



Citizen Band of Potawatomi Indians

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Letter from the Chairman



Paul Schmidkofer
Tribal Chairman

We have just completed "1978", a very successful year for the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians. It has been a very productive and exciting one, and I feel a great deal of pride and pleasure when reviewing the past year's accomplishments.

First of all, my appreciation to my fellow Business Committee members, Sheila Hall, Priscilla Sherard, Jim Tacker, and Bill Burch for their dedication, cooperation and devoted work on behalf of the tribe. Because of their assistance along with the Tribal Administrator, we have experienced substantial growth in the total amount of federal dollars received to provide services and benefits to our tribal members. In addition to programs that service strictly Potawatomi, we also have those that provide assistance to the total Indian community residing in our service area.

In any organization, maximizing consumer benefit at the most economical cost is the primary goal of administration. We feel fortunate to attract and have on board competent personnel who seriously administer all programs in accordance to their contractual agreements and Federal Regulations.

I hope that you have noticed the change in our tribal newspaper, Mrs. Beverly I. Hughes and Mrs. Ann Wilson have spent many man-hours (woman-hours) in developing ideas for a more informative and attractive publication. We hope that you will read, enjoy, and become a better informed tribal member.

In this month's issue of HOW-NI-KAN, we are publishing pictures of the newly opened Ship-she-wano Learning Center and the Cultural Heritage Center. Ship-she-wano provides working space for the Head Start and Day Care Programs, and

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Ship She Wano Center in Full Swing

The Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma has made education from the earliest years a priority. Most recently this is reflected in the establishment of the new Ship-she-wano Learning Center. The official date of tribal possession was 9-28-78. The Center is now operating in full swing, with over 40 children attending Day Care facilities regularly, and enrolled in the Potawatomi Head Start Program.

The Learning Center was designed especially to house our young children and provide a learning environment which will increase pre-requisite skills and prepare our children for successful entry into public school; in addition to this, we strive to provide a curriculum which integrate Indian culture into daily activities in order to develop pride in a cultural heritage at an early age. These new facilities have greatly enhanced our Day Care and Head Start programs, as well as provide additional meeting space for

General Council, and other Potawatomi events.

Thanks to the joint efforts of our Director of Education, Richard Blackstock, and our Director of Day Care, Mona Barrett under the guidance of our Tribal Administrator John Schoemann our Day Care and Head Start programs have gotten off to a terrific start and we invite any interested person to stop by and tour our new facilities. This Center contributes to our tribal history in that each of the Administrative offices are named after a tribal chief, and each classroom is named after a tribal clan.

The acquisition of these facilities and successful operation of these programs serve to reinforce the outstanding progress our tribe has made in the year of 78, and look forward with eager anticipation to a spectacular 79 for all tribal programs and all the tribal members we hope to benefit from them.



Ship She Wano Learning Center

ATTENTION

Citizen Band Potawatomi Manpower Program

The Citizen Band Potawatomi Business Committee has successfully sub-contracted Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) monies to provide training and employment services to Potawatomi Indians residing in Pottawatomie, Cleveland, Lincoln, and Logan Counties. Through use of these monies, Potawatomis shall be provided classroom training, on-job-training, work experience, public service employment jobs, and related services.

Eligibility criteria for participation in the Citizen Band Potawatomi Manpower Program are set by the Department of Labor, however, in general terms, participants must be 1.) unemployed, or 2.) underemployed, or 3.) economically disadvantaged; be an enrolled member of the Citizen Band Potawatomi of Oklahoma or a descendant of a Citizen Band Potawatomi of Oklahoma tribal member; and be a resident of one of the four counties listed above.

Should any Potawatomi be interested in participating in this program, please contact:

Citizen Band Potawatomi
MANPOWER PROGRAM
Rt. 5, Box 151
Shawnee, OK 74801
(405) 275-3121

From the Administration



John Schoemann
Tribal Administrator

At the time of this first issue of our tribal newspaper, How Ni Kan in an effort to establish and maintain a permanent format that is informative, useful and interesting to all tribal members. We are asking for your reactions and ideas.

It is this office's goal to enable all tribal members to obtain maximum benefit of all funded grants and contracts through knowledgeable documentation stating the type of program available, its goals, and the proper contact person at the tribal office, should further information be required.

This newspaper should further be used as an introductory tool to enable tribal members to meet and become acquainted with tribal staff members and employees. Thereby, enabling you to better understand not only how these grants and contracts can benefit you, but also who will be working with you and for you in accordance with your needs and the federal requirements.

Each of the staff members will be presenting a brief article to you explaining their program's progress, and from time to time we would like to spotlight a tribal employee and share with you a brief profile of their background, qualifications, and experience, all of which contribute toward their value as a tribal employee.

In summary, this newspaper is presented to you for your approval. We will be happy to consider any criticism offered or changes suggested. HOW NI KAN will be offered on a subscription basis ONLY at the price of \$1.00 per year, TO OFFSET POSTAGE EXPENSE. It will be published quarterly.

The New How Ni Kan newspaper will take the place of the Tribal

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Meet the Business Committee

WIC Program Awarded to Potawatomis



**PAUL E. SCHMIDLKOFER,
CHAIRMAN**

Paul has served the tribe in many capacities. He was tribal Chairman twice, Vice Chairman and Tribal Administrator. While serving as Tribal Chairman he was able to put the tribal property back into Trust Status thereby assuring the continued growth of tribal programs. In 1974, while Tribal Administrator he secured an Economic Development Grant to construct a Tribal Cultural Heritage Center. This center now houses the administrative, bookkeeping, and CHR programs. Again in June of 1977, Paul was elected Tribal Chairman and two months later the tribe applied for and was granted their second Economic Development Grant. This \$482,000.00 grant was to expand the office space, provide a large Council Room and a Day Care Center.

Paul and his wife Norma reside in Tecumseh, Oklahoma and have six children, five boys and one girl. Four of his children still live at home and he has one son married. After retiring from the Air Force in 1968, Paul moved back to the Shawnee area where he was born and attended school. He now works part time for Bazemore Automotive Co., in Shawnee but takes time to visit the office nearly every day to offer his assistance where needed. He has truly been a dedicated tribal leader and his efforts to insure continued growth for the tribe are truly appreciated by many.



JIM TACKER, VICE CHAIRMAN

Jim Tacker and his wife Mae live eight miles west of Tecumseh, Oklahoma and have one daughter, who is a student at Central State College, and one son, attending Oklahoma State University. Jim served three years in the Army Air Corps and retired from Government Services in 1976. He is presently the builder and developer of Arrow Head Estates, west of Tecumseh, Oklahoma. Jim holds a Bachelor degree in Math Science from Oklahoma University and a Masters Degree in Business and Public Administrations and is currently working on his doctorate from Oklahoma State University. Elected as Councilman in 1977, Jim is now the Vice Chairman of the Business Committee and also serves the tribe on the Central Tribes of the Shawnee Area (CTSA) Board of Directors. Jim is an experienced builder, knowing all phases of construction but does find time to enjoy his favorite sports of hunting and fishing. Jim is very dedicated to his position on the tribal Business Committee and has contributed greatly to the progress of the tribe.



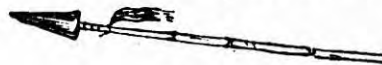
**SHEILA M. HALL
SECRETARY-TREASURER**

Sheila was born at Sacred Heart, Oklahoma, to Isaac and Thelma Jewell Bruno. She attended schools at Tribbey, Macomb, Purcell, and Konawa where she graduated. She has a BS degree from the University of Oklahoma in Education and is currently attending Southwestern College to obtain a BS degree in Religion. Sheila and her husband, Kent, have two sons and own their own business, K & S Real Estate Appraisals in Oklahoma City. As a member of the Business Committee since 1973, Sheila has worked toward the building of the Cultural Center and the Ship-she-wano Learning Center. Being concerned that tribal members know more about their heritage, she not only supports our historical society, but also wrote our first historical drama, Kinon Chicote. She has served on CTSA boards, was Chairman of the Health Board at the Shawnee clinic for 2 years, and served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Oklahoma-Kansas area health board in Oklahoma City. Having many loyal followers, Sheila's name was placed in contention for the office of Secretary-Treasurer this year by petition and she was elected by unanimous vote.

On October 24, 1978, Paul Schmidtkofer, Chairman, received notification from W. F. Warren, Regional Administrator — USDA, announcing grant award to the Citizen Band Potawatomis Indians to administer and operate a Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children, more commonly referred to as WIC.

The Potawatomis WIC Program will begin 1-1-79. WIC is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture under Section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended. The purpose of the program is to provide supplemental foods and nutrition education, to infants (less than 1 year age), children (from 1 year up to 5th birthday), and pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women who are determined by a competent medical authority to be at nutritional risk due to inadequate nutrition and inadequate income, in order to improve their health status.

- To receive WIC foods, you must —
- be certified as needing supplemental food
- live in Shawnee IHS Service area counties of Cleveland, Logan, Lincoln, Oklahoma, Pottawatomie, Seminole, and Hughes
- be able to document Indian blood quantum
- eligible for free or reduced medical services
- receive medical care from an approved health care clinic.



The Potawatomis Nation

The Potawatomis Nation of Indians is one of the Algonquin speaking people, native to the northeastern United States. The Potawatomis Indians lived in villages scattered throughout the Great Lakes area.

The first documented mention of the Potawatomis was in a journal entry made by the explorer, Samuel de Champlain, during his last journey of exploration to the "New World", as he sailed down the St. Lawrence River, in 1615-16. Some historians say, however, that in the early 1500s, the Potawatomis were active in fur trade with the French in Canada.

The Potawatomis were a semi-sedentary tribe, who relied on hunting, fishing, and agriculture for a livelihood. During the warm months, they lived near their fields. They planted and harvested a variety of foods: corn, squash, beans, potatoes, pumpkins, cranberries, and a variety of wild nuts that grew in abundance in the woods. In the fall, they moved their cabins to hunting grounds in the woods, and there remained until spring when they would return to the fields to plant crops. One natural food staple was wild rice that grew in the clear lakes. The Potawatomis harvested the rice in the fall in preparation for the hard winters.

Exposure of three centuries to Europeans and other Indian groups altered the Potawatomis life style considerably. The Potawatomis had a high regard for French trade goods, and formed a strong alliance with the

French, primarily through trade; however, even the French language influenced many changes in the Potawatomis dialect.

The Potawatomis were faithful allies of the French until 1763, when the French were defeated by the English forces, and the Treaty of Paris was signed following the fall of Quebec. The Potawatomis relationship with the English was not as ideal as that with the French, yet the Crown did act as a buffer between the Indian and the rapidly increasing numbers of European settlers. The Potawatomis were allied with England against the Colonies during the Revolutionary War, and England's defeat in 1776 led the Indian tribes to deal on a one to one basis with the expanding colonies.

Following the Revolutionary War the Indian tribes of the Northwest Frontier were subjected to numerous violations of hunting and fishing land agreements. This triggered the Indian Wars that broke out across the frontier during the several years that followed, and the Potawatomis signed the first of 237 treaties that they would sign with the U.S. at Fort Harmar, January 9, 1789.

The removal treaty, The Treaty of Chicago, signed September 26, 1831, rejected Potawatomis claims to more than 7 million acres of land east of the Mississippi River, and further terms of that treaty were the removal of

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**PRISCILLA MULLINS SHERARD
COUNCILWOMAN**

Priscilla Mullins Sherard was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where she now lives in the Shartel Arms Apartment Building. Priscilla has been Councilwoman on the Business Committee for the past two years and has served in the Tribal Historian since 1971. Her knowledge of the history of our tribe is beyond measure since she has spent the past 35 years researching the history of her Indian ancestry, the Potawatomis and Chickasaw tribes. Priscilla served the country in the US Coast Guard and her working abilities have included everything from bridge construction to driving a dump truck. Painting in the oils and ceramics provide Priscilla with an enjoyable past time and hobby. Other interests include anything that pertains to the outdoors as Priscilla loves to fish. Currently Priscilla is President of the Health Board of the Shawnee Clinic and serves on the Oklahoma City Health Board. This requires many hours of meetings and very dedicated person. People of the Place of the Fire and Indian Recipes, the two books now available for tribal members, and still in great demand also took many hours of dedication to prepare. Her dedication to the Historical Society in their preparation of the Potawatomis Drama has been appreciated by the many Potawatomis and the public that viewed the dramas.



BILLY JIM BURCH

Billy Jim Burch resides in Tecumseh, Oklahoma with his wife, Johnnie Payne, who is also a Potawatomis Indian. They have one daughter, Latonia, who is a senior at Tecumseh High School. Billy served on the Business Committee several years ago and this year volunteered his services again to the tribe and is now a Councilman. Born in Tecumseh, Oklahoma, Billy graduated from Tecumseh High School and then attended East Central College in Ada, Oklahoma. He also has sixteen hours of Business Management and eight hours of Plant Safety from the University of Oklahoma. Billy is employed with the Shawnee Milling Company and has been an employee there for the past twenty-five years. He is currently the Fleet Supervisor and Safety Coordinator. Billy is also dedicated to the continued progress of our Potawatomis tribe.

Profile of a Potawatomi



EDWIN A. KENNEDY

Okemah, Oklahoma has been the permanent residence of Ed Kennedy and wife Gertrude for the past forty years. Ed was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma, February 2, 1911, and while a child his family moved to Geary, Oklahoma where Ed attended school. As a youth, he also worked for the Prairie Pipeline Company in and around St. Louis, Oklahoma. In 1929, Ed joined the Air Force and was a Captain when he retired in 1954. Stationed in Germany for a long period of time, Ed was a part of the Berlin Airlift and also served in the Atlantic and Pacific. After retirement, Ed went into business for himself and owned and operated a service station and Travel Trailer Sales. Still very active at age 67, Ed is a member of the Masons, American Legion, V.F.W., Eastern Star, and the Potawatomi Historical Society. The past three years presentations of the Potawatomi Drama, Kinan Chikote, has included Ed Kennedy in its cast of characters. Ed's mother, Malvina Regnier Kennedy, and father, Madison Kennedy, were both allotted land in 1889 and appear on the allotment roll of the tribe. His grandmother, Catherine Regnier (Ke o wa oqua) was also allotted. As an adult Ed attended Sierra College and the University of California and he wishes to express to the youth of our tribe the value of education and urges all young people to get as much education as possible.

(Editor's Note) This feature of the tribal newspaper will introduce the members of the tribe to one of the older Potawatomis. If you would like to have someone featured, please let us know.



Museum and Historical Society List Goals

Hello Tribal Members! We of the Potawatomi Indian Nation Museum & Historical Society are now having regular meetings the second Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The meetings are held in the upper level of the Cultural Heritage Center Building on tribal grounds. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings. One of our goals is to research all old records and rolls so we can eventually have an accurate genealogy of each tribal member dating back in history as far as possible. We are also planning field trips to the Great Lakes area and Kansas to visit Historical Societies and Museums seeking to discover even more history of our tribe. After obtaining these records, documents, pictures, artifacts, and other old tribal rolls, we plan to seek funds to build an underground vault to store these valuables. Duplicates of all records will be available for tribal members to use in completing their family histories and genealogies. We also plan to build an original Potawatomi Village on tribal grounds and we hope to build it out of original materials as was used by our ancestors. Another goal is to have Potawatomi Indians making their

TAC Program Begins Third Year

Citizen Band Potawatomi Tribe has contracted through the Bureau of Indian Affairs to administer and operate our own Indian Action Team Program. The primary goal of our Potawatomi Indian Action Team is to make available vocational training opportunities and on-the-job work experience for the unskilled and unemployed Indians of the Shawnee area.

Our Indian Action Team Program is starting on its third year and has had many significant results, in that seventy-two (72) tribal members have gone through our vocational training programs in the past two years. In addition, a follow-up study has shown 78 % immediately acquired jobs in the local area after the completion of their training. There has always been a need for vocational training, creating new skills, creating new jobs, and providing the opportunity to work for Potawatomi tribal members. For example the Indian unemployment rate in the Shawnee area is around 20 %, about five times that of the national average. In addition to this of all the Indians that do work about 46 % are classified unskilled.

This labor problem for Indians has always existed and will continue unless training opportunities are created that are based upon the local needs of industries and business concerns.

One such opportunity for training has been created by our tribe the Indian Action Program. Under P.L. 93-638 the Indian Self Determination Act, the many different areas of concentration in our Indian Action Team Program has resulted not only in the economic development of the Potawatomi Tribe, but in the development of our human resources.

own jewelry, baskets, paintings, and other art crafts and have these on display to be sold to the general public. Picture postcards with Potawatomi costumes, famous Indian Chiefs, bead designs and art work will also be available for sale to the public. Future long range plans include expansion of the museum facilities and increasing our current collection of historical artifacts, documents, and paintings. Again, we are inviting anyone interested to attend these meetings as we are needing all the participation possible from tribal members or other interested parties. We wish to build a strong bond within the Potawatomi Nation that will unite all Potawatomi in the continued building of a great Nation of People.

Sonny Sewell, President

Tribe Applies for Home Rehab Program

In accordance with our Community Development Block Grant the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma have applied for funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 for a Home Rehabilitation Program. This program is designed to bring 24 single family dwellings to standard living conditions. The work on these units will not be sub-contracted out, instead every effort will be made to see that the labor will be handled by our IAT and HIP workers regenerating tribal funds into Potawatomi economy.

In monitoring the progress of this application through our local HUD office we were informed the review is progressing satisfactorily and are expecting final approval on or before 1-1-79.

Deadline for Scholarship Grant

We are happy to announce that the Scholarship Program is now in full swing. The Scholarship Program Director has been contacted by tribal members by telephone or correspondence. At the present, we have consecutively awarded fourteen scholarships. We are looking forward to getting more applicants in the future. Deadline of applications for the spring semester is November 1, 1979 and Fall Semester April 1, 1979. To get your application call or write to: Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma, Route 5-Box 151, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801. Phone No. (405)-275-3121.

From The Administrator (Continued from page 1)

Newsletter, therefore, if you wish to make an effort to be aware of all tribal functions, programs and events we suggest you get your request for subscription and money in, no later than February 15, 1979.

Request for subscription should be mailed to:
HOW NI KAN
ROUTE 5, BOX 151 Shawnee, OK 74801

CSA Grant Approved

The Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma has been notified of approval of funding for our requested Community Service Administration Grant Food and Nutrition Program.

This project will seek to increase the availability of federal and state assisted food and nutrition programs in Pottawatomie County; to increase by 10% the participation of low income Indian people in the food stamp program by identifying barriers which discourage participation. The project will further seek to aid elderly low-income Indian families in supplementing their food and nutrition requirements by providing materials and instructions for gardening projects; to assist in planting and caring for the Mittleider Grow Box. The tribe will utilize existing tribal resources for construction of grow boxes.

Participants in the Food and Nutrition Program will acquire skills in food preservation, food preparation, and food buying, through seminars and workshops provided by the program.

Although, this grant has been approved, to date the funds have not been released. This final action will thereby bring about the implementation of the Food and Nutrition Program, and can be expected by 2-1-79. Any questions regarding the CSA Food and Nutrition Program should be directed to:

The Citizen Band Potawatomi
Indians of Oklahoma
Route 5, Box 151
Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801
405-275-3121

Letter From The Chairman

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the Cultural Heritage Center is the main Administrative office which includes the Potawatomi Museum that is planned to be in operation in the very near future.

For those of you, who have not had the opportunity to visit our tribal complex, these pictures of the tribal buildings and surroundings grounds will reflect the time and effort put forth by all members of the Business Committee and staff in acquiring these improvements. You can see why, we feel that we have the most beautiful facilities and tribal grounds in the State of Oklahoma.

We invite you to visit the tribal complex, acquaint yourself with tribal employees and become involved in your tribe. Remember our active Pow-Wow Club will have their annual Pow-Wow and General Council Meeting during the last weekend in June, if you do not have the opportunity to drop in and see before then, please jot the date down on your calendar and come visit us during this festival occasion.



CHR's Continue to Improve Program

The CHR Offices are now located on the upper North side of the tribal complex building. Also, each CHR staff and home maintenance staff member has an individual office.

The CHR's are continuing to seek ways of improvement for serving tribal members and other Indian People within the Old Tribal Reservation. We would appreciate any suggestions given when a CHR makes a home visit to your home. We have three CHR's (Carol White, Thelma Bateman, Roy McMullin) that will be going into the field and after every four months, they will alternate field areas, so as to become familiar with more of the tribal members.

Thelma Bateman is giving blood pressure tests at Maud Housing Authority on the second Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m., Wanette Senior Citizens on the third Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m., and at Shawnee Senior Citizens on Friday mornings when asked. She is at Konawa Senior Citizens on the second Friday of each month at 1 p.m. Also, Thelma is in physical therapy training in Ada, Oklahoma and if any family has a member that needs physical therapy, please feel free to contact Thelma for assistance.

Our environmental health specialist, David Pecore, is taking home improvement applications for evaluation and will give estimates for minor home repairs. David Pecore gave a "safety tip" seminar for the Wanette Senior Citizens Group November 28, 1978.

The CHR's gave a Thanksgiving food basket to a needy tribal family and are anticipating giving to a few more needy families for the Christmas holidays with support from the tribal staff.

Some staff changes that have occurred in the CHR program are as following; Tena Larney has moved from CHR Director to Health Planner, Dave Atkins is CHR Director, and Roy McMullin is CHR Generalist. Don Melot filled the vacancy in the environmental health department due to Roy McMullin's move.

Dave Atkins is a Chickasaw tribal member who has lived in the Shawnee area for the last 2½ years and graduated from Oklahoma Baptist University in May, 1978. Presently, Dave lives in Tecumseh with his wife Gloria and two children, Shanun and Colby. Dave worked as a CHR Generalist before taking the Director's position with the tribe. Dave wishes to express his gratitude in having the opportunity to learn about and serve the Citizen Band Potawatomi Tribe and each of you a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Please feel free to visit with Dave Atkins or any of the CHR staff members in seeking assistance or questions you may have.

Wanita Clifford is the Administrative Assistant and she has written an article concerning some information for tribal members seeking health assistance in different states.



CHR's from left: Carol White, Wanita Clifford, David Pecore, and Roy McMullin

IHS Facilities across Nation Listed

All enrolled Potawatomi Tribal Members and their dependents are eligible to use Public Indian Health Services and Health Centers. If you live in the boundary lines of a service area these facilities should provide direct care to an eligible Indian and dependents once a chart is established. This should include most of the drugs required for disease, X-rays, laboratory work and much of the care which requires a physician. Also, **Indirect Care** which is medical care not offered by Public Indian Health services and is referred by Public Indian Health Service doctors to another doctor not in Public Indian Health service as funds are available. Again, remember you have to live in the boundary lines of the service area.

The CHR's will help Tribal members locate the nearest Public Indian Health facility or Indian Urban Project to their homes. Policies and procedures vary with each service unit area. Also, some Health Projects are funded just for tribes in the immediate area.

If further explanation is necessary regarding health facilities contact Wanita Clifford at the tribal office. The phone number is 405-275-3121, 3127.

Albuquerque, N.M., Colorado
Director, IHS, Albuquerque Area
500 Gold Avenue, S.W.
Albuquerque, N.M. 87101
Phone Number: 505-766-2151

Arizona, Utah, Nevada
Contract Health Care Service
801 E. Indian School Rd.
Phoenix, Arizona 85014
Phone number 602-261-3306

California
California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc.
6020 Rutland
Carmichael, California 95608
Phone number 916-334-3830

*This office will be moving in January, 1979.

California Urban Indian Health Council

46 Shattuck Square, Rm 14
Berkeley, California 94704
Phone number 415-845-4491

Texas
Dallas Inter-Tribal Center
334 Centre St.
Dallas, Texas 75208
Phone number 214-941-1050

Montana, Wyoming
Billings Area Indian Health Service
Director
P.O. Box 2143
Billings, Montana 59103
Phone number 406-657-6403

Oregon, Washington, Idaho
Contract Health Care
Federal Bldg. # 476
1220 S.W. 3rd Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97204
Phone number 503-221-2014

***United Southeastern Tribes (USE)**
Indian Health Service
1101 Kermit Dr.
Nashville, Tenn.
Phone number 615-251-5104

Florida Service Unit
6353 Forrest St.
Hollywood, Florida 33024
Phone number 305-350-4927

*These two offices take care of Northeast, Eastern, Southeast parts of the United States.

South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan
Office of Area Director, IHS
Federal Building
115 4th Avenue, S.E.
Aberdeen, S.D. 57401
Phone number 605-225-0250



Tribal Health Planning News

The Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma has been awarded a one-year contract for a Tribal Health Planning Program from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare / Indian Health Service Public Law 93-638 funding beginning October 1, 1978 thru September 30, 1979.

The program consists of two staff positions as follows: Tena Larney, former CHR Director, was hired on November 1, 1978 for the position of Health Planner. Diane Allen, Mexican, was hired as Secretary for the Health Planning Program on November 8, 1978. Diane is married to Francis Allen, a member of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma, has one daughter, Jennifer, age 4, and has recently moved to Shawnee from her home town and state of Los Angeles, California. We welcome her to Oklahoma, and are glad to have her on staff for the tribe.

On a timely basis, the program objectives for this fiscal year of 1979 are: (1) to develop a Service Area Specific Health Plan to be submitted to Indian Health Service taking into consideration all existing health resources / programs available to our tribal membership who reside in the Shawnee Indian Health Service Unit Area of Oklahoma; (2) develop a management system for the Tribal Maintenance Program; (3) analyze and summarize home visit survey data and (4) evaluate the Community Health Representative Program.

At this writing, the Health

Planner's, with support given by each respective tribal leader from the Citizen Band Potawatomi, Sac & Fox, Absentee Shawnee, Iowa and Kickapoo Tribes of Oklahoma, have taken steps to work cooperatively together to develop one integrated service area plan in seeking more comprehensive health services for all Indian residents within the Shawnee Indian Health Service Unit Area. Several meetings have been held recently to discuss the methods for development of this plan.

The Citizen Band Potawatomi Indians have hosted several of the past few meetings which have been attended by Health Planner's from the Absentee Shawnee, Sac & Fox and Iowa Merger Health Program; Seminole Nation; Kickapoo Indians of Oklahoma; Oklahoma City Urban Indian Health Project; Oklahoma City Indian Health Service Advisory Board; and Project Officer, Mr. Arleigh Rhoads.

During the month of December, various Indian families who live in the counties of Potawatomi, Lincoln, Cleveland, Logan and up-to-city limit boundaries of Oklahoma will be contacted for their input concerning present day health care.

We encourage you to express your feelings by calling Tena Larney, Citizen Band Potawatomi Tribal office, (405) 275-3121 from 8-5 pm. We will keep you informed of our progress in upcoming issues of this newsletter.

Tribal Rolls Moved to Ship She Wano Center

The tribal rolls have been moved to the Ship-she-wano Learning Center, and are in the Magi'swas Knou (Eagle) Room. The address is still the same (Tribal Rolls, Citizens Band of Potawatomi, Route 5 Box 151, Shawnee OK 74801), but the phone number has been changed to 405 / 273-5883.

The procedure for requesting name and / or address changes has been modified because of the difficulties the rolls clerks have had in making these changes. The Business Committee has determined that only registered mail or requests delivered in person will be accepted. Starting

February 15, 1979, letters pertaining to name and address changes that are not registered will be returned without action. Changes will not be accepted by telephone. If you come to the office to make the change you must make a written request and you will be given a receipt for the change request.

If you wish to use our records for tracing family trees, Beverly Hughes or Jann McAlister will be glad to assist you. The Business Committee is planning to obtain additional records in the future to help the tracing of family lines.



Beverly Hughes and Jann McAlister - Tribal Rolls

Per Capita Payment

Below is a list of names of people whose September, 1978, per capita checks have been returned to the Denver office. If your name appears on the list, you should write to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Shawnee Agency, Federal Building, Shawnee, OK, 74801, giving your name, birthdate and / or roll number, and your current mailing address. Each individual is asked to write his own letter giving this information to the Bureau.

As there are other per capita payments to be made in the future, enrollments of eligible members should be started now and current addresses should be maintained with our office. REMINDER. The funds for minors (those under 18 years of age) are being held in Individual Indian Monies (IIM) accounts by the BIA. As required by law, no disbursements from either the principal or interest can be made for any purpose until the account holder reaches the age of eighteen (18) years, at which time the account holder can contact the BIA in Shawnee about withdrawing the funds.

NAME	As of 12-4-78	ID#	s
Ronald M. Anderson	0218		
Wanda L. Aldrich	4745		
Patricia Ann Art	0281		
Donna J. Anttonen	0869		
George Thomas Abbott	0017		
Norma L. Astle	0285		
Sarah E. Atchley	0286		
John Anthony Bruno, Jr.	1182		
Steven B. Barshaw	0474		
Ray Nell Butler	7045		
Frank E. Bourbonnais	10165		
Frederick L. Barshaw	0469		
Gregory S. Barshaw	0471		
Debra Susanne Brock	4749		
Joseph B. Burnett	1252		
Lucille M. Bates	0496		
Nathan D. Bible	0682		
Linda L. Beverage	0284		
Wanda Kay Baker	2131		
Helen G. Barich	0422		
William Leo Ball	0390		
Kenneth Dale Bode	11197		
Myrtle E. Bishop	0705		
Isabelle Buchanan	1024		
Patricia Ann Cryer	11426		
Karen Jean Cryer	11427		
Phillip Edward Cryer	11427		
Marvin L. Cavanaugh	1466		
Arnold B. Coon	1815		
Doyle W. Cross	1964		
Serena D. Cross	1966		
Michael J. Cross	1963		
Lucille M. Cooper	1827		

Regina M. Cross	1965
Joyce Elaine Cox	0633
Robert David Cole	1722
Ronald Dix Crawley	2905
Joe Dan Coulter	10334
Gary Ray Covington	1907
Riola Mae Cross	1962
Verna Denney	0725
Corrine D. Downhour	9545
Ronald Lee Dewitt	11095
Cheryl Ann Degraff	2185
Judy Belle Dyer	1265
Michael Ellis Dewitt	11050
Gerald L. Degraff	2181
Joanna R. Erickson	2601
Stephen M. Erickson	2602
Theodore James Evans	2627
Jessie Mae Farris	2686
Jerry Lynn Flores	0236
Mary Pamela Farley	2678
Bessie Fricke	2878
Marvin Hugh Goyer	3149
Leland R. Glascock	3049
Thos Arla Goodin	3095
Jerry Dale Holloway	3891
La Veda Sue Hail	2186
Danny Ray Hartness Jr.	3536
Dee Flynn Hanun	3435
W. C. Hunt	4127
Sadie Hardin	3457
John Hardin	3450
John E. P. Haas	3324
Robert Doyle Howes	4034
Linda J. Houston	6460
Thomas A. Higbee	3763
Diana Lynn Hansen	9346
Viola Horn	3977
Stephen H. Hamilton	3402
Kenneth Carl Higbee	3736
Rhondalynn Renai Harris	3523
William Anthony Higbee	3739
James W. Higbee	3729
Sheryl Gayle Higbee	3738
Martha I. Justice	4422
James Harold Jones	4383
Preston Thor Jones	4385
Vina May Johnson	4353
Andy Kimes	4641
Bonnie Allyson Karadaglian	6939
Joseph Kime	4618
Edward Earl Krapp	4771
Maridon Kelly	2654
Anthony John Kacura	9940
John Lewis	5135
Jeanne L. Layman	4971
Jim E. Lucas	5257
June Littleton	5190
David Lyle Milligan	5796
Lynn R. Morris	5960
Cheryl R. Manker	0155
Thelma Magaline Melton	5735
Judith E. Means	2984
Dwight L. McKinney	6235
Larry D. McCandless	6112
Mary Alice McCandless	6111
Robert D. McCandless	6113

Casey Kay McKillop	6231	Wanda Joy Weatherwax	6986
Joan Kay McCauley	9611	Frank D. Ward	9428
Loretta A. Nickeson	6476	Cheryl Lea Walter	9351
Charles Hearst Needham	2042	Raymond Eugene Willmet	9830
James Omarra	6651	Carolyn Jean Willmet	10849
Robert R. Osterloh	6687	Gary Eugene Willmet	9831
Thomas George Peters	7015	Philonese Williametta Williams	9802
Rosmary J. Pinckard	7072	Jan Walters	10827
Richard L. Pinckard	7073	Clifford A. Williams	9767
Mary E. Pinckard	7071	Wm V. Welfelt, Jr.	9558
Deborah Lynn Phillips	10684	Kenneth Milton Walter	9349
Sharon Kay Phillips	10687	Katherine Willmet	9828
Maxine Ann Phillips	10686	David Dean Wlatter	9350
Dennis Paul Phillips	10685	Robert Dean Willmet	10850
Susan Paulette Phillips	10688	Elmer Ray Wynns	10006
Paul Pappan Jr.	6739	Penny A. Wallace	9340
Charles O. Pratt	7165	Dennis Gordon White	9645
Vernon Dale Peery	6922	Muri Edward Yeager	10037
Emma Lucille Palmer	10195	Sabrina Abilene Yott	10072
Linda Mae Peltier	6960	Brent Edward Yeager	10038
Vincent Irvin Quirk	7244	Mary Ellen Yox	4107
Philip Eugene Quinn	8699	Tommie Gene Yowell	10112
Leonard Guy Rhodd	7418		
Cecil Leroy Rhodd	7400		
Harvey A. Rueggeger	7656		
Lois Jean Reinhardt	5105		
Ruby Blanche Rogers	7593		
Gail Robinson	7545		
Ida Mae Roby	7575		
Henry Harrison Reed III	11047		
William M. Roberts III	7539		
Gertie E. Snow	8436		
Frankie Allen Smith	8282		
Laura Esther Stenzel	8621		
Bonnie L. Smith	8245		
Oval Marie Sperry	8541		
Jeanne Gaye Savory	11186		
Quinton Leroy Savory	11185		
Georgia A. Shelton	6396		
Francis Schoemann	7845		
Donald Dale Simon	8123		
Jill Marie Simecka	8112		
Jerry Wm Simecka	8114		
William Bryan Simecka, Jr.	8111		
Jay Bryan Simecka	8113		
Mary Charlene Schimeneck	0230		
Wayne Leo Sperry II	8542		
Norma Lucille Singletary	8148		
Gail Singletary	10752		
Esther C. Schwartz	7911		
Margaret Scott	7940		
John R. Sullivan Sr.	8768		
William Ronald Strobel Jr.	10792		
Lance O. Shuler	8082		
Mamie Josephine Spring	3375		
Colleen Kay Savory	11187		
J. R. Striegel	8733		
Laronda Gayle Stenzel	10781		
Ronald D. Stenzel	8623		
Richard Tomey	9007		
Mickie Ann Todd	4507		
Mona D. Tittle	9000		
Narvel Jean Van Schuyver	9193		
Rebecca Lynn Wersley	9412		
Norman J. Whisler	9631		
Billy Carol White	9637		
George Welday, Jr.	9539		
Candace L. Walter	9345		
Rodger Hilaire Frigon Whistler	11442		

The Potawatomi Nation

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Potawatomi bands to land west of that river.

Statistics on the removal that began the following year show that one third of the Potawatomi Nation went into hiding in the Great Lakes area; one third left the continental U.S., crossing into Canada, and some absorbed by the Kickapoo Tribe, migrated down into Mexico; and only one third of the nation actually crossed the Mississippi River to reservation confinement on the Osage River and Council Bluffs Reserves. At the urging of the U.S. Government, the two reservation groups were reunited on reservation in Kansas in 1847.

Further expansion of civilization and the growing reservation population was the catalyst that prompted the signing of the treaty in 1864 between the Kansas Reservation Potawatomi and the U.S., and the relocation of 1,482 Potawatomi Indians to Indian Territory.

Today there are three federally recognized bands of the Potawatomi Nation; 11,000 Citizen Band Potawatomi, with tribal offices in Shawnee, Oklahoma; however, only approximately 1,500 live in the Shawnee Agency jurisdiction; 2,000 Prairie Band Potawatomi, based on reservation in northeastern Kansas, and the Forest Potawatomi of Wisconsin and Michigan, numbering 450. There are a number of Potawatomi descendants located in Ontario, Canada.

Ship She Wano Learning Center

The Ship-She-Wano Learning Center, located on the Potawatomi Tribal grounds, is a recently established building which consists of two educational centers: The Potawatomi Day Care Center and the Potawatomi Head Start Program.

The Potawatomi Day Care Center currently has a staff of seven day care instructors, all under the supervision of Mrs. Mona Barrett; Director of the Day Care Program. This particular program is available to all children from six months old to school age, regardless of income, race or residence. Children are provided daily with a snack and two hot meals along with various manipulative toys, educational experiences, art activities, potty training and weather permitting, outdoor playground supervision. Special emphasis is placed on social activities and interaction of the children. Hours are from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Weekdays only.

The Potawatomi Head Start Program is designed to offer cultural learning experiences to three-and four year old Native American

children of low-income families. One hot meal and one snack is served daily. The programs activities are identical to those above with the exception of potty training, although special emphasis is placed on creative learning processes, art activities, and cultural or otherwise-related experiences outside of the classroom. Records listing each child's complete medical history, including yearly physical

examinations, immunizations, allergies, child's doctor, etc., are also kept and updated as needed by the staff. Hours for the Head Start Program are from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Applications are now being taken by the Center for both the Head Start and Day Care Centers. Transportation for children is readily available for all participants in either of the above programs. In cases of

rainy or extremely cold weather, a large area for indoor play is provided as a substitute for daily playground activities.

The Skip-She-Wano Learning Center is located south of Shawnee on Highway 18, first building east of the Potawatomi Tribal Office. The phone number is 273-5882 should any interested individual desire more information on one of the programs.



The faculty of the Day Care Center includes, Mona Barrett, Director, and from left to right, Mary Duffy, Francena Rowe, Paula Baptiste, Shiree Randell, La Tesha Treat, Jeanne McCathern, Pam Johnson, Vinita Duggins, Le Ann Treat.



Paula Baptiste, Teacher, La Tisha Treat, Teacher, from left to right, Jennifer Sanford, Monte Randell, Starla Greenwood, Nikki McAlister, Jason Wilson, Cara Duggins, Shannon Johnson, Steven McCathern.



Left to right, Dennis Widowski, Jason Day, Timmy Gruyer, Jennifer Snodgrass, Jennifer Randell, Ryann Crabb. Back row, Mary Duffy, Teacher, Shiree Randell, Teacher, Francena Rowe, Teacher.



Gwen Walker, Teacher, Children from left to right, Angie English, Dana Jennifer Rogers, Marlis Fasthorse, Kevin Washington, Edward (Bruno) Old Bear, Chandra Ashley, Deanna Miller. Back Row, Joe Robinson, Todd Malamute, Benny Harjo, Howard (Little Man) Easley.



Left to Right, Flora Jean Kent, Candida Sioux, Tracy Hawkins, Denise Bettis, Teacher, Paula Kay Folsom, Travis Loveday, Bobby Joe (B.J.) Simmons, Ben Johnson (B.J.) Riley, Tiana Switch, Teacher's Aide. 3 and 4 year old Head Start children.

Low Rent Housing Units

Applications are continually being taken for the Low-Rent Housing Units under construction in Shawnee. Of these 75 dwelling units, 41 units are designated for the elderly and seven units are especially designed for handicapped persons. We are still in need of elderly persons to apply for these units.

Completion of the first ten duplex-type buildings located on East Cammack was in November, 1978. The other units, which contain both single dwelling houses and duplex-

type buildings located on East Highland and East Main in Shawnee, are not expected to be ready for occupancy until the first part of 1979.

Everyone is still encouraged to apply. Applications may be picked up at the office of the Absentee Shawnee Housing Authority, located North of the old Shawnee Indian Health Clinic. Requests for applications can be made by writing to: P.O. Box 425, Shawnee OK 74801, or calling (405) 273-1050.

Low Rent Housing Income Limits

Housing Authority of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe

County(ies): Pottawatomie, Lincoln, Cleveland, & Oklahoma

Number of Persons	Adjustments Percent of Four-Person	Admission Income Limits		Very Low Income*
		Low Rent	Mutual Help	
1	70.00%	\$5,500	\$ 6,150	\$4,300
2	80.00%	6,300	7,050	4,900
3	90.00%	7,050	7,900	5,550
4	100.00%	7,850	8,800	6,150
5	106.25%	8,350	9,350	6,550
6	112.50%	8,850	9,900	6,900
7	118.75%	9,300	10,450	7,300
8+	125.00%	9,800	11,000	7,700

- A. Continued Occupancy Limits and the 20 percent lowest private rent determination have been eliminated.
- B. Income limits are based on a four person family, with adjustments for smaller and larger families as shown above. Amounts are rounded to the nearest \$50.
- C. At least 20 percent of the dwelling units in any project placed under ACC after September 26, 1975, shall be occupied by very low income families. Very low income is determined annually by HUD and is not subject to modification.

Housing Improvement Program

The Housing Improvement Program (HIP) for the Citizen Band Potawatomi Tribe was contracted through the Bureau of Indian Affairs under P.L. 93-638, the Indian Self-Determination Act.

The purpose of this contract is to provide means by which the Citizen

Band Potawatomi Tribe may be able to offer services to provide repair, remodeling and improvement upon tribal member homes. The results are so that the homes are safe, more sanitary, and more livable which meets Part 100, Clause No. 105 and 106.

Employee Closeup

Doris Halbert started with the Potawatomi Tribe in February, 1978, as Assistant Bookkeeper. Her duties include payroll, taxes, balance sheets, posting double entry.

Doris is single, she was born 10-15-46 in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Doris resides at 306 West Chicago in Shawnee with her son Christopher Ray Halbert, 18 months old.

Doris moved to Houston, Texas in September of 1973. There she worked for Brown & Root Inc. as a Junior Accountant. She moved back to Shawnee in May of 1977.

Her mother and father are Dorothy and John Taylor, 302 West Chicago, Shawnee. Her father, John works for the tribe as Indian Action Team Instructor.

Her hobbies are roller skating, sewing, and decorating.



Doris June Halbert
Assistant Bookkeeper

Financial Statement

CITIZEN BAND POTAWATOMI
GENERAL ACCOUNT
FME 11-30-78

ASSETS	
Cash on Hand - Checking 14-3631	\$ 225.21
- Savings 16-8414	31,144.40
- Savings 90-8461	7,934.09
- Savings 95-6355	7,983.40
Accounts Receivable	21,922.30
Total Current Assets	\$ 69,209.40
FIXED ASSETS	
Library	\$ 3,000.00
Land & Buildings	990,340.87
Equipment	39,808.69
Office Equipment	29,306.10
Equipment - EDA	18,315.73
Other Equipment	12,155.75
Playground Equipment	5,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$1,097,927.14
Special Deposit	10.00
Claims Money Invested	731,849.13
Total Assets	\$1,898,995.67
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 5,639.37
Tribal Equity	1,172,619.21
Tribal Equity - Claim Money Invested	720,737.09
Accrued Taxes	- 0 -
Total Liabilities	\$1,898,995.67

Pow Wow Club Planning 1979 Annual PowWow

The Potawatomi Inter Tribal Pow-Wow Club members are currently preparing for their fourth annual pow-wow. Money making projects are scheduled from February till June to raise funds for the annual event. Any donations from tribal members will be appreciated. Donations should be sent to Kathleen Kiker, club secretary-treasurer, 1202 North Market, Shawnee, Oklahoma, 74801.

The current officers of the Inter Tribal Pow-Wow Club are: Father Vincent Trainor - Chairman, W. A. Dossey - Vice-Chairman, Kathleen Kiker - Secretary-Treasurer, Sharon Marie Duncan - Princess.

CALENDAR FOR 1979

- February 15, 1979 - Pot Luck supper at 6:30 p.m.; BINGO at 7:15 p.m.
- March 15, 1979 - Business Meeting at 6:30 p.m.; PIE SUPPER at 7:15 p.m. Bring your friends!
- April 19, 1979 - Pot Luck supper at 6:30 p.m.; BINGO and White Elephant Sale 7:15 p.m.
- May 17, 1979 - Pot Luck supper at 6:30 p.m.; Business Meeting at 7:15 p.m.
- June 21, 1979 - No meeting. Drama presentation.
- June 23-24, 1979 - Annual Pow-Wow.
- June 28, 1979 - Year-end meeting. Pot Luck supper at 6:30 p.m.; Annual reports at business meeting at 7:15 p.m.
- N.B. Unless otherwise indicated, all activities and meetings take place at the Potawatomi Cultural Heritage Center.
- Anyone wishing to become a member MUST attend two of the above meetings / activities in succession and then be voted on by members of the club.
- Voting members are those who regularly attend the above meetings / activities.



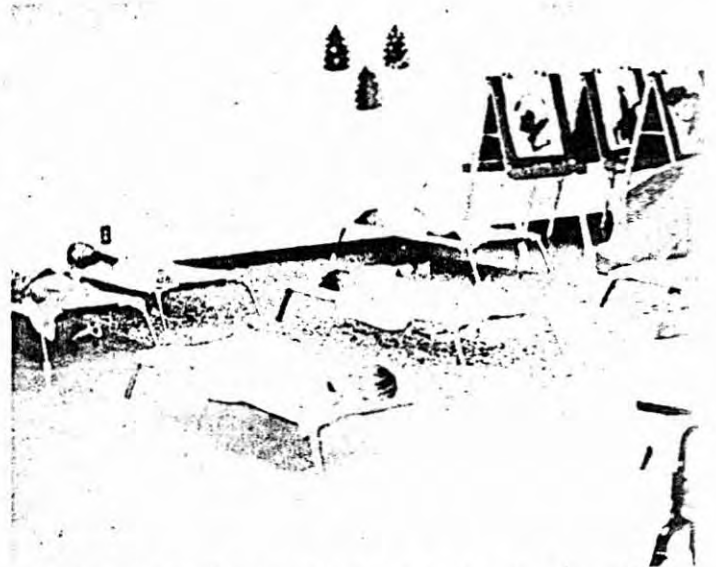
Father Vincent Trainor
Pow-Wow Chairman

STAFF FOR POTAWATOMI INTER TRIBAL POW-WOW, 1979

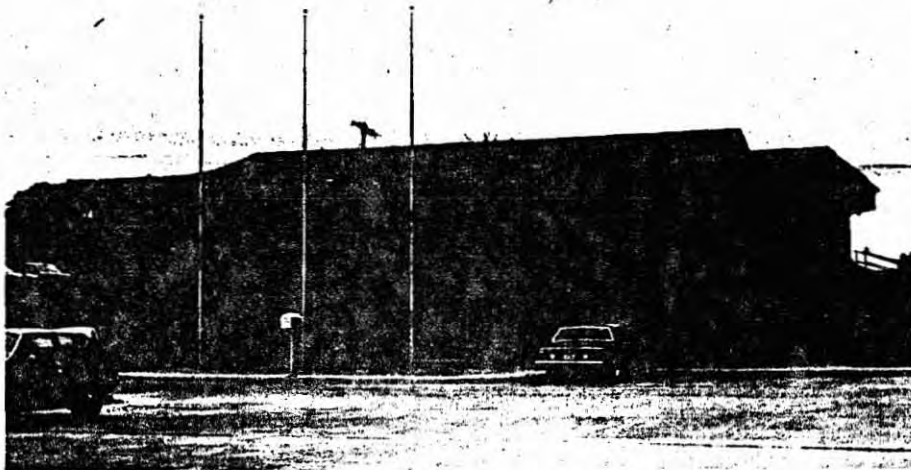
- Head Man Dancer: Charles Edward Lonelodge, Jr. (Oklahoma City)
- Head Lady Dancer: Theda Ann Whiteshirt (Dallas)
- Head Singer: Henry Walker (Meeker)
- Pow-Wow Princess: Miss Sharon Marie Duncan (Meeker)
- Little Girl Dancer: Ursula Walker (Shawnee)
- Master of Ceremonies: Sammy White (Tonekei)
- Arena Director: Ira Birdcreek
- Mr. Sam Bemo will again provide the public speaking equipment.
- Mrs. Delphine Forman will again be the head cook.



Pictured from left: 1. Deana Miller 2. Jennifer Rogers 3. Benny Harjo 4. Dana (DeDe) Masquate 5. Ben (B.J.) Riley 6. Angela English (back turned) 7. Ursula Walker 8. Travis Loveday 9. Marlis Fasthorse 10. Chandra Ashley. 11. Candida Sioux (on ground)



Pictured from left Timmy Gruyver, Ryan Crabb, Jennie Snodgrass, Jennifer Rand, Jason Day and Dennis Widowski.



CULTURAL HERITAGE CENTER

The Cultural Heritage Center Building is approximately 6,300 square feet. The Building was a grant from the Economic Development Administration (EDA), in the amount of \$350,000.00. This Building currently houses our tribal Administrative offices and museum.



BUCK TASCIER

Buck Tascier, and his sidekick Kay (devoted little black dog) secure the buildings and grounds of the tribe day and night.

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