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From the Desk of Chief Brad KillsCrow

Brad KillsCrow, Chief

The past few months have been a very exciting time for the Delaware Tribe. I am proud to say that we have met three of our long-term objectives: economic development and establishment of a sustainable food source for our people, ground breaking for six new tribal housing units for our elders, and finalizing the terms for the purchase of the Delaware Powwow grounds.

On May 6 the Tribe purchased 4200 acres of prime grazing land from television journalist and author Bill Kurtis, owner of the Red Buffalo Ranch outside of Sedan, Kansas. The Tribe has started upgrading the property which has been named the Delaware Tribe Ranch (DTR) and will include living facilities for ranch employees and upgraded out buildings, pens, and fencing. When fully operational, the ranch will support 350 head of cattle. Plans are now underway to construct a meat processing plant and several ranchers in the area have expressed the need for such a facility and their desire to bring their cattle there. Much of the beef we produce will be available to tribal members through our food pantry.

On May 21 we held a ground-breaking for three new two-bedroom duplexes for our senior citizens. The Tribe currently has three one-bedroom duplex units on our tribal complex in Bartlesville and these new units will be located adjacent to the existing ones. We have an extensive waiting list of Delaware seniors in need of affordable housing and while this will not solve the problem, it is a start. The Tribe hopes to construct more units as funds become available.

During our annual Delaware Powwow (May 27-29) the Tribal Council announced that the powwow grounds, located on property owned by Jack and Elaine Falleaf Clinton, were being purchased by the Tribe. We have been holding our annual powwow on this original allotment land for the past fifty-seven years. Although ownership is being transferred to the Tribe, the current Powwow Committee will continue to run the event and no significant changes are anticipated. The Fall Leaf family began the powwow in their backyard as a small community event and over the years have continued to care for the grounds as the powwow has grown. Every Memorial Day weekend they have welcomed us to come camp, dance, sing, and make memories on their land. The Delaware Tribe owes a big debt of gratitude to the Falleaf family for all they have done over the years to help the Delaware people maintain our culture and pride in being Delaware.

I hope everyone is having a great summer and staying cool. I want to personally thank this Tribal Council for all the hard work and decision making in pushing our tribe to move forward!

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Brad KillsCrow
Chief, Delaware Tribe of Indians ■



From The Desk of Assistant Chief Tonya Anna

Tonya Anna, Assistant Chief

Hoping everyone had a wonderful Fourth of July! Just like fireworks, the Delaware Tribe of Indians are making a loud blast over here on Tuxedo! So many exciting things are happening such as the construction of new elder housing, the food pantry being stocked, more programs being made available to our members, etc. Check out our Facebook page and website and sign up for our new Lenape Talk app to stay up to date!

It was a privilege to attend The Sovereignty Symposium XXXIV in Oklahoma City with Chief KillsCrow. The Kiowa Black Leggings Society (pictured) was the Honor Guard with Southern Nation on drum. To watch all 39 tribal flags from Oklahoma get recognized and pa-

rade through the ballroom made me proud and honored to be among the most elite. The keynote speaker was Janie Hipp (Chickasaw), General Counsel of the United States Department of Agriculture. To be able to visit with leaders from all across the state of Oklahoma and network with them one-on-one was beneficial as a Tribal Council Member. Absorbing the information on criminal law, sovereignty in the 21st century, and economic futures stirred up ideas that will help our own people. This was just a part of the symposium. The networking and learning what other tribes encounter (good and bad) was so valuable. Currently I am collaborating with several connections to help guide us through future endeavors. Stay tuned and most importantly, be involved! ■



Interview with Monica Fisher, Director of the Lenape Early Learning Center

Celeste Amadon



Speak with Monica Fisher, Director of the Delaware Tribe's Lenape Early Learning Center and you'll hear the commitment, vision, and expertise that the leaders of the Tribe's programs bring us every day. Most private daycare centers are for-profit enterprises, and many focus on providing childcare to higher income families during limited hours and only operate during the school year. The Tribe's Early Learning Center provides up to 50 children from ages 0-5 with high quality childcare at low cost and during the hours that working parents

need it (Monday through Friday from 6:30 in the morning to 5:30 in the evening) year-round. The majority of these children are Tribal children, which wasn't yet the case when Fisher, a veteran in the field of early childhood development with a passion and a vocation for her impactful work on behalf of Tribal children and families, took over the leadership of the Center in 2021. In addition to prioritizing children of the Tribe, the Center gives priority to the children of single and teenage parents, lower income parents, and parents with disabilities. The goal is to leverage grant funding from Early Childhood Head Start and the Child Care and Development Fund to help working parents in the community stay on their feet, and to partner with those who need help getting back on theirs.

Fisher, who began her work in childcare working in a daycare when her first child started

attending it, earned her A.S in Child Development and her B.A. in Organizational Leadership and Management while working in the field and raising her children. She explains that the Center takes a "Whole Child/Whole Family" approach. "For us to serve as a pillar of the Bartlesville community, we need to seek a positive outcome for the entire family. We seek to build personal relationships with that single parent that we see everyday, and reinforce that we are a partner with our families, and that we can be a conduit to the other resources that the family needs to succeed." In addition to compelling educational and developmental programming, children who attend the Center receive vision, dental, and health screenings. Toward that end, Fisher says that it's wonderful that they are located next door to a frequent partner in providing services, the Tribe's Family and Children's Services Agency (FCS)*.

**Note to readers: Look for an interview with FCS's Director Shelby Lacey in the next issue of Delaware Indian News!*

While continuing to provide quality, reliable, low-cost childcare through the considerable challenges of staffing shortages that are affecting most industries as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Center has helped homeless parents find lodging and directed parents toward programs that help Tribal members earn their G.E.D. or find employment.

What's next? After more than 15 years of leading the effort to support the Tribe's future, our children and young families, Monica Fisher isn't sitting on her hands. Funding has been secured to realize her vision to expand the Center so that it can provide badly needed after school care and summer programming to Tribal children once they are school age. The Center's staff

is now in the planning process needed to successfully launch those programs. And another project near to Fisher's heart is also in the works: collaborating with Cultural Education Director Jeremy Johnson to integrate Lenape language instruction in the pre-school and after school curriculum so that Tribal children benefit from the earliest possible exposure and Lenape becomes second nature to them. ■



Tribes Reinters Ancestors and Artifacts at Pennsbury Manor

Jeremy Johnson, Cultural Education Director

On April 11, the Chief, Assistant Chief, members of the Council, and citizens of the Delaware Tribe of Indians joined representatives from Delaware Nation, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians, Eelūnaapéewi Lahkéewiit of Moravian Town, and Munsee-Delaware Nation in a repatriation ceremony at Pennsbury Manor in Morrisville, PA. The repatriation was the final event in a full weekend of work, meetings, and relationship building in eastern Pennsylvania in the original homelands of Lenapehoking.

Over the course of 4 days, over 180 lots of ancestral remains and artifacts were wrapped, placed in pine boxes, and buried on the grounds of Pennsbury Manor in

a newly dedicated reburial plot that will be deeded over to the Delaware Tribe. The site will *not* be a part of any exhibit or display that Pennsbury Manor personnel include in programming or tours. It will remain discreet and solely for the use of future repatriation efforts.

After the private ceremony was completed on the morning of April 11, a celebratory feast was held on the grounds of the manor. Food and fellowship was shared with many invited guests from partnering institutions, museums, National Park Service, and governmental bodies including the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. The Chiefs of the five recognized Lenape nations made presentations of gifts and

blankets to various individuals in attendance.

The repatriation was the largest that has taken place in the history of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. The day was also historic as it was the first time in over at least 30 years that the Chiefs of all five Lenape communities gathered together in one spot at the same time for a common goal.

In the days leading up to the repatriation, DTI citizens, including elders and youth, participated in the dedication of an arboretum (a botanical garden devoted to trees) on the campus of the Perkiomen Valley School District located in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The Lenape Arboretum is the first public school arboretum to be established within the United States and consists of 30 acres of woods and walk-

ing trails. The school district is working with the Delaware Tribe of Indians to incorporate Lenape names for the trees and plants in the area to be presented along the trails on markers and with QR codes linked to audio files of the names in the Lenape language. During the dedication, citizens and representatives from the five Lenape communities helped to plant five trees representing each of the different Lenape nations.

In addition to the repatriation and dedication ceremonies, Ursinus College in Collegeville, PA hosted a Welcome Home event for the Delaware Tribe and other Lenape communities with a presentation of the college's food forest and meetings with faculty and staff of the college. The partnership between the college and the Delaware Tribe was strengthened with a signing of a Statement of Mutual Inten-

tions "which commits the college, the school district, and the tribe to take meaningful actions that raises awareness about the Lenape people." The partnership allows the college and the tribe to work together to develop programs and events that will benefit both the citizens of the Delaware Tribe and educate the students and residents of the Perkiomen Valley about the long and rich history of the Lenape in the region.

The efforts over the course of the days spent in Pennsylvania will allow the Delaware Tribe to continue to establish relationships and programs in Lenapehoking that will help aid in our repatriation efforts as well as provide opportunities for tribal citizens and students to learn new skills and partake in meaningful projects that will benefit them and our community. ■

Youth Interview: Alexis Malone, Delaware Environmental Warrior!

Denny Fisher and Celeste Amadon

A star student, an athlete, a leader, and a dedicated volunteer in her community, Alexis Nicole Malone checks every box and has made the Delaware Tribe incredibly proud of its stand-out recent high school grad. Alexis was valedictorian of her class at Nowata High School, graduating with a weighted GPA of 4.19. Because she also completed 24 college credits during her high school career, Alexis will enter Missouri Southern State University as a sophomore in the fall. She plans to pursue a Bachelors and Masters in Accounting.

Alexis has been an active part of her community. She organized and led two tire recycling events in Nowata, and participated in the Great America Cleanup in April 2022. She volunteered her time to paint bleachers at the high school football field and also assisted with 12 blood drives.

The list of her accomplishments is long. Alexis was Student Council President. Class Vice President. A member of National Honors Society. She played varsity golf and basketball for Nowata.

When Denny Fisher was lucky enough to sit down with this inspiring and busy young tribal member, he asked her about her affinity to the Tribe and her passion for the environment.

What does being Delaware mean to you?

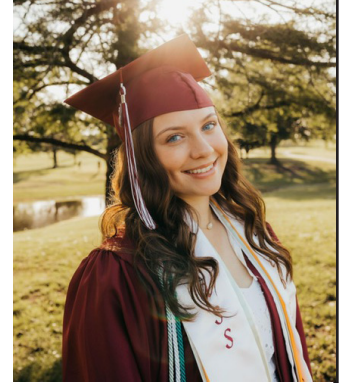
Being Delaware gives me confidence in where I come from. I have witnessed so many wonderful things we do for our people and that has taught me to have the same passion and commitment to help others. I want to find ways to serve my community. I am proud to be a part of the Delaware Tribe because of the values we hold. I believe that dedication to the good of the collective and not just the individual is a key attribute to becoming a successful and fully-realized human being.

Why is Environmental Protection important to you?

Environmental protection is critical to keeping our planet a clean and beautiful place to live. If the things that go to the trash will not be used again, why not repurpose or recycle them? Most of the time, there is little-to-no cost associated with recycling, which helps make it easily affordable for everyone! I believe that Native people can and should play a leadership role in this arena as we have never forgotten our connection to and responsibility for the natural world; it is part of our culture. Across the nation, many of us continue to depend on the environment for our social, cultural, economic, and physical survival and well-being.

How did you get involved with recycling at Nowata High School?

As Student Council President I was responsible for figuring out ways to serve the Nowata community. Our sponsor, Ms. Wilson, asked me if I would like to take on a recycling project. Student Council partnered with the Nowata Beautification Committee in order to publicize the event more widely. Our first tire collection event in September 2021 brought 824 tires and was so successful that we decided to do another in April on Earth Day. We collected another 405 tires for a total of 1,229. It felt so good being able to help clean up my small town by doing something so simple as collecting tires! An added benefit was knowing that they would go to good use as the material for protective flooring at playgrounds all over! ■



Delaware Powwow 2022 Turtle Races

Tonya Anna, Assistant Chief

This year was our second-largest race in history! Speaking of history, did you know the turtle races started as a camp-only event? It was 2010 and 6 turtles were in the very first competition at the Fall-eaf-Wallace camp. It was only cousins that year but camps next to us wanted to be involved the following year. We kept this in mind and each year it kept getting larger to the point we had to move the race to the football field. This year we had 41 turtles compete and the winners were:

- 1st Jeremiah with his turtle Bowl
- 2nd Jada with her turtle Stylish
- 3rd Arianna with her turtle Turbo

Who traveled the farthest: Charolette who came all the way from California and she also won **best named turtle** - Buddy Monday

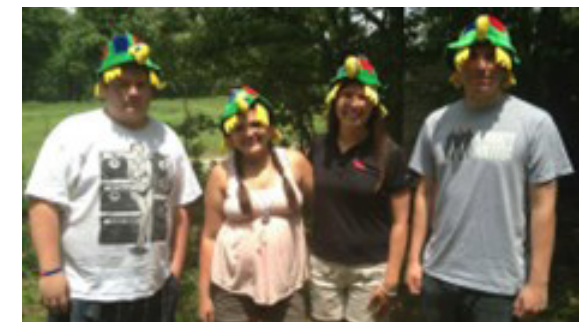
First place winners have been very good at returning the traveling trophy which is a brass turtle! If anyone would like to help assist with the race in the future, please call me at (918) 533-8035. This would include taking pictures, registering turtles, passing out prizes, judging, calling out names for each heat, and create the racing circle. A big wanishi to Alma Welch for assisting the last two years! You have been such a blessing. If anyone took pictures of this year's event please forward to tanna@delawaretribe.org so they can be included in any future publications. Apologies for not getting pictures but with all the excitement it was overlooked. Congratulations to all participants and hope to see you all next year! ■



2022 Turtle Race



2010 participants L to R: Ben Stahl, Mariah Devore, Morgan Gary, Madeline Anna, Madison Devore & Nicole Kenote



Judges began wearing turtle hats in 2013. Ben Stahl, Mariah Devore, Madeline Anna & Doug Anna

Lenape Language Report

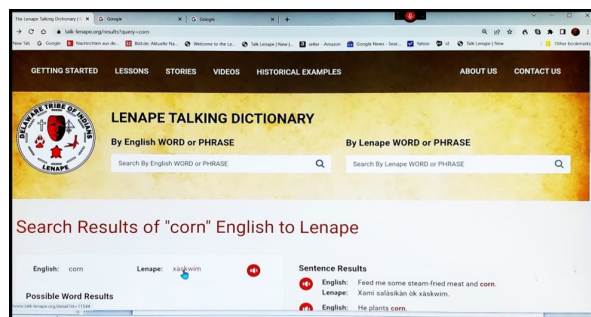
Jim Rementer, Lenape Language Project Director

What's New: The Lenape Talking Dictionary has been funded by the National Science Foundation since 2002. We are very grateful for the support they have given us.



Working on Language Preservation: This photo is of Lucy Blalock and Nora Dean working with Dr. Jay Miller on Lenape names for colors. They are using a color chart prepared by a university.

Important: The Detailed Entry Page—Some users of the Lenape Talking Dictionary are not familiar with this page. When you look up a word in the dictionary, in the case Corn, you will see this page. It shows the basic word for corn as well as other words about Corn and some sample sentences. If you then click on the English or Lenape translation you will be taken to the Detail page.



This is the Detailed Entry page. This contains more sentences, grammar, early written forms of the name (in this case 1648), and for some things a photograph.

What's New: We continue to add to the Lenape Names lists. The lists contain the Lenape words, images, the

English translations, and links back to the sound files in the Lenape Talking Dictionary. They are found at this address:

<https://delawaretribe.org/blog/2013/06/26/language/>.

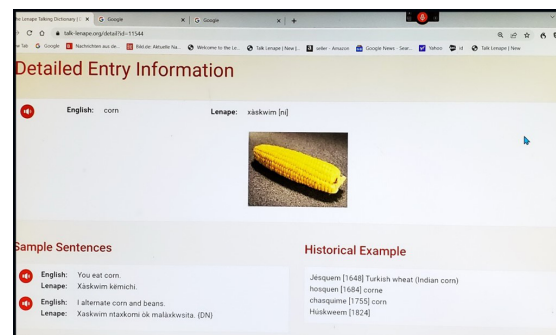
Here are some recently posted lists:

<https://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Lenape-Names-for-Flowers.pdf>

<https://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Lenape-Names-of-Non-Native-Animals.pdf>

What's Newest: We continue to add things to the tribal website. We have been testing a program that colorizes black and white photos. Sometimes it does not select the correct colors but most often it does. The results can be seen here:

<https://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Lenape-Photos-After-Colorizing.pdf>



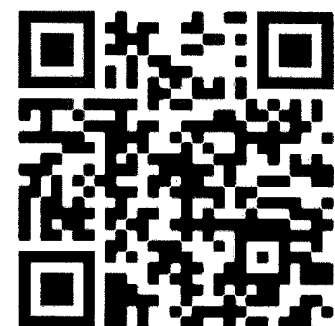
New List: While not specifically about the language there has been a renewed interest in traditional Lenape stories. We collected a number of them that were recorded only in English. There are 35 posted at this time. They are on the tribal website here: <https://delawaretribe.org/blog/2013/06/25/lenape-stories-2/>

We will continue to add to the Lenape Talking Dictionary as we work through the recordings made with the tribal elders who are no longer with us. ■

Lenape Talk is Live!

Lenape Talk, the Delaware Tribe's new digital communication app, launched live to the Delaware Tribal membership on May 27 at the Delaware Powwow. Tribal staff members and a representative from Korbyt, the company responsible for developing the app, attended the powwow for two nights managing a booth that allowed tribal members to sign up right then and there. Staff who worked the booth were Executive Assistant to the Chief Dana Murrell, Enrollment Director Emily Wade, Environmental Department Director Denny Fisher, LELC Director Monica Fisher, IT Technician Ian McAllister, and Philip Gerstenfeld from Korbyt. About twenty people were signed up during the event and tribal members are consistently scanning the QR code to get to our google form, the first step in the process.

The feedback the Tribe has received has been positive. We will now be working on how to focus the posts to ensure the most beneficial information to each audience. Whether that be a general audience or one more suited for the content provided our team will be working hard to bring the communications you want to see. The Tribe is happy to be providing this experience to its tribal members near and far. As always we appreciate knowing what makes you happy and what keeps you informed. So if there is a need to be expressed or suggestion that you want to send to the tribe, try using Lenape Talk. Scan the QR code below to get started! ■



Stories of Our Past-The Remarkable History of the Delaware Tribe of Indians

Anita Mathis, Librarian & Archives Manager

Here in the Archives we have many wonderful pictures, documents, and objects relating to our ancestors from our past to the present. Some of the articles are funny, some describe our old ways, and some are something to think about.

In this article I have taken from our archives an interview with Julia Hall titled “John C. Fremont’s Last Trip to California in 1853”. I hope you enjoy it! Please come check out all we have to offer to our tribal members in the Cultural Education Center and Gift Shop. Wanishi.

HALL, JULIA. INTERVIEW. Alfred F. Hicks, Interviewer, July 16, 1937.

John C. Fremont’s Last Trip To California in 1853, as told by Mrs. Julia Hall and others, Nowata, Oklahoma.

It was in the year of 1853 that one day in September a man by the name of John C. Fremont started from West Port, Missouri, a place near Kansas City, Missouri, to make a trip back to California for the Government. In fact, he was trying to blaze out a trail to California, and took along about three hundred people. In the group he took ten Delaware Indians as scouts and hunters. Here are the names of those he took along, George Washington, Andy Miller, James Harrison, Wa-hoo-ney, John Moses, Jacob En-eas, Good Traveller, Solomon Everett, John Smith and James Wolf.

The following is a true copy of the agreement that Mr. Fremont drew up and which was signed by him and a man by the name of Jim Secondine. Secondine was then Chief of the Delawares at the time this trip was made.

The agreement is as follows and stated that Jim Secondine was to furnish John C. Fremont with ten Delaware hunters all good men: Westport, Missouri, September 16, 1853.

I have this day made arrangements through Jim Secondine by which ten Delaware hunters (good men) are to accompany me on my journey to California and back to this country. The ten Delawares are to furnish their own animals also, and are each to be paid two dollars (\$2.00) a day. They are to provide themselves with good animals, and if any of the animals should die upon the road, I am to pay for the loss. They will, of course, be furnished by me with ammunition and saddles which are furnished to them by me, all at my cost.

Signed “John C. Fremont”

The people who made the trip had some dreadful times before they got back to this country. They were snow-bound in from fifteen to thirty feet of snow, and almost starved to death. They would be sitting around the fire and would get so hungry that they would take out their hunting knives and cut a piece out of the tops of their boots, aid put it on a stick and hold it over the fire and cook it a little and then eat it. They even killed some of their horses and a mule and ate them. A lot of the animals starved or froze to death before they got to their destination. In fact, they got through the trip with just one white mule which belonged to Wa-hoo-ney. This man Wa-hoo-ney, is father to Mrs. Julia Hall and he had no other name than Wa-hoo-ney , however, Fremont named him George Washington / also the name of Mrs. Hall’s brother, /because he was a good scout, and a brave man. Mrs. Hall said she well remembered her father telling of one time on the trip that he ran a buffalo into camp and killed it right in front of Mr. Fremont. Another time they were all snow-bound and out of something to eat and Wa-hoo-ney and three other men went out and were trying to kill something to eat, when they found a large cave. In this cave, they found three big black bears, but all they had taken along was their war clubs and hunting knives. Each one of the man would take his turn in going into the cave and killing a bear. After they had killed all three of the bears, they all had a good feast. Then they went back to camp and told the rest of the people what they had killed. Most of the men folks broke out in a run to reach the cave and get the meat. They brought it into camp and that night everybody had a good feed. Mr. Fremont was a good man for they never ate a meal without his returning thanks. When Mr. Fremont and his crowd got to California most all of the people were so hungry that the first thing Mr. Fremont did was to go to a hotel and order a bunch of chickens killed. He wanted a pot of soup made, and while they were killing the chickens in the back yard of the hotel some of the men folks would lay down and drink the blood from off of the ground. This is a copy out of a paper at Fairland, of the death of George Washington or Wa-hoo-ney at his residence near Fairland, Indian Territory, at three o’clock A.M., October 24, 1893:

“George Washington, Delaware Chief, and for years a scout on the plains. Mr. Washington, was General Fremont’s Chief scout and guide when he made his first trip across the plains way back in the forty’s. He was one of the Lennehanapa of Cooper, in his Leather Stocking series of novels, and has now gone over to join his old commander on the other shore. He died of old age, having been blind for years. Deceased requested that his old unique tomahawk and pipe combined, weasel skin tobacco pouch and knife be buried with him and his feet turned “westward.” ■

Representation, Reassessment, and Reparations: Native People in Art, Popular Culture, and Society

Opinion piece by Celeste Amadon

History is literally being rewritten. Mostly by the guilt-stricken “winners.” All around us efforts are being made to reassess and recharacterize the Native history of and contributions to present day places and entities. Leading universities preface events with acknowledgement that they sit on lands originally inhabited by Native people. Museums are publicizing initiatives to re-examine how they represent Native American history, culture, and art. The few hold-out professional teams with racist mascots and logos are finally surrendering and changing their branding.

While efforts are being made to acknowledge past mistreatment, present-day assistance is imperative to address its enduring legacy. Native people continue to have lower net worth, lifetime earnings, college attendance, and life expectancy than our white compatriots. Contemporary Broadway productions such as *The Minutes*, which depicts a small American town’s efforts to perpetuate its anti-Native origin story and to suppress the massacre of Native people behind its true history, are gratifying, but cultural corrections won’t change the destiny or living condi-

tions of present-day Native people on their own. That said, they are important, and more remains to be done on that front: 50 years after Marlon Brando refused his Best Actor Oscar (for playing *The Godfather*) to protest Hollywood’s depiction of Native people, racist and misleading tropes of Native people continue. For example, *Yellowstone* prequel *1883* (airing on Paramount Plus starring Tim McGraw and Faith Hill with a cameo by Tom Hanks) depicts savage Indians attacking wagon trains and wantonly murdering and scalping whole families including beautiful white women.

Alongside changes and lack thereof in portrayal of Native people in culture, recent landmark court decisions have substantiated Native sovereignty and Native rights. For example, the Supreme Court decision *McGirt v. Oklahoma* will likely have far-reaching consequences in establishing Native jurisdiction over criminal and maybe some civil matters, and the federal government’s lawsuit with multiple tribes against Washington State to enforce treaties resulted in an over \$1B judgment to protect and restore the environment and salmon/fisheries stocks on which Native people in the Pacific NW depend. Some progressive poli-

ticians have even begun to talk about extending reparations to those who were victims of the genocide and displacements of Native people in addition to African-Americans whose ancestors suffered chattel slavery.

Readers: how much and in what ways does representation matter to you? What do we really need from government? What would you like to see in film and on TV and from our public and private institutions? We invite your comments. Send them to: din@delawaretribe.org ■

Congratulations to Our 2022 Chief Chet Brooks Memorial Scholarship Winners!

The Delaware Tribe of Indians wishes to extend our congratulations to the two winners of the inaugural Chief Chet Brooks Memorial Scholarship, Kate Koulpen and Olivia Hatch. Read below in their own words what this scholarship means to these exemplary young Delawares as they journey on to pursue higher education. ■

Kate Koulpen

Winning the Chief Chet Brooks Memorial Scholarship has been an exciting and humbling experience. I am so grateful for the kindness and generosity of the Brooks family and at the same time I am sad for the loss of one of our great elders.

Upon completion of my undergraduate degree, I plan to attend medical school so I will be able to apply my medical education and skills to help address the immense deficit in the availability of Native American healthcare options. My primary focus as a physician will be to work within these severely underserved populations to give back to my tribe and ultimately to all Native Americans. Through research at my university as well as two Native American focused satellite programs, I have come to recognize the need for equity within broad research programs. If we enlisted more Native Americans to participate in these research programs, we may be able to isolate issues within the genetic makeup or environmental conditions for our people to enable better treatments.

I plan to use my education to analyze and understand why Native Americans experience significantly higher rates of cancer and when combined with other comorbidities, make them especially vulnerable to these and other deadly illnesses. The loss of Chief Brooks made me realize that we are losing members of our community and our tribal family to diseases where Native Americans represent only a tiny percentage of research participants to identify treatments. I want to be the physician, who through education and research, offers individualized solutions specific to the needs of Native Americans. By focusing on ways to improve the research candidate pool to be more inclusive of Native Americans, I intend to help drive solutions to contribute to healthier lifestyles and increased life expectancy within the Native American population. This scholarship will help me do just that.

I, like so many others, was raised by a single mother. Going to college was never optional for me because my mom knew it was the only way I would be able to fulfill my dream of be-

coming a doctor. Knowing the cost for a higher education was substantial, my mother and I agreed that I could help by maintaining my grades and applying for scholarships. I worked hard in high school and have continued to work hard in college, and it has paid off. I apply for every scholarship I can find. It hasn't been easy; I have spent many late nights and weekends writing essays and filling out applications to let the scholarship committees get to know me. I want them to know that I am smart, determined, tenacious, deserving and most importantly, Delaware.

If you are in college or getting ready to go to college, my advice is to apply, apply, apply. I think I received about 10% of the scholarships I applied to, which meant I needed to apply to more. Regardless of the size of the scholarship, take a chance and apply. Be honest in your applications and essays because you never know what that committee may be seeking in a recipient. Don't assume you won't get a scholarship, let them be the judge of that. Being able to complete my degree knowing the work I put

into getting scholarships helped prevent significant student loan debt, is rewarding.

I know not everyone wants to be a doctor, but no matter your passion, go for it. Our world needs educated people in every industry, and how great if more and more of those people wore the pride of the Delaware Tribe of Indians!

I am grateful for Chief Brooks's service to our tribe and intend to represent this scholar-

ship with the same level of integrity and grace he showed as a leader for us. I would also like to thank Chief KillsCrow for his continued investment in the Delaware youth. I personally know the impact these gifts and scholarships have on someone trying to make ends meet. As I move towards medical school, I will not soon forget the love and support of my tribe. ■

Olivia Hatch

First I would like to express my sincerest gratitude in receiving the Chet Brooks Memorial Scholarship. The former Chief cared deeply for the youth of the community and sought to support them. I am one whom he supported. I know that Chief KillsCrow has continued the amazing assistance for students. I will soon be graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Legal Studies and hope to continue on to the higher education that is law school. That would only be possible with the continued support that I have received from the Delaware Tribe of Indians. Being a part of such an encouraging community has given me the opportunity to follow my dreams and has also instilled in me the compassion that I have been shown. I hope to do as much for the Delaware Tribe of Indians as I can, including making all that have helped me along the way, proud. I encourage the youth of this community to take pride in their history and set no limits in what can be accomplished. I urge all students to take advantage of the educational help that the tribe provides. With such a benevolent body behind you, all you need is determination. ■

Ketchum's Town

Annette Ketchum

Numbered street names in Carmel, IN, changed to those of historical city figures in February, 2022. The historical figures were chosen after research was completed by the Carmel Clay Historical Society.

Two streets which would be of interest to Delaware readers is 5th Street South East which is now named East Ketchum Drive. George Ketchum was a Lenape tribe member whose family settled along Cool Creek in the early 1800s. After the War of 1812, Ketchum built a cabin near Smoky Row Road and Range Line Road. The other street renamed was 5th Street South East. It is now Burget Way, named for Barbara Burget, the mother-in-law of George Ketchum, who built a trading post near the White River in an area north of 96th Street between two Lenape villages.

Carmel is one of the fastest growing cities in the state of Indiana. It is hoped that the name changes will make it easier to travel in the city as the numbered streets were often confusing—even to the GPS.

The Ketchum family and Barbara Burget left the Carmel area in 1831 and joined the tribe in Kansas at the reservation where the U. S. Government moved the tribe. The Ketchums were exposed to so much prejudice and malice it was no longer safe for them in Indiana. However, the Ketchum family today is honored to have the streets named for its ancestors.

For those Ketchum descendants who would like to know more about George Ketchum's life in Indiana, go to <https://www.lulu.com/en/us/shop/a-j-wright/ketchums-town/paperback/product-evpgq5.html?page=1&pageSize=4>. The cost is \$12.

For further information about the renaming of Indianapolis streets, see the article "Numbered Street Names in Carmel Changing to Historical Figures" by Brittany Carloni in the February 1, 2022 edition of the Indianapolis Star. ■

Former Chief Curtis Zunigha Retires After Forty Years of Service to the Delaware Tribe

Dynamic leader oversaw reinstatement of federal recognition

Celeste Amadon

Never forget that Delaware men, women, and children were murdered by racist bands of white people—some wearing American military uniforms. That's our history. We survived every effort to eradicate our culture, our history, our language. When we recognize that, we can make a commitment to strengthen the pillars of our community: land and language.

These were some of the moving words our eloquent former chief Curtis Zunigha shared with me when I interviewed him on his retirement after forty years of service to the Delaware Tribe. His deep voice is resonant with commitment, wisdom and gravitas. A specific memory drove Zunigha's passion for strengthening the Tribe — the struggles of his grandmother, who attended Indian boarding school and was allotted Indian land but awaited federal funds so that she could fix the wellhouse on it—funds that never came. Zunigha became involved in Tribal government and took action inspired by her words and by watching her suffer as she didn't receive needed help because of holdups due to the complexities related to the federal recognition system. He

hoped to do something for her; regrettably, she died before trust monies were distributed. He was also motivated by witnessing the effect of assimilation on his grandmother, grandfather, father and father's siblings, who grew up at a time when the Delaware culture and our community were in decline.

In 1983, Zunigha was working for the oil field supply company that was owned by the chief of the Tribe, Louis Ketchum. After hours, he became an unofficial assistant in preparing Ketchum's political agenda for the Tribe. He became an increasingly visible presence after having grown up outside the Bartlesville community because his father was in the military even though he was 5th generation. Soon he was asked if he would fill a vacant seat on the Tribal Council's grievance committee.

Zunigha ran for office in 1994 when the Tribe needed a full-time leader to put the full court press on the federal government. On September 23, 1996, as the elected chief of the Tribe leading the effort to restore federal recognition, and after a 17-year lapse in federally recognized status, he opened the destiny-changing let-

ter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior recognizing the Delaware Tribe.

Over the subsequent decades he has served the Tribe in many leadership capacities, running the Tribe's Housing Program and building the Tribe's Child Support Program. For the last five years As Director of the Cultural Resources Department, Zunigha has spent the last five years answering the substantial challenge of building community. He has been working with young people to inspire them to want to learn the culture and to close the gap between the Tribe's older people and its youth. He has sought to develop modern ways to reach out to our tribal membership, recognizing that we must keep our membership informed and engaged so that we are not a tribe that is a mailing list and a check. For local members, this means hosting a broad array of cultural activities. For the larger, distributed membership, a compelling website which provides access to cultural information and Lenape language resources.

Zunigha is proud that he is leaving our Tribe so much better off than it was when he became active in 1983, and that

his daughter and grandchildren are practicing the Delaware culture. When I asked him about his greatest hope for the Tribe, he spoke of the survival and continuance of our distinct culture and language. He is highly aware of the challenges of attracting the diaspora of Delaware descendants to come back and of the Tribe's need to meet the challenges of modern day while never forgetting the sacrifices of our ancestors. He reminded me of the responsibility to take what was provided to us by our ancestors and grandparents who fought to the death to hold onto their land and their identity. To think about ourselves not as individuals but as inheritors of a generational obligation forged from 13,000 years of culture. And he didn't let me off the hook! Zunigha asked me about my history as a member of the Tribe who grew up in Washington State and suggested I make use of technology to reacquaint myself with the Tribe's language through our increasingly robust Lenape language website and to visit Oklahoma to become more familiar with our dances and songs. Zunigha is enthusiastic about the Tribe's efforts to develop tools to preserve and teach the Lenape language and to purchase more land, the former being the basis of our culture and the latter being the basis

of our sovereignty. Toward that end he supports the strategy to move into Kansas without giving up our Oklahoma home.

Our former Chief Curtis Zunigha is retiring from the Tribal administration, however, he is not leaving the Tribe. We'll still see him involved in efforts to preserve our culture and language. And he's excited to watch the next generation of leaders stepping up to the Tribe's current challenges. ■



Former Chief Curtis Zunigha with his daughter Erica Zunigha and granddaughter Cayla Marie Magee at the recent Delaware Powwow. Cayla was crowned the 2022/2023 Pow Wow Princess.

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Curtis Zunigha, Director of the Cultural Resources Department, has retired from tribal service effective June 1, 2022. He has served the Delaware Tribe in many capacities for nearly 40 years.

1983 – Appointed by Tribal Council to the Grievance Committee (precursor to the Delaware Tribal Court).

1984-88 – Elected to Tribal Council. Drafted Article 12 to Constitution (creation of Tribal Court) and presented to tribal membership for approval. Served as Assistant Chief 1987/88.

1989-91 – Tribal Manager – developed Trust Document; managed elections to approve Trust Document & elect first Trust Board.

1990-94 – Appointed by Oklahoma Governor to Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission.

1993 – Co-curated Delaware Big House Exhibit at Philbrook Museum of Art in Tulsa.

1994-98 – Elected Chief of the Delaware Tribe. Led restoration of Federal Recognition by BIA in 1996.

2000 – 2002 – Executive Director of Delaware Housing Authority.

2004-2008 – Elected to Tribal Council.

2009-2011 – Served as U.S. Census Bureau Manager of American Indian/Alaska Native Population Count for the 2010 Census.

2012 – 2014 – Tribal Manager & Housing Program Administrator.

2015-17 – Director of first Child Support Program. Created Family & Children Services Department and included Indian Child Welfare Program.

2017 – 2022 – Director of Cultural Resources Department. Developed the tribal museum and taught beginner Lenape language lessons to community members.

Curtis (born August 28, 1953) is a fifth-generation resident of Washington County. He is a descendant of the Wilson family from Copan, OK. In 2021 he received the AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honor for the State of Oklahoma. Curtis also served on the Delaware Tribe Cultural Preservation Committee and led tribal songs and social dances for many years.

As a veteran of the U.S. Air Force (Viet Nam-era 1972-78) Curtis served on the tribal Veterans Committee, Lenape Veterans Color Guard, and Lenape Gourd Dance Society. ■



From the Desk of Allan Barnes, Tribal Domicile Commissioner

Allan Barnes, Tribal Domicile Commissioner

Hello Hé Tribal members and friends. The Tribal Domicile is a branch of the Delaware Tribe of Indians that has regulatory authority over companies formed and licensed under the Title 18 and 27 business and insurance company acts. Our representatives of the Delaware Tribe of Indians Tribal Domicile recently attended the 2022 Agent Summit annual national conference. Chief Brad Killscrow, myself, Rhonda and Elaine of Tribal Support Services and Atty. Andy Weill of Weill & Mazer represented the Domicile and spoke with many industry professionals during the 3-day conference.

Chief Killscrow attended this conference for the second year running to help our team celebrate the Domicile's 10th anniversary! His presence was greatly received by the hundreds of professionals from across the country who expressed their appreciation for what our tribe has

accomplished and provided to the Automobile Industry. The Chief spoke with many leaders in insurance, banking and financial services. Our domicile team appreciated Chief Killscrow's representation and support.

The Domicile was originally formed in 2013 and has been serving a viable and growing segment as a domestic domicile and has attained a respected reputation for the formation of reinsurance companies. So, on May 15-18 we attended the Agent Summit at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, NV. Our remaining conference will be F&I (Finance & Insurance) in November in Phoenix AZ. For more information go to tribaldomicile.com or contact Commissioner Allan Barnes at abarnes@delawaretribe.org ■



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. Tribal members are only allowed to apply for two applications per fiscal year. Applications are con-

sidered on a case-by-case basis.

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 assis-

tance up to \$75.00 per month. 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 \$300.00. 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 \$400.00 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 or Mortgage Assistance: Available up to \$400.00 based on same criteria as emergency application and determined on a case-by-case basis.

Dental Assistance: Reinstated to \$300.00. Provides assistance for dental services including

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

Optical Assistance: Provides assistance for optical services to Delaware Tribal Members. Funds may be used for services, including glasses, exams or related costs up to \$200.00 annually. ■



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.

Trust Fund Higher Education School Scholarship: Delaware Tribal members attending college are eligible to apply. Currently, full-time students may apply for \$600 per semester for up to eight semesters and part-time students may apply for \$300 per semester up to 16 semesters. Semesters do not have to be consecutive. Applicants 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 February 15.

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.

As a reminder there are still applications available for children's education assistance. Applications are still being accepted for children Pre-K through 5th grade. Fully completed applications receive a Walmart gift card for \$20. These one-time applications may be found online at <https://delawaretribe.org/services-and-programs/educational-assistance>. Please mail your completed applications to the tribal offices at 5100 Tuxedo Blvd., Bartlesville, OK 74006 ■



<p>Child Support Services</p> <p>Noncustodial Parent Search</p> <p>Establish Paternity</p> <p>Establish, Enforce & Modify Orders</p> <p>Collection</p> <p>Disbursement</p> <p>918.337.6510</p>	 <p>DELAWARE TRIBE FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES</p>	<p>24 Hour Crisis Helpline</p> <p>Domestic Violence</p> <p>Sexual Assault</p> <p>Stalking</p> <p>Harassment</p> <p>Dating Violence</p> <p>Victim Advocacy</p> <p>918.331.7349</p>
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Copan Public School*



*Ashley Stacy
Mesa College*



*Blake Hancock
Owasso Public School*



*Brodie Matthews
Cove Springs
Christian Learning
Center*



*Dawn Kaahue
Rogers State University*



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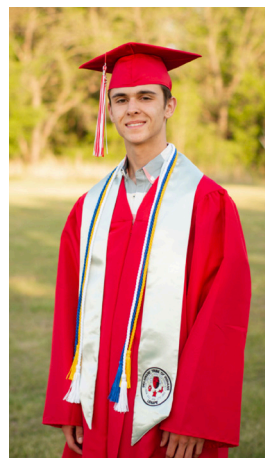


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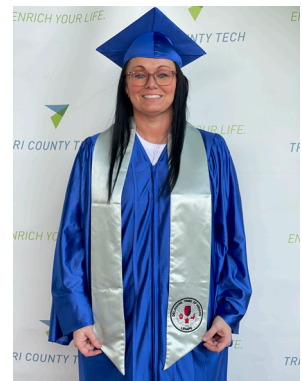
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High School*



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Tri County Tech*



*Jasmine Taylor
Pattonville High
School*



*Jesse Woodward
Ketchum High School*



*Logan Cann
Fort Walton Beach
High School*



*Mackenzie Barnes
Nowata High School*



*Melissa Vega
California State
University Chico*

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Bartlesville High
School*



*Wyatt Hanna
Oklahoma Union High
School*



*Nicholas Meadows
Bentonville West High
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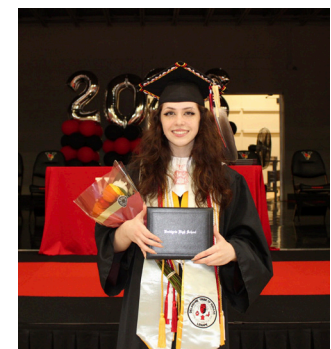
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High School*



*Madyson Tate
Dewey High School*



*Morgan Messimore
Verdigris High School*

Delaware Tribe of Indians Election Regulations

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 2016, 2018, or 2020 elections 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 2016, 2018, or 2020 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.

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

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.

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

Candidate Rights

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.

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. ■

Election 2022**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: _____ Chief _____ Tribal Council Member
 _____ Trust Board Member _____ Associate 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, 2022. No exceptions.

All Candidate Declaration forms must be mailed to:

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

Attention**Notice to 2022 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 2022 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 P.M. on September 15, 2022

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

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

Instructions for Voting in November 2022 Election!

On November 5, 2022 there will be an election for Chief, (3) Tribal Council seats, (3) Trust Board seats, and (1) Associate Tribal Judge seat. 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 (on page 20) and mail it in.

If you voted in the November 2016, 2018, or 2020 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. ■

2022 Delaware Election Bulletin

- Election Day is Saturday November 5, 2022
- The Chief Seat, (3) Tribal Council seats, (3) Trust Board seats, and (1) Associate Tribal Judge seat are up for election.
- There will also be a Special Question on the ballot.
- 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 2016, 2018, or 2020 will automatically receive an Absentee Ballot
- Tribal members not voting in 2016, 2018, or 2020 wanting to vote by Absentee Ballot will need to ensure their request for an Absentee Ballot is post marked by October 17, 2022
- 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 5, 2022
- Filing window for candidates to declare for a specific office is August 1 thru September 1, 2022. All candidate declaration forms must be submitted by U.S. Mail ONLY to Delaware Tribe Election Board, P.O. Box 1198 Bartlesville, OK 74005 and post marked by September 1.
- All requests for Absentee Ballots must be post marked by October 17, 2022 to receive a Absentee Ballot via U.S. Mail. Request forms must be submitted by U.S. Mail ONLY to Delaware Tribe Election Board, P.O. Box 1198 Bartlesville, OK 74005.
- Your tribal registration number 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 2022 Election Board ■

Obituaries

Paul James Dick

May 11, 1951 –
May 3, 2022

Chelsea resident, Paul James Dick, 70, passed away at his home on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. He was born to John and Ada Dick on May 11, 1951, in Claremore, Oklahoma. He graduated from White Oak Highschool and completed the Diesel Mechanic program at Okmulgee Tech. Paul was a proud member of the Cherokee, Shawnee, and Delaware Tribes and enjoyed going to tribal events and stomp dances. He enjoyed fishing but most of all loved spending time with his family and grandchildren. He loved his family and they as well as his many friends will miss him.

Preceding Paul Dick in death are his parents John and Ada Dick, 3 brothers and 3 sisters. Survivors include his wife Rhonda Hansford Dick; his children, Bradley Dick, and wife Jennifer, of Chelsea, Jennifer Bryant, and husband Craig, of Sand Springs, Ok., Daniel Dick and wife Michalle, of Tulsa, his children's mother, Karen Tiger, grandchildren, Tyra Dick, Kyle Kuebler, Bradley Kuebler, Adalynn Dick, Rhiannon Dick, McKenzie, Reign Winfrey, brother, Nathaniel "Hink" Dick and wife Andrea, of Broken Arrow, Ok., sister, Beverly Blalock, of Chelsea, many other relatives and a host of friends.

Graveside services for Mr. Dick were held 10:00 A.M., Friday, May 6, 2022, at the Loyal Shawnee Cemetery in Rogers County, Oklahoma. Online condolences may be left at honoringsmemories.com or see our Facebook page. Services are under the direction of Luginbuel Funeral Home of Vinita.

LuAnn Hainline



August 11, 1954 –
April 24, 2022

LuAnn Hainline passed away peacefully in Tulsa, Oklahoma on April 24th, 2022. She was born on August 11th, 1954 to Clive and JoAnn (Markley) Hainline. She was a lifetime Bartlesville resident. She graduated from Col High in 1972. While in high school she was head twirler in the high school band. She was elected band queen her senior year and listed as one of the "Top Twenty Outstanding Youth of the Country." She worked at K-Mart for 40 years as receiving manager.

LuAnn was a proud Delaware tribal member. She was known across Oklahoma Indian country. LuAnn was an interpreter in Indian sign language of the Lord's Prayer. In her youth, she modeled tribal regalia for the Bartlesville Indian Women's Club. She had previously served as Bartlesville's Diamond Jubilee Indian Heritage Pow-wow princess, Delaware Pow-wow princess, and head lady dancer of the Delaware pow-wow. At the time of her death, she was a very proud member of the Delaware Pow-wow committee. She enjoyed the Delaware Powwow and that was her happy place. LuAnn was an avid OU fan. She loved spending time with her granddaughter Dani Belle. She had a passion and love for cooking. She had an infectious laugh

and a smile for all.

LuAnn was preceded in death by her grandparents Roy and Leona (Belle) Shipley, her parents Clive Hainline and JoAnn Markley, and her beloved niece Debbie Hainline. She is survived by her son Jacob (Jake) Coffey, her granddaughter Dani Belle, her brothers Mark Hainline Sr., Greg Hainline, Chance Hainline, Tony Killscrow, and her sisters Cindy Batchelder and Tyra Hainline, and her nephews Mark Allen Hainline Jr., Chad Killscrow and Brad Killscrow. She leaves behind many other family and friends.

Visitation was held Wednesday, April 27 from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M. at Virginia Avenue Baptist Church. A wake was held April 27 at Virginia Avenue Baptist Church beginning at 7 P.M. Her funeral services were held at 9 A.M. Thursday, April 28 at Virginia Avenue Baptist Church. ■



Byron "Barney" LeRoy Heady, Jr.



February 9, 1941 –
March 30, 2022

Byron "Barney" LeRoy Heady, Jr. of Fayetteville, Arkansas, formerly of Jonesboro, walked through the gates of heaven Wednesday, March 30, 2022, met Jesus face to face, and once again wrapped his arms around his youngest daughter, Linda.

Barney was born February 9, 1941, to Byron and Eunice (Walling) Heady, Sr. in Coffeyville, Kansas. While in high school, he met and married the love of his life, Martha Haltom.

Barney was well known for his involvement in the Jonesboro community, first as an active member in the Jaycees starting in 1968 and later as the Manager of the Craighead County Fair. He helped in the transition of moving the Northeast Arkansas District Fair to Jonesboro in 1983, where he continued as fair manager for another 17 years until he retired as manager in 2000. Barney was able to work alongside assistant manager and longtime friend, Jerry Reece. They cemented themselves as the great veteran duo in the management of the fair for more than 33 years. Throughout his life, Barney was a mentor to many. An avid hunter and fisherman, he loved time with his fishing and hunting buddies and for many years was a member of the Antioch Hunting Club. He was a longtime member of Forest Home Church of the Nazarene, as well as a lifetime member of the Cherokee and Delaware Indian Tribes and was enrolled on both Indian rolls.

Barney's crowning achievement, however, and the one he was most proud of was his large and loving family. He and Martha raised three daughters with patience, discipline, and humility. He taught them to be fair, strong, a friend to those in need, and to always put others before themselves. He taught them how to fish, ride 3-wheelers, and raise animals. He supported them in every sport and activity they were involved in and never missed a softball, basketball, or volleyball game they played. When his grandchildren were in school, you could find Barney, once again, in

the stands cheering them on.

Barney was preceded in death by his daughter, Linda Kay Heady of Jonesboro; his parents, Byron and Eunice (Walling) Heady, Sr. of Coffeyville, Kansas; and his sister, Judith Kaiser (Heady) Brooks, of Independence, Kansas. His greatest passions in life were his commitment to his job, his service to his community, and his compassion for the ones he loved, especially his family.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Martha (Haltom) Heady of the home; daughter, Brenda (Heady) Vail and husband, Geron Vail, of Fayetteville, Arkansas; and daughter, Marcia Heady of Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina. Barney was the proud grandfather of five grandchildren: Andrea (John) Vail Wilson of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, Tiffany (John-Mark) Lamb Beaver of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Dustin Vail of Carrboro, North Carolina, Randi (Ty) Lamb Mitchell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Terah (Dane) Vail Munstermann of Fayetteville, Arkansas. He also leaves behind nine great grandchildren, whom he greatly adored: Caleb Wilson, Maci Mitchell, Dane Wilson, Ella Mitchell, Linus Vail, Allie Wilson, Florence Vail, Jack Beaver, and Genevieve Beaver. He is survived by sisters, Jo Ann (Calvin) Nicolas of Coffeyville, Kansas, and Jane (Victor Sr.) McDow of Paola, Kansas; brother, Haskell Heady of Coffeyville, Kansas; aunt's Frances (Walling) Evans, of Abilene, Texas, and Ruby "Skip" (Pierce) Heady of Coffeyville, Kansas. sisters-in-law, Roberta (Boots) Stallings, of Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Barbara Haltom of Hot Springs, Arkansas; brother-in-law, Dwight Brooks of Independence, Kansas; and many nephews, nieces, cousins, and close friends.

A celebration of life was held

Obituaries (cont.)

Friday, April 8, 2022, at Emerson Funeral Home, in Jonesboro, Arkansas. The family will receive visitors from 2:00-3:00 in the chapel, and a celebration to follow from 3:00-4:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to CARTI Cancer Center in Little Rock, Arkansas, in memory of Byron "Barney" Heady. ■



Dorothy Francis Wilson Jackson



July 15, 1920 –
June 21, 2022

Dorothy was called Home twenty-four days before her 102nd birthday. At the time of her passing she was the Delaware Tribe's oldest living fullblood.

Dorothy was born on her family's allotment in Delaware, Oklahoma. Her father was Anderson Wilson, her mother was Lillie Parker Wilson. Dorothy's maternal grandparents were George Parker and Mary Bigfield Parker. Her paternal grandparents were Adam Wilson and Amanda Bascomb Wilson.

She graduated from Delaware High School and later attended the Haskell Indian School, getting a degree in Business. After college, Dorothy got a job with the Depart-

ment of Interior, in Washington, DC. Once WWII broke out, her department was moved to Chicago, Illinois. Ultimately, Dorothy got homesick, and was transferred to the Osage Agency in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, where she worked until 1947.

Dorothy then moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma and started a job at Flint Steel Corp. She worked for Flint Steel from 1947 until it closed in 1983. She moved from being a drafting room clerk to secretary of one of the Vice Presidents. Dorothy was a dedicated employee and was the last person to leave the building when Flint Steel Corp. closed. It was during this time she also met her husband, Cecil Jackson. The two married in 1949.

While she enjoyed many pursuits two of her favorite were archery and painting. She won many archery competition trophies, and her artwork won her many ribbons at Tulsa County and Tulsa State Fairs.

Dorothy was extremely proud of being Lenape, and a citizen of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. It brought her joy to see her descendant's dance; embraced Lenape culture and traditions; and be active citizens in the Delaware Tribe of Indians.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband Cecil Jackson; her brother Titus Wilson; and sister Ethel Quay Martin. She was also preceded in death by her two stepsons Cecil Jackson, Jr. and Michael Jackson.

Dorothy is survived by her son Kenny Brown and his wife, Vicky; her two grandsons Kenneth Duane Brown, and Rusty Creed Brown, and his husband, John Dukewits; her granddaughter Carrie Hope Hosey, and her husband, Max; her great granddaughters Alyssa Quay Hosey, and Shelby Lane Brown; and her many great great grandchildren. ■

Jason Shane Nunnallee



October 4, 1972 –
April 21, 2022

Jason Shane Nunnallee passed away peacefully in his home on Thursday, April 21, 2022, in Burbank, Oklahoma. He was forty-nine years old. Jason was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma on October 4, 1972, to James S. (Butch) Nunnallee and Cheryl L. (Bates) Nunnallee.

He graduated from Nowata High School in 1990 and became a welder by trade, but had many other talents; operating equipment, driving a truck, and performing mechanical work, Jason could fix anything if he wanted to.

Jason and his brother Lance often worked together performing work while traveling around the country. Later, Jason worked for Himself, welding, operating his track hoe and mechanical work.

He was a colorful character and enjoyed fast cars, showing cattle, when showing cattle his AKA was Twister from Spin City Texas. He liked running big equipment, enjoying life with the ladies and Crown Royal. His little buddy CW (Connor Wade) was his very best buddy. Jason also had a way with dogs, Niko and later Rufus were his ride or die, being in the truck everywhere it went. When he drove truck His CB Handle was Stock yard, Jason had a quick wit and funny answer for everything.

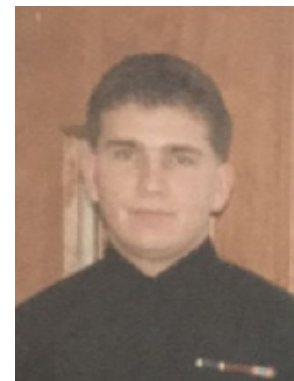
Jason was preceded in death by his father Butch Nunnallee, brother Lance Nunnallee and both paternal and maternal grandparents.

Jason is survived by his mother Cheryl Nunnallee, and nephew Connor Wade Nunnallee of Burbank. Along with Aunts, Uncles, and cousins. Jason could make friends with about anybody, he had a special group of guys that he considered family Scott Smith, Chad Smith, Bob Simmons and sons Cameron, Trey, Dalton, and a host of friends around the country.

Visitation was held Friday, April 29, 2022, at Nowata Stumpff Funeral Home from 4:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. under the direction of Nowata Stumpff Funeral Home. ■



Johnny Wayne "Paycheck" Payton



August 14, 1962 –
September 12, 2021

Johnny Wayne "Paycheck" Payton was born August 14th, 1962 in Salem, Mo and raised in Indianapolis, IN. He was a man who had a strong faith in God. He was a loving husband, son, brother, father, grandfather, and friend. Johnny was a veteran of the United States Navy. He was well known in the Automotive Sales Industries. People who knew Johnny in the Automotive Business knew him as Paycheck. Everyone who

met him would instantly know of his wit and sportsman like charm. Johnny loved playing and watching sports. He enjoyed fishing, playing with dog Parker, and most of all loved golf. Johnny loved a good phone conversation with his family and friends, especially his best friend Mike Larsh. Johnny enjoyed the Casino and making side bets on football with his kids and friends. Johnny had a passion for coaching football and giving back to the sport he loved so much. Any team or kid he coached had great success.

Johnny Payton is preceded by his Mother Goldie Payton and brother Ronnie Payton.

He is survived by his wife Janie Payton Chattanooga, TN, two son's John-Michael Payton and Amy Spurr and Christopher Payton and wife Aimee Payton Indianapolis, IN, his grandchildren Chase Payton, Averie Payton, Mason Payton, Austin Metcalf, and Asia Metcalf, his father Bert Payton Jr, his brothers Bert Payton III and wife Renee Payton, Jeff Payton and wife Lori Payton, and sister Debra Lamping and husband Kevin Lamping, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held at 1 P.M. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at Heritage Funeral Home East Brainerd Chapel. Burial followed at Chattanooga National Cemetery.

A visitation was held from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Tuesday, September 21, at the funeral home. ■



Obituaries (cont.)

Paul Lee Wheeler



April 15, 1935 –
April 5, 2020

Paul Lee Wheeler peacefully entered into the presence of his Lord on April 5, 2020 at the age of 84. He was born April 15, 1935 in Joplin, Missouri. Paul was the youngest son of Elwood and Willa Wheeler.

His family moved to Los Angeles, California when Paul was a young boy. He attended Dorsey High School in Los Angeles, CA. Paul fell in love with the girl of his dreams, Lorraine Schlager. The two met at J.J.Newberry department store where they both worked, Paul as a waiter, Lorraine as a checkout girl. They were married August 7, 1954 and had 60 amazing years together. They raised their three boys, Steven, Terry, and Darryl in Rancho Palos Verdes. Paul coached their sport teams, and listened to countless surf stories from his boys. He was a loving father and taught his boys how to fish, and how to fix and construct everything! Paul and Lorraine loved to play tennis, they joined the Elks Club, Rancho Verde Racquet Club, and then spent 15 years at the Jack Kramer

Club playing tennis, as well as serving on the Board of Directors.

Paul attended USC after High School and later worked at the Rescue Army, a family owned non-profit organization that his father set up in 1943. Paul also started a successful furniture manufacturing business, Morgan Creek, which he operated until Lorraine fell ill. After Lorraine's illness, he was her loving and faithful caretaker for close to fifteen years before she went home to be with the Lord. Paul was a member of Rolling Hills Covenant Church for many years. He loved the Lord and lived to bring Him glory in every area of his life. He is remembered for always reading his bible and relating his struggles in life to God's ultimate plan.

Paul is survived by his three sons, eleven grandchildren and

ten greatgrandchildren. Son, Steven Paul Wheeler, his wife Lori, their children Shannon and Chase. Son, Terry Lee Wheeler, his wife Deniece, their children Desiree and husband Logan Webster, their children Eden, Benson, and Addison.

Jordan and wife Seri, their sons Greyson and Rhys. Dillan and wife Jillian, their son Milo. Austan Wheeler, Cheyenne Wheeler, and Shannon Wheeler. Son, Darryl John Wheeler, his wife Debbie, their daughters Ashley and husband Michael Khan, their children Diesel and Giana. Justine Wheeler, and Taylor Wheeler, her daughters Taylin and Tiana.

Dad, we love you so much. You will be greatly missed and forever in our hearts. We look forward to being united together in Eternity with our Lord! ■

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. ■

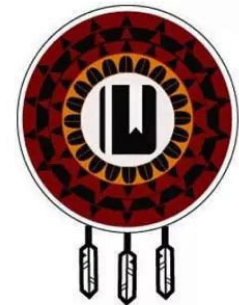
Donations for Education Scholarships Gratefully Accepted

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

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Send donations to

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



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 ■



From the Enrollment Department

Emily Wade, Enrollment Director

In our efforts to maintain accurate records, the Enrollment Department is requesting that you email Emily with your update information requests at enrollment@delawaretribe.org. You can also find the member update information form on our website at <https://delawaretribe.org/home-page/enrollment/>. ■

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Bartlesville, OK 74006
918-337-6590

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Caney, KS 67333
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Tribal Web Site:
www.delawaretribe.org
General Email:
tribe@delawaretribe.org

Meet Brittany!

Supportive Housing Advocate



Welcome to the team!

Brittany is a member of the Delaware Tribe. She moved here from Georgia in 2016 to be closer to family. She went to RSU for my Associates in General Arts. Then continued on to finish her Bachelors online through Southern New Hampshire, finishing with a Degree in Human Services with concentration in Child and Family Services.

Why FCS?

It took a long time to figure out what exactly I wanted to go to school for and ended up with the degree I have because of a church friend who was in this same field. I admired the work she did and how she treated her clients. I thought I could be good at something similar, but never thought I would ever get to use my degree.

That's exactly why I'm happy to be here. I am excited about having an environment of good working practices, relatable values, and a supportive atmosphere. Along with being able to contribute my skills to achieve positive outcomes and make a difference.

Update From the Delaware War Mothers

Katie Maynor

Do you love a veteran? Come and check out the Delaware War Mothers (DWM) and bring a veteran with you! The Veterans Committee and DWM will meet at the same time and day so we will have the opportunity to collaborate together. This organization consists of Native American women who are representing veterans of all races. We also accept women of all races who are representing a Native American Veteran. Our group has become so small that we are trying to keep it alive for our future generations. For anyone thinking about joining please come to at least one meeting. We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 P.M. at tribal headquarters. For additional information please contact Katie Maynor at (918) 397-0313. ■



DELAWARE TRIBAL COURT
601 HIGH STREET
CANEY, KS 67333
918-337-6571

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS
TRIBAL COURT

JUN 21 2022

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EMILY JANE WADE, Petitioner)

IN THE MATTER OF)
EMILY JANE WADE)

Case No. CV-2022-001

Judge: CHARLES TRIPP

PUBLICATION NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Name change to maiden name, as Petitioner no longer wishes to be known by her married name.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, including but not limited to any and all Creditors.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 11, 2022 in the Delaware Tribal Court, located at 601 High Street in Caney, Kansas 67333, hearing will be conducted at 1:30 p.m., to establish the facts herewith to determine if such changing of name should be granted.

Witness my hand on this 20th day of June, 2022.

Charles Tripp
JUDGE OF THE TRIBAL COURT

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 ELIZABETH BRYANT Cherokee Nation	 JASMINE LAMAS Cibola Indian Community	 JONATHAN ARAKAWA Lenahe-Pawnee Nation	 JOVI WILLIAMS Mish-Sani-Sand of Ojibwa	 KANYEN MOUSSEAUX DEGAY Ojibwa, Lenape, Seneca, Pawnee	 KARI MONTERO Cherokee Nation	 KIERA TOVA Pawnee of Texas	 LOURDES PEREIRA Mish-Sani-Sand of Ojibwa	
 MACI SCHOTT Pawnee Nation	 MORGAN MESSIMORE Delaware Tribe of Indians	 NATHAN SOLBRIG Bridgewater Shoshone	 LILY PAINTER Delaware Tribe of Indians	 SAMUEL LOPEZ Tulsa Cherokee Nation	 SAMUEL UUYAVUK SCHIMMEL Kumeyaam Indian Tribe	 SHANELLE LAVALLIE Pawnee and Lenape	 TRUMAN PIPSTEM Eastern Shawnee of Cherokee Nation	 LETICIA CERVANTES Lenape



Elder Interview with Dee Ketchum

Tonya Anna



Dee Ketchum was Chief from 1998-2002. He was born at home in 1938. He graduated from KU in 1962 with a B.S. and in 1965 with a Master's in Education.

Question: What are some of your fondest memories from your childhood?

Answer: As I look back upon my childhood, I can't overlook my parents' divorce having an impact on me at an early age; however, it drove me toward sports. I wasn't a good student, but I excelled on the court and playing field. I often say, recess in elementary school was when I could be better than all the other boys at something. Recently, a school friend from 1st thru 12th grades reminded me that our teams never had a loss from elementary school through junior high school.

Spending time with my grandfather Ketchum (Charlie) as a

youngster, going around to check his wells and riding in his truck and drinking all the pop I wanted is a fond memory. He was an oil driller. As a youngster, I would take his tobacco bag and put in my pocket and carry it for him. He called me "Bull Durham." I remember my Aunt Katy Curleyhead Berry, who was like a grandmother because her sister, my grandmother, was deceased long before I was born. Summers I stayed with Aunt Kate while my mother worked. She would take me to the golf course and drop me off and I would spend the day playing. She would come get me before Mother returned to take me home. All good memories.

Question: What part of our culture or traditions do you hold important?

Answer: I hold the Delaware culture as highly important, although when I was young I had little exposure to songs, dances, games, ceremonies, etc. [I did hear the old folks talk Indian, as we called it.] I knew I was Delaware from an early age. I only saw brown faces since both my father and mother were Delaware. I have learned since that my mother also had some Cherokee blood from her father. When I was about 40 I got my straight dance clothes together and came out at an Osage dance, instruct-

ed by Evans Ray Sapahoodle, a Kiowa educator. Then I returned to Bartlesville and my relative, Leonard Thompson, who was the Delaware Ceremonial Chief, asked me to assist him in the ceremonies and burials. I did this for about 20 years. I switched to traditional dancing, but I helped several of our Delaware men who decided to start straight dancing.

The year I returned, I became friends with Troy LittleAxe and he was a stomp dance leader. I decided to teach myself to lead. I had been stomp dancing at the Delaware Powwow for years, but never could lead. I worked at it, practiced with Marc Fall Leaf, as he was starting to lead dance. My wife started shell shaking, so we worked together and went to Creek dances and dances over at Miami. More and more Delaware men were getting interested and we soon had a posse and men who could lead and women who could shake shells. I remember in 1984 we were at the Fall Leaf grounds at a birthday party for Joanne Markley and she said lets stomp—Dee take a lead. I said I can't. That's all it took and I started. I didn't want the Delaware to lose that from our culture, although it wasn't our culture until we were in Kansas in the early 1800s. [I was told a Creek woman married a Delaware and that's how we got started stomping.]

In 1990 our newly written Trust Document included a

Culture Preservation Program among its programs. The Culture Preservation Committee made it their project to bring back the old cultural songs and dances. Jim Rementer was on the committee, he had the old reel-to-reel and cassette tapes of our songs and dances sung by men in the 1960s and earlier. I learned all the songs and dances, learned to tie the water drum and our group began to do programs at various venues. I served on the Tribal Council from 1986-2002 and all during that time and after I participated in Delaware culture in many ways.

Question: What advice would you like to give our youth?

Answer: My greatest joy would be to see our young men and women participating in our culture. We have a few who are learning the cultural songs and dances as an outgrowth of the camps Curtis Zunigha organized during summers for students. I would like to see our youth taking advantage of the Lenape Language classes on the Delaware Talking Dictionary website. I believe much of what there is to learn can be done so by families studying those lessons and exposing their children to the language while they are young.

Our youth must continue their education after high school. I would advise every parent and grandparent to, as much as you

can, encourage your children to learn a profession, a trade, a job skill and go as long as it takes to acquire the education it takes to get the job you want. Work is a virtue. Work is a means to an end and builds esteem in an individual. Choose the military if you "cannot decide what you want to be when you grow up." I got my education through a basketball scholarship at The University of Kansas. I wasn't prepared to do college level classes. I had tutors, had to get a grasp of English before I could take college level classes. I had to take "Bonehead English." And, I had to make my grades to be eligible to play ball. Remember students, don't give up, don't say "I can't." Don't take the road of least resistance. Every one of our Delaware youths are capable of some level of achievement. If I could do it, you can too.

Above all, don't allow alcohol or drugs to rob you of your potential. Listen to your parents or other responsible elders who have your best interest in mind. Life is not about pleasure for the moment or money. It is about God and relationships. ■

Delaware Tribe Gift Shop Update

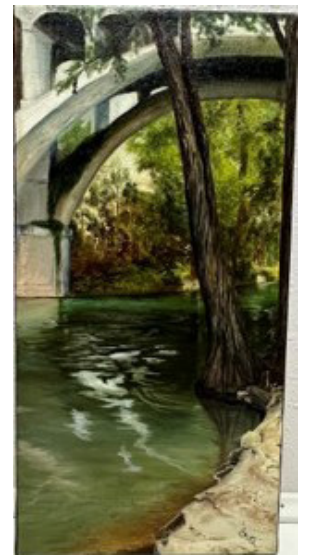
Our Gift Shop now has satin jackets with the tribal seal and a quilted liner. They come in red or black and are available in sizes Large, X-Large and 2-XL. Other sizes are available by special order. All gift shop items can be purchased online at www.delawaretribe.org/shop/. Major credit cards accepted and your purchase can be picked up or mailed. For more information call Anita Mathis at (918) 337-6595 or (918) 338-9919. Wanishi ■



Congratulations to our Delaware Featured Artists Linda Rao, Sheri Griscom, and Marilyn Ragan!



(Left) *Gone the Glory Days*
(Right) *Along the Guadalupe*
(Below) *Fossil*
Oil Paintings
Sheri Griscom



(Top Left) *Two Scouts*
(Above) *Chief's Headdress*
(Left) *The Challenger*
Linda Rao



**Absentee Ballot Request
Delaware Tribe of Indians
November 5, 2022 Election**

I hereby request an absentee ballot for the 2022 Delaware Tribal Council, Trust Board, 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 17, 2022** 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 Mask
Acrylic Pour Painting
Marilyn Ragan



Two Firebird Feathers
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**2022 Election Board Members For
Approval by Tribal Council and Trust
Board.**

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| Chair | Elaine Clinton |
| Member | Katie Maynor |
| Member | Tara Madden |
| Member | Sandy Tompkins |
| Member | John Wheelock |

