Recently the Absentee Shawnee Tribe held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony and Open House for the new Building Blocks facility located at 16051 Little Axe Drive, just in front of the Little Axe Health Center, in Norman, OK.

Pictured is AST Governor Edwina Butler-Wolfe, AST Secretary John Johnson, AST Representative Anthony Johnson and AST Treasurer Leah Bates along with the CCDF Coordinator Brianna Ponkilla and Building Blocks III Director Billie Thompson at the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Building Blocks III facility. You can see more photos from the ribbon cutting ceremony and the open house on page 5.
Executive Committee

Edwina Butler-Wolfe
Governor

Isaac Gibson
Lt. Governor

John Johnson
Secretary

Leah Bates
Treasurer

Anthony Johnson
Representative

Monthly Executive Committee meetings can be watched online at astribe.com

Government’s Report

Hello my friends, neighbors, relatives and Tribal members at large!

Now that we have had some rain here, in the Shawnee area, the flowers are coming up across the City. I have seen many of our local gardeners and landscapers out clearing garden and flower beds. I have always thought that Spring is a time of both change and beauty.

Governor v Election Commission and Social Media

There have been false and misleading statements made by employees of certain elected leaders on Case No. Civ-2016-63 which is the Court action taken by the Election Commission against me. All that I ask of you, my tribal members, is to be aware of this concern and allow the Court to make the decision on this matter and not listen to those on Facebook, Twitter or any other social media forum. Also, I would like to challenge whoever the ‘mad raccoon’ is on Facebook to come see me and lets have an open dialogue about the inaccuracy of your statements.

Office of Inspector General’s Visit

In February my Office received a letter indicating that the Office of Inspector General expressed concern over certain financial transactions that have taken place in the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Grants. The Inspector General is sending an auditor to review Finance’s records and to meet with individual directors over the issues they seek clarification on. The letter was clear that the focus was on the actions taken by Finance via the Grants Accountant.

Challenges within Education

Recently a number of tribal consultations have been held between the Oklahoma State Department of Education and tribes as is required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), under section 8538, as our state has both Title I grants and Title VI programs. The consultation process is a requirement of any local educational agency (LEA) that has an American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) enrollment of fifty (50) percent or more than $40,000 in funding under Title VI’s Indian title and its intent is to provide an opportunity for LEA’s and tribal leaders to collaborate on behalf of AI/AN students to promote and improve academic outcomes.

In the Shawnee and Little Axe area, the OK State Department of Education tribal consultation guide, notes these two district/schools as having less than 50% AI/AN enrollment and receiving a minimum of $40,000 per year in Title VI funding. I noticed there are approximately 31 school/districts that have at least 50% AI/AN enrollment and 23 that receive Title VI funding and have a 50% AI/AN enrollment out of 204 schools in Oklahoma. I found it interesting that in this guide it didn’t indicate that Riverside Indian School or Sequoyah High School had a 50% AI/AN enrollment and/or received Title VI funding. These two schools are all Indian schools as is Jones Academy in Hartshorne which was not listed.

According to the ESSA, section 8538, LEA’s are to contact tribal leaders for consultation. In Oklahoma the school district superintendents are to consult with tribe(s) that is within a 50 mile radius of their district or they may choose to consult with the tribe having the highest population of students in their district. For Title VI these consultations must occur by June 2017. For Title I, Part A; Title I, Part C; Title I, Part D; Title II, Part A; Title III, Part A; Title IV, Part A; Title IV, Part B; and Title V, Part B, subpart 2 the consultation process must be completed prior to federal grant submission in September 2017.

Meeting Schedule

MARCH 2017

20th  CTSA Meeting in Shawnee, OK
TEC Board Meeting – Little Axe, OK - 5:30 pm

23-24th NIGA Consultation - River Spirit Casino - Tulsa, OK

27th  Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Dept. Financial Aid – Shawnee, OK - 6:30 p.m.

29th  Economic Development – Investment Opportunity – I, Secretary Johnson and Lesa Shaw attended this informational meeting in Moore, OK

30th  Oklahoma Council on Economic Education – Breakfast Meeting – Renaissance Waterford - OKC, OK

APRIL 2017

1st  White Turkey Band Meeting – Shawnee, OK

3rd  AllNations Bank Meeting – Executive Committee and Bank Board
APRIL 2017

4th
Attorney General Interviews - Secretary Johnson, Rep. Johnson and I

5th
Shawnee Kiwanis Pancake Feed - Heart of Shawnee Expo Center – Shawnee, OK - Tickets handed out to employees courtesy of the Office of the Governor

CTSA Meeting – 9:00 a.m.

6th
Enrollment Meeting: I, Secretary Johnson and Treasurer Bates attended.
Ribbon Cutting Building Blocks III, Little Axe, OK – I, Secretary Johnson, Treasurer Bates, Representative Johnson, staff and many visitors attended.

8th
AST Egg Hunt Tribal Complex

10-14th
National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) - San Diego, CA

17th
AST Tribal Directors Meeting – Shawnee, OK - 9:00 a.m. Directors who attended: Domestic Violence, Enrollment, Building Blocks II, Social Services, Education, Absentee Housing Authority, OEH, Media, Police Dept., Health, Courts, Gaming Commission. Directors No Show: HR, MIS, Cultural Preservation, Tax Office, Finance, Grants, Procurement, Realty, Title VI, ICW, Building Blocks III, Maintenance

11:00am Executive Meeting United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas Texas. In Stroud, Oklahoma

TEC Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Other Topics/Expressions

Happy Birthday & Anniversary
To those who have had a birthday or anniversary I extend my warmest regards.

Condolences
To those families who may have lost a family member this month I extend my deepest condolences to you and your family.

Conclusion
I have 1 month to go. My door is always open (unless I happen to be at or in a meeting) and I welcome your visits.

Help me to make a difference – stand beside me and Let us Build for the Future (BFF) - united and together!

Thank you for your support.

WE WANT YOUR DRUGS.

You can drop off your expired or unused prescription medications anytime at these locations:

Shawnee Police Department
16 W. 9th Street
Shawnee, OK 74804

Cleveland County Sheriff’s Office
128 S. Peters
Norman, OK 73069

Norman Police Department
201 B West Gray
Norman, OK 73069

Tecumseh Police Department
109 W. Washington
Tecumseh, OK 74873

Pottawatomie County Sheriff’s Department
325 N. Broadway Ave.
Shawnee, OK 74801

Oklahoma University Police Department
2775 Monitor Ave.
Norman, OK 73072

MyDNA is an Absentee Shawnee Tribal Project and is funded by SAMSHA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) in cooperation with the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board.
Spring!

The children here at Building Blocks are taking full advantage of learning about spring time by growing flowers. They have quite a garden growing. They are also learning about spring weather and weather safety. It’s important to talk with your children and have a weather safety plan in place and do a few practice runs so they are prepared when at home. We also held our annual Easter egg hunt here at the center; the children really enjoyed dying and hunting the eggs. We would like to thank all the parents who came and enjoyed the egg hunt with us as well as the Easter parties.

**Dates to remember**
Mother’s Day - May 14th
Memorial Day - 29th we will be closed

Elizabeth Crawford
Director
Building Blocks II

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**LAND BUY BACK PROGRAM**

The Department of Interior recently advised they are expanding their schedule for implementing the Land Buy Back Program and adding 63 additional locations for the period of 2018 through 2021. This program began making offers in 2013. It has paid over $740 million to individual landowners and restored the equivalent of nearly 1.5 million acres to tribal governments. This expansion brings the number of locations being planned for the program to 105. This total includes 96 percent of all landowners with fractionated interests and more than 98 percent of both purchasable fractional interests and equivalent acres in Program eligible areas. There are currently about 245,000 landowners holding approximately 3 million fractional interests across Indian Country.

The intent of the Buy Back program is to partner with tribal governments to stimulate new opportunities so that tribes can operate more efficiently, enter into community discussions and create plans that ensure lands stay in trust. The Program implements the land consolidation component of the Cobell settlement which provided $1.9 billion to purchase fractional interests in trust or restricted land from willing sellers at fair market value within a ten year window. If a fractional land interest owner decides to sell their fraction you will receive a payment directly into your individual Indian Money (IM) account. The lands purchased through this process are immediately restored to tribal trust ownership to benefit the community and tribal members. In the upcoming months a Program representative will be communicating with our tribe on the process and its implementation.

Our tribe is on the new expanded Program list and members with eligible fractional interests are encouraged to call the Trust Beneficiary Call Center (Call Center) at 888-678-6836 and indicate whether you are a willing seller and/or to update contact information. By registering as a willing seller it does NOT commit you to selling your land, nor will it guarantee an offer will be extended; it merely identifies your interest and assist in advancing planning. **Individual landowners can contact the Call Center, Office of the Special Trustee or BIA office to learn more about your land and options available to you. You can also visit the Program site at: https://www.doi.gov/buybackprogram/programimplementation-schedule.**
TRIBAL EASTER EGG HUNT
April 8th 2017

Prize egg winners

Tribal Elders
PLEASE fill out EACH BLANK completely and return by the Deadline.

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

I, ____________________________________, hereby certify that I am or will be an Eligible Voter of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe on or before June 17, 2017. I cannot physically be present to cast my Vote at the June 17, 2017 Run Off Election, therefore, I am requesting an Absentee Ballot be mailed to me at the following address.

Name (please print): ____________________________________________________________
(first)           (middle)           (maiden) (last)
Address:____________________________ City: _______________St: _______Zip:________
CDIB #:______________________     Date of Birth:_______________________
Signature:________________________________  Date:_____________________________

All REQUESTS must be returned to the Election Commission by the deadline of May 28, 2017

Mail to:
Absentee Shawnee Election Commission
P.O. Box 741
Tecumseh, OK 74873

Fax to:
Fax # (405) 273-1337 (Do not fax to any other fax #)
Phone: (405) 275-4030 ext. 6271
Toll free number 1-800-256-3341 ext. 6271

Deliver in Person to:
Election Commission Office located in the Tribal Court Building

All eligible voters are entitled to vote either at the Polls or by Absentee Ballot. This form may be duplicated for your convenience.

ELECTION COMMISSION USE ONLY

Received: _____________________ Approved:____________________ Disapproved: _______________

If Disapproved (reason): _______________________________________________________________

Denial Letter Mailed:___________________________ Ballot Mailed:_____________________________

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Election Commission/Representative
May 2017 - Scheduled Closings

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| Wed., May 3rd (1st Wed of month) | Noon to 5 PM   | All AST Health facilities CLOSED  
- Shawnee Clinic re-OPENS 5 PM till 9 PM (last patient at 8:30 PM).  
- PlusCare Clinic re-OPENS 5 PM till 9 PM (last patient at 8:30 PM). |
| Mon., May 29th (Memorial Day) | All Day         | All AST Health facilities CLOSED except PlusCare Clinic OPEN 9 AM to 5 PM (last patient at 4:30 PM) |

June 2017 - Scheduled Closings

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| Wed., June 7th (1st Wed of month) | Noon to 5 PM   | All AST Health facilities CLOSED  
- Shawnee Clinic Extended Hours re-OPENS 5 PM till 9 PM (last patient at 8:30 PM)  
- PlusCare Clinic re-OPENS 5 PM till 9 PM (last patient at 8:30 PM) |

*In the event of a weather cancellation or delay affecting health services or if you are unsure if health is closed, please call ahead. Little Axe Health Center at (405) 447-0300, Shawnee Clinic at (405)878-5850 or PlusCare at (405)447-0477

**Also, weather closures/delays will be posted on the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health Facebook wall “Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health”, Twitter @ASTHealth and on ASTHS website at www.asthealth.org.

Tax Collections

FY-2017  
YTD TAX COLLECTIONS  
(Thru 3/31/17)

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** TOTAL TAXES **| $276,097.51| $249,303.73| $188,856.27| $0.00 | $0.00| $0.00| $0.00| $0.00  | $0.00      | $0.00    | $0.00     | $0.00     | $714,257.51 |                       |

| Miscellaneous        | $516.46   | $212.50  | $138.10  | $0.00 | $0.00| $0.00| $0.00| $0.00  | $0.00      | $0.00    | $0.00     | $0.00     | $867.06     | 0.12%                  |

** TOTAL COLLECTIONS **| $276,613.97| $249,516.23| $188,994.37| $0.00 | $0.00| $0.00| $0.00| $0.00  | $0.00      | $0.00    | $0.00     | $0.00     | $715,124.57 | 100%                   |
The new multi-purpose health facility and storm shelter should be completed by early May as well as the drive through pharmacy, making it more convenient for our patients to access their medications from the comfort and convenience of their vehicles. We’re very excited about this newest set of projects coming to completion for the health system! The AST Health System’s specialty clinics continue to take care of our patient’s in need, as appointment bookings continue to grow with the new services and providers every day. Additional times and availability are being worked to add even more clinical time into the schedule for our patients along with new services/programs for our tribal members and patients serviced. Please ensure you continue to keep your contact and personal information updated upon your next visit to the clinics as we are having problems contacting patients sometimes due to outdated information. Several patients often change their phone numbers and addresses without updating our systems, and it makes it extremely difficult to contact patients when this information becomes outdated during weather emergencies and other patient notifications. We will be starting our first ever Health System Intern program for AST youths of high school ages that are considering health care as a career field in the pursuit of either college or vocational careers training and development. Procedures will be announced on both the website and Facebook on how to apply, so please look for the unveiling of this new and exciting program soon! Both the Little Axe and Shawnee same-day clinics continue to grow, so keep spreading the word about our services! Please continue to use good hygiene and if you become sick, limit your exposure to your family and co-workers during the onset of any symptoms.

As always, our teams of excellent employees step up and illuminate our health system! I’m extremely proud of our outstanding star performers again this month, and thank them all for their contributions to our patients, their fellow employees, and the tribe! We are extremely happy to announce the Employee of the Month in April for health was Ms. Debra Jac Ponkilla, Business Office; the Team of the Month for April was the AST Health System’s IT Staff! The Special Leadership Award for April was presented to Mr. Travis O’Dell and Mr. Paul Tessman, IT, for their outstanding service to the health system! Our AST Health System strives to make your health its top priority, and you all make a difference for our health system and the health and wellness of all of our patients!

Additional health related information:

- **PlusCare Clinic/Little Axe area** has the ability to treat non-life threatening illnesses and injuries on a walk-in basis (no appointment needed). This service is extended to enrolled AST tribal members and other IHS eligible Native Americans who are the ages of 2 years and up. If you are a new (AI/AN) patient to our health system and are in need of our PlusCare services, please bring with you, your CDIB card, a second form of identification, social security card and health insurance card(s), if available. The location is 15702 East State Highway 9, Norman, OK (former Little Axe Clinic-near Thunderbird Casino/Norman). The phone number is (405) 447-0477. Hours of operation are M-F 9 AM to 9 PM with last walk-in accepted at 8:30 PM, Saturday and Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM and holidays are 9 AM to 5 PM (excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas) with last walk-in patient accepted at 4:30 PM.

- **Shawnee Clinic Same Day Extended Hours/Shawnee area** has the ability to treat non-life threatening illnesses and injuries on a walk-in basis (no appointment needed). This service is extended to enrolled AST tribal members, Native American Veterans, IHS eligible Native Americans, Medicaid/SoonerCare pediatric patients, and BCBS covered AST non-Native employees who are the ages of 2 years and up. If you are a new patient to our health system and are in need of our extended hours services, please bring with you, your CDIB card, a second form of identification, social security card and health insurance card(s), if available. The location is 2029 South Gordon Cooper Drive, Shawnee, OK. The phone number is (405)878-5850. Hours of operation are M-F 5 PM to 9 PM with last walk-in accepted at 8:30 PM, Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM with last walk-in accepted at 4:30 PM and closed Sundays and holidays.

- **Emergency Dental Clinic** is available every Monday from 8 AM to 11:30 AM at the Little Axe Health Center. Patients will be evaluated on a first come, first serve basis and type of emergency care needed. Patients who have suffered trauma or present infection will be considered before other as well as established patients being considered before new patients. For more information, please call (405) 447-0300.

- **AST/Serviced Health System Native American Veterans:** If you are currently receiving services with the area VA Medical Center, please contact us today to set up an appointment to have your services established with the AST Health System at either the Shawnee Clinic (405) 878-5850 or Little Axe Health Center (405) 447-0300.

- **If you need CPR training**, please contact the AST Health System’s Public Health Office at (405) 447-0300 for scheduling and training opportunities.

- **Contract Health Services (CHS)** interactive phone menu helps patients access the most appropriate service provider by calling (405) 701-7951 at the Little Axe Health Center. This feature will speed up access to the patients seeking services and follow-up to their care. We also have Contract Health representatives available at our Shawnee location. Tribal members are able to call Ms. Flo Mann, LPN or Ms. Laurie Webber, LPN at (405) 878-5850.

- **Customer Service** line is (405) 701-7623. Please direct all complaints or compliments to this line for appropriate attention and/or response. Please be assured that this is the best way to have each situation addressed, with consistent updates from our Health Staff. After the investigations of all issues are complete, our Health Director or a Clinic Administrator will personally contact you with updates, decisions, or question pertaining to your case.

- **The AST Anti-Bullying Prevention “HOTLINE”** is (405) 701-7987 during work hours 8-5, M-F, and for added confidentiality or after hours you may contact Mrs. Dara Thorpe at either (405) 701-7992 or via cell (405) 481-0815 to start intervention assistance for tribal youth. If it is an emergency or someone is at risk of harming themselves or others, please contact 911.

- **The Affordable Care Act Decision Tool** continues to be a valuable tool with helping you decide what you need to do for compliance with the act. Please see the ACA tab at the ASTHA Health Program’s Website: http://www.asthealth.org/aca (Please visit our site today to find out what you need to do to protect yourself and your family!)

- **Emergency After Hours Pharmacy:** If you experience an emergent issue after hours and receive a prescription that needs to be filled that same evening, AST Health has provided access for Tribal members only at three (3) approved Wal-green locations in Shawnee and Norman. You will need to submit your prescription and it is mandatory to identify yourself with your AST CDIB card and other appropriate ID. Then they shall fill your prescription. You will have a 5-day limited fill on your prescription. Upon the first work/business day, you can have the remaining balance of your prescription(s) transferred to your AST pharmacy in either Shawnee or Little Axe, and they will fill your remaining balance. The three (3) AST Health approved Walgreen service locations are: 1427 North Harrison Street or at 600 Shawnee Mall Drive, Shawnee, Oklahoma or 615 West Main Street, Norman, Oklahoma.

The Little Axe Health Center Drive-Thru Pharmacy is also available for emergency fills, for tribal members only, from: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM Monday - Friday; 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday & Sunday and holidays from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas.

- **Social Media:** You can follow the AST Health System on Facebook and receive the most current messages and announcements regarding your tribal health care.
Enrollment Department

Enrollment will be out of the office for training on these dates. If you need to turn in any applications please turn them into the Secretary’s office.

Training Dates are below:

**June 5 – 8. Will reopen on June 9th**

Sorry for any inconveniences

Enrollment Ordinance community meetings will be held on the following dates:

**“DATES AND TIMES ARE TENTATIVE”**

- **July 15th from 10 AM to 12 PM at Brindle Corner**
- **August 12th from 10 AM to 12 PM at Horseshoebend**
- **September 9th from 10 AM to 12 PM at Little Axe Resource Center**

Reminders:

CDIB’s cost is $5 if you are past the 3 card limit. This has been in place since 1999. I understand that tribal members weren’t forced to pay the fee in the past but to keep enrollment operating, we must follow the rules.

Enrollment is looking into updating the CDIB and plan on implementing this in the next few months. We will notify tribal members when we are ready to proceed with this action.

All CDIB’s **must** have an updated photo on them.

Addresses and Name changes **must** stay updated.

Enrollment does **not** handle any part of the procedure in filling out paper work or receiving your per cap.

Enrollment does **not** make copies of vital records (Birth Certificates) for tribal member’s personal use.

If you are interested in doing research feel free to make an appointment with enrollment so we can a lot plenty of time to help you find what you are looking for. Book by: phone or on the website.

Enrollment will happily help you find and make a copy of your family tree if you would like. Just fill out a research application.

Enrollment also would love to have documentation of your Indian Name. We have certificates and a place to input your name in our system. This is very important to keep this documented. Please feel free to come into the office and fill out a certificate to place on file.

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**FREE MUSIC LESSONS**

**Guitar • Bass**

**Piano • Drums**

For Details Call
**Absentee Shawnee Behavioral Health**

**405-878-4716**
Reminder:

- All trust land transactions must come through the Realty Office.
- Sales and/or any other trust land transactions must be authorized by the Realty Department and approved by the BIA.
- Any trust land transactions not involving the Realty Department are invalid.
- Please keep addresses current with the Office of the Special Trustee for Indians @ 1-888-678-6836. This will allow proper notification to be made to landowners on new leases and other information.
- Please keep addresses current with the Absentee Shawnee Enrollment Department. This allows the Realty Department to cross-reference landowner addresses with the OST.
- Please visit www.indiantrust.com whereabouts unknown/Oklahoma/Absentee Shawnee Tribe, to see if you or your relatives are on this list.
- Gift deed transactions will take time to get approved from the BIA.
- Negotiated sales must follow the proper procedures to ensure the transaction is considered for approval.
- A family member of a deceased landowner must initiate the probate process.

If anyone has any questions, please contact the Realty Department @ (405) 275-4030.

PROBATE MISSION STATEMENT

The primary mission of the Division of the Probate is to compile inventories of the Indian Trust Assets and family information, and to coordinate the timely distribution of trust assets with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Land Titles and Records Office and the Office of Special Trustee.

The Division of Probate gathers information regarding decedent's family and property and prepares it for adjudication by the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA). After OHA issues a probate order the Division works with other trust offices, such as the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians and the Land Titles and Records Office to distribute assets.

In order for this to happen, the family of the decedent will need to contact the Absentee Shawnee Real Estate Division (Probate) to start the probate process.

Should you have any questions, please contact Lea Tsotaddle at 405-275-4030 ext. 6248.

IF YOU’D LIKE TO SUBMIT AN AD OR ARTICLE:

Give us a call at (405) 598-1279 or (405) 481-0558 or send us an e-mail to stiger@astribe.com

ALL ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT MONTH’S ISSUE ARE DUE BY THE 15th OF THE CURRENT MONTH

Unfortunately, we can only accept one picture per birthday person, not per birthday wish.
Power Outage Safety
Sudden power outages can be frustrating and troublesome. If a power outage is 2 hours or less, don't be concerned about losing your perishable foods. For prolonged power outages, though, there are steps you can take to minimize loss and keep all members of your household as comfortable as possible.

During a Power Outage

Staying Safe Indoors
• Use flash lights in the dark, not candles.
• Eliminate unnecessary travel, especially by car. Traffic lights will be out and roads will be congested.
• If you are using a generator be sure you understand the risks of carbon monoxide poisoning and how to use generators safely.
• Food Safety
• Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible. An unopened refrigerator will keep foods cold for about 4 hours. A full freezer will keep the temperature for about 48 hours (24 hours if it is half full) if the door remains closed.
• First use perishable food from the refrigerator. Perishables should have a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit (4 degrees Celsius) or below to be safe to eat. Then use food from the freezer.
• Use your non-perishable foods and staples after using food from the refrigerator and freezer.
• If it looks like the power outage will continue beyond a day, prepare a cooler with ice for your freezer items.
• Keep food in a dry, cool spot and keep it covered at all times.

Electrical Equipment
• Turn off and unplug all unnecessary electrical equipment, including sensitive electronics.
• Turn off or disconnect any appliances (like stoves), equipment or electronics you were using when the power went out. When power comes back on, surges or spikes can damage equipment.
• Leave one light turned on so you'll know when the power comes back on.

After a Power Outage

Staying Safe After a Power Outage
• If electrical power lines are down, don't touch them. Keep your family and pets away. Report downed lines to your utility company.

Throw Out Unsafe Food
• Throw away any food (particularly meat, poultry, fish, eggs and leftovers) that has been exposed to temperatures higher than 40°F (4°C) for 2 hours or more, or that has an unusual odor, color or texture. When in doubt, throw it out!
• Never taste food or rely on appearance or odor to determine its safety. Some foods may look and smell fine, but if they have been at room temperature too long, bacteria causing food-borne illnesses can start growing quickly. Some types of bacteria produce toxins that cannot be destroyed by cooking.
• If you are not sure food is cold enough, take its temperature with a food thermometer.
• If food in the freezer is colder than 40°F and has ice crystals on it, you can refreeze it.

Contact information:
Emergency Management Coordinator can be reached at the Tribal Police Department 405-275-3200, cell phone number 405-740-1562, and at this email address: lday@astribe.com

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Grass Mowing Application

The following are the requirements for this program:

1. Must be an Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member
2. Must be 55 years or older
3. Handicap/Disabled
4. Must provide proof of residency
5. All trash, branches, debris must be cleaned out of yard

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe Maintenance Department will ONLY mow and weeds eat applicant’s lawn. Maintenance will mow every two (2) weeks. Also, the maintenance workers will not trim trees, shrubs, etc. NO RENTAL PROPERTY will be mowed.

If you have any questions, please contact Reta Harjo at (405) 275-4030 ext. 6249

NAME: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________

CITY: ___________ STATE: ___________ ZIP: ___________

CDIB #: ___________ DOB: ___________

HOME PHONE: ___________ MESS. PHONE: ____________

Finding directions to home:

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The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother. St. Therese of Lisieux

In the end, mothers are always right. No one else tells the truth. Randy Susan Meyers

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NOT GOING TO BE HOME!!!
CALL AND LET US KNOW AT 405-275-4030
EXT 6227 or 6270
OR NOTIFY YOUR DRIVER

Nothing is really lost until your mom can’t find it. Unknown

LUNCH SERVED MONDAY-THURSDAY 11AM TO 1PM
BREAKFAST SERVED FRIDAYS 9AM TO 11AM

Who are the children in need?
- Native American children in custody of tribe or state.
- Native American children ages 0-17.
- Native American children in sibling groups.
- Native American children with special, physical, or emotional needs.
- Native American children mixed with another ethnicity.

TRIBAL FOSTER CARE HOMES ARE NEEDED FOR OUR TRIBAL CHILDREN

WILL YOU OPEN YOUR HOME TO A CHILD IN NEED?

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FOSTER CARE HOME PLEASE CONTACT:
JULIE WILSON 275-4030 EXT. 6376

FULL TIME: RN CASE MANAGER

If you love working with the elderly and would like to make a difference in their lives, CompleteCare Home Health is the place for you. CompleteCare is looking for a RN Case Manager and a PRN LPN to work in the Little Axe area with the Absentee Shawnee Tribe. Qualified candidates must have an active Oklahoma license in Good standing and reliable transportation. This position travels 100% of the time. Candidates may Fax resume to 405-928-2720 or Email a resume to afontaine@icmhealth.com or stop by the Corporate Office located at 2401 Tee Circle, Suite 207 Norman, OK. For further information Contact Angelina Fontaine at 405-928-2727 ext. 2009

*NOW INTERVIEWING*
EOE
Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training

Want your Community, Workplace and/or Family to be suicide safe?

Then come to this Workshop! With certified ASIST trainers from the Chickasaw Nation

WHEN: May 9 & 10, 2017
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days

WHERE: Little Axe Clinic Conf. Rm A & B

HOW: Register by May 5, 2017 at Behavioral Health with Jenifer Sloan 701-7988 or jsloan@astribe.com.

The ASIST workshop is for people who want to feel more comfortable, confident and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. Over one million people have participated in this two-day, highly interactive, practical, practice-oriented workshop.

Participation in the full two days is required. Enjoy small group discussions and skills practice that are based upon adult learning principles. Experience powerful videos on suicide intervention. Feel challenged and safe. Learn suicide first aid.

Refreshments provided and door prize drawing!

Diabetes & Wellness

Did you know that Native American men and women are 2.2 times higher to have diabetes compared to non-Hispanic whites? Did you also know that 95% of American and Alaskan natives have type 2 diabetes (as opposed to type 1 diabetes)? Ultimately, diabetes is a rising problem amongst everybody, here are some ways diabetes effect both native men and women.

Men and Diabetes

Historically, men have not been comfortable discussing issues about their health, particularly conditions like diabetes, depression, nutrition and fitness. This has resulted in shorter and less healthy lives for men in the United States compared to women. We encourage all men with or without diabetes to take the "modern man" challenge: get out, get active, and get informed!

Women and Diabetes

Diabetes can be especially hard on women. The burden of diabetes on women is unique because the disease can affect both mothers and their unborn children. Diabetes can cause difficulties during pregnancy such as a miscarriage or baby born with birth defects. Women with diabetes are also more likely to have a heart attack, and at a younger age, then women without diabetes.

For more information on diabetes and nutrition call the AST Diabetes & Wellness Program at 405-701-7977.

*(Information from the American Diabetes Association and diabetes.com)*
The Education Department and the Office of Governor offered a Financial Aid Presentation on March 27, 2017. Letha Huddleston, Outreach Services Specialist, from the Oklahoma College Assistance Program (OCAP) presented information over grants, Federal Work Study, student loans, and scholarships. Letha also answered audience questions. She gave an overview on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as well as other state aid programs.

A small contingent of staff from the Tribe attended the Oklahoma Council on Economic Education’s: Economic Insight Series at the Waterford Renaissance Hotel in OKC. The series had a panel of speakers discussing “How will the Amazon Sales Tax Impact the Oklahoma Economy?” Panelists were Mickey Hepner, Economist and Dean of the College of Business at the University of Central Oklahoma, Tony Mastin, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Tax Commission, Andrew Messer, Deputy Treasurer for Governmental Affairs for the Office of Oklahoma State Treasurer Ken Miller, and Eric Long, Economist and member of the Greater Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.
The Camp Nikoti Tribal Youth Program hosted the Melokami Youth Camp during spring break March 13-17, 2017. The youth in attendance had a week full of games, crafts, physical fitness activities, and presentations from AST departments and programs. This year there were six youth who participated in the program. Melokami Youth Camp was a great success. Within one week of spring break we were able to have guest speakers from the Tribe, gain exposure to cultural activities hosted by the Tribe, and play fun games throughout the day. Our final day consisted of a reward day for the participants because of their good behavior and participation. The Camp Nikoti Tribal Youth Program would like to thank Chrissy Wiens, John Soap, and Jenifer Sloan for speaking to our participants and sharing your knowledge to help build their leadership qualities.
HUGE THANK YOU

The family of Shelsie White Thunder would like to say “Thank You” to all of our head staff that came out to support & celebrate her birthday along with her accomplishment of graduating from Seminole State College with an Associates in Language Arts. – John Soap, Charles “Neka” Logan, Deion Henry, Courtney Cozad Plumley, Ken & Serena Daugherty, and Comanche Little Ponies. Also the family of Devin & Macklyn Leitka on their accomplishments from Haskell University and Little Axe High School. A very big “Thank You” goes out to our Governor, Edwina Butler-Wolfe for donating the beautiful purple Pendleton. We would also like to thank Rikki Blanchard, Lisa Smith, Dina Little Jim-Bread, Jamie Watson, Nikki Johnson on helping prepare our delicious meal and of all Rikki’s BFF’s for helping serve our meal. Thanks Grandma & Grandpa Blanchard for all your support thru Shelsie’s struggles to getting to this point in her life. And “Thank You” to anyone we might have missed. “Ne-Yi-Wa”

***Tommy, Sis, Sheldon & Kelsey, Shelby & Kendall, & Shelsie White Thunder Family***

TIGER REUNION
MAY, 28th, 2017
(Sunday)

Attention all friends/family of the late Jim Tiger and Annie Mann Tiger.

Our Tiger reunion is scheduled for May 28th 2017, at Lake Thunderbird, Little Axe shelter. From 10:00 A.M. -10:00 P.M. There is an $5.00 charge at the gate to enter. Everyone please bring a covered dish, drinks, ice, games and swimming clothes. If you have any old family photos or from past reunions please bring them.

Nellie Tiger Maxwell is the last of that generation, so please come be with her, I hope everyone can make it!!!

If you have any questions, please call Jan Maxwell (405)-514-5520
Congratulations to Lisa (Head Coach) and Clint (Asst. Coach) LittleJim and their Christian Heritage Academy girls basketball team for winning the 2016-17 OSSAA Class 2A State Basketball Championship in Oklahoma City in March 2017. Among numerous awards presented to team and players throughout the year, Lisa was also named Little All-City Coach of the Year and Super 5 Coach of the Year. Clint, an Absentee Shawnee Tribal member, is the son of Charles and Lorene LittleJim; and he and Lisa reside in Little Axe, OK.

We are proud of you both,
The LittleJim Family

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**Congratulations**

TAYLOR CARTER

Graduation from the University of Oklahoma May 2017

Love,

Justine Seetot & Frank Carter

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**HEALTH SYSTEM**


**BRING US YOUR USED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT!!!**

The AST Health System is accepting used durable medical equipment items for re-use.

We can shine up that old walker, wheelchair, cane, or CPAP breathing machine and make it serviceable again.

Drop off your un-used item(s) at Little Axe or Shawnee Physical Therapy departments.

For more information call: 405. 447.0300 (Little Axe)

405. 878.5850 (Shawnee)
May 2017 Birthdays

Ahtone, Catlin Ray
Alford, Amy Dianne
Alford, Christian Shawnee
Alford, Madeline Shawnee
Allen, Lynette Ann
Allen, Patricia Ann
Atchico, John Edward
Atwell, David Eusene
Atwood, Reaan Nicole
Barton, Trice Lee
Baten, Alberta Denise
Bates, Akiane Karrace
Baughman, Brenda Jane
Belvin, Justin Ray
Bender, Leal Desma
Bennett, Blake Tristan
Bentley, Curtis Lee
Betteboun, Lula Mae
Blaknox, Roy
Black, Timothy Wayne
Black, Whitney Brooke
Blackburn, Gayle Ann
Blanchard, Caelynn Blu
Blanchard, Dakota Joshua
Blanchard, Glendene
Blanchard, Joey Edward
Blanchard, Joseph Henry
Blanchard, Mariana Lillian
Bradley, Jerry Don
Bradley, Terry Don
Brady, Lynn Marie
Brandon, Susanne Christine
Breding, Sean K.
Brinson, Amanda Isabel
Brister, April Anelia
Brooksmith, Chloe Elizabeth
Brown, Brittanicy Clara
Bruner, Aidan Alex
Bryant III, Chester A.
Buckley, Jared Wade
Buckner, Jamie Marie Switch
Bullard, Adam Drew
Bullock, Royce Jaxon
Bump, Kari Jessica
Bustamante, Andrea Nadine
Byers, Christian Daniel
Byers, Eric Nelson
Byers, Melissa Sue
Cable, Alicia Nicole
Campbell, Charles Elbert
Caro, Cara Rain
Caudillo, James Emanuel Dean
Caudillo, Jamie Lynn Ladeanna
Charles, Arron Michael
Charles, Jaia Elise Ann
Citty, Kathon Clay
Citty, Lindsey Nicole
Clark, Summer Lynn
Clinesmith, Blake Weston
Codnamton Jr., Kevin Dwanye
Coffelt, Donna Sue
Collier, Kelsee Calan
Combs, Michelle Lynn
Conover, Gloria Jean
Cook, Israel Aaron
Coon, Justin Juler
Covle, Dr. Sarah Michelle
Creamer, Coree Mae Starr
Crenshaw, Jennifer Marie
Cripes, Anita Louise
Cuelar, Orietta Faith
Dankenbrine, Bryce Thomas
Davis, Alisia Marie
Davis, Dale Allen
Davis, Dannica Butch
De Jear, Bavelleah Ruth
Dee, Debrilla Estelle
Dee, Sky Nichole Christine
Deen, Jacqueline
Dossar, Verna May
Downen, Zachary Lynne
Elli, Gregory Scott
Ellis, Heather Ann
Ellis, Holly Diana
Evans, Lisa Michelle
Factor, Jamomah James
Feelin, Lavonna Jean
Felton, Lacey Rea
Fenner, Titan Russell
Ferrell, Alyssa Kay
Ferrell, Amber Nicole
Ferrel, Joshua Lee
Fite, Gabriel Douglas
Fite, Teresa Laura Irene
Footracer, Lee Annalai Stubb
Foreman, Jr., Leonard Dewayne
Foreman, Jacob Collin
Foreman, Jalen Hawke
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Galloway, Zachary Adam
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Gibson Sr., Roy Gene
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Gibson, Jeffrey Wayne
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Gouge, Karm Mor
Granstrom, Cody James
Graves, Pyrcha, Karen Sue
Graves, Shoral Anniste
Gray, Branden Tyler
Greeley, Carson Ryan
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Hale, Kathy Sue
Hall, Emily Katherine
Harold, Eric Wade
Haro, Sydney Star
Harris, Konner Lee Little Charley
Hampp, Tsaah Billy
Heath, Spencer Blake
Hendrick, Luke Michael
Henry, Eddie Allen
Hill, Vyette Carmel
Hood, Warren Wesbon
Hood, Elena Ann
Hood, Lisa
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Hunt, Dominique Annastasia Marie
Hutchinson, Velma Rae
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Johnson, Hannah Curtis Ray
Johnson Jr., Richard Taft
Johnson, Corie Lee
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Johnson, Joshua Leeayah
Johnson, Michael Scott Isaiah
Johnson, Nicholas James
Johnson, Priscilla Grace
Johnson, Tabitha Rose
Johnson, Walter Kirby
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Kasca, Kevontae James
Kasera, Kevon
Keith, Marshall Collins
Kirby-Gibson, Ian Jacob
Kitchen, Ruben Vincent
Kmatz, Mindy Lynnette
Kobs, Jennifer Ann
Kowtiz, Michael Raymond
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Lasenberry, Harper Rose
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Massual, Chelcy Nicole
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Spoon, John Dunne
Spoon, Lexi Bella-Ann
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Spriner, Delores Ann
Spyvuck, Easton Cade
Squire, Nathan Gene
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Starr, Antones Paul
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Sultuska, Rodney Steven
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Soko, Debra Jean
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Taylor, Dayin Jacob
Tele I, Mayrie West
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Thornhill, Noah Hunter
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Thorpe, Sheyla Arkehayn James
Tyler, Jennifer Diane
Uphold, Lea Jean
Uchida Jr., Stephen Robert
Valdivia, Jenika Nicole
Wade, Chelsea Nicole
Wakolee, Carmen Jean
Walker, Joe Ann Louise
Wallace, Brenda Good
Warrior, John Andrew
Warrior, Kenneth James
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Watson, Brittanicy LaDawn Paige Danielle
Watson, Janelle Ilise
Watson, Thomas Aaron
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Whake, Chaz Richard
White, Brooklyn Dee
White, Caillton Rose
White, Clavont Randall
Willkerson, Katie Eavbn
Williams, Coltton Alexander
Williams, Heath Flood
Williams, Ruth Helen
Joplin
Happy 9th Birthday to my little bookworm!! You make me so very proud to be your momma!!
I Love You XOXO
Mom

Happy 49th Birthday!
Denise Bateman
Love, Family & Friends

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
BAYLEIGH
LOVE, MEMA AND PA PA

JOPLIN DUPRE SPOON
HAPPY HAPPY
HAPPY 9TH
BIRTHDAY
TO MY HANDSOME GRANDSON. I LOVE YOU BUNCHES & BUNCHES. HUGS & KISSES, GRANNY

JOP
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
LITTLE BROTHER!! HOPE ITS ALL YOU WANT AND MORE!!
Love, Jili, Justin & Rat

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
JOPLIN
9 YEARS!! WHERE HAS THE TIME GONE?!! HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY WONDERFULLY, AWESOME NEPHEW
NOW ACCEPTING

YOUTH WIA

APPLICATIONS

Requirements include:

♦ Must be a member of a federally recognized tribe.
♦ Must be between 14-24 years of age.
♦ Must live within the Absentee Shawnee Tribe service area.

Space is limited!!

Deadline for application is May 30th

Applications can be located online at www.astribe.com or at the AST Social Service Department

For further questions please contact Linda Gouge 405-275-4030 ext. 6255
Honoring Our Past
With Promise for
Our Future

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Living Meth Free

National Suicide Prevention
1-800-273-8255 (TALK)

Absentee Shawnee
Health Systems
Shawnee & Little Axe

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SERVICES
PLEASE CALL (405) 273-1050 OR COME BY OUR OFFICE
LOCATED AT 107 NORTH KIMBERLY IN SHAWNEE, OK
WEBSITE: WWW.ASHOUSINGAUTHORITY.COM

Programs Available

• Lease to Own Homes
• Low Rent Housing
• Over Income AST member Down Payment & Closing Assistance
• College Housing Assistance
• Home Rehab Program
• Storm Shelter Assistance
• Transitional Housing
• Over-Income Rental Housing
The AST Diabetes and Wellness Fitness Center provides state of the art fitness equipment to help you reach your fitness goals. The AST Fitness Center is available to AST Diabetes Program patients, all Native Americans and their household family members, and the AST employees. Our goal is to provide appropriate and educational fitness training to all AST diabetes patients while promoting a safe, fun, and positive experience. Take some time to come by and visit the Diabetes and Wellness Fitness Center today! For more information, please contact Buster Bread or Chrissy Wiens at (405) 364-7298.

AST Diabetes and Wellness Program

The goal of the diabetes and wellness program is to provide a supportive resource to tribal members who are currently diagnosed with diabetes, or at risk and seeking information and/or support for diabetes and personal health. The program will offer guidance on healthy lifestyle changes such as eating healthy, exercise tips including workout classes with our two certified trainers, and keys to reducing stress.

The AST Resource Center fitness room hours are:
Monday-Friday       6:00am - 9:00pm
Saturday            9:00am - 3:00pm
Sunday              CLOSED

For more information on the many exciting opportunities available for our tribal community please call our clinic at 405-701-7977 or visit our website at www.asthealth.org (Then navigate to our Diabetes and Wellness section under the services section.)
The AST Diabetes and Wellness Fitness Center provides state of the art fitness equipment to help you reach your fitness goals. The AST Fitness Center is available to AST Diabetes Program patients, all Native Americans and their household family members, and the AST employees. Our goal is to provide appropriate and educational fitness training to all AST diabetes patients while promoting a safe, fun, and positive experience. Take some time to come by and visit the Diabetes and Wellness Fitness Center today! For more information, please contact Buster Bread or Chrissy Wiens at (405) 364-7298.

Buster Bread
Fitness Manager

Chrissy Wiens
Physical Activities Specialist

Brandon Goodman
Fitness Technician

McKenna Watson
Fitness Technician

The goal of the diabetes and wellness program is to provide a supportive resource to tribal members who are currently diagnosed with diabetes, or at risk and seeking information and/or support for diabetes and personal health. The program will offer guidance on healthy lifestyle changes such as eating healthy, exercise tips including workout classes with our two certified trainers, and keys to reducing stress.

The AST Resource Center fitness room hours are:
Monday-Friday 6:00am - 9:00pm
Saturday  9:00am - 3:00pm
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**Fitness sessions will be available every Wednesday and Friday at the Little Axe Health Center**

“Mini Bootcamp” - A full-body strength training program aimed to improve your muscular fitness and endurance.

“Circuit Training” - A time efficient training system aimed at developing strength through pre-determined training stations.

“Cardio Kickboxing” - Aerobic training using kickboxing techniques to engage and strengthen the cardiovascular system.

“Couch to 5k” - A program to help develop your aerobic strength and endurance over 12-weeks. The program goal is to help participants complete a 5K distance by walking, jogging, or running.

**Absentee Shawnee Fitness**

**Diabetes and Wellness**
**ABAANSHAAWEE TRIBAL MMBMEMBERS WITH VISION INSURANCE:**
All enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal members who have vision insurance will have their insurance billed for the exam and any prescribed optical products. The Tribal benefit will be used for the remainder of the cost for prescription eye glasses or contact lens, not to exceed the $350.00 vision benefit through the ASTHS Contract Health Services. If the amount exceeds the $350.00 benefit, the Tribal member will be responsible for the out of pocket expense.
*If an enrolled Absentee Tribal Member with insurance chooses to see an outside provider they will be responsible for notifying ASTHS Contract Health Services (405.701.7951 or 405.878.5850). Their benefit within the Absentee Shawnee Optometry Department will only allow for the amount within the $350.00 that was left unused for the vision benefit year. (i.e. If you were seen December 31, 2016 your vision benefit year lasts until December 30, 2017.)*

**ABAANSHAAWEE TRIBAL MMBMEMBERS WITHOUT VISION INSURANCE:**
All enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal members who do not have vision insurance must use the Absentee Shawnee Optometry Department to receive their eye exam at no charge and their $350.00 tribal benefit for the cost of prescription eye glasses or contact lens. If the amount exceeds the $350.00 benefit the Tribal member will be responsible for the out of pocket expense.

**ABAANSHAAWEE TRIBAL MMBMEMBERS WHO LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE CATCHMENT AREA:**
All enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal members who reside outside of the catchment area (Cleveland, Pottawatomie, Logan, Lincoln, and Oklahoma counties) may still utilize their tribal benefit only if they use the Absentee Shawnee Optometry department for their exam and/or prescription optical products. The allotted $350.00 will be used towards prescription eye glasses or contact lens. If the amount exceeds the $350.00 benefit the Tribal member will be responsible for the out of pocket costs.
*These patient will need to ensure they have updated their chart. This is to include updated HIPAA and consent forms.*

**ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS/CHARGES OUTSIDE OF THE ALLOWED BENEFIT SCHEDULE:**
Any additional products/charges outside of the allowed benefit schedule must be paid for by the patient. For example, patients who do not require corrective lens but chose to get colored contacts or non-prescription sunglasses these will be at their own expense. All charges will need to be paid for in advance following the payment guidelines posted in the office. NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED.
*No combining of discounts allowed
*Insurance benefits must be exhausted first before discounts can be applied.
*Patient’s co-pay portion cannot be discounted.

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**A Little Note from The Tag Office**

**Did You Know…..**

Any name changes that may occur (i.e. marriage, divorce, etc.) need to be updated through enrollment, BEFORE any new registrations or renewals can be processed.
FOSTER CARE

Native American youth are facing a crisis. These children are being removed from their homes and placed into the child welfare system at rates much higher than any other population. Native American children are often placed in homes outside of their families, tribes, and Native American culture and all this contributes to significant social problems. The story of Native American people is a complicated one marked by significant trauma and atrocities. Often times this trauma consisted of the removal of abuse which happened to these young and vulnerable children in many of these schools resulted in overwhelming intergenerational trauma and unresolved grief. This trauma which interrupted the ability to parent has led directly to the most current social problems that plague Native American communities today including alcohol/drug abuse, domestic violence, child abuse, sexual abuse and parenting deficiencies. All of these problems have contributed to the break-down of the family unit, leading to the removal of large numbers of Native American youth from their families. The journey of healing and breaking the cycles which have been put in place by the historical trauma experienced by generations of Native Americans requires that the cultural identity for so long denied to these children be returned. Native American youth have two distinct influences, that of their family of origin and that of their caregivers. Absentee Shawnee Tribal Foster Care is in need of homes for children that are in our child welfare system. Your participation in being a foster parent helps to ensure that these children have positive connections to their culture. This interaction helps these children nurture a positive sense of identification as a Native American. By being willing to do this, you can be a valuable part of the healing journey that will help strengthen this next generation of Absentee Shawnee children; in turn, helping those children become the parents that their children will need them to be. Our children are our future, what will we have our future be?

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE CHILD WELFARE
405-878-4702 (ext. 133)

WHAT IS A FOSTER CARE WORKER?

Foster care caseworker training involves completing a bachelor’s degree program in social work through a college or university. Students take courses in psychology, abnormal psychology, sociology, economics, ethics, child welfare policies and complete a supervised internship.

The child’s Foster Care Worker needs to be a partner with the foster parents to ensure that each child receives the full spectrum of services provided and/or arranged by the Department.

Some aspects of this relationship include the following:

- Sharing information on an ongoing basis regarding the child’s individual needs, family situation and adjustment to the foster home
- Encouraging the foster parents to participate in the total service planning process
- Providing the foster parents the opportunity to discuss the child’s progress and any unmet needs which they assess
- Providing the foster parent with information, support, guidance and referrals to other professionals on the child’s behalf
- Helping the foster family, when necessary, to identify and obtain services for the foster child; e.g., medical, educational
- Ensuring that the foster family, on the child’s behalf, has access to all financial resources available to the child while in foster care.

A Foster Care Worker works in conjunction with Tribal Courts, Tribal Law Enforcement, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and other county services. Indian Child Welfare’s goal is to ensure the safety of our tribal children when they placed in foster care. The homes that our tribal children are placed in must complete Child Welfare Background Check, OSBI Background Check, Income Verification, Home Study, and a Physical. Our AST foster homes are licensed by our Foster Care Committee.

Foster Care Payments are as follows:

- 0-5 age $14.73 day $441.97 month
- 6-12 age $17.12 day $513.57 month
- 12 and over $19.30 day $579.13 month

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PAYMENT, ALL THE ABOVE MUST BE MET AND TURNED IN TO THE STATE. ONCE PROCESSED, STATE PAYMENT WILL BE ISSUED.

This is just a little information on what type of work a foster care worker performs on a daily basis. If you are interested in becoming a foster home, please call 405-878-4030 ext. 133.
If it’s possible that you have a Brownfield site on your property, or if you know of a possible Brownfield site, please contact:

Absentee Shawnee Tribe
Brownfield Response Program
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.
Shawnee, OK 74801
(405) 214-4235
AST.Environmental.Programs@astribe.com

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What is a Brownfield?

Office of Environmental Health
Brownfield Response Program

Do you possibly have a Brownfield?

Typical Brownfield Sites Include:

- Abandoned Factories/Buildings/Homes
- Burned Homes
- Buried Dump Sites
- Open Dump Sites
- A Large Amount of Tires
- Former Cattle Dip Pit Sites
- Barrels of Unknown Substances
- Old Service Stations
- Oil Storage Facilities
- Oil/Gas Well Sites
- Old Dry Cleaning Businesses

The EPA defines a brownfield site as “...real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, controlled substances, petroleum or petroleum products, or is mine-scarred land.”

24-HOUR EMERGENCY PHARMACY ACCESS

If you experience an emergent issue after hours and receive a prescription that needs to be filled that same evening, AST Health has provided access for Tribal members only at three (3) approved Walgreens locations in Shawnee and Norman. You will need to submit your prescription, and it is mandatory to identify yourself with your AST CDIB card and other appropriate ID. Then, they will fill your prescription. You will have a five-day limited fill on your prescription. Upon the first work/business day, you can have the remaining balance of your prescription(s) transferred to your AST pharmacy in either Shawnee or Little Axe, and they will fill your remaining balance. The three (3) AST Health-approved Walgreens service locations are: 1427 North Harrison Street or at 600 Shawnee Mall Drive, Shawnee, OK or 613 West Main Street, Norman, OK.
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April 13, 2017

DearAbsentee Shawnee Tribal Members

From: Loretta Brokeshoulder Schwarz, Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member, Senior Status

Subject: SUPPORT AND VOTE FOR EDWINA BUTLER WOLFE

NO CHANGE IS NEEDED FOR CHANGE SAKE! I urge you to vote for our experienced Governor, Edwina Butler Wolfe! Vote to keep her working for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe another 2 years.

We are all invested in our Absentee Shawnee Tribe! Our current Governor Edwina Butler Wolfe has invested FOUR years into our tribal government, focusing on important issues to enhance our Tribe’s future.

Re-electing Governor Wolfe means she can continue to finish applied grants to get new facilities for the housing of our correctional Departments.

Now that she has served for four years, she is the best qualified for the job so we need to retain her as Governor of our tribe. She knows the challenges facing the AST such as the Police Department, Public Safety, the Justice Department and the Tribal Youth Program.

In addition, Governor Wolfe is passionate about the proposed changes in the public school system. She will continue to work with the Department of Education to incorporate the cultural practices of AST and all Native American People.

I encourage you to continue your support of Governor Wolfe who strongly, sincerely is dedicated to improve the economic, legal, educational and social welfare of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

Governor Edwina Butler Wolfe is a proud citizen of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe. She won our trust in 2013 and has earned our trust while working for the benefit of all tribal members in 2013-2017. She adds four-years of experience, as Governor, to all of the academic achievements she gained through her college and professional work.

With her four challenging years as Governor along with a strong work ethic and strength of character, she deserves the honor of being our Governor for another two years.

ABSENTEE VOTERS IN EVERY STATE, SEND IN YOUR REQUEST FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT. FOLLOW UP WITH POSITIVE ACTION AND VOTE FOR EDWINA BUTLER-WOLFE AS GOVERNOR.

HIGHLY QUALIFIED: VOTE FOR EDWINA BUTLER-WOLFE AS GOVERNOR
Contact information:
Oklahoma Indian Legal Services (OILS)
4200 Perimeter Center Dr., Ste 222
Oklahoma City, OK 73112
Telephone: (405) 943-6457
Telephone: (800) 658-1497
Facsimile: (405) 917-7060

OILS

Oklahoma Indian Legal Services will be at the Tribal Court House, Bldg. #3 each month on the 2nd Thursday from 9am-12pm.

Oklahoma Indian Legal Services (OILS) is a nonprofit organization that provides free legal services to low income Native Americans in Oklahoma. To be eligible for services you must fall within OILS income guidelines.

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APPLYING FOR TRIBAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE (T.E.A)
(A ONE TIME YEARLY PAYMENT OF $150.00, PER RESIDENCE)

ELIGIBILITY
☐ ENROLLED ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE
☐ 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER
☐ UTILITY BILL IN YOUR NAME AND/OR SPOUSE’S NAME (SPOUSE MUST RESIDE IN HOME)
☐ TOTAL RESIDENCE INCOME (MUST NOT EXCEED A MONTHLY NET PAY OF $2,800.00)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:
☐ SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS (ALL MEMBERS RESIDING IN THE RESIDENCE)
☐ CDIB CARDS (ALL MEMBERS RESIDING IN THE RESIDENCE)
☐ CURRENT UTILITY BILL AND/OR DISCONNECT NOTICE
☐ CURRENT 30 DAYS INCOME VERIFICATION (I.E. CHECK STUB, SOCIAL SECURITY, UNEMPLOYMENT, TANF, ETC.)
☐ UNEMPLOYED APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE SELF-CERTIFICATION FORM PROVIDED BY CASE WORKER

APPLICATION ALSO ONLINE: www.astribe.com

HAVE APPLICATION COMPLETED AND ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATIONS BEFORE SUBMITTING TO SOCIAL SERVICES

THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & ENGINEERING (OEH&E)

The principal role of OEH&E is to raise the health status of our tribal members to the highest possible level by providing services in the area of water and wastewater. To qualify for a water well and/or septic system, the applicant must be an enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal member and reside within one of these six counties: Pottawatomie, Cleveland, Oklahoma, Payne, Lincoln, or Logan, provide land ownership by verification such as a Warranty Deed or Notarized Lease Agreement through the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Reality Department. Proof of income is not required.

The services we provide are: new water wells, renovation of a water wells, new city or rural water connections, replacement of city or rural water service lines, new wastewater septic systems, renovation of septic systems, new city sewer lines/renovation of city sewer lines and water treatment systems as needed. We are not funded to perform annual pumping of septic tanks. That service is considered part of home maintenance.

If you are having water or wastewater issues or building a new home and need services please come by our office and fill out an OEH&E application for assistance.

If your home is under the management of any housing authority and has not been paid off, you do not qualify for assistance. Applications for this program are available online at www.astribe.com and at the OEH&E building.
ATTENTION PARENTS!!!

CTSA EARLY HEAD START & HEAD START IS LOOKING FOR CHILDREN, AGES BIRTH TO 3 FOR OUR EHS PROGRAMS AND AGES 3 UP TO 5 FOR OUR HEAD START PROGRAMS!!!

Our goal is to meet the individual needs of all children, especially those with disabilities. If you have a child or know of a child that would enjoy a safe, interactive and engaging learning environment, please call or come by one of our locations today!

A fun and exciting program for your child to learn and grow! Our qualified and dedicated staff provide rich learning environments where parents are encouraged to volunteer! If you are interested in our program, please contact our office in your area to complete an application.

We look forward to sharing your child's learning years with you!

In our Shawnee location, we have two available options: Early Head Start (Birth to 3), & Head Start (3 up to 5). Both Norman and Cushing are strictly Head Start Programs (3 up to 5).

If you would like more information regarding our programs or to apply, please contact:
Shawnee Main Office: Enrollment Manager- Shawnee Center: Center Supervisor-
Sherry Marsh (405) 275-4870 Stacey Osborne (405) 878-5820
1535 N McKinley, Shawnee 74801 1533 N McKinley, Shawnee 74801
sherry@ctsaheadstart.org

Cushing Center: Center Supervisor- Norman Center: Center Supervisor-
Wava Anderson (918) 225-1029 Amy Porter (405) 447-0381
111 W Vine, Cushing 74023 516 Iowa St., Norman 73069

Health/Mental Health/Disabilities Manager
Melanie Williams (405) 275-4870
1535 N McKinley, Shawnee 74801

FAMILIES MUST LIVE IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: POTAWATOMI, PAYNE, LINCOLN, & CLEVELAND NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAM (ALL ACCEPTED)

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If you are having trouble understanding your energy bill, you can call the Versant Holistic Help Line at 800.365.4641 to get assistance.

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Every Tuesday for 10 weeks
Beginning May 16, 2017 - 6:30 pm
Absentee Shawnee Tribal Complex
ICW Office
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801

Preference given to AST tribal members

Call (405) 275-4030 ext. 6377 to ENROLL
TOTALLY ADDICTED
JOIN US AND UNFOLLOWTHECROWD

It’s pretty simple: when you’re into cool stuff, you’re not into drinking.

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MyDNA is an Absentee Shawnee Tribal Project and is funded by SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) in cooperation with the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board.
EMERGENCY AND URGENT CARE SERVICES

CHS for a currently enrolled AST member who resides in the defined catchment area and needs emergent or urgent care.

1. Call the On-Call nurse at 405.447.0300, option 9 for triage.

2. Notify CHS on the next business day or within 72 hours after your ER visit. Notification does not assure authorization of payment. However, if you do not notify CHS within 72 hours, your bills will not be paid.

3. For AST members with no insurance, evidence must exist that your visit was medically necessary. Medical priorities have been established for determining which referrals can be authorized for payment.

4. For AST members with insurance, evidence must exist that a third-party resource has made the determination such services were “emergency care” or “urgent care.” Such evidence my include payment from private insurance.

5. In the event that you receive a bill from a provider, please provide a copy to CHS. You may leave bills at the Little Axe Health Center or Shawnee Clinic CHS office.

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES FOR AST MEMBERS WITH INSURANCE

CHS for a currently enrolled AST member who resides in the defined catchment area and has Medicare or private insurance.

1. To complete existing CHS patient updates, please visit Patient Registration at either the Little Axe Health Center or Shawnee Clinic during regular hours of operation.

2. Notify CHS at least 48 hours prior to appointment date for a Coordination of Benefits (COB) to be sent to the provider.

3. Inform provider/health facility that AST CHS is a secondary payer/payer of last resort.

4. In the event that you receive a bill from a provider, please provide a copy to CHS. You may leave bills at the Little Axe Health Center or Shawnee Clinic.

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES FOR AST MEMBERS WITHOUT INSURANCE

CHS for a currently enrolled AST member who resides in the defined catchment area and does not have insurance.

1. You must apply for all resources available to you, such as: Medicaid, Medicare, Worker’s Compensation, Vocational Rehabilitation, auto insurance and other personal injury or liability coverage. CHS staff and/or Patient Benefit Advocates can assist you with the application process for alternate resources. Failure to exhaust available or potentially available alternate resources may result in denial of payment.

2. To complete existing CHS patient updates, please visit Patient Registration at either the Little Axe Health Center or Shawnee Clinic during regular hours of operation.

3. You must utilize the services provided within AST health clinics prior to being referred out.

4. Referrals for outside services must be sent to CHS. Services must be medically approved by an AST Health provider and/or CMRR Committee.

5. An appointment will be scheduled, and a COB will be sent to the outside provider.

6. In the event that you receive a bill from a provider, please provide a copy to CHS. You may leave bills at the Little Axe Health Center or Shawnee Clinic.
Let us help...

With your cooling bill this summer
If you live in Pottawatomie or Cleveland counties and have a C.D.I.B. card you may qualify for the L.I.H.E.A.P Program

Come and apply
Starting in May thru September 2016

The L.I.H.E.A.P Program will pay for

All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and criteria which is approved by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

Department of Social Services
(405) 275-4030, Ext. 6225
Annette Wilson, Social Services

Education Department
The following are current programs administered by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Department:

These are brief descriptions of current programs. Program guidelines are available in hard copy at the Education Department office or for download at www.astribe.com.

- **Academic (K-12) Program**: assists with academic related expenses, and a portion of funds can be used for school-related athletic program expenses. Program has a maximum funding limit for the academic year.

- **Zahn Program**: established from a trust fund, program can help with some graduation expenses, and awards two (2) incentives: one for GED recipients and one for High School graduates. Program has a maximum amount of funding for graduation expenses.

- **Job Training Adult Education Program**: funds for vocational training at accredited vocational institutions. Program has a maximum funding limit for the calendar year or per program.

- **Higher Education: Education Incentive Award Program**: funds for undergraduate degrees, one associate or bachelor degree, at any accredited college or university. Funding levels are determined based upon grade point average and full-time or part-time status.

- **Graduate Scholarship Program**: funds for one master’s degree or one doctoral degree, and can fund one graduate admissions test. This program has funding levels based upon full-time and part-time status.

- **Big Jim Youth Award Program**: annual incentive for High School Seniors for Academic Achievement and Athlete of the Year. Deadline for application submission is March 31st of each year.

All funding is based upon the availability of funds at the time of application.

**Attention:**
Applications for fall 2016 must be received or postmarked by June 15, 2016.

All applications and guidelines are available at www.astribe.com. Click on Services and select Education.

For more information, please call Tresha Spoon at (405) 275- 4030, Ext. 6242 or 1-800-256-3341 or email to tresham@astribe.com.
If you live in Pottawatomie or Cleveland counties and have a C.D.I.B. card you may qualify for the

LIEN RELEASE FORM (if previous owner had lien)
LIEN ENTRY FORM (if you are making payments)
PURCHASE AGREEMENT
NOTARIZED BILL OF SALE or
VALID OKLAHOMA INSURANCE

Note: You may be asked to provide supporting

Meal Price Includes: Indian Taco and Drink
Location: AST Cultural Building #6
Date: May 26th, 2017
Time: 11:30-1:30

This is for Shawnee campus only. Little Axe will be at a later date. We will be taking pre-orders until 5:00pm Tuesday, May 23rd. Your food is guaranteed if pre-ordered. Please email ashleyb@astribe.com or call (405) 275-4030 (ext. 6312) to place your order.
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A child with a high fever. An ear infection. Flu. A blood sugar spike or fall. To take better care of you, Shawnee Clinic is now open extended hours on weeknights and additional hours on Saturday. We ask for your respect in understanding that these times are for people who need acute care immediately, not routine medical care. Last walk-ins will be accepted at 8:30 p.m. weekdays and 4:30 p.m. Saturdays.

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