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From the Desk of Chief Chet Brooks

Chet Brooks, Chief

Kulamalsi hech wanishi wuli kishku nipan. How are you Delaware Tribal members on this good summer day?

Delaware relatives, this spring and early summer has been far from usual due to the Coronavirus outbreak. We now know that this outbreak has caused a worldwide, and national problem and in particular Washington County Oklahoma where our positive cases and deaths from Coronavirus are threefold per capita compared to the rest of Oklahoma. However, so far in Washington County to our knowledge no

Delaware tribal members have reported testing positive for Coronavirus and we do not know but pray that is the case nationwide.

If you have been laid off or are having difficulties due to the pandemic you will find an application on the tribal website (delawaretribe.org) for tribal assistance in the following areas: Unemployment, Mortgage/Rent, Utilities, Healthcare and Food. Please be as informative as possible about your situation and note the self certification at the bottom of the application. Also do not forget that the Trust Board assistance applications are online

and you may be eligible for assistance through the Trust Board Community Services program.

There is a tribal election coming on Saturday November 7, 2020, three council seats, two associate tribal judge seats, trust board chair, and three trust board member seats. Tribal members interested in running for these seats should note that the filing deadline is from August 1st through September 1st. Election rules and requests for absentee ballot are included within this issue of Delaware Indian News. If you voted in the 2014, 2016, or 2018 elections you will automatically receive a ballot. Please note, that if you have moved or changed your address you must

send in a change of address and request an absentee ballot. A very important election question will be a Constitutional change in regard to our tribal court, you will also find a copy of the constitutional change that the court seeks in this DIN issue. I would encourage all members to vote for this constitutional change suggested by the court.

Relatives, the last five months have been hard, some of our people are out of a job, I hope none of our people are sick, do not give up on our people's ability to survive this crisis. Always remember that Lenape people have obviously seen times more difficult than these. On April 17 1524 there were 15,000 Lenape people

who met Giovanni de Verrazano on Manhattan. Seven major moves and 345 years later the last of the 985 survivors moved to Indian Territory, present day Oklahoma. That is a tough and resilient people, if our ancestors can survive worse the Delaware Tribe of Indians and its people will survive this pandemic.

Chet Brooks
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Have You Done Your Part?

Charles Randall, Assitant Chief

Kulamalsi Hech?

The 2020 Census is well underway, have you been counted? Last count shows that 43.9% of Oklahoma households have not been counted. For the Delaware Tribe of Indians, if we aren't counted, that would amount to around \$90,000,000.00 loss in the next ten years for our Tribal members, families, communities, tribe and state. If you have not completed the census form, I encourage you to take just a few minutes and do so for your family and your Tribe. You can help by making sure every single person in our tribe is counted,--from babies to elders.

The COVID-19 situation has underscored the need for public services we rely on every day and especially during a crisis like this, from emergency management, to health clinics, to food assistance. The 2020 Census results will help determine how **hundreds of billions of federal dollars** will be used to support programs and services for the next 10 years.

Our programs, grant requests, and advocates need accurate numbers to tell our story. If our people are not fully counted, our story is not complete and we risk losing out on the critical funding we need.

Filling out the census takes just a few minutes. You can respond online or, if you prefer, you can respond by phone or return the paper form in the mail. It's easy and completely confidential. The responses are not shared with law enforcement and, by law, cannot be used against you in any way.

The Census Bureau looks at household data by race. For your household to be counted as American Indian, be sure an adult who identifies as American Indian is the first person listed. The form also allows you to tell the Census Bureau the name or names of the tribes in which you and others in the household are members. Be sure to list the tribe as "**Delaware Tribe**" to distinguish it from the Delaware Nation or other tribes.

The time is now to help our tribal count in the 2020 Census. If you have not already done so, please take a minute to fill out the census. **It is important!**

Wanishi,
Charles Randall
Assistant Chief
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From the Desk of Jeremy Johnson

Jeremy Johnson, Tribal Council Member

Lenapeok, I hope this article finds you well. It's been a busy last couple of months, and I feel that the Tribal Council is moving in a positive direction for our citizens.

In February, the council took part in strategic planning workshops over the course of a weekend. During the workshops, we focused on developing goals that centered on three areas we felt were important for our tribe: Culture, Sovereignty, and Economic Development. All of the goals we developed are short-term and attainable.

In the area of Culture, we are working to establish our Tribal Princess program. We hope to have a princess selected and crowned at General Council in November. More information about requirements and applications for those interested and eligible will be provided soon. We will also work with our Cultural Preservation department to develop a product for Lenape

children that promotes language and culture.

In the area of Sovereignty, we are going to work to have a trust application for the new land in Caney filed with the BIA by November of this year. We are also exploring the steps and processes required to achieve our own eagle repository.

In the area of Economic Development, we are working in conjunction with the Trust Board to develop a mutual vision and plan of action for economic development for the tribe.

As you can see, we have a lot going on moving forward, and I'm excited about the possibilities that await our tribe in the near future.

Until next time, take care of yourselves and each other, and feel free to contact me with any ideas or concerns. We are the grandfather. Lápich Knewë!

Jeremy Johnson
Tribal Council Member
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From the Desk of Brad KillsCrow

Brad KillsCrow, Tribal Council Member

Happy Spring to all, I hope everyone had a blessed Winter and look forward to a productive Summer. The Tribal Council recently held some Strategic Planning sessions in which turned out to be very productive. There has been Strategic Planning in the past with goals set our 5-10 years that were never reached. We had decided to start with more achievable goals (2-3 years) in order to get us rolling for the bigger goals in the future. The sessions were great and Council members present were able to discuss their thoughts and ideas for the immediate future of the Delaware Tribe.

Secondly I just wanted to give you an update on the Tribe's Early Head Start and Child Care programs. In mid-March, the Office of Head Start conducted an on-sight intense review of our Early Head Start program. The monitoring team used the Head Start Performance Standards as their guide for determining what we are doing well and where we can improve. The monitoring

team's report should come to the Tribal Council in late April or May. On the child care side, there has been a delay in the Tribe signing the child care MOA with Cherokee Nation. This MOA allows the Delaware Tribe to once again directly manage our CCDF child care funds which currently pass through Cherokee Nation. Cherokee Nation has assured the Tribe that the MOA will be finalized and go into effect April 1. Delaware Child Development, the Tribe's Child Care/Early Head Start program, continues to provide services to children and families in Bartlesville, Claremore and Sperry. The Tribe will soon be opening a Child Care office in Bartlesville and providing child care subsidies to eligible Delaware families living in our five county service area. The office will also provide support to Delaware tribal members who want to become child care providers and non-Delaware's who are caring for Delaware children. There will be more information about the child care program in the next DIN or you can contact the tribal office for an update if you have immediate child care needs.

Finally in December 2019 I was nominated and selected by ACF Commissioner Jeannie Hovland to sit on the National Administration for Children and Families Tribal Leaders Advisory Committee. I attended my first meeting March 2-3 in Washington DC. It was a very busy two days with meetings where we met with every Federal Commissioner in charge of our ACF programs. We met with Presidents Trumps Task force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaskan Natives where I advocated for education and awareness on sex trafficking in Indian Country. It felt good to bring a Lenape voice to the National level with other Tribal Leaders.

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From the Desk of Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski

Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski, Trust Board Secretary

Greetings Tribal Citizens! I hope and pray everyone is staying healthy during this time of Covid. The last few months have difficult and full of unknowns. As we adapt to a new normal, I would like to extend my prayers to each of us.

Despite the Tribal Offices being closed, the Trust Board has continued to meet regularly. Though the meetings are closed to guests, they are still live streamed and uploaded to the Tribal Facebook page. I encourage all Tribal citizens to watch and become involved with the process of conducting business regarding the Trust Account. Our annual budget includes Community Services assistance/Education, Cultural Preservation, Reinvestment, Elders and Veterans Committees and Tribal Operations. These committees provide many services to tribal members including, but not limited to, scholarships, school supplies, athletic and academic assistance, dental, medical, prescription assistance for our elders, burial assistance and emergency assistance as well as many cultural programs & festivities. All of these programs are available for tribal citizens and the tribe as a whole. The amount of assistance changes as the budget changes. The amounts on the Tribal website are reflected incorrectly as the amounts have not been updated

recently, though the eligibility requirements remain the same. Please contact me, Alan Barnes or any one of the Trust Board members for updated information.

One last note. Please fill out your U.S. Census forms. It just takes a few minutes to complete and this information determines how much federal money is set aside to fund our programs and grant requests for the next 10 years. The form asks for if you are Native American and the name of your tribe. Fill it in loud and proud... "Delaware Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma". An accurate accounting of tribal citizens, no matter where you live will greatly help our tribe.

Take care my fellow Lenape! Until we see each other again...

Wanishi
Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski
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Community Services and Education

Community Services Programs

If you have questions, please contact the Tribal Office at 918-337-6590.

The Community Services committee has reinstated programs previously suspended and revised or kept the same, dollar amount of benefits that were previously reduced. Based on the anticipated availability of funding, applications for the following programs are being accepted.

Burial Program: \$750.00 Burial assistance for Delaware

Tribal members. The family may apply for the funds to be used for expenses that are most beneficial to the family (i.e., funeral services, family meals, wake, grave markers, etc.) Documentation required to establish membership and proof of death.

Elder Prescriptions: Prescription medication assistance to Delaware Elders age 60 and over for Pharmacy and related costs. Elders may receive assistance up to \$75.00 per month not to exceed \$900.00 per calendar year. Funds may be disbursed to

vendors or reimburse applicants with proper documents and receipts.

Medical Assistance: Assistance to pay medical bills, including but not limited to out of pocket medical expenses, medical equipment (purchase or rental), Home health care, pharmacy, etc. not to exceed \$240.00 Payment for services will be made to provider or Tribal member if paid receipts are included with other required documentation.

Emergency Assistance & Emergency Travel Assistance: Emergency assistance to Delaware Tribal members.

Funds are to be used for emergency situations as requested by Tribal member. Applicants must utilize other community resources if available. Emergency Assistance up to \$240.00 and Emergency Transportation up to \$200.00 Funds will be determined and disbursed by the Community Service committee on a case-by-case basis.

Rental Assistance: Available up to \$240 based on same criteria as emergency application and determined on a case-by-case basis.

Dental Assistance: Reinstated to \$300. Provides assistance for

dental services including tooth repair, fillings, dentures or emergency services. Income verification required.

Elder Optical: Provides assistance for optical services to Delaware Elders age 60 and over. Funds may be used for services, including glasses, exams or related costs.

Student Optical: Provides assistance to students enrolled in grades K-12, colleges or universities or vocational technical schools. Based on age of applicant, proof of enrollment may be required. ■

Education Committee Assistance/ Programs

Take advantage of these programs; they are here for you! If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Office at 918-337-6590.

The Delaware Tribe Trust Board provides funding to the Education Assistance Committee to benefit Tribal members for the purpose of furthering their education. The following education assistance programs have been reinstated contingent upon availability of funding.

These programs are: School supply assistance K-5, Education assistance 6-12, Athletic assistance, Academic Achievement, Drivers Education and Vo-Tech assistance.

Trust Fund Higher Education School Scholarship: Delaware Tribal members attending college are eligible to apply. Currently, full-time students may apply for \$400 per semester for up to eight semesters, and part-time students may apply for \$200 per semester up to 16 semesters. Semesters do not have to be consecutive. Appli-

cants must submit all required documentation, including official transcripts and enrollment verification from the college or university. Students must maintain a 2.7 GPA (grade point average) in the last semester attended (high school, college, etc.) Students must reapply at the end of each semester. Award is made directly to student to insure that it does not interfere with their financial aid package from the institution. Scholarships will not be awarded for the summer semester. Scholarships are subject to funding availability.

Fall scholarship applications will be accepted from June 1 through July 31, spring from December 1 through January 31.

You can download the applications directly from our web site www.delawaretribe.org. Just go the Services/Programs tab, and then scroll down to Educational Assistance. ■

Trust Fund 2020 Spring Semester Scholarship Awardees

The Delaware Tribe of Indians Education committee has awarded the Trust Fund scholarships for the Spring semester of 2020. Based on Full-time and part-time awards of \$400 and \$200, Sixty-five scholarships were awarded totaling \$24,600. Delaware Tribe students from all across the country participated and received this award. The following is a list of the recipients and their home state:

Heather Rupp, OK
Karen Eike-Keller, WY
Kameron Alderman, TX
Graciana Wahnee, OK
Lauren Robert, KS
Dalton J. Smallwood, OK
Chelsea Grantham, CA
Maylee Loften, AR
Lauren Loften, AR
Caleb Fiddler, OK
Kelby Deenihan, KS
Olivia Hatch, IN
Sarah Irwin, MO
Amber Conoly, AK
Meredith Franke, OK
Seth Nitz, AR
Madison Grace Adams, KS
Tyler Jack Rosen, CA
Wyatt Sanders, OK
Catherine Bronson, VA
Tyler Hoe Hallam, KS

Abigail Lynn Rodenberg, LA
Anna Kay Rodenberg, LA
Cade Brown, OK
Dawn Michele Kaaihue, OK
Kate Kouplen, OK
Sarah Cornett, MO
Noah Demoss, OK
Ashlee Morgan, OK
Courtney O'Neal, WV
Camryn Mae Holly, AR
Lauren Holly, AR
Alexa Newton, OK
Kashen Gibson, OK
Kaden Gibson, OK
Eleyse Miller, TX
Krystal Ernst, MO
Michelle Shell, OK
Mekenna Adams, KS
Rachel Mullino, AR
Hunter Hough, OK
Alyssa Quay Hosey, OK
Caroline Blevins, OK
Carolina Wasinger, VA
Case Guinn, OK
Mackenzie Willy, OK
Joseph Richard, IL
Brooke Greeno, AZ
Rylee Hough, OK
Reagan Tucker, TX
Bobby Ray Stevens, OK
Logan Armstrong, OK
Cal Guinn, OK
Andrew Veatch, KS
Douglas Folsom II, UT
Trinity Woods, TX
Trevor Hallett, MS
Rachel Spencer, SC

Andy Burrus, OK
Alexander Abney-King, OK
Leah Shamblin, OK
Hallie Patton, OK
Traci Metzner, CO
Emily Messimore, OK
Garrett Walsh, OK

Congratulations to these students. The Fall 2020 scholarships will be accepted from June 1st to July 31st 2020. The competitive Tribal Council scholarship underwent some revisions at the Tribal Council's December meeting (too late for the January DIN edition). Discussion on how to implement these changes are ongoing and details will follow. However the application acceptance period from June 1st to July 31st remains the same for the Fall 2020 Semester. Updates for this award will be posted on our Tribal website and Facebook page. We encourage all Delaware Tribal members enrolled or to be enrolled at a verifiable College, University or Certifiable Technical Training to obtain an Associates, Bachelors or Post Graduate degree including Doctorate to participate. ■

From The Lenape Talking Dictionary: Xkwechëch òk Pilaechëch

The Girl and the Boy - Told by Lillie Hoag Whitehorn (1902–1994) to Nora Dean, Bruce Pearson and Jim Rementer in 1977. Lillie was a member of the Delaware Tribe of Western Oklahoma (now The Delaware Nation), and she was half Caddo.

English:
Now I want to tell a story the way my departed grandmother and mother did.

Lenape:
Yukweshe nkata achimwi naka nuhëma tihëlachimwin òk nkahe-sa.

English:
Long ago they lived together

Lenape:
Lòmwe hùnt mah nihëlàchi wikhatuwàk . . . Note: The Lenape word “hunt” is used frequently in this story. It can be translated as “it is said” or “supposedly.” It means the teller did not actually witness the events of the story. In the English translation we did not repeat the translation each time.

English:
the Delawares. Then a short distance away a woman lived.

Lenape:
Lënapeyok. Na paliichi wikuwàk na xkwe hùnt.

English:
She had two children, a girl and a boy.

Lenape:
Nisha hùnt wënichanëna, xkwechëch òk pilaechëch.

English:
They were orphans because long ago their father had left (meaning he had died)

Lenape:
Na nèk shikwineyo hùnt uxëwaa lilòmëwe nèkalëkëwaa,

English:
Then the woman told her children

Lenape:
Na hùnt hànk na xkwe tëlän nèk wënichanëna,

English:
Go off and play, go way off and play

Lenape:
“Ikali may papi, ikalìchi may papikw

English:
someone will pity you, someone who will take pity on you.

Lenape:
këtëmakelëmuwuwa, awèn wixkawchi ahpu këtëmake-lëmükëkw,

English:
Then they left to go far away to play. Suddenly

Lenape:
Na alëmskeyok hùnt ikalëchi may papuwàk. Wixkawchi

English:
and they saw some children, they were many

Lenape:
ta hùnt wëneyoneyo mimënsàk, xaheluk hùnt

English:
nearby the lake at the edge of the water where these children played together.

Lenape:
kixiti në mënëpëkunk shopenk tënta paphatineyo nèk mimënsàk.

English:
They made dishes, the dirt is what they used, clay.

Lenape:
Manituwàk kènu lòkënsa në hàki hnatamuk sisku.

English:
Then suddenly one of them said, “You should go with us.

Lenape:
Na hùnt wixkawchi na hùntànk wënchi luwèn na kwëti “Kwi-cheihëna a.

English:
All of us here will walk on this part of the earth

Lenape:
Wëmi yu ta niluna ntëluxwë-nèn yu èlkikwixink haki

English:
This that was created by our Father” the one said.

Lenape:
yushe ènta tëlëlëmukunk Kuxëna” luwe hùnt na kwëti.

English:
Then he told the girl “You should go with us.” Then he told the boy

Lenape:
Na tëlän na xkwechëcha “Kwi-cheihëna a.” Na hùnt tëlawa na pilaechëcha,

English:
“You should go back and tell your mother that she goes with us.

Lenape:
“Ki a kwëtki këmay la na kahësëwa kènu awèn wichewku-na

English:
because we carry water over the whole area.

Lenape:
èli wëmi pëmëxòhtunèn yu mpi èlkikwixink

English:
so that when it rains things will grow well. Our Father the Creator

Lenape:
ènta sukëlànk wënci wëlikèn kèku. Kuxëna wa Kishelëmukònk

English:
the way he fixed it so we can walk around,” he said.

Lenape:
tëlixun tili ahpamskanèn,” luwe hùnt.

English:
Then he said, “That’s alright.” The boy then he returned, then he went to tell his mother

Lenape:
Na hùnt na tëlùwèn, “Na ta nëni!” Na pilaechëch na ktëki, na may lan na kohësa.

English:
Then the boy left when he saw her.

Lenape:
Na alëmske hùnt nàni pilaechëch ènta neyòt.

English:
He looked back and he looked at then and they arose in a group.

Lenape:
ktëkinkwëxin pënaan kèku nèkahke alëmultuwàk àspiyok hùnt.

English:
They must have been little spirits and they must have had wings.

Lenape:
Na èt mah nèk manëtutëtàk èt mah kènu wëlunkònuwàk hùnt.

English:
Then when they carry water it thundered all over and they spilled the water.

Lenape:
Na ènta pëmëxòhtuhtit mpi hùnt pèthakhòn wëmi yu tali sukhamëneyo yuni mpi.

English:
Then suddenly they returned again it rained then the girl returned

Lenape:
Na wixkawchi ta hùnt na làpi pèchii ktëkiyok na ènta sukëlànk na hùnt ktëki pè na xkwechëch.

English:
Then she told her mother, “Don’t cry.”

Lenape:
Na hùnt tëlän nèl kohësa “Kàchi ta mëlimwihàn.”

English:
She said to her, “When you hear me that is me carrying water.”

Lenape:
Tëlao hùnt (or ènta) “pëntayane ni ntëli ika wichi pëmëxòhtun mpi.”



LENAPE			August 2020			WORDS
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Winaminke Kishux Corn is ripe month			pitsa	tixëmwitënk	lèkhasitunk	¹ nkahès my mother (talk of)
			pizza	bathtub	camera	
² àna mother (talk to)	³ ànati dear mother (talk to)	⁴ nux my father (talk of)	⁵ nuxa father (talk to)	⁶ nuxati dear father (talk to)	⁷ nkahètèt my aunt (talk of)	⁸ nkahèti aunt (talk to)
⁹ nshis my mother's brother	¹⁰ shësa mother's brother (talk to)	¹¹ nuxtët my father's brother	¹² nuxtëta fa's brother (talk to)	¹³ nuhëm my g' mother (talk of)	¹⁴ nëmuxumës my g' father (talk of)	¹⁵ muxumsa grandfather (talk to)
¹⁶ muxwès bug, insect	¹⁷ muxwèsàk bugs, insects	¹⁸ uche fly	¹⁹ ucheyok flies	²⁰ punkwës mosquito	²¹ punkwsàk mosquitoes	²² mèmèkas butterfly
²³ samhuwe caterpillar	²⁴ chëluchëlus cricket	²⁵ sasapis firefly	²⁶ wehùpòktis dragonfly	²⁷ shùkwilkès grasshopper	²⁸ kshipskwès katydid	²⁹ ahpikw flea
³⁰ màxki muxwès chigger	³¹ nipënës gnat	Go to the Lenape Talking Dictionary at www.talk-lenape.org to hear the words listed above. There are also stories and lessons.				prepared by Jim Rementer
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Election 2020**Declaration of Candidacy Form**

Requirements: A candidate must be a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians of legal voting age, a citizen of the United States and able to attend meetings held by the tribe. In addition, the candidate must be available for special meetings as required. With the submission of this candidate request form to the Election Board of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, I wish to be placed on the ballot for:

Check one: Trust Board Chair Tribal Council Member
 Trust Board Member Tribal Judge

Date: _____ Delaware Registration #: _____

Birth Date: _____

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

Address: _____

City State Zip

Telephone #: _____ Email: _____

I hereby promise to support the Constitution and By-Laws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and Delaware Trust Document, along with the best interest of all members of the Delaware Tribe. I also promise to attend every meeting of the Tribal Council unless I must be absent for good cause.

Signature: _____

The Candidate filing period is August 1 thru September 1, 2020. No exceptions.

All Candidate Declaration forms must be mailed to:

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

Attention**Notice to 2020 Candidates !!**

The information sent to the Election Board will NOT automatically be forwarded to the *Delaware Indian News (DIN)* for publication. The *DIN* will provide free publication of candidate bio/article for all declared candidates in the October 2020 issue. Send your candidate information in the form of an article along with a photograph if desired. The articles must be publication ready as follows:

1. May be no longer than one (1) 8.5 x 11 inch page
2. Typed in 12 point font or larger
3. Must be submitted in Microsoft Word or Rich Text format
4. Publication-ready material must reach the DIN staff no later than 5 PM on September 15, 2020

Candidate may forward above material to *DIN* at either of the following:

din@delawaretribe.org OR Delaware Indian News
 Charla Mann
 5100 Tuxedo Blvd
 Bartlesville, OK 74006

**Delaware Tribe of Indians
 Candidate "Voter/Membership List"
 Order Form**

I hereby request a voter/membership list—on electronic media to be used in conjunction with the 2020 Delaware Elections,

Declared Candidate for (seat): _____

Delaware Registration #: _____

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

Address: _____
 City State Zip

Telephone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Order media type (check all that apply)

paper list @ \$25.00 per

flash drive @ \$25.00 per

disk @ \$25.00 per

**MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO DELAWARE
 ELECTION BOARD**

*****IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CANDIDATE*****

Candidate agrees to keep confidential all personally identifiable information. Media/information is to be used only for the 2020 election/campaign cycle. Candidate agrees media/information is not to be resold or used for any other purpose

Candidate Signature: _____

Date: _____

All request forms must be mailed to:

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



Instructions for Voting in November 2020 Election!

On November 7, 2020 there will be an election for three Tribal Council seats, Trust Board Chairman, three Trust Board seats and two Associate Tribal Judge seats. You may vote in person at the official polling site 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 2014, 2016, or 2018 elections, 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. ■

2020 Delaware Election Bulletin

- Election Day is Saturday November 7, 2020
- (3) Tribal Council seats, (1) Trust Board Chair, (3) Trust Board seats, and (2) Associate Tribal Judge seats are up for election.
- All registered voters can choose either to vote in person or by a Absentee Ballot via the U.S. Mail
- All tribal members that voted in 2014, 2016, or 2018 will automatically receive an Absentee Ballot
- Tribal members not voting in 2014, 2016, or 2018 wanting to vote by Absentee Ballot will need to ensure their request for an Absentee Ballot is post marked by October 16, 2020
- There will be one polling place(s) for those members wanting to cast your vote in person:

Delaware Tribal Community Center
5100 Tuxedo Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
Saturday, November 7, 2020
Hours: 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

- Filing window for candidates to declare for a specific office is August 1 thru September 1, 2020
- All requests for Absentee Ballots must be post marked by October 16, 2020 to receive a Absentee Ballot via U.S. Mail
- Your tribal registration number appears with your name on the mailing label of this and all election correspondence.

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

Wanishi,
Delaware 2020 Election Board ■

Absentee Ballot Request Delaware Tribe of Indians November 7, 2020 Election

I hereby request an absentee ballot for the 2020 Delaware Tribal Council and Judicial Elections

Date: _____ Delaware Registration #: _____

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

Address: _____
City State Zip

Telephone #: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____

Birth Date: _____

This form must be received at the Delaware Election Board Post Office Box by close of business on **October 16, 2020** to receive an Absentee Ballot. Only (1) ballot per request form. All request forms must be mailed to:

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



DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS
Enrollment Department
5100 Tuxedo Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006

www.delawaretribe.org
918-337-6570 or 918-337-6583
Email: enrollment@delawaretribe.org
Fax: 918-337-6540



MEMBER REQUEST TO UPDATE INFORMATION

Please complete with information currently on file in the Enrollment Office.

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Other Name(s) – indicate maiden		
Date of Birth	Phone #	
Address	City	State Zip
Email	Roll #	

Other Member(s) Affected by Change(s):

Name	Date of Birth

Only complete boxes for which you are requesting a change.

Name		
Phone #		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Email		

Requests for name changes, must include Marriage License, Divorce Decree, or Adoption Order.

Member Signature _____

Date _____

Lenape Language Report June 2020

Jim Rementer, Lenape Language Project Director

What's New: In September 2019 I submitted a grant application to National Science Foundation for funding to continue improvements to the Lenape talking dictionary. I received word on May 1 that our grant would be funded and that the funding would start on June 1, 2020. It is a year and a half long grant in the amount of \$33,000. We have been working with the accounting department here in the tribe getting things set up so we can do drawdowns from the grant as necessary.



What's Newest: Words and sentences continue to be added to the dictionary. In addition there have also been new lists added to the tribal website. People asked about Lenape Games so go to this address to see the list. The links in the first column will take you to the Dictionary so you can hear the word:

<http://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Lenape-Names-of-Games.pdf>

Another list that we have been working on is one about Lenape Names for Fruit and Nut trees. This is basically a list of the names for them along with photographs and descriptions. You can see that list here:

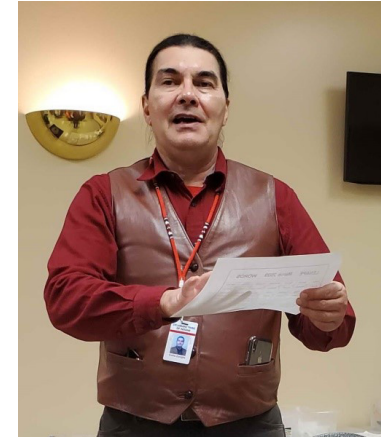
<http://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Lenape-Names-of-Fruit-and-Nut-Trees.pdf>

Living Language: In March there were some interviews done with tribal elders. Former assistant chief Mike Pace started his talk with a two minute statement in Lenape followed by traditional stories told in English.

Lenape language is also included in the events at our Second Tuesday gathering. Here is Cultural Resources Director Curtis Zunigha going over the March Word-a-Day calendar for those attending.

New Entries: Since June of last year we have added about 1,000 more words and sentence sound files to the

Dictionary. Many of these are from recordings made with Lucy Blalock by David Oestreicher. As noted above we have also been adding word lists to the Delaware Tribal Website in the Culture and Language subsection: <http://delawaretribe.org/culture-and-language/>



Revived: I was asked about the Lenape Word-a-Day calendars like I used to make when Lucy Blalock was teaching classes. The program I used at that time would not work with Windows 10 so I found another way to make them. They take time as the words cannot be over a certain length and must be placed in each box separately. There are sound files for each of these in the Lenape Dictionary at www.talk-lenape.org. The calendars are displayed on the tribal website. ■

From the Cultural Resources Department

Curtis Zunigha, Director

The Cultural Resources Department is located in the Cultural Center at 166 N. Barbara on the tribal headquarters campus in Bartlesville. The staff includes Curtis Zunigha-Director, Anita Mathis-Library/Archives & Gift Shop, and Jim Rementer – Language Program.

Additional details about the department can be found on the tribe's website: www.delawaretribe.org. The department consists of: Library, Museum, Archives & Collections, History & Culture, Research Center, Language Program, Cultural Activities, and Gift Shop.

Unfortunately we have been closed to the general public since March 18. Since July 1 we have been open to employees-only as we continue our work and help make the Cultural Center a safe environment. However we have continued to post language lessons, word calendars, and history essays on the website and on the tribe's Facebook page.

The department is currently receiving funds from three agencies to support our mission. (1) U.S. National Parks Service – Tribal Heritage Grant, (2) Oklahoma Depart-

ment of Libraries – Coronavirus mitigation/PPE supplies, (3) Oklahoma Historical Society – Strategic Planning. We need to continue the strategic planning activities even though we're closed for public interaction. Therefore we are reaching out to tribal members and ask that you complete the survey included on page 16 of the issue or found online at delawaretribe.org.

Lenape Language Program—Information can be found on the tribal website www.delawaretribe.org home page viewing the menu bar at the top and clicking on the Services/Programs drop-down menu tab, then click on Language Revitalization. However there is also an enormous amount of information on the Lenape Talking Dictionary, the tribe's language website: www.talk-lenape.org.

Here are some words and phrases that can be used during this pandemic. We also post these on the website and the Delaware Tribe Facebook page.

Lenape Words to use during the Coronavirus Pandemic

From the Lenape Talking Dictionary—<http://talk-lenape.org>

kshilënche - wash your hands

kshilënchekw - you all wash your hands

kshilënchèch - you will wash your hands; (not a command, just a statement of a future action)

mètakham ktun ok kwikiyon - Cover your mouth & nose

kpilakhom kwikin - Clean your house

nutike - stay home or I stay at home...

nutikekw - you all stay home

nutikehènàch - we will stay at home

nutikehëna - we stayed home

Gift Shop—Note: until further notice the Gift Shop is open only for online orders. The department operates a small gift shop with many items bearing the Seal of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. This includes t-shirts and jackets. Some books and audio CDs are also available for sale. The shop is a Pendleton Woolen Mill distributor and our current inventory has blankets and accessories. Online sales are also available at www.delawaretribe.org, viewing the home page and clicking on the Gift Shop button at the bottom of the page. ■

Proposed Constitutional Change To Article XII - Tribal Judiciary

Section 1. Judicial Power Vested

The judicial power of the Delaware Tribe shall be vested in a tribal court system. The tribal court system shall be composed of a court of general jurisdiction (hereinafter referred to as the "Tribal Court"), an appellate court (hereinafter referred to as the "Tribal Appellate Court"), and such lower courts as the Tribal Appellate Court may establish.

Section 2. Jurisdiction

The judicial power shall extend to all cases arising under this Constitution, ordinances, regulations, and/or judicial decisions of the Delaware Tribe and shall be exercised to the fullest extent consistent with self-determination and the sovereign powers of the Tribe.

Section 3. Qualifications

(a)Member of the Delaware Tribe. Any member of Delaware Tribe may serve as a Tribal Judge provided he/she is twenty-five (25) years of age or older, is not a member of the Tribal Council or running for a seat on the Tribal Council, and has not been convicted of a felony under Tribal, or State law within the seven (7) year period immediately preceding the date of the election, or, in the event of a vacancy, his/her appointment.

(b)Non-Delaware Member Qualifications. A non-member of the Delaware Tribe may be appointed to or elected to serve as a Tribal judge if such individual possesses a Law degree, is a member of a federally recognized tribe, and has not been convicted of any crime involving dishonesty, moral turpitude, nor been convicted of a felony under Federal, Tribal or State law within the seven (7) year period immediately preceding the date of the election, or, in the event of a vacancy under Article X, Section 4(a), his/her appointment.

Section 4. Composition of the Tribal Court System

(a)Tribal Court. The Tribal Court shall be a court of general jurisdiction and shall consist of one (1) chief judge and one (1) associate judge. Judges of the Tribal Court shall be elected by the registered voters. The current tribal judges, as of adoption of these amendments, shall determine staggered terms from amongst themselves and new terms shall be set at either two year or four years. Each term thereafter shall be set as set forth below.

(b)Court of Appeals. The Tribal Court of Appeals shall consist of three (3) judges. At least one (1) of the three (3) judges shall be an elder (age 55 years or older) in the Delaware Tribe, and at least one (1) of the three (3) judges shall be an attorney licensed to practice before the courts of a state in the United States. Judges of the Court of Appeals shall be elected by the registered voters. The current tribal judges, as of adoption of these amendments, shall determine staggered terms from amongst themselves and new terms shall be set at either two years or four years. Each term thereafter shall be as set forth below.

Section 5. Term of Office

(a)Except as provided for in Section 4, the term of office for all Tribal Judges shall be six (6) years.

(b)Tribal Judges will continue in office until a successor is sworn in.

(c)There shall be no prohibition against continuous service.

Section 6. Removal of a Tribal Judge

The Tribal Judiciary may remove any judge by an affirmative vote of a majority of all other members of the Judiciary for:

(a)Unethical conduct, as defined by the American Bar Association Code of Judicial Conduct;

(b)Physical or mental disability which prevents the performance of judicial duties;

(c)Persistent failure to perform duties;

(d)Gross misconduct that is clearly prejudicial to the administration of justice;

or

(e)Ineligibility, under Section 3 of this Article, to serve as a member of the Tribal Judiciary.

Section 7. Vacancies in the Tribal Judiciary

Any vacancy in the Tribal Judiciary shall be filled by the Tribal Council.

Section 8. Judicial Independence

The Tribal Judiciary shall be independent from the legislative and executive functions of the tribal government and no person exercising powers of the legislative or executive functions of government shall exercise powers properly belonging to the judicial branch of government.

Section 9. Practice and Procedure

The Tribal Judiciary shall by general rules establish, modify, amend, or simplify the practice and procedure in all courts of the Delaware Tribe.

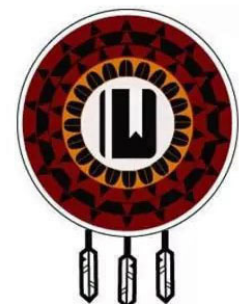
Donations for Education Scholarships Gratefully Accepted

We invite tribal members and others to contribute to a special fund for educational scholarships. Donors are recognized in five levels:

Brass Level	up to \$ 100
Silver Level	\$ 100-500
Gold Level	\$ 500-1,000
Wampum Level	\$ 1,000-5,000
Wampum Belt Level	above \$ 5,000

Send donations to

Delaware Tribe of Indians
Trust Board, Education Committee
5100 Tuxedo Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006-2746



Delaware Tribe of Indians Election Regulations

Approved by: Tribal Council & Trust Board

Date: June 2, 2020

Purpose

The purpose of these regulations is to conduct any called Delaware Tribe of Indians election pursuant to and in accordance with the Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution.

Authority

The Delaware Tribal Council has the power to establish rules to regulate its own proceedings, to appoint subordinate committees, commissions, and boards in accordance with the Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution.¹

Election Date

Elections shall be held every second year on the first Saturday of November pursuant to the Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution.²

Eligibility

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

The right to vote is limited to persons who are:

Delaware Tribe members, eighteen (18) years or older, who are registered to vote, can vote in all elections³

Tribal members voting in the November 2014, 2016, or 2018 election shall be considered to be absentee voters and will receive an absentee ballot in all subsequent elections unless they fail to vote in three (3) consecutive elections.

All eligible voters not voting in the November 2014, 2016, or 2018 elections will be required to request an Absentee ballot. Once requesting an absentee ballot, unless they **fail** to vote in three (3) consecutive elections, they will continue to receive an absentee ballot.

CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY

The right to be a candidate is limited to persons who are:

A member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians⁴ who have reached their eighteenth birthday on or before the date of filing; and is an eligible voter.

An otherwise eligible candidate has been removed from office for cause while serving in an elected position, he/she is ineligible to run for office for a period of five years from time of removal.

Candidate Filing Requirements

Each candidate shall file a Declaration of Candidacy. The Declaration of Candidacy shall include: Candidate's Full Name, Address, Phone Number, and e-mail address (if available) for publication

and Delaware registration number for enrollment verification.

The filing period shall be August 1st thru September 1st for regular elections.⁵ For special elections, the deadline shall be 60 days prior to the election.

Notice of Election

Public notice shall be given at least thirty (30) days and not more than forty-five (45) days prior to the date of election to designate the polling place(s) and times in accordance with the Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution.⁶

Notice shall be given through the United States Postal Service to all members of the Delaware Tribe of Indians eligible to vote and public notice posted.

Election Board

The Chairperson of the Election Board shall be selected and approved by the Tribal Council and Trust Board.

The Election Board Chairperson shall select election board members and present their name(s) to the Tribal Council and Trust Board for approval.

The Election Board shall elect from its membership by majority vote, a vice-chair and a secretary.

If any Election Board member, for any reason, cannot perform their duties for the Election, the Election Board Chairperson may replace the member.

The Election Board shall perform the following certifications:

To determine that each person offering to vote is on the official voting list.

To ensure that only one ballot is cast by each qualified voter and the qualified voter signs his/her name and current address on the official voting list.

To certify that all ballots received are signed and dated by the registered voter. Voters should provide full name including maiden name and any previous names that may have been used by the voter on the tribal registration list, date of birth and Delaware registration number. This information must be consistent with the Delaware Tribal Registration record.

To certify that all self-certification statements are signed by the registered voter.

To certify that no write-in candidates are allowed on the ballots.

To keep ballots, including the ones from the Post Office, locked at all times except when the ballots are being counted.

To count the ballots cast and make a tally there of after the polls have closed.

To make a certified election return and send it to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Muskogee Area Office and post a copy for the certified election return at the Delaware Tribal Center(s).

To preserve spoiled and/or mutilated ballots.

To secure all ballots and related material and to label it with the name of voting place and the date of the election for a period of not less than two (2) years immediately following the election.

Election Board members shall arrive at the polling place at a time designated by the Election Board Chairperson on Election Day.

They shall remain on the premises of the polling place until all ballots are counted and the election results have been certified, unless the Chairperson moves the Board to an alternate location.

No member of the Election Board shall leave the polling place during the voting hours and/or counting hours without the permission of the Election Board Chairperson.

Candidate Rights

All candidates in any Delaware Tribe of Indians election shall be afforded the right to purchase a list of electronic media. Said list, shall clearly show all registered voters, less "lost" Delaware. The list will include a designation indicating those members actually voting in the most recent election(s) (See Election Regulations – Voter Eligibility).

Each candidate may name one person to act as a watcher at the voting place and counting place. The watcher is to be commissioned in writing by the candidate prior to the election date. The same watcher shall be allowed to watch the calling and recording of the result of the vote. The watcher shall receive no compensation for their services and shall have no further authority than to note or record any objections to the voting and counting procedures.

The watcher must register with the Election Board upon arrival at the voting place. The watcher must register with Election Board prior to the closing of the polls.

The watcher must remain on the premises of the voting place and counting place until the count is completed. The area where the counting takes place shall be locked before the count begins and no Election Board member or watcher shall leave or enter the premises until the count is complete.

Voting Place(s)

Voting place(s) shall be provided by public notice for tribal members choosing to vote in person or for those who opt to bring their ballots in rather than mail them.

Prior to the election, tribal voters are responsible to ensure the Delaware Tribe of Indians Enrollment Department has their current address.

Ballots

The Election Board shall issue the official ballots. A record shall be maintained of all ballots issued, including the name and address of the voter and date the ballot was issued.

Manner of Voting

Voting shall be by secret ballot. All member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians registered to vote may choose to vote in person at a designated polling place or by absentee ballot via the U.S. Mail.

In Person Voting

Any registered voter opting to vote in person, must appear at a prescribed voting place, announce to the Election Board his/her name and current address, provide a photo I.D. as proof of identification, sign the voter registration list, and place their marked ballot in the ballot box. Any person offering to vote who cannot read or write or who is physically impaired may be assisted, upon request, by a family member and two (2) members of the Election Board.

¹ Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article V, Section M

² Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article VI, Section 1

³ Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article VI, Section 6

⁴ Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article II

⁵ Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article VI, Section 1

⁶ Delaware Tribe of Indians Constitution (2008) Article VI, Section 6

Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots must be returned through the U.S. Postal Service to the Delaware Election Board's P.O. Box no later than the close of business the day before the election.

Ballots must be marked and sealed in the inner envelope provided marked "ballot." The "ballot" envelope must be placed in the self-addressed envelope provided with the self-certification information on the back.

All required information on the back of the self-addressed, self-certification envelope must be completed and accurate or the envelope will not be opened or counted.

Ballots containing votes for more candidates than there are seat vacancies, or illegible or mutilated shall be void and not counted.

Election Day

Election Board members shall arrive at the voting place at time designated by the Election Board Chairperson. They shall remain on duty throughout the day until all votes have been counted and certified.

Candidate watchers, once registered with the Election Board, will remain on duty throughout the day until all votes have been counted and certified.

Election Board members, candidate(s) watchers and security guard, if one is hired, will be locked in the counting room or building once the count has begun. No other person shall be allowed in the counting room or building during the count.

All ballots from remote polling place(s) and/or U.S. Post Office shall be transported by the Election Board Chairperson, an Election Board member and the security guard (if one is hired) or by the Chairperson's designee(s).

All ballots cast shall be counted by either electronic tabulation, tallied by the Election Board or its designee. A certified return prepared by the Election Board and signed by the Election Board Chairperson, Election Board members and witnesses, (watchers, security guard) if any present. The tally shall be posted after the tally is complete at the Delaware Tribal Center, 5100 Tuxedo Blvd, Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Counting Ballots

Unless electronically tabulated, mailed ballots will be opened, certified and counted first. The name of the voter on the self-certification envelope will be checked against the list of ballots mailed and ballots received. Ballot envelopes will be separated from the self-certification envelopes. Ballots will then be separated from the envelopes in preparation for counting. The self-certification envelopes shall be saved as a permanent record.

The Election Board Chairperson or designee shall call out the votes marked on each ballot, the other Election Board members or designee shall tally the votes separately and count must balance. After the mail-in votes have been counted, the walk-in votes shall be counted using the same procedure.

Campaigning

No person shall campaign within one hundred (100) feet of any voting place.

Winner — Chief

The candidate for chief receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared the winner. In the event of a tie, a run-off elec-

tion shall be conducted within forty-five (45) days, between the two chief candidates receiving the most votes in the primary election. The winner of the run-off election shall be declared the Chief of the Delaware Tribe of Indians.

Winner — Tribal Council Members

Candidates for the Tribal Council receiving the highest number of votes shall be selected to serve on the Tribal Council. In the event of a tie vote, the candidates who tied or their designee shall draw lots for the position within seventy-two (72) hours of the posting of the election results.

Winner — Chief Justice/Associate Tribal Judges

Chief Justice/Associate Judge candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be selected to serve on the Tribal Court. In the event of a tie vote, the candidates who tied or their designee shall draw lots for the position within seventy-two (72) hours of the posting of the election results.

Run-off Election

In case of a tie for Chief, a run-off election shall be held within forty-five (45) days of the primary election between the two candidates that received the most votes. Election procedures shall be the same, except only those persons who voted by mail in the primary election shall be allowed to vote by mail in the run-off election. In the event of a run-off election, those persons who voted in the primary election shall automatically receive a ballot by mail for the run-off election.

Recount

Any candidate for any office may ask for a recount. A fee of \$400.00 shall be charged to the candidate requesting the recount. The time limit for requesting a recount shall be within seventy-two (72) hours of the closing of the polls. If more than one candidate for an office requests a recount, then they shall have the option to split the cost of the recount evenly or to pay \$400.00 for separate recounts.

Complaint Procedure

RIGHT TO A HEARING

A complainant shall be entitled to a hearing before the Delaware Tribal Court, if written request is filed within seventy-two (72) hours of the closing of the polls with the Delaware Election Board Chairperson.

DEFINITIONS

Complainant is defined as any enrolled member and registered voter in the Delaware Tribe of Indians whose rights may have been adversely affected by procedures used during any Delaware Tribe of Indians called election.

A complaint is defined as any dispute with the conduct and procedures of any Delaware Tribe of Indians called election or failure to act in accordance with the requirements of the Delaware Tribal Constitution or Tribal Election Regulations.

Prior to the Hearing

The complaint must be presented in writing to the:

Delaware Election Board Chairperson
P.O. Box 1198
Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 74005

During normal working hours within seventy-two (72) hours of the close of the polls. The complaint must include specific reasons for the complaint and the action or relief sought and must include a certified check made out to the Delaware Tribe of Indians Court Clerk in the amount of \$25.00 for filing fee.

Within three (3) working days, the Election Board shall forward the complaint, along with the check, to the Delaware Tribal Court.

The Hearing

The hearing shall be held before the Delaware Tribal Court within twenty (20) days of the filing of the complaint.

The complaint shall be afforded a fair hearing providing the basic safeguards of due process, which shall include:

The opportunity to examine, before the hearing, all documents, records and regulations of the Election Board, which are relevant to the hearing. The complainant shall bear all costs of the copying of these documents. Any documents not made available upon the complainant's request shall not be used by the Election Board to support their actions.

The Delaware Tribal Court may render a decision without proceeding with the hearing if the judges determine that the issue has been previously decided in an earlier proceeding.

If the complainant or the Election Board representative fails to appear at the scheduled hearing, the Delaware Tribal Court may make the determination to post-pone the hearing for a period not to exceed five (5) business days or the Court may make the determination that the party has waived his/her right to a hearing. Both the complainant and the Election Board shall be notified of such determination within ten (10) business days of the Court's decisions.

At the hearing, the complainant must make a showing of entitlement to the relief sought. Once the complainant meets his/her burden by clear and convincing evidence, the Election Board bears the burden of justifying its actions or its failure to act against which the complaint is directed.

The hearing shall be conducted as directed by the Delaware Tribal Court. The Court may receive oral or documentary evidence pertinent to the facts and issues raised by the complainant.

Decision of the Delaware Tribal Court

The decision of the Delaware Tribal Court shall be based solely and exclusively on the facts presented at the hearing.

The Delaware Tribal Court shall prepare a full written decision within ten (10) business days after the hearing. A copy of the decision shall be sent to the complainant, the Election Board and the Tribal Council. Copies shall be maintained in the Election Board files. ■

Obituaries

Joda Kelso Anderson



**April 6, 1965 –
March 2, 2020**

Joda Kelso Anderson, 54, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, died Monday, March 2, 2020. Joda was born April 6, 1965, in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, to parents Joda Thomas Anderson and Sandra Kay (Witzel) Jay. He graduated from Bartlesville High School in 1983. He worked for several companies as a welder by trade.

He was preceded in death by his father; stepbrother Patrick Pyle; maternal grandparents Kelso and Verla Witzel and paternal grandparents Joda and Juanita Anderson. Joda is survived by his parents Charles and Sandra Jay of Bartlesville; sister Patty Doshier and husband Clyde of Bartlesville; brother John Anderson and wife Penney of Bartlesville; stepbrothers Allen Jay of Oklahoma City and step-sister Anita Jay of Bartlesville; daughters Ashley and Shania Anderson, both of Bartlesville; 5 nieces and nephews and a host of family and friends.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 2 P.M. at the Delaware Indian Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations be made to the American Diabetes Association or to The Journey Home. ■



Michael Lee Bond



**November 2, 1960 –
February 1, 2020**

Michael Lee Bond, born November 2, 1960 passed away February 1, 2020. Michael preceded in death by parents Malcolm L. (Chiefy) Bond and Eleanor Jean Newton Bond and sister Terry Ann Bond. Survived by sisters Elaine (Dinky) Carmichael and husband Joseph (Mike) Carmichael of Cypress and Bonnie Roberts and husband Danny Bartee of Houston, Texas. Niece Shanna Caffey, nephews Joey Carmichael wife Rachel and Rian Roberts wife Heather; great-nephews Caleb Caffey, Ethan Carmichael, Hunter Roberts, Bryce Roberts and Austin Roberts; great-niece Grace Carmichael.

Michael graduated from Channelview High School 1980, worked with his Dad in their VW business until 1995. Worked for O'Reillys until became sick. Michael loved to travel with Terry to Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge, Tennessee and New York City to Lake Placid. Michael was avid quilter and working with plants.

Michael is grandson of Nancy Nora Randall and Martin L. Bond. Also, favorite Uncle James Allen use to come see us at Indian Pow-Pow, Copan. ■

Terry Ann Bond



**September 1, 1952 –
March 2, 2018**

Terry Ann Bond born September 1, 1952, went heavenly home March 2, 2018. Terry preceded in death by parents Malcolm L. (Chiefy) Bond and Eleanor Jean Newton Bond. Survived by sisters Elaine (Dinky) Carmichael and husband Joseph (Mike) Carmichael of Cypress and Bonnie Roberts and fiancé Danny Bartee of Houston, Texas.; loving brother, companion and caregiver Michael L. Bond of Houston, TX. Niece Shanna Caffey, nephews Joey Carmichael wife Rachel and Rian Roberts wife Heather; great-nephews Caleb Caffey, Ethan Carmichael, Hunter Roberts, Bryce Roberts and Austin Roberts; great-niece Grace Carmichael.

Terry graduated from Channelview High School 1971, worked at: Pedon Industries, Brown & Root, and Mervyns for 22 years. Terry loved to travel Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge, Tennessee and later to New York City and the east coast. Terry also was avid quilter and loved going to all retreats.

Terry is the granddaughter of Nancy Nora Randall and Martin L. Bond. Her uncle James Allen would come visit in Channelview, TX. ■

Russ Lee Dodge

**January 3, 1928 –
January 26, 2020**

Funeral services for Russ Lee Dodge, 92, of Natchez, who died Sunday, January 26th, 2020, at Merit Health Natchez, were held at 11:00 A.M. Friday, January 31st, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints with Bishop Michael Norris officiating. Burial followed at Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Laird Funeral Home.

Visitation took place from 10:00 A.M. Friday until service time at the church.

Mr. Dodge was born January 3rd, 1928, in Hollis, OK, the son of Russell Keys Dodge and Pauline Sanger Dodge.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, and attended Oklahoma State University. He retired from Seismograph Service Corporation, where he worked for his entire career. He also served in the Navy as a seaman second class.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, one sister, and wife of 65 years, Nancy Hedrick Dodge.

Survivors include three children: Russ Dodge and wife, Liz, of Coos Bay, OR, Kevin Dodge of Natchez, and Renee Marler and husband, Phil, of Coos Bay, OR, seven grandchildren, Stephanie Gotsch and husband, Steve, Trevor Dodge and wife, Emily, Danielle Hale and husband, Seth, Ian Dodge and wife, Kelly, Kassie Dollar and husband, Adam, Erin Marler, and Christopher Marler and wife Stephanie, and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Phil Marler, Seth Hale, Adam Dollar, Ian Dodge, Elder Checketts, and Elder Thompson.

A eulogy was given by longtime friend Brother Dollar. ■



Steven Paul Fernandez

**April 30, 1954 -
August 30, 2013**

Steven Paul Fernandez worked for Southern California Edison for over 25 years as a machinist in the Electricity plant fixing huge turbines and equipment that ran the facility. He retired in 2000. He is missed everyday by all that loved him. He was a good man, and many came to him for his advice and wisdom. He was survived by his two daughters Summer Fernandez & Charity Fernandez-Robinett, stepdaughters Wendy Clark and Melissa Clark, and 10 grandchildren who adored him dearly. ■



Edna Louise (McWilliams) Havens



**April 22, 1935 –
June 9, 2020**

Edna Louise Havens, 85, of Bartlesville, OK went to her heavenly home Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at her home in South Hutchinson, Kansas. She was born April 22, 1935 in Delaware, Oklahoma to Olaf McWilliams and Lil-

Obituaries (cont.)

lian Lucille Smith McWilliams. She was the eldest of four children, and attended Delaware school where she graduated in 1953, Salutatorian. She married her high school sweetheart Claude Lea Havens on September 19, 1953 at the First Methodist Church, Dewey, OK. In her working career she had many jobs, as she moved with her husband when his job moved. She retired as a claims representative with the Social Security Administration, Sedalia, MO., on May 22 1987 with over 24 years of service. During her working years they lived in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Virginia, and Missouri. After retirement she returned to Oklahoma and lived in Wann with her husband and there they enjoyed RV traveling, fishing at Grand Lake, and genealogy together. She also devoted her time to her parents and assisted them with their care at this time. While in Wann she enjoyed gardening, canning, cooking, baking, and crocheting. She loved to enter many items in the Nowata County Fair, which quite often won first prize. Early in life she was diagnosed with diabetes, and she was always creating new recipes that were diabetic friendly. Edna can always be remembered for her infectious laugh and beautiful smile. She was a devoted grandma and loved her grand and great-grandchildren deeply. She was quite fond of playing American Dolls with her great-granddaughter Samantha, and thought it was fun to try to hide behind the door to scare her. Edna was a member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians trust Board, which she was very proud of. Edna's proudest achievement, with the help of her husband, researched and prepared the nomination of cemetery patent 110, known locally as Bezion Cemetery in Delaware to the National Register of Historic Places. The cemetery is the burial site of Delaware

Indians and many were prominent leaders of Delaware Tribe. Cemetery Patent 110 was placed on the National Register of Historic Placed by the National park Service on September 9, 2001. Edna is survived by son, Chris Lea Havens and wife of Inola, OK; a brother James Howard McWilliams and wife Geraleen of Carrollton, TX; four grandchildren, Christopher Havens, Sharon and husband Paul Washburn, Catherine Havens and husband Russel, and Stefan Havens; a great-granddaughter, Samantha Grace Washburn, who was her "Sammy G", and a great-grandson. She is preceded in death by her parents Olaf McWilliams and Lucielle Link, sisters Sharon McWilliams and June Thulin, and her beloved husband Claude Lea Havens. Graveside service was held at 10:00 A.M. on June 16, 2020 at Nowata Memorial Park Cemetery with Pastor Jsue Wagner presiding. Memorials in Edna's name can be made to Serenity Hospice Care 9415 E Harry, Ste. 306 Wichita, KS 67202. ■

Jimmie Joe Hayes



**May 31, 1937 –
January 9, 2020**

Jimmie Joe Hayes was born May 31, 1937 in Winganon, Oklahoma, to Gladys Pauline Ketchum and Joseph Lawson Hayes. He passed away Thursday, January 9, 2020 at The Journey Home in Bartlesville Oklahoma.

Jim was a long time resident of Winganon, Oklahoma, graduating from Alluwe High school in 1955. In the year of 1957, he went to the fair and met the love of his life, Betty Sue Robinson. On June 6, 1958, they were married in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, making their home in Winganon. After high school he worked in the oil fields for 3 1/2 years. He then went to work for Dodson & Cochran in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He was also a proud member of the local 430 pipe fitters. In 1989 Jim, along with his brother Doyle Hayes, started their own business, Hayes Air Conditioning and Heating in Nowata, Oklahoma. He retired in 1999, but just couldn't stay away.

Jimmie enjoyed NASCAR, gardening, guitar, woodworking, cattle, farming, and fishing. He was a member of Winganon Baptist Church since 1964, and was a deacon for 21 years. He taught the men's Sunday school classes for many years.

Jimmie was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Darlene Inman, two brothers, Jackie Stephens and Bob Stephens, one granddaughter, Kaysie Shrum Reed, and one great-grandson, Garrett Junior Reed.

He is survived by his wife Betty Sue of the home, daughters Cheryl Ritzman and husband Greg of Winganon, Debbie Shrum and husband Mark of Winganon, Sandra Mathews and husband Eddy of Pryor, and one son Danny (Bugger) Hayes and his wife Angela of Chelsea. Four sisters, Janet Clanton and husband John of Wann, Treva Murray and husband David of Broken Arrow, Joila Noblitt and husband Roy of Nowata, and Sue Decker of Worland, WY, and two brothers, John Hayes and wife Marla of Bartlesville, and Doyle Hayes and wife Jane of Delaware.

Surviving grandchildren include Ashley Shrum, Matt Ritzman, Keri Fuller, Keith Mathews,

Amanda Ford, Emily Mathews, Annie Mathews, Cheyenne Tibbs, Hugh Mathews, Kyle Hayes, Dustin Hayes, and Dylan Hayes.

Surviving great-grandchildren Wyatt, Halley, Jayzie, and Maycee Reed, Adasyn, Tynlee, Gracyn, and Dalton Hayes, Ella Walke, Lyla Mathews, Gabe, Madi, and Gracie Ford, and Braedy, Calvin, Dawson, and Ayris Fuller.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to: The Journey Home, 900 Washington Blvd. Bartlesville, OK 74006. ■



Mark James Hill, Jr.



**March 1, 1980 –
January 7, 2020**

Mark James Hill, Jr., 39 years old passed away at Integris Edmond Hospital in the early morning hours on January 7, 2020. He put up a short fight after his organs shut down shortly after being admitted to hospital on Saturday January 4, 2020 with flu like symptoms. He is survived by many loving family members and friends, including but not limited to: Penny Parr, spouse. Children; Shanalee Cahill, "Tre" Mark Hill, III, Andrew Hill. Step children; Bryce & Brittany Parr-o'Del, Keely Houston & Joe Patton, Hayley Houston, Zoe Houston. Grandchildren; Braxton, Nevaeh Sue, Brylynn, with Stevie Grace on the way. His father, step mom & family, Mark & Beverly Hill, with Elena and Elizabeth Patter-

son. His Sister & family; Melanie Dawn Hill Mack & Abdul Mack. His Maternal Grandmother, Della Matthews. Step brothers and family; Kevin Patterson & Sara Cook, Jimmy Perry & Sandy Thomas, and Randy Perry. His children's mother; April Calkins. Along with many cousins, aunts and uncles, nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his mother; Debra Ann Hill Matthews, his Paternal Grandparents; Marty & Peggy Hill, his maternal grandfather; George Matthews, his step brother; Carl Perry along with several uncles and aunts and nephews. ■

Robert Te Selle Prophet

**October 12, 1952 –
May 19, 2020**

Robert Te Selle Prophet, 67 years old, born October 12, 1952, in Tulsa, OK, died Tuesday, May 19, 2020, in Firth, NE, of complications from ALS. He was the beloved son of Russell E. Prophet (1917-2005) who was Shawnee/Delaware, and Norma (nee Te Selle) Prophet (1923-2009) who was of Dutch and German descent. Bob earned an undergraduate degree in Business Administration (1978); graduated from Haskell Indian Junior College (1980) with degrees in Carpentry and Industrial Arts Education; and earned a graduate degree in Technical Teacher Education-Carpentry (1981). In 1981, he moved to Nebraska to join his parents, and worked as a residential carpenter. In 1991, Robert began a 28 year career with the Lancaster County Assessors Office, NE, retiring in October 2019. Bob was an extremely talented cabinet make, welder, stain glasser, and a life-long craftsman. He loved "life on the farm" and was the fifth generation living on the family farm Homesteaded in 1868 by his Di-

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etz ancestor. Robert was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his sister Su Zanna K. Prophet of Urbandale, Iowa, and many cousins in NE. Robert T. Prophet was a direct descendent of Tenskatawau-better known in history as "The Shawnee Prophet," who was a brother of Tecumseh. This lineage was through his father's mother Susanna (nee Secondine) Prophet (1887-1919), and her direct descent was through her mother's side. Susanna was half Shawnee and half Delaware, and she was also a direct descendent of Delaware Chief James Secondine, through her father's side. Robert's paternal grandfather was Frank (Tooley) Prophet, who was a full-blood Shawnee (1891-1972); although his last name was Prophet, he was not a descendent of the "Shawnee Prophet." Robert Te Selle Prophet was interred on May 21, 2020, at the Firth Cemetery, Firth, NE. ■



Jack Leroy Tatum, Sr.



March 12, 1937 –
February 24, 2020

Jack Leroy Tatum, Sr., 82, was born in the year 1937 to his father Jack Tatum 1st. (who died before Jack turned 2yrs old) and Bette Keys into a Delaware Indian (Lenape) family in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. His grandmother was Jeannette Whiteturkey Parks, and Great Grandmother was Katie Whiteturkey. Jack's surviving children are Jack Tatum Jr., De-

siree Tatum Gall, and James Tatum the youngest. Jack was raised by his traditional Native American grandparents on their Indian allotment in rural Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

At the age of 14, he moved to the West Coast to live with his mother and stepfather, a career Marine Corps officer. In 1956 he graduated from high school and married his high school sweetheart Valerie Evans with whom he had three children. The same year he joined the U.S. Air Force and attended electronics school in Biloxi, Mississippi where his first son Jack Jr. was born.

Jack graduated as a U.S Air Force Radar Repairman and was assigned to the Air Control and Warning Command. He was selected to attend Analog/Processing School and was reassigned to maintain the Semi-Automatic Ground Environment Equipment (SAGE) being installed across the United States. While assisting the install at the Hannah Radar Station in Peoria ILL, his daughter Desiree was born. Jack also attended Bradley University majoring in mathematics.

In 1960 Jack left the Air Force and took a position as a computer technician with General Electric Computer Department. While attending UCLA and living in Los Angeles his third child, James, was born. Jack traveled to several states and numerous installations where he taught company courses on software development & installations and wrote custom software systems for GE and its customers.

In 1966 Jack took a new position to develop and integrate the first large scale flight simulator system. Jack enjoyed an exceptional 37-year career in the computer and communication Industry traveling across the United States and Europe. One of his favorite assignments was developing and installing missile impact prediction application for NASA, and a

2 year on-site position in Rome, Italy developing the first International Telex Gateway for all of the European continent.

After returning from Europe in 1981, Jack developed a beach front property in the Santa Monica Bay area of Redondo Beach, California. He sold this property and started Cherokee Data Systems, a development and consulting firm. That same year he became an avid yacht racing enthusiast, forming Corinthian Yachts Inc.

In 1990 he returned to his Oklahoma roots and became involved with his tribe, the Delaware Tribe as Systems Administrator. In 1991 he was elected to the Delaware Tribal Council and served as Chairman of the Culture Preservation and Economic Development programs. In 1992 he served as the chairman of the Bartlesville Indian Summer Festival.

Jack was instrumental in initiating numerous culture preservation programs for his tribe including Lenape language classes, taught by his Great Aunt Lucy Blalock, one of the remaining fluent speakers of the time.

In 1993 Jack resigned his position on the Tribal Council to attend Harvard University where he became directly involved with the Internet. While working on the Internet he began to understand the impact of this new information technology on the world. "We have the power to control our own destinies," he once said. Jack's dream was to bring this technology to his tribe and to rural Oklahoma communities. He did so by starting a new company named "Cowboy Net"; this company is still running today.

Jack loved riding bicycles and during his senior years he won the Oklahoma State Championship in the Senior Olympics. He began to suffer from Parkinson's Disease and developed bone cancer. He succumbed to his illness while a resident of the Nowata (OK)

Check Out the Tribal Web Site

Have you visited our Tribe's web site recently? Additional material that we were unable to include in the DIN can often be found there.

Go to: www.delawaretribe.org ■



Nursing Facility with his family and beloved friend Suzanne Weaver by his side.

Jack Tatum was truly an amazing man and will be missed by many! ■

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 or to the Tribal Offices.

Please also pass along any birth or death announcements to the Enrollment Office at enrollment@delawaretribe.org. The Community Services Committee has a burial assistance program if you need help. ■

To Contact Us

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Chelsea, OK
918-789-2525

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67333
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tribe@delawaretribe.org



Culture Preservation Committee Seeks New Members

The Culture Preservation committee is looking for new members to join our committee. If you have ideas and would like to keep our culture alive, we want you!

We meet the first Monday of each month at 5:30 P.M. in the Community Center in Forsythe Hall. You may contact chair Homer Scott at (918) 332-8020, or Anita Mathis at (918) 337-6595. ■

**DID YOU KNOW the Tribe
operates a 24 hour crisis line?
(918) 331-7349**

Emergency Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault services are available

7 days a week, 365 days a year by calling (918) 331-7349

Services include support and advocacy for survivors of domestic violence and their friends and family. Our advocates connect survivors to their local certified center for shelter, Tribal support groups, outreach and ongoing advocacy. ■



FCS has been awarded an Office for Victims of Crime grant. We are happy to announce a future position for a contracted counselor. The candidate will be onsite to see victims and their families of Domestic Violence. Qualified candidates for the position of counselor please inquire to Lori Rose @ lrose@delawaretribe.org

**Are You Asking the Right Questions About
Domestic Violence?**

In the past, you might have found yourself wondering, “Why do they stay in an abusive relationship?” But have you actually ever asked yourself, “Why do they hurt them?”

There are countless reasons why someone might stay with an abusive partner. It might be hard to understand by someone looking from outside of the relationship, but it is our job as a community to realize that people in violent relationships often face complicated dilemmas that prevent them from leaving.

Native American/Alaska Native women experience violence at higher levels than other ethnicities. The chances are high that one of your friends or relatives has been a victim of abuse. In fact, more than 84% of Native women have experienced some type of abuse in their lifetime including: emotional abuse, physical violence, or stalking.

As a community we should recognize that the wrong questions, like “Why doesn’t she just leave?,” means that we are blaming the victim for the violence occurring against them.

Leaving an abuser can be very difficult and challenging endeavor. Every situation and pattern of abuse is different, but these are some common reasons that make leaving difficult.

Excerpt from the Institute of Family Studies:

- Distorted thoughts
- Damaged self-worth
- Fear
- Wanting to help partner change
- Children
- Family expectations
- Financial constraints
- Isolation

It’s up to us as Delaware people to support our relatives experiencing violence. We should not wonder why she stays, but why he abuses her. Domestic violence is not traditional to our culture, and we must all work towards supporting survivors of abuse. If you or a loved one is experiencing domestic violence, contact the Delaware Tribe of Indians Family & Children Services 5100 Tuxedo Blvd, Suite C, Bartlesville, OK 74006; Phone: 918-337-6510; Crisis Line: 918-331-7349.

Source: Rosay, André B., “Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men,” *NIJ Journal* 277 (2016): 38-45, available at <http://nij.gov/journals/277/Pages/violence-againstamerican-indians-alaska-natives.aspx>.

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**Grants Family and Children Services is
Working Under in 2020**

(All grants must be applied for annually except where specified)

F&CS currently operates under 947 funding stream with 5 employees.

Health and Human Services – Administration for Children and Families

- Office of Child Support Enforcement - \$493,619.00
- Child Welfare
- Child Welfare Social Services - \$8,243.00
- Providing Safe and Stable Families - \$13,396.00
- Family Violence Prevention Services Act - \$45,830.00

Oklahoma Department of Human Services

- Providing Safe and Stable Families – Award amount unknown at this time

Tribal Funds

- Child Welfare - \$40,000

Department of Justice

- Office on Violence Against Women (3 yr) – \$424,845.00
- Office of Victims of Crime (3 yr) – \$672,192

Oklahoma District Attorneys Council

- Victims of Crime Act - \$172,181 ■

Delaware Tribe Cultural Resources Department 2020 Strategic Planning Survey Form

Please fill out this form or send to our offices at 5100 Tuxedo Blvd, Bartlesville, OK 74006 or scan/email to czunigha@delawaretribe.org. (918) 337-6541

Please show your interest in the following activities, events, courses, or workshops.

Rank each on a scale of 1-5 (with 5 being the most interested and 1 being the least interested).

- _____ Second Tuesday Potluck Supper & Social Gathering
- _____ Traditional Singing Practice
- _____ Traditional Dancing Practice
- _____ Men's Traditional Clothing Workshop
- _____ Women's Traditional Clothing Workshop
- _____ Ribbon Work Sewing Workshop
- _____ Moccasin Making Course
- _____ Tulip Purse Making Course
- _____ Delaware History Course
- _____ Delaware Tribe Genealogy Workshop
- _____ Lenape (Delaware) Language Beginner's Course
- _____ Pottery Making Workshop
- _____ Basketry Workshop
- _____ Youth Culture Camp (Nipeni Maehelan – Summer Gathering)
- _____ Annual Delaware Days Social/Cultural Event (last weekend of September)
- _____ Tribal Museum

Please comment on these or other activities you may be interested in:

Name & Contact Information:

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From The Desk of Family & Children Services

Not everyone is aware of the child support program and the services we provide. That's why the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement created an informational video to share with parents and partners. It looks at the most common child support services that parents will typically use and provides general advice to ensure the process goes smoothly.



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https://youtu.be/Yzkb_ol-8Hk4

Also available in Spanish:
<https://youtu.be/VF8dS8V2uhY>



Delaware Tribe Title VI Part C Respite Care

Ronda Williams

The Delaware Tribe has a Caregiver Respite program to help those with caregivers. The caregivers get a respite worker paid by the grant to help with needs, whether it is to get away a few hours or clean house, grocery shop and prepare meals as needed.

We currently have 10 Caregivers in our program.

Just to show some ways the Caregivers appreciation for their Respite Worker, Delaware Tribal Members

Sandy and Ray Thompkins took their son Stewart Thompkins to surprise his respite worker with roses for her 18th Birthday at school.

Our program is working!!!

If you are in need and a caregiver contact Ronda Williams Elder Services Director williams@delawaretribe.org or 918-337-6589. ■

