Osage begins Stanford Medical School

By Shannon Shaw Duty
Osage News

Among Stanford University’s first-year medical students is Osage tribal member Layton Lamsam. He joins 90 in his class selected from an applicant pool of 7,450 students from all over the world – he’s the lone Native American.

Lamsam, who just graduated with his bachelor’s degree in biochemistry from Stanford earlier this year in June, was also accepted to eight other medical schools. They included Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Columbia, Cornell, Washington University of Nebraska, Medical Center and the University of Oklahoma. His top three schools were Stanford, Harvard and Yale.

“... Stanford has more than 300 Native American students, a cultural center, a Native American dorm, and a full-time staff for the Native community, he said. This 22-year-old Osage whose family is from the Greyhorses District, took part in Stanford Medicine’s White Coat and Stethoscope Ceremony on Aug. 22.

Technology is focus of 2014 Dhegiha Conference

By Benny Polacca
Osage News

QUAPAW, Okla. – In this age of constantly-changing technology, Native American tribes throughout the country are turning to computers and other information technology gadgets for use in their language programs. The goal remains the same: get the language of the ancestors out there to those interested in learning if not only in person, but also via computers.

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For any Native who has ever played “Rez ball,” or watched Shoni Schimmel play that college scholarship, watching Shoni Schimmel play in the WNBA is like watching a thousand dreams come true.

As it was, on Aug. 1 at the Skiatook Multipurpose Activity Center, the Osage-Schimmel, first native and Rookie of the Year in N.B.A. history, was the MVP of the WNBA All-Star game, taught and showed basketball with 100 Osage children.

“We grow up on the reservation, I am always proud of being Native American because that is who we are, and who wouldn’t want to be Native American right?” she said, a cheering crowd of kids and adults.

For those who don’t follow women’s basketball or the WNBA, it’s fair to say that Schimmel is a hero in Indian Country. The 22-year-old, 5’9” star guard from the Unamusa-Indian Reservation in Mission, O.C., was the fifth overall draft pick to the Atlanta Dream. She has the highest-selling jersey in the WNBA and has broken records in her high school career, her college career and now professional.

Often dubbed “The Unamusa Thrilla” and “Shonimaine,” named after her Magic John- son-like passing skills by her Atlanta Dream coach Michael Cooper who played with Magic on the LA Lakers. She will be the first to say she is completely normal.

“We’re a very normal family, everyone’s a loving family, and we have a documenta- tory about us … but we’re very normal,” she said. “That’s one thing I want to connect with you guys, is that we’re just normal people, we just hap- pen to love basketball and it’s gotten us very far and we’ve had parents to lead us in the right direction all our lives and we’re just very normal and if we can make it off the Rez, then you guys can too.”

The 2014 documentary, “Off the Rez,” chronicles two years of her life when Shoni was a junior and senior at Franklin High School in Portland, Ore. A poignant story of family and commitment, it shows the Schimmels in good and hard times, their perseverance and deep pride in cultural identity.

In 2008 her mother Cecilee Coltr Bose Moses, an Unamusa high school basketball standout, took a job at Franklin High School as the head basketball coach and brought her daughters Shoni and Jude with her. As the coach she turned the school’s record from 4-20 to 20-4 in her first year.

They went to the quarterfinals of the state championship both years.

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Fourth ON Congress passes eight bills during two-day special session

By Benny Polacca

The Fourth Osage Nation Congress wrapped its third special session in two days after considering and passing eight pieces of legislation July 30-Aug. 1.

The two-day session occurred one month ahead of the 2014 Tai-Zho Session to consider some budget matters and two amendments needed ahead of the 24-day regular session starting Sept 2.

All bills considered by the Congressional body were fast-tracked for floor votes once considered for action and any amendments in their committees of jurisdiction.

Congress passed the following three bills on July 31 during Day One of the Congress:

• ONCA 14-49 (sponsored by Delegate Ronald Jaynes) to amend the Nation’s Restricted Real Property Repurchasing Act which eliminates either prospective land types for property purchase by the Nation or the Tribe and adds a definition for “perennal stream.”

The revised act also amended the limitations on using revenue from the (fiscal) year, but clarified it in interesting discussions compact for the clinic only. If the clinic is compacted, Shaw said the Nation will be in a position where we operate the funding, we decide where our programs are, we do third-party billing. Shaw said efforts were all resulting from a compactor- ing idea when he served as Assistant Health and Wellness Advocate Advisory Board and recalled boarded hired consultant Bill Thomas to conduct the study and conclude, and there-fore, the Pawhuska clinic should be compacted.

Another requirement for an IHS facility to be compacted is the tribe needs to have three years of clean audits with no material findings. He added the entity is allowed to continue pursuing the compacting efforts if a letter from an auditor states the findings.

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• ONCA 14-51 (Supervision of Assiniboin Nation’s Tribal Health Service Tribal Self-Governance Program under 42 C.F.R. §137.18) to be supportive.

The Osage Congress will also consider a resolution filed by Shaw “to formally request participation in the Indian Health Service Tribal Self-Governance Program under 42 C.F.R. §137.18,” and to support the negotiation and execu- tion of a compact between the Osage Nation and the United States government pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, tribes have the option of contracting or signing self-governance compacts to have the Native American Health Service (IHS) clinic.

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Judge dismisses Osage Nation cases in wind farm fight

By Louise Carl

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The Osage Nation's Standing Bear Administration on Aug. 15 presented to the Osage Nation Congress its recommendations on the appropriatio...
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Pratt, who is a mother of two, said the reason she kept Shoni and Jude’s career at the University of Louisville and the campus experiences she shared with the audience for about 45 minutes before they began their basketball careers.

Pratt said, “We’re lucky they have opportunities there. They can talk about their experience and share their time growing up. They started Shoni’s career after she graduated, but the move she did against Oregon’s LaTonya West in the 5th grade…yeah, she could hear their message of positive lifestyle. Don’t do drugs, stay in school because it’s all around us, it’s easy to do, it’s easy to give up. It’s not easy to keep fighting every day, to do your very best. We talk about that Wa-Shka^ all the time in the Osage Nation to give it your all, to do your best and that’s what it takes. And this family has shown us that’s exactly what we talk about and they’re a prime example of that.”

One mother asked how she knew Schimmel and Jude focused on basketball and their schoolwork instead of boys. Jude, who is graduating this fall with her bachelor’s degree from the University of Louisville, will also graduate from the clinic, with Jude only led the camp, with Jude only leading groups with the mini-coaches.

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Provisional Affairs Committee. Standing Bear said both the Osage and Cherokee are in a fix. They have to stay in traditional roles as they are co-equal nations, and it is familiar with the work duties once they are hired. Standing Bear said Walters resigned by agreement on Aug. 14. “We’ve asked Walters to stay to help us with the transition,” he said, adding Walters will continue working on a two-month contract once her resignation takes effect in mid-September. Walters’ resignation is for personal reasons and de- cides to return to Oklahoma.

Hired by former Principal Chief Red Eagle in 2011, Walters previously served as vice president of human re- sources at Chase Phillips Medical Center in Bartlesville. Walters had implemented revamped HR policies and procedures as the Nation underwent its internal restructure in 2011 and its new employment system. In September 2011, the ON Congress passed ONCA 10-85 to re- building the merit-based employment system.

Walters was originally hired as an HR position analyst in summer 2011 and helped com- plete the “standing desk” and execu- tion credit bonuses for the ON employee positions to make the transition. Walters was also a witness in process, according to the ONCA. She was asked to testify in January of this year. She was also appointed to the Office of the Principal Chief’s (OPC) Human Resources Committee in February. The OPC human resources director asked for HR advice and assistance.

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Dhegiha

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Discussion of using computer technology dominated the lectures and presentations held at the 2014 Dhegiha Language Conference now in its 27th year. Attendees comprised several tribal language speakers who shared their experiences, tips and stories on using newer computer technology in reaching language learners.

In opening remarks, Osage Nation Language Director Heide Lookout said they “we’ve got a lot of work to do” in reaching the Native lan- guages and acknowledged the Dhegiha tribes’ relationships with each other. “If we look at who we are, one, I don’t care if we did anything here at this confer- ence or we get around and talk to you all and relate with you, get to know you, get to es- tablish that relationship and I think when we meet like this it’s not too far to go, there’s nothing else that piths us like this.”

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Help wanted: a new chairman for the United Osage Nations of Southern California organization

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Former United Osage Nations Tribal Works Director, Daniel St. John, has pleaded guilty to a one-count criminal complaint in the United States District Court Judge Marvin Stepson, who is due back in court on Feb. 12, 2013.

The main thing I wanted to express was, ‘Get your lowest bid out to the Nation,’” said ON Attorney General Robert Mille.

On July 22, Jones filed a criminal complaint in ON Tribal Court against Wilson for larceny. He filed a criminal complaint in ON Tribal Court against Wilson for larceny.

Forming the 2013 UOSC board, Johnson said he is still working on the UOSC board and is currently working on an environmental assessment of the property. He said he received a letter from the UOSC indicating it would begin the process of cleanup.

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Osage Boys & Girls Clubs to be 100 percent tribally funded Osage News

Osage preference will be applied to the Osage Nation Boys & Girls Clubs beginning Sept. 1, since the tribe will be fully funding the entities. The tribe has three clubs located in Pawhuska, Hominy and Fair-fox.

“The Osage Nation will contribute over $1 million tribal dollars into the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Osage Nation. The Osage Nation will use its tribal dollars to emphasize Osage youth development to the youth and will receive a return as it improves the Osage culture, according to a prepared release. “A full educational program for the youth in science, math, and the arts is being developed for quality education in the Boys & Girls Club. The name of the organization may have to be changed because of the use of Osage tribal funds only.”

According to an Executive Directive issued by Principal Chief Geoffrey Standing Bear on Aug. 13, the clubs will accept applications Sept. 1-Sept. 15 from only Osage applicants, and family members residing in the same Osage household. Beginning Sept. 16, Native Americans from other federally recognized tribes and non-Native applicants will be accepted until all openings are filled.

An Osage household is defined as a household in which at least one member of the Osage Nation resides, providing proof of a validly issued Osage Tribe membership card, different from a CDIB.

Cultural Walk and National Indian Taco Championship scheduled in October Osage News

In early October, Osages are welcome to take advantage of two back-to-back weekends of Native American-themed events in Osage County: the Wah-Zha-Zhi Cultural Center’s annual Cultural Walk and the 2014 National Indian Taco Championship in downtown Pawhuska.

On Oct. 11-12, the WCC will host its sixth annual Cultural Walk, which is open to Osages and their families. Participants registration is required by Oct. 1 and downloadable registration forms are available on the WCC’s website at: www.osagenation-nsn.gov/who-we-are/cultural-center/cultural-walk.

Since 2009, the WCC has hosted the Cultural Walk for scores of Osages and their families to participate in the Cultural Walk that commemorates the 1871 final move of the Osage people from Kansas to the modern Osage Reservation. The walk takes place at the Millender Cougar Ranch in the north eastern corner of Osage County. This site was chosen because of its historical significance: the ranch is exact location of the trail beginning where most of the Osages who came to Oklahoma from Kansas first crossed over into Osage County.

The Walk itself is an overnight camping trip that culminates with a three-mile hike from the original 1871 historic marker to the Cougar Ranch, each house. At the ranch house the Millender Family will provide a catered meal for all attendees. Other activities on the Cultural Walk include a traditional Osage meal cooked over an open fire, Indian Dice, an Osage handgame, s’mores, and storytelling.

More information, the Wah-Zha-Zhi Cultural Center can be reached at (918) 287-3037.

National Indian Taco Championship set for Oct. 4 Osage News

The Pawhuska Chamber of Commerce will host the annual National Indian Taco Championship on the streets of downtown Pawhuska on Oct. 4 starting at 10 a.m.

This exciting competition event brings Indian taco cooks to gather where they can eat up food booths to sell their frybread dishes to the public and compete in the annual Indian taco cook- ing contest for cash prizes and a year’s worth of bragging rights. Registration is required and interested participants may contact the Pawhuska Chamber of Commerce at (918) 287-1208 for more information and registration applications are available online at: www.pawhuskachamber.com/national-indian-taco-champion-ship. Admission to this event is free, but for a $5 fee, visitors can also be judges during the competition where they will sample and score the Indian taco entries. The contest will include preliminary rounds before facing a final round for the top three spots.

The top three contestants will be awarded cash prizes first place $1,500, second place $1,000 and third is $500.

Tara Madden (agy ten

Dillon Lookout graduated from Jenks High School in Mar of 2012 with a goal of becoming an Olympic Pole Vaulter. He continued that dream at Oral Roberts University on a track scholarship.

Lookout, 20, has since stopped pole vaulting. A wife, work and concern for a career in medicine have taken over his focus. His academic studies come first.

“I have been married for two years. I want to focus on my education for my wife Christi- na, she has really encouraged me to stay focused on educa- tion and my goals to make a difference and change people’s lives,” Lookout said.

His junior year of high school he won the 6th Oklah- oma Regional Track and Field State Championships, he broke the Jenks High School’s pole vaulting record after he cleared 16-6, his personal best, earning him the rank of third in the nation. Then he suf- fered an injury his senior year, which slowed him down. After the injury, he still earned Jen- ks Athlete of the Year twice, was team captain, a five-time All-American and a four-time state and national champion.

Then he started the Virginia Tech-Johns Hopkins University Track Club. The club was a runner-up in the state champi- onships in 2011 and 2012, he also wrestled and played football.

As a freshman at ORU, he competed in seven indoor and five outdoor meets, finishing third overall at the Track.It BUSTER Invitational, placing two of his ORU senior mate- riates. He says he doesn’t really miss pole vaulting but he does keep up with how the sport is doing.

After speaking with his uncle, Dr. Ron Shaw about medicine and the medical pro- fession, Lookout decided it was the direction he wanted his future to go. Shaw is also an Osage Nation Congressman. He and his uncle was very in- telligent with his decision to move in the direction of medi- cine.

Lookout was focused on his goals of becoming an Olympic pole-vaulter and briefly pole- vaulting for ORU, but when his grades began to fall, he knew he had to do something about his academics. So with the love and determination he put into pole-vaulting, he put into his academics to achieve those goals as well.

“My grade point average has gone up substantially since fo- cusing on my academics and my goals of becoming a MD (medical doctor),” Lookout said.

Lookout has three years left at Oral Roberts University in the nursing program and has plans to move on to medical school to pursue his goal of in- ternship medicine or family prac- tice. He said he wants to earn his nursing degree first so he can help pay for his family and schooling while going to school. Lookout plans to apply for medical school at the University of Oklahoma or the Uni- versity of Minnesota when he’s done at ORU. Lookout would like to help his Osage people upon graduating and possibly work for the Indian Health Service.

Lookout is grandson of Star law and Mike Jones (who was a national champion wrestler), and Rosemary Shaw. He is a member of the Pawhuska Dis- trict and participates in the In- Lak-Shish dances in June and a former Waterboy.
**September 18th is the deadline for all submissions for the October issue of the Osage News.**

Mark it on your calendars! www.osagenews.org

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**Case rescheduled for former child support worker**

By Benny Polacca

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Osage Tribal Princess Katelynn Pipestem rides a horse in the American Indian Exposition Parade on Aug. 9.
Beams of the new Osage Nation Welcome Center have been raised as the Campus Master Plan construction progresses.

Summer's End…

LEFT: Pawhuska JOM holds their first meeting of the school year at the Skate Park in Pawhuska.

RIGHT: Vann Wildcat slides into the Pawhuska JOM meeting Aug. 26 at the Skate Park.

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Pending confirmation consideration by the Fourth Osage Nation Congress, eight individuals are now appointed to several boards and commissions.

Principal Chief Geoffray Standing Bear appointed the eight people (seven are Osage) and those appointment confirmations will be considered by the ON Congress when it meets for its first 24-day regular Tzi-Zho Session starting Sept. 2.

In the meantime, the appointees will serve interim terms and took oaths of office at the tribal courthouse in Pawhuska.

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Chief Standing Bear reveals administration’s organizational chart

Nancy Pillsbury Shirley is appointed to the ON Foundation Board.

Norman Akers, Jerry Shaw, Mary “Liz” Ricketts, and George Shannon are appointees for the Traditional Cultural Advisors Committee. Akers is a seasoned painter and currently an associate professor of visual arts at the University of Kansas. He holds a master’s of fine arts degree from the University of Illinois and has had his paintings work in display on art galleries, exhibitions and shows throughout the country. Akers (Greyhorse District) has also taught at other art schools including the Institute of American Indian Arts, Oklahoma State University and UI-Urbana-Champaign.

Ricketts is a former Pawhuska District head cook who served for two drumkeepers. She recently retired as executive director of the Housing Authority of the Osage Tribe after 27 years of service. During her work tenure, Ricketts established a 501(c)3 for the entity to become a community development financial institution known as Osage Financial Resources Inc. to make financing available to Native Americans. Also during her work, 600 mutual-help homes for Osage citizens were built and the deeds to those homes were conveyed last year.

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• Submit an application within 30 days of time of death
• Provide copy of Osage Membership Card for deceased individual
• Provide a copy of a death certificate for the deceased individual
• Provide a copy of an itemized Funeral Home statement of the deceased individual

The application is complete when all pertinent documentation is received by this office; once the application is complete a letter of approved funds and check will be mailed to the funeral home. Notice will also be sent to the applicant informing them of the amount being paid to the funeral home.

• Allow 10-14 working days for completed application to be processed and a check issued.

For more information, questions, or concerns please contact the Osage Nation Constituent Services Office

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Let us know what you think, and we’ll make this a better Nation.
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<td>An Act to authorize the Osage Nation to invest in real property in the original Osage Reservation Area offered for purchase; to create a real property purchase fund; to authorize and appropriate the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000) to the real property purchase fund; to declare an emergency and establish an alternate effective date.</td>
<td>Supernaw</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-59</td>
<td>An Act to amend the Competitive Bidding Act, 15 ONC §§ 2-411 and 2-421, to require bids to be opened in Pawhuska; to broaden the scope of penalties; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>An Act to establish penalties for violation to the Office of Fiscal and Performance Review law; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-61</td>
<td>An Act to amend 15 ONC §2-201 et seq. to include penalties for violation of the law; and to provide an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-62</td>
<td>An Act to amend the open records Act at 15 ONC §8-102 to include Osage Nation enterprises, including limited liability companies, corporations and any other business entity of the Osage Nation in the definition of a government entity; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-63</td>
<td>An Act to amend the Osage Nation Health Authority Board Act, ONCA 11-116, to remove the requirement to have policies and procedures presented and approved by the Osage Nation Congress; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-64</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Office of the Principal Chief of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of one million nine hundred ninety five thousand eight hundred eighty two dollars ($1,995,882); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-65</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Legislative Branch of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of two million four hundred eighty four thousand seven hundred eighty dollars ($2,484,780); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-66</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Judicial Branch of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of six hundred forty five thousand two hundred twenty six dollars ($645,226); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Boards, Commissions, Authorities and Utilities of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of nine hundred seventy eight thousand four hundred seventy six dollars ($978,476); to consent to spending of an Independent Agency; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-68</td>
<td>An Act to authorize and appropriate four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($450,000) to the Burial Assistance Fund; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-69</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Capital Asset and Improvement Fund in the amount of nine hundred thirty five thousand dollars ($935,000); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-70</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Child, Family and Senior Community Services Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of ten million seven hundred eighty five thousand eight hundred fifty eight dollars ($10,785,858); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-71</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Cultural Preservation, Arts, Heritage and Language Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of two million nine hundred fifty four thousand eight hundred thirty eight dollars ($2,954,838); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-72</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Education and Early Childhood Services Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of six million eight hundred forty nine thousand seven hundred seventy six dollars ($6,849,776); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>An Act to authorize and appropriate seven million nine hundred sixty nine thousand five hundred ninety three dollars($7,969,593) to the Osage Nation Higher Education Scholarship Fund; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-74</td>
<td>An Act to authorize and appropriate one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($1,250,000) to the Treasury for payment for the Master Campus Plan Loan; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-75</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Government Operations Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of twenty one million five hundred forty seven thousand three hundred seven dollars ($21,547,307); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-76</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Health, Fitness and Wellness Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of four million three hundred ninety two thousand four hundred seven dollars ($4,392,407); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-77</td>
<td>An Act to provide an appropriation to the Land, Commerce and Public Safety Division of the Osage Nation for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of nine million four hundred three thousand eighty three dollars ($9,403,083); and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-78</td>
<td>An act to authorize five million dollars ($5,000,000) to the Health Benefit Plan Fund; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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A record of the past

Charles Red Corn

Ancient teachings that have endured several centuries can form a solid foundation upon which to build a tribal social order as well as a tribal government today.

Long ago when Osage Oral Tradition began, it was a way of passing down information from one person to another, or generation to another generation. I have seen several artistic paintings that show an image of an older and three or four younger people sitting near a low flaming fire that burns in the middle of the lodge floor.

One would assume that when the Elder spoke he was actually retelling the history of Osage People. He recited the story in a word for word telling of our history and it was understood that the words and thoughts are intended to be remembered in an accurate, word for word manner and would be retold in that same accurate and understandable way.

It was also understood that the detail was important, because the words were intended to be heard by future generations who were not yet born. We have been told that this form of relaying information took place during the cold winter months. I have also been told that it took place during the nighttime hours.

Today we know this information that was handed down long ago was a complex retelling of the human experiences. In many ways it was not too different from the retelling of relationships and human experience to day, while in other ways it was a different story. It was not only a way of accurately remembering and retelling the critical facts and history of our People, it was also a means of accurately passing on Prayers, Rituals and Ceremonies.

There was the preservation of a tribal calendar that was brought on by the different seasons of the year such as floods or storms. Certainly, the hard

Dr. Mary Braungang-Brown shares her copy of the Osage News with her class of middle school English teachers in Kunming, China. Mary is the granddaughter of original allottee Luke Hunt Ertikstein of Foraker.

Charles Red Corn

The story may be a long period without rain would certainly be experiences worth remembering, just as the extended time of freezing temperatures and frozen lakes and streams would be useful in predicting the horizons of nature. Information of that nature is critical to living on this earth.

Osages today have a lot to enjoy and be thankful for. We can open up a computer and read understand the thoughts of those Old Osages. These words are available to us from those Old Ones. It is also true that Osages can attend any number of Hand Games, Dinners, Burial services, and Name Giving events, or Dunces that are still with us.

The things mentioned above came to our generation through the art of passing information by word of mouth from One Generation to the next Generation.

So, it is, those Osages of long ago who were very good at remembering the Prayers, Rituals and Ceremonies. They were also good at organizing that knowledge in a way that guided our People through the ages. Their thoughts and words were organized very much like a library.

About the author: Charles H. Red Corn, Osage, is the author of “A Pipe for February,” and various other published works. Red Corn received his B.A. in Psychology and his Master of Education Administration from Penn State. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and resides with his wife Jo in Norman, Okla. He is the Osage News culture columnist.

Robert “Mark” Kirk, director of the Nation’s Information Technology Department, is the newly-elected Secretary of Oklahoma’s Native American Technology Council.

The council serves as a liaison among tribes and government, vendors, and national and international business entities. Top technology executives from nearly half of the 59 Oklahoma-based Native American tribes have come together for the purpose of pooling knowledge and resources to pursue technology opportunities in Oklahoma, the region, and internationally, according to a prepared release.

Membership in the Council is open to any information technology executive, economic development officer, or planner who reports directly to the elected leader of a federally recognized tribe based in Oklahoma.

Areas of focus for the Council include opportunities benefitting the member tribes, including education, technology, health, economic development, the preservation of history, and culture and language. The Council will further seek to influence events and legislation in Oklahoma and the US Congress, according to the release.

Officers and members of the Board of Directors and Advisory Board, elected at the Council’s formation meeting in July, include:

- Dennis J. Day, CIO, Cioso Potawatomi Nation, President/Chair
- Jon W. James, CIO, Cherokee Nation, Vice President
- Robert Mark Kirk, Director

Ki-He-Kah Steh Powwow

Grand entry line at the Ki-He-Kah Steh Powwow on July 25.

Jula Wakeford receives her 2014 Ki-He-Kah Steh Princess crown on July 25.
Save the Date!

- Local Events Calendar

October 11 – 12
8th Annual Cultural Walk
For more information contact (918) 287-5539
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October 15
Osage Day – Observed Holiday
Office Closed

October 16 – October 27
Beginnings Class
Community Enrichment Classes
Community Ed Pawhuska Classes on Monday
5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
For more information contact (918) 287-3537
or (918) 333-2422

October 19
Red Rock Creek
Great Gourd Class
First Council Casino Event Center
Newkirk, Oklahoma
For more information contact (918) 355-4466

October 20
116th Annual Pryor Woolyard
Cheyenne High School
Pawhuska, Oklahoma
For more information contact (918) 698-0585

October 31 – 30
Publisher Classes – Career Development Classes
Community Ed Pawhuska Classes on Monday
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
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November 7
Let’s Go to Facebook – Community Enrichment Classes
Community Ed Pawhuska Classes on Monday
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
For more information contact (918) 287-3537
or (918) 333-2422

November 8
Native American Alaska Day
Observed Holiday
Office Closed

November 8 – 18
COMPUTERS Class – Community Enrichment Classes
Community Ed Pawhuska Classes on Tuesday and Wednesday
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
For more information contact (918) 287-3537
or (918) 333-2422

November 12
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
Observed Holiday
Office Closed

DECEMBER
December 6
Holiday Ugly Class – Community Enrichment Classes
Community Ed Pawhuska Classes on Thursday
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
For more information contact (918) 287-3537
or (918) 333-2422

December 10
Naughty or Nice?
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
Observed Holiday
Office Closed

December 14
14th Annual New Years Eve Sobriety Class
Cow Business Center
100 Civic Center
Tulsa, Oklahoma
For more information contact (918) 639-7099

More details to follow

Contact Vann Bighorse at 918-287-5537 or Harrison Hudgins at 918-287-5537 to sign up for classes.
Suicide Prevention Summit planned for Sept. 8 in Bartlesville

OGE News Prevention Program

Dr. David Jobes, founder and developer of the Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality treatment, is the keynote speaker for the Second Annual Suicide Prevention Summit on Sept. 8 at the Bartlesville Community Center.

The event is hosted by the Washington County Suicide Prevention Coalition, Washington County Association of Mental Health and the Washington County Health Department.

The event begins with an all-day workshop for professionals, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is worth 0.5 continuing education units. A free community presentation will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Jobes is a professor of psychology and associate director of clinical training at the Catholic University of America. Having authored five books on suicide, conducting research and writing extensive journal articles, Jobes is internationally recognized as an expert on suicidology.


Jobes and his wife, Carol Charlene Herard, have three children: Joe and his wife Karen of Ponca City, Russell and his wife Karin of Sulphur, Ok., and his wife Linda of Crane, Tx., Becky Tootle and her husband Tim of Muldowney, Ks., Richard and his wife Cheryl of Bartlesville, Melissa Whitchurch and her husband Richard of Bartlesville, Chaney Ware and her husband Mason of Hilton, Ok., 20 grandchild and 25 great-grandchildren.

A private memorial service was held in Bartlesville on July 5, 2014.

Community members were asked to “happily fight the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

Oklahoma City Clinic opens new medical building

OKLAHOMA CITY — Oklahoma City Indian Clinic (OKCIC) has dedicated its new medical building to its Chairman of the Board, Dr. Robert R. Rhoades, and celebrated the grand opening of the facility on Friday, Aug. 15. Dr. Rhoades, Kiowa, became the first American Indian director of Indian Health Service (IHS) and is a founding member of OKCIC.

“Dr. Rhoades has made a profound impact in Indian health care not just in Oklahoma but across the nation,” said Bobyn Sunden-Alleen, CEO of OKCIC. “For the last 40 years, he’s helped shape our clinic to be the leading health facility for urban Indians. This gesture is the least we can do for someone as deserving as he is serving.”

Located at 5050 W Reno, the building houses several services offered by the clinic including OKCIC’s Harmonous Pediatric Clinic, physical therapy and business administration, optometry department, public health department, Health Promotion/Behavioral Health Prevention department, behavioral health and substance and business offices.

Please keep this attached feature for readers in the Kiowa Black Leggings War Department.

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Letters to the Editor

If you would like to submit a letter to the editor, please mail it to the Osage News, Attn.: Shannon Shaw, 619 Kihek-ah, Pawhuska, OK 74056 or send email to sshaw@osagetribe.org. Letters are required to be respectful and informative to the reader, and may be edited for grammar, clarity and space.

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Opinion

Without Reservations

Does this buckskin make me look fat?

Cartoon © Santo Domingo Pueblo Cartoon Artist, Ricardo Cate

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Jr., Kiowa, provided a flag and honor song. An invocation was also given by Kiowa member Lonnie Emhoolah. Other attendees included tribal leaders, representatives of IHS, community leaders and Dr. Rhoades’ friends and family.

About Oklahoma City Indian Clinic

Oklahoma City Indian Clinic (OKCIC) was established in 1974 to provide excellent health care and wellness services to urban Indians in central Oklahoma. The clinic staff cares for more than 18,000 patients from more than 220 federally recognized tribes every year. Urban Indians can receive a range of services, including medical, dental, pediatrics, prenatal, pharmacy, optometry, physical fitness, nutrition, family programs and behavioral health services. For more information, please visit www.okcic.com.

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There will also be a Native American dance contest as well as a drum competition during the event. Dance categories (age 18 and over) for the competition are: men's straight, men's fancy, women's cloth, women's buckskin. There will also be a children's exhibition dance at 11 a.m.

The top three finishers in each adult dance category will be awarded $300-$100 respectively. In the drum competition, the winner-take-all will receive $1,500.

The Indian taco championship is also on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/NITC-Pawhuska.

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<td>Supernaw</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-80</td>
<td>An Act to continue a matching grant for artists and art organizations up to a maximum of twenty five thousand dollars ($25,000) per grant; to appropriate a total grant amount of one hundred seventy five thousand dollars ($175,000); to appropriate a direct unrestricted grant of one hundred seventy five thousand dollars ($175,000) to the Foundation; to authorize the Osage Nation Foundation to administer the funds; to require the Foundation to develop objective criteria for awards and to review applications and determine grant recipients; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-81</td>
<td>An Act to amend the Open Meetings Act at 15 ONC § 7-104, to allow for training and planning meetings by Members of Congress without holding an official committee meeting; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
<td>Buffalohead</td>
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<td>ONCA 14-82</td>
<td>An Act to amend 19 ONC §§ 1-103 and 1-104 within The Osage Preference in Employment Law; to include spouses of members of the Osage Nation and guardians of Osage children as part of the preference; and to establish an alternate effective date.</td>
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<td>ONCR 14-15</td>
<td>A Resolution to formally request participation in the Indian Health Service Tribal Self-Governance Program under 42 C.F.R. § 137.18, and to support the negotiation and execution of a compact between the Osage Nation and the United States government pursuant to Public Law PL 93-638.</td>
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<td>ONCR 14-16</td>
<td>A Resolution requesting the Osage Nation Gaming Enterprise Board to include an additional ten million dollars ($10,000,000) of dividend Payments to the Osage Nation in its Annual Plan of Operation for fiscal year 2015.</td>
<td>Buffalohead</td>
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