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News from the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

Issue 7

## **Supreme Court ruling preserves Indian Child Welfare Act**



The U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday issued a ruling preserving a decades-old system that gives preference to Native American families in foster care and adoption proceedings of Native children, rejecting a broad attack from some Republican-led states and white families that argued the system is based on race.

In a 7-2 ruling, the court left in place the 1978 Indian Child Welfare Act, which was enacted to address concerns that Native children were being separated from their families and, too frequently, placed in non-Native homes. (The Journal Record, June 16, 2023).

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION

SATURDAY, SEPT. 9, 2023

Candidates for Secretary
Deborah L. Littlefield
Jacqueline Yarbrough
Kathie Kent

NOTICE TO REGISTERED VOTER: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THE ELECTION BOARD HAS YOUR CORRECT NAME AND ADDRESS AT LEAST 15 DAYS PRIOR TO ANY ELECTION.

### Voter Registration closes August 10th, 2023.

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You're Invited! Business Committee Meetings to be held July 12 & 26, 2023 at Blue-Jacket Building. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday each month.

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### The Chief's Report . . .



Chief Glenna J. Wallace

Hatito Fellow Tribal Citizens,

The months of May and June have been filled with good legal news for tribes throughout the United States and especially our Eastern Shawnee Tribe. For example, consider the following headline:

"ICWA STANDS! Supreme Court Affirms Indian Child Welfare Act." Just recently the United State Supreme Court issued a ruling that protects tribal sovereignty and the rights of Native American families when it comes to adoption and foster-care proceedings involving Native children. The court's opinion in the case Haaland v. Brackeen upheld the federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), a 1978 law by a 7-2 margin. The nation's highest court ruled that ICWA does not discriminate on the basis of race and does not impose an undue burden on states. Justice Neil Gorsuch who has become a legal champion for Native American issues wrote "Congress exercised (its) lawful authority to secure the right of Indian parents to raise their families as they please, the right of Indian children to grow in their culture, and the right of Indian communities to resist fading into the twilight of history." The ICWA victory comes upon the heels of three tribes in Ottawa County receiving legal affirmations that their reservation lands had not been disestablished

Then there's the news that the Ohio House of Representatives voted to establish a Native American Cemetery for tribes if they wish to bury their Ohio Native American human remains there. It is expected that the Senate will follow the House's lead by June 30. This is a bill several of us have sought for several years.

And just recently Ohio History Connection received written confirmation that our World Heritage nomination dossier was accepted with no objections. That left us with just one concern—the United States had not paid its World Heritage dues for many years due to a political issue regarding Palestine and worried if that would have a negative impact upon our Ohio mounds being accepted as World Heritage sites. The stars are in our favor because last week the United States voted to pay in full its delinquent UNESCO dues. That clears the way for us to travel to Saudi Arabia in September to receive official confirmation honoring our ancestors. I can't wait!

Then we have exciting local news. Our AOA or Title VI Elders Program Director Whitney Morgan assisted in writing a submission for the US Aging Innovation and Achievement awards for the Car BINGO program initiated during the pandemic. She and other local directors will be recognized at the US Aging Conference this July. This is a phenomenal achievement and resulted in their receiving national recognition for the work that they do. Whitney states she is honored to be able to represent the Eastern Shawnee Tribe. We are so proud of her. We also have exciting news about our Splash Pad which had a soft opening June 12. Our little ones made us proud when they presented thank you gifts to the Branco employees who worked so hard making our Ohio Valley and Ohio River Splash Pad an amazing site. Our youngsters prepared hand made thank you cards for each employee plus pre-

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### **Treasurer Report**

### Submitted by Justin Barrett, Business Committee Treasurer

#### Totem:

I wanted to address questions regarding Totem. There seems to be a lot of confusion regarding Totem based on Business Committee meetings and Facebook posts on the "Discussion Board". These are being sent to myself and other Business Committee members.

#### What is the agreement?

The only agreement the Tribe has with Totem is a NON-binding Letter of Intent (LOI). The LOI is only for a Co-Marketing Partnership. Under this agreement the Tribe gets a percentage of the interchange revenue on every purchase when a tribal member uses a Totem debit card.

### How much did the Tribe invest or spend?

The Tribe did not invest in Totem. The Co-Marketing Partnership is at ZERO cost to the Tribe.

### Do tribal members have to open a Totem account?

No. Tribal members do not have to open a Totem account. This is being offered as an additional service if a tribal member is looking for another banking relationship. I personally use Chime and Venmo to send money back and forth to people. I can now do that on

the Totem app for free and when that money is spent the Tribe now gets part of that revenue.

#### Does this effect People's Bank?

This does not have an impact on People's Bank. Totem was offered as an additional banking service especially for tribal members who do not live around the tribal headquarters or a People's Bank location. As you all know most of the tribal members do not live near the headquarters. The Tribe does not have any money in a Totem account.

### Will Totem process benefit claims?

Health and Social Services will continue to process claims like normal until the new ARTIC software that is being built in modules to replace Ritetrack is operational. Totem will not process benefit claims. The payment processing part of Totem is if we wanted to give everyone a debit card and load payments onto the card by an ACH transfer. We are not doing that. Totem does not have access to any tribal member information.

I am more than happy to discuss this with any tribal member. You can contact me at jbarrett@estoo.net or feel free to contact any other member of the

Business Committee.

#### Government Building (below):

On June 14th I presented high level conceptional designs of the exterior of the new government building we are building on the 10C Complex. This was funded by resolution of the Business Committee and signed by the Chief. The Tribe was able to take \$10 million of ARPA funds as a government set aside with less restrictions on how that funding could be used. One of the categories that was available under the set aside was administration buildings. We set aside \$6 million of ARPA funds and \$4 million of tribal funds for this project. There are no grants available to build administration buildings. All the buildings on the 10C Complex have been built with grants. We are currently waiting on CR Crawford the general contractor to build a detailed budget for this project. This building was on the master plan 12 years ago when I was a summer intern and has always been discussed but we never had the funding to do the project. When the ARPA set aside funds became available this was the perfect opportunity to start the pro-



Front and back views of new government building.

## Candidate for the Position of Secretary Kathie Kent



Hello, my name is Kathie Kent, and I am asking for your vote in the upcoming election for Business Committee Secretary. I currently reside in Ponca City, Oklahoma with my husband Garland Kent, Jr. of 23 years. We have four children, ten grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. Before moving to Ponca City 23 years ago, I grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I am the daughter of the late Charles and Lorene White, both of Shawnee descent, I lived there and attended Tulsa Junior College where I received my degree in Small Business Administration. I then went on to further my education at the University of Tulsa in Finance and Accounting.

I am running for Secretary because I feel like I can be an asset in this position with the knowledge and skill set I have acquired throughout my career. I have acquired strong analytical ability and pay close attention to detail. I am also skilled in learning new concepts quickly while working well under pressure.

Many of my career years were

spent in the Oil and Gas Industry as Senior Accountant for Samson Resources. Samson was one of the largest privately owned companies in Tulsa. I worked for Samson for 19 years and most of those years were with the Drilling Department. After the company was sold in 2012, I took a year off to stay home and help with my grandchildren. An opportunity then presented itself and I returned to work in a tribal setting for the Otoe Missouria Gaming Commission. During my time there, I worked as an Internal Control Auditor. In this capacity I made sure audits were complete and properties stayed in compliance with the National Indian Gaming Commission. After a few years I was approached to work for the tribe's casino as Human Resources Assistant Property Manager for their South properties. There I was trained and certified as a Tribal Human Resource Professional and was a member of the National Native American Human Resources Association. I worked in this capacity for some time before moving to the Ponca Tribe as Finance Director. With my background in accounting, I felt this position was a better fit. However, it was during my time with the Ponca Tribe that the pandemic hit, and I made the decision to retire early from the work force.

I am now retired and enjoy being home and spending time with my family. I was raised in the Native American Church, and I also support our White Oak stomp grounds. Through our grandparents, our family has a place at the Seneca Cayuga ceremonial ground where we participate in cultural traditions as well. Additionally, my husband and I enjoy attending powwows to visit friends and family when time allows. It has always been a pleasure, and honor, to attend dances and church meetings with my family and carry on the great traditions of our relatives.

I am asking for your support in the upcoming election because I feel like my experience can bring value and a diverse perspective to the tribe. Working in different settings, both corporate and tribal, has taught me the importance of being both adaptable and open-minded. I am committed to integrity, honesty, and fairness and will work my hardest for the continued success, and growth, of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe. My desire is not to bring forth any specific agenda- it is only to serve tribal members in any way I can over the next four years. I humbly ask for your vote.

## ELECTION BOARD

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## Candidate for the Position of Secretary Jacquelin Yarborough



Hatito, fellow tribal family. My name is Jacqueline (JJ) Yarbrough and I'm officially running for Secretary of the Business Committee. It would be my absolute honor and I want you to know why I think you should vote for me.

First off, I have been married to my awesome and inspiring husband, Chris, for 12 years now. Together, we have one son, Maxfield. He is the light of our lives, and we enjoy watching him learn and grow. I know more about space and the cosmos than I ever have! Thanks, Max.

Our tribe has been a part of my life for many years now. I have been in and out of working within the tribe for 19 years. Starting in 2004, I have worked at Bordertown, Indigo Sky, Outpost Casino, and in our tribal administration. My administrative work includes working in social services and vital statistics, while also being on the pow wow committee and the election board liaison simultaneously. I immensely enjoyed the fulfilling work of being in those positions. From processing your reimbursements to getting your little ones

enrolled, I have had many positive interactions that I carry with me to this day.

Currently, I work at Indigo Sky in the poker room. I have never had this experience before and am fortunate enough to gain another set of skills within our business. Through physically working in our own businesses, I have gained invaluable experience. Not only how they operate, but what needs to change. That is what I bring to the metaphorical table.

The term nepotism: the practice among those with power or influence of favoring relatives, friends, or associates, especially by giving them jobs.

This is currently happening. It only benefits certain people within certain groups of families. It's blatant and obvious to anyone tribal or not. Every tribal member should be treated equally when it comes to OUR own property. Now, this doesn't mean the traditional switch of so called "power" and every person that has participated in this inequality made to leave. This means that others will be lifted up. I want to work with each tribal member to make sure they are safe and fulfilled within our tribe. Nepotism will turn into solidarity within our tribal properties should I be elected.

Communication is key and we must work together to grow and prosper. There is an astronomical gap between the executives and the ones that do the physical work for us. A hierarchy is not needed but is currently present. I will work WITH each person to get this rectified, but with zero disciplinary action. I'm still for EVERY tribal member. Communication will help with this current issue. We need to speak up and speak to each other for all of us to benefit. I'll bridge this gap by bring-

ing anyone who wants to participate to the ever growing "table".

I'm going to push for a better work/life balance within ALL our businesses. That means higher pay, more paid time off, and bringing quality help to our workers. The people who give us their time and energy need help in more meaningful ways, not pins and food parties. Doing this will fill their personal cups and, in return, help our tribe in ways that we have not seen before. I'm prepared to work with current management to get there.

Comparing ourselves with other tribes and their businesses can be both positive and negative. We have casinos close to ours that pay more of a base rate than we do. We have some that have childcare close to their casino for their workers. One even has a clinic onsite for their workers to go in and pay a minimal fee that comes out of their paycheck. Why do we compare ourselves to these others and do the opposite of what we should be doing? Casinos are saturated, let's make ours the best. Instead of going one dollar lower per hour than our competitors, let's do better!

Tribal family, I come to you with love, motivation, innovation, and creativity. I need you to elect me for this position. I will be YOUR voice. My history with our wonderful tribe has led me to this opportunity. Let me show you what I've learned and what I can do for you.

My goal is to have open communication between myself and all tribal members. You can contact me on Facebook, or my email is jasmine3187@gmail.com. I sincerely look forward to speaking with you and answering any questions that you may have.

Much love to you and yours. JJ Yarbrough

### Candidate for the Position of Secretary Deborah Littlefield



Greetings fellow tribal members,

My name is Deborah Littlefield, and I am presently serving as the Secretary of the Business Committee. Prior to serving on the Business Committee, I was a member of the Election Board. I consider

being allowed to serve on these committees an honor.

I am married to Jerry Littlefield, and we live near Grove, Oklahoma. We have been married for 49 years and have three grown children and five grandchildren. I am a retired Registered Nurse, and I earned my degree as a Nurse from the RN Program at NEO College in Miami, Ok. I previously worked for Integris Hospitals and the State of Oklahoma as a Home Visiting Nurse varied business background having worked as a secretary for a lawyer, working in a bank and the insurance offices of a hospital. I also co-managed a business owned by my husband and myself in Grove, Okla. for 40 years. Owning a business taught me the importance of standing behind your work and word, being honest and fair with your customers and caring about your community.

I am seeking re-election for a second term as I have considered being the Secretary of the Business

Committee an honor. I have enjoyed working with past and present committee members and being able to serve our tribe in a capacity that I feel is important - handling the business of the tribe. I take this very seriously and my goal is to serve our tribe with honesty, integrity and fairness to all tribal members. I feel it is advantageous that I understand the workings of the Business Committee and the projects that we are currently working on. I am a team player and I sincerely work towards those best interests of our tribal members. I have truly enjoyed being a part of a Business Committee where all work well together. I have a true heart for the people and would consider it an honor if you consider giving me your vote in the upcoming election for Secretary of the Business Committee. I promise to always listen to you and to work hard toward the financial goals of our tribe.

### VENDORS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S POW WOW

2023 Shawna Stovall Children's Back to School Pow Wow is looking for Vendors food, crafts, & etc. for Saturday August 5th located at Eastern Shawnee Tribal Pow Wow grounds near Seneca, Missouri. Please contact Dian Randall at (918) 540-9970 or email drandall@estoo.net for more information.

## **COVID Testing & Vaccinations BEARSKIN HEALTH CENTER**

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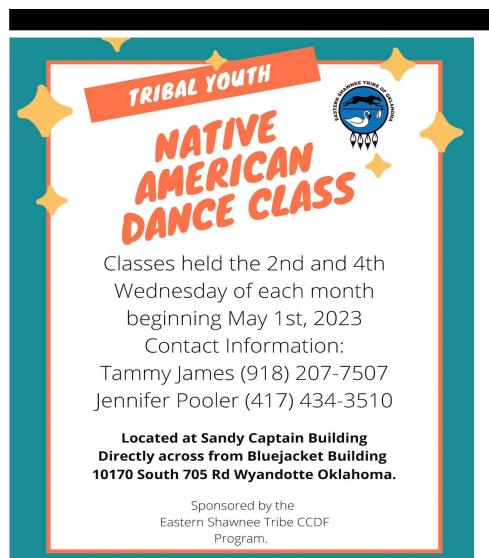
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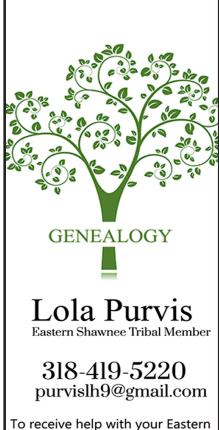
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### **EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

### Emergency Rental Assistance Program By Amber Mittag, Education and Specialized Services

The purpose of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Emergency Rental Assistance Program is to provide direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing. This program will make available a limited amount of assistance to households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This program will serve eligible households and is subject to available program funding. **Eligibility:** 

- Qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced a financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to the Covid-19 outbreak.
- 2. Demonstrates a risk of experienc-

- ing homelessness (rent) or housing instability (utilities and other expenses); and
- 3. Has a household income at or below 80 percent of your area median (FY 2020).

Shawnee genealogy research text your name and phone number.

#### **Assistance Provided:**

- 1. Rent
- 2. Rental arrears
- 3. Utilities (electric, gas, water and sewer, fuel oil)
- 4. Utility arrears
- 5. Internet

Eligible households may apply and receive up to three months of assistance at a time, provided funds are available. A maximum of 12 months assistance or \$3,000, whichever should come first.

For more information please contact Amber Mittag, Education Coordinator, (918) 238-2424 or amittag@estoo.net or applications may be found on our website, www. estoo-nsn.gov

## **Bearskin Healthcare Service Guide**

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Audiology	<ul> <li>Must be seen by provider at Bearskin Healthcare once every three years to be eligible.</li> <li>Must be authorized prior to visit by Healthcare</li> <li>Services must be provided by a Bearskin contracted provider</li> <li>AS FUNDING ALLOWS</li> </ul>	· \$1000 per ear towards hearing aids · \$75 per hearing exam (Hearing aids will only be replaced every five years. If lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed before reaching the five-year mark, it will be the owner's responsibility to replace these appliances.)
Adult Emergency Dental	<ul> <li>Must be seen by practitioner at Bearskin Healthcare once every three years to be eligible.</li> <li>Must be authorized prior to visit by Healthcare</li> <li>Services must be provided by a Bearskin contracted provider</li> <li>AS FUNDING ALLOWS</li> </ul>	Up to \$1,000 per year     Services provided:     Limited x-ray     Limited exam     Extractions
Children's Dental	<ul> <li>Must be seen by practitioner at Bearskin Healthcare once every three years to be eligible.</li> <li>Must be authorized prior to visit by Healthcare</li> <li>Services must be provided by a Bearskin contracted provider</li> <li>AS FUNDING ALLOWS</li> </ul>	Services excluded are orthodontics and whitening
Pharmacy	<ul> <li>Must be seen by a provider at Bearskin Healthcare</li> <li>Fills prescriptions written by Bearskin Healthcare providers</li> <li>Prescriptions from outside providers are only filled if approved by and re-written by a Bearskin Healthcare provider under his/her authority</li> </ul>	
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	<ul> <li>Must be authorized prior to visit by Healthcare with exception of emergency</li> </ul>	

### **Telehealth Visits**

### By Kelly Friend, CPT, CES, MS, Bearskin Healthcare & Wellness Center

#### What is telehealth?

Telehealth is a way to visit with healthcare providers, such as your doctor or nurse practitioner. You can talk to your provider from any place, including your home.

### How do I use telehealth?

- You talk to your provider by phone, computer, or tablet.
- Sometimes, you use video so you and your provider can see each other.

#### How does telehealth help me?

- You don't have to go to the clinic to see your provider.
- You won't risk getting sick from other people.

#### Can telehealth be bad for me?

- You and your provider won't be in the same room, so it may feel different than an office visit.
- Your provider may make a mistake because they cannot examine you as closely as at an office visit.
- Your provider may decide you still need an office visit.
- Technical problems may interrupt or stop your visit before you are done.

### Will my telehealth visit be private?

- Visits with your provider will not be recorded.
- If people are close in proximity to you, they may hear something you did not want them to know. You should be in a private place, so other people cannot hear you.
- Your provider will tell you if someone else from their office can hear or see you.
- Telehealth technology that is designed to protect your privacy is in use.
- If you use the Internet for telehealth, use a network that is private and secure.
- There is a very small chance that



someone could use technology to hear or see your telehealth visit.

### How much does a telehealth visit cost?

• What you pay depends on your insurance coverage.

- A telehealth visit will not cost any more than an office visit.
- If your provider decides you need an office visit in addition to your telehealth visit, you may have to pay for both visits.



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## Beat the Summer Heat at the Eastern Shawnee Tribe Splash Pad Submitted by Annette Clark, Director of Communications



The Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Splash Pad is getting close to completion, and just in time for the dog days of summer. The Splash Pad is located behind the ESTO Early Childhood Learning Center and is one of several additions to the facility. If you have been to the tribal complex over the last few months, you probably noticed a lot of activity and change. This grant and tribally funded project is providing three shelters for outdoor learning classrooms, an area for six raised garden beds, sidewalks connecting the ECLC to the tribal Police Department and the Woodlands Elder Housing, and a phenomenal Splash Pad which will also be open to the public. A restroom/ changing area outside of the fenced in water-area was also constructed for patron use during operating hours of the Splash Pad.

From the blue concrete representing the Ohio River, to the panther on the rock wall and the swan appearing to take flight, the ESTO Splash Pad is a sight to behold for children as well as adults. When planning for this project, great consideration was given to the environmental impact as well as safety. Although trees were removed in preparation, there have been more trees planted on the tribal complex than were taken. The fenced-in Splash Pad utilizes a recirculation system which has a holding tank to collect and treat water before pumping it back out. This type of system uses significantly less water but does require monitoring and adjustment of chemicals.

There has been an upward trend over the last 25 years for Splash Pad development. More recently the impact of social isolation from the Covid-19 pandemic has increased the push towards more opportunities for outdoor play and socialization. The ESTO tribe decided to provide an area for the children of the ECLC as well as children from the area to interact, learn, and play. Community Splash Pads provide openair gathering places with less travel and expense involved, as most are free for public use. Since there is no standing water, the risk of drowning is eliminated. This allows parents opportunities for outdoor social engagement in a less stressful situation than a full-service pool. Splash Pads are enticing to children due to the vivid colors, variety in

creativity of design, and of course, the constant flow of fresh, cold water.

The tribe held a "soft opening" of the Splash Pad on June 12, 2023 for the younger children of the ESTO Early Childhood Learning Center, their parents, and tribal employees. Chief Wallace thanked the construction crew for their hard work and dedication to the project, explained cultural connections of design, and explained what is still to come. The children gave their personal thanks by presenting gift bags and handmade cards to the construction crew. With excitement building, one child was then given the responsibility of activating the Splash Pad for the first time by "pushing the paw print" leading to many squeals of delight. Once officially opened, use of the Splash Pad will be restricted to the ESTO Learning Center Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and open for public use Monday-Friday 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm and Saturday/Sunday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. Grand Opening is set for July 17, 2023, at 10:30 am.











### Memorial Day at Calamus Pond and Captain Cemeteries Submitted by Annette Clark, Director of Communications



What is Memorial Day? The explanation seems to change as time moves on. Memorial Day originated informally during the Civil War when southerners began placing flowers on graves of loved ones who had been killed in battle. Over the next few years this practice spread throughout the country resulting in Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, John A. Logan, ordering "The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet church-yard in the land. In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit." It is said that Logan chose this day because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle. In 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, establishing Memorial Day as the last Monday in May and creating a three-day weekend for federal employees.

Why have things changed so much? As we know, time changes everything, whether we want it to or not. One small change in this federal holiday came when graves of all loved ones were decorated with flowers and objects, not just those killed during war times. Memo-

rial Day activities have developed into multiple-day events with parades and ceremonies, while some individuals and families are still taking time to visit cemeteries. The weekend also became recognized as the unofficial beginning of summer and celebrated by having family barbecues and parties or a mini vacation trip, which is a stark contrast to Logan's original purpose. Our experiences prior to, during, and after the Covid-19 pandemic serve as a recent example of change that occurred in a short amount of time. We went from large social events and gatherings, to holding out in our homes with only our most immediate family members. Most funerary practices came to an abrupt halt during that time but are slowly getting reestablished. As a result, people have discovered other options to memorialize their loved ones besides traditional funerals and burials. Some of these options mean there is no gravesite to visit or decorate. Considering this, it is not too surprising that Memorial Day practices and traditions have evolved over the last 155 years.

During the Memorial Day weekend this year, Chief Wallace, and her brother Bud Enyart, continued with the original intention of the holiday. They visited and placed flowers at all the graves in Calamus Pond Cemetery and Captain Cemetery, in honor of the Eastern Shawnee people buried there. These cemeteries are small in comparison to many others, but the history they hold is quite large. Calamus Pond Cemetery, also known as old Shawnee Cemetery or the old Jackson Cemetery, originated around 1832 and is the resting place of Shawnee ancestors who were brought to Missouri and Oklahoma. Captain's Cemetery originated in the year 1900. Tom Captain Sr. and Martha Gullett Captain's fourth born child, Charles Selby Captain, died from a gunshot wound when he was just ten years old. His burial was the first, establishing what was then a "family cemetery". The people buried in both of these cemeteries fought battles each day, even if it wasn't during a "named" war. Their stories are your history. With any luck, these stories were passed on and are still being told to the youth in your families. Hopefully you can visit these Eastern Shawnee cemeteries and learn more about your past. When you look at the information on the headstones, you have the chance to discover relationships, locate genealogical facts you may not have known, bring to life the time periods and events you may have only read about, and even become inspired to learn more. If you remember, honor, keep the past experiences in your present, and share those stories of the Eastern Shawnee people, you are staying true to General Logan's intention for Memorial Day while taking steps to hold on to your tribal history.

### Fishing Derby 2023

### By Debbie Dotson, Water Quality Officer



On June 8, approximately 30 children participated in the Eastern Shawnee Tribe's Kids Fishing Derby. The event was hosted by the Tribe's Water Quality Monitoring Program. The pond was a little lower than in some of our previous years due to the lack of rainfall, but still is a home to multiple fish, frogs, and at least two turtles.

The event was held as an educational event to teach about water quality and the importance of clean water to people, fish, and wildlife. The kids learned about distinct species of fish that live in area waters and the ecosystems that rely on water.

Several of the Tribe's departments participated in different ways. All the cane poles used in the derby were prepared by Dasan Deringer, Water Quality Intern, and we got them down to the pond without a tangle. Natalie Koch with the Housing Authority office allowed us to take over her building for a couple of hours for educational activities and lunch. Aaron Bachman did an excellent job mowing and weed eating around the pond. CCDF provided funding for the bluegill sunfish stocked in the pond and for the lunch.

We had several people help the kids with fish, worms, and hooks. Five teachers from the Early Childhood Learning Center and some parents and grandparents were on hand. Jack Jones from Shawnee Skies was a major help with fishing. Grayson Fields and Shirley Hudson from the Ottawa County Conservation District, and Courtney May with Ottawa County NRCS (Nat-





ural Resources Conservation Service) assisted with fishing and education portions of the event. Tracy Delano from the Haven Program assisted with educational activities. The Environmental Department pitched in wherever they

were needed from start to finish. The kids all took home a picture and the crafts they made, and we have great photos of the kids, the fish, and the fun

they had fishing together.

## **ESTO Goes Above and Beyond to Combat Food Insecurities for Tribal Citizens**

### Submitted by Annette Clark, Director of Communications





About one in four Native Americans experience food insecurity compared to one in nine Americans overall, as reported by Feeding American in 2021. In an article "How Hunger Affects Native American Communities" by the organization Move for Hunger, it was reported that a combination of high rates of food insecurity, poverty, and little access to food with high nutritional value has caused the quality of health among Native Americans to plummet. Food insecurity increases the risk for obesity, diabetes, hypertension, and cancer-conditions highly prevalent among American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs). (Excerpt from Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition, Volume 12, 2017, Issue 1) A'dae Romero-Briones, director of the Native Agriculture and Food Systems Program at the First Nations Development Institute stated, "One of the major reasons that food insecurity has persisted over long periods of time is because of fed-

eral policies from the historical reservation policy to current federal policy, so one of the possible solutions to food insecurity is to allow Tribal Communities to run their own feeding programs." Understanding this need led to discussion, research, and action, resulting in the tribe's current Food Distribution Program. Based on 2021 data, the poverty rate for people living in Ottawa County, Oklahoma was 20.4%. This rate is 34.21% higher than the average in Oklahoma and 61.9% higher than the average in the United States. (welfare-info.org)

As we all know firsthand, the Covid-19 pandemic devastated families in a multitude of ways, food shortages being a major one. However, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe's Business Committee decided to turn a negative into a positive by approving portions of the tribal CARES Act and ARPA money to be used for a food distribution program. Using this funding, a program was de-

veloped to provide much needed and appreciated supplemental food to local Eastern Shawnee families who meet the specified financial criteria. One tribal member stated, "I feel like the food distribution is a wonderful program. The program helps my family out tremendously. Especially being a single mom of two kids. When I bring the distribution home the kids love to see what all is in it for the month. I am thankful that the tribe has this program." This program is not limited to families with children in the home, but also helps many elder households as well.

To receive the monthly distribution of food from the tribe, a family must meet the income level requirements that would qualify them for services from the Inter-Tribal Council Food Distribution Program or SNAP benefits. Each month, those who have been preapproved are supplied with items that make three complete meals along with three recipes to use with those items. At

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least one recipe is geared towards older youth in the home so they can participate in meal preparation if desired. Great consideration is given to as to what items were included in the previous month to avoid frequent repetition. Food items are also selected based on seasonal availability, if it is a time of year when children may be out of school for a break, or if there is a major holiday coming up. During school breaks there are foods that kids can prepare on their own or with little supervision. For major holidays, supplemental items are given to assist with that special meal for the family. Although it would be nice to meet every family's preference, due to bulk ordering and the time constraints on staff/volunteers, it just isn't feasible for an individual's dietary specifications to be furnished within this program. Food is ordered during the first week of the month from local grocers and then picked up the week of distribution. All groceries are sorted and

placed in totes, insulated grocery bags and reusable grocery bags on the morning of distribution. Once again, this is all done by tribal employees from various departments and volunteers who come to assist. On the last Thursday of each month, someone from each household on the list picks up their groceries. The process is quite easy and efficient for the families during the three-anda-half-hour window of time on pick up day. All they must do is follow the signs when they arrive at the tribe's Growing Thyme building near the tribal complex near Wyandotte, follow the signs directing them around the circle drive to the loading area, tell their name, and turn in your bags from the previous month. The staff volunteers will then bring out the groceries and load them into the vehicle. Over 100 ESTO families are receiving this benefit with an average of \$100-\$120 spent monthly per family.



#### Distribution Day Reminders

**Location:** Growing Thyme building-69891 E. 100 Road, Wyandotte, OK 74370

**Distribution:** Last Thursday of each month

(July 27, 2023)

Pick-up time: 10:00am-1:30pm

Please follow the arrows around building and pull up to the loading area.

Contact person: Shelly Rogers at (981) 238-5151 ext. 1821

Don't forget to return your bags from the previous month!

### Route 66 Heritage Fest in Miami, Oklahoma



Join us Friday, July 28, 2023-Saturday, July 29, 2023 for the 3rd annual Route 66 Heritage Fest in downtown Miami, Oklahoma on July 28-29, 2023. Opening Ceremonies begin at 6PM both nights. Don't forget your lawn chair!

Food trucks, marketplace vendors, kids activities, corn hole tourney, KCBS BBQ competition, and a beer garden is set for visitors and event attendees to enjoy over the weekend. Saturday,

July 29th will feature the Car & Bike Show. The show will start at 9AM on south main street and end at 2PM.

Come visit our Eastern Shawnee booth featuring the ESTO Wellness Center, Early Childhood Learning Center, Shawnee Skies, and the Indigo Sky Casino and Resort.

For more information, persons interested may contact Visit Miami Oklahoma at 918.542.4435, visit www.visitmiamiok.com, or find the festival on Facebook @miamiok66fest.

## TRIBAL HAPPENINGS

EVENT	DATE(S)	LOCATION
Business Committee Meeting	2nd /4th Wednesday each month	Bluejacket Building
Tribal Offices Closed in observance of Independence Day	July 3-4	
Eastern Shawnee Splashpad Grand Opening	July 15 (tentatively)	Tribal Complex
Osage Ballet in Ft. Scott, Kansas	July 22	Meet in Outpost Casino parking lot
Route 66 Heritage Festival	July 28-29	Miami, Oklahoma
Youth Cultural Camp	August 2-4	Annex Building
Shawna Stovall Children's Back to	August 4	Wellness Center
School Powwow	August 5	Powwow Grounds
Education Banquet	August 18	AOA Building

# Culture Campo 2023 Eastern Shawnee Tribe

## August 2nd, 3rd & 4th

8:30am-4pm each day

ESTOO Youth ages 6—16 yrs. Old

Must submit "Permission to Attend" Form

Three days to provide Tribal Youth the opportunity to learn about and participate in Shawnee Cultural activities.

Traditional Games, Language and other activities.

"permission to Attend"
Form

Due by July 14, 2023

For additional information (918) 238-5151

Paul Barton: ext. 1833, pbarton@estoo.net

Kelly Nelson: ext. 1861, knelson@estoo.net

### 2023 Eastern Shawnee Culture Camp Aug. 2nd-4th

**Due by July 14th, 2023** 

### **Permission to Attend**

Please return to **Kelly Nelson** via email at **knelson@estoo.net** or by mail at **70500 E 128 Rd. Wyandotte, OK 74370** 

,			oonsored by the Eastern Shawnee Tribe (ESTO).
Child Name			Age Elligible ages 6-16
Does your child have any health conditions	or take an	y medica	
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Does your child have any food allergies?	Yes	No	(Please specify child or adult size)  If yes, please list below.
If any type of minor injuries were to occur,	what woul	d you like	e for us to do?
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Name and number of parent/guardian.			
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Signature of Parent(s)			Date
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## August 4th & August 5th

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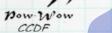
SHAWNA STOVALL BACK TO SCHOOL CHILDRENS

The Eastern Shawnee's Present the Shawna Stowall



# FRIDAY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Location: 10135 S. Bluejacket Road, Wyandotte, OK 74370 5-8PM: Children's Activities Flint Knapping, Camel & Pony Rides, Face Painting, Bounce Houses And So Much More!



### SATURDAY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Location: Eastern Shawnee Powwow Grounds near Seneca, MO

3-5PM: Gourd Dance 5-6PM: Dinner 6-7PM: Gourd Dance 7PM: Grand Entry

### HEAD STAFF

**Head Singer: Damien Blackfox** 

Head Man: Levi Logan Head Lady: Miley Attocknie

Head Little Boy: Colby Wolfenbarger Head Little Girl: Rachel LeadingFox Master of Ceremonies: Neil Lawhead Arena Director: Murray Rhoads Jr.

Head Cook: Susan Patterson

Honor Guard: Wyandotte Honor Guard

### CONTESTING

JR Boys - 12 & Under JR Girls - 12 & Under Tiny Tots - 5 & Under

Due to historically high temperatures, we have decided to make this a two-day event to ensure the safety of those who attend. August 4th events will take place at the Eastern Shawnee Wellness Center. August 5th events will take place at the Eastern Shawnee Powwow Grounds located behind the old Bordertown Casino near Seneca, MO.

 $While \ supplies \ last. \ Schedule \ of \ Events \ is \ subject \ to \ change \ without \ notice.$ 

Questions? Call (918) 540 - 9970





### PEORIA RIDGE GOLF COURSE

10301 S 600 Rd, Miami, OK 74354

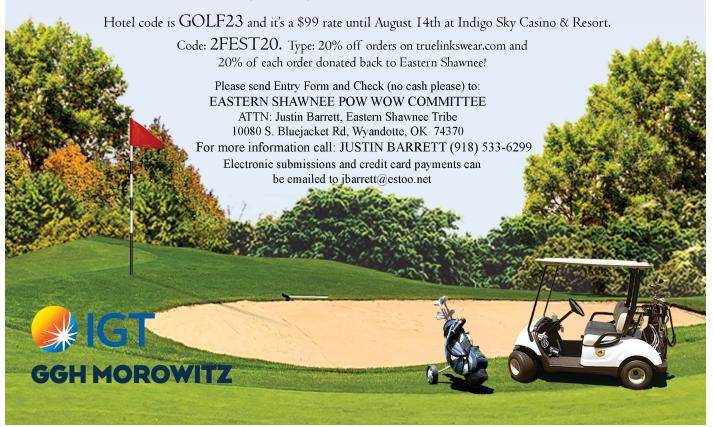
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

### SHOTGUN START 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION 8:00 AM
BREAKFAST TO FOLLOW REGISTRATION

## Four Person Scramble \$500 PER TEAM

4 PERSON TEAM - INCLUDES ENTRY FEE, GOLF CARTS, GREEN FEES, BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND 2 MULLIGANS PER PLAYER



## astern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

SEPTEMBER **15, 16 & 17, 2023** 

### **Head Staff**

Head Man - Jason Bender Head Lady - Virginia Mouse Head Singer - Gene Sovo Arena Director - Justin Barrett Gourd Dance Society - Comanche Little Ponies 2023 Jr. Princess - Hailey Green Color Guard - Lenape Color Guard

Master of Ceremonies - Neil Lawhead Head Judge - Murray Rhoades Host Northern Drum - American Horse 2023 Princess - Susan Patterson

### Schedule of Events

#### **FRIDAY**

September 15, 2023

#### 6:00 pm - GOURD DANCE

7:00 PM - PRAYER AND HONORING OF VETERANS

#### 7:30 pm - GRAND ENTRY

2022 PRINCESS SPECIAL

**CROWNING OF 2023 PRINCESSES** 

#### **CONTESTS: TINY TOTS**

JR. GIRLS BUCKSKIN

IR. GIRLS CLOTH

JR. GIRLS FANCY SHAWL

JR. GIRLS JINGLE

JR. BOYS STRAIGHT JR. BOYS TRADITIONAL

> JR. BOYS GRASS JR. BOYS FANCY

### **SATURDAY**

September 16, 2023

#### 1:00 pm - GOURD DANCE

All specials are Saturday afternoon before supper break for anyone not on the head staff

5:00 pm - SUPPER BREAK

6:00 pm - GOURD DANCE

7:15 PM - LORDS PRAYER

Chief's Special

#### 7:30 pm - GRAND ENTRY Elder Honor Dance

GLEN STONER JR. MEMORIAL NORTHERN TRADITIONAL

TEEN GIRLS BUCKSKIN

TEEN GIRLS CLOTH

TEEN GIRLS FANCY SHAWL

**TEEN GIRLS JINGLE** 

**TEEN BOYS GRASS** 

TEEN BOYS FANCY WOMEN'S BUCKSKIN

WOMEN'S CLOTH

WOMEN'S FANCY SHAWL

WOMEN'S JINGLE

**GOLDEN AGE MEN GOLDEN AGE WOMEN** 

### **SUNDAY**

September 17, 2023

9:00 am - ESTO HONOR THE ELDERS BREAKFAST INDIGO SKY CASINO

12:00 pm - GOURD DANCE

#### 1:00 pm - GRAND ENTRY

#### **CONTESTS:**

TEEN BOYS STRAIGHT

TEEN BOYS TRADITIONAL

MEN'S STRAIGHT

MEN'S TRADITIONAL

MEN'S GRASS

MEN'S FANCY

HAND DRUM PRESENTATION OF PRIZES





Eastern Shawnee Pow Wow Grounds, 12615 S. 705 Rd., Wyandotte, OK 74370

Kelley King, Chairperson, ESTO Pow Wow Committee, PO Box 531, Seneca, MO 64865 | espwc@outlook.com. In case of inclement weather our alternate location will be at the Eastern Shawnee Wellness Center. Schedule of Events is subject to change without notice.

2022 Pow Wow Princess Katherine Captain Robbins Ross

2022 Pow Wow Junior Princess Kiaria Williams

#### **ALL CONTESTANTS:**

\*\*Must make two grand entries and exhibitions

\*\*Must be fully dressed to claim prize money.

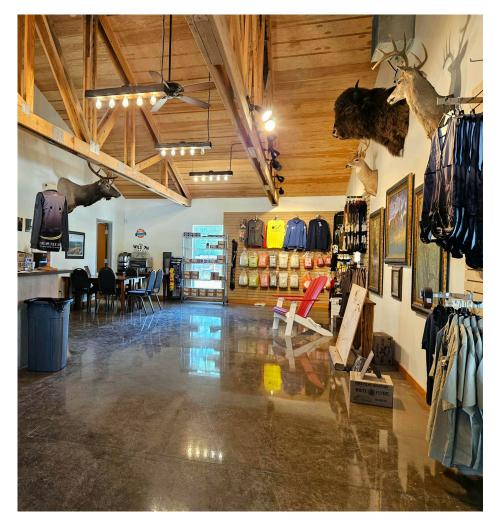
### Shawnee Skies Hosts the 1st Annual Indigo Sky Open

### Submitted by Annette Clark, Director of Communications

The Indigo Sky Casino sponsored the first annual INDIGO SKY OPEN with the Shawnee Skies Training Center & Shooting Complex serving as the host on May 19th-21st, 2023. The event was held in conjunction with a Registered Shoot weekend for the National Sporting Clay Association (NSCA). Beginning Friday evening, registered competitors were welcomed to the Indigo Sky Casino and Resort where they received discounted rates and Free Play during their weekend stay. Many participants expressed how much they enjoyed the resort property and that the facility and staff were great. This was something both the casino and shooting complex had been wanting to hold for some time and will continue to make it bigger and better in the future based on this year's success.

Tim Botts, manager of Shawnee Skies, said one hundred shooters from all over the United States competed during the three-day competition, shot 27,000 targets with winners taking home a total of \$10,555 in prize money. Not only did this bring in revenue to the tribe's casinos and community, but also helped bring attention to everything Shawnee Skies has to offer. The goal for next year is to have at least 300 participants and even more prize money given out. Shawnee Skies also hosts other fundraisers throughout the year such as Clays for Cause benefiting program development and scholarship assistance at Bill & Virginia Leffen Center for Autism-sponsored by Ozark Center, the Kevin Wilson Memorial supporting Missions in Africa, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) of Southwest Missouri "Sporting Clay Event" and more. Botts has hopes of hosting even more activities and experiences in the future for the public to enjoy.

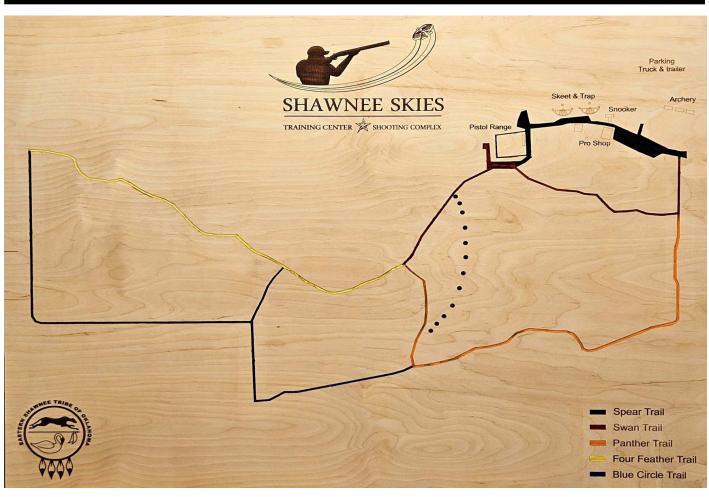
If you haven't been out to the Shawnee Skies Training Center & Shooting Complex, it is worth your while to go. They offer coaching, firearms training, and law enforcement training in a state



of the art 36 seat training classroom. There are youth programs for individuals as well as groups such as FFA, 4H, high school teams, and scouts. You can even reserve the classroom for birthday parties and other occasions. Shooters can experience Sporting Clays with comfortable stands, a great view while shooting Skeet and Trap with benches and shade for those warm days, as well as the biggest challenge Five Stand, consisting of big targets that rotate very often. Due to requests made, they have recently added archery targets near the front of the complex. The facility is on 400+ acres and includes 3.5 miles of rocked nature trails, so even if shooting is not necessarily your hobby, it is hard not to enjoy the abundant deer, turkey, bison, red tail hawks and occasional wild pig on a leisurely stroll. However, if mobility is an issue for you, there are golf carts available. You can then visit the Pro Shop to get a snack and nice cold drink, view beautiful artwork by Doug Hall, and even find some merchandise and/or shooting supplies to purchase.

Shawnee Skies is owned and operated by the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, located in the very northeast corner of Oklahoma (on Oklahoma/Missouri Stateline road).

You can contact them at: E-mail: info@shawneeskies.com Phone: (918) 238-CLAY (2529), go to their website www.shawneeskies.com for more information or visit them at: 11245 South 705 Road, Wyandotte, OK 74370.





### **Child Care and Development Fund**

### Submitted by Dian Randall, CCDF Director

CCDF has a new assistant some of you may know, Johnetta Harper, who was working in Vital Statistics department. We are excited to have Johnetta join us here in the CCDF department.

Shawna Stovall Children's Back-to-School Powwow will be a 2-day event this year on the evenings of August 4th & 5th. Look for our flyer in the Shooting Star for more details.

This year's annual Summer Safety Family Pool Party sponsored by ESTOO / CCDF, ICW and HAVEN departments was held on June 30th at Miami City Pool.

CCDF attended the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) conference in Portland, Oregon. This conference offered over 200 sessions featuring the latest information and research in the Early Learning field.

We still have our Car Seat and Newborn Starter Kit programs; you must live within a 100-mile radius of our office to be eligible for these programs. These programs are funded with the CCDF grant and this is our service area per our grant guidelines.

If you want to apply or have any questions about Child Care Assistance with our CCDF Program, please feel free to come by our office located at 10100 S. Bluejacket Rd. / Suite #3, Wyandotte, OK 74370 or call us at 918-540-9970 or (Toll Free) 866-978-1352 and talk to Dian, Johnetta or Dheather. You may also email us at drandall@estoo.net, jharper@estoo.net or dheather.sparks@estoo.net

You can also find our information on the tribe's website at www.estoo-nsn. gov

The CCDF department would like to share some photos with you on the soft opening of our Splash Pad at the ESTOO Early Childhood Learning Center CCDF provided funds to help with the construction of this project, and we are very proud of it:





The pictures above are of the children at the Learning Center getting to use the Splash Pad for the first time.



The Splash Pad right before it was turned on for the children to use at the soft opening.

### 2023 Driver's Education Program

### By Jeanette Kruse, Police Department Administrative Assistant



May 22nd through May 26th was the 2023 Driver's Education Program hosted by the Eastern Shawnee Tribal Police Department. There was a total of 22 students from various surrounding communities.

The week consisted of classroom instructions and testing by Chad Ross of Fairland School, Trooper Will Langley with the Highway Patrol speaking and answering questions, and Nate Long with State Farm Insurance speaking and answering questions about car insurance.

This is a program that has been going on for several years now. We would like to thank Chief Glenna Wallace and the Business Committee for always approving and allowing us to continue this great program.

If you have a child who will be turning 15 by next May 2024, please contact Jeanette Kruse at the Police Department at (918) 238-0100 to get them enrolled.



### **Education Snapshot**

### By Amber Mittag, Education/Specialized Services Director

Hello Students!

We have exciting news in our Education Department. We will be hosting our first-ever Education Banquet this year. It is geared towards past, present, and future graduates in 9th grade and up. We will have two speakers on hand with some great information, door prizes, a delicious dinner and dessert, and most exciting of all, we will have a professional photographer on hand doing professional headshots courtesy of the Education Department, so come dressed in your best and take advantage of this opportunity! Please see the flyer within this shooting star for all the details! Until next time.

### H.A.V.E.N. Update

## By Cathleen Osborne-Gowey (Program Admin – Crime Victim Advocate) (918) 554-2836 or COsbornegowey@estoo.net

### **Program Update:**

Hello all -

Summer has finally arrived – the days are warmer and the flowers are blooming. Our program update this month is focusing on the nuts and bolts of our program. Many don't know that we serve ALL victims of crime.

### Did you know that Haven Assists ALL Victims of Crime?

Our program is best known for assisting victims of domestic violence and sexual assault; however, did you know that if your home is broken into and you need new locks, we can help? If you are a victim of arson, identity theft, assault, DUI crash we can provide advocacy and emergency assistance (with verification of the crime within the past 6 months).

Did you know that the state of Oklahoma has a crime victims compensation fund? This fund can assist with many different issues that have come from your victimization. Our advocates can help walk you through the application process. The application can be found at: https://www.ok.gov/dac/Victims/Victims\_Compensation\_Program/.

### What does being a "victim of crime" mean?

(as stated by the Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation Program Information Page)

"The purpose of the Crime Victims Compensation Act is to provide a method of compensation for victims of violent crime. All funds come from federal and state offenders through fines and penalty assessments. An arrest of the offender does NOT have to take place in order to be eligible to file a claim; however, the victim and/or claimant is expected to fully cooperate in the ap-



prehension, investigation, and prosecution of the perpetrator. The claimant is also expected to fully cooperate with the District Attorney's Office and Victims Compensation Board staff during the processing of the claim".

Below is a list of the crimes we're talking about. It's important to know HAV-EN is not responsible for defining what constitutes a victim of crime as these definitions are already set through U.S. Department of Justice-Office of Justice Programs-Office for Victims of Crime. For a complete listing of how OVC defines what is a victim of crime and what types of victimization is covered, see below. (From https://www.ovc.gov/library/glossary.html#typeofvictim)

### Office for Victims of Crime Type of Victim/Victimization Definitions

Type of Victim/Victimization

#### Adult molested as child

Adult age 18 or older who was sexually abused as a child (see child sexual abuse definition below).

#### Adult sexual assault

Sexual offense—including rape, incest, fondling, exhibitionism, or pornography—of an adult age 18 or older.

#### Aggravated assault

Unlawful, intentional causing of serious bodily injury with or without a deadly weapon, or unlawful, intentional attempting or threatening of serious bodily injury or death with a deadly or dangerous weapon.

Arson

Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling, house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, or personal property of another.

#### **Assault**

An unlawful attack by one person on another, with or without a weapon, that inflicts, or attempts or threatens to inflict, physical injury.

#### Child

A person under the age of 18 or as otherwise defined by state law.

#### Child physical abuse

Non-accidental injury to a child by a parent or other adult that may include severe beatings, burns, strangulation, or human bites.

#### Child sexual abuse

Sexual offense (see definition below) against a child by a parent or other adult.

#### **Domestic violence**

Violent acts involving a current or former spouse or domestic partner.

#### **DUI/DWI** crash

Accident involving one or more motor vehicles in which at least one driver was under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs (DUI) or was legally intoxicated (DWI) at the time of the crash.

#### Elder abuse

Abuse perpetrated by a caretaker on an elderly individual who depends on others for support and assistance.

#### Fraud

A deliberate deception perpetrated for unlawful or unfair gain.

#### Gang violence

Criminal acts committed by a group of

three or more individuals who regularly engage in criminal activity and identify themselves with a common name or sign.

#### **Human Trafficking**

Sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age; or the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion, for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

#### **Identity theft**

A crime in which an imposter obtains key pieces of personal information, such as Social Security or driver's license numbers, to impersonate someone else.

### Other, referring to types of victim served

Victims of nonviolent crime, such as burglary and white-collar crime.

#### Other violent crimes

Other crimes not listed, not including property crimes (which is the taking of money or property without force or threat of force).

#### Robbery

Taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence.

#### Sexual offense

Forcible rape, attempted rape, statutory rape, sexual harassment, prostitution, or other unlawful sexual contact and other unlawful behavior intended to result in sexual gratification or profit from sexual activity.

#### **Stalking**

Any unwanted contact between two people that directly or indirectly communicates a threat or places the victim in fear.

#### **Survivor of homicide victim**

Family member or loved one of a murder victims.

#### **Terrorism**

Use of violence or intimidation to coerce a government or civilian population to further political or social objectives.

### Victims with disabilities

Victims of crime who have a physical or mental disability.

#### White-collar crime

Nonviolent crime for financial gain committed by means of deception by persons with special technical and professional knowledge of business or government.

Haven advocates for all victims of crime. If you have questions, please contact HAVEN and talk with one of our advocates about how we can help and what services Haven can provide.

Haven Office Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Friday

HAVEN Does NOT provide 24- hour service. After hours please call:

StrongHearts Native Helpline https://strongheartshelpline 1-844-762-8483 (call or text) or Community Crisis Center, Miami, OK 1-800-400-0883

StrongHearts and Community Crisis Center have 24 hour service

HAVEN is a tribal advocacy program offering support for all victims of crime, specifically domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. We serve all ESTOO tribal members REGARDLESS of where they live and local community members within Ottawa County and the cities of Vinita, Jay, Grove Oklahoma and Seneca, Missouri.

Please call the HAVEN office during business hours for more information. (918) 554-2836 or Text Line: (918) 533-3070.

Program Website:
https://havenprogram.com/
Program Email:
havenprogram@estoo.net
Facebook: HAVEN Tribal Program,
Twitter: @ProgramHaven, Instagram:
HAVENTRIBALProgram.



We are a federal program that provides commodity foods to low-income households residing in approved areas. To be eligible to participate, the household must contain at least one

## INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL FOOD DISTRIBUTION

person who is a member of a federally recognized tribe. Eligible households are certified based upon income and resource standards act by the federal government.

The area served by the Inter-Tribal Food Distribution Program is a portion of Ottawa County, including the city limits of Miami east of Neosho River and a portion of Delaware county in Oklahoma. Cherokee and Labette Counties in Kansas, Newton, Barton, Jasper and McDonald coun-

ties in Missouri.

Applications can be found on our website: ITCFDP.ORG. If you have any questions please contact us via phone or e-mail.

Call (918) 542-3443
Between the Hours of 8-12 & 1-4:30
E-mail: carol@itcfdp.org or katrina@itcfdp.org.

## Tips for Preventing Heat-Related Illness Submitted by Ashley Crawford RMA, CPhT, Clinic Liaison



### STAY COOL

Wear Appropriate Clothing: Choose lightweight, loose-fitting clothing.

Stay Cool Indoors: Stay in an air-conditioned place as much as possible. If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library—even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Call your local health department to see if there are any heat-relief shelters in your area.

Keep in mind: Electric fans may provide comfort, but when the temperature is in the high 90s, they will not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off. Use your stove and oven less to maintain a cooler temperature in your home.

Schedule Outdoor Activities Carefully: Try to limit your outdoor activity to when it's coolest, like morning and evening hours. Rest often in shady areas so that your body has a chance to recover.

Pace Yourself: Cut down on exercise during the heat. If you're not accustomed to working or exercising in a hot environment, start slowly and pick up the pace gradually. If exertion in the heat makes your heart pound and leaves you gasping for breath, STOP all activity. Get into a cool area or into the shade,

### Stay **Hydrated**





and rest, especially if you become lightheaded, confused, weak, or faint.

Wear Sunscreen: Sunburn affects your body's ability to cool down and can make you dehydrated. If you must go outdoors, protect yourself from the sun by wearing a widebrimmed hat, sunglasses, and by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher 30 minutes prior to going out. Continue to reapply it according to the package directions.

Tip: Look for sunscreens that say "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" on their labels-these products work best.

Do Not Leave Children in Cars: Cars can quickly heat up to dangerous temperatures, even with a window cracked open. While anyone left in a parked car is at risk, children are especially at risk of getting a heat stroke or dying.

When traveling with children, remember to do the following:

- Never leave infants, children or pets in a parked car, even if the windows are cracked open.
- To remind yourself that a child is in the car, keep a stuffed animal in the car seat. When the

### Stay **Informed**



child is buckled in, place the stuffed animal in the front with the driver.

- When leaving your car, check to be sure everyone is out of the car. Do not overlook any children who have fallen
- asleep in the car.

**Avoid Hot and Heavy Meals:** They add heat to your body!



#### STAY HYDRATED

**Drink Plenty of Fluids:** Drink more fluids, regardless of how active you are. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.

- Warning: If your doctor limits the amount you drink or has you on water pills, ask how much you should drink while the weather is hot.
- Stay away from very sugary or alcoholic drinks—these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.

Replace Salt and Minerals: Heavy sweating removes salt and minerals from the body that need to be replaced. A sports drink can replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat.

 If you are on a low-salt diet, have diabetes, high blood pressure, or other chronic conditions, talk with your doctor before drinking a sports beverage or taking salt tablets.

**Keep Your Pets Hydrated:** Provide plenty of fresh water for your pets, and leave the water in a shady area.



STAY INFORMED
Check for Updates: Check your local news for extreme heat alerts

and safety tips and to learn about any cooling shelters in your area.

**Know the Signs:** Learn the signs and symptoms of heat-related illnesses and how to treat them.

Use a Buddy System: When working in the heat, monitor the condition of your co-workers and have someone do the same for you. Heat-induced illness can cause a person to become confused or lose consciousness. If you are 65 years of age or older, have a friend or relative call to check on you twice a day during a heat wave. If you know someone in this age group, check on them at least twice a day.

**Monitor Those at High Risk:** Although anyone at any time can suffer from heat-related illness, some people are at greater risk than others:

· Infants and young children

- People 65 years of age or older
- · People who are overweight
- People who overexert during work or exercise
- People who are physically ill, especially with heart disease or high blood pressure, or who take certain medications, such as for depression, insomnia, or poor circulation

Visit adults at risk at least twice a day and closely watch them for signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Infants and young children, of course, need much more frequent watching.

Page last reviewed: August 16, 2022 CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### Drug Rehabilitation

### Submitted by Ben Bingham, Native Connections Program Director

Drug addiction is not restricted by age, race, religion, or creed. This addiction can affect those from all walks of life, and many have jobs, families, and schools, which can lead to those needing help to postpone seeking treatment. In this case outpatient care may be the best choice as it allows them to attend recovery without leaving home.

Deciding on whether or not it's time to find a drug rehab program can be a difficult choice, but here are some signs to look for if you are deciding on such an action: Drug cravings, withdrawal when not using the drug of choice, increased drug use including hiding drugs, seeking out more drugs or a change in your drug tolerance level, others include, mood swings, confusion, depression, changes in weight or sleep due to drug use.

Drug rehab and addiction recovery utilize therapy, examinations, counseling, and education to assist those



in need to overcome an addiction or disorder. It is intended to help those needing to diagnose the addiction or disorder they are suffering from. These programs also utilize medication to aid in detoxing, easing withdrawal symptoms, and reducing the reuse risk. The most common forms of drug rehabilitation are inpatient, outpatient, Intensive outpatient, and partial hospitalization. These drug rehab programs generally include individual counseling, group

therapy, family therapy, detoxification, physical exercise, nutritional education, behavior therapies, life skills, anger management, aftercare planning, dual diagnosis, and treatment for co-occurring disorders such as depression or anxiety.

Whichever treatment plan one uses, drug rehab is one of the safest routes to break addiction cycles and survive withdrawal without relapse.



## **Education Banquet**

Past, present, and future graduates high school and above come together, for an evening of celebrating Education!

Please join us for an evening of educational and motivational speakers while enjoying a delicious dinner!

As a special treat come dressed for success and partake in our Headshot event! We will have a professional photographer on hand to take a professional headshot for your future employment needs courtesy of the Education Department.

Eastern Shawnee Tribe
AOA Building
Friday Aug 18, 2023,
5:30-7:30
10170 S Bluejacket Rd
Wyandotte OK 74370

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Please RSVP 918-238-2424

DOOR PRIZES PROVIDED BY ESTO HAVEN PROGRAM

### Vital Stats & Social Services

### By Jana Johnson, Director

Service	Year	Year Served
Auditory	\$3,856.98	10
Burial	\$82,235.44	13
Disabled   Elder Care   Emergency	\$919,692.01	357
Elder Crisis Committee	\$41,773.01	25
Extracurricular	\$20,661.09	109
Healthcare	\$1,042,945.89	1499
Orthodontics	\$15,576.92	23
School Expenses	\$168,800.78	462
Special Medical Equipment	\$8,430.54	52

### **Vital Statistics Activity May 2023**

Status Changes	71
Deaths	1
Enrollees	3
ID Cards	6
Photo ID	6
Total Enrollees for current fiscal year	23
Total Deaths for current fiscal year	10
Total Membership	3788

# Did you know you can find all the benefit forms on the website?

The direct link is estoo-nsn.gov/tribal-forms/

To navigate the website, go to 1. CONTACT US 2. FORMS

# VITAL STATISTICS Direct to Vendor Claim Form

There are times when everyone faces a struggle when they can't afford to pay for dental work, get a new pair of glasses or pay a medical bill without having to use Care Credit or take out a personal loan. Instead of placing yourself in debt, you can have Social Services pay for the services directly to your health care provider from your health care or disabled/elder benefit. Complete a Direct to Vendor Payment Expense Claim form and attach your ORIGINAL billing statement.

DATE: Wednesday, May 17th, 2023

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Bluejacket Building INVOCATION: Chief Glenna Wallace CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Business Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by 2nd Chief Samples, with the following answering roll call: 1st Council Kissee, 2nd Council Daugherty, Secretary Littlefield and Treasurer Barrett. 3rd Council Kraus was absent. Chief Wallace was present. A quorum was declared by 2nd Chief Samples.

PRESENTATION: Chief Wallace has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Carlow University, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. The announcement was read by Tribal Member Cheryl Barnes followed by a presentation of a shawl to Chief Wallace by her grandsons, Skylar Wallace and Chance Wallace.

#### **NEW ENROLLEES**

Hannah Marie Bauerly DOB: 11/22/2022

Paul Creed Middleton DOB: 05/03/2021

Gabriella Marie Goss DOB:

02/07/2023

MOTION: To Approve New Enrollees. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the April 26th, 2023, Business Committee Meeting. Motion made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Treasurer Barrett. Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

REPORTS

Chief Glenna Wallace:

THANK YOU: Thank you notes were read from the Board of Directors No. 5 Rural Water District of Ottawa County, Ottawa County Boys and Girls Club,

Alex Perrot, the family of tribal member Natasha Staches and Chief Wallace acknowledged the receipt of \$100.00 from Robert McCowan, Jr. He sends approximately \$100.00 monthly to be placed in the Donation Fund.

#### DONATION REQUESTS:

The City of Miami requested sponsorship or donation of funds to the Route 66 Celebration to be held in July, 2023. MOTION: To donate \$10,000.00 (amount to be split between the Casino and Tribal Administration) for the Route 66 Celebration. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

Oklahoma Senior Games requested a donation.

MOTION: To donate \$1,000.00 to the Oklahoma Senior Games. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Secretary Littlefield.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

A donation request from Emily Hodges to help her pay for Cheer Competition expenses.

MOTION: To donate \$3,000.00 to Emily Hodges, Cherokee Nation Citizen for Cheer Competitions. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus)

Request from Victor Flores, President of Oklahoma Tribal Financial Consortium to donate for research for the treatment and cures of blood cancer.

MOTION: To donate \$1,000.00 to Victor Flores, Oklahoma Tribal Financial Consortium. The motion was made by Secretary Littlefield with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Request from Chief Craig Harper of

the Peoria Tribe representing the Intertribal Council for a donation to the First American Museum in Oklahoma City, Ok. The request is for \$50,000.00/year for five years. This request will be presented at a later date due to the upcoming budget cycle.

Request from Wyandotte Softball Team for a donation. (For equipment, black pants, cleats and two helmets).

MOTION: To donate cost up to \$250.00 to the Wyandotte Softball Team. The motion was made by Secretary Littlefield with second by 1st Council Kissee. Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – Programs you may not be aware of:

HIP – The final application (#30) has been received. This program serves 30 applicants per year.

Programs that still have funding available:

LYHEAP – assistance with utilities for low-income classification.

LYWAT – specifically for water

Down Payment Assistance - \$10,000 available for first time homeowner.

Emergency Assistance \$1,000.00 available for emergencies due to fire, flooding, storm damage.

ARPA Program – internet reimbursement is available for college students that are taking at least one course online and for children in public school that are required to work at home remotely.

Medical/Utilities assistance if you have all tribal medical/utility benefits this assistance of up to \$1,000.00 is still available.

Homeowner/Renter Emergency Assistance – if you are behind in your mortgage payments or rent payments assistance is available.

Most of these programs fall under the Education/Specialized Programs – Amber Mittag Director.

ELBERT PROPERTY/CASINO DAY-CARE – The Casino is still pursuing efforts to turn the Elbert Property into a daycare. The Rehab (by our mainte-

nance department) will take approximately two months. The Casino will determine what the hours are and what the payment will be. The Casino will also be financially responsible for the electrical repairs.

HAVEN/POLICE STATION – The grant that they have received will pay for the rehab of turning the old police station into new offices for Haven.

ELDERS DINNER – 84-86 Elders were present for this dinner held two weeks ago.

Brad Smith presented a program on the Dushane property.

EDUCATION BANQUET – We have never had one but the first one will be sometime in August. More information to follow.

EPA REGIONS 6 & 7 - Debbie Dodson – That involves about 5 or 6 states, and they held a regional meeting here. They came to visit our tribe and it happened to be when Debbie Dodson was sampling Lost Creek. The new Director of Region 6 specializes in toxic flooding. They were so impressed with Debbie Dodson and what she was doing they went back to the meeting that day and the next day they increased our EPA Grant by \$50,000.00. In addition, they approved a second grant that our EPA Dept. will be the lead people and they will fund a new program for all tribes in Ottawa County to test for heavy metals. They will be spending \$25 million a year trying to mediate Tar Creek.

UPCOMING TRIP TO DC — Chief Wallace and Chief Billy Friend will be traveling to Washington DC hoping to meet with the Secretary of the Interior. SEWER CAPACITY CONTRACT ECCI — Due to not having the sewer capacity needed for the new houses and government building on 10C we have contracted with ECCI for \$3.1 million. SENECA WATER — Due to leaks in the pipes that were installed 20 years ago the tribe recently had a \$36,000.00 water bill from the city of Seneca.

STATE V. BRESTEN - Congratula-

tions to the Ottawa, Miami and Peoria Tribes who won their lawsuits stating their reservations were not disestablished. Our tribe had a lawsuit filed called the Hull Case.

SENATOR Lankford's Assistant's Visit

They will be visiting every tribe in
Ottawa County. His Assistant indicated
the Senator Lankford is extremely supportive of meat processing plants, stating that they would help get us funded
if we wanted to start a meat processing
plant.

FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD – Friday, May 19th at 5:30 p.m. under the arbor and will come inside if it rains. Entertainment will be a professional country western band. This group appeared at the Grand Ole Opry. Food will be supplied.

SPLASH PAD SOFT OPENING June 5th at 10 A.M. Still waiting for some equipment to come in.

ROBERT MILLER will be back June 12th, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and we are going to make it possible for our employees to be able to listen to him. He speaks on many subjects, one of which is the McGirt case.

GRANTS FOR 110 ROAD – We are working on 3 grants for 110 Road. The BIA is writing one for us. Resolutions will be presented soon.

SHAKOPEE SPLASH PAD GRANT – To be presented tonight.

PIPES IN SOCIAL SERVICE BUILD-ING now have anti-freeze installed. The pipes in the ECLC will have anti-freeze installed next. The cost to do this was around \$15,000.00.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 051723-R-01 Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Proposal to the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community to assist with unforeseen expenses which occurred with the addition of (3) Outdoor Learning Spaces, an expanded playground, and a Splash Pad to the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Early Childhood Learning Center

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-

SOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby authorize the submission of a grant to the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community in the amount of \$712,940.00 to assist with unforeseen expenses which occurred with the addition of (3) Outdoor Learning Spaces, an Expanded Playground and a Splash Pad to the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Early Childhood Learning Center.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 051723-R-01. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Secretary Littlefield.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Kissee, Littlefield, Barrett), 1 opposed (Daugherty), 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus)
RESOLUTION NUMBER 051723R-02 Resolution to apply for Federal
Funding through the Federal Highway
Administration to the Tribal Transportation Program – Bridge Program for
Construction Funding for a New Bridge
on EW110 Road

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED, the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby authorize Chief Glenna J. Wallace and the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's Transportation Department to request \$1,000,000.00 of Federal Funds for the Construction of a Bridge for the EW110 Road Project

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby authorize Chief Glenna J. Wallace to Execute and Submit all necessary documents relevant to this request.

MOTION: To approve Resolution Number 051723-R-02. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Littlefield) RESOLUTION NUMBER 051723-R-03 A Resolution in Support of Richard

Chissoe's

Appointment to the National Indian Gaming Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma nominates Richard Chissoe for the appointment of Chair of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby expresses its sincere support for the appointment of Richard Chissoe to the National Indian Gaming Commission, and further commends him for his great accomplishments he has achieved throughout his career in the field of gaming.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 051723-R-03. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

A RESOLUTION JOINING THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

MOTION TO ACCEPT WITH CHANGE OF ADDING Chief as Delegate and Treasurer

Barrett as alternate 1 and 2nd Council Daugherty as alternate 2. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Secretary Littlefield.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Question raised concerning BC members voting for themselves and if this would be a conflict of interest. Due to

would be a conflict of interest. Due to this question the above motion will be rescinded, and this Resolution will be placed on the May 31st Agenda when 3rd Council Kraus will be able to vote.

MOTION to rescind the previous action as it relates to the National Congress of

American Indians. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Secretary Littlefield.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee,

Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). RESOLUTION NUMBER 051723-R-04 Resolution approving an Agreement between the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma and Butler, Rosenbury, and Partners, Inc. (BRP Architects) for Architectural Services for the Eastern Shawnee Tribe Government Building NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby approves the attached Standard Form Agreement Between the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma and Butler, Rosenbury, & Partners, Inc. (BRP Architects) for Architectural Services for the Eastern Shawnee Government Building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes Chief Glenna J. Wallace, or her designee as provided in writing, to execute the attached contract.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 051723-R-04. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Kraus).

MOTION: To Add Resolution Number 051723-R-05 to the agenda. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). RESOLUTION NUMBER 051723-R-05 Resolution to accept the Phase II Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP)

II Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) from Connect Construction Services for the Eastern Shawnee Travel Center Remodel

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby accept the attached Phase II Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) from Connect Construction Services for the Eastern Shawnee Travel Center Remodel.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 051723-R-05. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

**REQUISITIONS** 

Requisition EN-96107 payable to BL Construction in the amount of \$29,750.00 for BL Tower Construction. (To improve grounding on existing building and equipment – lightning protection).

MOTION: To approve EN-96107. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty. Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). REQUISITION EN-96240 payable to GHA Technologies Inc., in the amount of \$31,998.00 for Security and Systems Monitoring License.

MOTION: To approve EN-96240. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). REQUISITION EN-96687 payable to Connect Construction Services in the amount of \$95,203.94 for Pay Application 1 Travel Store Remodel.

MOTION: To approve EN-96687. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty. Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). REQUISITION EN-96689 payable to Branco Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$481,583.00 for ECLC Splashpad. MOTION: To Approve EN-96689.

Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 op-

posed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus).

The motion was made by 2nd Council

REQUISITION EN-96826 payable to Connect Construction Services in the amount of \$32,016.80 for pay application number two Travel Store Remodel. MOTION: To Approve EN-96826. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Purchase Order Number PR00061354 submitted by Indigo Sky Casino in the amount of \$391,475.00 for New 600KVA/600KW UPS with Lithium-Ion Battery CA.

MOTION: To Approve PR00061354. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Purchase Order Number PR00061416 submitted by Indigo Sky Casino in the amount of \$30,572.56 for Machine Ops.

MOTION: To Approve PR00061416. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Secretary Littlefield.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Purchase Order Number PR00061513 submitted by Indigo Sky Casino in the amount of \$80,720.38 for Renewal

MOTION: To Approve PR00061513. The motion was made by 1st Council Kissee with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

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Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). NEW BUSINESS

Sweep Account – Presented by Treasurer Barrett.

MOTION: To approve the review and accept the proposal from CR Crawford to further engage in the preconstruction process of the design of the Govern-

ment Service Building. Motion made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus) OLD BUSINESS

Tribal member Cheryl Barnes requested information about Totem and BC members travel budget.

Tribal member Joanie Wallace requested an update on putting Resolutions and meeting minutes online.

MOTION: To go into Closed Session at 8:27 p.m. made by 2ND Council Daugherty with second by 1st Council Kissee.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: To return to Open Session at 9:53 p.m. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). Note: 2nd Chief Samples noted there was not any discussion in closed session requiring a vote in Open Session. MOTION: To adjourn at 9:53 p.m. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty. Motion carried: 4 approved (Kissee, Daugherty, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kraus). ADJOURN

### DATE: Wednesday, May 31st, 2023 TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Bluejacket Building INVOCATION: Chief Wallace CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DECLARATION OF QUORUM The Business Committee Meeting was

The Business Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. at the Blue-jacket Building by 2nd Chief Samples with the following answering roll call: 2nd Council Daugherty, 3rd Council Kraus, Secretary Littlefield and Trea-

surer Barrett. 1st Council Kissee was absent. Chief Wallace was present. A Quorum was declared by 2nd Chief Samples.

People's Bank – Sweep Accounts Presentation by People's Bank CFO/ EVP John Klute explaining how Sweep Accounts work.

NEW ENROLLEES: None Presented MINUTES: To Approve the May 17th, 2023, Business Committee Meeting Minutes.

The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kissee). REPORTS:

CASINO REPORT – Melanie Heskett, General Manager Indigo Sky Casino. Reporting for the month of April 2023. Indigo Sky Casino: Revenue up 18%

Expenses up 1%

Outpost Casino: Revenue up 1% Expenses down 8%

Comparison – Actual Budget/Year to Date Indigo Sky: Revenue up 9%

Expenses down 3 %

Outpost Casino: Revenue down 7% Expenses down 8%

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT – Jalene Wells, Gaming Commissioner To be presented at the next Business Committee Meeting

TREASURER REPORT – Justin Barrett, Treasure

The Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee will be meeting on June 14th. There is not an agenda set yet. Karen Allen will be asked to sit in on the call as there is a Business Committee Meeting that day.

Tribal consultation with the Internal Revenue Service will be on June 22nd concerning the tax status of tribally chartered corporations. So, it would be a tribally chartered LLC or Section 17 Corp.

The Business Committee meeting minutes have been uploaded to the website from 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022 and

current through 2023. 2020 had not been scanned at the time of the upload but will be uploaded when they are scanned.

The Business Committee Travel Budget is \$63,000.00. \$51,000 has been spent leaving a balance of \$11,414.00. An investment update from Vetnos was presented by Treasurer Barrett.

A report from Stashlink will be provided to the Business Committee RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 053123-R-01 A Resolution Joining the National Congress of American Indians

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby wish to become members of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). The Business Committee authorizes a \$1,000.00 contribution for membership until the 2023 Annual Meeting of NCAI from the Business Committee budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby appoint the following individuals to serve as delegates or alternate delegates to NCAI until the expiration of their terms or until amended by resolution of the Business Committee.

Position | Title | Name | Term Expiration

Delegate | Chief | Glenna J. Wallace | September 2026

Alternate | Treasurer | Justin Barrett | September 2024

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 053123-R-01. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Littlefield), 0 opposed, 1 abstained (Barrett), 1 absent (Kissee). RESOLUTION NUMBER 053123-R-02 Authorizing the Eastern Shawnee Haven Program to submit a OVC FY 2023 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Formulated Grant available through the Office for Victims of Crime.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Business Committee of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma does hereby wish to authorize the Eastern Shawnee Tribe Haven Program to submit funding request from the Office for Victims of Crime for an approximate amount of at least \$409,636 (award is formulated first on population size and then redetermined by funds available after all applicants have submitted pre-applications). Funds will be used to hire a full time Child Victim Advocate to provide advocacy and services to child victims who have witnessed or experienced violence and crime. Funds will also be used to purchase a vehicle for the Child Victim Advocate. Lastly, funds will be used to continue salary for our Legal/Sexual Assault Advocate as well as legal services for the third year of the grant.

This grant application is due in Just-Grants by June 13th, 2023. This is a non-competitive formulated grant. No matching funds are required.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution Number 053123-R-02. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus.

Motion carried: 4 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Littlefield, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Kissee). SWEEP ACCOUNT RESOLUTIONS – Tabled to next meeting.

Secretary Littlefield left the meeting due to illness.

MOTION TO ADD RESOLUTION NUMBERS 053123-R-03,04 and 05 to the agenda made by Treasurer Barrett. MOTION FAILED due to lack of a second.

#### **REQUISITIONS:**

Requisition EN-96819 payable to Marion Company LLC in the amount of \$158,032.23 for Pay Application No. 14 Housing.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-96819. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugh-

erty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97036 payable to GHA Technologies, Inc. for Fortinet Upgrade and Renewal in the amount of \$26,121.47.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97036. The motion was made by 3rd Council Kraus with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97052 payable to Midwest Pathogend Services for Bio-decontamination Services in the amount of \$31.821.93.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97052. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97053 payable to Midwest Pathogend Services for Bio-decontamination Services in the amount of \$29,316.42.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97053. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97178 payable to Superior Auto Group for 2022 RAMT 1500 PD in the amount of \$37.485.00.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97178. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97179 payable to Superior Auto Group for 2022 RAMT 1500 PD in the amount of \$37,485.00.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97179. The motion was made by

Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97181 payable to Superior Auto Group for 2022 RAMT 1500 PD in the amount of

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97181. The motion was made by Treasurer Barrett with second by 2nd Council Daugherty.

\$37,485.00.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97182 payable to Superior Auto Group for 2022 RAMT 1500 PD in the amount of \$37,485.00.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97182. The motion was made by 3rd Council Kraus with second by

Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). Requisition Number EN-97189 payable to Halcomb Construction LLC for Ceremonial Campgrounds, Roads, Campsites, Building Pads in the amount of \$67,952.40.

MOTION: To Approve Requisition EN-97189. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by Treasurer Barrett.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield) NEW BUSINESS – None

OLD BUSINESS – Questions regarding vehicle purchases.

MOTION: To go into closed session at 7:32 p.m. following a five-minute break. Motion made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council

Kraus.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: To return to Open Session at 9:44 p.m. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield). OPEN SESSION

MOTION: To adjourn at p.m.9:45 p.m. The motion was made by 2nd Council Daugherty with second by 3rd Council Kraus.

Motion carried: 3 approved (Daugherty, Kraus, Barrett), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, 2 absent (Kissee, Littlefield).

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### CHIEF'S REPORT

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senting practical gifts of sun screen, cold bottled water, bandanas to wet to keep them cool in the hot weather and of course treats of suckers, candies and gum. Then in obvious anticipation and excitement, they were off to try out every feature of the splash pad. And the workers-they were just as excited about their gifts as they could be seen looking through their gift bags, asking each other "What did you get?" And the rest of us—we relished watching everything. Grand Opening will be Monday, July 17, 2023 at 10:30 am. The splash pad will be open to the general public M-F from 3 to 8 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Upcoming events in August and September include our Children's Culture Camp, the Shawna Stovall Back to School Children's Powwow, General Council and our annual Powwow. Melanie Heskitt, General Manager of Indigo Sky has announced special rates for tribal citizens to stay at Indigo Sky. They are as follows:

#### **Cultural Camp/Childrens PowWow:**

Dates: August 1st-6th Hotel Code: CPW23 Nightly Rate: \$78.75

#### **General Council:**

Dates: September 8th – 9th Hotel Code: GC23 Nightly Rate: \$78.75

#### **Eastern Shawnee Pow Wow:**

Dates: September 14th- 17th Hotel Code: powwow3 Nightly Rate: \$78.75

\*All bookings are based on availability and subject to Indigo Sky's incidental policy. For more information please contact (918) 666-9200.

This is a generous offer by Indigo Sky. I suggest if you plan to attend any of these events and plan to stay at Indigo, you contact them now and make your

reservations.

As I have stated before, Memorial Day is a special holiday for me and one where I spend quite a bit of time decoration graves with flowers. This year my younger brother Bud and his wife Darlene joined me as we added Eastern Shawnee Cemeteries Calamus Pond and Captains' Cemetery to the list. While placing flowers on each of the approximately eighty graves in those two cemeteries, we did lots of reminiscing and recalling tribal history. We also decorated graves of tribal citizens we knew were buried at Baxter Springs where my father's family are and Peoria Cemetery, especially looking for Henry Turkeyfoot's headstone which we did not find until later. Since that time we have had some tribal members say they would like to join us next year in this remembrance. Just let us know and we would be honored to include you as we honor our past tribal members. And if you live away and would like us to place flowers at other local cemeteries,

let us know the individuals and we will try to do those as well.

Do remember that we are having our first Education Banquet at our AOA Building on August 18th. We want to honor those who have used our scholarship funds, grade incentives and those interested in furthering their education, be it academic or vocational. A fun evening is planned for 9th graders and up. Tribal member Tony BlueJacket will be our special speaker as well as representatives from Missouri Southern in Joplin, Missouri. For further information, contact Amber Mittag.

Finally I want to close by giving a warm farewell to two of our longest serving tribal members Monica Bettis and Brett Barnes. Monica retired recently after serving our tribe for 33 years, much of that time serving as Director of Health and Social Services. Brett Barnes just announced his retirement after working for us 32 years. Beginning as a Bingo clerk, he then became Gaming Commissioner, Assistant General Manager of Gaming, Director of Cultural Preservation, ending as Language Director.

We honor both of these individuals and wish them well in their retirement



Monica Bettis

years. They will be missed.

Have a great Fourth of July and remember we will be celebrating our country's 250th birthday in 2026.

As always, it has been my honor to serve as your Chief. If I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. I may be reached by mail at 12755 S. 705 Road, Wyandotte, OK 74370, email at gjwallace@estoo.net



**Brett Barnes** 

I do not do face book nor linked in. I may also be reached at the following telephone numbers: Office (918) 238-5151 ext. 1820; cell, (918) 533-8422 or by text. My personal mailing address is 18675 Hwy 43, Seneca, MO, 64865. Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay optimistic. Walk in balance. Remember, walk in balance!

Chief Glenna



#### BEARSKIN HEALTCARE PHARMACY

Dear Bearskin Healthcare Pharmacy Clients,

To help us to better serve you, please call in refill requests by utilizing the automated refill system. It's really simple and goes a long way towards making our Pharmacy have a more efficient workflow.

- <u>Dial 918-678-3244</u>. It can be found in the upper right hand portion of your prescription label. (It is circled in red in the example below.) Have your prescription bottle handy.
- 2. Follow the voice instructions given.
- 3. Press 1 to refill a prescription.
- 4. Enter your prescription number. PLEASE USE THE MOST RECENT PRESCRIPTION BOTTLE as it will have the most recent prescription number!

The prescription number is located just above your name on the label. This number and your name are both highlighted in yellow. It is circled in blue in the example attached.



- 5. The system will ask you to confirm the first three letters of the last name on the prescription. **Press 1 if it is correct.**
- 6. If you need to enter another prescription, press 1, if not press 2.
- 7. That's it! Pretty simple.

Please keep in mind that refills called in during business hours will be ready the following business day after 1pm.

### **HAVEN PROGRAM**

Office Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Friday

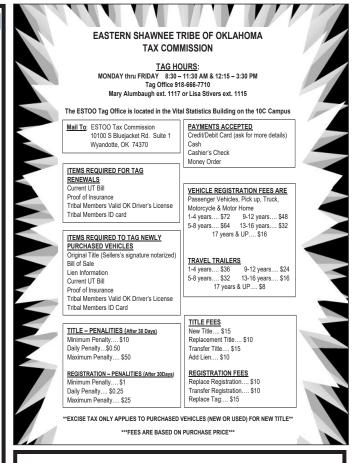
**HAVEN Does NOT provide 24- hour service.** 

After hours please call: StrongHearts Native Helpline https://strongheartshelpline 1-844-762-8483 (call or text)

Community Crisis Center, Miami, OK 1-800-400-0883

StrongHearts and Community Crisis Center have 24 hour service

HAVEN is a tribal advocacy program offering support for all victims of crime, specifically domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. We serve all ESTOO tribal members REGARDLESS of where they live and local community members within Ottawa County and the cities of Vinita, Jay, Grove OK and Seneca, MO. Please call the HAVEN office during business hours for more information. (918) 554-2836



#### REFILLS BY MAIL

As of October 17, 2022, Medication Refills will be available by mail for *most* chronic medications. We are pleased to offer this service as a way for our patients to save time and money.

New prescriptions will not be mailed. These must be picked-up at the clinic.

How do I get started with Refills by Mail?

- Enrollment must be made in person at Bearskin Healthcare Pharmacy. A form will be available for each patient to register for refills by mail. Patients under the age of 18, must have a parent/guardian signature.
- To request refills, call the <u>Automated Refill Line</u>: 918-678-3244. This is the number on your prescription label. If you get a message that says your prescriptions are on "HOLD" or "there are no refills remaining" the Pharmacy will get these messages and process them accordingly. If you are told by the automated system that it is too early to refill your medications, call back 7 days prior to running out of meds.
- ALWAYS UPDATE your current address and telephone number with Registration AND
  the Pharmacy. If packages are returned due to incorrect addresses you will be disenrolled from the Refill by Mail program.
- 4. You may call in to request refills up to 7 days early to allow time for processing and mailing. NOTIFY THE PHARMACY if you have not received your meds within 7 days, otherwise non-notification will be accepted as confirmation of medication delivery.
- Controlled medications (Tylenol with Codeine, clonazepam, tramadol, Lyrica, butalbital products, diphenoxylate/atropine, testosterone injection/gel, Provigil, and others) will not be eligible for refills by mail.
- 6. <u>CHECK your mail regularly</u> on the days following your requests to help prevent loss and exposure to the elements. If you have several medications you may receive more than one package. If you repeatedly have medications which come up missing we may disenroll you from the RBM program.
- 7. PLEASE CONSOLIDATE refill requests as much as possible to help keep postage costs

The pharmacy reserves the right to dismiss any patient from the program as necessary. Reasons for dismissal include but are not limited to; returned deliveries, missed or denied receipt of medications, chronic early refill requests, failure to keep scheduled appointments, etc.

# **Eastern Shawnee Tribe Tribal Citizens Birthdays for July 2023**

Ankeny Liam 7/1/2016 Applegate Aaron 7/23/2001 Arnold Ayden 7/21/2003 Arnold Juston 7/19/1986 Arnold Tyson 7/19/1986 Ashford Monica 7/21/1993 Atkinson Gregory 7/6/1967 Atkinson Harper 7/26/2018 Atkinson Jonathan 7/27/1966 Atkinson Wyatt 7/31/1995 Augustus Dominick 7/18/2015 Austin Aiden 7/21/2010 Austin Jordan 7/15/2011 Austin Jr John 7/30/1991 Bales Jayleigh 7/20/2012 Barnes Andi 7/16/2021 Barnes Brett 7/14/1966 Barnes Freddie 7/8/1955 Barrett Legend 7/23/2019 Beam Vickie 7/31/1964 Bear Sandra 7/29/1948 Beebe Brooke 7/5/1982 Beebe Cameran 7/12/2010 Belcher Barry 7/25/1965 Belcher Silas 7/14/1996 Bell Christopher 7/13/1988 Bennett Lacy 7/25/2010 Betts Madison 7/6/2005 Bevill Shelby 7/26/1985 Bird Natalie 7/6/2008 Blackfox Damon 7/31/2001 Blackmon Ellie 7/19/2013 Blair Ardith 7/31/1967 Blizzard Coe 7/16/2008 Blizzard-Lopez Bentley 7/2/2015 Boatright Clifton 7/4/2001 Boehme Ethan 7/14/2007 Bolte Abby 7/29/1983 Bowling Baylor 7/23/2019 Branham Madelyn 7/24/2000 Branham Rebecca 7/9/1976 Brashers Sonia 7/22/1967 Brewer Linda 7/24/1999 Brock Carol 7/8/1974 Brock Damien 7/1/2007 Brock Darrell 7/28/1943 Brock Roger 7/1/1969 Brock Trenton 7/10/2006 Brock Trevor 7/8/2004 Burris Waylon 7/11/2021 Burrow Alexis 7/9/1990 Butcher Melanie 7/7/1982 Buttram Anthony 7/9/1984 Buttram Chaucer 7/5/2013 Cansler Loretta 7/27/1951 Canton Leslie 7/8/1986 Capps Crystal 7/19/1978 Captain V George 7/4/1969 Carey Ashlynn 7/19/2010 Carroll Cassie 7/11/1978 Casas Alijah 7/19/2021 Chandler Maci 7/19/2011 Charlton Kloeigh 7/14/2007 Chaulet Jason 7/26/1970 Chinchilla Eva 7/20/1976 Churchman Daniele 7/4/1993 Clark Gabriella 7/6/2001 Clark Sylvia 7/3/2016 Clouse Taylor 7/17/2000 Colvard Alexandra 7/6/1996 Colvard Hayley 7/20/1998 Conrad Hayden 7/9/2002 Conrad Holden 7/21/2010 Costerisan Mason 7/23/2019 Coulter Morgan 7/31/2001 Cox Andrew 7/19/2015

Cox Terri 7/20/1958 Crain Cassandra 7/9/2001 Crain Christopher 7/16/1973 Crain Portia 7/19/1994 Crain Jr Charlie 7/5/1965 Crawford Kaleb 7/30/2012 Crittenden Alexandria 7/18/2005 Crossley Brandon 7/24/1986 Crossley Ryken 7/5/2016 Culbertson Tricia 7/10/2012 Cunliffe Adalyn 7/11/2022 Cunliffe Keith 7/17/1983 Cyr Shania 7/24/1996 Darwood Emmett 7/6/2006 Darwood Preston 7/9/2002 Daugherty Claire 7/20/2007 Daugherty Emma 7/20/2005 Davis Freya 7/21/2014 Davis Nathen 7/15/1988 Deltoro Matthew 7/17/1985 DeMint Tabitha 7/2/1986 Diaz Sabrina 7/5/1994 Dillard Melinda 7/28/1963 Dixon Alexander 7/20/1999 Dixon Benjamin 7/20/1981 Duckett Shaylene 7/19/2005 Due Korbin 7/19/2007 DuShane Joshua 7/29/1988 Edwards Kaylee 7/25/2011 Eledge Faith 7/1/1999 Eledge Mikal 7/6/1993 Eledge Vashti 7/8/1995 Elliott Sheryl 7/24/1973 Elliott Tessa 7/22/2009 Elliott III Donald 7/21/2011 Enyart Huxton 7/30/2017 Ervin Johnathon 7/5/1970 Erwin Ashley 7/4/1988 Erwin Colton 7/6/2017 Erwin Crayton 7/6/2017 Erwin Dawson 7/15/2012 Erwin Sawyer 7/15/2012 Fair Haley 7/10/2002 Fisher Adrian 7/30/2012 Fleming Maci 7/15/2009 Floyd Arlo 7/7/2017 Floyd Auddie 7/14/2020 Francis Garrett 7/1/2004 Francis Suzette 7/21/1970 Frankel Joshua 7/26/1993 Frederick Justin 7/11/2009 Gardner Rebeca 7/5/1994 Garoutte Waylan 7/2/2021 Garrett Haden 7/16/2003 Garrett Jackson 7/5/2005 Garrett Jakob 7/5/2005 Gay Rhett 7/13/2000 Gay Riley 7/13/2000 Gaylord Cooper 7/18/1997 Gillum Jennifer 7/30/1981 Gilmore Nicholas 7/24/2009 Gilray Sierra 7/27/1988 Gokey Kolby 7/27/1999 Goodwin Samuel 7/1/1999 Gorton Julianna 7/30/1997 Graham Amber 7/29/1983 Graham Arbra 7/29/1965 Gray Jr Milton 7/22/1982 Green Kamisha 7/24/1975 Gregory Colton 7/27/1999 Guthrie Madyson 7/21/2001 Hamilton Ayden 7/12/2006 Hampton Jalyn 7/2/2010 Hampton Stacy 7/15/1985 Handcock Derick 7/27/1989 Hansen Greyson 7/21/2008

Harding Hailey 7/9/1997 Harnar Kimberley 7/10/1968 Harris Franklin 7/4/1956 Harris Havden 7/26/1995 Harris Stacie 7/15/1981 Hartweg Kyler 7/26/2003 Hauser III Perry 7/31/1970 Hawkins Oaklynn 7/12/2018 Hawkins Timber 7/23/2020 Hayward Lawana 7/21/1957 Hernandez III Anthony 7/4/2019 Hess Annie 7/18/1980 Higbee Christopher 7/22/1980 Hilderbrand James 7/10/1976 Hilderbrand Jennifer 7/22/1986 Hoey Ryne 7/12/1989 Hollis Cherokee 7/4/1975 Hoskin Victoria 7/13/1997 Hotulke Evan 7/9/1987 Hubbard Douglas 7/1/1963 Hubbard Hailee 7/17/1995 Hudson John 7/20/1961 Huffman Makinna 7/20/2005 Huggins Frank 7/5/1975 Huggins Mason 7/1/2014 Huls Jacob 7/31/1997 Huls Michael 7/6/1966 Humphreys Jamie 7/4/1967 Hunsinger Wrenley 7/30/2021 Hurley Megan 7/10/1985 Hurt Ryan 7/16/2015 Hutchinson III Franklin 7/21/1954 Innis Janeen 7/17/1978 Jackson Andrew 7/4/1976 James William 7/6/1983 Jarvis Adlee 7/12/2021 Johnson Alexis 7/17/2012 Johnson GeorgeAnna 7/1/1990 Johnson Stephanie 7/22/1971 Jones Aubrey 7/25/2018 Jones Shawn 7/29/1962 Kelley Kyle 7/10/2008 Kelley Trena 7/13/1984 Kessel Cayde 7/18/2018 Kinsey Colt 7/1/2007 Kisler Timothy 7/18/2006 Kissee Reata 7/3/2014 Kissee Trenton 7/2/1988 Kline Kolton 7/8/2008 Kropp Larry 7/21/1948 Kuykendall Alysha 7/24/1993 Lacy Michael 7/31/1961 Lam Evelyn 7/15/1944 Landis Jenna 7/27/1993 Lankford Jennifer 7/5/1977 Lawson Ivy 7/20/2002 Ledford Dustin 7/12/1990 Lee Marcia 7/21/1952 LeFay Cyree 7/22/2010 Lewis Mercedes 7/18/1991 Lewis Nova 7/25/2016 Littlefield Casey 7/20/1978 Littles Cory 7/23/1985 Littles Kacie 7/27/1987 Loges Layla 7/15/2008 Loucks Eme 7/15/2009 Loureiro Shane 7/10/1990 Love Ellie 7/14/2016 MacKie Matthew 7/23/2004 Maddox Bradlee 7/24/2013 Maddox Travis 7/15/2011 Magbanlag Captain Natalie 7/8/2018 Magtibay Christine 7/14/1978

Magtibay Nathaniel 7/6/2013

Marney Rebecca 7/30/1970

Maruca Hunter 7/9/2018 Matthews William 7/28/1989 McCoy Piper 7/11/2011 McCrackin Crew 7/2/2014 McCrackin Tiffany 7/12/1982 McDonald Adelynn 7/14/2012 McGowan Karrell 7/28/1966 McHatton Jeanne 7/5/1961 McHatton Sandra 7/22/1964 Mercer Alaric 7/30/2021 Mercer Andrea 7/8/1983 Meyer Breanna 7/24/1995 Millhollin Eastyn 7/2/2012 Millhollin Izabell 7/1/2006 Millhollin Melissa 7/13/1992 Minkler Michael 7/16/1988 Mohan Paige 7/5/1990 Morello Daniel 7/2/1998 Morgan Eathan 7/20/2009 Morgan Linda 7/2/2004 Morgan Nathaniel 7/25/2002 Murray Julia 7/9/2007 Murray Levi 7/16/2016 Murray Sawyer 7/16/2016 Murray Trevor 7/25/2014 Mvers Peoria 7/29/2010 Neff II Franklyn 7/3/1975 Nelson Buddy 7/30/1934 Nelson Leighton 7/3/2010 Nichols Jackson 7/27/2009 Nichols Miles 7/29/1958 Norris Alvssa 7/29/2002 O'Haver Jenna 7/1/1984 O'Neill Kennedy 7/19/2012 Osborn Sharee 7/3/1990 Osborne-Gowey Finn 7/11/2006 Overn Christopher 7/2/1989 Overn Luke 7/30/2013 Pelliccio Creed 7/16/2012 Pelt Tasha 7/3/1982 Pena Audrey 7/3/1989 Pengelly Wanda 7/7/1932 Penn Jennifer 7/20/1976 Pennington Becky 7/5/1976 Perez Taylor 7/29/1998 Peters Alijah 7/26/2010 Peterson Jered 7/3/1993 Peterson Julia 7/19/1999 Pinkerton Susan 7/1/1959 Pollock Elsy 7/15/2022 Pool Cooper 7/30/2015 Pope Stephen 7/13/1968 Powell Caroline 7/15/2015 Profitt Jameson 7/20/2021 Prophet Norma 7/26/1923 Purcell Kimberly 7/12/1960 Purevich David 7/9/1960 Quapaw Ann 7/31/1957 Quinlan Stephanie 7/28/1967 Randall Vincent 7/13/2013 Ray Samuel 7/13/2015 Reinke Justin 7/25/2015 Rendel Brent 7/15/1964 Rendel Job 7/12/1999 Rios Kathleen 7/25/1959 Robinson Remi 7/12/2015 Rocha Carter 7/29/2016 Roche Pool Melissa 7/6/1982 Romine Cash 7/29/2012 Romine Matthew 7/19/1988 Rosenow Allen 7/29/2016 Rosenow Shania 7/23/1999 Scribner Bailey 7/27/2017 Scribner Lucas 7/6/2013 Searls Rian 7/2/2002

Shaw Isaiah 7/9/2010 Sheridan Anne 7/27/1966 Shettlesworth Zaxton 7/31/2021 Sims Willie 7/8/1974 Sims Willie 7/8/1975 Slaton Catherine 7/20/1991 Slegers Ben 7/29/2013 Slegers Sheryl 7/19/1984 Smith Mason 7/16/2014 Smith Maycee 7/21/2006 Snelling Jerry 7/21/1939 Snelling Sandra 7/18/1963 Solano Destiny 7/27/2007 Solar Lia 7/27/2008 Sorrell Brooklynn 7/4/1996 Spencer Bridget 7/14/1972 Statzer Maverick 7/11/2008 Stein Deela 7/30/1975 Stein Patricia 7/4/2001 Stewart Markus 7/14/1972 Stewart Rowan 7/13/2022 Stine Kalei 7/13/1989 Stoner Glenn 7/30/1939 Strickland Glenn 7/11/1943 Strickland Jordan 7/24/1968 Sullivan Aubree 7/14/2008 Swaim Syler 7/4/2013 Sweat Austin 7/8/1996 Taffolla Sydney 7/9/1998 Talbert Pamela 7/17/1961 Taylor James 7/23/1937 Tayrien Jack 7/14/2004 Thomasson Austin 7/11/1999 Thorp Corbin 7/30/2003 Threet Jordyn 7/22/2009 Timblin Dannel 7/10/1991 Titus Ivy 7/8/2020 Triplett Danny 7/18/1966 Turner Erika 7/3/1976 Valdovinos Briseda 7/31/2009 Van Houten Christin 7/13/1988 VanHouten Gabriel 7/21/2015 Vaughn Kristopher 7/19/1990 Wainscott Samantha 7/3/2001 Walker Shan'Drea 7/3/2015 Walker, II Andre' 7/3/2012 Wallace Joan 7/25/1961 Wallace Skylar 7/25/1984 Ward Audi 7/10/1989 Warden Brooks 7/20/2017 Washington Joe 7/22/1951 Watkins Austyn 7/16/2015 Weaver Annamarie 7/26/2009 Weeks Wauleah 7/26/1954 Welch Lisa 7/13/1958 Werth Belinda 7/20/1972 White Alana 7/31/2007 White Austin 7/2/2009 White Brett 7/2/1990 White Logan 7/8/2009 White Jr Charles 7/23/1962 White Steven 7/21/1952 Wilson Austin 7/3/2002 Wilson Kayson 7/3/2019 Wilson Terry 7/30/1976 Winkle Melissa 7/2/1985 Winn Grayson 7/31/2020 Wood Cheyenne 7/19/2000 Wood Christie 7/26/1970 Worley August 7/12/2015 Wright Emily 7/6/1980 Wyrick Rosa 7/27/1958 Young Jeanne 7/15/1964