

ATTENTION 55 YEARS OR OLDER

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN **ABSENTEE SHAWNEE ELDERS' COUNCIL**

If you are 55 years and older, we invite you to come and join us. We would like you, AST elders who have recently or who will be turning 55 years you to come check us out at either AST Resource Ctr in Little Axe or Title VI Bldg in Shawnee. We love to visit, eat, and fellowship with each other so we invite you to come.

The AST Elders Council meet the third Saturday of each month, 10 am to noon with a potluck lunch. The meeting sites alternate each month between Resource Center at Little Axe and Title VI Bldg, Shawnee. PLEASE CALL FOR MORE INFO: Mary Birdtail, 476-5603, Wynona Coon, 481-3506, or Kathy Deere, 816-7874.

Below is our Purpose Guideline:

PURPOSE: It shall be the responsibility of the Elders Council to define and make known to the Executive Committee, any economic and social needs of the Elders, to promote the delivery of supportive services, including health, nutritional services, personal care, chore services, and transportation. To provide guidance for the membership, Absentee Shawnee Tribe government on matters of history, tradition, and culture. We encourage elder participation and endeavor to strengthen connections among the tribal community nationwide. To promote and provide cultural enrichment programs to children and youth. To generate unity among tribal members and to support other programs that benefit the Absentee Shawnee Tribe (amended 03-12-2011).

We have a general fund budget that is allocated to the Elders Council for monthly expenses and we do monthly fund raising activities to sponsor activities that the Elders participate throughout the year. We have sponsored and participated in these activities throughout the years:

Veterans' November Pow Wow	Tecumseh Frontier Days
Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners	Shawnee Christmas Parade
Indian Child Welfare Christmas gifts	OKC Red Earth Parade
First Inaugural ball for Newly Elected Officials	Thunderbird July 4 th Pow Wow
6 Nations of Canada, "TECUMSEH" play	Crow Fair Pow Wow

We recently sent a support letter for the Tribal Incentive grant and we are in the process of an ANA grant for the Shawnee language. These are just a few activities, the list is long and diverse.

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2016 AST Elders' Council

MTG DATES AND PLACE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2016	TITLE VI BLDG, SHAWNEE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2016	AST RESOURCE CTR, LA
NOTE: THESE DATES & PLACE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!	