Brooks** made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-6: A Resolution of the Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to enact the Child Support Enforcement Services Code. Jenifer Pechonick seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Chet Brooks commented that the Child Support Enforcement Services staff presented a workshop to review and clarify the document. The staff did a fine job.

**Motion** carried with all in favor.

**Janifer Brown** made a motion to approve the minutes of January 7, 2014 with corrections, if needed, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Verna Crawford** moved to accept the Treasurer's report pending audit, seconded by Janifer Brown. Motion carried with all in favor.

Bonnie Jo Griffith asked if the financial report would be placed on the web site. Chief Pechonick answered that in the future the financial reports will be placed on the web site, after the Tribal Council reviews and will appear as they are presented to the council at their meetings.

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to accept department reports as presented. (Reports attached.) Janifer Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to accept the Tribal Manager's report as presented. (Report attached.) Jan Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-05, A Resolution of the Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians regarding submission of the grant proposal entitled, "Images of our Grandfathers" project to the National Park Service. Janifer Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Janifer Brown** made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-07, A

Resolution of the Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to approve Tribal membership. Verna Crawford seconded the motion. Discussion: There were 20 new members to be approved.

**Motion** carried with all in favor.

**Janifer Brown** made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-08, A Resolution of the Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to Reauthorize the Use of Certificate of Deposit to continue line of credit for Delaware Facilities Management Solutions (DFMS).

Jenifer Pechonick seconded the motion. Motion carried with four yes and one abstention (Chet Brooks).

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-09, A Resolution of the Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to approve Relocation, Substance Abuse Prevention and Travel policies of the Delaware Housing Program. Chet Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Jan Brown** made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:01 p.m. Jenifer Pechonick seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Verna Crawford** made a motion to return to general session at 7:30p.m. Janifer Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

No action was taken following executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40p.m.

### Special Meeting Thursday, Feb 13, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Tribal Council Secretary*

Chief Pechonick called the meeting to order 2pm. Chet Brooks gave the invocation. Roll call: Chief Pechonick, Chet Brooks, Verna Crawford, Janifer Brown, and Jenifer Pechonick. Absent: Annette Ketchum and Nathan Young. Guests present included:

Curtis Zunigha, Mary and Gilbert Watters, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Nancy Sumpter, Kay Anderson, Anita Mathis, Gina Parks, John Moore, Lacey Harris, Sandra Jamison, and Greg Brown.

Chief stated the agenda contained two items. The Tribal Council determined they did not have enough information to discuss the first item and the consensus was to move on to the 2nd item. Curtis presented background on the resolution to be considered which is to approve the 2014 HUD money allocation to be transferred from Cherokee to Delaware and implementation agreement to modify the MOA. The HUD decision does not include money from previous years due to HUD regulations, although the Cherokees asked for past monies to be considered, HUD was not able to approve Cherokee returning money to Feds for distribution.

However, moving forward the 2014 money will come from HUD directly to Tribe. The resolution and the implementation agreement's net effect is beginning April 1, 2014 for HUD monies to come directly to the Tribe. Previous housing money will go through old mechanism of draw-down through Cherokee Nation. The needs money is not addressed at this time; the decision only covers our current assisted stock. Both the housing consultant and HUD said when we get our expanded service area approved, HUD and other agencies can fall into line to fund directly for the total sum of our allocation.

Verna made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-10 to Approve Implementation Agreement #2 (Amended 2/5/2014) (Implementing 2008 Memorandum of Agreement with Cherokee Nation as to NAHASDA Funding for Delaware Tribe Formula Current Assisted Stock), Chet 2nd. Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis will send the resolution to Cherokee this afternoon; Cherokee will take the implement-

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tation agreement signed by Chief Pechonick and Chief Baker and forward to HUD. The implementation agreement will be added to the Tribe's web site after it is signed by both. Chet said another net effect is the cash flow of Housing will be streamlined by the drawdown process being faster.

Curtis agreed and said the agreement also accomplishes direct funding from the federal government.

Nancy Sumpter was recognized she asked when this begins. Curtis reiterated, April 1, 2014 (as

long as HUD implements) we will receive current and future money from the federal government.

Past years money will still have to be drawn down through Cherokee.

Chet made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Verna Crawford. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20pm.

### Special Meeting Friday, Feb 21, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Tribal Council Secretary*

Chief Paula Pechonick called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm. Councilwoman Annette Ketchum gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called the roll. Those present: Chief Paula Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Council Secretary Verna Crawford, Council Treasurer Janifer Brown, and Council Member Annette Ketchum. Council Members Nathan Young and Jenifer Pechonick were absent. Crawford announced a quorum was established.

Chief Pechonick welcomed guests, asking if any guest would like to address the Council.

Guests: those present included Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Mary Watters, Gilbert Watters, Greg Brown, Susan Cade, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Nancy Sumpter, and Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-11, A Resolution of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to support and designate NativeOne Financial Holding LLC as the financial advisor and management team for the Fort Hancock proposal at Sandy Hook New Jersey.

Chet Brooks seconded the motion.

Discussion: Chief Pechonick explained that Fort Hancock has been designated as surplus property by the federal government. As such, the property must be offered to Indian tribes that were the original occupants. The Delaware Tribe is the original occupant and thus eligible to receive the land. This group will represent the Tribe in attempting to recover it.

Motion carried with five yes. Meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m. ■

## Education Committee Assistance and Programs

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**Higher Education Scholarship:** Up to \$2,400 in scholarship funding. Full-time students may apply for \$300 per semester for up to eight semesters. Part-time students will receive \$200 per semester up to 16 semesters. Fall scholarship applications will be accepted from June 1 through July 31, spring from Dec 1 to Jan 31. Students must maintain a 2.7 GPA (grade point average) in the last semester attended.

**School Supply Vouchers:** Help with the cost of purchasing the needed school supplies for their children ages Pre-K to 5th Grade. Available from July 15th to August 31st or until vouchers are exhausted. Deadline is September 30 of every year. Up to \$40 per child with receipt of purchase.

**Education Assistance:** Help for registered Delaware students who need some type of assistance for students ages 6th thru 12th grade while enrolled in school, such as graduation expenses, ACT exams, summer school, band, choir, etc.

This program has a maximum payment of \$50 per applicant per fiscal year.

**Athletic Assistance:** Help for registered Delaware students involved in school sponsored athletic programs. Students may be reimbursed up to \$50 per application per fiscal year.

**Academic Achievement Award:** Available on a one-time basis to registered 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 GPA.

**Driver's Education Assistance:** Help to defray costs of driver's education classes through an accredited training facility. This program has a maximum of \$75 per applicant per fiscal year.

**Adult Vocational Training Assistance:** Help with costs of short-term vocational training classes. Limited to out of school students who wish to learn new or upgrade current skills. Maximum of \$200 per applicant per fiscal year. ■

## Community Services Programs

**Take advantage of these programs; they are here for you!**

**Student Optical Assistance:** Assistance to students enrolled in grades K-12, colleges, universities or vocational technology schools. Funds can be designated to pay for glasses, contacts, physician visits or related costs. Each request may not exceed \$200.

**Burial Program:** Burial assistance for Delaware tribal members. The family may apply for up to \$500. The funds may be applied to expenses as is most beneficial.

**Utility Assistance:** Emergency utility assistance for tribal members up to \$200. Payment will be made directly to the vendor or utility company and may include gas, propane, water, electricity, wood or related utility services.

**Housing Assistance:** Assistance in emergency situations on a one-month, one-time, once-a-year basis. Amount of assistance that can be approved is limited up to \$200.

**Dental Assistance:** Assistance for dental services up to \$350. Services may include tooth repair, dental fillings, dentures or emergency services. Routine dental exams or cleaning are not covered.

**Medical Assistance:** Assistance to pay medical bills, including but not limited to medical equipment (purchase or rental), home health care, pharmacy, etc. not to exceed \$200.

**Emergency Travel:** Medical transportation services for Delaware tribal members to include, but not limited to, health transportation costs, assistance and/or other related costs. One-time assistance not to exceed \$200.

**Hospital Equipment Assistance:** Assistance with hospital equipment for Delaware tribal members who are hospitalized during the year

and some costs of hospital equipment is not paid by third parties. Funds will be used to pay for hospital equipment, which may include rentals, small equipment purchases or related costs up to \$250.

**Emergency Assistance:** Emergency assistance to Delaware tribal members. Funds are to be used for emergency situations. Assistance includes, but is not limited to, groceries or related assistance. Applicants must utilize all other community resources prior to application. Funds are allocated up to \$200 and will be disbursed as determined by the Community Service Committee on a case-by-case basis.

**Elder Programs, Optical Assistance:** Assistance for optical services to elders age 55 and over. Funds may be used for services, including glasses, physician's visits or related costs up to \$200 annually.

**Elder Programs, Prescription Medication Assistance:** Prescription medication assistance to Delaware elders age 60 and over for pharmacy and related cost. Elders may receive assistance not to exceed \$900 per calendar year. Elders may apply more than once per calendar year until \$900 is reached. Funds may be disbursed to vendors on a monthly basis not to exceed \$75 per month for long term recurring medication.

*PLEASE NOTE: The Community Services Committee has adopted income guidelines for all assistance programs with the exception of Burial Assistance. The income guidelines will go into effect on January 1, 2014. The Guidelines are based on the guidelines used by the Delaware Tribe Housing Program, and are intended to insure that these services remain available to those in need. ■*



# Minutes of the Trust Board, November 2013-February 2014

## Monday, Nov 5, 2013 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary*

Chairman Chet Brooks called the November 5, 2013 Trust Board meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

Mary Watters gave the invocation.

Secretary called roll. Those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Nicky Michael, Secretary Verna Crawford, Treasurer John Sumpter, Board members Mary Watters, John Sumpter, Joe Brooks and Homer Scott (Homer Scott arrived late).

Chairman Chet Brooks welcomed guests. He invited anyone who would like to address the Board to do so.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included Chief Paula Pechonick, Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Judge Rick Barnes, Kristopher Ketchum, Cy Hughes, Mary Watters, Gil Watters, Pat Donnell, Greg Brown, Janifer Brown, Judge John Chapman Young, and Business Manager Curtis Zunigha.

Larry Joe Brooks moved to approve the standard agenda. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

John Sumpter moved to approve the minutes of September 9, 2013 with corrections. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with five yes.

## Treasurer's Report

Chairman Brooks addressed the issue of how to handle the distribution of the funds left in the Economic Development Program account. He pointed out that as of today Economic Development and Land Management Programs were replaced with new Elders and Veterans Programs by the adoption of the Revised Trust Document approved in the election held Saturday, November 2, 2013. Joe Brooks commented that

the Tribal Operations should pay the tribe the amount allocated by the percentage allowed. Following discussion:

Verna Crawford moved for Chairman Brooks, Secretary Verna Crawford and the Trust Board Treasurer (to be appointed) work with CFO Jean Lewis to redistribute the remaining balance in the Economic Development budget between the current programs. The allocations will be made using the percentages approved in the Revised Trust Document approved by the Delaware people in the November 2, 2013 election. Programs with negative balances (Cultural Preservation, Education, and Land Management) will be brought to a zero balance before distribution is completed. Joe Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

Charles Randall asked if the Re-investment money had been put back into the principal investment account? Jean Lewis explained that the Re-investment percentage is held in an investment account as is the principal and only the interest is used if needed.

John Moore questioned the action of redistributing Economic Development Program money to the other committees. He stated that there was no provision in the Trust Document to allow this. He asked if there should be a vote of the people, not just the Trust Board members. Chairman Brooks answered that in his opinion the people had approved the Trust Document and that document gives the Trust Board responsibility of managing the funds. All the funds will go to support the committees that deliver services to the Delaware people.

Verna Crawford moved to accept the financials pending audit, seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion carried with five yes.

Chairman Brooks called the recently elected Board members, Mary Watters, Homer Scott and

Joe Brooks, to come forward and be sworn in. He congratulated all of them.

## Committee Reports

### COMMUNITY SERVICES: CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

The Community Services Committee met on October 11, 2013. The Committee met on October 11 instead of October 14 due to several members attending National Congress of American Indians in Tulsa on that date. There were 30 applications for assistance approved, for a total of \$7,561.96. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 1 pm in the Social Services Building conference room.

### CULTURAL PRESERVATION: CHAIR CHET BROOKS

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

### EDUCATION: CHAIR NICKY MICHAEL

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month. The Committee met October 14, 2014. Fifteen applications were approved, four School Supplies, one Vo-Tech Assistance, two Athletic Assistance, two Driver's Education, one Scholarship, and five Academic Achievement for a total of \$1,226.50.

### ELDERS COMMITTEE: CHAIR

The committee chair and members will be announced at the next Board meeting.

### REINVESTMENT: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Meets quarterly. No report.

### TRIBAL OPERATIONS: CHAIR JOE BROOKS

Meets quarterly. No report.

### VETERANS COMMITTEE: CHAIR VACANT

The committee chair and members will be announced at the next Board meeting.

Joe Brooks moved to elect officers. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## New Business

Chairman Brooks appointed Board representatives to the Committees: Community Services Verna Crawford, Cultural Preservation Chet Brooks, Education Nicky Michael, Elders Mary Watters, Reinvestment John Sumpter, Tribal Operations Joe Brooks, and Veterans John Sumpter and Homer Scott. He noted that the Committees would elect their officers at their next Committee meetings.

Joe Brooks moved to elect officers. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Joe Brooks nominated Nicky Michael as Vice Chairman. Homer Scott seconded the motion. Nicky Michael was elected Vice Chair by acclamation.

Joe Brooks nominated Verna Crawford as Secretary. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Verna Crawford was elected Secretary by acclamation.

Joe Brooks nominated John Sumpter as Treasurer. Homer Scott seconded the motion. John Sumpter was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

## Old Business

Joe Brooks stated that this Board sponsored a resolution at NCAI to increase disabled veterans mileage rate for medical visits from the current 41.5 cents per mile to the current Federal mileage rate. The Resolution passed unanimously at the conference. He thanked Homer Scott, Curtis Zunigha, John Sumpter and Verna Crawford for their work to get it passed.

Joe Brooks moved to adjourn. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with five yes.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



## Monday, Dec 2, 2013 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary*

Chairman Chet Brooks called the December 2, 2013 Trust Board meeting to order at 4:22 p.m.

Joe Brooks gave the invocation.

Secretary called roll. Those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Nicky Michael, Secretary Verna Crawford, Board members Mary Watters, John Sumpter, Joe Brooks, and Homer Scott. Treasurer John Sumpter was absent due to a VA doctor's appointment.

Joe Brooks moved to excuse John Sumpter's absence due to a Veteran's Administration appointment. Motion carried with six yes.

Chairman Chet Brooks welcomed guests. He invited anyone who would like to address the Board to do so.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included Chief Paula Pechonick, Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Judge Rick Barnes, Cy Hughes, Mary Watters, Gil Watters, Greg Brown, Janifer Brown, Judge John Chapman Young, and Business Manager Curtis Zunigha.

Verna Crawford moved to approve the agenda. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

Joe Brooks moved to table the minutes of November 5, 2013. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

## Treasurer's Report

Chairman Brooks reported for Treasurer John Sumpter, who was at a medical appointment at the VA, that the Trust account as of October 31 was \$3,991,998.86. He announced there would be a special meeting on December 16, 2013 to approve the 2014 budget.

Verna Crawford moved to accept the financials ending Octo-

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ber 31, 2013 pending audit. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

### Committee Reports

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES: CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

Chair Verna Crawford reported the Community Services Committee met on November 18, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Social Services meeting room. Members present were herself, Chet Brooks, Joe Brooks, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Homer Scott, Nicky Michael and Allan Barnes. She stated that she remains Chair and Alan Barnes is Co-Chair. Our next regular meeting will be on December 9 and have a workshop on December 16 at 10:30 a.m. to develop our 2014 budget and any program adjustments needed. Anyone who would like to attend is welcome. Our balance, as of October 31, was \$12,051.63. There were 41 applications approved for a total \$6,900.

#### CULTURAL PRESERVATION: CHAIR CHET BROOKS

Cultural Preservation Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. Chairman Brooks reported the Committee met in November 2013 and elected Chet Brooks to continue as Chair and Bruce Martin as Co-Chair, Jim Rementer is still serving a secretary. There will be a group of people here from New York to get information on Lenape presence in New York City, Manhattan Island and southeast New York on Monday, December 9. Anyone wishing to participate, are welcome. We are also over spent \$1,050 and will receive \$1,800 and some odd dollars.

#### EDUCATION: CHAIR NICKY MICHAEL

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month. Chair Nicky Michael reported the Committee met November 18, 2013. She was elected to continue as Chair and Bonnie Jo Griffith is now the Vice Chair.

Four applications were approved, two for Drivers Ed and two Athletic Assistance. We discussed having the higher education scholarship application on-line. Students are requesting that they be able to get on line and fill out those applications. The Committee is in the hole, the new percentages will pull us out of that. We are in the hole \$3,286.59. There will be a workshop on December 16 to work on what needs to be done. The next meeting will be January 13, 2013

#### ELDER COMMITTEE: CHAIR MARY WATTERS

Chair Mary Watters reported that the Elders met on November 4, 2013. The meeting is held after lunch. Lew Ketchum gave the invocation. Officers present at the meeting were Mary Watters, Bonnie Jo Griffith and Mary Randall, Jan Brown was absent. There was no treasurer's report. The Elder's are now a program and will receive 5% of the Trust Budget. The current amount is approximately \$4,000 and the 5% will be added giving us about \$8,600 for next year. We acknowledged the month's birthdays and anniversaries. Jack Tatum brought up Elder's health care. We will plan to have a speaker come and talk to us about health care and insurance benefits available to us. Our current project is getting our veteran's pictures on the wall. We have set a deadline for April. There is an elders' trip planned for Friday, December 6, to go to Wooraroc and then to Johnstone Park that evening. We are working on planning our budget and will work with Verna and see what we need in it.

#### REINVESTMENT: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Meets quarterly. No report.

#### TRIBAL OPERATIONS: CHAIR JOE BROOKS

Meets quarterly. No report.

#### VETERANS COMMITTEE: CHAIR

The committee chair and members will be announced at the next

Board meeting.

Disabled American Veterans will be here on the first and third Monday of each month to assist veterans.

Joe Brooks moved to elect officers. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Unfinished Business

Joe Brooks moved the monies remaining in the Economic Development Program budget, after all programs are brought to a zero balance and expenses have been paid, be divided between Cultural Preservation (12.5%), Community Services (37.5%), Education (12.5%), Elder's (6.25%) and Veteran's Committees (6.25%) according to accounting department recommendations. Homer Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

Joe Brooks moved that the recurring expenses, board stipends, supplies, printing and another recurring expenses, be paid by the programs based on Cultural Preservation (13.33%), Community Services (40%), Education (33.33%), Elders (6.66%), and Veteran's Committees (6.66%). Accounting concurred with this plan. Homer Scott seconded the motion.

Discussion: CFO Jean Lewis explained that an account will be set up so everyone will see what the expenses are and how much each committee pays. She stated that in her opinion this will work very well. Chairman Brooks stated he has been asked how much these expenses would be. He asked her to provide an estimate by the December 16 workshop.

Motion carried with six yes.

#### New Business

Mary Randall announced that Monday, December 9, 2014 at 12:30, after lunch, a lady will be here to talk about the Affordable Health Care Act. She will have a Powerpoint presentation. She is from the OKC Area Intertribal Health Board, her name is Melissa Gower. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Joe Brooks moved to hold the January 6, 2014 Trust Board meeting at four p.m. in the Delaware Community Center. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

Homer Scott moved to adjourn. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

The Board wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

### Special Meeting Monday, Dec 16, 2013 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary*

Chairman Chet Brooks called the December 16, 2013 Special Trust Board meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Mary Waters gave the invocation.

Secretary called roll. Those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Nicky Michael, Secretary Verna Crawford, Board members Mary Watters, John Sumpter, Joe Brooks, and Homer Scott.

Chairman Chet Brooks welcomed guests. He invited anyone who would like to address the Board to do so.

Guests included Tribal officials, employees, Tribal members and others. Those present included Chief Paula Pechonick, Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Gilbert Watters, Greg Brown, Janifer Brown, and Business Manager Curtis Zunigha.

Larry Joe Brooks moved to approve the agenda. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

#### Approve the 2014 Budget

Verna Crawford moved to approve the estimated 2014 budget as presented by accounting and required in the revised Trust Document approved by the November 2, 2013 election. Seconded by John Sumpter.

#### Discussion

Verna Crawford presented the proposed budget as follows:

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| Reinvestment | 10% | \$ 9,236.24 |
| Cultural     |     |             |
| Preservation | 10% | \$ 9,236.24 |
| Elders       | 5%  | \$ 4,618.12 |
| Veterans     | 5%  | \$ 4,618.12 |
| Community    |     |             |
| Services     | 30% | \$27,708.72 |
| Education    | 25% | \$23,090.60 |
| Tribal Ops   | 15% | \$13,854.36 |

The total budgeted amount is \$92,362.40

Motion carried with six yes.

Verna Crawford stated that the revised budget will be published in the January Delaware Indian News.

Chairman Brooks said that each committee will receive more than the budget indicates. Some committees have rollover money and the final interest report will not be in until January.

Bonnie Jo Griffith asked if the money budgeted in the programs that is not used will stay in that program?

Chet Brooks replied yes, any money left over from a former year stays with the program and is used before the new money.

Joe Brooks moved to adjourn. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with five yes.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

### Monday, Jan 7, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary*

Chairman Chet Brooks called the January 7, 2014 Trust Board meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

Joe Brooks gave the invocation.

Secretary called roll. Those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Nicky Michael, Secretary Verna Crawford, Treasurer John Sumpter, Board members Mary Watters, John Sumpter, Joe Brooks and Homer Scott.

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Chairman Chet Brooks welcomed guests. He invited anyone who would like to address the Board to do so.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included Chief Paula Pechonick, Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Cy Hughes, Gil Watters, Greg Brown, Council member Janifer Brown, Council member Nathan Young, Jean Lewis, and Business Manager Curtis Zunigha.

John Sumpter moved to approve the agenda. Verna Crawford seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Secretary Verna Crawford had not presented the minutes prior to the meeting so Chairman Brooks called a 15-minute recess to give Board members time to review the them.

The meeting was called back in session at 4:25 p.m.

Joe Brooks moved to approve the minutes of November 5, December 2 and the special meeting on December 16, 2013, with corrections if needed. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

### Treasurer's Report

Verna Crawford moved to accept the financials ending November 30, 2013 pending audit. Joe Brooks seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Treasurer John Sumpter reported the fund balance as of November 30, was \$4,025,321.22. This was an increase of \$33,322.36 from the October financials.

Motion carried six yes and one abstention (John Sumpter).

### Committee Reports

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES: CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

The Community Services Committee met on Monday, December 9, 2013.

Chair Verna Crawford called the meeting to order. Chet Brooks gave the invocation.

Members present at roll call were Chair Verna Crawford, Vice Chair Alan Barnes, Chet Brooks, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Joe Brooks and Nicky Michael.

Joe Brooks moved to approve 11 applications for assistance, for a total of \$2,836.52 and deny or suspend three for lack of information. Bonnie Jo Griffith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all approving.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 13, 2014 at 1:00 pm in the Social Services Building conference room.

#### CULTURAL PRESERVATION: CHAIR CHET BROOKS

Cultural Preservation Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. The Committee met in on December 21, 2013 in the Social Services meeting room. Chairman Brooks reported on the Christmas party. The attendance was down from last year due to weather. Phillips Petroleum donated \$500 dollars for food and an anonymous Delaware donated a large number of extra gifts for the children.

The Committee went over budget in 2013, but due to the donation from the disbanded Economic Development Committee there is about \$1500 dollars carry over and the 2014 budget is about \$10,000.

Chairman Brooks announced that everyone is always welcome to attend Committee meetings.

#### EDUCATION: CHAIR NICKY MICHAEL

The Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of each month. Chair Nicky Michael reported the Committee met on Monday, December 9, 2013 following Community Services. The same people are the same as Community Services. Four education applications and four athletic applications were approved. The total for athletic assistance was \$200 and \$185 for education.

Scholarships were discussed. The deadline is January 31 and will be awarded at the February

meeting. The committee agreed to lower the semester awards from \$400 to \$300, do to the large number of applications. We are looking in to possible ways to increase the amount available for scholarships. The required GPA was raised from 2.0 to 2.7. A list of other possible funding entities to refer students to is in the process of being completed. The next meeting will be February 13, 2013 at 11 a.m.

Verna Crawford noted that Trust Board meetings including committee meetings are open to any interested tribal member.

#### ELDERS COMMITTEE: CHAIR MARY WATTERS

Chair Mary Watters reported that the Elders meet in December 2013. The meeting is held after lunch on the first Monday of each month. The Committee is working on replacing the veterans' pictures on the walls of the Community Center meeting hall after the walls are painted. Charles Randall volunteered to work on the existing frames and make new ones to match. Veterans and families are encouraged to submit photos and information on veterans to be displayed.

John Sumpter requested that contact information be shared with the Veterans Committee so that committee activities may be relayed to the veterans. Committee members are needed also. The next meeting will be January 1, 2014.

#### REINVESTMENT: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Meets quarterly. No report.

#### TRIBAL OPERATIONS: CHAIR JOE BROOKS

Meets quarterly. No report.

#### VETERANS COMMITTEE: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

John Sumpter reported the committee budget has been submitted to accounting. Future meeting time and date will be announced.

Delaware Veterans who would like to be on the committee please

contact John Sumpter or the Trust Board Secretary and give contact information.

Joe Brooks moved to elect officers. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Secretary Verna Crawford requested the committees submit a written report to be included in the minutes. That would help insure the committee reports be more accurate.

### Unfinished Business

It was announced that all committee budgets have been completed and submitted to accounting.

### New Business

Joe Brooks thanked the Delaware War Mothers for providing gifts for the Veterans who attended the luncheon to honor them.

Joe Brooks moved to hold the February 3, 2014 Trust Board meeting at four p.m. in the Tribal Headquarters in Caney, Kansas. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

John Sumpter moved to adjourn. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

### Monday, Feb 3, 2014 Community Center

*Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary*

Chairman Chet Brooks called the February 3, 2014 Trust Board meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

Mary Watters gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll. Those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Nicky Michael, Secretary Verna Crawford, Treasurer John Sumpter, Board members Mary Watters, John Sumpter and Joe Brooks (arrived late). Homer Scott was absent. His absent was excused.

Chairman Chet Brooks welcomed guests. He invited anyone

who would like to address the Board to do so.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included Chief Paula Pechonick, Judge Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Gil Watters, Greg Brown, Council member Janifer Brown, Susan Cade, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Nancy Sumpter, and Business Manager Curtis Zunigha.

Verna Crawford moved to approve the agenda with corrections. John Sumpter seconded the motion.

Discussion: Under approval of minutes should read January 7, 2014 and Education Committee should be Nicky Michael.

Motion carried with five yes. (Joe Brooks had not arrived yet).

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Verna Crawford moved to approve the minutes with corrections. Nicky Michael seconded the motion.

Discussion: John Sumpter pointed out that on page 2 in the Education Committee report, second paragraph, fourth line should read "GPA was increased not reduced" and in the next sentence the date should be "February 10, 2014 not February 10, 2013". Verna Crawford asked Mary Watters what were the dates for the Elders Committee meetings in December and January. Mary replied December 16, 2013 and January 13, 2014

Motion carried with six yes.

### Treasurer's Report

Verna Crawford moved to accept the financials ending December 31, 2013 pending audit. Joe Brooks seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Treasurer John Sumpter reported the fund balance as of December 31, 2013, was \$4,013,806.16. This was a small decrease, but did not go below \$4,000,000.

Chairman Brooks stated that the synopsis of the report is available if anyone in the audience would care for one.

Motion carried six yes.

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## Committee Reports

Secretary Verna Crawford requested that the committee reports be submitted in writing if possible. It would help with the accuracy of the minutes.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES: CHAIR VERNA CRAWFORD

Community Services Committee meets the second Monday of each month starting at 1 p.m. The meeting is usually held in the Social Services Building. Chairman Verna Crawford stated that the Community Service Committee report was attached. Community Service Committee met 1:30 p.m. on January 13, 2014, she continued.

Members present were Chair Verna Crawford, Assistant Chair Allan Barnes, Chet Brooks, Joe Brooks, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Nicky Michael, and Darrell Glenn. Members absent were Homer Scott, John Sumpter and Titus Frenchman.

Twenty-one applications were considered. Twenty were approved and one denied, for a total of \$3,602.95.

Joe Brooks moved to use the 80% HUD income guidelines for committee income guidelines for all categories except for burial. Bonnie Jo Griffith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

The next meeting will be Monday, February 10, 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

### CULTURAL PRESERVATION: CHAIR CHET BROOKS

Cultural Preservation Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. The Committee met in on January 21, 2014 in the Social Services meeting room. Chair Brooks commented that the attendance was the lowest in all the years he has been chairman. The low attendance was due to the weather.

Chair Brooks reported, the Elders Committee requested someone check and see if the Delaware monument/reburial sight on Ellis

Island had been damaged. After calling the Park Service he was assured that no damage had been done. He stated the Park Service would be sending a photo soon. Nicky Michael related she had been in New York after Sandy with a delegation from the Delaware Nation and were given a private tour. It was amazing, she said, there was destruction everywhere but the area where our monument and the wall of names of immigrants was.

Chet Brooks said that the Committee approved to start Delaware Language classes on every Sunday from 2 to 3 p.m. Starting on February 9, 2014. Jim Rementer will be the instructor. Chet encouraged everyone to come.

Chet Brooks said that Jim Rementer is secretary of the Committee and does a fine job. The minutes will be submitted to the Secretary in the future.

Chair Brooks announced that everyone is always welcome to attend committee meetings.

### EDUCATION: CHAIR NICKY MICHAEL

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

Chair Nicky Michael reported the Committee met on Monday, January 13, 2014 following Community Services. Committee members present were Chair Nicky Michael, Assistant Chair Bonnie Jo Griffith, Verna Crawford, Allan Barnes, Chet Brooks, Joe Brooks, and Darrell Glenn. Members absent were Homer Scott, John Sumpter and Titus Frenchman.

Nicky Michael stated, there has been a link added to the Education Department site on the Delaware Tribe's website addressing on-line courses. She informed the Board that there are many courses online classes on Native studies. One is at OU on Native Oklahomans.

One quarterly scholarship awarded, two education and one VoTech applications approved, totaling \$575.

The next meeting will be February 10, 2014 at 11 a.m. Scholarships will be awarded on that day.

Discussion following report:

Why reduce the amount awarded per scholarship? That is due to the increasing number of applicants. The Committee felt it better to give a smaller amount to more students.

The question was asked why we donate about \$40,000 a year to the Chelsea Boys and Girls Club? The Trust Board does not donate anything to that organization. The Delaware Tribe, through the Housing Department oversees that donation. (Note: The Delaware Housing Authority helped state that club and pledged ongoing financial support.)

Other questions regarded VoTech scholarships and allocations for Driver's Ed.

An Education Workshop will be scheduled to discuss these topics. The date, time and place will be set and published so that concerned Delaware may offer their suggestions and ask questions.

Verna Crawford noted that Trust Board meetings including workshops and committee meetings are open to any interested tribal member.

### ELDERS COMMITTEE: CHAIR MARY WATTERS

The Elders Committee meeting is held after lunch on the first Monday of each month.

Chair Mary Watters reported the Elder's Committee is hosting a celebration of life for Karen Cummings, Bonnie Thaxton's daughter, on Saturday, February 8, 2014. There will be no cost to the Elder's Committee as food and other necessary items will be donated. Forms for exemption for affordable health care were distributed and are available in the office of Sandi Jamison, Chief Pechonick's executive assistant.

The Committee sponsored a trip to Wolaroc and Johnstone Park in December.

Joe Brooks suggested checking on the condition of the monument located at the reburial site of Del-

aware ancestor remains on Ellis Island following Hurricane Sandy. Trust Board Chairman Chet Brooks was asked to investigate for the Committee.

The Committee would like to have more activities for elders than just having lunch. Mary Watters noted, the elders play bingo on Thursday afternoon; there is an exercise program Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Bonnie Thaxton suggested visiting Delaware Elders who are in nursing homes once a month.

Bonnie Jo Griffith suggested having a nutritionist make a presentation. Bonnie Jo Griffith and Jenifer Pechonick are starting a "Choose to Lose" weight loss program on Tuesdays.

The next meeting will be March 3, 2014 after lunch at 1 p.m.

### REINVESTMENT: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Meets quarterly. No report.

### TRIBAL OPERATIONS: CHAIR JOE BROOKS

Meets quarterly. Chairman Joe Brooks reported he and CFRO Jean Lewis met to review and execute the transfer of Tribal Operations funds to the general account. This money is paid to the Tribe for administrative support including accounting functions, staff support for committees and any other functions needed for the committees and Trust Board to carry out their duties. The total Tribal Operations budget is about \$13,880.

### VETERANS COMMITTEE: CHAIR JOHN SUMPTER

Chairman John Sumpter reported the committee budget has been submitted to accounting. Future meeting time and date will be announced.

Delaware Veterans who would like to be on the committee please contact John Sumpter or the Trust Board Secretary and give contact information.

Verna Crawford stated, all program personnel are asked to request all applicants provide email

addresses. These are forwarded to the Enrollment Department to be added to the member's information. The possibility of sending regular email updates to Tribal members has been discussed.

The suggestion was made to send postcards to committee members with meeting dates and times.

A representative of the Disabled American Veterans is at the Tribal Complex on the first and third Monday of each month from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Veterans Administration representative Lee West comes on Wednesday from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Child Development Center to assist veterans.

Secretary Verna Crawford requested the committees submit a written report to be included in the minutes. That would help insure the committee reports be more accurate.

### Unfinished Business

The Trust Board was asked if the cemetery be maintained as in the past since the Land Management Committee has been replaced. The Tribe and the Historical Preservation program are handling the care of the cemeteries now.

Susan Cade asked if the Board had checked what fees are charged by the Board Investment Managers and have they been renegotiated? After discussion, a workshop was set for Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 6 p.m. in the Delaware Community Center. The workshop would be open to all Tribal members. The purpose of the workshop will be to discuss and develop questions to ask the Investment Managers and the possibility of asking for proposals from other entities.

### New Business

Verna Crawford moved to hold the March 3, 2014 Trust Board meeting at four p.m. in Delaware Community Center in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Joe Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried with six yes.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m. ■



## As I See It

Dee Ketchum

How much is our Delaware heritage and culture worth to you? From what I hear from the elders and others, it is worth a great deal; money can't buy it. The Tribe places a high premium on the culture with its Culture Preservation Program; Language Preservation; Archival, Library and Research Department; Historic Preservation; and Elders Committee. As important as culture is to our tribe, economic development is a must to produce income.

Revenue can purchase the land, hire the employees, and pay for legal and consultant professionals to guide tribal leaders in final decision-making. It is important that tribal members elect responsible leadership to serve in the government of the tribe. One should question why a person is running for tribal office and research the candidate's history and background, not just what he/she says in the *DIN*. I see four fundamental branches of a tribe: Culture, Government, Tribal Court, and Economic Development. All are important and necessary, but economic development is the one that provides funding for services for our people.

The start of economic development has been the purchase of land in the tribe's old reservation for a land base in Kansas. This has been done in the open, not secretive, with discretion and forthrightness. With the help of the BIA the Tribe needs to establish jurisdiction in our old reservation. (We have no jurisdiction at this time.) It is a fact that when a tribe spends money, the leaders have their critics. However, with good results, all members are proud of the progress, advancement and prosperity of our tribe.

We must look forward, not backwards, in the future. Many,

including myself, have listened to hearsay and pre-judged actions that are taken. But, if we don't stop majoring on personalities and start majoring on results, our tribe will find itself in the same position where we hit rock bottom several years ago. If we do not learn from the past, we will repeat it. The old saying: Why is history important? If you know history, you are less likely to repeat mistakes.

For thirty years (1979-2009) the Tribe was in and out of federal recognition. That led to frustrations, gossip, innuendo, envy, distrust, and many other behaviors. When tempted to such behavior, I check my motives. If my motives are pure, then I know I am not the problem.

We have hope now because we have our federal recognition restored; over four years has passed and we are rising from the pillage of those thirty years without continuous recognition.

We now have equal footing with other tribes, except for not having a jurisdictional land base which benefits the Delaware for economic development. We have a better relationship with the Cherokee Nation and it has offered to help us return to Kansas. (CNO services for Delaware will be unchanged in Oklahoma.) Our future is bright and ripe for the younger generation of Delaware to get involved with the Tribe and come into leadership roles.

Economically we are on the threshold of growth. I want to be part of the solution, not part of the problem. That's how I see it. ■

## Bonnie Jo Griffith

### Candidate for Delaware Tribe of Indians Tribal Council 2014

My name is Bonnie Jo Griffith and I am a proud member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians from the Turtle Clan.

I did not come by the decision to seek this position lightly. For the past couple of years I have spent much time visiting with other tribal members, listening to their cares and concerns for our tribe. I have sensed a lot of frustration from what seems to be a substantial number of tribal members, both locally and out of state, with our current administration. I feel that my position on the council would offer a voice for honesty and transparency. We do have members on our council now who are very honest and loyal to the people but as often happens they are the minority and their opinions are overlooked.

We need a council who is willing to work hard for all the peoples of our great Delaware Tribe of Indians. Presently there is quite an appearance of working mainly for families and not for the best interests of us all. If elected I will work hard to listen to the people and carry their thoughts and desires to the council for consideration. I will strive toward unity in our tribe and make sure all members are able to express their views. We as a tribe need to let go of our personal wants and desires and make sure our actions are beneficial to "We the People."

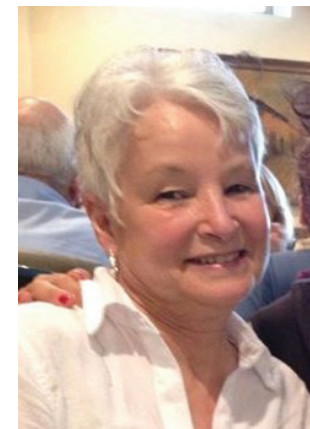
Economic development should be a priority to help our people. We need jobs, good paying jobs, for our people. Funds need to be invested to help our young people grow their educations so they might potentially bring knowledge back to the tribe in the form of business leadership and economy. There appear to be funds available now that could be working for our tribe. My opinion is too much money has been invested miles away from our headquarters to benefit the majority of

our tribe struggling now. We need to prioritize our needs and not rush to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on things that seem to have no return on investment in the future.

We need to ensure our culture for our future generations. I have witnessed many things being done toward this preservation and know we are headed in the right direction to save our language, culture, and traditions. I will work to make sure these things are continued and are available to all members to learn and study. I would like to work toward building an eLibrary for the tribe where books, tapes, lessons and much more are available digitally to our members.

I have strong views on open records, open meetings, anti-nepotism, our elders, our veterans. Currently I am writing a blog ([www.mydelaware-views.wordpress.com](http://www.mydelaware-views.wordpress.com)), posting my views and opinions on things I see happening in our tribe. The blog contains general information as well as updates I post after attending council meetings. Each of you are invited to follow my blog which I hope will give you a better insight into me as a person as well as my thoughts and views.

I have prayed about this for some time and feel that I can offer our tribal members a true voice come November. I urge everyone to vote in the November Chief and Council elections and will appreciate any support I am given. Wanishi! ■



## Contact Information Change Form

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.

Send completed form to:

**Delaware Tribe of Indians**  
**170 N.E. Barbara**  
**Bartlesville, OK 74006**



## Cultural Resources

Anita Mathis

He` tribal members, friends and family. Hopefully by the time you have received this paper, the long cold winter is behind us.

There's been a lot going on in the Archives, Library, and Museum program. First of all, the name of the program has changed to Cultural Resources, better to reflect the many roles we are playing. This include the programs formerly called Archives, Research (part of the archives), Library, Museum, and Gift Shop!

Cataloguing continues and more and more items have been placed in the tribal archives. Please remember we do have computer workstations in our offices in the Social Services Building where you can view the full richness of the Archives.

In January we received almost 100 children's books from a grant from the Libri Foundation. The books range from pre-school to 8th-grade reading level, and include not only Native American stories but also a variety of math and science books.

On the museum end, we have finished cataloguing the artifacts in the Frank Speck Collection from the Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum in Florida, described in the last *DIN*. These artifacts can be seen by appointment in our of-

fice in the Social Services Building, M-Th 9:00-5:00, F 10:00-2:00.

In February the Tribe was visited by two historians from the National Museum of the American Indian, Dr. Gabrielle Tayac and Ms. Korah English. They were on campus consulting on a planned exhibit (scheduled opening in 2016) entitled "Native New York: Where Nations Rise."

Kelly Huth, Chris Flook and Ball State University film students have finished a documentary on the Delaware presence in Indiana in the early 1800s. We hope to have them come and do a showing some time in May. Stay tuned.

At long last the Gift Shop is soon to make its debut online on our web site. As always, though, if you are in Bartlesville stop by our office to shop in person. Look for our booth at the Delaware Powwow in May. All proceeds benefit the Cultural Resources department.

Stop by and check out all that is new and offered in the library, archives and gift shop. As always please bring in your pictures and documents or anything that pertains to the Delaware to be copied and added to our archives to preserve and share with our future generations. ■

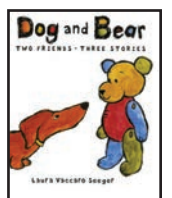
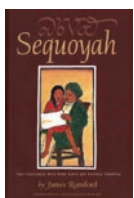
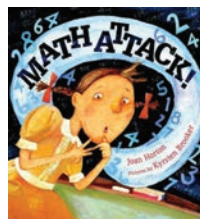
## From the Tribal Archives



Top left, our quarterly mystery photo. Top right, Horace Goodtraveler, Simon Love, and John Goodtraveler; bottom left, John Sumpter, Bonnie Thaxton, and Bea Freeman at 2003 repatriation event at Ellis Island; bottom right, John Anderson and Reed Wilson.

If you think you know the people in the mystery photo, contact Anita Davis Mathis at (918) 337-6595 or by email at [amathis@delawaretribe.org](mailto:amathis@delawaretribe.org).

## Children's Books



Books donated through a grant from the Libri Foundation. We hope to use these as the basis for a reading program for local children. If you would be interested in a reading-aloud group, please contact Anita Mathis at 918-337-6595 or [amathis@delawaretribe.org](mailto:amathis@delawaretribe.org).

## NMAI Historians Visit Tribal Headquarters

On Friday, February 21, 2014, historians and curators Gabrielle Tayac and Korah English visited the tribal headquarters in Bartlesville to get input for a new proposed exhibit at the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) in New York City. The exhibit, scheduled to open in 2016, is entitled "Native New York: Where Nations Rise."



Left to right, Dr. Gabrielle Tayac and Ms. Korah English pose with tribal elder Lewis Ketchum in the Community Center; tour with Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha; Gabi and Korah receive thank-you gifts from Chief Pechonick and Anita Mathis, director of Cultural Resources.