



"Among The Shawnee"

# The Absentee Shawnee News

SEPTEMBER 2016

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Volume 27 No. 52

2 - 3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

4 TAX COLLECTIONS

5 BUILDING BLOCKS

6 TITLE VI LUNCH MENU

7 - 8 RAMAH FACT SHEET

10 - 11 FARMING & GRAZING SALE

12 AST HEALTH REPORT

15 TRIBAL RECRUITMENT FAIR

16 MY DNA

17 AST HOUSING AUTHORITY

20 - 21 SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

24 FITNESS CALENDER

29 - 31 CTAS SURVEY

36 FOSTER CARE

## Absentee Shawnee Housing Authority New Transitional Housing Open House



The housing authority staff hosted an open house on Thursday, July 21st at the newly built triplex located on Philadelphia Street in Shawnee, OK. More information & photos inside on page 17.

**General Council - October 22, 2016**

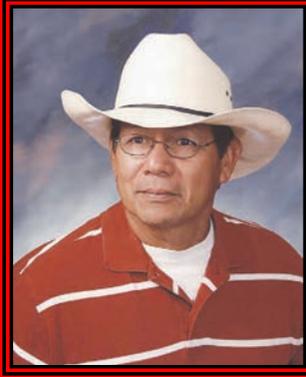
**10:00 am - Thunderbird Casino - Norman, OK**

# 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](http://astribe.com)**

## Governor's Report

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

Our Shawnee area continues to have high temperatures and little moisture. This weather should be changing soon as this is the month when we begin to see rain and cooling temperatures. To my awareness we did not have any West Nile or Zika virus issues here at the tribe or in our tribal community. We were indeed blessed.

### June Election

The June 18th election is in dispute within our court system. Two separate disputes actions were filed by Twila Parker, candidate for Treasurer, and Sherman Tiger, candidate for Representative on June 30th. These disputes will be brought before the Court on August 30th. During a protest and/or dispute it is not uncommon for misunderstandings to arise. I would like to correct a couple of statements the Election Commission placed in their August newsletter on page 7.

**1st Correction Notice:** *"The Governor informed the Election Commission to use an outside attorney instead of the Attorney General's office in the above mentioned court cases."*

**1st Correction:** The statement made to me on July 1st by the Election Commission was *"We will be requesting an expedited decision from the Executive Committee on whether we are to utilize the AST Attorney General or proceed with outside counsel."*

I relayed that concern orally to all Executive Committee members, by July 5th, to get their approval or disapproval of the Election Commission using the Tribe's Attorney General. The Executive Committee decision was unanimous that the Election Commission should seek their own outside legal counsel and NOT use the tribes Attorney General. I advised the Interim Deputy Commissioner, Aly Miller, via email on July 5th of this decision. On July 6th I was advised by Ms. Miller that a letter was being forwarded and that 'funds to cover the extra cost of obtaining outside counsel, please also be thinking of this so that we can continue to expedite this process'. The Executive Committee did not discuss or authorize any

budget increases for the Election Commission or the use of the Tribe's General Operating Funds. Upon review of this email exchange I noticed that neither the serving Election Commissioner, Briana Ponkilla, nor Election Commissioner Elect, Mary Birdtail, in their respective capacity as Election Commissioners were included. Nor did these emails include Kenneth Blanchard, serving Representative; however they did include Representative Elect, Anthony Tadpole Johnson, whose elected position is in dispute.

**2nd Correction Notice:** *"The Election Commission was informed by Representative Anthony Johnson that he was notified by the Governor that he was not legally sworn in and was not eligible to make decisions"*.

**2nd Correction:** In reality what I said to Anthony 'Tadpole' Johnson was: *"a dispute has been filed and if you make decisions prior to the dispute being resolved in our court, then it could possibly be grieved through employees who are moved"*.

### Trial Date Set

#### Jeff and Isaac Gibson

As you may recall the review hearing(s) held by the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Court on May 23, 2016 set the trial date of Isaac Gibson, Jr., Lt. Governor, for October 10-11th, with the 12th set aside in case the trial is lengthy. This begins at 9:00 a.m.

The trial date set for Jeff Gibson, former Representative and current TERO contact, is October 17-19th beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The two, first cousins, are being tried for embezzlement, fraudulent use of a credit card, misusing public monies, unlawful official action, and criminal conspiracy. A spectator in one of the review hearings heard Judge Haddox, the Judge trying these two cases, state that it was the first trial-by-jury the Absentee Shawnee has had in ten years.

The trial date set for Jeff Gibson, former Representative and current TERO contact, is October 17-19th beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The two, first cousins, are being tried for embezzlement, fraudulent use of a credit card, misusing public monies, unlawful official action, and

criminal conspiracy. A spectator in one of the review hearings heard Judge Haddox, the Judge trying these two cases, state that it was the first trial-by-jury the Absentee Shawnee has had in ten years.

### **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.

#### **Meetings that I attended this month:**

##### **JULY 2016**

**18th** Met with Elaine Webster from Washington, D.C. on the Indian Museum – Shawnee, OK

**20th** Thunderbird Entertainment Center (TEC) Board Meeting 2:00 p.m. – Little Axe, OK.

**21st** Central Tribes of Shawnee Area (CTSA) Meeting 9:00 a.m. - Shawnee, OK

AST Housing Authority Open House – Shawnee, OK - afternoon

**22-24th** UNITY Conference – Cox Center – OKC, OK

**25-27th** Ok Indian Gaming Association Conference – Tulsa, OK

##### **AUGUST 2016**

**2nd** All Nations Bank Meeting – Shawnee, OK

**9-14th** AAIP Annual Conference – Oakland, CA

**15-19th** DOT Negotiated Rulemaking Committee – Sterling, VA (Paid for by DOT)

### **American Indian Model Charter School**

While I was at the AAIP conference in Oakland, California I took the opportunity to visit with the American Indian Model Charter (AIM) School. I met with several staff and the Superintendent of the three AIM schools, Maya Woods. She gave me and Lesa Shaw, my Senior Policy Analyst, an overview on the three schools: Elementary; Intermediate and High School. The school originated about 23 years ago when tribal members were being relocated to the California area. It started at the 6-8th grade (intermediate) level and then grew. It now has over 1200 cross-cultural students within it and is a state accredited, year round, charter school. The school does close for short periods of intercession. The school is funded by state and federal appropriations. I asked a number of questions about how it went from being having all American Indian students to a school having a diverse cross-section of students. The answer was politics. This school of 1200 students still bears the name of American Indian but has only approximately 20 students in it at present time that is Native American. The visit was good and I learned much from this unique school about funding, educational curriculum, cross cultural services, teacher pay, uniforms and board composition. This school works with its community, the public and the state to make a difference in the lives of its children. The vision I have for our tribe, our people, is one that includes having a charter school. This school would be taught by Native American educators and provide a safe, secure, culturally enhanced, learning environment for our children and other Native American children that seek to attend it.

### **DOT Negotiated Rulemaking Appointment**

On July 27, a Federal Register Notice was published indicating that Transportation Secretary, Anthony Foxx, had named 18 tribal and 7 federal representatives to the Department of Transportation's newly formed Negotiated Rulemaking Committee. In my capacity as Governor of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe I was selected to represent the Southern

Plains region during this Rulemaking period. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will be the lead agency for the Department of Transportation.

Our first meeting took place in Sterling, Virginia where we, the Committee members, discussed and approved an agenda; held introductions; conducted a tribal caucus meeting; decided who needed to be at the table during the rulemaking process; discussed the published rule making period and the need for an alternate 'sunset' date to be set by Committee members; learned of rules and roles of the Primary and Alternate Committee members; framed an overview of Committee members Rulemaking expectations; received an outline on travel and how it was to be completed and reimbursed and Rulemaking protocols were drafted.

Two Rulemaking Committee Co-chairs were approved with Head Councilman Joe Garcia of the Southwest Region and Principal Chief Kay Rhoads, alternate to the Southern Plains Region, to serve. Two work groups were formed from the Rulemaking Committee. The two workgroups are Administration and Operations with Jody Clark, DOT Director of the Seneca Nation of Indians, to serve as the Administration Chair and Denise Michaels, Director of Transportation, Kawerak of Nome, Alaska to be Operations Workgroup Chair.

The Negotiated Rulemaking Committee set dates for the next four sessions with the locations yet to be determined. The travel costs for those of us who have been appointed as Committee members will be reimbursed.

### **In Conclusion**

I have 9 months left in Office and I find each day eventful and full of possibilities. My door is always open (unless I am in a meeting or at 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.

## *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.*

# Elders Council

*FROM THE AST ELDERS COUNCIL:*

Please help the Elders stuff Christmas baskets by bringing donations to the October General Council meeting. We will be making 30 baskets and will need toiletry items such as shampoo, conditioner, hair brushes, and combs. An application to apply for a basket will be published in the October and November newsletters. Thank you for any donation for it will be greatly appreciated.

## Tax Collections

FY-2016  
YTD TAX COLLECTIONS  
(Thru 7/31/16)

TAX CATEGORY	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	YEAR-TO-DATE TOTAL	% OF TAXES COLLECTED
Sales (6%)	\$6,629.54	\$5,925.93	\$6,695.50	\$1,102.06	\$11,858.67	\$3,055.61	\$5,189.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,456.72	2.85%
Gaming % of free cash	\$100,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,100,000.00	77.57%
Employee (1%)	\$20,005.91	\$10,776.88	\$7,398.58	\$10,826.58	\$14,605.02	\$10,799.58	\$11,170.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$85,582.85	6.04%
Severance (8%)	\$2,266.67	\$1,609.65	\$460.78	\$919.02	\$461.01	\$2,698.05	\$2,232.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,647.44	0.75%
Motor Vehicle	\$10,173.81	\$16,449.81	\$16,519.87	\$15,797.40	\$12,420.36	\$12,691.64	\$16,578.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,630.94	7.10%
Tobacco Refund	\$7,107.73	\$1,052.86	\$7,697.88	\$17,197.56	\$14,653.05	\$16,595.49	\$15,084.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$79,389.27	5.60%
<b>TOTAL TAXES</b>	<b>\$146,183.66</b>	<b>\$285,815.13</b>	<b>\$238,772.61</b>	<b>\$195,842.62</b>	<b>\$203,998.11</b>	<b>\$145,840.37</b>	<b>\$200,254.72</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,416,707.22</b>	
Miscellaneous	\$223.45	\$145.00	\$300.00	\$275.00	\$65.00	\$205.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,333.45	0.09%
<b>TOTAL COLLECTIONS</b>	<b>\$146,407.11</b>	<b>\$285,960.13</b>	<b>\$239,072.61</b>	<b>\$196,117.62</b>	<b>\$204,063.11</b>	<b>\$146,045.37</b>	<b>\$200,374.72</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,418,040.67</b>	<b>100%</b>

***Honoring Our Past  
With Promise for  
Our Future***

**LIFE is Beautiful  
Living Meth Free**



**National Suicide  
Prevention**

**1-800-273-8255  
(TALK)**



**Absentee Shawnee  
Health Systems  
Shawnee & Little Axe**

# ELECTION COMMISSION

Update on Court Cases CIV 2016-57 and CIV 2016-58.

The Election Commission wants to inform the tribal members how things are proceeding in court. The Commission went to court on Tuesday, July 26th and the plaintiffs requested some time to file an amended appeal to the cases. The judge granted the requests and the Election Commission is scheduled to appear in court again on Tuesday, August 30th at 1:00 pm.

## BUILDING BLOCKS

As the new Director of Building Blocks I would like to take the time to introduce myself. My name is Elizabeth Crawford I have worked in child care for 13 years, 6 have been here at Building Blocks. I worked with the school-age children, until taking the Director position here at the Shawnee location. I received my CDA in Child Development in 2004 and my Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education, in 2014. I received my Gold Director's Credential in February 2016. I am currently working on my Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education. I am very excited for my new position here at Building Blocks.

Building Blocks currently has 45 kids enrolled, and we are stilling enrolling from the waiting list, and hope to reach are capacity of enrollment within the next month.

Building Blocks will be closed September 5th for Labor Day. Also we will celebrate the wonderful grandparent's with breakfasts with grandparents on September 7th @ 8:00AM.

Thank you,  
Elizabeth Crawford  
Director

NEW EXTENDED-HOURS CLINIC AVAILABLE



Here for you,  
now more than ever.

EXTENDED HOURS:  
5-9 p.m. Monday - Friday  
9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday

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.

Shawnee Clinic provides quality health care for people in our community. Sensitive, trusted, compassionate. You are at the heart of what we do.



**SHAWNEE CLINIC**

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL HEALTH AUTHORITY, INC.

Prevention. Progress. Pride.

2029 South Gordon Cooper Drive | Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.878.5850 or 1.877.878.4702 (TOLL-FREE)

**Regular hours of operation: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. M-F.**  
Closed the first Wednesday of every month from noon-5 p.m.  
Closed Sundays & holidays.



WWW.ASHEALTH.ORG



# September 2016



2% milk served daily

Menu subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Chicken Salad Sandwich LTOP Plums	2 Grits Toast Ham	3
4	5 Labor Day AST Complex Closed	6 Chef Salad w/Turkey Eggs, Chez Cottage Chez/Peaches	7 Philly Cheesesteak Penne Okra Apricots	8 Enchilada Casserole Spanish Rice Tossed Salad* Fruit Cocktail	9 Scrambled Eggs Sausage Gravy Biscuits	10
11  Grandparents Day	12 Salisbury Steak Mashed Pot & Gravy Mixed Veggies Applesauce	13 Chicken Stir-Fry Egg Rolls Pineapples	14 Grilled Chez Sandwich Veggies Soup Cookie	15 Roast Carrots Red Pot. Cake	16 Bagel Boiled Egg Cream Cheese Fruit	17
18 National Cheeseburger Day 	19 Chicken Broc & Rice Casserole Tossed Salad* Mandarin Oranges	20 Burrito w/chili Chips/Salsa Mixed Fruit	21  Meatloaf Mashed Pot/Gravy Broccoli Bread/Pudding	22 Tuna Salad Sandwich LTOP Chips Tropical Fruit	23 Waffles Bacon Fruit	24
25	26 Hamburger LTOP Pork n Beans Chips/Pears	27 Beef Fingers Mashed Pot/Gravy Cauliflower Crisp	28 Chicken Patty Sandwich LTOP Mac Salad/ Orange	29 Pinto Beans w/ ham Steak Fries -Onions Cornbread	30 Scrambled Eggs Sausage Gravy Biscuit	

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

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

September 5<sup>th</sup> LABOR DAY, AST Complex will be Closed, NO lunches will be served or delivered

September 21, International Day of Peace seeks to promote peace among nations and peoples. Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding - Albert Einstein



## Patriot Day (Sept 11) History

Patriot Day is a day the US remembers the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. This day is commonly referred to as 9-11 (Nine-Eleven). It is believed that 2,977 people died in the attacks. President George W. Bush proclaimed September 11th Patriot Day in 2002.

September 11, Grandparents day was officially celebrated for the very first time on September 9, 1979. Forget-me-not is the official flower of the Grandparents day which was adopted by the National Grandparents Day Council on April 20, 1999. It not only reminds you the relationship but also created the lasting memories. In short we can say that this day signifies a spirit of love and respect for our elders.

September 18 National Cheeseburger Day



# Ramah Navajo Chapter, Oglala Sioux Tribe & Pueblo of Zuni v. Jewell

## Class Counsel Question and Answer Fact Sheet

**UPDATE: August 18, 2016**

Today, the Court authorized the Settlement Administrator and Class Counsel to proceed with sending out Claim Forms to Class Members. Before the Claim Forms could go out, Class Counsel needed the Court to approve the Claim Form dollar amounts and other steps necessary to continue the settlement process. Today, we received that approval. We have notified the Settlement Administrator, who will begin preparing and sending out those Claim Forms in the coming days.

The parties' Motions and related documents regarding these steps, as well as the Court Orders can be found at <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/COURTFILINGS.HTML](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/COURTFILINGS.HTML)>.

The Claim Forms will contain a specific dollar share for each Class Member, based on the percentage shares in the Final Settlement Agreement, as modified by Court order when additional Class Members were discovered. Please note, however, that for the ten Class Members affected by the Treasury Offset Program, which is explained in more detail below, the amount on the Claim Form will not be the amount of funds actually sent to the Class Member. This is because these ten Class Members had federal debts and/or liens, and Treasury has offset their settlement shares against those debts and/or liens.

The Claim Form MUST be signed and returned to the Settlement Administrator before payment is made.

Class Counsel will update the Class website <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM)> as these developments occur. Further inquiries may be directed to any of the Class Counsel listed on the website.

### BASICS OF THE SETTLEMENT

#### When is the settlement going to be paid out to Class Members?

The earliest individual Class Members will receive payments is early September 2016, although factors beyond our control could change this timeframe.

#### What needs to happen before an individual Class Member gets its share of the settlement?

The Settlement Administrator will in the coming days begin sending each Class Member a Claim Form showing the dollar amount of its share of the net settlement amount, as calculated under the Court-approved settlement plan. (Please note, however, that the ten Class Members subject to the Treasury Offset Program (explained more fully below) will not receive the amount shown on their Claim Form.) This form must be signed and returned before that Class Member receives its share.

#### Has the federal court approved the settlement, including deductions for attorneys' fees and costs?

Yes. On February 23, 2016, the federal court issued a lengthy opinion and a final judgment approving all aspects of the proposed settlement. (On March 2 the court issued a corrected opinion, correcting minor errors in the original opinion.)

#### When did the settlement become final?

The settlement became final on April 25, 2016.

#### How much is the settlement amount?

The total settlement is \$940,000,000, plus \$7,965,659.39 in accrued post-judgment interest from February 23, 2016. The final payment from the U.S. Treasury was received in the Class bank account on July 11.

Individual Class Members can find their final Claim Form amounts at <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM)>. The majority of Class Members will receive the amount of funds listed on their Claim Form. However, there are ten Class Members whose shares are subject to offset under the Treasury Offset Program, because they owe a federal debt or lien. (More information about this program can be found below.) Those ten Class Members will receive additional information from Treasury about their offset, and their Claim Forms will also include information about it. For these Class Members, their actual payment amount will be different than the Claim Form amount.

Because of the confidentiality requirements of the Treasury Offset Program, we cannot post the payment amounts for each individual Class Member.

#### Who is eligible to share in the settlement?

Class Members eligible to share in the settlement are the 699 Indian Tribes and tribal organizations that are listed in the revised Distribution Appendix approved by the Court on December 17, 2015. These are all tribes and tribal organizations that contracted or entered into self-governance funding agreements with the BIA or the Office of Self Governance under the Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93-638) during any fiscal year from 1994 through 2013. These entities are listed on the Ramah Class Action website, at <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/COURTFILINGS.HTML](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/COURTFILINGS.HTML)>. (Scroll down to "It response USET obj Exh B new Distrib Appx 12/16/2015".)

#### Where can the Final Settlement Agreement be found?

The Final Settlement Agreement, the table of Class Members' percentage shares and estimated dollar shares, the application for attorneys' fees, and other important documents are posted on the Class Website at <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/FINALSETTLEMENT.HTML](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/FINALSETTLEMENT.HTML)>.

### BACKGROUND

#### What is the background to this settlement?

The *Ramah* litigation is a class action lawsuit against the BIA over unpaid contract support costs. Two earlier settlements in the case generally dealt with unpaid contract support costs between the years 1989 and 1993. A third settlement in 2008 made adjustments to the system for negotiating indirect cost rates. Earlier settlements left unresolved claims for unpaid contract support costs from 1994 to the present.

#### Why was 1994 a significant year?

Since 1994, Congress has capped the maximum appropriation the BIA could spend on contract support cost payments. As a result, the BIA long asserted that it could not be held liable for any resulting underpayments.

#### What happened in the 2012 United States Supreme Court decision?

In 2012, the United States Supreme Court held that capped "not to exceed" agency appropriations in and after 1994 did not relieve the government of its contract obligation to pay full contract support costs to Indian Self-Determination Act contractors.

#### Why is this case significant?

Congress wanted tribes to be able to control and operate their own programs and services under contract without diminishing the quantity or quality of the services. Contract support costs ensure that tribes and their organizations contracting under the Indian Self-Determination Act can operate their programs and services in parity with those operated by the Federal Government.

#### How much in contract support costs did the BIA pay to tribes and tribal organizations over the years 1994-2013?

The BIA paid a total of approximately \$2.4 billion for those years.

#### What has been the impact of the Supreme Court's ruling in the *Ramah* case on subsequent congressional appropriations?

In direct response to the *Ramah* decision, Congress has increased appropriations necessary to pay full contract support costs. For fiscal years 2014, 2015 and 2016, the increased appropriations for Interior and HHS contract support cost payments to Tribes has totalled approximately \$740 million.

### KEY ELEMENTS OF THE SETTLEMENT

#### What does the settlement do?

The settlement resolves claims against the BIA for unpaid contract support costs during the years 1994 through 2013.

#### What is included and what is excluded from the settlement?

The settlement generally resolves all past claims involving contract support cost underpayments where the underpayment was caused by an agency-wide regulation, policy, or practice. But, it does not settle certain claims that are unique to a particular tribal contractor. The settlement also specifically excludes one category of contract support cost claims: claims for unpaid startup costs or pre-award costs.

#### Does the new settlement cover 2014, 2015 and 2016?

No. The new settlement does not cover 2014, 2015 and 2016. In these years Congress appropriated sufficient funds for the BIA to pay tribal contract support cost requirements in full.

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE \$940 MILLION SETTLEMENT AMOUNT

#### How will the settlement amount be distributed?

The settlement agreement includes a detailed table showing the share of the settlement to be paid to each Tribe or tribal organization that contracted for any portion of the 20 years covered by the settlement. These shares were calculated by examining the government's records of contract support cost payments, combined with the information the government and the tribal plaintiffs secured during a major statistical sampling project. A special Distribution Appendix that is part of the Final Settlement Agreement describes in detail how the percentage shares were computed, and sets forth each Class member's share percentage. In general, the larger the contract support cost payments made to a tribal contractor over the years, the larger the share of the settlement allocated to that contractor. In addition, the Distribution Appendix provides a minimum payment of \$8,000 for each year that a tribal contractor had a contract with the BIA. (On December 17, 2015, the federal court made slight modifications to the pre-determined percentages to accommodate 55 new Class Members, in conformity with section VIII.D.1 of the Final Settlement Agreement.)

After Treasury paid the settlement funds, Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator calculated the amounts due to each Class Member. The Claim Form amounts can be found at <[WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM](http://WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM)>. Under the Treasury Offset Program, Treasury offset the amounts for ten Class Members with federal debts or liens. For these ten Class Members, their payment amount will not be the amount listed on their Claim Form. If your Tribe or tribal organization is one of the ten Class Members subject to the Treasury Offset Program, it will be notified by Treasury. Additionally, the cover letter accompanying your Claim Form will contain information about the Treasury Offset Program.

#### What is the process for obtaining a share of the settlement?

Each Class Member will receive a Claim Form from the Settlement Administrator. The Claim Form will show the Class Member's percentage share of the settlement and the resulting dollar amount computed for that Member from the net settlement amount. Please note, however, that for the ten Class Members subject to the TOP, the amount on the Claim Form will not be the amount they receive in payment. The Form will be prepared to comply with the Contract Disputes Act, and it will have to be executed by tribal leadership and returned to the Settlement Administrator.

**What if a leadership or other similar dispute casts doubt on the proper recipient of a payment to a Class Member?**

As provided in the Final Settlement Agreement at Section VIII.E, Class Counsel will file an appropriate interpleader action in court and the Court will resolve the matter. So far as Class Counsel is aware, at this time there are only 11 situations of this kind.

**What deductions will be made from the \$940 million settlement amount before it is distributed?**

Deductions will include funds for a "Reserve Account," covering the costs of implementing the settlement and unexpected contingencies, and for the court-awarded attorneys' fees and litigation costs.

**How are attorneys' fees handled?**

As in most class actions, the attorneys for the Class are paid only on success, that is, on a "contingent fee" basis. The Class attorneys' application for an award of fees and costs is posted on the Class website, at <WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/CLASSCOUNSELAPP.HTML>. The Court considered this application at a January 20, 2016, Fairness Hearing, and approved the application by Order entered February 23, 2016. The Court approved a fee of 8.5% of the settlement amount. The government in the Settlement Agreement agreed "that an 8.5 percent fee is fair and reasonable and support[ed]" the proposed fee.

**Is there any provision for additional compensation to be paid certain Class Members?**

Yes, the settlement agreement provides for reimbursing Class Members selected for and participating in the sampling process for their reasonable costs of participation. The agreement also provides for enhancing by 20% the shares that would otherwise be computed for the Ramah Navajo Chapter, Oglala Sioux Tribe and Pueblo of Zuni, in recognition of the considerable work these three Class Representatives did to achieve this settlement

**Who will supervise the settlement?**

The actual distribution of funds will be handled by KCC/Gilardi & Co., the court-approved Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator's work will be supervised by Class Counsel and checked by Moss Adams, LLP, the accounting firm that is the Court-approved Class Monitor. Both the Settlement Administrator and the Class Monitor are required to report on all of their work to the Court. The Court will approve all payments to Class Members before they are made.

**How does the Treasury Offset Program figure into the settlement?**

The Settlement Agreement notes that if a tribal claimant owes money to the United States, the Treasury Department will collect that debt from the contractor's settlement amount. Any amount left after the offset of the debt will then be released by Treasury for payment to the tribal contractor, after deduction of its share of the Reserve Account, costs, and attorneys' fees.

**Are there any restrictions on how a tribe or tribal organization may spend its allocation from the settlement fund?**

No. There are no special restrictions, and the settlement funds can be spent by a tribe or tribal organization in the same manner as any other unrestricted tribal funds.

**OPT OUT RIGHTS**

**Did any Class Member opt out of the settlement?**

No Class Member opted out of the settlement.

**Is there any circumstance under which the settlement could be terminated?**

No. The settlement agreement allowed the government to terminate the settlement in one unusual circumstance: if the Court permitted at least 15 tribal contractors to opt out of the settlement, and if those 15 tribal contractors' collective share of the settlement exceeded 15% of the total settlement amount. But no Class Members opted out of the settlement.

**COURT APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT**

**Was Notice of the settlement provided to Class Members?**

Yes. Class Counsel mailed a Class Notice to all known Class Members. A summary of the Notice was also published in Indian Country Today, on the Class website, at <WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/CLASSNOTICES.HTML>, and on websites maintained by the BIA and the Interior Department's Interior Business Center. The BIA also mailed and e-mailed the Notice to Class Members eligible to participate in the settlement.

**Did anyone object to any aspect of the Settlement?**

No.

**Did anyone ask to be added as a Class member?**

**Did anyone ask to be added as a Class member?**

Yes, one entity objected to being excluded from the settlement. This entity received no contract support costs during any of the relevant years and so was not identified as a Class Member. Based upon this objection, the parties discovered 54 other contractors that had received no contract support costs, and asked the Court to include these additional contractors as Class Members. The Court, by Order entered December 17, 2015, approved this request. The revised Distribution Appendix showing these additional Class Members is posted on the Class website, at <WWW.RNCSETTLEMENT.COM/COURTFILINGS.HTML>. (Scroll down to "It response USET obj Exh B new Distrib Appx 12/16/2015".)

**Can interested entities still request to be added as Class Members?**

No. The deadline to request to be added as a Class Member expired in October 2015.

**PERMISSIBLE USE OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

**How may a Class Member use its proceeds from the Settlement?**

Funds paid to Class Members under this settlement may be used for any purpose or expenditure that the Class Member would otherwise be permitted to make under its governing documents and under applicable law.

\* \* \*

Case 1:90-cv-00957-JAP-KBM Document 1361-2 Filed 08/15/16 Page 1 of 18

EXHIBIT B

**CLAIM FORM AMOUNTS FOR CLASS MEMBERS**

Computation of Net Settlement Amount	
Settlement Amount	\$ 947,965,659.39
Less Reserve Account*	\$ 4,000,000.00
Less Attorneys' Fees (8.5% of \$947,965,659.39) *	\$ 80,577,081.05
Less Costs*	\$ 1,126,583.72
Less \$1 payments for 3 TOP Class Members with Full Offsets**	\$ 3.00
<b>Net Settlement Amount</b>	<b>\$ 862,261,991.62</b>

\*The amount actually paid into the Reserve Account and to Attorneys' Fees will be slightly reduced because three Class members will not contribute due to Treasury offsets. However, the rest of the Class will pay into the Reserve Account and to Attorneys' Fees their shares of the full amounts for these two funds.

\*\*The Judgment Fund made three \$1 payments to the three Class Members with full TOP offsets. These three dollars result in a corresponding \$3.00 discrepancy in the final payment calculations.

	A	B	C
	CLASS MEMBER	PERCENTAGE SHARE	SHARE OF NET SETTLEMENT AMOUNT BEFORE TREASURY DEDUCTIONS
1	1854 AUTHORITY	0.15441745566490400%	\$ 1,331,483.03
2	ABSENTEE SHAWNEE	0.23610417778169000%	\$ 2,035,836.59
3	AGDAAGUX TRIBAL COUNCIL	0.03596283066021100%	\$ 310,093.82
4	AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA	0.00734833384035588%	\$ 63,361.89
5	AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY	0.05610222092964630%	\$ 483,748.13
6	AKIACHAK NATIVE COMMUNITY	0.02971876837852420%	\$ 256,253.64
7	AKIAK NATIVE COMMUNITY	0.07289089571147580%	\$ 628,510.49
8	ALABAMA COUSHATTA INDIAN RESER	0.22912273167474700%	\$ 1,975,638.23
9	ALABAMA-QUASSARTE TRIBAL TOWN	0.08623124638496410%	\$ 743,539.26
10	ALAKANUK TRADITIONAL COUNCIL	0.00187222092527478%	\$ 16,143.45
11	ALAMO NAVAJO SCHOOL BOARD	0.01872220925274780%	\$ 161,434.49
12	ALASKA VILLAGE INITIATIVES	0.00187222092206880%	\$ 16,143.45
13	ALATNA VILLAGE COUNCIL	0.00093611046103440%	\$ 8,071.72
14	ALBUQUERQUE AREA INDIAN HEALTH	0.00093611046103440%	\$ 8,071.72
15	ALEUTIAN PRIBILOF ISLANDS ASSOCIATION	0.47854122967169000%	\$ 4,126,279.14
16	ALGAACIQ TRIBAL GOVERNMENT	0.00187222092527478%	\$ 16,143.45
17	ALL INDIAN PUEBLO COUNCIL INC	0.00946639982547366%	\$ 81,625.17

# Realty Department

## 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](http://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 Tsoataddle at 405-275-4030 ext. 6248.

## Welcome to the 2016 Farming & Grazing Sale

SEALED BIDS, submitted on Absentee Shawnee Tribe (AST) bid forms, will be received 10:00 a.m., Central Standard Time, Friday, September 30, 2016, at the AST Realty Office. Bids will be accepted for the leasing of trust Indian land located in Cleveland and Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma, for farming and grazing purposes. The sale will be held at the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Realty Office, located at 2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

See the page titled **Invitation to Bid** for details of the sale. Six (6) tracts located in Pottawatomie County and six (6) tracts located in Cleveland County will be available for lease.

You may submit a sealed bid by printing out the page titled **Bid on Surface Lease** sheet and email, fax, or mail on or before 10:00 p.m. September 30, 2016. Please list the item number on the bid form of the tract you are placing a bid on.

It is your responsibility to be aware of the fees associated with the sale. If you are interested in submitting a bid, you will need to prepare two separate checks for the following entities:

**Bureau of Indian Affairs** – make check payable to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and mail the first year's rental fee and cash bond fee (if applicable). The cash bond is equal to the first year's rental. **DO NOT PAY THE FIRST YEAR'S RENTAL FEE UNTIL YOU RECEIVE NOTIFICATION FROM THIS OFFICE.**

**Absentee Shawnee Tribe** – filing fee of new farming & grazing lease is 3% of the annual rental and advertising fee which will be determined after the sale. Check should be made payable to the Absentee Shawnee Tribe, Attention: Finance, 2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive, Shawnee, OK 74801.

See also the forms ACH Vendor Information Form, Waiver Request (if applicable), and Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit. These forms must be completed and turned in to the Realty Office.

The staff of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Realty Department appreciates your business and if you have any questions, please feel free to call us.

Absentee Shawnee Tribe  
Attn: Realty Department  
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.275.4030  
405.878.4700 fax

### NOTICE OF FARMING AND GRAZING LEASE SALE TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

(Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs)

**ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA  
2025 SOUTH GORDON COOPER DRIVE  
SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA 74801-9381**

### INVITATION TO BID

An advertised lease sale of Farming and Grazing leases on trust or restricted Indian Land to be conducted under provisions of Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 162 – Leasing and Permitting.

**SEALED BIDS**, for Farming and Grazing Leases on the following described tracts of land will be received in the office of the Realty Department until **10:00 AM September 30, 2016**. All bids received up to the hour of the sale will be opened at the time of the sale and leases awarded to qualified bidders offering the highest annual consideration, if such bids are deemed adequate and are acceptable. On a tract receiving only one bid, the bidder will be given one opportunity to improve the bid.

All bids must be enclosed in separate envelopes and plainly marked, **“SEALED BID ON FARMING AND GRAZING LEASE SALE, TO BE OPENED AT 10:00 AM September 30, 2016”**. Mail all sealed bids to:

**Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma  
Attention: Realty Department  
2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive  
Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801-9381**

All bids are subject to acceptance and approval of the contract by the Realty Director. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and to disapprove and reject prior to approval, any lease made on an accepted bid. Past compliance issues and/or history of delinquent payments by bidders will be considered in award of the bid.

### IMPORTANT TERMS

1. The lease will run for a period of five (5) years from January 1, unless otherwise specified and determined by the Realty Department. **ALL LANDS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR THE HIGHEST ANNUAL CONSIDERATION, MINOR IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED A PART OF THE BID. THE ONLY IMPROVEMENTS WHICH CAN BE CONSIDERED ARE NEW BOUNDARY LINE FENCES, CONSTRUCTED WITH ALL NEW MATERIALS, AND MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS RECOGNIZED AS NEEDED BY THE LAND OPERATIONS PERSONNEL.**

2. Oral auction minimum bid increases accepted in increments of \$50.00.
3. On those tracts on which an undivided restricted interest is offered for lease, bids will be accepted and considered for leases on the undivided restricted interest only. The prospective lessee will be responsible for arranging payment to those owners of undivided unrestricted interests or fee interest.
4. A cancellation clause shall be made on the Lease agreement on all tracts receiving an offer less than One (1) year lease period. Such clause shall read as follows: **“it is hereby agreed and understood that this lease will expire under its own terms on the last day of the annual year following the year in which the land is advertised for sale, provided it sells as a result of the advertisement, otherwise, this lease is to remain in full force and effect.”**
5. **The leases will convey Farming and Grazing rights, ONLY**, subject to the reserved rights of lessor to grant business, oil and gas lease, right-of-way, and other legal grants as provided in the prescribed lease forms. **HUNTING, FISHING AND WOODCUTTING RIGHTS ARE RESERVED BY THE INDIAN LANDOWNER(S) AND ARE NOT PART OF THE LEASE.**
6. Leases approved pursuant to this office, will be executed and granted by the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, unless otherwise indicated. The Indian owners of the particular allotment involved will not be signatory parties to the lease as the approving official's signature granting the lease pursuant to Congressional Authority will adequately convey and lease the respective Indian owner's interest.
7. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory surety bond in a sum not less than one year's rental and other provided charges as determined by the Realty Department.
8. The successful bidder may be required to provide insurance in an amount adequate to protect any improvement on the leased premises.
9. The Additional Lease Requirements, Revised 1976 (SMC Stipulations Sheet) will be executed and made a part of the lease. Interested bidders are encouraged to confer with Land Operations personnel relative to the land/use or conservation programs.
10. Prior to the approval of any lease contract a non-refundable filing fee based on the amount of annual rental will be required on each lease. The fee will be 3% of the annual rental payable, including any percentage based rent that can be easily estimated. The minimum filing fee is \$10.00 and not more than \$500.00
11. Bids must be submitted on the Lease Bid Sheet which is attached and can be copied.
12. No deposit is required with the bid.
13. The lease must be drawn on the Approved Departmental form, a sample copy of which may be inspected upon request. The successful bidder shall complete and return the lease and all supportive papers **within 15 days** from receipt of the lease forms and Notice of Approval of Bid, together with the filing fee (made payable to the Absentee Shawnee Tribe).
14. Rentals are due and payable to the **Bureau of Indian Affairs** (by money order, cashiers check or certified check only) to the lockbox on or before January 1, of each year unless an approved lease modification provides for a change in the schedule of payment. All payments mailed to the lockbox must include the payment invoice. Contact the Realty Office for any payment invoice not received by December 1 of each year of the lease terms.
15. In the event of a tie between bidders the Realty Staff will take into consideration the itemized major improvements prior to awarding the lease. In the event of no itemized major improvements by both bidders the Director reserves the right to enter into oral auction between tied parties or request tied parties to re-submit sealed bids at the time of the sale. Bidders will have a time frame of **two (2) weeks** to notify this office to increase their bid.

**NOTE: Farming and Grazing leases are accepted and approved for specific purposes. Without prior consent of the property owner and approval by the Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Plains Regional Office, TIMBER CUTTING, HUNTING & FISHING, DUMPING OF TRASH, SUBLEASING, ETC., IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Leases taken under this advertisement will expire under its own terms on the last day of the annual year following the year in which the lands is advertised for sale provided it sells as a result of the advertisement.**

**ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE THE DAY OF THE SALE WILL SUPERSEDE ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT.**

Further information concerning this advertisement may be obtained by calling or writing to the: Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, Attn: Realty Department, 2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801-9318, telephone number: (405) 275-4030.

**BID ON SURFACE LEASE**

I, hereby submit my bid in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per year for \_\_\_\_\_ years on the following described land. (Bids may be made for as many as five (5) years unless otherwise specified in the advertisement. Be sure to state number of years and amount to be paid.)

**TRACT NO.** \_\_\_\_\_ **NAME OF ALLOTTEE** \_\_\_\_\_

**TRIBE AND ALLOTMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIPTION OF LAND:** copy from advertisement

**ITEMIZED MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS YOU CONSIDER AS PART OF YOUR BID, IF ANY**

**NAME OF BIDDER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

.....  
(THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ABENTEE SHAWNEE REALTY DIRECTOR)

**THE BID FOR FARMING AND GRAZING LEASE ON THE LAND DESCRIBED ABOVE IS:**

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DISAPPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**REALTY DIRECTOR**

**ADDENDUM**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to remain on the mailing list, my current address is:

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am not interested in receiving further advertisements and would like to be removed from the mailing list.

**NOTE: IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE ADDENDUM OF THIS FORM, REGARDLESS OF BIDDING OR NOT, YOU WILL BE DELETED FROM OUR MAILING LIST.**

**Absentee Shawnee Allotments  
Lease for 2016**

Tract No.	Allotment #	Allt. Name	Sec./Twnshp & Range	ACRES		County	Legal Description	Restricted/Trust Interest		
				Gross	Net			Numerator	/	Denominator
1	820 31	Anna Barone	30-T09N-R04E	78.15	36.47	Pottawatomie	Lot 1(NWNW)=38.15 acres & NE/4 NW/4,	315	/	675
2	820 45	Mrs. Charles Lewis	26-T11N-R04E	40.00	40.00	Pottawatomie	SE SE	648	/	648
3	820 S156	Cinda Emma Spybuck	14-T10N-R03E	26.25	26.25	Pottawatomie	N SE SW SW, N SW SW, Lot 99 SE SE SW SW	882	/	882
1.24 acres in SESESW described as: Beg at a pt 122.04' S89 degrees 26' 10"W & 576.36' N of SW/C of ESWSESW, TH N15degrees 11' 21" W272.25'; TH E200'; TH S15 degrees 11'21" E272.25'; TH W200' to POB										
4	820 178-B	William Cherokee	22-T11N-R02E	25.00	25.00	Pottawatomie	S SE SE & E SE SW SE,	720	/	720
5	820 285	Way-lah-pea-se	07-T09N-R05E	77.50	77.50	Pottawatomie	NW SW & N SW SW & SE SW SW & E SW SW SW & E W SW SW SW	27000	/	27000
6	820 322	Lilly Foreman	30-T09N-R04E	40.00	24.29	Pottawatomie	NE SW	27540	/	45360
7	820 381	Joe French	35-T09N-R01E	160.00	152.92	Cleveland	SW/4	110980800	/	116121600
8	820 418	Billy White	28-T09N-R01E	143.93	119.40	Cleveland	N SE, Lot 99 S SE	223	/	116121600
9	820 479	Ho-la-yea-se-ka	01-T09N-R01E	40.00	47.21	Cleveland	Lot 3 (NENW) of NW/4	137062800	/	116121600
10	820 509	Jeanne Go-do-pea-se	17-T09N-R01E	80.00	80.00	Cleveland	N NE	272160	/	116121600
11	820 510	John Mack	24-T09N-R01E	320.00	292.22	Cleveland	NE SE	263	/	116121600
12	820 518	Titus McCoy	01-T09N-R01W	67.72	67.72	Cleveland	SE NE SE, W NE SE, Lot 3 NW SE	7560	/	116121600

# AST HEALTH SYSTEM - SEPTEMBER 2016

The fall is right around the corner and summer is coming to an end soon. We'll be getting ready for the Zombie Run 5K in October, and continue to expand the exciting MyDNA program as well as opening our new after-hours clinic in Shawnee and our new expanded Optometry Clinic in LittleAxe – all to serve you better! The Zika virus continues to be a concern for everyone, and the AST Health's website and social media maintains the most update information for you and your family's protection.

We continue to monitor elder care and high risk fall patients as well as homebound tribal members are always a concern to the Tribe and Health System. The health system remains a full partner with the Tribe in caring for and coordinating care for any tribal member that is homebound and has needs that we can help with or service within our scope and authority to do so as a health and wellness system. If you know of any tribal member who is homebound and needs assistance medically, please contact administration at (405) 701-7621 so we can assist as best possible with resources or coordinate assistance for these members in need.

We continue to add new specialists to the staff to make it both more convenient to access specialty care on-site as well as save contract health funds in doing so, allowing tests to be accomplished on-site and integration

of the patient's health record into the health system's database for the primary care providers to better manage care of the patients. We are especially excited to welcome our new Chiropractor, Dr. Gregory Reading, who is also an AST Tribal member – welcome aboard Dr. Reading! Thank you all for making all of our new staff feel welcome and for using our services!

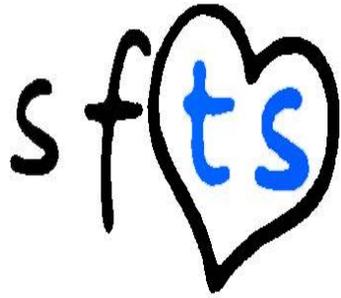
The health system's most valuable resource - our people – continues to display excellence for our tribal health system! I'm extremely proud of our outstanding star performers again this month, and thank them all for their contributions to our patients, their fellow employees, and the tribe! Employee of the month in August for health was Ms. Wynona Coon, for her incredible performance on the no-notice GSA Vehicle Fleet Inspection; Team of the Month: Human Resources; and the Special Leadership Award: Ms. Lydia Longhorn, Shawnee Physical Therapy, for going above and beyond in patient care and staff support. The health employees continue to accomplish outstanding feats for our patients and for each other, taking care of our internal and external customers/patients. Thank you all for making an important difference in the lives and health of all of our health system's patients!

## Additional health related information:

- **PlusCare Clinic** has the ability to treat non-life threatening illnesses and injuries on a walk-in basis (no appointment needed). This service is extended to existing 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 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 M-F 9 AM to 9 PM, Saturday and Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM and holidays are 9 AM to 5 PM (excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas).
- **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/Service 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 hour 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 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.



**Save the Date!**

Tecumseh Middle School

September 8<sup>th</sup> (time will be announced)

Stand for the Silent Anti-Bullying Presentation

Please Contact Jenifer Sloan, Prevention

Specialist @ 701-7987



SHAWNEE CLINIC  
LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER  
PLUS CARE

Dear AST Community Members:

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health System (ASTHS) has begun conducting its annual health community survey. This year, the goal is to learn about the public health needs of our AST community and to strategically define programs to better serve you. Survey participants may choose to complete a survey either by paper version or by electronic version. Survey participants must be 18 years of age to complete and one survey per person, please.

***TO COMPLETE A PAPER VERSION OF THE SURVEY***

Paper versions of the AST Health survey are available at the following locations:

1. Shawnee Clinic Administration (Receptionist Desk & Patient Benefit Advocates)
2. Little Axe Health Center Administration (Receptionist Desk & Patient Benefit Advocates)
3. Title 6-Shawnee
4. Title 6-Resource Center (Little Axe)
5. AST Optometry (new location)
6. PlusCare Clinic (Patient Registration)

***TO COMPLETE AN ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE HEALTH SURVEY***

To complete the electronic version:

1. You are able to call The AST Health Project Manager, Aly Miller, at (405)878-4702 or email her at [amiller@astribc.com](mailto:amiller@astribc.com) and she will forward to you the survey link (you must have an active email address); or
2. Follow the link to Survey Monkey provided to you through the Demand Force patient newsletter email system.

Please be aware, once a community member/patient accesses Survey Monkey through the supplied link, all answers are anonymous and this format allows for only one submission per IP address.

If you should have any questions please feel free to contact Aly Miller at the information provided above. In advance, thank you for your time and as always, we strive to better our service to you.

## UPDATE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTION HISTORY OF CDFI'S FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

This type of program funding was to start Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (the Fund) is to expand the capacity of financial institutions to provide credit, capital, and financial services to underserved populations and communities in the United States.

This was to be accomplished by providing funding in the form of financial assistance and technical assistance for the development of a Community Development Financial Institutions. This was to be done to serve Native American tribes and organizations nationwide by providing funding for the ongoing process of the new emerging CDFI to begin to develop and create the documents for infrastructure and foundation. This was to be a program that would be sponsored by the Tribe while this development process takes place with selecting a guiding Board hire a director and start development. This was needed to have a sound Tribal created Non-Profit Corporation with the capacity to launch Credit Builder and Business Loan Products with accompanying culturally appropriate financial education and business development services.

This was developed under the former Treasurer-Kathy Deere the first application was submitted in Dec. 2012 and received first Fund Award Sept. 2013. Notices sent out a need for Board Members and they were selected from the applications submitted. From there advertised and hired first director and began developing all infrastructure and foundation documents. Our CDFI became incorporated on August 8, 2013, while we continued to meet to create Loan Policy and Procedures, Employee Loan Policy & Procedures. We continued to network finding other technical assistance from OWEESTA, Opportunity Finance Network, and participating in ongoing Board and staff training. While providing progress reports to our funding agency the U.S. Department of Treasury to maintain our funding.

In November 2015 our director quit this left the Board in a bit of a quandary; we met and decided to proceed on after a talking to our Compliance Officer and Director from the U.S. Department of Treasury. We came up with a plan as a Board and as Chair I did a Budget Modification Request moved all salary and benefits funds into Professional Services. CDFI did not have enough funds left to hire a new director so alternative plan was to hire a Grant Writer to meet our next two critical application dates of March 18, 2016 for our SF-424 through Grants.gov. The next critical date was April 18, 2016 which was to be for our future funding of Technical Assistance. Then throw in this development that U.S. Department of Treasury decided to go computerized with an automated input system which required training and competency to insure all your correct information gets accepted.

We hired a known past Grant Writer, Rick Short who was familiar with numerous tribal programs and was really interested in seeing this type of funding coming into the tribe. We were fortunate to find someone truly interested as we had one grant writer prior to him, his company lasted one month and withdrew. But, with Mr. Rick Short's assistance we were able to meet both deadlines with the assistance of the Grants and Finance Department providing essential information.

Our CDFI was also able to have a completed 1023 Application to IRS for 501-(3) © finished for our program which was in the process of being worked on when the director left. But, as a Board we followed up on that project until we received the finished product and made copies. Once Mr. Rick Short went over and checked the 1023 Application for completeness to IRS for our 501-(3)© Classification. It was submitted to IRS for consideration for our 501-(3)© Classification and as listed Contact Person, I have talked to an IRS Representative a couple of times. I have answered any additional questions that he had and reassuring him and providing "Declarations of Statement of Knowledge of Type of Organization" we are trying to start up.

The end goal is for this emerging CDFI will get the much needed added Technical and Financial Assistance Funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury to insure the ongoing development. With the end result of becoming an independent Corporation with a dedicated, business oriented board members and voluntary to ensure progress. The end goal is to become certified by the U.S. Department of Treasury meaning we have met all their qualifications requirements which will give our program a chance to branch out into other approved activities. With the new funding we will diligently advertise and look for a more reliable director with more of a financial background to accomplish all future projects. First off, I prepared this update for some and random questions that have been asked about what happened to this program. After, the director left the Board Members remained on Board and continued to meet when we needed to set a direction or make a decision and there is no Per Diem pay for any of the Board Members. All funds were conserved to be utilized for the higher priority need of hiring a knowledgeable and reliable Grant Writer; to be sure and make our two critical funding dates for 2016 of March 18 and April 18, 2016 to be eligible to be considered for any future funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury. That was how the CDFI Program was funded by and sponsored by the Tribe by providing an office area for In-Kind Contribution. This program will also become able to apply for another type of funding from the Department of Treasury called Native American CDFI-Assistance funds (NACA).

I hope this has helped with any remaining questions and at this time we await a Notification of Funding Award Amount and the IRS Decision on our 1023-Application for 501-(3) © Non-Profit Status. As Board Members we often had to plan, meet, and conduct other program activities on our own time. This was to try and insure the survival of this program.

Any additional questions please feel free to contact me and I shall try to provide you answers to your individual questions.

I also, want to extend a thank you to all past Elected Officials who supported this type of program being started, the Finance Department for information on our financial statuses, reports being submitted and the Grants Department. Also, a big Thank you to all Board Members; Gina Gray, NAFA; Tresha Spoon, Education Director; Victoria Armstrong, TATANKA Advertising Corporation; and Mr. Rick Short

*By Twila Parker, Board Member since 2013*



## TRIBAL RECRUITMENT FAIR

Of nearly 10,700 children in state custody in Oklahoma, 3600 are Native American. Many are placed in non-ICWA compliant homes. Oklahoma Tribes are in need of tribal foster and adoptive homes for placement of tribal and state custody children. *The Absentee Shawnee Tribe and SANACPT will be participating with the Osage Nation and various other tribes in a tribal recruitment fair on October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This will be a wonderful opportunity to spend the day with your children and learn about tribal foster care. There will be a free lunch provided (talk is that it is going to consist of grape dumplings, corn soup, and Indian Tacos), guest speakers, foster care panel, children's activities, and tribal booths will be set up with foster care information. Door prizes will be given through-out the day. So set this date aside for a day of family fun! **Future email will be sent out with the address of Recruitment fair.***



It's our code. It's our cause. This is the anthem of MyDNA. MyDNA is a non-profit organization that promotes a movement to encourage young Native Americans to live a healthy life free of drugs, and alcohol.

MyDNA is a tool that the Native American youth can use to avoid these deadly products. We supply ways to say no to drugs and help if one is already addicted.

MyDNA asks youth to review the statistics of drug abuse and addiction. The deadly statistics is why MyDNA choses to make an impact on our Native American youth and other teens.

Ways that we assist our teens in the community are to engage in a healthy lifestyle by promoting and holding extracurricular activities such as cultural classes, prevention events, 5k runs and much more. We have had many success stories come from this organization, and hope for many more.

MyDNA is breaking a stereotype by letting the world know that harmful substances are not part of our heritage or our history. We believe being healthy leads to being happy and living a fuller life.

If you would like to join the fight to rebuild a drug-free Native America, you can visit our website at <http://www.mydna.rocks/#our-code-our-cause>. At our website you can find guidance to join MyDNA, find events to attend, read success stories, learn new ways to live a healthy lifestyle, and check out the usage of our hashtag #UnfollowTheCrowd. You can also like our Facebook page at Mydna Rocks. We are looking forward to the growth of our organization. Our ancestors fought for us, so we will fight for our future.



## 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) 701-7985 (Little Axe) or (405) 878-5850 (Shawnee).

## NEW TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

The housing authority staff hosted an open house on Thursday, July 21st at the newly built triplex located on Philadelphia Street in Shawnee, OK.

The program offers temporary housing placement for families needing urgent housing assistance. The homes are 2 bedroom 2 bath with a single car garage. Also a storm shelter is provided in the garage and one handicap accessible unit has a safe room built in the bathroom.

Applications are currently being accepted. If anyone is interested in applying please contact our office at (405) 273-1050.





**Nayeli Clea Sloat-Castro**  
*May 2, 2015 - August 18, 2016*

Nayeli was always a happy baby, she was friendly, never a shy one. She would walk up to anyone. She enjoyed outdoors, she was adventurous. She was determined to do anything, nothing got into her way. When she walked into a room she brightened it up. She had that smile that everyone enjoyed. And we want to thank the EC for all the help they gave us.

## TALKING LEAVES JOB CORPS

A NATIVE EMPHASIS CENTER

**Career Training at No Cost To Qualified Applicants!**



**Tours Every Thursday at 9:45 a.m. (Except for Major Holidays)**

**Talking Leaves Job Corps Center**  
 5700 Bald Hill Rd  
 Tahlequah, OK 74465

- 16-24 years old
- Need Career Training/High School Diploma/GED
- Meet income guidelines
- No pending legal matters

**... Job Corps could be for you!  
 (Bus travels to OKC each weekend )**




**For more information**  
**Call 405.424.1927**

**Career Technical Training**

• Clinical Medical Assistant	• Facilities Maintenance
• Culinary Arts	• Office Administration
• Electrical	• Nurse Assistant/Home Health Aide

Placement assistance for  
 Military, Advance Training, College, or Employment in Your Career

# EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	911	Police, Fire, Ambulance
HEARTLINE EMERGENCY	211	State of Oklahoma
TRIBAL POLICE	405-275-3200	Absentee Shawnee
TRIBAL EMERGENCY MANAGER	405-740-1562 (Cell)	Absentee Shawnee
SHERIFF	405-273-1727	Pottawatomie County
CITY POLICE	405-273-2121	Shawnee
CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	405-273-5272	Shawnee
COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	405-273-2157	Pottawatomie County
SHERIFF	405-701-8888	Cleveland County
CITY POLICE	405-321-1600	Norman
HEALTH DEPT.	405-749-1591	Cleveland County
OG&E	405-272-9595	Report Power Outage
	1-800-522-6870	
CANADIAN VALLEY	405-382-3680	Power Outage
DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	1-800-522-0206	State of Oklahoma
HIGHWAY PATROL	405-425-4385	Road Conditions

# Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma Vocational Rehabilitation Program

**“See the Person Not the Disability”**

Juniors



Seniors

**History:**

The Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma Vocational Rehabilitation Program has provided vocational services to American Indians since 1994, and transition services to students since 2009. Our goal is to develop and provide specialized services to American Indian students with a disability. We want to help these students that are making a transition from high school to work or who are seeking post-secondary education.

**Services Than Can Be Provided:**

Depending on an individual’s needs and goals, will determine which services are best for you. However, some services that we can provide include testing fees such as SATs & ACTs, assistive devices, evaluations, and various other services.

**Qualifications:**

Must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, a junior or senior in high school, and must reside in one of the seven counties served by the Iowa Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Program. You must also provide documentation of your disability and this can include a doctor’s statement or the IEP or 504 plan from your school.

**Counties We Serve:**

Kay, Noble, Pawnee, Payne, Pottawatomie, Lincoln, and Logan

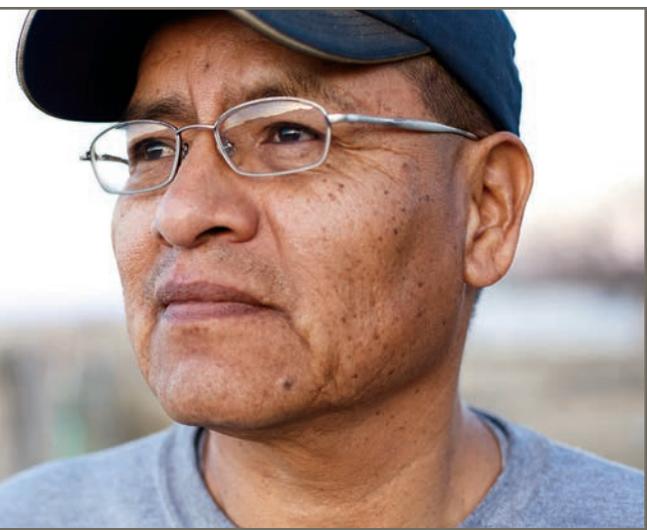
Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma  
Vocational Rehabilitation Program  
P.O. Box 728  
Perkins, OK 74059



Contact: Christa McClellan  
Phone: 405-547-5721  
Toll Free: 1-888-336-4692  
E-mail: cmcclellan@iowanation.org

WE ARE ON THE INTERNET: [www.bahkhoje.com](http://www.bahkhoje.com)

Let your  
voice  
be heard.



Ne-Hi-Ki-Wa-Sa-Pa. *We listen.*

It is our mission to provide quality health care. To do this, we need some help from you. Share your needs, concerns and care experiences. **Call patient advocate Jim Robertson at 405.447.0300 or Customer Service at 405.701.7623.** Complete a Patient Questionnaire in one of our clinics or online.

*Together, we will fulfill our mission.*

**LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER**  
15951 Little Axe Dr.  
Norman, OK 73026  
405.447.0300

**SHAWNEE CLINIC**  
2029 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.878.5850

**PLUSCARE CLINIC**  
15702 East State Highway 9  
Norman, OK 73026  
405.447.0477



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.

WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG

# Sign up, stay connected.

## ONLINE PATIENT PORTAL → for our Little Axe Health Center and Shawnee Clinic

Need to schedule an appointment? Ask a question? View lab results?  
Now, Little Axe Health Center and Shawnee Clinic patients can connect with their health records and care providers via our real-time, secure patient portal. Go to [www.asthealth.org/patient-portal](http://www.asthealth.org/patient-portal) to register. For more help, call your clinic, and we’ll walk you through it.



**Install the app  
on iPhone or  
Android for  
real-time access  
to your health  
information**



SHAWNEE CLINIC 405.878.5850 or 877.878.4702 (TOLL-FREE) | LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER 405.447.0300

# SEPTEMBER 2016 BIRTHDAYS

Alaee, Sheila Sepideh  
 Alford, David Paul  
 Alford, Jennifer Christine  
 Allen, Tasia Lynn  
 Applegate, Jason Grant  
 Arms, James Louis  
 Arms, Michael Brandon  
 Armstrong, Darrell Lynn  
 Atwood, Stephen Jacob  
 Barnard, Katrina Tafe  
 Barnes, Jordan Tylor  
 Barriga Jr., Rogelio Alberto  
 Bafeman, Thomas Albert  
 Bafes, Charles Edward  
 Beaver, Matthew David  
 Bellin, Chance Andrew  
 Bellin, Jack Matthew  
 Berry, Shane Tecumseh  
 Bittle, Kyli Rose  
 Blanchard Jr, Reuben Caleb  
 Blanchard Jr., Leland Dale  
 Blanchard Sr., George Melvin  
 Blanchard, Chael Harper  
 Blanchard, Consuela Sirena  
 Blanchard, Craig Lewis  
 Blanchard, Jacob Dakota  
 Blanchard, Paulette Louise  
 Blanchard, Reuben Caleb  
 Blanchard, Summer Gail  
 Blankenship, Fabian Mae  
 Blocker, April Dawn  
 Bosquez, Emilia Marie Nicole  
 Bowers, Kendra Rachelle  
 Brinkoetter, Karen Kay  
 Brown, Addilynn Emmalee  
 Bruner, Rhiannon Lydia  
 Bullock, Valerie Yolanda  
 Bump Sr., Richard Dewitt  
 Burnett, Darrell Wayne  
 Burns, Alex J  
 Burns, Constance Darlene  
 Burns, Natasha Brooke  
 Butcher, Sallie Elizabeth  
 Carlson III, Dennis Roy  
 Carlson, Daniel Ray  
 Carnes, Haley Ann Marie  
 Carpenter, Cynthia Marie  
 Charley Whatley, Maddisson Noel  
 Charley, Garry Joe  
 Chisholm, Milford Wayne  
 Clark, Nathan Allen  
 Clinesmith, Brooklyn Makay  
 Cobell, Julee Rae  
 Coddington, William Luther  
 Cody, Donna Noreen  
 Colungo, Redena Sue  
 Combs III, Frederick Cecil  
 Coon, Ella Kay  
 Cortez, Stephen Kaleb  
 Cravens, Goldie Ann  
 Creek, Josephine  
 Creek, Ralph Samuel  
 Crosswhite, Hunter Raven  
 Cuellar, Ronald Lee  
 Culwell, Bryson Gene  
 Cypret, Norman Wayne

Daniel, Dana Laree  
 Deer, Brandon Jeremy  
 Deer, David Joel  
 Deer, Jalen Dean  
 Dibler, Bobby George  
 Downey, Cheyenne Rena  
 Downs, Debra Ann  
 Duncan, Carolyn Ann  
 Edemon, Jeorgia Annabella  
 Elam, Marquese Dashawn  
 Ellis, Eric Wade  
 Ellis, McKenzie Rae  
 Ellis, Richard Bryant  
 Ellis, William Bryant  
 Elmore, Christa Ann  
 Ferrell, Melinda Kay  
 Foreman, Stefany Elayne  
 Foster, Linda Jean  
 Frazier, Rickie Dewayne  
 French, Jeffery John  
 Fritsch, Jady Mark  
 Fuentes, Cruzito Damacio  
 Ganaway Jr., Mark Terrell  
 Garretson, Cody Ronald  
 Garza Jr., Gary Don  
 Gibson Jr., Isaac  
 Gibson, Edna Faye  
 Gibson, Jennifer Michelle  
 Gibson, Justin Ryan Hill  
 Gillespie, Tamara Sue  
 Gilman, Peter Howard  
 Gouge, Ashlynn Jean  
 Graham, Thomas Wendell  
 Grass, Brooklynn Rayne  
 Gregory, Samuel Edwin  
 Hackbarth, Marissa Lucille  
 Hadjiconstantinou, Openia Sue  
 Hale III, Phillip Wayne  
 Haley, Shirley Frances  
 Hall, Christayl Rachell  
 Harjo Jr, Benjamin  
 Harjo Jr., Burton Thomas  
 Harris, Suzy Diane  
 Harvey, Shelia Lynn  
 Haumpy Jr., William Allen  
 Haumpy, Talia Sharee  
 Hicks, Angelia Jean  
 Hill, Amanda Nicole  
 Hill, Dreyton Scott  
 Hobia, Kamryn Aurora  
 Hood, Malacki David Wesley  
 Houston-Fenix, Lexus Nicole  
 Houston, Michael  
 Hurst, Brian Keith  
 Jacobs, Kasiana Marie  
 Jacobs, Mary Theresa  
 James, Billie Jane  
 James, Zachary Lee  
 Jimerson, Tyrone Dremain  
 Johnson, Brandon W. C.  
 Johnson, Eryn Edward  
 Johnson, Ki'Arra Joy  
 Johnson, Lewis Allen  
 Johnson, Locv Lee Jace  
 Johnson, Lyndsey Marie  
 Johnson, Sandra Kay

Johnson, Santana Little Bear  
 Jones, Tsegan Araujo  
 Jordan, Wendi Renee  
 Josytewa, Dakota Daniel  
 Kaseca, Kristin Nikole  
 Kaseca, Paul Daniel  
 Kelly, Gayla Ann  
 Kelly, Kellie Marie  
 Kickapoo, Roy Matteson  
 Kilmer, Aldon James  
 Kirby, Emma Grace  
 Kmatz, Jacob Alexander  
 Kowitz, Trentyn Mikal  
 Laplant, Raymond Lowell  
 Larney, Darrell Scott  
 Lassiter, Mia Angelina Kayleigh  
 Lee, James Stacey Chang-Sun  
 Leedom, Donna Jeanne  
 Leupp, Lenora Little Creek  
 Limon, Justine Danielle  
 Little Axe III, Troy Lee  
 Little Axe-Sadonsei, Carolyn  
 Little Axe, Brittany Elaine  
 Little Axe, Jason Randall  
 Little Charley, Paige Marie  
 Little Jim, Charles Kerwin  
 Little Jim, Jason Webster  
 Little, Christina Kathaleen  
 Littlebear, Kianna Carolyn  
 Littlecreek, Joshua Dwight  
 Livezey, Mckinzey Diane  
 Lockner, Krin Kimberly  
 Longhorn-Dees, Aireanna Belle  
 Longhorn, Juanita Louise  
 Longman, Anthony Lamont  
 Longman, Emily R.  
 Longman, Jordyn Christian Spybuck  
 Longman, Shea Michael  
 Lopez, Angela Michelle  
 Louvier, Natasha Renee  
 Lowe, Ariah MaRae  
 Lowe, Brian James  
 Lowe, Caden Elijah  
 Mack, Zander Luis  
 Manley, Sue Ann Burkhart  
 Mann, Ethan Coe  
 Mann, John Edward  
 Martin, Juston Allen  
 Martinez, Brandon Paul  
 Martinez, Leo Littlecreek  
 Masquas, Jace Gabriel  
 Mauldin, Charlotte Vada Renia  
 Maxfield, Katherine Elizabeth  
 McAnally, Amber Chantel  
 McClung, Helen L. Burkhart  
 McGirt, Douglas Burton  
 McGirt, Vincent Carlos  
 McIntyre, Vickie Teresa  
 McKinney, Lucia Jade  
 McMahan, Ashley Rae  
 McPherson, Jeremy Lee  
 Medina, Jocelyn Adelene  
 Miller, Esperanza  
 Monk, Riley JaLisa  
 Morrell, Kristy Ann

Morris, Brandon Zachary  
 Morris, Raymond Ray  
 Morton, Lisa Marie  
 Murry, Steve Raynae  
 Nance, Jada Karyn  
 Nance, Kameron Jace  
 Nelson Jr., James Bradley  
 Nelson, Telisa Renee  
 Neske, Christopher Hugh  
 Nice, Hunter Eli  
 Norton, Jai'Ahnna Anjali  
 Ochoa, Florence Pauline  
 Olinger, Stephen Garrett  
 Ongaco, Alexandra Renee  
 Ortiz, Mariella Raelynn  
 Pack, Trace Matthew  
 Palacios, Phyllis Diana  
 Panther III, William  
 Panther, Nina Renee  
 Panther, Raymond Dale  
 Ponkilla, Edmond Lee  
 Ponkilla, Timothy James  
 Porambo, Anthony Thomas  
 Poston, Teresa Sue  
 Powell, Robert M  
 Powell, Wesley Lynn  
 Prettymann, Faith Grinnell  
 Proctor, Noah Gene  
 Purcell, Jason Lee  
 Reeves, Marian Louise  
 Roberts, Jimmy Dean  
 Rourledge-Hunt, Brandi Faye  
 Rowan, Cobie Mae  
 Ruimveld, Shacoda Louis  
 Ruimveld, Shawn Wade  
 Ruiz, Kathlene Luiza Mae  
 Ryan, Danielle Marie  
 Salisbury, James Haydyn  
 Sampson, Sharon Louise  
 Schmitz, Tana Marie  
 Serena, Gary Allen  
 Sharpe Jr., Chevis Shenold  
 Shaver, Brittny Nicole  
 Shaver, Jordin Lei  
 Sherrill, Jocelynn Elyssa  
 Shupe, Josh Michael  
 Simpson, Julian Elliot  
 Sloat, Alec Duane  
 Sloat, Carol Ann  
 Sloat, Colby Trae  
 Sloat, Garrett Davis  
 Smith, Kristi Dawn  
 Smith, Larry Dale  
 Snake, Jana Rachelle  
 Soap, Jakobi Christopher  
 Soap, Wilson Lee  
 Spoon, Dakota Austin  
 Spoon, Eric Louis  
 Spoon, Kenneth Lee  
 Spriggs, Helen Wyatt  
 Spybuck, Justice Evan  
 Spybuck, Kase Brennon  
 Squire, Shawneecey Jordawna  
 Squire, Takota Lynn  
 Starr, Meranda Lynn  
 Stoliby, Sean Ryan

Switch, Eastman Kelly  
 Switch, Isaac Jay  
 Switch, Mrs. Lana Iris  
 Switch, Susan LeAnn  
 Tascier, Samuel Ethan  
 Terres, Paula Ailene  
 Thompson, Carter Dane  
 Thompson, Darian Andrew  
 Thompson, DeShayla Tamia  
 Thorpe, Grace Janette  
 Thorpe, Keenan Allen  
 Thorpe, Lorrie Ann  
 Thorpe, Melanie Lea  
 Thorpe, Rachel Danielle  
 Tiger, Alisha Lynn  
 Tiger, Trace Matthew  
 Tiger, Christopher Neal  
 Tiger, Clementine Cecilia Rose  
 Tiger, Darryl Dean  
 Tiger, Dion Henry  
 Tiger, Gladys Jean  
 Tiger, Luvenia Starr  
 Tiger, Mary Augustina  
 Tiger, Phyllis Gail  
 Tiger, Terrance Nathan  
 Torres, Hector Gene  
 Tsoodle, Teri Kaye  
 Tullius, Kaley Mariah  
 Tyner, Marcus Charles  
 Valdivia, Joseph Enrique  
 Valdivia, Ronald David  
 Vazquez, Tyler Keith  
 Wahpekeche, Meredith York  
 Wahpekeche, Silas Kane  
 Walley, Breanna Joy  
 Walsh, Malissa Lisa Renee  
 Warrior Jr., Lucian J.  
 Warrior Sr., Manuel Anthony  
 Warrior, Levi Stafford  
 Washington Jr., Eric Sean  
 Washington, Nicholas Shane  
 Watkins-Long, Natalia Grace-Christine  
 Watkins, Mickaela Marie  
 Watson, Betty Lou  
 Watson, Jo Ann Spybuck  
 Westberry, Amanda LeJean  
 White III, Charles Daniel  
 White, Susan Nicole Olivia  
 Whitecloud, Bluesky Rain  
 Whitecloud, Raquel Amae  
 Whited, James Aaron  
 Wilburn, Joshua Wayne  
 Wilkerson, Lawrence Anthony  
 Wilkerson, Tammy Lynn  
 Williams, Christopher John  
 Williams, Kuruk James  
 Williams, Sonja Barbara Gosney  
 Williams, Taren Janea  
 Wilson Jr., Darrell Gene  
 Wilson, Patrick Loyd  
 Winrow, Rickie Dawn  
 Winter, Brendan James  
 Winter, Tammy Lyn  
 Winter, Tara Ann Nicole  
 Woods, Anna Marie  
 Yeahpau, Jeri Maye  
 Yones, Amber Marie



**HAPPY 18TH  
BIRTHDAY  
JORDYN  
CHRISTIAN  
SPYBUCK  
LONGMAN**

You will always be our  
Golden Child.  
Love you so much!  
Mom, Vincent, Cody,  
Caitlin, Jacob, and  
Nanny and Papa Hawkins



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
KRISTIN  
NIKOLE KASECA**

LOVE YOU ALWAYS  
GRANDMA PAULETTE  
ALEXANDER, UNCLE  
JASON & AUNT  
SUSAN

**WHITE TURKEY BAND**

**OF THE  
ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE**

**5TH ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK  
3K TROT (1 MILE WALK)**

**HORSE SHOE BEND COMMUNITY CENTER**

**OPEN DIVISION FIRST, SECOND, THIRD PLACE FEMALE AND MALE RUNNERS  
WILL BE AWARDED.**

**5k Run/Walk & 3K Trot  
SATURDAY @ 8:00 AM  
OCTOBER 3RD, 2015**

**Horse Shoe Bend Center  
46309 Garretts Lake Road  
Shawnee, Oklahoma**

**\$20**

**Early Registration  
Participant Receives T-Shirt**

**\$25**

**Day of Race Registration  
Participant Receives T-Shirt**

**PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE WHITE TURKEY BAND AND THE  
HORSE SHOE BEND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR SPONSORSHIP  
TO STUDENTS ATTENDING THE TUTORIAL SERVICES.**

**CONTACT INDIVIDUALS FOR  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IF  
NEEDED**

**TWILA PARKER  
405 229-8052  
GWEN SWITCH  
405 204-9612**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**WHITE TURKEY BAND OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE  
5TH ANNUAL OPEN DIVISION 5K RUN/WALK AND 3K TURKEY TROT (1 MILE WALK)**

**WHEN: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2015 TIME: 8:00 a.m.**

**HORSE SHOE BEND COMMUNITY BUILDING  
4603 GARRETT'S LAKE ROAD  
SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA 74801**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
MO DAY YR

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER: MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE: 5K RUN \_\_\_\_\_ 5K WALK \_\_\_\_\_ 3K TURKEY TROT \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE T-SHIRT SIZE ADULT SIZES: S M L XL XXL YOUTH SIZE: L

PRE-REGISTRATION FEE \$20.00 PER PARTICIPANT. DAY OF RACE \$25.00 (7:00 AM - 7:45 AM)

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: WHITE TURKEY BAND**

**MAIL TO: WHITE TURKEY BAND, P.O. BOX 3016, SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA 74802-3016**

**LOCATION OF RACE: HORSE SHOE BEND COMMUNITY CENTER, 46309 GARRETT'S LAKE ROAD, SHAWNEE, OK**

I know that running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. By entering and participating in this activity I assume all risks associated with running this event including, but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants; the effects of the weather; including high heat and/or humidity; traffic; and conditions of the road. All such risks being known and appreciated by me, having read this waiver and knowing these acts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release White Turkey Band and the Absentee Shawnee Tribe, all sponsors, volunteers from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver. I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use any photographs, motion pictures, recordings, or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

(IF UNDER 18, MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN)



# ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL HEALTH SYSTEM

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

## OPTOMETRY EXPANDS AND MOVES TO NEW LOCATION

**Norman, Oklahoma (August 10, 2016)** – The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health System is excited to announce a new, convenient location for Optometry. Effective August 22, 2016, the ASTH's Optometry Department will be located at the PlusCare Clinic (building), 15702 East State Highway 9, Norman, OK, across from the Little Axe Health Center. However, patients will still have the ability to call the same phone number (405) 447-0300 to schedule appointments.

To celebrate this new expansion, Health Administration would like to invite you to the Grand Opening ceremony to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM at the new location. There will be an opportunity to tour the modernized facility and have some light refreshments.

This exciting move is all in effort to better serve patients and provide the best eye care experience our patients expect. Our commitment to you and the community has never been stronger; and this move allows for more space, additional exam rooms and a larger optical area with a great selection.

The hours of operation will continue to be from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday and ages served are from 5 years of age to adult. Optometry provides care for American Indian/Alaska Native patients and non-Native employees.

Our dedicated team is ready to serve you, so if you have questions about our new office, our services or how we may be able to help you, give us a call today!

Prevention. Progress. Pride.

SHAWNEE CLINIC  
2029 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.878.5850

LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER  
15951 Little Axe Dr.  
Norman, OK 73026  
405.447.0300

[WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG](http://WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG)

COPYRIGHT © 2015, ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL HEALTH SYSTEM. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.



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.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](http://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 31<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:tresham@astribe.com).

# ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE TAX COMMISSION

2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
(405) 275-4030 • Fax: (405) 214-4225

## NEW REGISTRATIONS

- VALID OKLAHOMA DRIVER'S LICENSE
- VALID OKLAHOMA INSURANCE
- CDIB/ENROLLMENT CARD
- NOTARIZED TITLE
- NOTARIZED BILL OF SALE or PURCHASE AGREEMENT
- LIEN ENTRY FORM (if you are making payments)
- LIEN RELEASE FORM (if previous owner had lien)

**\*TRIBAL MEMBER MUST BE PRESENT FOR ALL NEW REGISTRATIONS\***

**Note:** You may be asked to provide supporting documentation for verification purposes.

## RENEWALS

- VALID OKLAHOMA DRIVER'S LICENSE
- VALID OKLAHOMA INSURANCE
- CDIB/ENROLLMENT CARD
- PREVIOUS YEARS REGISTRATION

**\*ANYONE MAY COME RENEW THE VEHICLE AS LONG AS THEY HAVE THE ABOVE LISTED DOCUMENTS FOR THE TRIBAL MEMBER\***

## TAG PRICES

1-4 YEARS	\$85
5-8 YEARS	\$75
9-12 YEARS	\$55
13-16 YEARS	\$35
17- OVER YEARS	\$15

## PENALTY

\$0.25 A DAY



# Absentee Shawnee Housing Authority

**EXISTING TO SERVE NATIVE AMERICAN FAMILIES HOUSING NEED WITHIN THE COMMUNITY**



## CURRENT PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

- LEASE TO OWN HOMES
- LOW RENT HOUSING
- DOWN PAYMENT & CLOSING ASSISTANCE
- STORM SHELTER ASSISTANCE
- COLLEGE HOUSING ASSISTANCE
- EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR
- TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
- OVER-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING

## FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SERVICES

**PLEASE CALL (405) 273-1050 OR COME BY THE OFFICE LOCATED AT 107 NORTH KIMBERLY IN SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA.**

**WEBSITE: WWW.ASHOUSINGAUTHORITY.COM**

### ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEPARTMENT

#### Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advocacy

The AST Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Programs are on-call 24 hours per day to provide emotional support, advocacy and crisis counseling to survivors at hospitals, police stations and throughout the legal system. The programs also serve as a resource center to the community by offering educational information and referrals.

#### Transitional Housing

The AST DV Transitional Housing Program serves victims of Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault. Participants have up to six months to obtain education and job skills needed to begin a new life.

#### Court Advocacy

Assists survivors with domestic violence court related costs (when funding is available) and appearances as well as filing for emergency protective orders (EPO) or restraining orders.

#### Shelter Placement Assistance

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Domestic Violence Program works with other shelters within Oklahoma in order to help victims obtain safe housing. Emergency transportation for the victim and children may also be available.

#### Housing and Utility Assistance

Assists victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or dating violence in emergency situations. This assistance may allow for a victim to either receive housing or utility assistance.

#### Referral Assistance

Assists with providing community resources to those who are in need of additional services outside the scope of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Domestic Violence Program.

#### Community Outreach

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Domestic Violence Program offers educational trainings, informational displays, and community events in order to provide more awareness to both Tribal and Non-Tribal communities.

For any questions regarding any of the above services please contact the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Domestic Violence staff at (405) 273-2888.

### 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:

<b>Shawnee Main Office: Enrollment Manager-</b> Sherry Marsh (405) 275-4870 878-5820 1535 N McKinley, Shawnee 74801 McKinley, Shawnee 74801 sherrym@ctsahheadstart.org	<b>Shawnee Center: Center Supervisor-</b> Stacey Osborne (405) 1533 N McKinley, Shawnee 74801
---	--

<b>Cushing Center: Center Supervisor-</b> Wava Anderson (918) 225-1029 (405) 447-0381 111 W Vine, Cushing 74023 Norman 73069	<b>Norman Center: Center Supervisor-</b> Amy Porter 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 COUNTRIES:  
POTTAWATOMIE, PAYNE, LINCOLN, & CLEVELAND  
NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAM (ALL ACCEPTED)**



# September



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>CLASSES</b>	<b>CLASSES</b>	<b>CLASSES</b>	<b>CLASSES</b>	<b>CLASSES</b>
<u>Cardio Kickboxing</u> 6:15 a.m.-7:00 a.m. Chrissy Wiens Little Axe Resource Center	<u>Circuit Training</u> 6:15 a.m.-7:00 a.m. Chrissy Wiens Little Axe Resource Center	<u>Zumba Fitness</u> 6:15 a.m.-7:00 a.m. Chrissy Wiens Little Axe Resource Center	<u>Circuit Training</u> 6:15 a.m.-7:00 a.m. Chrissy Wiens Little Axe Resource Center	<u>Cardio Kickboxing</u> 6:15 a.m.-7:00 a.m. Chrissy Wiens Little Axe Resource Center
		<u>Cardio Kickboxing</u> 12:00 p.m.-12:45 p.m. Chrissy Wiens LITTLE AXE HEALTH FACILITY		
				<u>Full Body Strength</u> 2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m. Buster Bread LITTLE AXE HEALTH FACILITY
<u>Circuit Training</u> 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Buster Bread Little Axe Resource Center		<u>Circuit Training</u> 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Buster Bread Little Axe Resource Center	<u>Circuit Training</u> 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Buster Bread Little Axe Resource Center	

## Fitness sessions will be available every Friday at the Little Axe Health Center

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



"Zumba Fitness"- Fitness, fun, and dance. Learn Zumba dance moves to get your heart rate pumping!

"Chair Exercise for Elders"- Low-impact strength training utilizing a chair for elders and beginner fitness levels.



"Full Body Strength"- Traditional strength training to improve muscular strength and fitness.

### Absentee Shawnee Fitness

### Diabetes and Wellness

### Interconnected Living & Wellness - what does this mean to you?

Interconnected living & wellness care is what our AST Health System strives to offer our patients by providing various services in one location. We recognize that good health is inter-related by multiple facets of daily life – physical, emotional, spiritual, occupational, social and environmental elements. These 7 categories are known as the seven dimensions of wellness and just like the domino effect all interact and affect each other in some way or another. That's why your AST Health System stands unique in that it provides one convenient location to address all these important factors of your life!

Your wellness holds the utmost importance to us and in acknowledging, "the whole person, not the parts" we as your health providers are able to care for you as a caring and collaborating team. So moving forward, we here at the Health System and at the Diabetes & Wellness Program wish you good health & wellness in all elements of your life and stand to serve you as a whole.

**Be Well.**

**For more information on the Diabetes & Wellness Program &/or to schedule an appointment please contact us at 701-7977. We are here for you!**

*For further reading on this subject and management tips on the 7 dimensions of wellness please reference the following:*

7 Dimensions of Wellness: A holistic approach to health

By: Amy Green Published: 6/1/2016

<http://www.alive.com/health/seven-dimensions-of-wellness/>

## THANK YOU NOTE

The family of Edward “Ed” Elephant, Jr. gives their thanks to all that provided flowers, food, monetary gifts, cards, and condolences. Special thanks to Social Services for their assistance in processing the food voucher and maintenance dept. for their efforts in the grave site preparation, furnishing and setting up the chairs and canopies as well as ensuring we had timely access to Horse Shoe Bend community building.

## 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>.**

# Care on your schedule, that's the Plus.



A N A F T E R H O U R S A C U T E C A R E F A C I L I T Y

### HOURS OF OPERATION:

9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday – Friday

9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday – Sunday

9 a.m. -5 p.m. Holidays

(except Thanksgiving & Christmas)

PlusCare will be closed the first Wednesday of the month from noon-5 p.m.

First appointment – 9 a.m.

Last appointment – 8:30 p.m. Monday – Friday

Last appointment – 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

Minor illnesses and injuries – an earache, a sprain, the flu – can sneak up on you. That's why PlusCare provides medical services for non-emergency conditions on a same-day, no-appointment necessary basis. PlusCare is available to AST tribal members and other IHS-eligible Native Americans who are ages two years and older.

At PlusCare, we're dedicated to providing high-quality, clinic-based health care to members of our community. **On evenings. On weekends. This is all for you.**



## PLUSCARE

LI-SI-WI-NWI HEALTH, INC.

Prevention. Progress. Pride.

Accredited by  
**AAAHC**  
ACCREDITATION ASSOCIATION  
for AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE, INC.

15702 East State Highway 9 • Norman, OK 73026  
Phone: 405.447.0477 Fax: 405.366.8996

WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG

# There is a welcoming place for women.



Studies show that women tend to ignore their own health while taking care of children and partners. But how can you take care of them if you don't take care of you? **Breast and pelvic exams, mammography referrals, bone density screenings and adult immunizations** are beyond important. They make you healthier. Better. More able to do the hard work that women do.

**LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER**  
15951 Little Axe Dr.  
Norman, OK 73026  
405.447.0300

**SHAWNEE CLINIC**  
2029 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.878.5850 • 1.877.878.4702 (Toll-free)



## PHARMACY SERVICES

### Your health is our first order.

Prescriptions, medical supplies, helpful advice. The trained pharmacists and supportive staff at each of our AST pharmacy locations are happy to serve you in person or on the phone.

Please allow 24 hours for refills. When you call for refills, have your medication numbers ready and use our automated system. If you'd like to receive a text when medications are ready, share your current cell phone number with a pharmacy staff member. It's also important to let us know about changes in address, phone numbers, insurance and other contact information.



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.



WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG

**LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER**  
15951 Little Axe Drive  
Norman, OK 73026  
**405.292.9530**

**Lobby:**  
Mon – Fri 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Regular Drive-thru:**  
Mon – Fri 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Extended Hours Drive-thru\*:**  
Mon – Fri 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sat – Sun 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Holidays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*(excluding Thanksgiving & Christmas)*

\*Extended Hours Rx Drive-Thru is available ONLY for PlusCare Clinic prescriptions and AST member emergency room visit fills.

**SHAWNEE CLINIC**  
2029 South Gordon Cooper Drive  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
**405.878.5859**

**Regular Hours:**  
Mon – Fri 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Extended Hours\*:**  
Mon – Fri 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Closed Sundays & Holidays  
\*Extended Hours Rx is available ONLY for Extended Hours Clinic prescriptions and AST member emergency room visit fills.

*Both pharmacies are closed the first Wednesday of every month from Noon-5 p.m.*

### 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 615 West Main Street, Norman, OK



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.



WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

### A guiding hand on your shoulder.

Life comes with its share of challenges. As individuals, family members, friends, there are times when we all need some help to clear our minds and better the days ahead. The resources are here; the people are kind. If you need us, please call us, **8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.**

**LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER**  
15951 Little Axe Dr.  
Norman, OK 73026  
405.447.0300

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
Rolanda Smith 405.701.7987

**SHAWNEE CLINIC**  
2029 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
405.878.5850 • 1.877.878.4702 (Toll-free)

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
Roberta Cooper 405.878.4716

Services available for all Federally Recognized Tribes.



WWW.ASTHEALTH.ORG

# HEALTH BOARD

There will be (2) two positions up for renew or new appointment on Health Board, if you wish to be considered for these openings, please submit contact information, attach a cover letter and resume to AST Secretary-2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive Shawnee, Ok 74801. You may submit all documents by e-mail to [secretary@astribe.com](mailto:secretary@astribe.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CDIB#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Sec. 4 Qualifications:

At Least (2) two Directors must be AST Tribal members (18 years or older) with Health care experience. All others Directors must have sufficient professional experience in various fields (e.g. business, accounting, public service, law, administration, etc.) to contribute productively to the operation of the Board. All appointees are subject to a background check. No employee or staff member of the Absentee Shawnee tribal health care system may simultaneously serve on the Board.

## 2016 Employee BLS HCP CPR



Date	Time	Location
January 19, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
February 2, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
March 8, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
April 12, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
May 10, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
<del>June 14, 2016</del>	<del>09:00am to 12:00pm</del>	<del>Conference Room B</del>
July 12, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
August 9, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
September 13, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
October 11, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
November 8, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B
December 6, 2016	09:00am to 12:00pm	Conference Room B

Please call Kathy at 7997 or email me at [kheldenbrand@astribe.com](mailto:kheldenbrand@astribe.com) or  
Call Gloria at 7600 or email her at [gseeley@astribe.com](mailto:gseeley@astribe.com) or  
Call Deidre at 7190 or email her at [dyarbrough@astribe.com](mailto:dyarbrough@astribe.com)

# O I L S

Oklahoma Indian Legal Services will be at the Tribal Court House, Bldg. #3 each month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

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

U.S. Department of Justice

The Tribal Justice Strategic Planning Committee is initiating the submission of the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) Survey in this month's issue. This survey will help programs under the tribes Justice Services to implement a strategic plan. This is not only for those specific programs but for the tribal community itself. We are asking you, as tribal members, for your input on what you see as needs within your respective communities.

The CTAS Grant award was given to assist the tribe to get a better picture of what is needed within the Tribal Justice System and get community input to enhance the programs under TJS. The grant supports the process of data collection on determined needs within the community and tribal programs.

Please take some time to review the survey and think about your community concerns, strengths and weaknesses. A mail out to all eligible tribal members is forthcoming and your input would be greatly appreciated. Please be advised that any information obtained through this survey will be subject to the confidentiality as is allowed for under the Privacy Act and will not be disclosed outside of the survey.

We will also have a table set up during the October General Council and you are more than welcome to complete the survey there. A completed survey received at the Tribal Council Meeting will make you eligible to receive a raffle ticket for items donated from different programs and the TJSP Committee.

If you have any questions regarding the survey or would like to fill one out over the phone, please feel free to contact Gea Aitkens, CTAS Project Coordinator, at (405) 275-4030 ext. 6263.

**Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation  
CTAS PA #2 Survey**

We are conducting a survey to learn how the CTAS Purpose Area #2 Strategic Planning Team can best serve the needs of tribal members. I would like to ask your opinions about crime and other issues that we are trying to address in the community. This survey is for research purposes only. Your participation in this survey is voluntary and your responses will be kept anonymous and confidential. This means that your responses to the survey cannot be directly associated to you in any way. You may choose to end the survey at any time and you may also refuse to respond to a question.

Would you like to participate?

- If yes, begin with the questions below.
- If no, Thank you for your time

**The Community**

What is your relationship to the Absentee-Shawnee tribe (circle one)?

- 1 – Tribal member living within the tribal land boundary
- 2 – Tribal member living on another tribe's land
- 3 – Tribal member living on non-tribal land
- 4 – Member of another Nation living within the tribal land boundary
- If yes, which Nation? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 – Member of another Nation married to a tribal member
- If yes, which Nation? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 – Non-Indian married to a tribal member
- 7 – Non-Indian living within the tribal land boundary
- 8 – Non-Indian living outside the tribal land boundary but employed on tribal land or having regular business on tribal land
- 9 – Other \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you lived/worked on tribal land?  
If less than 1, put 0 \_\_\_\_\_

**Community Problems/Safety**

If the respondent lives on tribal land: Please tell me whether you feel safe, unsafe, or neutral in the following locations:

	1 – Safe	2 – Neutral/no opinion	3 – Unsafe
	Circle one		
In your home	1	2	3
On the roads	1	2	3
Other areas of tribal land	1	2	3
Border areas outside tribal land	1	2	3

Now I am going to ask you some questions about issues facing tribal members. After each issue, tell me whether you think it is a (circle one):

	1 – Big problem	2 – Minor problem	3 – Not a problem	99 – Don't know
Public drinking/intoxication	1	2	3	99
Alcohol abuse	1	2	3	99
Drug abuse	1	2	3	99
Drug dealing/sales	1	2	3	99
Gangs	1	2	3	99
Theft	1	2	3	99
Assault (fighting, etc.)	1	2	3	99
Domestic violence/family disputes	1	2	3	99
Rape/sexual assault	1	2	3	99
Guns	1	2	3	99
Child abuse/neglect	1	2	3	99
Juvenile delinquency	1	2	3	99
Hunting violations	1	2	3	99
Mental illness	1	2	3	99
Unemployment	1	2	3	99
Property disputes	1	2	3	99

(Including grazing permits and home site leases)

Out of concern for your own safety, do you do any of the following (circle one)?

	1 – Always	2 – Sometimes	3 – Never
Avoid certain parts of the tribal land	1	2	3
Stay in at night	1	2	3
Not travel alone	1	2	3
Carry a weapon	1	2	3
Have someone stay at your home when you're away	1	2	3

Before I ask the following question, I want to stress that all of your responses will be kept confidential and will be used for research purposes only. I'd like to know whether **anyone you know** has been a victim of any of the following crimes **within the last 12 months**. If participant answers "Yes" to any of these questions, ask, "did they know the perp" and "Was the perpetrator under 18 years old?" (Circle one in each column)

	1 – Yes	2 – No	99 – Don't know
	<b>Did they know the Perp</b>		<b>Perp under 18</b>
Robbery	1	2	1 2 99
Burglary of home	1	2	1 2 99
Car theft	1	2	1 2 99
Other property theft	1	2	1 2 99
Identity theft	1	2	1 2 99
Assault	1	2	1 2 99
Domestic violence	1	2	1 2 99
Rape/sexual assault	1	2	1 2 99

**Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation CTAS PA #2 Survey - (Continued)**

Been shot at	1	2	1	2	99
Been stabbed	1	2	1	2	99
Other violent crime (Specify) _____	1	2	1	2	99

Now I would like to know whether **you** have been a victim of any of these crimes **within the last 12 months**. If participant answers "Yes" to any of these questions, ask, "Was the perpetrator under 18 years old?" (circle one in each column)

	1 – Yes	2 – No	99 – Don't know		
				Know the Perp	Perp under 18
Robbery	1	2		1	2
Burglary of home	1	2		1	2
Car theft	1	2		1	2
Other property theft	1	2		1	2
Identity theft	1	2		1	2
Assault	1	2		1	2
Domestic violence	1	2		1	2
Rape/sexual assault	1	2		1	2
Been shot at	1	2		1	2
Been stabbed	1	2		1	2
Other violent crime (specify) _____	1	2		1	2

Now I am going to ask you some questions about additional issues in the tribal community. After each issue, tell me whether you think it is a (circle one):

	1 – Big problem	2 – Minor problem	3 – Not a problem	99 – Don't know
Garbage removal	1	2	3	99
Littering	1	2	3	99
Roads needing repairs	1	2	3	99
Poor road lighting	1	2	3	99
Abandoned buildings	1	2	3	99
Graffiti	1	2	3	99
Needed repairs to homes	1	2	3	99
Electricity	1	2	3	99
Plumbing	1	2	3	99
Transportation to services	1	2	3	99
Panhandlers	1	2	3	99
Shoplifting	1	2	3	99
Illegal dumping	1	2	3	99
Prostitution	1	2	3	99
Vandalism	1	2	3	99
HIV and AIDS	1	2	3	99
Homelessness	1	2	3	99
Suicide	1	2	3	99

What would you identify as the strengths of the tribal community (circle one)?

	1 – Strong	2 – OK	3 – Weak	99 – Don't know
Young people in the community	1	2	3	99
Older people in the community	1	2	3	99
Religious institutions	1	2	3	99
Health clinics/medical centers	1	2	3	99
Schools	1	2	3	99
Afterschool programs	1	2	3	99
Recreational centers	1	2	3	99
Parks/public areas	1	2	3	99
Social service agencies	1	2	3	99
Outpatient substance abuse services	1	2	3	99
Inpatient substance abuse programs	1	2	3	99
Mental health services	1	2	3	99
Culturally-based supportive services	1	2	3	99
Other: _____				

Have you personally used or had a case processed through this community's tribal courts?

1 – Yes                      2 – No

If yes, what type of case was it? (circle all that apply)

- 1 – Criminal case (e.g., drugs, alcohol, assault, theft, domestic violence)
- 2 – Family dispute (e.g., divorce, separation, spousal support)
- 3 – Child case (e.g., custody, child support, neglect, abuse, delinquency)
- 4 – Housing case
- 5 – Domestic violence
- 6 – Hunting or other environmental regulation
- 7 – Other civil matter (e.g., enrollment dispute, contract, will/inheritance)
- 8 – Property disputes (e.g., grazing permits, home site leases)

9 – Peacemaking – If peacemaking, indicate whether the case was (circle one):

a – referred to peacemaking by a judge

b – a walk-in case

10 – Other: \_\_\_\_\_

When you used or had a case processed through a tribal court, how would you characterize your experience? (circle one)

1 – Positive                      2 – Neutral                      3 – Negative

Have you ever observed or participated in a court hearing in a non-tribal court?

1 – Yes                      2 – No

If the respondent answered "yes" to the previous TWO questions, [ask]: Which court hearing did you find to be more consistent with tribal culture and values?

1 – Tribal court                      2 – Non-tribal court

In your opinion, what level of priority should the (name of planning group) give to each of the following types of cases/issues? (Circle one)

1 – Highest Priority                      2 – High Priority                      3 – Medium Priority  
4 – Low Priority                      5 – Lowest Priority                      99 – Don't Know

Public alcohol use	1	2	3	4	5	99
Drug abuse	1	2	3	4	5	99
Drug dealing/sales	1	2	3	4	5	99
Gang activity	1	2	3	4	5	99
Assault/fighting	1	2	3	4	5	99
Domestic violence	1	2	3	4	5	99
Rape/sexual assault	1	2	3	4	5	99
Harassment	1	2	3	4	5	99
Theft	1	2	3	4	5	99
Child abuse/neglect	1	2	3	4	5	99
Juvenile delinquency	1	2	3	4	5	99
Hunting violations	1	2	3	4	5	99
Littering/dumping	1	2	3	4	5	99
Property disputes	1	2	3	4	5	99
Family law	1	2	3	4	5	99
Other: _____	1	2	3	4	5	99

In your opinion, how important are each of the following features of a tribal court system? (circle one)

1 – Very important                      99 – Don't know  
2 – Somewhat important  
3 – Not important

Access to representation by trained lawyers	1	2	3	99
Right to be heard by a judge	1	2	3	99
Judges who are trained lawyers	1	2	3	99
Judges who have cultural background/awareness	1	2	3	99
Formal court rules (like rules of evidence)	1	2	3	99
A "typical" courtroom that includes a judge's bench, areas for the plaintiff and defendant, a jury box, a gallery for observers, etc.	1	2	3	99
The ability to represent yourself without a lawyer	1	2	3	99
The ability to be represented by a non-lawyer in court (for example: court advocate, family member, tribal elder)	1	2	3	99
The availability of alternative methods of dispute resolution (for example: peacemaking, mediation)	1	2	3	99
A court system that uses unwritten tribal customs and traditions when making decisions	1	2	3	99
A focus on punishment for wrongdoers	1	2	3	99

**Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation CTAS PA #2 Survey - (Continued)**

A focus on community restoration and  
Healing instead of punishment 1 2 3 99

What services would you like to see the tribal courts provide more of in the future?

---



---



---

**Youth**

Let's talk about youth crime and other youth issues that may exist in the tribal community. After each issue, tell me whether it is a:

1 – Big problem      2 – Minor problem      3 – Not a problem      99 – Don't know

Alcohol use	1	2	3	99
Drug dealing/sales	1	2	3	99
Drug use	1	2	3	99
Fighting	1	2	3	99
Vandalism	1	2	3	99
Disorderly conduct	1	2	3	99
Loitering	1	2	3	99
Bullying (online or in person)	1	2	3	99
Gang activity	1	2	3	99
Rape/sexual assault	1	2	3	99
Dating violence	1	2	3	99
Truancy (kids not in school)	1	2	3	99
Using weapons	1	2	3	99
HIV and AIDS	1	2	3	99
STD's/STI's	1	2	3	99
Unintended pregnancies	1	2	3	99
Lack of after-school programs	1	2	3	99
Lack of educational supports	1	2	3	99
Lack of mentoring	1	2	3	99
Unsafe homes	1	2	3	99
Lack of job training	1	2	3	99
Other: _____	1	2	3	99

**Community Conflict**

How much of a problem are the following disputes in the community?

1 – Big problem      2 – Minor problem      3 – Not a problem      99 – Don't know

Between members of the same family	1	2	3	99
Between members of different families	1	2	3	99
Between neighbors	1	2	3	99
Between tribal members and non-members	1	2	3	99
Between strangers	1	2	3	99

Have you been involved in any of the following disputes in the past 12 months?

1 – Yes      2 – No      99 – No answer/Don't know

Between members of the same family	1	2	3	99
Between members of different families	1	2	3	99
Between neighbors	1	2	3	99
Between tribal members and non-members	1	2	3	99
Between strangers	1	2	3	99

Has anyone you know been involved in any of the following disputes in the past 12 months?

1 –Yes      2 – No      99 – No answer/Don't know

Between members of the same family	1	2	3	99
Between members of different families	1	2	3	99
Between neighbors	1	2	3	99
Between tribal members and non-members	1	2	3	99

Between strangers 1 2 3 99

In the future, would you refer these disputes to a free service that offers alternative (non-court) dispute resolution?

1 – Yes      2 – No

If "No" : Why not?

---



---



---

**Demographics**

1 – Male  
2 – Female

How old are you?  
1 – 17 years or younger  
2 – 18-24 years  
3 – 25-45 years  
4 – 46-60 years  
5 – 61+ years

What racial group do you consider yourself a part of? [optional]  
1 – Native American  
2 – White/Caucasian  
3 – Black/African American  
4 – Hispanic/Latino  
5 – Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your primary language?  
1 – Indigenous/native language speaker  
2 – English  
3 – Other

Where do you currently live?  
1 – Your own home  
2 – A home/apartment that you rent (on your own or with others)  
3 – Living with family or friend in their space  
4 – Shelter/temporary housing  
5 – Homeless

Have you been employed within the past six months?  
1 – Yes  
2 – No

Have you ever been interviewed for this survey before?  
1 – Yes  
2 – No  
99 – Don't know

Other comments:

## Twila Parker Future Vision

Hello, Tribal members!

As many of you may have heard I protested and then disputed the June 18th election. At this time I cannot go into any of the details as to why I challenged the election process but only that I found it necessary. The court system will look to resolve that dispute on August 30th and then I will share that story with you. Regardless of the outcome of the election I plan on staying busy within the tribe and our tribal communities. This month I took part in a number of informational meetings such as: White Turkey Band; Little Axe Chamber of Commerce; Picnic at the tribal complex; Health Board(s) - Little Axe; funeral of a tribal member; tribal elders - Resource Center; CBPN Arena - Flag Ceremony Absentee Shawnee Veterans Assoc.; CTAS Committee; Brad Hicklin, County Commissioner District 1; Community Activities - Johnson; a participant in the Citizen Band Potawatomi Nation Muscular Dystrophy Association Lock-Up Fundraiser; Cannabis Research Committee.

As I look back on my 30 plus years of work experience at the U.S. Post Office I think how important it was then and is now to have policies and procedures in place so that a system has structure and provides a foundation to build on and grow with. I have found procedures especially important during the time I served in the military. It was crucial that we follow both the established line of authority and the procedures we learned as it could mean life or death. I draw on those life experiences and my academic ones where a professor gave us a syllabus (like an agenda of what would occur during the course of the school semester) and expected us to follow the procedures it outlined.

So, what do I mean by 'Procedure'? Let's look at what the Merriam Webster dictionary defines it as. It states it is a series of steps followed in a regular, definite order. As I have worked in and with the tribe on projects, committees and as an employee I have found that we have no consistency in how we operate and do the business of the tribe. As an example, the Administrative Systems Manual was put into place to provide elected officials, departments and staff a tool to follow. Over the course of time the Administrative Systems Manual has been updated inconsistently and not necessarily in alignment with the procedures of each department as they grow and change. This Manual if appropriately maintained could make a difference in how the tribe does business and improve the quality of life for employees and tribal members.

This isn't the fault of a single person or of one elected leader or even of one administration. It is about us owning up to the reason we are not making progress throughout the tribe and then working to change that. Previous leadership administrations have shared with me that they intended to change procedures, they meant to amend the constitution to where it represented the growth of our tribe, they understood and challenged the inconsistencies in the election ordinances yet other priorities kept coming up. It is my hope that the tribes leadership, regardless of who they may be, will make needed changes. They will correct the inconsistencies and put procedures in place that will assist our tribe in its growth and development.

Thank you for your vote in June and I hope you will join with me today and tomorrow to make a difference and offer transparency on how it is being done!

### **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 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT MONTH**

***UNFORTUNATELY, WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT ONE PICTURE PER BIRTHDAY PERSON,  
NOT PER BIRTHDAY WISH.***

# ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL MEMBERS

## 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](http://www.astribe.com)

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

### Office of Environmental Health & Engineering

#### •Tribal Housing Improvements Application

The Tribal Housing Improvement Program's goal is providing sanitary, safe, and decent housing for its members by utilizing the following criteria to select the most "in need" tribal members with homes that are in disrepair but are still suitable for rehabilitation. All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and criteria which is approved by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

THIP list all applicants by a priority list:

- a. Handicapped/Disabled and Elderly
- b. Income
- c. Family Size/Overcrowded Living Conditions
- d. Condition of Home

Other Programs available:

#### •Sanitation Facilities Assistance Program

Applications need to be completed and all necessary documents attached before the application will be processed.

Applications are available online on the website:  
[www.astribe.com](http://www.astribe.com).

Submit completed application to:

**Office of Environmental Health & Engineering  
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma  
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.  
Shawnee, OK 74801**

Absentee Shawnee Tribe Complex  
Office of Environmental Health & Engineering, Building 13  
If you have any questions, you can reach us by phone at  
(405) 214-4235



### 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](http://www.astribe.com) and at the OEH&E building.





## Office of Environmental Health **Brownfield Response Program**

### What is a Brownfield?



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.”



### Do you possibly have a Brownfield site on your land?

#### 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

**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

*Follow us on Facebook to view and comment on current and upcoming projects*

[www.facebook.com/  
ast.environmental.programs](http://www.facebook.com/ast.environmental.programs)



The AST Contract Health Services Team is here to assist you.

Please follow the CHS guidelines.  
Keep a copy on hand  
and update your information.

## 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 may 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 CHS office or the 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.  
  
For new AST tribal members, to become established for CHS services, please make an appointment to see the New Patient Coordinator/PBA 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.

## EASY ACCESS

Contract Health Services is conveniently located in Little Axe Health Center and in Shawnee Clinic, Building 16.

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday  
Closed on Holidays

All facilities closed the first Wednesday of the month from Noon to 5pm.

## 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.  
  
For new AST tribal members, to become established for CHS services, please make an appointment to see the New Patient Coordinator/PBA 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 CMMR 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.

## IMPORTANT CONTACTS

### BILLING & PAYMENT INQUIRIES

*Little Axe Health Center & Shawnee Clinic*

**Glendine Blanchard**, CHS Coordinator/RN  
**Darla Gatzman**, CH Technician  
**Chelle Foreman**, Medical Claims Examiner  
**Lena Carol**, CH Technician  
**Brenda White-Valdez**, CH Technician

### REFERRAL MANAGEMENT

*Little Axe Health Center*

**Debi Sloat**, CHS Coordinator/RN  
**Sharon Littlecreek**, Patient Care Manager/LPN  
**Jayne Werst**, CH Specialist, Medicaid Patients  
**Kelly Armstrong**, CH Specialist, IHS Patients/LPN  
**Dana Medina**, CH Technician  
**Melinda Ferrell**, PBA, Dental Referrals

### REFERRAL MANAGEMENT

*Shawnee Clinic*

**Flo Mann**, CH Specialist, AST Patients/LPN  
**Laurie Webber**, CH Specialist, IHS Patients/LPN  
**Carrie Stanley**, CH Specialist, Medicaid patients/  
Medical Assistant

### LITTLE AXE HEALTH CENTER CHS

**405.701.7951** (Please follow voice prompts)  
**405.447.0300** (Secondary)

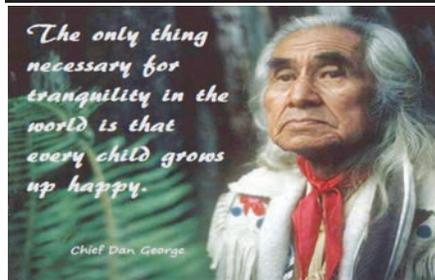
### SHAWNEE CLINIC CHS

**405.878.5850** (Primary)  
**405.878.4702** (Secondary)



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.

# 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 which in helps 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? Will you, as Absentee Shawnee member, do your part if you are able?

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FOSTER PARENT, PLEASE CONTACT JULIANN WILSON ICW/CPS/FOSTER CARE AT 275-4030, EXT. 133.**

Racial disproportionality is defined as the over-or under-representation of certain groups (e.g. racial/ethnic, gender, age) relative to the group's proportion in the general population. Reports conducted in 2008 showed that, compared to other groups, Native American children were:

- 3 times more likely to be referred to CPS
- 1.6 times more likely to be removed from their biological homes
- Twice as likely to remain in foster care for over two years
- Less likely to be adopted and more likely to be in guardianships
- Less likely to be reunited with their biological parents

The sad reality is that there are not enough culturally appropriate homes for these children, resulting in the placement of Native American children in homes that do not share their cultural heritage or traditions. We want to place "our tribal" children in our own homes, to do this we need tribal members to open their homes and their hearts. Are you willing to open your heart? Are you willing to open your home?

If so, please contact Julie Wilson ICW/FC/CPS 878-4702 (ext. 133).



**GOT LOVE?**

**FOSTER A CHILD**

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)

**"I don't *want* a family. I *need* one."**  
- Current Waiting Child

**<<<NOTICE>>>**  
Currently there are three (3) openings on the Foster Care Board. If you are interested in serving on the board, send your letter of interest to Secretary Dawsey at the Tribal Complex, 2025 S. Gordon Cooper Dr., Shawnee, OK 73801.

## 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.

## ZIKA TESTING INFORMATION

The AST Health System has had several patients inquiring about Zika testing.

Unfortunately, we cannot test everyone who just wants to be tested to be on the "safe side" or due to concerns because of travel and desire to try and have children now.

We are not able to test for this virus in house, nor does the outside lab we use - test for this virus. The only testing source available to us is through the OK State Health Department. We have to follow their guidelines on submission of samples for testing.

The criteria per the OK State Health Department is as follows:

### 1. Symptomatic and travel history:

- **Two or more** of the following symptoms: **acute fever, rash, arthralgia, conjunctivitis**

**AND**

- Travel to a Zika-affected area within 2 weeks prior to symptom onset. Countries at risk for Zika transmission can be **determined by accessing** the following website: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-travel-information>

**AND**

- Specimen can be collected within 12 weeks of travel

**- OR -**

### 2. Pregnant woman with travel history:

- Symptomatic or asymptomatic pregnant woman

**AND**

- Travel to a Zika-affected area while pregnant (specimen **must be** collected **within 2 to 12 weeks** after returning from travel in order to be eligible for testing).

**- OR -**

### 3. Pregnant woman with no travel history (concern for sexual transmission):

- Symptomatic pregnant woman

**AND**

- No travel to a Zika-affected area while pregnant

**AND**

- Reports unprotected sex with male partner who traveled to a Zika-affected area (**specimen must be collected within 12 weeks after male partner's departure from a Zika-affected country in order to be eligible for testing**).

A packet of information has to be filled out to determine eligibility for testing, this information is shared by the OSHD. OSHD makes the determination on whether or not the patient meets the criteria and approves for the specimen to be shipped to the OSHD to be tested.

There is no specific medicine for Zika treatment is to ease the symptoms of the disease.

Currently Oklahoma has had 13 cases and all of them are linked back to travel outside the Oklahoma area.

Prevention is the key at this point. Prevent mosquito bites, refrain from traveling to areas with known Zika warnings, prevent the spread of virus through sex by using condoms from start to finish every time during vaginal, anal and oral sex while and after their symptoms end.

Discuss pregnancy planning with your healthcare provider

•Women and their partners should discuss pregnancy planning with a trusted doctor or other healthcare provider.

•Women who want to get pregnant should talk with their healthcare provider about their goals for having children.

•They should also talk with their healthcare provider about the potential risk of Zika virus infection during pregnancy as well as their partner's potential exposures to Zika virus.

•As part of counseling with healthcare providers, some women and their partners living in areas with Zika might decide to delay pregnancy.

•The recommended times to wait before trying to get pregnant, based on whether either partner has had symptoms, are described below:

[How Long To Wait Before Trying To Have A Baby When Living In An Area With Zika Transmission](#)

	<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>
Zika symptoms	at least 8-weeks after symptoms	at least 6-months after symptoms start
No Zika symptoms	Talk with Doctor or healthcare provider	Talk with Doctor or healthcare provider

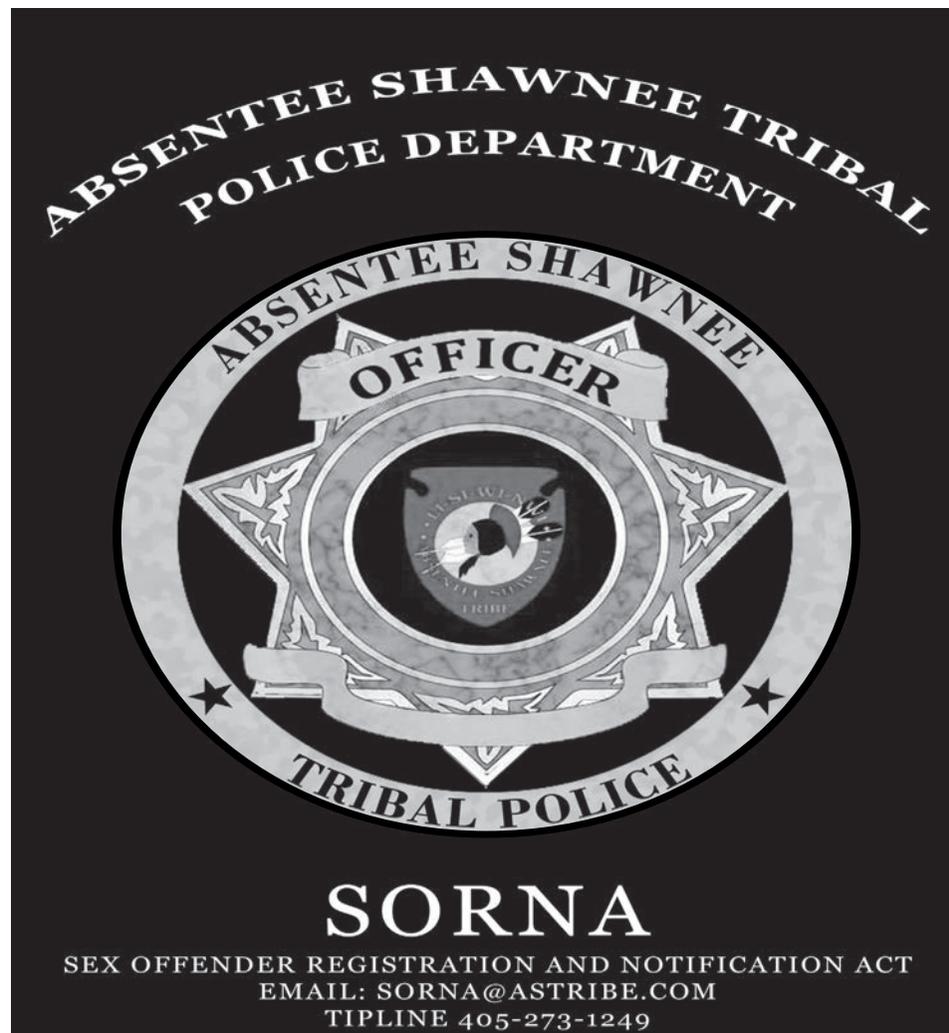
Women who do not want to get pregnant should talk with their doctor or healthcare provider about ways to prevent unintended pregnancy, including birth control methods. Women should consider safety, effectiveness, availability, and acceptability when choosing a birth control method.

If you or your partner becomes pregnant, talk with your doctor.

MICHELLE WOLLENZIN, MSN, RN  
Health Quality Director



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL  
**HEALTH SYSTEM**  
Prevention. Progress. Pride.



# SCRABBLE CLUB

Wordy people, unite! Challenge fellow wordsmiths to a lively game of Scrabble and keep your vocabulary honed.

Every 4th Tuesday of the month from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Games supplies provided

For Adults



DEL CITY LIBRARY | 4509 SE 15th | 672-1377 | WWW.METROLIBRARY.ORG

# SCIENCE SUNDAYS



Join us as we build and learn about science with hands-on experiments and takeaways! Parents encouraged to participate!

January 3 - Electricity & Magnetism  
February 7 - Machines  
March 6 - The Sound of Science  
April 3 - Air Pressure  
May 1 - Bubble Science  
June 5 - Fossils

July 3 - Rocketry  
August 7 - Science of Magic  
September 11 - Engineering  
October 2 - Spooky Science  
November 6 - Polymer Science  
December 4 - Temperature



DEL CITY LIBRARY • 4509 SE 15th • 672-1377 • www.metrolibrary.org

# Children Reading to Dogs

EVERY 2nd & 4th THURSDAY 6:30PM

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30PM for Children Reading to Dogs! Children will develop their reading skills and make a lifelong friend by reading to trained therapy dogs. All dogs and owners have completed therapy dog certification.



DEL CITY LIBRARY • 4509 SE 15th • 672-1377 • www.metrolibrary.org



Absentee Shawnee Tribe Of Oklahoma  
After School Program - Shawnee  
2025 S. Gordon Cooper  
Shawnee, OK 74801  
P: (405) 878-0633 F: (405) 878-0156



The AST After School Program (ASP) - Shawnee has opened as of August 13, 2015. We will be accepting children who are in Kindergarten up to 12 years of age. We will be able to pick up from Shawnee or Tecumseh schools only. The cost is \$25 per child per week. This fee will be able to help with transportation costs, snacks and supplies the children may need.

We will only be open when the schools are open. At this time we will not provide services for school breaks including fall, winter, spring and summer breaks. The ASP-Shawnee will have tutors on hand to provide assistance with homework. We do have spots available; if you are interested please feel free to contact Briana Ponkilla at [Briana.ponkilla@astribe.com](mailto:Briana.ponkilla@astribe.com) or (405) 878-0633.



# Little Axe After School Program 2015-2016

Come join us at the AST Resource Center!!!



- Free Tutoring in all subjects!
- Games and activities!
- Delinquency Prevention!
- Healthy Lifestyles!



Open to **All Middle School and High School Students**

Open to **Absentee Shawnee Tribal Students K-5 with a C.D.I.B.**



Everything is offered with no charge....Little Axe bus will transport students to the AST Resource Center on Peebly Road and parents are responsible for picking students up by 6:00pm.

Duration: Starts August 31st and will run through the school year. Monday-Thursday, 2:45pm-6:00pm



For more information and sign up please contact Blake Goodman at (405) 364-7569



Get the Party Started!



You can earn 10, 15, 20 percent or more in **FREE**† Mary Kay® products.

†Based on the actual sales total and the number of bookings from your event to use toward your choice of Mary Kay® products.

Party with a company women trust.

Creating products women love for over 45 years.



Get a **\$40** gift of beauty.

A good buy gets every woman's attention, especially when she can get \$75\* in the Mary Kay® products she loves for just \$35 when she hosts a party.

\*Suggested retail

Give the gift of girl time.

Pamper your friends with the feel-good fun of a Mary Kay® party.

It's all about you!

- Enjoy the personal attention.
- Receive a one-on-one consultation.
- Get skin care recommendations.



Contact me to find out more!

Delana Ayers  
405-432-7405

<http://www.marykay.com/dayers4>

Party With a Cause

Host a party that benefits your favorite charity.



METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM PRESENTS:

Family Craft night

Get Your Craft On!

Create memories together with an evening of crafts designed for ages 5-12. All ages welcome.



Every 3rd Thursday of the month @ 6:30p

Del City Library  
4509 SE 15th | 672-1377  
[www.metrolibrary.org](http://www.metrolibrary.org)



April 16: Rainy Day Crafts

May 21: Percussion Instruments

June 18: Summer Fun in the Car

July 16: Crafts that Blast Off

August 20: Back to School Crafts

September 17: Pirate Crafts

October 15: Spooky Crafts

November 19: Squawking Turkey Crafts

December 17: Winter Wonderland Crafts

<b>Gov.</b>	Governor Edwina Butler-Wolfe.....	6308
	Twila Parker.....	6307
	Lesi Shaw.....	6269
<b>Lt. Gov.</b>	Lt. Governor Isaac Gibson.....	6253
	Andy Warrior.....	6309
	Mary Billy.....	6267
	Scott Miller (BIA Spec.).....	6325
<b>Secretary</b>	Secretary John R. Johnson.....	6289
	Alvina Barnes.....	6275
	Jeff Gibson.....	6256
	Treasurer Leah Bates.....	6239
	Donna Longhorn.....	6240
<b>Rep.</b>	Representative Ken Blanchard.....	6287
	Diane Ponkilla.....	6335

<b>FINANCE</b>	Genevieve Foster.....	6282
	Amy Hilderbrand.....	6280
	Courtney Green.....	6300
	Jenny Ware.....	6279
	Holly Davis.....	6265
	David Deer.....	6320
	Twyla Blanchard.....	6233
	Jennifer Hernandez.....	6228
	Shema Lincoln.....	6250
	Viviana Wilhelm.....	6397
	Misty Griffith.....	6290
	Glenna Jones.....	6338
	Sandra Burnett.....	6385
<b>HUMAN RESOURCES</b>	Cheri Hardeman.....	6252
	Elizabeth Clark.....	6296
	Rachael Lankford.....	6222
	Arlene Herrera.....	6346
	Casey Adams.....	6337
<b>ICW</b>	Ronelle Baker.....	6375
	Julie Wilson.....	6376
	.....	6377

<b>PROCUREMENT</b>	Asaycia Clayton.....	6291
	Sheelby Thorpe.....	6244
	Kayla Ketakea.....	6281
<b>REALTY</b>	Cecil Wilson.....	6246
	Lea Tsotaddle.....	6248
	(Probate).....	6247
<b>SOCIAL SERVICES</b>	Annie Wilson (Director).....	6225
<b>TAX COMMISSION / TAG</b>	Alicia Engler.....	6257
	Tara Battise.....	6237
	Shelby Kabalan.....	6258
<b>TERO</b>	Jeff Gibson.....	6284
<b>TITLE VI</b>	Thomasine (Doss) Owings (DIR).....	6227
	Johmie Mae Bettelyoun.....	6272
	Donna Butler.....	6270
	Robert Schoolfield.....	6270
	Ted Watson.....	6270

<b>RECEPTIONIST</b>	Lea Bettelyoun.....	4030
<b>ATTORNEY</b>	Ray Campbell.....	6313
<b>COURT</b>	Kathy Brock (Court Clerk).....	6241
	Jarrod Vasquez.....	6336
<b>CULT. PRES. / GIFT SHOP</b>	Receptionist.....	6243
	Leonard Longhorn.....	6310
	Carol Butler.....	6319
	Colleen Butler.....	6340
	Tracy Wind.....	6324
	(Gift Shop Manager).....	6323
	.....	6245
	Gift Shop.....	6273

<b>LITTLE AXE RESOURCE CENTER</b>	Bucky Little Charley.....	585-8310
	Duke Blanchard.....	585-3669
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	Cecil Walker.....	6316
	Reta Harjo.....	6249
	Stephen Fife.....	6234
	Donna Simon, Sherri Yetter, Isaac Bettelyoun, John Mann, Kevin Kaseca Tom White, Donnie Marshall, Lance Nanaeto, Levi Littlecreek.....	6331
<b>MIS</b>	Rico Coon.....	6328
	Michael Berry.....	6303
	Josh Gibson.....	6329
	Nishant Shrestha.....	6327
<b>OEH</b>	Ken Jones.....	8845
	Jarrod Lloyd.....	8844
	Dakota Blanchard.....	8843
	Evelyn Pabito.....	8847
	Rebecca Diven.....	8848

<b>POLICE DEPT.</b>	.....	275-3200 / 275-3432
	Brad Gaylord (Chief).....	6302
	Ric Mantooth.....	6278
	Richard Reeves.....	6266
	Jason Brinker.....	6259
	Scott Wilson.....	6232
	Steven Crisp.....	6278
	James Woolbright.....	6278
	Travis Dinwiddie.....	6278
	Joseph Abbiss.....	6278

<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTION</b>	Heather Napier.....	6264
<b>DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/FAMILY SERVICES</b>	Kimberly Stephens.....	6277
	Jackie Denny.....	6326
	Linda Gouge (Sexual Assault Adv.).....	6298
	Melissa Lopez.....	6333
	DV Advocate.....	6224
	Lacey Carey.....	6315
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Admin Asst./Rec.....	6255
	Tresha Spoon.....	6242
<b>ELECTION COMMISSION</b>	Emily Longman.....	6271
<b>ENROLLMENT</b>	Joshua Littleaxe.....	6288
<b>HORSE SHOE BEND</b>	(After School Program Director)	
	Edwina Butler-Wolfe.....	6308
	Stuart Rollette.....	585-1346

<b>OTHER ENTITIES &amp; TOLL FREE</b>	All Nations Bank.....	273-0202
	ASEDA.....	878-6782
	Toll Free.....	1-800-256-3341
	Brendle Corner.....	447-3372
	Building Blocks.....	878-0633
	(Billie Thompson, Briana Ponkilla)	
	Housing.....	273-1050
	Human Resources.....	275-1468
	Indian Child Welfare.....	878-4702
	Country Kitchen Restaurant.....	366-7220
	Media.....	598-1279
	(Sherman Tiger, Derek Hilderbrand)	
	OEH/OEP.....	214-4235
	Police Dept.....	275-3200 / 275-3432
	Thunderbird Casino NRM.....	360-9270
	Shawnee Casino.....	273-2679
	Tribal Store (Little Axe).....	364-0668
<b>LITTLE AXE CLINIC</b>	Clinic - Medical.....	447-0300
	After hours.....	447-0498
	Clinic - Dental.....	307-9704
	Diabetes.....	360-0698
	Pharmacy.....	292-9530
	Resource Center.....	364-7298
	(Christy Wrens, Bester Bread, Blake Goodman)	
<b>SHAWNEE CLINIC</b>	Clinic (Bldg. 17).....	878-5850
	Pharmacy.....	878-5859
	Toll free.....	1-866-742-4977

Arrowhead Automotive Center  
 1100 North Broadway Street  
 Tecumseh, OK 74873  
 (405) 598-6920  
[www.arrowheadautomotivecenter.com](http://www.arrowheadautomotivecenter.com)



Arrowhead Automotive Center is owned by the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE  
 OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
 2025 S. GORDON COOPER DR.  
 SHAWNEE, OK 74801

PRESORTED STANDARD  
 US POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
 SPRINGFIELD, MO  
 PERMIT 96

RETURN SERVICE  
 REQUESTED

# Volume 27 No. 52 September 2016