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From left to right, Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby; Seminole Nation Chief Leonard M. Harjo; Muscogee Creek Nation Chief James Floyd; Choctaw Nation Chief Gary Batton; Cherokee Nation Chief Bill John Baker

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Seminole Nation Chief Leonard M. Harjo delivers his speech during the July 7-8, 2016, Inter-Tribal Council meeting at the Embassy Suites in Norman, Okla.



Sheila Harjo and Susie Harjo



Alvina Coker, Madonna Williams, and Patricia Buckley



Seminole Nation General Council Representatives Ida Gonzales and David Narcomey



Sabrina Brummett and Christy Hulbutta

The Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes met July 7-8, 2016 at the Embassy Suites in Norman, Okla. for their quarterly meeting.

The Five Tribes represent nearly 700,000 tribal citizens throughout the United States. There were eleven resolutions on the agenda and all were passed

by the Inter-Tribal Council. One resolution was in support of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma having its former reservation lands so rec-

ognized by the United States. Another resolution of the Inter-Tribal Council was demanding good-faith consultation with the University of

Alabama concerning 117 sets of culturally unidentifiable human remains and 29 associated funerary objects held by the Institution. The next ITC will

be hosted by the Choctaw Nation October 13-14, 2016 at the Choctaw Nation Casino in Durant, Okla.



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Seminole Nation Milkweed Project



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The Seminole Nation Environmental Protection Office and Seminole Nation Wildlife and Park Department hosted a Plant The Milkweed Day at the Mekuskey Mission in Seminole for the Monarch Butterfly Habitat June 9, 2016. There were many volunteers from the Seminole Nation who came to help plant the milkweed.

The Seminole Nation EPO is partnering with Jane Breckinridge of the Euchee Butterfly Farm. Together they are partnering with the University of Kansas on a project to restore the Monarch butterfly and other pollinator habitats on tribal lands in Okla-

homa. It's being funded by a \$250,000 Fish and Wildlife grant that was awarded last year.

The reason for this is that the Monarch population is down over 90 percent. In the winter of 1996 the population was about 1 Billion butterflies and in 2013 the population of the butterflies was around 33 million. There are 7 Oklahoma tribes including the Seminole Nation, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Chickasaw Nation, Osage Nation, Muscogee Creek Nation, Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma and Miami Nation working together in this coalition to help restore the Monarch butterflies.

The tribes are working together planting milkweed on their lands. Oklahoma is in the

heart of what is identified as the critical zone for the Monarch recovery plan. When the first generation butterflies leave on their journey from Mexico to the northern part of the United States they have to find milkweed in Texas and Oklahoma in order to lay their eggs on it. Milkweed is the only food plant that can support Monarchs during the caterpillar stage. And during the caterpillar stage they need a lot of milkweed to eat. They will increase their size by 2000 times in a two-week period. Another reason Oklahoma is important is because the Monarchs stop in Oklahoma in the fall on their way back to Mexico. The butterflies are flying up to 3000 miles and have to fill up and

they have to find these nectar sources because they are going to gain weight back to their migration and they won't feed again until after winter.

Each of the seven tribes will be planting 50 acres of milkweed over a 2 year period that equals to 5000 milkweed plants and 400 native wildflower plants. Each tribe will also be getting a hoop house to grow out those native wildflowers that will be grown from seeds collected in their area. The Seminole Nation EPO and Wildlife Parks would like to thank everyone for coming to help plant the milkweed.

Congratulations, Joshua McDade!



Joshua McDade (grandson of SN Council Rep. Charlie Hill and nephew of SN Council Rep. Katharine McCoy) competed in the homemade ice cream contest at the 17th Annual Chandler Ice Cream Festival on Saturday, June 11th. To his surprise, he won 1st place for his entry of Strawberry Galore.

Congratulations, Jeremiah Davis!



Jeremiah Davis graduated from Pryor's Electrical and Residential program and received three awards. Davis was also a State qualifier in Track and Field in the Long-distance run in high school.

Seminole Nation Hosts Football & Basketball Camp

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The Seminole Nation Football Camp was held at Bowlegs High School on June 3, 2016 for ages 6-18 years old. The instructor was Jamelle Hollieway and Friends. There were 85 campers and each camper received a shirt and a bible. Fifteen schools were represented from Bowlegs, Butner, Holdenville, Moss, Seminole, Wewoka, Ada, New Lima, Var-

num, Konawa, Strother, Prague, Justice, Davenport, Wagoner and North Rock Creek Shawnee. Tribes that were represented were Creek, Cherokee and Seminole. The Seminole Nation Recreation Program would like to give a special thank you to the Seminole Nation Food and Nutrition, Wildlife, Parks and Recreation, Seminole Nation Transportation, Seminole Nation Gaming, Seminole Nation CHR, Sabo West

Memorial Foundation, Holdenville Indian Community, Bowlegs Public School and the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

The Seminole Nation basketball camp was held at Bowlegs High School Gym June 15, 2016 for grades 3-6. Instructors were Clifford Wesley Lindley. There were 20 campers in attendance. Schools represented were Bowlegs, Varnum, Seminole, Butner, Holdenville, New Lima, Wewoka, Stuart and Tennerhill. Tribes that were repre-

sented were Seminole, Choctaw Creek and Cherokee. The basketball camp for grades 7-12 was held on June 16, 2016. There were 14 campers who attended. Schools represented were Calvin, Stuart, Bowlegs, Holdenville, Seminole and Shawnee. Seminole Nation Food and Nutrition, Seminole Nation Transportation and Bowlegs Public School

All the camps were organized by Seminole Nation Tribal Recreation Director Victor Bear.



Seminole Nation Hosts Softball Camp

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The Seminole Nation Recreation Program hosted the girls' softball camp May 27 and May 31, 2016 at the Meku-sukey Mission Softball Complex for grades 3-6.

There were 25 campers which represented 9 schools from Wewoka, Holdenville, New Lima, Bowlegs, Tecumseh, Moss, Butner, Varnum and Seminole. Tribes that were represented were Seminole, Creek, Choctaw and Kickapoo. The instructor for

the camp was Seminole State Softball Coach, Amber Flores.

The older girls softball camp for grades 7-12 were held on May 31, 2016. There were 7 campers and each camper received a shirt. School that were represented were Holden-

ville, Butner, Shawnee, Bowlegs. Tribes that were represented were Creek, Seminole and Choctaw. The Seminole Nation Recreation Program would like to give a special thank you to Seminole Nation Food and Nutrition, Transportation, and Sabo West Memorial Foundation.



Seminole Nation Hosts Disc Golf Camp

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The Seminole Nation Disc Golf camp was held June 1, 2016 at the Meku-sukey Mission for grades 3-12. Instructors were Seminole Nation Wildlife Director Shane Phillips and Ray Roberts. There were 17 campers. Each camper received a free disc and marker. Seven schools were represented including Chandler, Seminole, Butner, Holdenville, Bowlegs, Varnum and Shawnee. Tribes

that were represented were Seminole and Citizen Band Potawatomi. The Seminole Nation Recreation Program would like to give a special thank you to Seminole Nation Food and Nutrition, Wildlife, Parks and Recreation and Seminole Nation Transportation.

More camp pictures can be found on page 7, tribal news.



fulletv & punvkv *culture & language*



Meskēt owes.
It is summer.

By: Linda Bear and Melanie Frve

Mvhayv: Estowatet meskē omof hvse cemvlostēt owa?
Teacher: During the summer which month is your favorite?

Cokv-hēcv: Kvco-Hvset vmvlostēt owes.
Student: June is my favorite.

Mvhayv: Naket mv meskē omof mowetvn ceyacet owa?
Teacher: What do you like to do during the summer?

Cokv-hēcv: Mv meskē omof omiyetvn cvyacēt owes.
Student: I like to swim during the summer.

Mvhayv: Akhvsē-rakko monkat akhvsēn omiyetsket owa?
Teacher: Do you go swimming at the lake or pond?

Cokv-hēcv: Mv akhvsēn omiyiyet owes, çotkusat omēcicen.
Student: I swim in the pond, because it is smaller.

Cokv-hēcv: Meskē omof opvnetvn cvyacēt owes.
Student: I like to dance during the summer.

Mvhayv: Estvmimvn opanetsket owa?
Teacher: Where do you dance?

Cokv-hēcv: Cēyahvn opanis, mowis etvlwv ētvn encukopericetvn cvyacēt owes.
Student: I dance at Gar Creek, but I like to visit other ceremonial grounds.

Cokv-hēcv: Cvpuse encukot Kvcon mamis.
Student: I pick berries at my grandma's home.

Mvhayv: Naken meskē omof hompetvn ceyacet owa?
Teacher: What do you like to eat during the summer?

Cokv-hēcv: Meskē omof hetutē-cvmpvn hōmpit owes.
Student: I eat snow cones during the summer.

Mvhayv: Estowatet cemvlostē-mahat owa?
Teacher: Which is your favorite?

Cokv-hēcv: Pvrko vmvlostēt owes.
Student: Grape is my favorite.

Mvhayv: Nike ētvn meskē omof hompetvn ceyacet owa?
Teacher: What else do you like to eat during the summer?

Cokv-hēcv: Cvstvlē hompetvn cvyacēt owes.
Student: I like to eat watermelon.

Mvhayv: Naket meskē omof esketvn ceyacet owa?
Teacher: What do you like to drink during the summer?

Cokv-hēcv: Uewv orēn ēskit owēs, Oklvhomv hiyē-mahat owat omēcicen.
Student: I drink a lot of water, because it is very hot in Oklahoma.



48TH ANNUAL SEMINOLE NATION DAYS

September 15 - 18, 2016
Mekusukey Mission in Seminole, Ok

CLARE DUNN
Saturday
September 17, 2016
At 7:00 P.M.
Main Stage

SEMINOLE NATION DAYS
PRESENTS

ERIC PASLAY

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 17, 2016
AT 8:00 P.M.
MAIN STAGE

Events, event registration forms and the rules & regulations for vendors can be found on the Seminole Nation Days web page:

sno-nsn.gov/snodays

Using the underlined vocabulary in the “It is Summer” story find the Maskoke translation for these English words in the word search.

Note: If there is a -t or -n at the end of the Maskoke word in the story leave it off.

For example, Meskēt becomes Meskē

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| summer | month | to swim | pond |
| to dance | Gar Creek | to eat | grape |
| watermelon | to drink | water | |

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announcements



June & July & August Birthdays

June 1	RJ CARBITCHER	June 24	MARTY LENA	July 31	LESLIE RICHARDSON
June 2	KIZZIE LENA	June 25	EUGENE HARJO JR.	August 1	TAMMY NORRIS
June 2	CHRIS COKER	June 25	TIMOTHY GENTRY	August 1	RAMONA NORIEGA
June 3	COLLEEN PEEPER	June 27	CHAD QUIETT	August 1	SHIELA WIND
June 3	HARMONY PAIGE BENDER	June 27	BETTY FIXICO	August 4	MADONNA WILLIAMS
June 4	LOU ANN BILLIE	June 27	ADAM FOSTER	August 4	RICHARD PALMER
June 5	PATRICIA BUCKLEY	June 28	SHANE PHILLIPS	August 5	DONETTA LENA
June 5	MYLES ROBERTSON	June 29	ALVINA WALLACE	August 5	JUSTINE JOHNSON
June 5	KRISTINA MARSHALL	June 29	MVSKOKE YARGEE	August 5	ALBERTA MORROW
June 6	MICKEY DOUGLAS	June 30	CRYSTAL CONLEY	August 6	ALICE MACK
June 6	SYDNEY MORRIS	June 30	BILLY COON	August 6	VALERIE TANYAN
June 6	MATILDA CLOUD			August 7	ANNIE HOOPER
June 6	KEVIN MACK	July 1	HAL HULBUTTA	August 9	DANIEL LEITKA
June 7	DAYIAH CLOUD	July 1	ELIZABETH HAYHURST	August 9	ALLISON ELRIGHT
June 7	MATTIE SUE ROBERTSON	July 1	SHERRY LEE	August 9	MARTHA WIND
June 8	NORA HARJO	July 3	KIMBERLY LENA	August 10	HARRY WALKER
June 8	CYNTHIA TILLER	July 4	PRESTON LITTLE	August 10	JACKSON McMATH
June 9	CINDA MCGIRT	July 6	RALSTON HAILEY	August 11	ASIA WILLIS
June 9	ERIN BENDER	July 9	REX HAILEY	August 11	MIKE WALKER
June 9	DAVID JONES	July 9	RACHEL FARANI	August 12	ADRIANNE HARJO
June 10	ROSANNA DEERE	July 9	SABRINA PIKE	August 14	JASON TIGER JR.
June 11	KACY HAYES	July 9	JAMES FIFE	August 14	MARVIN DEATHRAGE
June 12	CORKY SNODGRASS	July 10	JENNIE FIXICO	August 15	ROBIN HOOSER
June 12	LEANDRA WIND	July 11	GWENDOLYN WARRENBURG	August 15	SIMON LARNEY
June 14	MYRNA MERRITT	July 11	LINDSEY KNOX	August 15	JEROME HILL
June 14	CYNTHIA JOHNSON	July 11	MELISSA ROGERS	August 15	AMY RAMIREZ
June 14	ANTHONY HILL	July 14	EVETTE YAHOLA	August 16	RICKEY POSTOAK
June 14	JULIE WEST	July 15	RANESHA JOHNSON	August 17	HANNAH MARSHALL
June 15	CHAD COLE	July 15	TYLER JAY TENNYSON	August 17	MICCO LEE
June 15	CHRISTINA COLE	July 15	DENISE JOHNSON	August 17	RONNIE BURGESS
June 16	SHEILA HOOPER	July 16	KYLE BAKER	August 19	BRETT WALKER
June 18	BRYANT JOHNSON	July 17	RAYGEN DEAN	August 19	JARRETT NELSON
June 18	ANDREA ALEXANDER	July 18	DONNELL MARCEL	August 19	CASON FOSTER
June 18	KATERI HARJO	July 18	CODY RICHARDSON	August 20	GILBERT R HARJO
June 18	ROASANNE CHAUNCEY	July 18	DYLAN BURKHURT	August 21	TIFFANY AHGOOM
	BLALOCK	July 19	ANGELA HARJO	August 22	BETTY DEATHERAGE
June 18	ELIZABETH TILLEY	July 19	HARRY BRUNER	August 23	REBECCA LITTLE
June 19	KIMBERLY RICHARDSON	July 20	LESLEY HINES	August 24	KHLOEE KYLE PINSON
June 19	GERALDINE MERRITT	July 20	DEBRA HARJO	August 26	DIANA HALLOCK
June 20	BROOKS DEATHERAGE	July 22	HERSCHEL MITCHELL	August 26	VICTOR BEAR
June 20	CAROLYN WILLIAMS	July 23	BEA WALKER	August 26	TESSA COON
June 20	LINDSEY HARJO	July 24	LEANDER YELLOWFISH	August 26	BOBBY SHAWN CLARK
June 20	SHERRY GATES	July 24	TERRI JACKSON	August 27	JUANITA WISE
June 21	MATTHEW PINSON	July 25	URIAH CHRISTOPHER FIXICO	August 27	SARAH ANDERSON
June 22	DELORES FACTOR	July 25	LITTLE JARROD RICKETTS II	August 30	JANET JOHNSON
June 22	KEVIN JONES	July 27	NATALIE HARJO	August 30	BEVERLY WALKER
June 22	SHELLY CURRY	July 28	STEPHANEY LAMBERT	August 31	RANDY GARFIELD
June 22	ALBERT HILL	July 28	JARROD RICKETTS		
June 24	RHONDA JIM	July 28	KERI POOLE		
June 24	CAROLYN KINSEY	July 29	MECV BROCKIE		
		July 31			

FYI-SEPTEMBER AWARENESS MONTH

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September is an awareness month that promotes; Suicide Prevention Month (September 2016) and World Suicide Prevention Day (September 10, 2016) and National Recovery Month. As reported by the National Child Trauma Stress Network:

“According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, suicide was the tenth leading cause of death for all ages in 2014 and was the second leading cause of death for those ages 10-24. Suicide is a global phenomenon that affects all regions of the world. According to the World Health Organization in 2012, over 800,000 people die due to suicide every year and it is the second leading cause of death among 15-29 year-olds worldwide”.

Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services’, Suicide Prevention Community Specialist reported during a QPR training held in April for our Veteran’s Group and Child Protection Team, “That suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among our youth in Oklahoma and that it is the second highest cause nationally for Native Men”. The QPR training stand for “Question, Persuade and Refer” and it is a training to teach how to recognize warning signs, and help refer to appropriate resources to get help for someone contemplating suicide.

The application of QPR may save a life, you do not have to be a professional, anyone can be a gatekeeper, so if your community program or church is interested in getting QPR training, ASAP department can help, or call Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services at 405-522-3650. We currently, have a Seminole County Suicide Prevention Coalition, developing in our community, in which we are working with ODMHSAS closely. **Honor your life, if you need help, please call Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-TALK (8255).**

According to the National Association for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADC) website; “National Recovery Month is a national observance held every September to educate Americans that substance use treatment and mental health services can enable those with a mental and/or substance

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This survey is not to be used for any other purpose other than to collect data and supply useful resourcing for our local Tribal and Non-Tribal communities.

Environmental Protection Office

Anonymous Community Recycle Survey

County: _____ Community: _____

Approximately how often do you take out the garbage in your household in a week? (Circle one)

Once a week Twice Three Four Five or more

How is your household garbage disposed? (Curbside pickup service, burning, illegal dumping, etc...)? (Fill in the blank)

How do you feel about recycling? (Fill in the blank)

Do you feel like your household would benefit from recycling? (Circle one)

YES NO

Why? (Fill in the blank)

On a scale of 1-10 how interested are you in making recycling a part of your home or community? (Circle one)

- (1) Not At All
- (2) Not Very Interested
- (3) Neutral
- (4) Somewhat Interested
- (5) Very Interested

Thank you for your time and participation in our Anonymous Survey! If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please feel free to contact us at our office at 405-234-5215 or (5216)

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legislation



General Council Quarterly Meeting June 4, 2016

Unfinished Business

• Tribal Resolution 2015-61

A verbal Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing a forensic audit of the Seminole Nation, including the Seminole Nation Division of Commerce; Seminole Nation Gaming Enterprises; Seminole Nation Gaming Agency; Business and Corporate Regulatory Commission; and Seminole Nation Housing Authority, from FY 2002 to present to be paid for from remaining Household Assistance Funds.

sponsored by Charlie Hill

REMAINED TABLED

• Tribal Resolution 2016-10

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma allocating \$650,000 from the remaining settlement funds held in federal trust account number JA70616913 to the Seminole Nation cemetery for use in implementing Phase 1 of the Seminole Nation Cemetery Project proposed by Blue Star Studio Architects and Engineering, and directing the office of the Special Trustee to disburse \$650,000 from trust account number JA70616913 for the purpose.

sponsored by Wayne Shaw

WITHDRAWN

• Tribal Resolution 2016-11

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma allocating \$2 million from the remaining settlement funds held in federal trust account number JA70616913 for use in developing and constructing a veterans center, and directing the office of the Special Trustee to disburse \$2 million from trust account number JA70616913 for this purpose.

sponsored by Wayne Shaw

FAILED 2-21-4

Mekusukey: no, no	Fushutche: abst, abst
Eufaula: no, no	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: no	Hvteyievlke: no, no
Nurcup Harjo: no, no	Tom Palmer: no, no
Hecete: abst, abst	Tallahassee: no, no
Ocese: no, no	Ceyvha: no, no
Bruner: no, no	Dosar Barkus: no, no

• Tribal Resolution 2016-15

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving a memorandum of agreement between the Seminole Nation and the Sac and Fox Nation to allow the Seminole Nation public transit to operate within a limited area in the Sac and Fox Nation's tribal jurisdiction to provide transportation services for under-served Seminole Nation tribal members, local Native American communities, and the general public.

sponsored by Nancy Fixico

REMAIN TABLED

• Tribal Resolution 2016-18

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the Seminole Nation Cultural Heritage Initiative Grant FY 5016 Budget.

sponsored by David Narcomey

TABLED

Reports of Committees

Department of Commerce
SN Enterprises, LLC
Gaming Enterprises
Gaming Agency
BCR Commission
Land Acquisition
Veteran's Affairs Committee
Housing Authority
Language Curriculum Committee
Finance Committee
Wewoka Serv. Unit Health Advisory Bd
Grisso Mansion LLC
TERO Commission
SN Vineyard & Winery LLC
SN Health Advisor Board
Personnel Board
SN Roads Committee
Early Childhood Committee
Color Guard

New Business

• Tribal Resolution 2016-35

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the use of \$2,700,000.00 in settlement funds held in federal trust account number JA70616913 to build a multi-purpose event center adjacent to the Mekusukey Mission in Seminole County, Oklahoma, and directing the office of the Special Trustee to disburse \$2,700,000.00 from trust account number JA70616913 for this purpose.

sponsored by Charlie Hill and Dwayne Miller

TABLED UNTIL JULY

• Tribal Resolution 2016-36

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing the Principal Chief to execute a memorandum of understanding between the Seminole Nation and the State of Oklahoma Department of Public Safety and the City of Tulsa for purposes of allowing the Seminole Nation police department to utilize the state and city TRS for public Safety Communications.

sponsored by Ralph Coker

APPROVED 28-0-0

Mekusukey: yes, yes	Fushutche: yes, yes
Eufaula: yes, yes	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: yes, yes	Hvteyievlke: yes, yes
Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: yes, yes
Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: yes, yes	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Tribal Resolution 2016-37

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving and authorizing submission of the 2017 Indian Hosing Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for consideration in making Indian housing Block Grants.

sponsored by Cheri Hardeman

APPROVED 28-0-0

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Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: yes, yes	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Tribal Resolution 2016-38

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of

Oklahoma rescinding TR 2016-30 which transferred administration of the FY 2015 library grant to Older Americans Program, and approving the library grant FY 2015 budget.

sponsored by Kevin Hardeman

APPROVED 26-2-0

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Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: no, no
Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: yes, yes	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Tribal Resolution 2016-39

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma confirming the appointment of Jeremy Larney as a commissioner of the Seminole Nation Agency.

sponsored by Lottie Coody

APPROVED 18-10-0

Mekusukey: no, no	Fushutche: no, no
Eufaula: no, no	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: yes, yes	Hvteyievlke: yes, yes
Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: yes, yes
Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: no, no
Ocese: no, no	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Tribal Resolution 2016-40

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing the executive department to execute a conservation program contract with the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation service.

sponsored by Ralph Coker

APPROVED 26-2-0

Mekusukey: no, no	Fushutche: yes, yes
Eufaula: yes, yes	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: yes, yes	Hvteyievlke: yes, yes
Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: yes, yes
Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: yes, yes	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Tribal Resolution 2016-41

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing the executive department to execute an summer food service program agreement with the Oklahoma State Department of Education to operate a nonprofit food service program to provide free meals to children.

sponsored by Fannie Harjo

APPROVED 26-2-0

Mekusukey: yes, yes	Fushutche: yes, yes
Eufaula: yes, yes	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: yes, yes	Hvteyievlke: yes, yes
Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: yes, yes
Hecete: yes, yes	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: yes, yes	Ceyvha: no, no
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: yes, yes

• Verbal Resolution

A Verbal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma for a vote of no confidence in the Director of BCR.

sponsored by Fannie Harjo

FAILED 13-14-1

Mekusukey: yes, yes	Fushutche: no, no
Eufaula: no, no	Rewalke: yes, yes
Tusekia Harjo: no, no	Hvteyievlke: no, no
Nurcup Harjo: yes, yes	Tom Palmer: yes, abst
Hecete: no, no	Tallahassee: yes, yes
Ocese: no, no	Ceyvha: yes, yes
Bruner: yes, yes	Dosar Barkus: no, no

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General Council Quarterly Meeting July 30, 2016

Unfinished Business

- Tribal Resolution 2015-61

A verbal Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing a forensic audit of the Seminole Nation, including the Seminole Nation division of commerce; Seminole Nation gaming enterprises; Seminole Nation gaming agency; business & corporate regulatory commission; and Seminole Nation housing authority, from FY2002 to present to be paid for from remaining household assistance funds.

sponsored by Charlie Hill

REMAINED TABLED

- Tribal Resolution 2016-10

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma allocating \$650,000 from the remaining settlement funds held in federal trust account number JA70616913 to the Seminole Nation cemetery for use in implementing phase 1 of the Seminole nation cemetery project proposed by Blue Star Studio Architects and Engineering, and directing the office of the Special Trustee to disburse \$650,000 from trust account number JA70616913 for this purpose.

sponsored by Wayne Shaw

TABLED

- Tribal Resolution 2016-15

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole nation of Oklahoma approving a memorandum of agreement between the Seminole Nation and the Sac & Fox Nation to allow the Seminole Nation public transit to operate within a limited area in the Sac & Fox Nation's tribal jurisdiction to provide transportation services for under-served Seminole Nation tribal members, local Native American communities, and the general public.

sponsored by Nancy Fixico

WITHDRAWN

- Tribal Resolution 2016-18

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the Seminole Nation Cultural Heritage Initiative grant FY2016 budget.

sponsored by David Narcomey

TABLED

- Tribal Resolution 2016-35

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the use of \$2,700,000.00 in settlement funds held in federal trust account number JA70616913 to build a multi-purpose event center adjacent to the Mekusukey Mission in Seminole County, Oklahoma, and directing the office of the Special Trustee to disburse \$2,700,000.00 from trust account number

JA70616913 for this purpose.

sponsored by Charlie Hill and Dwayne Miller

TABLED

Reports of Committees

Department of Commerce

Wewoka Serv. Unit Health Advisory Bd

SN Enterprises, LLC

Grisso Mansion LLC

Gaming Enterprise

TERO Commission

Gaming Agency

SN Vineyard & Winery LLC

BCR Commission

Princess Committee

Land Acquisition Board

SN Health Advisory Board

Veterans Affairs Committee

Personnel Board

Housing Authority

SN Roads Committee

Language Curriculum Committee

Early Childhood Committee

Finance Committee

Color Guard

New Business

- Tribal Resolution 2016-02

A Tribal Ordinance of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma amending chapter 2 of the Business and Corporate Regulatory Code of the Seminole Nation, codified at Title 3a of the Seminole Nation Code of Laws.

sponsored by Fannie Harjo

WITHDRAWN

- Tribal Resolution 2016-47

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma authorizing Seminole Nation participation in a nationwide elder needs assessment.

sponsored by Ida Gonzales

APPROVED 23-2-2

Mekusukey: **abst, abst**

Eufaula: **yes, yes**

Tusekia Harjo: **yes, yes**

Nurcup Harjo: **yes, yes**

Hecete: **yes, yes**

Ocese: **yes, yes**

Bruner: **yes**

Fushutche: **yes, yes**

Rewalke: **yes, yes**

Hvtteyivlke: **yes, yes**

Tom Palmer: **yes, yes**

Tallahassee: **no, no**

Ceyvha: **yes, yes**

Dosar Barkus: **yes, yes**

- Tribal Resolution 2016-48

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the establishment of a Tribal Transportation Program agreement between the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

sponsored by Ralph Coker

APPROVED 28-0-0

Mekusukey: **yes, yes**

Eufaula: **yes, yes**

Tusekia Harjo: **yes, yes**

Nurcup Harjo: **yes, yes**

Hecete: **yes, yes**

Ocese: **yes, yes**

Bruner: **yes, yes**

Fushutche: **yes, yes**

Rewalke: **yes, yes**

Hvtteyivlke: **yes, yes**

Tom Palmer: **yes, yes**

Tallahassee: **yes, yes**

Ceyvha: **yes, yes**

Dosar Barkus: **yes, yes**

- Tribal Resolution 2016-49

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving amendments to the Seminole Nation Long-Range Transportation Plan and authorizing the Principal Chief to submit the amended Long-Range Transportation Plan to the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

sponsored by Ralph Coker

WITHDRAWN

- Tribal Resolution 2016-50

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving certain budgets in the FY2017 proposed comprehensive budget and providing for appropriations.

sponsored by David Narcomey

APPROVED 20-8-0

Mekusukey: **no, no**

Eufaula: **yes, yes**

Tusekia Harjo: **yes, yes**

Nurcup Harjo: **yes, yes**

Hecete: **yes, yes**

Ocese: **yes, yes**

Bruner: **yes, yes**

Fushutche: **yes, yes**

Rewalke: **no, no**

Hvtteyivlke: **yes, yes**

Tom Palmer: **no, no**

Tallahassee: **yes, yes**

Ceyvha: **no, no**

Dosar Barkus: **yes, yes**

- Tribal Resolution 2016-51

A Tribal Resolution of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma approving the Seminole Nation Division of Commerce FY2017 budget and approving the incorporation of the same into the Nation's forthcoming FY2017 comprehensive budget.

sponsored by David Narcomey

APPROVED 20-7-0

Mekusukey: **yes, yes**

Eufaula: **no, no**

Tusekia Harjo: **yes, yes**

Nurcup Harjo: **no, no**

Hecete: **yes, yes**

Ocese: **no, no**

Bruner: **yes, yes**

Fushutche: **yes, yes**

Rewalke: **yes, yes**

Hvtteyivlke: **no, no**

Tom Palmer: **yes, yes**

Tallahassee: **yes, yes**

Ceyvha: **yes, yes**

Dosar Barkus: **yes, yes**

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use disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life". Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those in recovery, the observance reinforces the positive message that behavioral health is essential to overall health, prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover.

Recovery can be lengthy process, depending on circumstances, such as length of use, legal issues and network of resources

and support. Many times when you get clean and sober, it takes time to get life back in order, financially, and family wise.

If you need help, please call the 24 hour Reach out hotline, 1- 800-522-9054, there are counselors available to assist from where you live, until you get to appropriate referral. Please continue to encourage your loved ones in recovery, and will discuss more about Recovery in October. MVTO!

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Discussing the Gathering of Tribal Nations International Conference

Julie Gear
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On June 3rd, 2016, a group of leaders came together at the Seminole Nation Grisso Mansion to discuss an upcoming event; the Gathering of Tribal Nations International Conference. Also known as Awakened '16, the conference will be held at the Meku-sukey Mission in Seminole, Oklahoma on October 5th through the 8th. Meeting together were Assistant Chief Lewis

Johnson, Ron and Tyda Harvey, CEO's of the Harvest Time Network Ministry along with their longtime friend and Pastor, Jerry Tom. In addition, representatives from the United Tribes for Christ Fellowship Nancy Goate and Adeena Angelo were present, though Pastor Larry Harrison could not attend.

Discussions and plans are being laid for the Conference, and all parties eagerly shared information about the event, including the plans for a banquet for many of the represen-

tatives that have been invited to attend this conference. Leaders of all 39 Oklahoma tribes have been invited, but the event will be an international one, with planned attendance by spiritual and tribal leaders from many parts of the globe, including Canada, Malaysia and other Asian nations, Buenos Aires, and various U.S. states.

The sessions during the day will be available to registered attendees only, but in the evening there will be a service under the big tent that will be open to anyone

who wishes to attend. Registration is \$25, and must be submitted no later than September 28th, 2016. Daytime sessions for registered attendees will include lunch and dinner in addition to the teaching sessions. This will be an excellent learning opportunity for any who wish to attend. For more information about Awakened '16, or the Harvest Time Network Ministry, along with past Awakened events, you can visit www.awakened16.com or www.gatheringoftribalnations.com.



Seminole Veterans Honored at Sac and Fox Veterans Lunch



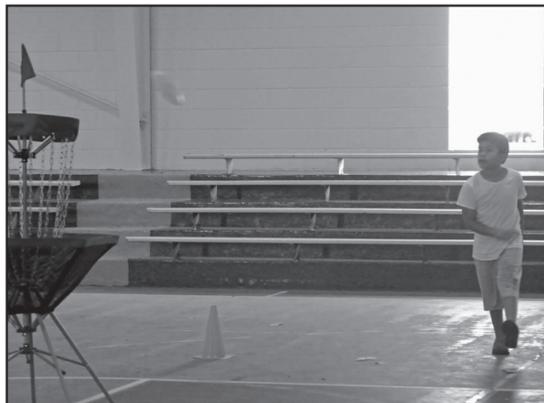
The following Seminoles were honored at the Sac and Fox Veterans lunch that was held on July 9th in Stroud, OK. Veterans were honored with Quilts of Valor. For more info visit www.qovf.org.

The first picture are the Seminole recipients. The second picture includes all recipients.



Thank You!

My sister and I would like to thank all the volunteers, prayer warriors, and the great Seminole nation for all the help with our fathers funeral. Mvto, AJ Foster.



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NAFSI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

At First Nations Development Institute (First Nations), we believe that reclaiming control over local food systems is an important step toward ensuring the long-lasting health and economic well-being of Native people and communities. Native food-system control has the potential to increase food production, improve health and nutrition, and eliminate food insecurity in rural and reservation-based communities, while also promoting entrepreneurship and economic development.

The purpose of the Native Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarship Program is to encourage more Native American college students to enter these fields so that they can better assist their communities with these efforts. In an attempt to increase the number of students entering these fields, First Nations will award ten \$1,000 scholarships for the 2016-2017 academic school year to Native American college students majoring in agriculture and agriculture-related fields, including but not limited to: agribusiness management, agronomy, animal husbandry, aquaponics, environmental engineering, fisheries and wildlife, food production and safety, food-related policy and legislation, food science and technology, horticulture, irrigation science, nutrition education, and sustainable agriculture or food systems.

Scholarship Eligibility

Applicants must be full-time undergraduate or graduate student majoring in agriculture or an agricultural-related field, including food systems.

Applicants must be Native American (member of a current or terminated federal/state tribe) and able to provide documentation.

Applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA.

Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to helping his/her community reclaim local food-system control.

Scholarship Application Checklist

- Online application
- Proof of tribal enrollment
- Enrollment verification form
- Unofficial transcript
- Letter of recommendation from faculty member
- Essay (250-500 words)
- Addressing how you will use your degree to help your community reclaim control of their local/traditional food system, and how you plan to spend the scholarship money
- Headshot photo for possible use in First Nations' publicity activities (optional)

Applications must be submitted online at: www.firstnations.org/grantmaking/scholarship by **5 p.m. Mountain Time on Wednesday, October 5, 2016**. Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will not be considered. Additional documentation may be required upon award.

The AccuLynx Scholarship for Higher Education

AccuLynx was created by CEO Rich Spanton after he needed a more efficient and organized system to operate his roofing business. Spanton spent time researching and testing out different business management systems until he decided to build his own. AccuLynx was an internal application until 2008 when the opportunity was realized to sell the app as a product to competitors and other contractors in related trades. AccuLynx allows specialty trade contractors to save time, money and improve efficiency. It hold documents, photos, integrates with Quickbooks and tracks payments of jobs, materials and competitors.

As much as they have enjoyed serving their customers, AccuLynx has also committed to serving students. They believe students who passionately pursue their career goals will one day be able to delight the customers and clients they serve as well. That is why AccuLynx is proud to offer the "AccuLynx Scholarship Award" for students pur-

suing their career aspirations.

This \$2,000 annual scholarship will help students consider their aspirations as well as ease the burden of the costs of higher education. AccuLynx proudly invites all eligible students to apply by writing an essay about what software/app you cannot live without and how does it make your life better and easier.

Eligible students will:

Write an essay (no fewer than 800 words) or create a video about what software or app you cannot live without and how it makes your life easier or better.

Essay or video submissions should be emailed to scholarship@acculynx.com.

Who Can Apply

Any current student of a four-year or technical school.

When is the Deadline to Apply?

All entries for Fall semester must be submitted by midnight on June 1st. The winning applicant will be selected by August 1st. Spring semester entries must be submitted by October 1st. Winning applicant will be selected by December 1st.

Award Amount

\$1,000 per semester for \$2,000 total per year. One recipient will be chose for each semester.

Selection Process and Notification

Members of the AccuLynx executive team and business partners will review all applicants and essays and will declare one winner for each semester. Once the winner has been determined, AccuLynx inform him or her by email. The full award amount will be sent directly to the financial aid office of the winning candidates' institution.

Questions

Please direct all questions to Michael Pendley, Director of Sales, 866-981-5969.

StudySoup - Future Innovator Scholarship

About StudySoup

We launched the StudySoup peer-to-peer learning marketplace in 2014, and now we are announcing our new Future Innovator Scholarship Program. When we were in school, we found that success in the classroom can be a pretty ambiguous thing. Every class has hours of lectures and dozens of readings. Come midterm time, most students are overwhelmed and have no idea how they should study. Without fail, however, there are always a few top students in the class who know exactly what it takes to be successful. We decided to empower those top students to help their peers, and make money, by posting their best study materials to StudySoup.com.

At the end of the day, learning from your peers is the best way to learn, because after all, who understands your questions better than someone else in the class?

Scholarship Details

As a company driven to help students succeed, we know that college is an important step along many career paths, but it can be expensive. Students can upload notes to StudySoup.com to lighten their financial burden. However, we still felt like we could do more to give back to the future leaders of the world. Therefore, we are offering a \$2,000 scholarship each semester to outstanding students who exemplify one or more of StudySoup's core values:

- Be a Knight
- Make an Impact
- Succeed Together

You may have mentored a fellow student, organized a fundraiser for charity, or gone on a humanitarian trip abroad. Whatever your achievements, we want to hear from you!

Scholarship Eligibility

Any individual at least sixteen (16) years old who meets one of the following criteria:

Currently attending high school (or equivalent) and will be attending an accredited university or college in the next academic year

Currently attending an accredited university or college (undergraduate and graduate students are both eligible)

Deadlines

- Fall Semester 2016: October 1st, 2016
- Spring Semester 2017: March 1st, 2017

Go to Scholarship Application:

Future Innovator Scholarships (<https://studysoup.com/scholarship>)

Review It Scholarship

Scholarship Deadline: September 30th, 2016 (\$1000)

To be eligible for the Review It Scholarship a student must:

Dr. Gabriel and Christine Chiu are active philanthropists who avidly support a variety of organizations such as: Children Mending Hearts, Cedars Sinai, the American Red Cross, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, John Wayne Cancer Institute, Children's Action Network, GenArt, AVIVA, Project Angel Food, Center Dance Arts, Barbara Davis Center for Childhood Obesity, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Help for Orphans, the American Red Cross, P.S. Arts, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Art of Elysium, Nancy Davis Foundation for Multiple Sclerosis, Children's Action Network and the Music Center.

Student Eligibility

To be eligible for the Dr. Gabriel and Christine Chiu "Review It" Scholarship a student must:

1. Be attending college or university no later than September of 2017.
2. Have achieved a GPA of 2.5 or greater during their last academic year.
3. Be attending or planning to attend a school in the US.
4. Submit answers to the essay questions no later than 11:59 PM EST on the day of the deadline.

Go to Scholarship Application:

Review It Scholarship (<https://www.student-scholarships.org/review.php>)

Jones T-Shirts Scholarship Opportunity

Scholarship opportunity for students looking to love their careers!

Make plans now to love your career. Scott Jones, founder of JonesTshirts.com is a firm believer in the importance of loving your career. It affects every aspect of your life. Your family can see a difference when they know that you don't dread going into work everyday. You're happier and those around you are happier. It's important to start thinking about this concept early, especially while in college.

Scott started in the T-shirt business while in high school. His brother taught him how to make tie-dye shirts and together they would take their goods to sell at Grateful Dead concerts in Las Vegas and California. 24 years later, JonesTshirts.com is a leading wholesale provider of blank T-shirts and apparel. Scott stuck with his passion of T-shirts and has made a full time career out of it. We want to hear about your passions and goals for the future! We want to know that there are others out there who share the goal of living the dream of loving what they do.

Who Can Apply?

Any student who will be enrolled in a college or University at the time of the next deadline (see dates below). This scholarship is limited to students attending school in the 50 U.S. states.

Upcoming Deadlines

- Fall 2016 Monday September 12, 2016
- Winter 2017 Monday January 9, 2017

Please follow the essay and the submission requirements EXACTLY as outlined below to qualify for review. (Essays that ignore these requirements will be disqualified)

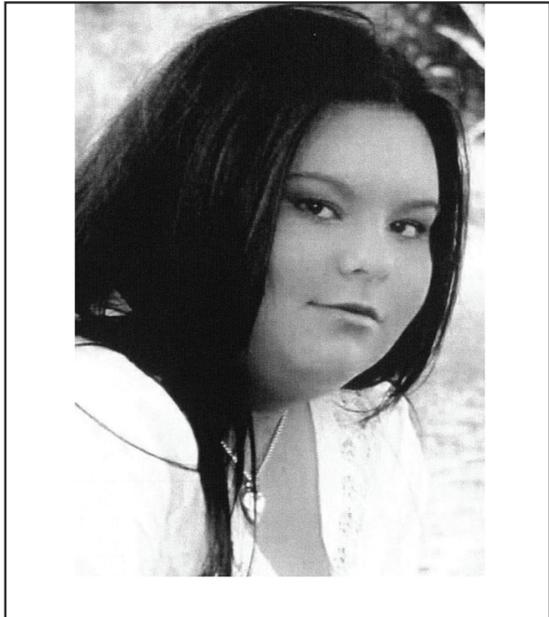
Essay Requirements

1. 1000 words or more.
2. At the top of your essay, write your full name, phone number, email address and the name of the school you will be attending.
3. Outline at least 3 steps that you plan to take in the next year to start a path towards having a career that you love. As you think of these steps, consider some of these ideas; What are your passions that could be turned



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Local Student Participates In National Program



Yannah Morgan



NNAYI participants at the Association of American Medical Colleges

Scholarship Encourages Native American Students into Health Careers

For more information contact:
Gary Lankford
Association of American Indian Physicians
(405) 946-7072 –
glankford@aaip.org

(Oklahoma City, OK) A Seminole high school student was part of 25 teenagers nation-

wide to participate in the 18th Association of American Indian Physicians' National Native American Youth Initiative (NNAYI) program. Yannah Morgan, a student at Putnam City North High School in Oklahoma City, OK, attended the nine-day program held in Washington, D.C. this summer. The Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP) sponsors the program to edu-

cate and encourage more Native American students to pursue careers in health professions.

"We expose the students to a variety of health careers," explains Gary Lankford, Program Director. "The summer program allows them to visit national health organizations and academic institutions."

The students were taken on field trips that included tours of the National Institutes of Health, George Washington University School of Medicine, Indian Health Service and the National Library of Medicine.

Students attended a series of lectures and interactive work-

shops that featured guest speakers who are physicians, researchers, and educators in the field of medicine.

"It's important for the students to hear from these health care professionals. They're successful Native Americans who serve as role models and mentors. They inspire our students to continue their education and set high goals," says Lankford.

NNAYI was created in 1998 to increase the number of American Indian/Alaska Native students entering health professions and biomedical research. The curriculum is designed to prepare students for admission to college

and professional schools. Students also receive information regarding financial aid, counseling, and other college-related assistance.

Yannah is the daughter of Melissa Bartz and is a member of the Seminole tribe.

Over the past decade, more than 578 students have received scholarships to attend the NNAYI program. To be selected for the NNAYI summer program, students must be age 16-18 and express interest in healthcare or biomedical research. For more information, visit www.aaip.org or call (405) 946-7072.

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into a career? What are some ideas you have for a business based on things that you love and are skilled at? We want to hear unique, well thought out ideas. Make us believers. Make us excited. Make your essay stand out!

Ask them at least 3 of the following questions and include the questions and answers as part of your essay.

What initially inspired you to pursue the industry that you are currently in?

What would be one important piece of advice for someone like me who is considering going into the field that you are in?

What was the biggest hurdle that you encountered when you were first getting started in this field and how did you overcome it?

What are some of the college courses that

you took that had a lasting impact on your career?

What are some aspects about your career that you didn't know about or consider when you were starting out?

What are some things I should be spending my time doing now outside of school to help prepare me for a career in this field?

Submission Requirements

1. Essay must be in PDF format. No exceptions.
2. The file name of your PDF file must be your full name and the name of your school. For Example: Scott-Jones-BYU.pdf
3. Email your PDF file as well as a scanned copy of proof of enrollment to scholarship@jonestshirts.com. Please send as TWO separate attachments. Submissions with only 1 attachment will not be reviewed.
4. Copy and paste the following into your Subject line: FALL 2016 SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION
5. In the body of your email,

please include your full name, phone number and the name of the school you are enrolled in.

Please follow the above steps carefully in order for your essay to be considered.

The recipient of the scholarship will be notified by email or phone within 2 to 4 weeks of the deadline.

Eligibility - You must be a student enrolled in an accredited college or University located in the United States.

If you are applying for the winter scholarship, you must be enrolled for classes during that winter semester.

If you are applying for the fall scholarship, you must be enrolled for classes during that fall semester.

You must follow all of the essay requirements and submission requirements outlined above in order to qualify.

Submission Deadline - All submissions must be received by the dates listed above in order to qualify for the scholarship.

Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Higher Ed & Adult Ed Dept.

Clara Keawphalouk
keawphalouk.c@sno-nsn.gov
(405) 257-7263

Seminole Nation Adult Education
Scrubs are now available!!!

Contact Seminole Nation Adult Education Office for details!!

****Any Native American living in Seminole County****

Clara Keawphalouk, Director

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Seminole, Okla. 74868
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| esketv (to drink) | uewv (water) | |



Veteran's Corner

by K. Galen Greenwalt, Director of Veterans Services Office
(North Community Building, Mekusukey Mission)

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE ALL VETERANS

This column is an information source for all veterans in the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma. Please share this with those who have served in our military forces, both past and present. Please feel free to come by the Veterans Services Office during the week, or give us a call at (405) 234-5242 to ask questions or make an appointment. My email address here at the office is greenwalt.g@sno-nsn.gov and you are welcome to contact me by email. Due to various meetings, visits and times of transporting veterans to appointments, it is helpful to call ahead to meet with him. He is available on his personal cell at (951) 533-1407.

WHO IS A VETERAN?

The question: "Who exactly is a veteran?" A veteran is anyone who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces. So, the question we ask is, "Have you served in the military?" If the answer is "yes," then you are a veteran! Our office is here to help you.

ODVA VETERANS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE ON SITE EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Every Thursday afternoon, the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs has a Veterans Service Representative at our Veterans Office at the Mekusukey Mission. Mr. David Sampson, from the Oklahoma City office, is available to assist any veteran with claims, appeals, requests for discharge papers, veteran widow pension information, and any other needs of a veteran or spouse. To sit down and discuss any needs concerning veterans benefits, the assistance is on a walk-in basis of first-come first-served. Please come and get any questions answered with Mr. Sampson on Thursdays from 1:30-4:30 pm.

ODVA TRAINING FOR DIRECTOR GREENWALT



Some weeks ago, Director Greenwalt was invited to attend the quarterly training for all claims officers and other staff of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs. As he serves as the Director of the Veterans Affairs Department for the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, Ga-

len is being given opportunity to learn more about filing disability claims and filing appeals for claims. The training was held at the Autry Technology Center in Enid by the ODVA.

THUMMIM SEMINAR, HISTORICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS

Last month, Director Greenwalt and Barney Mitchell attended the Thummim Seminar, held in Del City. It was hosted by the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes to highlight the accomplishments of Native American veterans in the service of our nation's armed services. MajGen Myles Deering, Executive Director of the ODVA (Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs) was a featured speaker. Also, Mary Culley, from the VA Tribal Government Relations office, was on hand and spoke about the Native American involvement and service in our nation's military past.



BURIAL AT THE VETERANS CEMETERY



Just a few weeks ago, a veteran was buried at our Seminole Nation Veterans Memorial Cemetery. This is a reminder that all veterans with an Honorable Discharge are eligible for a burial plot at no charge in a VA National Veterans Cemetery. Our Seminole Nation Memorial is qualified as a National Veterans cemetery. In light of that, all burial crypts free of charge with a provision for a headstone also at no cost. Headstones are



ordered through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. In addition, a veteran's spouse is also eligible to be buried at no cost with the veteran at the time of need. For more information, please call the Seminole Nation Veterans Affairs office.

VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

The Veterans office continues to serve and assist with the various needs of veterans. This includes:

- Submitting the forms to get Discharge Papers (DD-214) and other military personnel files
- Filling out forms and processing paperwork for all military records on file for veterans
- Completing the process for enrollment in the VA Healthcare system
- Providing transportation needs to those who need rides for VA Healthcare and follow-up appointments
- Assisting with Veterans Disability Claims paperwork and submittal to appropriate VA offices
- Help with Appeals for Disability Claims that have been denied
- Assistance with veterans employment needs
- Help with veterans educational benefits for schooling
- Home Loan referrals and pursuing HUD Home Loans for Native Americans
- No cost burial plot for veterans and spouses when need arises
- Free headstone markers for veterans from the Veterans Administration Department
- Honor Guard detail provided for funerals of veterans
- Referrals for IHS (Indian Health Services) counseling

VETERANS BENEFITS BOOKLET

The Veterans Office here has copies of the booklet entitled Know Your Benefits: Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors, latest edition. They are available FREE to anyone who would like a copy. Many have already called our office and been given a copy.

VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA

For more information or answers about any VA issues, please contact us here at the Veterans Services Office at (405) 234-5242 or the Director's cell number at (951) 533-1407.



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Adam Ben Foster



Funeral services for Adam Ben Foster were Tuesday June 21, 2016 at High Springs Church in Konawa. Joe Coon officiated the service and burial followed at the Foster Family Cemetery.

Adam passed away Friday, June 17, 2016 at his home. He was 55.

Adam was born January 29, 1961 in Seminole, Okla. to Isaac Newton Fos-

ter, Sr. and Katherine (Harjo) Foster. He was a construction worker and a roughneck. He was a member of the Seminole Nation. Adam loved spending time with the family especially his grandson, and watching OU and Pittsburg Steelers football

He is preceded in death by his parents; Isaac and Katherine Foster and one sister, Mae Scott.

Survivors include one son, A. J. Foster and wife, Alison of Anadarko, Okla.; one daughter, Chassy Foster of Konawa, Okla.; five brothers, Allen Foster of Harjo, Okla., Herman Foster of Bowlegs, Okla., Matthew Foster of Edmond, Okla., Skip Foster of Wolf, Okla., and Schickey Foster of Seminole, Okla.; and one grandson, Adison Foster.

Casket bearers were William Foster, Stephen Dougan, Chad Foster, Cody Foster, Kacey Foster, and Chris Fixico.

Honorary bearers were John Coon, Mark Factor, Larry Jesse, George Factor, Slick Factor, Tommy Gibson, R.B. Burgess, and Bondo Davis.

Ritchie Rodriguez



Funeral services for Ritchie Rodriguez were Saturday, June 25, 2016 at Hitchitee Methodist Church with Donnie Wolf and Houston Tiger officiating the service. Interment followed at the Hitchitee Church Cemetery.

Ritchie passed away on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Okla. He was 45.

Ritchie was born in Chicago, Illinois, June 14, 1971.

He enjoyed fishing, football, telling "Tall Tales", music, cooking and enjoyed the heck out of eating ribs. He spent 14 years in Kansas working and returned home to Tulsa, where he worked in apartment maintenance.

He is preceded in death by his father, Leon Rodriguez in 1986.

Survivors include his daughter, Ricki of Tulsa, Okla., by his mother, Agustina "Dena" (Warledo)

Rodriguez of Tulsa, Oklahoma; his companion, Sheila Gully of Kansas. Brothers; Gary Rodriguez and wife of Tulsa, Okla., Barney Leader of Shawnee, Okla.; sisters, Cheryl Coker of Chicago, Ill., Lori Baldwin of Tulsa, Okla., Carol Banos and husband of Catoosa, Okla., Stephanie Leader-Pryorsk of Poplar Bluff, Mo., Barbara Warledo and her husband of Tulsa, Okla., Brigita Leader of Wewoka, Okla.; and numer-

ous nieces, nephews, family and dear friends.

Casket Bearers were Zeek, Harjo, T.J., Jeff, and Hunter.

Honorary Bearers were Edgar Banos, Luis Conteraz, Aaron Rodriguez, Jacob Jessup, and Calvin Cooper.

Services were under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home in Seminole, Oklahoma.

Eloise B. Moppin -Ohles



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Eloise passed away on August 22, 2016 in Chiloquin, OR. She was born on February 10, 1934 in Holdenville, OK to Sherman Buddy Moppin, Sr. and Mildred George. She loved all her family, friends, and tribal people. The many prayers she

said over her land, animals, and tribal people still stand. Blessed knowing she watches over us all now from heaven.

She was preceded in death by her great-grandfather, Linkriver Beal; great-grandmother, Isabelle Beal; grandfather, Miller George; grandmother, Bertha Beal George; father, Sherman Buddy Moppin, Sr.; mother, Mildred George; brothers, Richard Moppin and Sherman Moppin, Jr.; sister, Loyette

"Lucy" Moppin-Jackson; daughter, Gloria Jackson-McWilliams; nieces, Lisa "Lou" Jackson-Barrick, Merris Jackson-Collins, and Melani Jackson.

Eloise is survived by her children, Crayton H. Jackson, Sr., Timothy F. Wood, Carolyn "Seda" Wood, Marilyn "Molly" Wood, John "Buzz" S. Wood, Glenda M. Wood-Lena, Arvid R. Hoaglen, Jr., Kayla J. Whiteturtle-Ohles, and Steph-

anie P. Whiteturtle-Ohles; numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, as well as her adopted daughters through life.

Visitation was held on Friday, August 26, 2016 at 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM in Davenport's Chapel. A Graveside Service was held on Sunday, August 28, 2016 at 9:00 AM in Hill Cemetery, Chiloquin, OR.

Elizabeth Walker

Elizabeth (Betty and Gan) Walker, 77, of Burnsville died July 9, 2016. She was born in Wewoka, Oklahoma, the oldest daughter of Charles Joseph Walker and Bessie Walker. She was a member of the Seminole Creek Nation in Oklaho-

ma. She began her education at Wewoka High School, and later received graduate degrees from the University of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma State and the University of Minnesota. She worked many years for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), as an

Area Educator. She was an active member of the Presbyterian Church of the Apostles; Twin Cities Presbytery, and Synod of Lakes and Prairies. She was a Ruling Elder, participated with Earth Angels, Church in Society, Choir, Sisters of Sophia, and

the Vnhisvike Apostle Group. She was a significant mentor to many children and teenagers.

She leaves her beloved sons, Tim and Harvey; her grandchildren Morgan and Tyler, whom she adored and their mother, Erin.

She leaves her

brother, Charlie from Dallas. She is also survived by niece, Rachel, nephews Randy and Jeremy of Oklahoma; and many cousins and friends around the country. She was predeceased by a sister, Beverly and her parents.

Funeral service

was held at the Presbyterian Church of the Apostles at 701 East 130th Street in Burnsville, MN.

She was returned to her birthplace and Native American community for a traditional Creek-Seminole funeral.

Mvnettvike Punfulletv Hecicety Summer Camp

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The Mvnettvike Punfulletv Hecicety Summer Camp was a two-week camp from July 11, 2016 to July 22, 2016. Participants were from the ages of Kindergarten through 12th grade. Breakfast and Lunch was provided every day for each participant. Camp was from Monday through Thursday, with camp being held at Bowlegs School.

Transportation was provided for any and all participants that needed it. The focal point of

each camp activity was nutrition, fitness, and culture. The Tribal Programs that helped chaperon, host an activity, and/or helped provide nutritional, fitness, and/or cultural education were Head Start, Tribal Court, WIA, Diabetes, Food and Nutrition Services, CHR, and Seminole Nation Language and Cultural Resources Department, as well as other volunteers.

A lot of the older camp participants were tasked with helping with the younger participants, be it getting from activity to activity, trips

to the cafeteria to cool and refresh, being a role model, and helping to provide additional activity instruction, such as with archery helping get arrows set in bows and showing how to pull and release the bow, along with several other participatory roles. Camp leader Corky Snodgrass said that each older participant tasked with these roles exceeded his expectations tremendously and that he was very proud of each one of them and how they stepped up and accepted their roles.

Each camp partici-

pant participated in just about every activity that the camp held. Melanie Frye of the Cultural Resources and Language Department taught a language and culture class to the participants each day of the camp with language instruction as well as Maskoke hymn singing. One lesson instruction that Frye provided was a new game that Frye created called Clan Bingo.

Another activity that took place was called Spending Frenzy which was hosted/taught by Shawn Spruce with Consulting and Training

services out of Albuquerque, New Mexico. The activity was held in the Bowlegs school cafeteria with tables set up representing mock businesses such as a mall, car dealership and insurance, utilities and housing, among several other spending places.

Each participant in the Spending Frenzy activity was given a list of things they had to purchase along with a stack of fake money to use to purchase them with. At the end of the activity they had to return to Spruce who acted as banker and they had

to deposit their money back into their bank account. The point of the activity was to teach money habits such as spending and saving as well as learning how quick money can be spent and how hard it is to save money with necessary expenditures that all adults face.

By all accounts the camp was a huge success with participants having learned a lot of valuable nutritional and cultural education as well as fitness education. All participants are already looking forward to next summer's camp.

