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From the Desk of Chief Brad KillsCrow

Brad KillsCrow, Chief, Delaware Tribe of Indians

Hè, kulamalsi hàch
Spring is the season during which the natural world revives and reinvigorates after the colder winter months. During spring, dormant plants begin to grow again, new seedlings sprout out of the ground, and hibernating animals awake. This is also a time when our people begin harvesting onions, mushrooms, and other foods and medicines from the land. Many of our people will begin cultivating the earth to prepare for their gardens for the upcoming summer. There is a lot that goes on during the spring months and it continues to be a very busy time here at the Delaware Tribe as well.

On March 8th I traveled with our Cultural Director, Jeremy Johnson to Gnadenhutten, Ohio to attend a ceremony commemorating the anniversary of the Gnadenhutten massacre. Gnadenhutten is the site of the killing of 96 Lenape Christian Indians by U.S. militiamen. I was accompanied by Chief Denise Stonefish, Delaware Nation at Moraviantown, where we were both able to give our prayers and sentiments to our ancestors.

I'm pleased to announce the appointment of Lindsey Harris as our newest Tribal Council Member. Lindsey comes from a long line of Lenapes from the Chelsea area. Lindsey brings a lot of energy and is highly motivated to continue moving our tribe in the right direction. I want to personally thank all those that submitted their resumes for the open seat. The choice was a difficult one, as we have many talented Lenapes wanting to serve our tribe. I would like to encourage those that were not chosen to get involved with the Tribe, as each and every one of you holds our tribe dearly to your heart.

I'm very happy to report that the Tribe's fiscal year 2021 Independent Auditor's Report was released by Arledge Certified Public Accountants. The Tribe received a clean opinion. All of the tribe's financials (including all Grants, Domicile,

ARPA, CARES monies) were thoroughly audited for inconsistencies, fraud, misappropriations, and other potential issues. I want to congratulate our Accounting team that consists of CFO Kendall Reith, Gina Parks, Vicki Carvalho, Sarah Donelson, and Scott Canavan. This team works tirelessly to benefit the Delaware Tribe and satisfy all our accounting needs!

Teton Trade Cloth by Lenape continues to thrive. The Fashion Summit at the First Americans Museum (FAM) in Oklahoma City on April 22nd is going to be a wonderful show. Designers and models have been selected from an overwhelming amount of applications, at a rate more than double last year's event. Watch for tickets to go on sale through the FAM website (famok.org). The business has opened additional opportunities for the Tribe to partner in production and collaboration with other Nations. Leslie Jerden has been named as the CEO for Teton Trade Cloth by Lenape and I am happy we have business in such capable Lenape hands. I look forward to updating you as our business grows.

I would like to remind everyone of the 58th Annual Delaware Pow Wow, May 26 – 28, on the Fall Leaf Family Memorial Pow Wow Grounds in Copan, Oklahoma. This weekend is a homecoming for many of our tribal members. I look forward to the many laughs, food, and conversations that will be had during this weekend.

In closing, every Lenape life is dear to me. Let's continue to look after each other to ensure we are all setting positive examples for all our members. May Kishelēmienk continue to bless each and every one of you and the Delaware Tribe of Indians. ■

58th Annual Delaware Pow Wow To Be Held May 26 -28

The Delaware Pow Wow Committee is looking forward to hosting our 58th Annual Delaware Pow Wow, May 26 – 28, on the Fall Leaf Family Memorial Pow Wow Grounds in Copan, Oklahoma. The Delaware Pow Wow Committee is an independent non-profit organization with the sole purpose of organizing, managing, and obtaining financial support for the Delaware Pow Wow. Following the Tribe's purchase of the grounds from Jack and Elaine Fall Leaf Clinton, a Memorandum of Agreement between the Tribe and the Committee was established giving the Committee the responsibility of conducting the Pow Wow in the same manner as in the past. The Committee was also reorganized with Erica Zunigha as President, Linda KillsCrow as Secretary and Sydney Gabbard Rose as Treasurer. Other Committee members include Walter Dye, Jimmie Johnson, Tony KillsCrow, and Bradley Dick.

No significant changes are being made to the Pow Wow schedule or to the campgrounds. We hope to expand the menu at the concession stand to include Indian Tacos, corn soup, and other traditional foods. We will also be charging a \$25 electrical hookup fee for RV campers that hook into the electrical outlets on the campgrounds. This fee is necessary to help offset the increasing cost of electricity and the growing number of RVs on the campgrounds.

Since the Tribe provides limited financial support, the operation of the Pow Wow will continue to rely on funds generated through the sale of program books, t-shirts, booth space, and food at the concession stand. The success of the Pow Wow also relies heavily on the generosity of our tribal members and guests. Your donations are essential in helping us in covering our operating expenses and are greatly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing everyone Memorial Day weekend in Copan! ■



Update From the Lenape Early Learning Center

Emily Harker, Family Services Coordinator

It has been a busy time at LELC. In February, we sent home “We Care Kits” to all of our families that included things like first aid kits, digital thermometers, disinfectant spray, and dental care items. This was all in effort to keep our families healthy during this winter season. We know it can be tough this time of year with all of the sicknesses going around, so it is important that we take care of our families!



We also celebrated Dr. Seuss’s birthday and Read Across America Week which was February 27th- March 3rd. We had some amazing guest readers such as successful businesswoman Annie Saltsman, police officer Maggie with the Bartlesville Police Department, Environmental Director Denny Fisher, CPA Vicki Carvalho, and our very own Chief Brad KillsCrow! The

kids really enjoyed hearing stories from our special guests and had many great questions for all of them. Read Across America Week is a great opportunity for our families to learn about the importance of early literacy in early childhood development.



With spring coming and the weather getting nicer outside, we will be spending a lot of our times outdoors. One thing that spring has brought us is wild onions! The preschool classroom went on a nature walk and collected wild onions as well as other things. Bringing these items into the classroom allows for the children to explore things in a different light. We had different classes wash and prepare the wild onions, other classes created art with these materials. We understand the importance of na-

ture and how being outside exploring is one of the best places for our children.

As we move ahead, we will be celebrating Week of the Young Child, which is a focus on the needs of young children and their families, as well as recognizing the early childhood programs and services that meet the needs of those families. Great things are happening at LELC, and the Week of the Young Child is another time that we can recognize all of the great things that are happening at our center. ■



Youth Interview with Olivia Boyd

What are the most meaningful Delaware practices to you?

The Delaware Pow Wow. I love seeing friends and family at the Pow Wow and that’s where me and my cousin Isla learned how to Two-step together..

What are your goals for Lenape youth going forward?

To pursue higher education so that they can give back to their Delaware community.

What advice do you have for our young Delaware members?

Be kind and help others. ■



From the Desk of Tribal Council Secretary Bruce Martin

Bruce Martin, Secretary, Tribal Council

This would be my first article for the Delaware Indian News since the November Election. I am excited about serving on the Tribal Council. There were a lot of projects going on when I came on board, and a lot of things were already in place. I am excited to step in and help where I can. The Cares and ARPA funding has really allowed us to start a few businesses and create opportunities for our tribe, and I think it is important that we do our diligent, planning and processing all that is going on. We do have a lot of monies and a short amount of time to plan how we will spend this money, but my concern is that even though we have the money now, we still need to try to plan and budget for the long haul, not just think and plan for the present. I do believe this council is trying their best to do just that. We're not going to make everyone happy with all our decisions, but we are doing the best with the information we are given.

I think we all really need to realize, that as Lenape Tribal Members, we should all have the best interest of our people in mind, and I do believe that this administra-

tion is on the same page going in this direction. We all need to support and help each other. We need to change our thinking from second guessing and judging and being negative, to better communication, understanding, and supporting each other. We are good at criticizing and judging and not supporting and helping.

We had 1 seat on the council that needed to be filled and 15 tribal members put their name in for this seat. That was exciting. A few of these tribal members I have not talked with for a long time, a few I never knew, and a few I have known for a while. It's exciting that more members are interested in getting involved again. I hope that all of those candidates that we did not select at this time will get involved in other committees and will also for run for seats in future elections, not only for Council, but even Trust Board or Tribal Court.

It would be nice to create opportunities for more tribal members to return or relocate back to Oklahoma and Kansas, and get involved with the Delaware Tribe of Indians. I have to remind others and myself that this is a slow

process, and though we can get there, change is going to happen. We're going to make mistakes, we're only human, but we have over 12,000 enrolled members that have opinions, ideas, and thoughts to contribute. We're not always going to agree and get along, but that is what family is all about. And we have family all over this world, resources all over the world, in short: we have people, family and time. We just need patience, compassion, understanding, and positive reinforcement. Together we can make a lot of great things happen for our Lenape people and our communities we live in.

I thank each and every one of you that voted for me, and I thank each and every one of you that didn't. I will do my best and keep our people in my thoughts, and I will keep our future generations in my thoughts, I want a good present, but a better future for our Lenape relatives.

Wanishi ■



From The Desk of Assistant Chief Tonya Anna

Tonya Anna, Assistant Chief

Mèchi làpi sikòn. (It is now spring again.) Days are getting longer and hopefully the weather will be getting warmer. Not to mention animals are coming out of hibernation or being born. If you haven't been to the ranch you may want to drive by and see the new barns (Check out some pictures on page 8 for a preview!). You could possibly see the new calves running around.

The Peru Truck Stop was purchased on March 23, 2023. This new endeavor has the town excited to see what will be done with it. Many ideas have come to mind and been discussed. The previous owners have been very patient and kind to share their history and how they were successful. They want nothing but the best for us and welcome the Tribe to Peru.

While looking for land in Kansas, the old Kopco Print Shop came up. Unfortunately, it's not feasible for the idea we had in mind. I called the town of Caney to see if they had time to sit down and visit. The two-hour conversation brought up some really good points for Tribal Council to consider. Hopefully we can partner with the city in some way that will benefit us both.

The end of February I attended the OSU and Tribal Partnership Summit for Workforce and Economic Development. Here is the link to their article: https://news.okstate.edu/articles/business/2023/tribal_summit_2023.html The day was well spent with round table topics and discussion. Almost 20 tribes were represented with lots of input from everyone in attendance. So

excited to see what type of curriculum Oklahoma State University's Spears School of Business and the Oklahoma Indian Gaming Association come up with to present. Most exciting, is the thought of offering certifications in small increments. They stated it could take up to a year before we hear anything or start seeing classes offered. Will keep you updated as information is released.

As you know, we had to appoint two Tribal Council seats this past quarter. It was not an easy task but noticed we have a lot of talented members in our tribe. The tribe could use all the help we can get so if you have the desire to serve your tribe please contact any of the council members or myself directly. We can be reached at (918) 337-6590 or email me at

tanna@delawaretribe.org. ■

From the Desk of Grant Writer

Manon Taylor

Manon Taylor, Grant Writer

The Delaware Tribe of Indians administers many grants from various funding agencies such as the Department of Health & Human Services, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Park Service to name just a few. Department directors are always seeking ways to improve the programs and services they provide by looking for additional grant opportunities, or to renew the ones that are currently being administered. Everyone is looking for funding on **Grants.gov** and other platforms, including philanthropic foundations and corporations to support their program mission and goals.

There are competitive and non-competitive grants and more than likely, only a selected number of ap-

plicants receive awards. With these awards there are significant responsibilities to be good stewards of the funds that are received. There are multiple layers of oversight and reporting of data, financials, and compliance with regard to regulations. Also, transparency to the funding agency, the Tribal Council, and all constituents is best practice and a requirement by those who manage the grants.

We have been working on new grants and renewals of current ones that will sustain services into the future, while also trusting that new awards will be received. If you would like to discuss grant opportunities with me, or need any assistance, please call and we can set up a time to collaborate.

Contact me by email at ltaylor@delawaretribe.org

Or by phone at (918) 645-4799 ■

Veterans Committee Report

Kenny Brown, Chairman

Our Delaware Tribe of Indians Veterans Memorial is nearing completion, with lettering and service plaques to be mounted soon. We will hold Dedication Ceremonies at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 25th at the Memorial.

As that is just prior to the opening night of our Delaware Pow Wow we expect a large number of families to be there.

We will be inviting our brothers and sisters of other veteran organizations, color guards and honor guards.

I would like to see some drum groups come and not only have flag, memorial, and veteran songs, but songs of the conflicts our veterans fought in.

The Veterans Committee is hoping media outlets will respond to invitations.

The committee and our Auxiliaries (Delaware War Mothers, and Lenape Gourd Dance Society) invite interested persons to come join our organizations and get involved!

The contact people for the War Mothers are Katie Maynor and Laura Watters Maynor, and the contact people for the Gourd Society are Kenny Brown and John Sumpter.

Personal request: I have been honored by the Delaware Pow Wow Committee and they have asked me to be Head Man Dancer for the Delaware Pow Wow. I will need the Society and Color Guard to take care of our responsibilities during Pow Wow. ■

Update From the Title VI Program

Archie Elvington

Title VI completed the kitchen and dining room remodels in February and both have been very well received by staff and patrons who come to dine at the elder lunch program.

March's highlights included enjoying the newly renovated Forsythe Hall and a field trip to an Amish gift shop at the end of the month.

April will bring us a Title VI trip to the Title VI National Conference held in Washington D.C. on the dates of April 10th to 14th that we hope will allow Title VI more abilities to bring more assistance to our elders within our program.

We look forward to Elders having more great outings as well as continued gatherings for our thriving lunch program. ■

Proud Delaware Going to Nationals Again

Elizabeth Reeve

Since 2008, the name Elizabeth Reeve has been heard when associated with being a role model for community service. Elizabeth's most recent accomplishment is Central Oklahoma Elite Miss Celebrations USA. She has dedicated many hours for various causes. Elizabeth considers Robert Greenleaf's Servant leadership in how she lives her daily life.

Elizabeth's message is the importance of Agriculture and Agribusiness in Celebrations. The agriculture system has struggled recently with prices of eggs needed for baking cakes, pies, and other goods rising faster than ever before. Inflation and the cost of agriculture goods has caused many individuals to cut back on how much they celebrate

an event. Many people can not obtain their daily meals little one think about celebrating. Together we can work to help this issue. Through understanding how agriculture and agribusiness impact celebrations, we can learn to garden, produce our own products, and help people get back to their roots of being self-sufficient.

As part of her obligations as your Central Oklahoma Elite Miss Celebrations USA, it is her pleasure and honor to help promote feeding the hungry. Every time Miss Celebrations has a pageant, a food drive is held to gather food for those who are hungry. Elizabeth has taken this a step further to help those who may not be able to go to a function of Miss Celebrations USA participate in a virtual drive. If you would like to contribute, the link is attached for the virtual food drive registry.

<https://www.walmart.com/registry/ER/23577fba-28af-42a6-9ffe-2597cd2194b0?page=2>

Other opportunities to support her can be found at <https://www.misscelebrationsusa.com/nationaltitles>. ■



From the Desk of Tribal Domicile Insurance Commissioner Allan Barnes

Allan Barnes, Insurance Commissioner, Tribal Domicile

He' "Hello", 'Osomi "yes" it's been a owiyalahu "Whirlwind" of activity and progress for both the Delaware Tribe of Indians and our Tribal Domicile. Chief Brad KillsCrow will accompany the Tribal Domicile team to the 12th annual Agent's Summit, a conference for the F&I industry May 7-10. This will be our Chief's third trip to this confer-

ence in Las Vegas to demonstrate the Tribe's support for the domicile. Our Chief's administration's list of accomplishments continues to grow by providing Elder housing, our food pantry, an array of social services programs (including education), and the opportunity to provide tribal members services and employment. Our Domicile is proud to be committed to that goal as well.

Our Tribal Support Services team has been doing a fantastic job! Rhonda and Elaine traveled to the Delaware Tribe's headquarters in Bartlesville, OK for a full three-day agenda on February 13-15 to introduce our team to new council members and revisit other department directors we work with. In addition, employment opportunities have always been an objective toward helping the growth of our tribe and improving

as many lives as possible through the growth of the Domicile.



We are thrilled to announce that our new hire and teammate Becky

Bridendolph joined us on March 13, and Tribal Support Services is already busy training her. We certainly feel her qualifications and experience will allow us to continue the timely response we have established in this industry. As always, go to delawaretribe.org. Have a great Sikoni (Spring).

Wanishi
Allan R. Barnes
Domicile Commissioner
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15th Annual AARP Oklahoma Native American Elder Honors Program Recognizes

Rick L. Barnes and Evelyn Kay Anderson

Rick L. Barnes



Rick was raised in Ochelata, Oklahoma by parents dedicated to the Delaware Tribe. After graduation from Ochelata High School he served in the US Army spending time in Vietnam. Upon Rick's return from his service duties he attended Northeastern State College (now known as Northeastern State University). After graduation he spent 35 years working in Texas for Ford Motor Corporate. Upon his return to Ochelata after retirement he knew his years of service was not over. Having been raised to serve the Delaware people, Rick be-

came a judge on the Delaware Tribal Judiciary and currently serves as an Appellate Judge. Additionally, he represented the Delaware Tribe on the board of Grand Gateway Foundation. Rick not only served his tribe but also contributed ten years as a member of the Ochelata City Council. Rick is still involved with the Delaware Tribe and his respect for the Delaware people is unwavering. He is honored that the AARP has chosen him to receive this award. Wanishi! ■



For the last 14 years, AARP Oklahoma has celebrated Native American elders who have had a positive impact on their communities, state, and across all of Indian Country. Since beginning in 2009, AARP Oklahoma has celebrated more than 650 Native American elders across 39 tribes. To qualify, "A nominee must be an enrolled member of one of Oklahoma's 39 tribal nations and age 50-plus. Nominees should demonstrate leadership and will be selected based on impactful contributions to their community, tribal nation and/or country." ■

Elder Interview with Kay Anderson

Tonya Anna

What are some of your fondest memories from your childhood?

Arguing with my brother, we moved from Coffeyville to a little town of Tyro. We were one mile out of Tyro district so we had to go to Wayside to take a bus. Homer and I was going to school and the teacher asked Homer what his name was. Homer said "Homer Edward Junior Hammer Scott" I said "Homer, your name isn't that. It's Homer Edward Scott!" "No it's not, cause Grandpa and Grandma Jackson calls me Eddie, Grandma Scott calls me Junior and you guys call me Homer. Uncle Mike calls me Hammer." Anyway, we argued in school and that was always a big no! You don't be arguing.

I remember when my mom had my little brother Dale. Janice and I had gotten a doll buggy for Christmas. We got to play with

our dolls outside and our yard kind of sloped down. Mom let us have Dale out there so we put Dale in the doll buggy. Let go of the doll buggy and it rolled down the hill! It tipped over and Dale was just a crying and a crying. So we put Dale back in our doll buggy and Mama come out there and asked "What's the matter with Dale?" I started to say "I don't know he just started...." Mama interrupted and said "what's all that mud doing all over his face?!"

We used to go camping every weekend. Mama would fix up our food and Daddy and us would all go camping at different lakes like Grand Lake, Hula, that was before Copan was even built. Mom would have all this food out and we'd be out there cooking, Daddy and the boys were out there fishing. Catching all kinds of fish and we always had fun just fishing every weekend and camping out.

We'd go up there to Grandma's land up there north of Caney. Mama would fry chicken all day and we would sit out there on the tailgate of the station wagon and have a picnic right there. Eating our fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans. Dad would go up there and go fishing or fix the fences. We had fun doing all that. We didn't have to have computers. We would play Annie-Annie over the house, play hide and go seek out in the cornfield.

We played with our cousins and they would come over and we'd have our own ball field. Our front yard was huge and my aunt and uncles would come over and their kids. We would have a big old ball game going on. Which turned into making homemade ice cream we all took turns sitting on the gunny sack while they were churning it. Mom would make angel food cake with homemade pineapple frosting on it. That was the only kind of cake we ever had growing up.

What part of our culture or traditions do you hold important?

I want the kids, my great grandkids - I've got 23 great grandkids. I want them to learn how to do singing I want them to learn our culture, dance, learn how to make their clothes and I want them to learn their language. In the house I've got post-it notes with Lenape words so they know how to say that item. I want them to say how old they are. I want them to tell me in Delaware and not in English so that they'll know it. They always tell me ktaholël and I always tell them ktaholël which means, I love you.

What advice would you like to give our youth?

Listen and look up to your elders and listen to your elders. I'd like to see the elders and the youth together so they can learn from each other. Would like for

them to know what they're talking about because you've got to respect your people. When the elders are gone what's going to be happening if they don't teach the young ones? ■



Project Glam: Pick A Dress

April 7

2p.m. to 5 p.m.

Delaware Tribe
5100 Tuxedo Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK

Come pick out a dress, enjoy refreshments, and receive a "Preppin' For Prom" swag bag!

This event is open to the public. Dresses, heels, and accessories are first come, first serve.



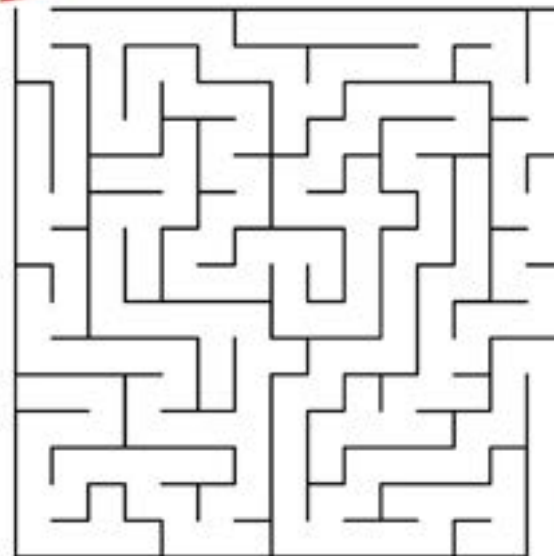
Project Glam

McKenzie Loffer, Director of Marketing

Attending prom can be a large expense for some teens, from dresses and accessories to event tickets, so the Delaware Tribe of Indians Marketing Department with help of the Wellness Center is organizing an event to meet a need in the community. Project Glam is an event where teens in the community can come receive a prom dress for free. There will also be accessories and shoes available as well. Teens DO NOT have to be a member of a federally recognized tribe to participate, this event is open to the community and anyone in need. Join us April 7, from 2 P.M. - 5 P.M. to shop, enjoy some snacks, and receive a “Preppin’ for Prom” makeup bag filled with goodies! ■

Happy Tahkoxtët Maze Puzzle

Help the happy tahkoxtët to race his way to the finish line.



**Join the turtle races at the Delaware Pow Wow
on Sunday, May 28th!**

SEE YOU AT THE POW WOW!

Stop by the
Family + Children
Services
booth to learn more
about our services
and meet our team!

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FAMILY & CHILDREN
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**Family & Children
Services
is requesting
submissions from
Delaware artists
to design
2023 MMIP* shirt.**

email submissions:
rholdredge@delawaretribe.org

*Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons



**CELEBRATING
INDIGENOUS
artists and designers!**

Featured Designers
Designs by Della
Michelle Luna - Bitterwater for Redhouse
Sheel Designs
Marian Mike - Breezy Designs
Ribbon Queena Designs
Kathleen Tom Garcia - JG Indie
Stitched by Millie
Native Springflower creations
Bonnie Woodie
Penny Singer

Accessory Designers
Shude Victors - Big Smoke Maker Designs
Shaydee Snow Pretends Eagle - S.N.O inc
Amanda Wilson - Weryackwe Tie Co.

**TETON
TRADE CLOTH
BY LENAPE
FASHION
SUMMIT
AT FIRST AMERICANS MUSEUM, OKC
APRIL 21-22, 2023**



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DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS APP FOR
DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TRIBAL MEMBERS



Lenape Language Report

Jim Rementer, Director, Lenape Language Project

What’s New—This is a photo of Fred Washington taken with dancers from other Indian tribes at the Washington County Fair in 1932. The original photo was black and white but here it is colorized. Fred worked with several linguists on the Lenape language and culture.



Fred Washington—1932

Notice: The Delaware Indian calendar for 2023 is now available on the tribal website: <https://delawaretribe.org/> or at this address:

<https://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/Delaware-Calendar-2023.pdf>.

You can download your copy and print all the pages at once or print one month at a time as needed. For a wall calendar we suggest using 8.5 x 14 inch (legal size) paper.

What’s New—Some more things have been added to the Delaware tribal website. First there are Lenape stories that were only put down in English. We just added 5 new ones and there are now 40 of these stories in the list. They are at the bottom of the list found here:

<https://delawaretribe.org/blog/2013/06/25/lenape-stories-2/>

I have also been working with colorizing old B&W Lenape photos and the newest ones are

found here, go to bottom of the list and look for Lenape Photos:

<https://delawaretribe.org/blog/2013/06/26/history/>

As an example here is a colorized photo made from a B&W photo of two Lenape women



pounding corn taken about 1930:

Revived: Here is the Lenape Word-a-Day calendar for March. This month’s calendar is of Lenape words for fish, gardening, and dirt. The downloadable calendar is also posted on the Tribal website with a calendar for that month, and they will continue to be posted at the be-

ginning of each month. There are sound files for each of these words which are in the Lenape Talking Dictionary: <https://www.talk-lenape.org/>.

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And here is the Lenape Word-a-Day calendar for April. This month’s calendar is of Lenape words for plants. The downloadable calendar is also posted on the Tribal website with a calendar for that month, and they will continue to be posted at the beginning of each month. As for

LENAPE APRIL 2023 WORDS						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Tehim Otaeyu (Kishux) Strawberries Bloom (Month)						
si-pu-was 2 plum	ap�������� 3 apple	�������� 4 mulberry	������ 5 peach	w�������� 6 grape/grapes	������ 7 cherry	�������� 8 paw-paw
������ 9 persimmon	w�������� 10 orange	���������� 11 pear	�������� 12 crab apple	�������� 13 wild black cherry	���������� 14 black haw	���������� 15 red haw
������ 16 hickory nut	�������� 17 black walnut	�������� 18 pecan	�������� 19 chestnut	�������� 20 hazelnut	�������� 21 English walnut	���������� 22 acorn
�������� 23 corn	���������� 24 white flour	���������� 25 blue flour	���������� 26 popcorn	�������� 27 potato	���������� 28 sweet potato	���������� 29 Indian potato
���������� 30 sunchoke	To see these fruits and nuts go to: https://delawaretribe.org/wp-content/uploads/LenapeNamesofFruitandNutTrees.pdf			To hear these words go to the Lenape Talking Dictionary at www.talk-lenape.org		compiled by Jim Rementer

Take A Look at the Progress on Our Ranch!

Motley-Faced Bull and First Baby Calf of 2023 (upper right)

North and South Barns in progress (upper left and bottom)



CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATION

Graduates can request a stole for commencement.

Please email graduate's name, birthday, mailing address, graduation date, college or high school's name, and if graduating college please add degree and major.

Email info to: edrown@delawaretribe.org
"STOLE'S ARE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST"





Community Services and Education

Community Services Programs

If you have questions, please contact the Tribal Office at (918) 337-6590.

Community Service Applications for the following programs are being accepted, while funding is available. Applicants must be an enrolled tribal member of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. Tribal members are only allowed to apply for two applications per calendar year. Applications are considered on a case-by-case basis by the Community Services Committee.

Burial Program: Assistance up to \$750.00 for the burial assistance for Delaware Tribal members. The family may apply for the funds to be used for expenses that are most beneficial to the family (i.e., funeral services, family meals, wake, grave markers, etc.) Documentation required to establish membership and proof of death. Application must be submitted within one year from date of death.

Elder Prescriptions: Prescription medication assistance to Delaware Elders age 60 and

over for Pharmacy and related costs. Elders may receive assistance up to \$75.00 per month. Funds may be disbursed to vendors or reimburse applicants with proper documents and receipts.

Medical Assistance: Assistance up to \$300 for medical bills, including but not limited to out of pocket medical expenses, medical equipment (purchase or rental), Home health care, pharmacy, etc. Payment for services will be made to provider or Tribal member if paid receipts are included with other required documentation.

Emergency Assistance & Emergency Travel Assistance: Provides emergency assistance up to \$400 or emergency travel assistance up to \$200. Funds are to be used for emergency situations as requested by Tribal member. Applicants must utilize other community resources if available.

Rental or Mortgage Assistance: Assistance up to \$400.00. Eviction notice and/or other documentation must be submitted with the application. Tribal member's name must be on the rental lease contract or mortgage bill.

Dental Assistance: Assistance up to \$300.00. Provides assistance for dental services including tooth repair, fillings, dentures or emergency services. Routine dental exams and cleanings are not covered.

Optical Assistance: Assistance up to \$200 for optical services to Delaware Tribal Members. Funds may be used for services, including glasses, exams or related. ■

Education Committee Assistance/Programs

Take advantage of these programs; they are here for you! If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Office at (918) 337-6590.

Trust Fund Higher Education School Scholarship: Delaware Tribal members attending college, for a degree, are eligible to apply. Currently, full-time students may apply for \$400 per semester for up to eight semesters and part-time students may apply for \$200 per semester up to 16 semesters. Semesters do not have to be consecutive. Applicants must submit all required documentation, including official transcripts and enrollment verification from the college or university. Students must maintain a 2.7 GPA (grade point average) in the last semester attended (high school, college, etc.). Award is made directly to student to insure that it does not interfere with their financial aid package from the institution. Scholarships will not be awarded for the summer semester. Scholarships are subject to funding availability. Please mail or hand in your completed applications to the tribal offices at 5100 Tuxedo Blvd., Bartlesville, OK 74006

Fall scholarship applications will be accepted from **June 1 through July 31**, Spring from **December 1 through February 15**.

Vo-Tech Assistance: This assistance may be used to help defray the cost of short-term vocational training up to \$200 per fiscal year. **This assistance is limited to vocational school students** who wish to upgrade or learn a new skill.

Driver's Education: This assistance may be used to help defray the cost of attending Driver's Education classes through an accredited training facility for up to \$200.

Extra-Curricular Activity: This assistance is for students involved in school sponsored extra-curricular programs (for items required but not provided by the school). Students may be reimbursed up to \$100.

Education Assistance: This assistance is for a \$50 gift card for students Pre-K thru 5th and 6th thru 12th to assist with items required for classes but not provided by the school i.e. school supplies, graduation expenses, etc. Gift cards are available on a first-come first-served basis while supplies last.

You can download the applications directly from our web site www.delaware-tribe.org. Just go the Services/Programs tab, and then scroll down to Educational Assistance. ■

Donations for Education Scholarships and to the Tribe Gratefully Accepted

We invite tribal members and others to contribute to a special fund for educational scholarships as well as donations to the Tribe's various programs.

For Educational or scholarship donations make your check payable to the Delaware Tribe Trust Board on the memo line write education assistance or scholarship fund

For general donations, other than education, please make your check payable to the Delaware Tribe of Indians. Examples for the memo line could be Food Pantry; Lenape Early Learning Center; Title VI or just specify it as a general donation.

Donors are recognized at five levels:

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Delaware Tribe of Indians
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OR

ATTN: Donations (For all other donations)
5100 Tuxedo Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006-2746



Obituaries

Ralph “Andy” Andrew Johnson



January 15, 1948 -
January 23, 2023

“Andy” Ralph Andrew Johnson, 75, of Dewey, passed away on Monday, January 23, 2023.

Andy was born January 15, 1948, in Tulsa to Ralph “Bill” Willard Johnson and Janet L. (Murphy) Johnson. He graduated from Dewey High School in 1966. He was drafted into the U.S. Army and served in Germany. He attended college at Miami, OK, and then later at University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, earning his bachelor’s degree in Agriculture.

Andy married Cheyrl Coleman on August 27, 2015, in Branson, Missouri.

Andy worked at Phillips for more than 20 years and later became a truck driver, mostly transporting cattle and hay. He liked his cows.

He was a member of Rose Hill Baptist Church. Andy was an ornery jokester and was one of a kind. The most important thing in the whole world to Andy was his family. He was loved and will be dearly missed.

Survivors include his loving wife, Cheyrl; five children, Dan Johnson and his wife Cassie, Daniel Shaffer and his wife Sami, Michelle Porter and her husband

John, Tabitha Sanders, and TJ Sanders; one sister, Kathryn Lynch; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Andy was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Patricia Carol Johnson, and Barbara Jean Steinman; and one grandson, Daniel Shaffer IV. ■



If one of your relatives or close friends has passed, please send us an obituary. We will run it in the next *Delaware Indian News*. Obituaries can be sent to **din@delawaretribe.org** or to the Tribal Offices.

Please also pass along any birth or death announcements to the Enrollment Office at **enrollment@delawaretribe.org**. The Community Services Committee has a burial assistance program if you need help. ■

Check Out the Tribal Web Site

Have you visited our Tribe’s web site recently? Additional material that we were unable to include in the DIN can often be found there.

Go to: **www.delawaretribe.org** ■



From the Enrollment Department

Emily Brown, Enrollment Director

In our efforts to maintain accurate records, the Enrollment Department is requesting that you email Emily with your update information requests at **enrollment@delawaretribe.org**. You can also find the member update information form on our website at **https://delawaretribe.org/home-page/enrollment/**.

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We invite contributions, but reserve the right to limit printing based upon available space. The deadline for articles, letters, ads and calendar of events is June 15, 2023 for the July 2023 issue. Submissions may be mailed, faxed or hand delivered to the tribal office or emailed to **din@delawaretribe.org**. Paid advertisements are available; for rates, please contact the editor.

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- Used motor oil (Max. 5 gal. container)
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- Drums
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- Household batteries (alkaline, 9 volt, D, C, AA, AAA)
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58TH ANNUAL DELAWARE POW WOW

May 26, 27, 28

Friday

6pm Gourd Dance
8pm Grand Entry
Tiny Tots & Junior Contests
Stomp Dance following Pow Wow

Saturday

11am Bet Football Game
(Men vs. Women)
Football field is north of the caretaker's house
Specials for Head Staff
3pm - 5pm Gourd Dance
5pm - 7pm Frybread Contest
6pm Gourd Dance
8pm Grand Entry
Sr. Womens Contests
Stomp Dance following Pow Wow

Sunday

10am Church Service
Pow wow arena
Specials for Head Staff
2pm Turtle Races
(west side of football field)
3pm - 5pm Gourd Dance
6pm Gourd Dance
8pm Grand Entry
Sr. Mens Contests

Special Contest - Sunday Night

Tiny Tots Boys and Girls Contest Sponsored by Dani Belle Coffey in Memory of Jake Coffey, Luann Hainline and JoAnn Markley.

Women's Fancy Shawl Contest Sponsored by the Zunigha family in Honor of the outgoing Princess. Cayla Marie Magee (age 10 years and up)

- Anyone selling meat pies or other food items will be asked to leave.
- Not responsible for accidents or theft
- No chairs may be set up around the arena until Friday, May 26th approx. 10am.
- \$25 electrical hookup fee will be collected from all RV campers on Saturday morning.

**FOR VENDOR INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT**

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2023 Delaware Powwow Princess
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Kenny Brown

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Host Gourd:
Lenape Gourd Dance Society
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Host Northern Drum:
Red Land Singers

Invited Northern Drum:
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Color Guard:
Lenape Color Guard

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