New Offices Centralize Tribal Enterprises

By Heathay Payne

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A separate adjacent building will provide much needed space for the tribe's thriving lending businesses. The lending businesses have been operating out of temporary modular buildings located behind the 7 Clans Paradise Casino since their inceptions several years ago. American Web Loan and Great Plains Lending will each house 50 cubicles for a total of 100 customer service representatives. The two lending business offices, conference space, a kitchenette, and fitness center are also part of the new building.

A Message From the Otoe-Missouria Election Board

By Heathay Payne

After lengthy discussion it was the decision of the Otoe-Missouria Election Board:

1. After consulting with the tribal attorney and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Election Board held a meeting on Monday, Sept 28, 2015 at 4:45 pm at the Truman Dailey Learning Center. It was the decision of the Otoe-Missouria Election Board not to conduct an Election needed to be held with the following exceptions:

a. Chapter Four, Sec. 420. Polling Places
b. Chapter Four, Sec. 406. Secret Ballot
c. Chapter Four, Sec. 412. Tie Votes, and

2. As a result of consultation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, a conversation was held wherein it was determined that the Otoe-Missouria Election Ordinances should be amended to address how to proceed when a Tribal Council candidate is unopposed. This is a first for the Otoe-Missouria Tribe and the Election Board will begin the process to amend the Otoe-Missouria Tribe Election Ordinance to ensure a clear process and procedure is available.

3. The Ordinance will be followed as if there would be an election, with the following exceptions:

a. Chapter Four, Sec. 405. Absent Voting
b. Chapter Four, Sec. 407. Polling Place
c. Chapter Four, Sec. 408. Mail Voting
d. Chapter Four, Sec. 410. Counting Ballots

4. A voter in the meeting poseted a question about refunding the incumbents their registration fee. It was the decision of the Election Board that no refund would be provided. Election and Voting Ordinance of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Chapter Three, Sec. 301. “There shall be a non-refundable filing fee of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) for prospective candidates to the Tribal Council.”

5. It was also the decision to go ahead and hire an Election Board Chairman to have someone in the office that will answer the phones and complete the organization of the Election Board Office. It is necessary to hire and prepare for storage all documents from previous elections and General Council meetings.

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PARENTS & TEACHERS BINGO FUNDRAISER

By Heather Payne, The Perry PTP's Parents & Teachers organization is going to have a little more money in its coffers after its Bingo Night Fundraiser in October thanks to a donation of 250 bingo daubers from the Otoe-Missouria Tribe. The daubers will be sold for the PPT Bingo Night Fundraiser in October at the Perry High School gymnasium. With these 250 Bingo PPT students will help in the aim of the tribe was to provide a donation that benefits the city’s youngest citizens.

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TRIBE PARTNERS WITH NOBLE COUNTY TO BUILD NEW BRIDGE
By Heather Payne

A new bridge construct- ed at the junction of County Roads 410 and Windmill at Rock Ball has made driving on Our- home's notoriously neglect- ed roads safer thanks to a partnership between tribe's transportation department and Noble County.

With county budgets tight, the tribe has paid several times in the last few years with local munici- palities to help with the construction of new bridge- es and made that border or cross the tribe's checker- boarded landholdings.

In the agreement, the tribe would provide the funds through its Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Reserve Roads program as well as some labor.

The majority of the labor was provided by the State of Iowa, Turbo C. Kienholz Noble, BIA Eng. Transportation.

The tribe also provided a grant from the Tribal Housing Authority which, along with the county's funds, helped bring the project to completion.

The bridge would be a 120 day project and we will do our best to make sure the project is finished by May 28. If you have any questions or concerns please call the housing department at 580-725-4409 during business hours.

The Housing Department will have “Rental Assis- tance” for Our-home Tribal members in the near future. This will be for the Tribal Jurisdictional Members (Kay, Noble, Payne, Garfield and Parke). We hope to serve eligible families through our rental program. The need is great for housing in our area and we are doing everything possible to accommodate for housing for our tribal families. There is an application process and you do have to meet certain criteria before the rental assistance is approved. If you have any ques- tions about the Assistance please call the housing office at 580-725-4409.

The tribe will also be conducting an inventory of the housing needs in the community and an inventory of the housing condition in the community.

We are looking for our members to help us.

The Tribe is in the process of creating a housing plan.

For more information, please contact the Housing Department at 580-725-4409.

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TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

THE OTOE-MISSOURIA TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Present: John Shotton, Chairman; Ted Grant, Vice Chairman; Darrell Kimberly, 1st Member; Harader, 2nd Member; Moore, 3rd Member

Call to Order: Chairman Shotton called the Otoe-Missouria Tribal Council Regular Meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. All present.

A quorum was established and the meeting began.

Invocation: Wes Hudson, 1st Member

Motion to Approve Minutes:

The minutes of the Tribal Council meeting held on May 26, 2015 were approved as the Permanent Record.

Motion to Approve Agenda:

The motion to approve the Agenda was made by 2nd Member Harader. The motion carried.

Motion to Approve Resolution OMTC# 010367 FY 2015 with corrections. Seconded by Treasurer Burgess.

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Soybean Crop as High as an Elephant’s Eye

By Heather Payne

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The Tribal Homebuyer Assistance Program is open to eligible tribal members. Please refer to your Family Services Coordinator or the Tribal Homebuyer Assistance Program office or online at www.omtribe.org for more information or an application.

The tribe implements the practice of double cropping, soybeans being one of the crops in land piece of land during a single growing season. According to the United States Department of Agriculture, the growing demand for agricultural commodities—for both food and fuel—has increased the incentives for farm operations to increase production.

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Due to the efforts of the tribe’s Emergency Management Director, Emergency Management Planning Department, a floodplain study was completed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Noble County where the tribe’s headquarters is based. The two tribal departments have been working together for some time to create a floodplain map for the Otoe-Missouria Tribe. A floodplain is an area of low land along a stream or river that may flood. According to FEMA, floodplain management is a decision-making process that aims to achieve the goal of the nation’s floodplain management. "Wise use" means both reducing flood hazards and preserving the natural resources and functions of floodplains.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) underwrites flood insurance coverage only in communities that adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations through an ordinance that meets federal floodplain standards. After the tribal representatives presented a Letter of Map Revision Request (LOMR) to delineate special flood hazard areas, the tribe submitted the LOMR to FEMA, it was determined that there was not a floodplain map completed for Noble County. The tribe then submitted a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) with participation from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board will complete the floodplain study at a cost of $500,000 for the project with FEMA footing the bill. The study will gather digital data for use in floodplain mapping, including roads, political boundaries, and topography data. A Preliminary Map Issuance and Coordination Committee meeting will be held in January 2016. County-wide digital floodplain maps will allow for better decision making for future community development, economic and industrial growth, emergency management, and survival during times of emergencies.

In the last 10 years the tribe has made many state and national presentations in emergency preparedness regarding Emergency Medical Services, the National Incident Management System (NIMS), all Hazard Preparedness Planning, Emergency Communications during Disasters, Response Health & Safety, Special Medical Needs & Shelter Logistics and Planning, and preparing for At Risk Populations during disasters. Karey’s purpose and passion lies in helping individuals and communities plan for their safety and survival during times of emergencies.

FEMA’s Efforts Stimulate FEMA Floodplain Study for Noble County

By James LeClair, Emergency Management Director

Karey Whitaker, NE2ST Coordinator is currently working with Mr. James LeClair as the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program Assistant for the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians. Prior to her appointment at the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, she served as the as the Policy and Planning Director for the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH)-Office of Bioterrorism Preparedness and Planning from 2008-2014. She is a Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technician and was a member of the Mississippi Health Emergency Response Team (MHERT) and has been trained for and responded to many disasters including Hurricane Katrina in 2005, the Mississippi River Flood in 2008, the Westgate Bridge in New Orleans in 2011 and the Washington Tomahawks in 2013.

By Heather Payne

On the 18th of August 2006, we lost a great member of the National Guard. Specialist Tony Alan Heath, 23, was killed during a training exercise. Specialist Heath was a member of the 103rd Engineer Company in Fayetteville, Arkansas and was killed by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan.

The New Mobile Command Trailer for the Otoe-Missouria Tribe that was built through the Department of Homeland Security and FEMA. These trailers can be used for Incident Command needs for all types of incidents.

From the Chief of Police

By By Onslow-Missouria Chief of Police, Onslow-Missouria Tribe

There have been a lot of changes at the police department. You may have noticed we have new police focus on our vehicles. The design was part of an update that included the repair of police vehicles that had lighting repairs needed. We didn’t realize that in today’s technologies it was more affordable to replace an entire row of lighting fixtures and replacing the burnt out light bulbs. There were updates to dash cameras, radar detectors, and a major upgrade to the radio that run throughout the FCC.

All emergency radio frequencies are now required to be changed and put into another frequency zone. This change and the addition to the repeater for the police department enhance the communication abilities in a range that has been seen for the police department in the past. We now have a mobile surveillance unit that we limit to be used as an emergent this year near the arena. It has been used at several of our construction sites for security purposes.

Installation of new fnsos in the Otoe-Missouria Housing Development.

Emergency Management Department Update

By James LeClair, Emergency Management Director

The Emergency Management/Security Department has been working on the 2014 Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program requirements. In the beginning of this year we started with the pursue of a new vehicle for the OMPD. This purchase helped the police department to fill a need for a replace of an older vehicle.

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The fourth project is for notification. This project will assist the Public Information Office in giving mass notification for future community development, economic and industrial growth, emergency management, and survival during times of emergencies.

The Emergency Management Department has met the NIMS/CAST requirements for 2015. The Threats Hazard Identification Risk Assessment and the Mitigation were also used to secure funding. The 2015 THREAT has been approved for funding for new items for the complex.

The safety department is going well with safety classes and training for all employees for the tribe. We are looking forward to the sending mem- bers of the team out to fnsos during this period. The team has its first female, Frances McIntosh served with a U.S. SAD team at the Pee Pre Springs site in Idaho. I am very happy, proud and honored for her to make it this far. She has shown great strength and resiliency.

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The Otoe-Missouria Tribal Wall in the Otoe-Missouria Cultural Building will be supervised by the Otoe-Missouria Veteran Organization in 2015.

The decision to have the veteran’s organization supervise the wall came as a result of input from Otoe-Missourians.

Last fall, Chairman Shotton requested that the Cultural Building be supervised to ensure that the information on the veteran’s wall be as accurate as possible.

Tribal staff began searching for veteran’s information. They distributed a survey online, through mailings, and at events and through word of mouth over the course of several months.

The survey asked veterans several questions relating to their service, the order in which they served, and the possibility of establishing a Veterans Affairs Office. In the end, 33 veterans responded, and seven were veterans who was unknown at the time the survey was distributed.

The result of the survey showed that the majority wanted to keep the veteran recognition wall as is and that the names of enrolled Otoe-Missouria Tribal Member who could provide a copy of their DD-214 or OHS-140 would be added if it was available. However, names that are already on the wall should not be removed unless by the request of that veteran.

Additionally, the veterans decided that the establishment of a veteran’s affairs office would be helpful, but had no numbers of the veteran in the Red Rock area makes applying for benefits a challenge.

The veteran’s wall lists the names of those Otoe-Missouria people who have served in the Armed Forces since the 1940’s. If your or your family member is/are an enrolled member of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, and you have submitted your/them the info to the tribe, please contact the Cultural Building at 580-723-4467 ext 217.

By Heather Payne

The Old Driven youngsters took a field trip to the WONDERtorium in Oklahoma City.

Stellacher, OK in August. The Old Driven Room in the cultural building at the Otoe-Missouria Cultural Building at noon. Hosted by the Otoe-Missouria Veterans Organization.

This recognition was based on how Native Head Start works with the WONDERtorium and En- gagement, creativity and learning through play.

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A Special Veteran’s Day Tribute from the Otoe-Missouria Tribal Newsletter

By Heath Payne

Members of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe have served in the United States military for more than 100 years. During the two World Wars, the tribe had just over 200 men and women enrolled. Nearly 200 of those men and women served in the military giving the tribe the distinction of having one of the highest percentages of veterans of any demographic. Today their dedication to country continues with tribal members serving in Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait and elsewhere.

The American War Mothers is a national organization that was founded in 1917 and given a Congressional Charter on February 24, 1925. It is a perpetual patriotic, 501(c) 4 non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian, non-partisan organization whose members are mothers of children who have served or are serving in the United States Armed Services during a time of conflict.

The American War Mothers Otoe Indian Chapter #94 has been dedicated to the service of the Otoe-Missouria military service men and women since September 14, 1943.

The Otoe War Mothers were the first all-Indian Chap-
thers of the American War Mothers Organization. The founding members of the Otoe War Mothers were: Ada Blais, Madge Dent, Lina DeRoin, Frankie Green, Mary Harragarra, Lizzy Hemenway, Thelma Hudson, Besete Kent, Carrie Koshiway, Josie Littlecrow and Thelma Littlecrow.

Mrs. Lorena Dent was the first Native American President of the National American War Mother Organization. She was elected in 1999 and held the position for two years. For decades, the mother of service members have worked hard to send care packages, host dinners on Memorial Day and Veterans Day, stand vigil at places, at the site of the fields and acknowledge and give praise to warriors, veterans and their families.

As was said by the Kiowa War Mothers Chapter President Val Tate or Lorena Dent’s 100th birthday celebration, “The Otoe War Mothers were the gold standard for all other Indian Chapters. They were impressive women. Respected women. They were always going, always doing, always helping. We hope they have lived up to their example.”

By O.M. Deere

The Otoe-Missouria Veterans Organization was established back in 1943. The First Officers where: Andrew Indian, Sam Carson and Frank Carson. A few days later the State Council was established on June 21, 1943.

There have been many presidents of the organi-
ization since it was established in 1943. The organization is funded by donations and gifts.

As of today there are only a handful of mem-
bers that are keeping the Otoe-Missouria War Mothers Service Organization going.

Writing by Earl Plumley, Sr. Re-published by permission of Earl Plumley, Jr.

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The four subjects are similar to some of the Otoe-Missouria which also had subjects.

1. Whip Man, Whi-

2. Food, Whi-ye-ye-

3. Tall Dance, Thin je-

4. Drumkeeper, Loool- 

Another similar lodge of the Eldoks was the Buf-

dale Tall Lodge in which the young men would dance the tail as to the Dancing Star.

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We sponsor an annual Christ-

mas dance. This is to show our appreciation to the di-

versity on each song he dances.

Eldoks dance includes a Christmas meal and giving of gifts to the chil-

dren and elders when possible.

The Eldoks dance con-

tains four sessions of dancing. It includes a round

In addition, the Governor of a state, territory, or possession, or the Mayor of the District of Columbia, may direct that the national flag be

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to bring someone into the circle.

This is why the Whip Man is traditionally a war-

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When entering the circle, the dancers first in each direction dance in a ceremonial way.

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On the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington D.C., Vetter’s name can be found on Panel 50E, Line 43.
**WIC to Move into New Building in 2016**

By Heather Payne

The tribe, infants and Children supplemental nutrition program at the Red Rock Community Center will be moving into a new building after the New Year. The building will create new office space for the program’s six employees as well as a new break-room. The tribe received a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service’s program for $300,000 to building the roughly 2,000 sq foot location south of the community center. WIC provides federal grants to states and tribes for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income, pregnant, breast-feeding, and non-breast-feeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are at nutritional risk. In addition to the new WIC building located at the tribal headquarters in Red Rock, the WIC program also runs in Ponca City, Pawnee, and Stillwater. According to the newly appointed WIC Director Dawn Briner, the construction of this building is a culmination of a long time effort started by her predecessor. “We are finally to the point that we can move things,” Briner says. “We hope to make this building an exciting beacon for all other WIC programs.”

**Come and Get It!**

d by Diana Lani with credit to Lisa Core aka Snack Girl

This may not be as familiar a phrase as it was in past generations, but for the older generations, they were used to hearing it when they were outside playing and lunch or dinner was being served up meals. Family meals are becoming less and less frequent in our society with our hectic and less frequent in our lives. For families, meals are being made from scratch - then ASP FOR HELP - even a non-cook can heat up fish sticks and brand pasta. Use paper plates if you don’t have time to clean. What kind of what color of fruits or vegetables do you use? You can cook something when you have time. Be proud that everyone is eating together. For one meal you serve every other week to eligible households in the Indian Country.

**Diabetic Program Has Several Programs Starting this Fall**

By Cheryl Glocer, Diabetes Coordinator

The Diabetes program has a new venture. We re-created 35 people and their families out of 100 for diabetes. We can’t eat no meat, no egg and no dairy for 21 days. All foods for this program will have to be made-from-scratch and pickled-off-the-farm food. The definition of family meal was an adult sitting at the table with a child eating a meal together. Yes, you could have being eating micro waved burritos - but the point is that they eat together. Is there any greater joy in life than sitting with someone you love and eating a meal? The family meal, when it happens in your home, will take place on a wonderful time. It is wonderful because every thing stops and we all look at each other. We don’t allow any devices - including cell phones or the TV - to distract us. The meal isn’t really about the food. Here are some tips for a family meal. If the meal is a shredded cheese - then ASP FOR HELP - even a non-cook can heat up fish sticks and brand pasta. Use paper plates if you don’t have time to clean. What kind of what color of fruits or vegetables do you use? You can cook something when you have time. Be proud that everyone is eating together. For one meal you serve every other week to eligible households in the Indian Country.

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**Eagle Adventure Matching Activity**

By Shannon Andrews, BJD

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134th Otoe-Missouria Encampment

The 134th Otoe-Missouria Encampment was held the third weekend of July at the tribal campground. Visitors traveled from near and far to participate in the celebration that included activities such as Mud Run, Kids Olympics, Challenge Bowl, Gourd Dancing and competitive dancing each night. A new tribal princess was also crowned. Sadie Red Eagle is the 2015 Otoe-Missouria Tribal Princess. She is the daughter of Amy No Ear and James Red Eagle. This encampment was the last year for Committee Chairman Jade Roubeaux. A new committee chairman was elected on Sunday morning. John Arkleena is the 2015-2017 Otoe-Missouria Encampment Committee Chairman. Thank you to everyone who attended and see you next year!

Judiki Moses is introduced as the 2015-2016 Standing Bear Powwow princess during ceremonies held Friday at the 22nd annual Standing Bear Powwow. She is an enrolled member of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe and is also of Pawnee, Comanche, and Mescalero Apache descent. From Pawnee, she is the daughter of Berwyn and Delilah Moses. She will serve as a goodwill ambassador for the event and will promote the story of native civil rights icon, Chief Standing Bear. Shown placing the sash of office is the outgoing princess, Leah Matin Waller. (Photo by Rolf Clements courtesy of Ponca City News)

Meet the 2015 Otoe-Missouria Tribal Princess Sadie Red Eagle

Sadie Grace Red Eagle is the daughter of James Red Eagle and Amy No Ear. Sadie is the granddaughter of Claudia Brown Spicer and Douglas Noflar. Her paternal grandparents are Shirley Burnt Bapiste, Assiniboine, of Saskatchewan Canada and James Hopkins, Dakota, from Hayo, Montana. Sadie is the 2015 graduate of Sequoyah High School in Tishkuph, Oklahoma. She is member of the National Honor Society and a Gates Millennium Scholar and finished high school with 3.96 GPA. Sadie will be attending Dartmouth University in Hanover, New Hampshire in the fall with plans of studying political science.

Sadie is honored to be the 2015 Otoe-Missouria princess.
The propane company moves into its new offices in October. The company’s offices have been operating out of temporary modular building since its founding in 2011. The new building houses several offices and a conference room as well as a space for overnight staff stationed at the company when necessary.

**NEW OFFICE FOR PK PROPANE**

By Heather Payne

The Otoe-Missouria Tribe’s 2nd Annual Nima-ha Unange (running in the mud) Mud Run held just north of 7 Clans Paradise Casino.

Nearly 200 runners of all ages tackled the half mile obstacle course complete with mud covered trails, hills, water pools, trenches and tunnels. Participants were encouraged to run the course as many times as possible. Runners were awarded one raffle ticket for each time they completed the course.

The tickets were entered into a drawing for prizes like iPads, Nike, gift cards, N7 shoes, water toys and more. There were 28 prizes awarded to runners from all age categories.

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Trabert, along with law students Jeffery Scott Bell, Robert T. Davis, Annett Bramante, Barbara Childs-Walton and Merle L. Hurst was honored at the American Indian Elder Honors held last month. Lorena was a founding member of the Otoe Missouria Tribal Members. Lorena was an active member of the American Indian Mothers Otoe Indian Chapter from 1952-1962. In addition to serving her community, Lorena was also elected as the president of the National Chapter of American Indian Mothers in Washington D.C. She was the first Native American woman to hold that position. As president of the American Indian Mothers, she was a member of the Neighborhoods for three separate years on Mother’s Day at Infierno’s Carnaval and lastly the Winds at the Timeless Solder. In 2010, the Otoe-Missouria Tribe honored Lorena for her dedication to the American Indian Exposition and Oklahoma Pokey Cowtown. She was a founding member of the Okie Nation that is an organization formed so that tribal members living in the urban area could come together as a community and perpetuate their cultural ways. She is Bear Clan. Barbara Childs-Walton has devoted much of her adult life to serving her people in planted and appointed leadership positions including as Tribal Council Secretary and Treasurer. She also served as chairperson of the Otoe-Missouria Gaming Commission and Enforcement Committee. She has served on the Otoe-Missouria Head Start Board at the Native American Children’s Home and the Senior Parent Service Unit Health Board and the Standing Bear Powwow Committee. Children and youth is a vet- eran of the U.S. Army Women’s Army Corps. She was a founding member of the Okie Nation that is an organization formed so that tribal members living in the urban area could come together as a community and perpetuate their cultural ways. She is Bear Clan. Barbara Childs-Walton has devoted much of her adult life to serving her people in planted and appointed leadership positions including as Tribal Council Secretary and Treasurer. She also served as chairperson of the Otoe-Missouria Gaming Commission and Enforcement Committee. She has served on the Otoe-Missouria Head Start Board at the Native American Children’s Home and the Senior Parent Service Unit Health Board and the Standing Bear Powwow Committee.

Enrollment News

The Otoe-Missouria Tribe has 1,169 enrolled members. A list of eligible members has passed away as of this newsletter date. The Otoe-Missouria Tribe will be enrolling this year. The Enrollment Department offers the following services to Tribal members:

Tribal Identification Cards, Certification of Tribal Enrollment, Civilian’s Degree of Indian Blood (CDB), BIA Form 473 - Verification of Indian Status.

Tribal Identification Cards - For renewals or a new card, please contact Priscilla A. Miller at (877) 342-6164. Please note that the first card and renewal cards are free, but the costs of duplicating cards is $10. A change of address can be submitted in writing or the form can be downloaded from the Tribe’s website for your convenience. Please note that address changes are not accepted over the phone or by email.

Enrollment Department - If you have any questions regarding the enrollment process, please call (405) 682-8100 or (405) 682-8181. You may also fill out a paper application or any of the following: marriage license, divorce decree or court order. A new social security card (if the new name must also be submitted. A statement of the change must be completed and submitted to the Enrollment Office.

The Otoe-Missouria Tribe is seeking the whereabouts of the following three (3) Tribal members:

1. Bruce Lockhart
   - 251 N. Main St. in Chandler
   - Unknown age
   - Johnathan Lee Davis
   - 247 S. Main St. in Chandler
   - 27 years old
   - Robert T. Davis
   - 238 E. Main St. in Chandler
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Dillon Lee Stanley - Son of Karie Stanley and grandson of Bruce & Sharon Fisher. Will celebrate his 17th Birthday on June 15th. He’s a junior at Keys High School and plays football & wrestles. Also on Honor Society. We Love You Dillon!!!

Happy Birthday to our little ones.

Love, Mom and Dad

Happy 1st Birthday Munchingimi Burgess!
September 19th
Love you lots!
From Gma Norma Tohee

Happy 9th Birthday Allen R. Burgess!
September 4th
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Happy Birthday Bubba
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Love, Mom, Aunts, Brothers & Sisters

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Happy Birthday Carly
Oct 20th • 7 years old
Love, Mom and Elizabeth

Happy 3rd Birthday Angel Xavier Harjo
September 25th
Love, Mommy & Auntie Shyann & Auntie Kiki
We Love You!

Happy 3rd Birthday Zavionnah J. Burgess!
November 7th
Love you lots!
From Gma Norma Tohee

Thee & Now
Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary
Bruce & Sharon Fisher
Wishing you many more years of love, happiness and health. We all love you so much and thank you for always being there and giving us your love and support in everything we’ve ever done. We couldn’t have had better parents or grandparents. All our love and appreciation! Robert, Tracy, Josh, Jake, Jasa, Kim, Delroy, Bilas and Daniel Ryan, April and Gunnisone.

Happy Birthday to our little ones.

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Happy Birthday
David
September 4th
Love, Toshina & Boys

Happy Birthday
Elizabeth!
June 23rd
Love, Mom and Carly

Happy Birthday
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Love you lots!
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Please send your birthday, wedding, birth, anniversary, awards, school and athletic news to hpayne@omtribe.org or R151 HWY 177, Red Rock, OK 74561. Submissions will not be returned. Due to space limitations, preference is given to announcements about enrolled Otoe-Missouria Tribal Members. Announcements about descendants will be considered if space allows. The deadline for submissions to the Winter newsletter is Monday, December 7, 2015. Thank you!
**Outdoor Days**

**By Heather Payne**

The Otoe-Missouria tribal member Kelci Pickering performed for the Pope during his visit to Philadelphia in September. Pickering is a member of the Osage Ballet Company who performed part of their signature ballet Wahzhazhe at an event honoring Pope Francis. Wahzhazhe is a ballet about the Native journey from pointe with the Osage Ballet Company during a performance for Pope Francis during his visit to the United States in September.

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