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## From the Chief

## Billy Friend

# Nation events a success

**"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." -- 1 Thessalonians 5:18**

Kweh,  
 I hope this quarter's newsletter finds all doing well, in good health and looking forward to the Holiday season.

First of all I would like to commend all of our Wyandotte Citizens who attended our Annual Meeting, Pow-Wow, and the Cultural Gathering this year. Once again I believe we had record attendance for each event.

I would like to say tizameh (thank you) to our Cultural Committee, Pow-Wow Committee and to all the employees of the Wyandotte Nation who volunteered to help make this year's events a success.

I would also like to congratulate Kate Randall, our Director of Family Services, as the Wyandotte Nation Person of the Year. Kate's dedication, commitment, and loyalty to our tribal citizens over the

last 20 years is beyond compare. We operate by a four letter word at the Wyandotte Nation which is "CARE" and no one cares more for those they serve than Kate.

Our 25th Annual Pow-Wow was one of our greatest Pow-Wows to date. Not only because it was one of our largest as far as attendance and number of dancers, but because for the first time ever we brought into the arena our first Wyandotte fancy dancer, Caleb Garcia. I would like to congratulate Caleb on being our first ever fancy dancer and we are looking forward to seeing many more of our youth participating and dancing in future Pow-Wows. Caleb did an outstanding job of representing our Nation and we look forward to watching him for many years to come.

There are a lot of exciting things happening in our tribal community. We will be breaking ground on our new Cultural Center and Museum at the beginning of next year. Expansion at the Wyandotte Casino will be complete in December and we hope to open our new Turtle Stop in Grove, Okla., in January 2015.

In closing, I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you as Chief of the Wyandotte Nation. It is a great honor and privilege to serve in this position and I will continue to do my best to further the mission of the Tribe to "improve the quality of life for all tribal citizens." It is my prayer that our Creator would richly bless you and your family this holiday season and throughout the New Year.

## From the Second Chief

## Norman Hildebrand, Jr.

# Seniors make road trip to historic sites in Michigan, Ohio



Kweh Omateru  
 The splendor of fall will be upon us soon and always with bright colors and falling leaves, and cool temperatures will follow. I hope everyone is preparing for a colder than normal winter. According to the persimmon pits and woolly worms it is going to be a bad one. Okay, can anyone give me a definition of a normal winter? Here in Oklahoma we prepare for the worst and then adjust to whatever Mother Nature throws at us, kind of what our ancestors did for thousands of years. That is why the Wyandotte people are very resilient, they have learned through the centuries to adapt to any situation. Sept. 21-24 we got real brave and took our Senior Turtles Group

and a guest to visit historical sites in Upper Sandusky and the Detroit, Mich., areas. This trip was a reward for all the hard work rearranging and decorating the gift shop in our Title VI Building. They did a fantastic job.

On Sunday morning Sept. 21 at about 6 a.m. (we had to wait on Julie West) we all boarded the Wyandotte Nation Bus and headed to the Columbus, Ohio area. After a long day of travel we reached our hotel late that evening. After a good night's sleep we headed to Dublin, Ohio to visit the Leatherlips Monument. Leatherlips was a Wyandot Chief accused of witchcraft and executed by Chief Roundhead.

From there we drove to Upper Sandusky to the Methodist Mission

Church that was erected in 1824. We also visited the Court House, Tarhe's Monument, the Museum, the battle site where we fought Col. Crawford's regiment and the site of the Big Springs Reserve. We had to cut our expedition short because we still had to travel to Monroe, Mich. I would like to thank Jean Moon and the rest of the historical committee that made our visit to Upper Sandusky very memorable.

Tuesday morning in Monroe we met elders from the Wyandot of Anderdon at the River Raisin Battlefield for a tour and history of the area. Scott Bentley and his crew did a fantastic job in their presentation. Scott, his wife and

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## The Gathering

The Wyandotte Nation held 'The Gathering,' formerly known as Culture Days, leading up to the annual Pow-Wow, Sept. 11-12.

The focus of this year's Gathering centered around the Pow-Wow and its history. In addition to the history, tribal citizens had the opportunity to learn social dances (pictured right) and make shawls and bandoliers (pictured below).

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## Calendar of Events

- Nov. 11 – Veteran's Day (Office Closed)
- Nov. 20 – Title VI Thanksgiving Dinner
- Nov. 27-28 – Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- Dec. 13 – Children's Christmas Party  
-- 10 a.m. to Noon at Bearskin Healthcare & Wellness Center Gym for ages birth to 12 years old --
- Dec. 18 – Title VI Christmas Dinner
- Dec. 24-26 – Closed for Christmas Holiday
- Dec. 31 – Jan. 1 – Closed for New Year Holiday.

Note: Date/Times subject to change.

## Second Chief

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son accompanied us for the rest of the tour along with Jack Wiekas (I hope I spelled his name correctly) who was on our bus and did a wonderful job explaining the history at every stop.

The entire group had lunch at the community center where Grand Chief Ted Roll presented the Wyandotte Nation with an aerial photograph of the Six-Points property we purchased in Gibraltar, Mich. and a feathered shield made by one of their artisans. It was a fantastic trip where our elders got acquainted with the Wyandot of Anderdon elders for a day of history and fellowship that will last a lifetime. I want to thank

**"The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."**

--Franklin D. Roosevelt

Grand Chief Ted Roll, Second Chief Clyde Pidgeon and the Wyandots of Anderdon for going above and beyond (as they always do) extending the hospitality to our group of travelers. I know I left out some names and sites, like museums and historic houses, but they

were too numerous to mention. Our Senior Turtles are still talking about the trip and wanting to go back. A big TIZAMEH to Julie West and especially to Dana Butterfield for her logistical expertise in the planning of this historic trip.

Explorer Cartier visited the Senecas and Wyandots along the St. Lawrence River in 1535, Champlain met the Huron in the Georgian Bay area in 1603, and Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac invited us to settle near Ft. Detroit in 1701. In 1723 the first village was established in Sandusky, Ohio and we were there until 1843. There are numerous publications out there about the Wyandot(tes). You don't have to read them all but if you see one that looks interesting pick it up and learn about our

colorful history. I guarantee it will not disappoint you.

We have an election next month and there will be several seats up for grabs in Congress and the Senate. I am not telling you who to vote for -- that is an individual freedom, but I am asking you to look at the candidates and their views on Native American issues and all other issues that will affect this country that our ancestors fought and died for. Urge your friends and relatives to get out and vote. We need to get people in office for the common good of everyone and not for their personal gain.

It is my pleasure to be Second Chief of the Greatest Indian Nation in the United States, the Wyandotte Nation.

TIZAMEH!

## Traditional &amp; Contemporary

# The giving of Wyandotte names

By **LLOYD DIVINE**

WYANDOTTE NATION

CULTURE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Over the last few years' questions have been posed to the Wyandotte Nation regarding the giving and receiving of a Wyandotte name. Many people have asked, "How do I get my Indian name?"

The following brief will explain how names were and are now given, both from a traditional and contemporary perspective. Traditionally a Wyandotte name was given to a recipient after watching and getting to know the person over several months – if not longer. The parents of a newborn child were not allowed to name their child as the child belonged to the clan and not the family.

Because of the American culture that now surrounds our Wyandotte culture, our contemporary traditions have evolved out of necessity. For example, you are the proud parents of a new baby girl... congratulations! The nurse has just asked, "What is her name," so the hospital can prepare her birth certificate. You respond, "We'll have to get back with you, and it could take several months for her clan mother to choose a name."

Now picture the expression on the face of the nurse. Do you think she will understand our cultural anomaly? Do you think a nameless birth certificate would and could be held in reserve until your new little girl's clan mother named her? Yeah, good luck with that!

How can you get a name? After all, names are very important and should truly and wonderfully identify you as to the unique person you are. In Wyandotte tradition there could not be 100 John's, Mary's, Bill's, or Jane's within the Tribe. A Wyandotte name was unique to the recipient and could only be received in one of two ways, a clan name or a bestowed honor name.

In the old traditional way a Wy-



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**Wyandotte Nation Chief Billy Friend gave Wyandotte Nation Tribal Citizen William Franklin, of South Carolina, his Wyandotte name - Tooh-kwah-nah-yooh-teh (He Speaks Fair) - during a special ceremony early Friday, Sept. 12 at the Pow-Wow grounds. Several Wyandotte Nation Cultural Committee members, Second Chief Norman Hildebrand, and other tribal citizens attended the ceremony.**

andotte citizen would have been born or adopted into a clan. Over a period of time you would have received your clan name at the feast of giving names, which was an annual feast incorporated within our green corn feast. Since the clans are no longer currently organized, nor are adoptions recognized, no one today can currently receive a clan name. Your clan mother, and her leading women, would have chosen your clan name. Your clan chief in turn gave your clan name to you in a public ceremony before the assembled Tribe. You would have been known by this unique clan name until death.

In addition to your clan name, you could have also received another Wyandotte name in the form of a bestowed honor name (in certain instances dishonor names were also given). Chief Leaford Bearskin reinstated the tradition of bestowing 'honor names' first to the Wyandotte Nation honor guard. In subsequent years before

his retirement he in turn began bestowing honor names to certain Wyandotte citizens.

In the absence of our clan chiefs, the duly elected chief and second chief of the Wyandotte Nation are now the only two people that can legitimately bestow Wyandotte honor names. This follows the tradition of the clan chief having the honor of giving you your clan name. Today an elected chief of the Wyandotte Nation, and only a chief of the Wyandotte Nation, can bestow an honor name.

Wyandotte honor names cannot be given to every citizen wishing to have a Wyandotte name. Honor names are given exactly as indicated – in honor and respect to service given to the Wyandotte people. Other considerations can be extended as deemed appropriate or necessary by our chiefs, but only on rare occasions will this happen.

As a citizen of the Wyandotte Nation you do have the right to claim a name or call yourself by

any name you choose. You may publicly announce that name or keep it private among family and friends. If you claim a clan or honor name of a deceased ancestor it is wise to have your English birth name and your chosen Wyandotte name officially recorded by the Wyandotte Nation. By having your chosen Wyandotte name first recorded someone cannot claim, or worse, your name be given to someone else. In due time if our chiefs so choose they may officially bestow this name to you as a Wyandotte honor name.

The giving of a clan name is a sacred, time-honored ceremony for the Wyandotte people. It is a serious matter, and cannot be taken lightly, nor performed by anyone other than your clan mother, her leading women, and ultimately your clan chief.

The giving of a Wyandotte honor name is currently the only way a Wyandotte citizen can be officially named. This too is an equally serious matter, and cannot be taken lightly or abused. Given the seriousness and sensitivity of bestowing honor upon an individual the name can only be given by the chief, or second chief of the Wyandotte Nation.

If you desire or have been wondering how to receive your Wyandotte name, hopefully this explanation helps. We encourage you to contact the Tribe with any question you may have.

We too would like to see our clans come out of hibernation, reorganize, select their clan mothers, and once again serve their citizens in a ceremonial way. With the reorganization of our clans every citizen of the Wyandotte Nation could once again receive a unique Wyandotte clan name, in conjunction with their 'legal' given English birth name. It's up to the clans to reorganize as the clans made the Tribe – the Tribe did not make the clans.

Tizameh

# 'A dance for our people'

*Wyandotte youth first Fancy Dancer at Tribe's annual Pow-Wow*

**By WILLIAM SWAIM**  
WYANDOTTE NATION

With the rhythmic beat of the drum, Caleb Garcia made his way around the arena with bright colors flying around him as he danced, expending every bit of energy he had.

The dance marked a historic occasion for the Wyandotte Nation as Caleb was the first Wyandotte to compete in the Fancy Dance during the Tribe's annual Pow-Wow. The Pow-Wow itself was of historical significance as well – marking the 25th anniversary.

The significance of the dance wasn't lost on Caleb – who spent months preparing and training for the Junior Boys Fancy Dance.

"It means a lot to dance for our people," Caleb said. "It meant a lot because I could hear everyone cheering me on while I was dancing. At the end of the dance, if I am not breathing hard, I didn't dance hard enough for my people."

He said it's been something he's wanted to do for some time, back to when Chief Bearskin was Chief of the Wyandotte Nation. "It looked like a lot of fun and there is a lot of meaning to it."

The preparation for this moment started with Caleb training to condition himself to last through the songs. It was also a team effort, especially in regard to preparing the regalia.

Tammy Charles made the cape,



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(Above) Caleb Garcia competes in the Junior Boys Fancy Dance. (Below) Garcia before and during the competition as well as David Culver and Arena Director Dude Blalock preparing Garcia for the roaching.

aprons, side tabs and cuffs. Shane Ramsey made the moccasins. Rob Warner made the bustle while Gene Ortner also made bustles, arm bustles, dance sticks and the rocker spreader. Ortner also taught him how to dance. His mother, Kim Garcia, did all of the beadwork.

Before being able to compete, Caleb also had to be roached the first evening of the Pow-Wow. David Culver was there for him, not only for the roaching, but as a mentor.

Following the roaching, Caleb was able to partake in the various dances in the arena over the weekend.

As for his competition on the final day of the Pow-Wow, he said it was a different kind of experience.

"It feels a lot different than being a spectator," he said. "I talked a lot more to other dancers and got to know them. I noticed more things, like parts of regalia. I now know how much work goes into all of it."

"During the competition, I kept

thinking, 'Don't fall down. Don't pass out.'"

Chief Billy Friend said it was a historical day for the Nation.

"Caleb is one of our many outstanding youth across the Nation and has truly embraced his Wyandotte heritage," Chief Friend said. "It was truly a great day in the Wyandotte Nation when he was brought into the arena for the first time. We are very proud of him and his accomplishment."

As for Caleb, he plans on continuing to compete in pow-wows. He's also hoping to inspire others.

"I want to encourage all Wyandottes to get involved, even if it's just wearing a ribbon shirt," he said. "It's important and a lot of fun once you get started."

"Also, I want to say thank you to everyone that helped me and thank you to all of the Wyandotte people."



# Summer interns visit ancient Earthworks in Ohio

By **WILLIAM SWAIM**  
*WYANDOTTE NATION*

For the 7th straight year the Wyandotte Nation took its Summer Interns on a historical journey to former homelands.

The last seven years, interns have had the opportunity to visit Ohio, Kansas, Michigan and Canada with the purpose of teaching and introducing the youth to their history and culture. This year, leaders took the interns back to Ohio.

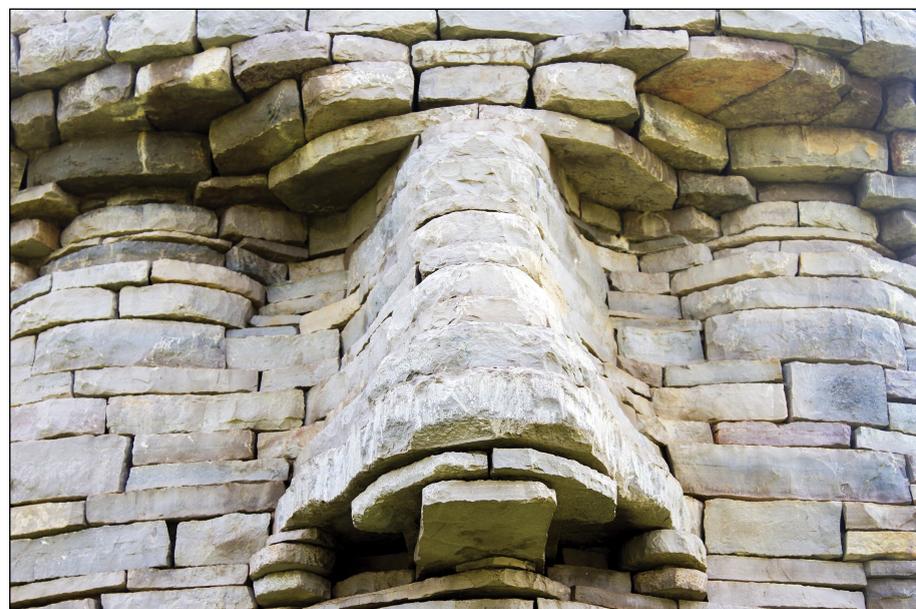
"We had another great trip this year to Ohio," Chief Billy Friend said. "It was the first time we had toured the Ancient Earthworks in Newark, Ohio, and other mound sites throughout the state. These ancient wonders are 2,000 years old and were built during the Hopewell period and had many signs of a Woodlands culture. The Ohio Museum of History was also of great interest to all of our students."

According to brochures provided during the trip, the Newark Earthworks are the largest set of geometric earthen enclosures in the world. Built by prehistoric Hopewell Culture between 100 B.C. and A.D. 500, the Earthworks were part cathedral, part cemetery, and part astronomical observatory. The entire Newark



The interns visited the Newark Earthworks (above) and the Leatherlips Monument (below left) during the summer journey. (Pictured below right) The interns who took part in the program trip.

Earthworks originally encompassed more than four square miles. Over the years, the growth of the city of Newark destroyed many of the Newark Earthworks.



In addition to the Newark Earthworks, the interns also visited Fort Ancient, the Ohio History Center and the Chief Leatherlips Monument in Dublin, Ohio.

Friend said the intern program, which places Wyandotte Nation youth into various jobs at the Nation and Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma (WTOK) Economic Development, has been one of the most successful programs.

"We started the Intern Program in 2007 with the joint purpose of providing summer employment for our Wyandotte youth and by introducing them to our Wyandotte Culture," he said. "We wanted them to be able to identify and know what it means to be 'Wyandotte.' I believe it is one of the greatest programs the Wyandotte Nation has ever instituted."



Friend said the program is funded through Tribally-generated tax dollars from economic development programs.

## Annual Meeting

Wyandotte Nation Chief Billy Friend gives the State of the Nation address to tribal members at the Bearskin Health-care & Wellness Center Sept. 13. The Gathering, Annual Meeting and 25th Annual Pow-Wow were well attended.

(WILLIAM SWAIM /  
WYANDOTTE NATION)



## Wyandotte youth attends tribal police academy

Denton Ward, who took part in the Wyandotte Nation Intern Program this summer, had the opportunity in August

to attend the Tribal Youth Police Academy (TYPA) in Appleton, Wisc. Aug. 11-16.



Ward

Ward interned with the Wyandotte Nation Tribal Police Department.

By attending the youth police academy at the Fox Valley Training Center, Ward had the opportunity to explore law enforcement and other criminal justice careers while gaining classroom and hands-on instruction from tribal leaders and tribal police officers. The academy also offered the chance to participate in a large scale police scenario allowing them to investigate a case from beginning to end.

“Working for the Wyandotte Tribe as an intern has been an experience that has given me more respect for my Tribe and all that it does,” Ward said. “I had the privilege to go to Wisconsin for TYPA and it was a very good experience. It taught me a lot of what I would be faced with in law enforcement. I am honored to have been given the privilege to be able to be a part of such a unique and special learning experience. Over the course of a week we went over officer safety, traffic stop safety, tribal laws, room clearing, and many more tactics that will be useful to a young officer.”

Travel, meals, and lodging were provided by the Dept. of Justice, COPS Office. The program was available to tribal youth aged 14-17.

# EPA recognizes Tribe for Tar Creek efforts

By WILLIAM SWAIM  
WYANDOTTE NATION

The Environmental Protection Agency and the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality recognized the Wyandotte Nation for its work on Tar Creek projects.

“This was specifically for our yard clean-up efforts and we brought them (EPA) to Wyandotte, to our tribal areas, to sample for lead and we didn’t have any high hits in lead thankfully,” said Christen Lee, Wyandotte Nation Environmental Director. “We are happy to work with them and we continue to work with them on different aspects of the project.”

Operable Unit 2 (OU 2) activities included cleaning up contaminated residential driveways, yards, public alleyways and parks and properties in Miami, Afton, Commerce, Fairland, Narcissa, North Miami, Peoria, Quapaw and Wyandotte. The State of Oklahoma is taking the lead now on the cleanup of the 40 acre Superfund Site clean-up.



WYANDOTTE NATION/WILLIAM SWAIM

Wyandotte Nation Environmental Director Christen Lee with the plaque given to the department for its Tar Creek efforts.

Lee said the next stage is OU 5 and it will bring sediment transport down to the lake. “This is what all the downstream tribes have been waiting to hear,” she said. “That’s how we are getting metals in the water – is from sediments from surface water to

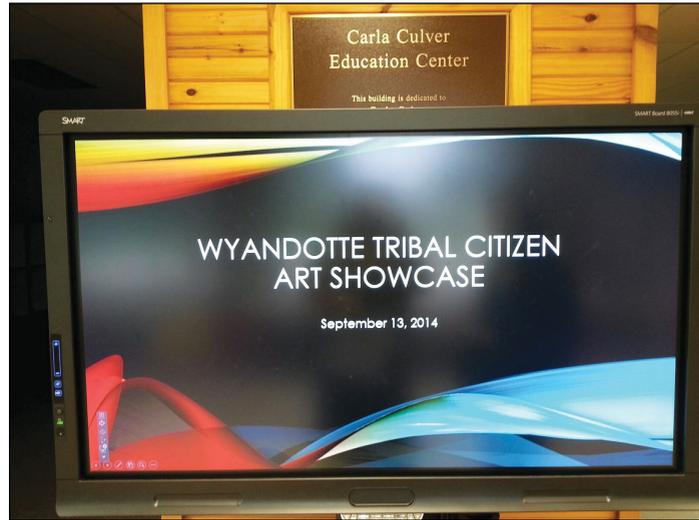
groundwater, all from upstream.”

The Tar Creek Superfund site located in Picher and Cardin, Okla. Chat piles left behind by the mining companies contain lead dust that has blown around the city, causing health and other issues.

## Tribal Citizen Art Showcase

The Wyandotte Nation hosted its first Wyandotte Tribal Citizen Art Showcase this year around The Gathering and the Annual Meeting this year. After a number of strong entries this year, the hope is to continue this going forward with more entries from tribal citizens wanting to showcase their talents.

(COURTESY PHOTOS)



# Allen brings Touch Therapy training to Wyandotte

The Northeast Oklahoma Tribal CCDF group was excited to host Wyandotte Tribal Citizen Tina Allen of the Little Kidz Foundation for two informative trainings on infant, pediatric and children's massage.

Tina is a Certified Pediatric Massage Master teacher with over 10 years of experience. She has presented her program to international audiences and conducts intense training sessions to educate individuals. On Sept. 4 and Sept. 8, she spoke to child care providers, teachers, family members and other interested participants at the Bearskin Healthcare & Wellness Center gymnasium. Her program --



Wyandotte Tribal Citizen Tina Allen, pictured with a group of participants and below right, brought her Touch Therapy training to Wyandotte.

"Nurturing Touch for the Growing Child" -- covered information including when to use touch and massage therapy, the benefits of therapy forms and developmentally appropriate approach and

communication.

Tina was gifted a Turtle Pendleton blanket as a token of appreciation for sharing her message, time and talents with the community.



COURTESY PHOTOS



## New Turtle Stop coming soon to Grove

The Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma (WTOK) will be opening a new Turtle Stop in Grove, Okla. around Janu-

## Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma (WTOK)

# Business News In Brief

ary 2015 (weather permitting).

## Wyandotte Services secures DOE contract

Wyandotte Services recently announced it has secured a \$11.3 million contract to provide Technical Support Services for the Department of Energy's (DoE) Western Area Power Administration (Western) facilities in Colorado, South Dakota,

Arizona, and California. Personnel will provide Design, Realty and Lands, Graphics, and Procurement Systems Services.

## WTOK hires McNeill as Director of Government Operations

Rodney McNeill will take over as Director of Government Op-

erations for the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma (WTOK), moving up from his previous position with Bearskin Services as Program Manager, Information Technology Facility Support Services (ITFSS) at Fort Carson.



# Time nearing for WNC's Club 60 West

By CASEY ELLETT

We are counting the days to the opening of Wyandotte Nation Casino's newest addition, Club 60 West. The construction phase has been a long process, but both the casino team and guests are ecstatic to see the final product. It will truly be a unique entertainment experience that is sure to excite our market.

As the completion of Club 60 West grows near, the planning phase is beginning to take shape. Additional staff is being added to nearly every department, band and entertainment bookings are beginning, a massive



amount of new advertising is being organized, including a 50,000 quantity tabloid publication being distributed to a mass of local markets, the addition of nine new billboard locations, television and radio media schedules being compiled, and much more!

Of course with the holidays just around the corner the Wyandotte Nation Casino team is prepping a va-

riety of events and promotions guaranteed to please. With promotions ranging from "It's All Gravy Drawings" (Thanksgiving type giveaways) to the "Welcome Winter Celebration" (First day of winter event), and the "Goodbye 2014, Hello 2015 Power Picks" we are sure to have a series of events that will spread some holiday cheer.

In closing, I want to thank all of the Wyandotte team for their hard work and dedication during this time of transition. You truly are a special group of people, and Wyandotte would not be the amazing place it is without you.

# Lucky Turtle gearing up for holiday festivities

By WACY HUMBLE

The fall season is upon us, and the Lucky Turtle Casino is preparing for the much anticipated holiday festivities! The promotional calendars are packed full of exciting events including, Match Plays, Power Pick drawings for cash, retail, and various point prizes, and even a chance to score a relaxing getaway with the "Hot or Cold Vacation Giveaway!"



For October and November, Wyandotte Nation Casino and Lucky Turtle Casino are excited to host a joint promotion—the "Hot or Cold Vacation Giveaway!"

Guests started earning entries on Oct. 21 at both Wyandotte Nation Casino and Lucky Turtle Casino. On Nov. 8, 15, 22, and 29, five lucky players will be drawn at Wyandotte Nation Casino to compete for a beautiful vacation of their choice!

The re-introduction of the Senior Day Drawings have been held in high regards as we give away a progressive cash prize and a branded Lucky Turtle Casino gift every Wednesday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. To conclude November, we invite everyone to celebrate Turkey Day with Lucky!

On Thanksgiving Day, while dinner's in the oven, stop by the Lucky Turtle Casino for a chance to win \$100 CASH and a Gibson 16-inch Ceramic Turkey Platter every 30 minutes from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m.

While the promotions continue to create a buzz at the Lucky Turtle Casino, Daniel, a Lucky Turtle Casino regular, created some excitement of his own in the month of August. On Aug. 31, Daniel experienced the ride of a lifetime by hitting a massive \$74,671 progressive jackpot!

As always, we greatly appreciate all of our valued guests and team members at Lucky Turtle Casino, and look forward to the many new and exciting things to happen in the future!

# Twin Bridges continues to thrive, Deli re-opens

By KATY BERRYMAN

The past months have been an exciting time for the Wyandotte Nation Casino Food & Beverage Department!

The Casino Deli re-opened last month complete with a fresh look and new menu. Classic favorites still reside on the menu, but most items are making their debut, including a colossal fried pork tenderloin sandwich and a toasty shrimp po' boy just to name a few. Plus, breakfast at the Casino Deli is back, and both guests and team members are over-

joyed by the return of their morning meal.

Twin Bridges Restaurant has continued to thrive since its renovation and re-opening in March.

Two new members of management recently joined the Twin Bridges Restaurant team, Val Saamer was appointed manager of the Twin Bridges Restaurant dining room and Dennis Clay has taken the position of Executive Chef. The entire Wyandotte team is excited to see what



the future holds with the addition of these experienced culinary professionals.

As construction of Club 60 West begins to wrap up, the new Club menu is underway. Club 60 West will serve as the third dining outlet within Wyandotte Nation Casino. The Club menu will feature traditional sports bar items, along with some of Wyandotte Nation Casino's own creations.

Lastly, we greatly appreciate the loyal patronage from our guests during this time of change and we look forward to what lies ahead!

# 7th Street charity golf benefits Heartland Honor Flight

By BRAD LAMBERTUS

From a new tier rollout to cosmetic improvements, 7th Street Casino is stepping up its game.

Our initial sign up offers are unmatched throughout the city and with the remodel of the restrooms finishing up, 7th Street Casino is becoming the best place in Kansas City for gaming. The new tier focuses on giving back to our players through partnership discounts, exclusive free play offers and much more. The team is thrilled with phenomenal turn outs, and could not be happier about closing the 2014 fiscal year with a bang.

With November bringing us the Thanksgiving Holiday, 7th Street Casino will have hot seats, in which guests



will win a Thanksgiving gift basket full of cooking supplies, a gift card for \$75 to Price Chopper and a gift card for a turkey. We hope that this promotion allows friends and families to come together to build new memories while sharing old ones.

In December, 7th Street Casino is ringing in the New Year in style, giving away over \$10,000 in free slot play and cash. All casino guests will have a chance to win Slot Free Play prizes, while DJ Joe plays great tunes for the 7th Street Casino New Year's Eve Celebration. Prizes will be drawn every 30 minutes until mid-night and one lucky guest will walk away with \$2,015 cash!

Along with the many promotions, 7th Street Casino has given back to the community through philanthropic events.

7th Street Casino hosted its fifth annual Charity Golf Tournament

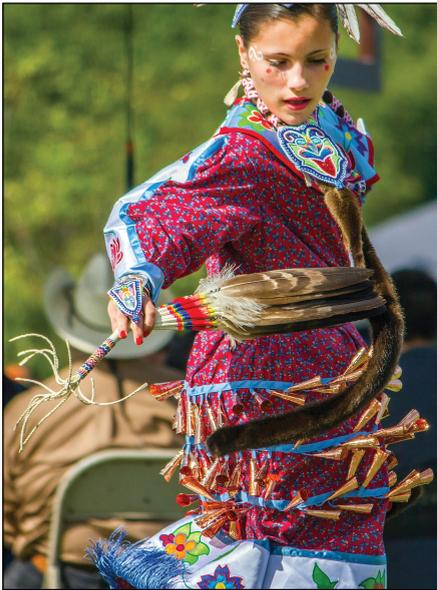
Sept. 3, 2014 at Sycamore Ridge Golf Course in support of Heartland Honor Flight. Heartland Honor Flight is a Greater Kansas City area, non-profit organization that transports American Veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at their memorials. Over 120 people participated in the golf tournament and the event raised over \$30,000.

The 7th Street Steppers have also been in full motion by participating in local run/walk events. The group have taken part in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in August and the Get Your Rear in Gear 5k in September. The Steppers are excited to continue participating and welcome newcomers to join them.

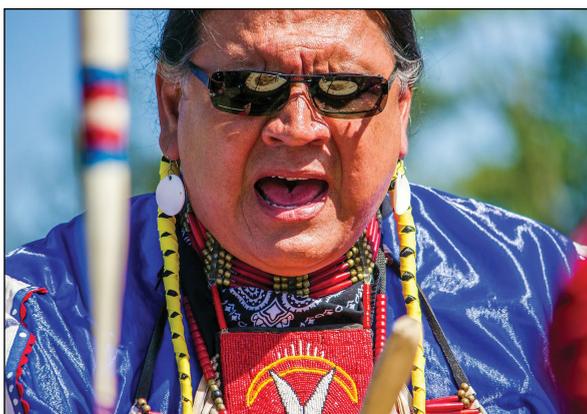
We are thrilled about the upcoming events and we have the best team to accomplish another successful fiscal year.

25th Annual

# Wyandotte Nation Pow-Wow



To see more images from the Pow-Wow, visit our Facebook page and 'Like' us.  
[www.facebook.com/WyandotteNation](http://www.facebook.com/WyandotteNation)



## *Historic Pow-Wow biggest one yet*

The 25th Annual Wyandotte Nation Pow-Wow featured some of the best dancers and music in the country.

With the largest participation in its history -- and the largest prize money (\$50,000) -- the Pow-Wow not only attracted top dancers, but well-known drums Yellow Hammer and Redland Singers, as well.

The historic Pow-Wow opened Friday evening with a session, had two sessions on Saturday, and closed out with a final session on Sunday. It featured fireworks and drew its largest crowd in 25 years.

It was a dramatic difference in growth since the Pow-Wow's humble beginnings.

Yellow Hammer was the Head Singer, Thorpe Sine was the Head Man Dancer, J.C. Lonetree the Head Lady Dancer, Jim Greenfeather the Head Gourd Dancer, Dude Blalock the Arena Director, Jay Blalock the Head Judge, and Steve Kinder was the Master of Ceremonies.

"I would just like to thank Sherri Clemmons, the Pow-Wow committee and all of our employees who volunteered their time to make our 25th Annual Pow-Wow the best Pow-Wow yet," Chief Billy Friend said.

Photos by William Swaim



# MEMBER NEWS

## Hawkins-Markwell Wedding

Kaw Point at Kansas City, Kansas was the beautiful setting for the July 19 wedding between Stephanie Young Hawkins and Todd Markwell. Stephanie is the daughter of Marilyn and Larry Young, KCK. Janie Harris Sexton was her great grandmother. Stephanie is employed as an LPN at the OBGYN clinic at KU Medical Center. This December she will start classes to obtain her RN degree.

Todd, originally from Parker, Colo., is a machinist for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. Shawnee, Kansas will be their home.

This past September the new family attended the Wyandotte Pow-Wow and Annual Meeting. Todd is looking forward to coming to Wyandotte often and learning more about the Wyandotte Nation.

Todd is a wonderful man and husband to our daughter. We are blessed to have him become part of our family.

*--Submitted by Marilyn Young*



## Charlotte LaVerne Nesvold Machala

Charlotte LaVerne Nesvold Machala, 76, died Oct. 17, 2014, in Poulsbo, Wash.

Services were held at Martha and Mary Nursing home to celebrate her life. Interment followed where she was reunited with Anthony Machala at Willamette National Cemetery.

Her children wish to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Martha and Mary Nursing Home; the care provided over the many years has been truly exceptional.

LaVerne was born at the Indian Hospital in Claremore, Okla., Jan. 12, 1938, and grew up in Wyandotte Okla. As a child and throughout her life, she enjoyed many activities, in particular those outside. She graduated from Wyandotte High School in 1956, continued her education at Hillcrest School of Nursing, Tulsa, and became a Registered Nurse in 1959. She later attended the University of San Francisco and became a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

Married in 1959 to Anthony Machala, she is the mother of five children, and was very much involved in their lives.

Sadly, early in January 1978, LaVerne's life was changed forever when an illness took away her independence and her memory.

She is preceded in death by husband Anthony Machala, her parents Harold and Artie Nesvold, and brother Charles Nesvold.

She is survived by her children, Marilyn Cooklin, Mark Machala, Christopher Machala, Christine DeFontes and Cyrus Machala; 11 grandchildren, Rose North, Brittany Cooklin, Jennifer Knaus, Brittany Machala, Tanner Machala, Tonya North, Alex Machala, Emily Machala, ToniAnne Machala, Matthew Machala and Grace Machala; one great-grandchild, Milo Cooklin; brothers, Ted Nesvold, Odell Nesvold, and Dean Nesvold; and one sister, Artie Freese; along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her honor may be made to Martha and Mary Nursing Home at [www.marthaandmary.org](http://www.marthaandmary.org). Condolences and memories of her may be left in LaVerne's online guestbook at the Tuell-Mckee funeral services website at [www.tuell-mckeebremerton.com](http://www.tuell-mckeebremerton.com).



## Birth Announcement

### Brody Joseph Cook



Welcome Brody Joseph Cook! Brody is the son of Corie and Joseph Cook, the grandson of Mark and Debbie Baldwin and the great-grandson of the late Hazel Houseman Baldwin. He was born March 18, 2014.



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## Wyandotte author releases new book

William Shaddox, on behalf of tribal member and author Diann Shaddox, presented Wyandotte Nation Chief Billy Friend with Diann's new book 'Whispering Fog' during the week of The Gathering. To purchase her new book or her other book, 'A Faded Cottage,' visit [www.diannshaddox.com](http://www.diannshaddox.com). You can purchase signed copies of the books there.

# TRIBAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS

## Human Resources

### New Hires

The Wyandotte Nation Education Department is very happy to welcome Becky Johnson. Becky will serve in capacity of Early Childhood Certified Teacher. Becky has over seven years of experience in the education field. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends and has 2 boys ages seven and nine. She also enjoys baking and reading. As a family they enjoy Silver Dollar City and bonfires. We are very fortunate to have Becky on our team and wish her much success in her new position.



**Johnson**

The Wyandotte Nation Education Department is very happy to welcome Kimberly Warren as a part-time Teacher's Assistant. Kimberly has attended childcare classes and enjoys working with children. She also enjoys doing cross-stitch in her spare time and likes to fish. Kimberly likes hanging out with her daughter Hailey, family



**Warren**

and friends. We are very fortunate to have Kimberly on our team.

The Wyandotte Nation Education Department would like to welcome Maddi Green as a part-time Teacher's Assistant. Maddi has 2 years' experience in childcare and is currently pursuing a degree in education. She enjoys reading and shopping in her spare time. Maddi likes hanging out with her daughter Paislee. Maddi is a lifetime local resident of the Seneca and Miami area. We are happy to have Maddi join our team.



**Green**



**Kelly**

The Wyandotte Nation Police Department is proud to welcome Mike Kelly. Mike has 29 years' experience in Law Enforcement. He is certified as an arms instructor and enjoys this area the most. Mike enjoys Hunting and fishing in his spare time. We are very fortunate to have Mike and wish him much success in his new position.

Brenda Miller has joined the Elder Services Department as an on call Food Service Team Member. Brenda has a wealth of experience working in the food industry and she loves to cook. Brenda was raised in Vinita but moved to Wyandotte several years ago. Brenda is a dog lover and in her spare time enjoys spending time with her dogs. We are pleased to have Brenda and wish her much success in her new position.



**Miller**

## Family Services

### Submitted by Kate Randall Family Services Director

The 25th Annual Wyandotte Nation Pow-Wow was held during the weekend of Sept. 12, along with the Nation's annual business meeting. The meeting was highly attended by our tribal citizens, family members and guests. It was with great joy and pride the Wyandotte Nation elected me (Kate) as the honored person at this year's Pow-Wow. Having been employed here for 21 years, my heart and soul go into my service to and for the Wyandotte people. I am looking forward to continuing to serve the Wyandotte people until my retirement.

It was an amazing turnout for this year's contest dancers The Pow-Wow registered contest dancers was the highest number that any pow-wow committee member can recall in the past 25 years. There were 146 dancers, including one of our own, Caleb Garcia. The Oklahoma weather could not have been better! If you were not in attendance, I hope you enjoy the pictures and articles in this newsletter.

Family Services has new announcements to make below. There have been some changes in program dates and requirements. I hope the changes will simplify the applica-

tion process for you and enable the family services staff to process the paperwork in a timely manner.

**Change 1:** Winter Clothing Program begins Nov. 1, 2014 (in the past it was Dec. 1). Each child will need a separate application for reimbursements. There will be a different form for gift card requests.

**Change 2:** The age for our senior service programs has changed from age 62 to age 55. This applies to the Elders program and includes senior winter and summer utility assistance.

**Change 3:** The Extracurricular Activities Program has been expanded and renamed "Extra School Expense and Extracurricular Activities Program." This has broadened the scope of the program, yet will exclude school supplies. The school supply program is available on Aug. 1 of each year.

**Change 4:** LIHEAP (if funded). Allotment of funds will be based on a point system in 2015.

## Announcement

**ACCOUNTS LEFT UNPAID:** The Wyandotte Nation Family Services Policy and Procedure Manual was updated effective Oct. 1, 2014. Please note the following: **DENIAL OF SERVICES/APEAL PROCESS:** Tribal citizens who have past due balances to any Tribal business or program, of more than 60 days, will be suspended from Tribally funded social service programs until such time said account is made current: In the event an applicant feels they have been denied services unfairly, they must appeal in writing to the Wyandotte Nation Board of Directors.

## 2014/2015 Tribal Programs

(4 States are OK.AR.MO.KS.), other stipulations as noted).

- Tribal License Plates (All of Oklahoma)
- Tribal Enrollment (Nationwide)
- New Enrollee Program (Nationwide) \$100 gift card and baby blanket if enrolled before age 1.
- Burial Assistance (Nationwide) \$1,500
- LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) Oklahoma residents only
- Senior Citizen Summer \$100 and Winter Energy Assistance (\$100.00) (4 States) (AGE 55+)

## Service Awards



WILLIAM SWAIM/WYANDOTTE NATION

The Wyandotte Nation presented Service Awards to Valari Richards (Housing, 5 years), Cristi Hudson (Education, 5 years), Seth Higginbotham (Title VI, 5 years), Amanda Johnston (Clinic, 10 years), and Ken Murphy (Law Enforcement, 5 years, not pictured). Wyandotte Nation Chief Billy Friend presented each with an award. Cake and punch were also served in their honor.

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- Elders Assistance (4-States): \$250 per calendar year (AGE 55+)
- Hardship or Medical Fuel Assistance (4 States)
- Children's Winter Clothing (4-States): \$100 per student (CHANGED TO NOV. 1)
- School Supply Program (4-States) \$100 per student
- Extra School Expense and Extracurricular School Expense Assistance Program: (4 States): \$100 per student
- Junior/Senior High School Expense Assistance Program (4-States) \$250 per student.
- Children's Christmas Party (BEARSKIN GYM) Ages birth through 12 years. (DEC. 13)
- Promoting Safe and Stable Families (Federal and State Program Funding)
- Indian Child Welfare: Protection/placement of Indian Children in State Court Proceedings
- Infant Child Passenger Safety Seats (Available at Tribal Headquarters only)

## Explanation of Family Services Programs

**Tribal License Plates:** Available in all counties in Oklahoma. The tribal tag program offers private passenger, recreational vehicle, motor home, motorcycle and handicap license plates.

**Tribal Enrollment:** (Nationwide Program) The Wyandotte Nation Constitution, ratified Sept. 29, 1999, outlined criteria for membership in the Nation: Article 5: Section 1. Membership: The following persons shall be eligible for membership in the Wyandotte Nation provided: That such persons are US. Citizens and not enrolled members of any other federally recognized tribe, nation, band group or community: (A) all persons whose names appear on the official census roll of the Nation as of January 1, 1937; (B) All issue by blood of a Wyandotte Nation tribal members listed in Section I (A), of this Article: and (C) the degree of blood quantum of an individual proven to possess Wyandotte blood will not be a factor in determining Wyandotte membership: Section 2: Membership by Council Vote: a person of Wyandotte Nation ancestry who does not meet the requirements of Section 1 of this Article may be accepted for membership by a majority

## Protecting your family from germs...

Cold and Flu season is upon us! With cooler weather coming, everyone will be in closer contact with each other staying inside more often. Germs can stay on surfaces for days or linger in the air after a person sneezes or coughs. Here are some simple steps to remember to help keep your family healthy this winter:

- Wash your hands often. Especially before eating.
- Sneeze or cough into your elbow.
- Wash fruits and vegetables thoroughly before cooking or eating.
- Wash bath towels once a week and hand towels every few days. However, if towels are used by someone who is sick, wash after every use. Kitchen towels must be washed separately from bath towels or under-

vote of the Nation Council.

**New Enrollee Program:** (Nationwide Program) The Wyandotte Nation would like to encourage all parents to enroll their children as soon as birth certificates become available. As an incentive for doing so, the Tribe is providing a \$100 Gift card and a commemorative baby blanket with the Tribal logo if the enrollment office receives the membership application and birth certificate before the child reaches his/her first birthday.

**Burial Assistance:** (Nationwide Program) This program was initiated Oct. 1, 2008 and will pay \$1,500 for burial assistance. The burial application must be accompanied by a copy of the death certificate and an itemized funeral bill. Payment will be made directly to the service provider unless there is verification family members have paid the funeral bill.

**LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program):** (Oklahoma Residents only). This federally funded program is subject to availability of grant dollars. Please contact the family services staff on Dec. 1 to check on the funding availability. Postcards are no longer present to Oklahoma residents. A point system has been developed that will determine the amount of funds each family will be eligible for.

**Senior Citizen Energy Assistance Program: (4 State Area):** Senior citizens 55+ may apply for this sum-

wear.

- Clean contaminated surfaces with a bleach based product or hydrogen peroxide.
- Steam-clean carpets and upholstered furniture regularly.
- Disinfect surfaces commonly touched, such as telephone or other hand held device, TV remote, computer keyboard and mouse, door knobs, coffee tables and TV trays.
- Vacuum crumbs and clean up spills immediately. This will prevent bacteria from growing.
- Scrub and disinfect the kitchen sink often. Place your wet kitchen sponge in the microwave for 2 minutes to reduce bacterial contamination.

mer and winter utility assistance which will pay \$100 to the utility company on your behalf. A current utility bill must be provided with the application. Winter program begins Oct. 1, and the summer program begins July 1. Please note, the utility service date must coincide with the program dates.

**Elders Assistance:** Oct. 1, 2014 – Sept. 30, 2015. (For Senior Citizens 55+ residing in the 4 State Area): This program provides \$250 per fiscal year to seniors for expenses such as rent, household expenses, vehicle repairs, or personal needs. Payment will be made directly to a vendor, or with proof of receipt of payment, the tribal member may apply for reimbursement.

**Hardship or Medical Fuel Vouchers:** Turtle Stop fuel vouchers may be obtained from the Family Services Department if a family is experiencing a hardship. Tribal members who need help purchasing fuel to reach their medical appointments may also apply for the medical fuel assistance.

**Children's Winter Clothing:** (4-State Area: Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas). This program will begin Nov. 1, 2014 - March 1, 2015. Winter clothing vouchers are offered and/or the family may apply for direct reimbursement with receipt verification. Please note there are deadline requirements for Walmart receipts to be sent back to

family services. (No exceptions)

**School Supply Program:** (4-State Area). Effective Aug. 1, eligible enrolled Wyandotte children receive a \$100 Walmart gift card toward back to school expenses. A cost reimbursement program is also available for families who directly purchase supplies at the stores of their choice and present receipts for reimbursement. This program ended Sept. 30, 2014. For 2015, program begins Aug. 1-Sept. 30, 2015. Gift card receipts must be returned by the deadline (no exceptions).

**Extra School Expense and Extracurricular Activities Program:** Oct. 1, 2014 – Sept. 30, 2015. (4-State Area). \$100 benefit per school age children. Student expenses such as class pictures, school lunches, instrument rental, lab fees, testing fee, sports activities and related equipment, academic fees, etc. NO SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Payment may be made directly to a vendor with appropriate invoices, or families may present paid receipts for reimbursement. Please make sure schools use school letterhead or a receipt which lists the name of the school, the student, and contact information for the individual signing the receipt.

**Junior/Senior High School Expense Program:** (4-State Area): Oct. 1, 2014 through end of school year. This program will allow \$250 per school year for High school juniors or seniors. The program will assist with costs such as yearbooks, cap and gown, announcements, letter jacket, pictures, class ring, junior/senior trip, college testing, prom, or other related expense. Vendors may be paid directly or a family may be reimbursed with receipts.

**Children's Christmas Party:** Each December, the Wyandotte Nation hosts a Christmas party for tribal members aged birth to 12 years. There are children's gifts of all ages, snacks for everyone and a gift card for the parents attending. This year, Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be here, along with photo opportunities, and a gingerbread house. The 2014 party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 13 from 10 a.m. to Noon. Come and go.

**Promoting Safe & Stable Families:** This State and Federally funded program provides family preservation and support services designed to prevent the breakup of our Indian Families. This program may be able to assist at-risk families with need based social services, referrals, emergency assistance and

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appropriate tribal programs. The goal is to ensure the health, well-being and safety of your family. The PSSF grant enables the Wyandotte Nation to assist families across the nation wherein children are in State Custody due to child abuse or neglect. This program applies if an outside referral has been reported that a child or child(ren), may be at risk in the household.

**Indian Child Welfare:** The 1978 Indian Child Welfare Act mandates the State Court Systems across the Nation notify the Tribe when a referral is made regarding a Wyandotte child, or if a Wyandotte Child has been removed from their home. Please contact Family Services as the Tribe works with all States to provide appropriate services to assist in the reunification process.

**Child Passenger Safety Seats:** Newborn through booster sizes are available to enrolled Wyandotte children. Expectant Parents may receive the newborn size after the 7th month of pregnancy. Child Safety Seats must be picked up from Tribal Headquarters. In the event the parents are unable to pick the seats up, family members may do so.

**Please feel free to contact any member of the Family Services staff directly:** Kate Randall, Director at 918-678-6324, krandall@wyandotte-nation.org, Tara Gragg, Tribal Social Worker at 918-678-6355 tgragg@wyandotte-nation.org. Dana Butterfield, Tribal Tag/ Enrollment Officer at 918-678-6319 dbutterfield@wyandotte-nation.org. and Leeanna Radabaugh, Family Services Assistant, at 918-678-6329 lradabaugh@wyandotte-nation.org.

## Wyandotte Nation Tribal Roll Additions

### 260 Total New Tribal Citizens

Acord, Ayla Nicole  
Acord, Heather Nicole  
Acord, Mya Bradley  
Adams, Amiah Kate  
Adams, Marissa Amber  
Adams, Nathaniel James  
Adams, Ricky John Wayne  
Allen, Max Bennett  
Anthony, Kourtney Nicole  
Armond-Rice, Rylee Danielle  
Arredondo, Martin Wayne  
Arredondo, Trevor Paul

Aston, Joshua Alden  
Badley, Hudson Lee  
Bagnell, Brittany Diane  
Bannister, Tank Carter  
Barnett, Hudson David  
Bell, Kolby James  
Bilke, Eden Elise  
Boldery, Ashley Nicole  
Boldery, Caleb Elliott  
Boldery, Ethan Oscar  
Bowyer, Sage Ryan  
Brewer, Jaedyn Miya Rayne  
Brownfield, Megan Renee  
Bunting, Irene Theresa  
Butler, Airrow Gram  
Callahan, Audrianna Renee  
Callahan, Liam Jared  
Callahan, Nolan Joseph  
Carter V, Hearl Adam  
Carzoli, Daniel George  
Carzoli, Sarah Ann  
Chesley, Marley Marie  
Collinsworth, Justin Rail  
Connell, Christofer Wendell  
Connell, Joshua Allen  
Conner, Andrew Jerald  
Conner, Lori Adair  
Cook, Brody Joseph  
Cook, Joseph Michael  
Cooklin, Milo Tomas  
Cox, Kaylee Deluca  
Custer, Thomas Bailey  
Daly, Addison Louann  
Davis, Riley Cooper  
Deshayes, Levi Jackson  
Dodgen, Madison Lynn  
Dodgen, Samantha Marie  
Dunaway, Cooper Bennett  
Dvorak, Ethan Charles  
Dvorak, Madison Grace  
Edwards, Haley Brooke  
Elbert, Isaiah Damien Curtis  
Evans, Brian Lee  
Evans, Katlyn Christine  
Eytcheson, Alonna Leandra  
Eytcheson, Devin Adley  
Eytcheson, William Michael  
Eytcheson, Zacchaeus Rylan  
Farmer, Gatlin Hunter  
Fields, Chanley Jade  
Fife, Ryan Thomas  
Flack, Noah Cache  
Fleharty, Brody Michael  
Folger, Nicholas Todd  
Ford, Jessie Shae  
Franklin, Cory Austin  
Franklin, John Earl  
Franklin, Johnathan Kyle  
Frey, Electra Rene'  
Frey, Nicholas Cheyne  
Frost, Jordan Allen  
Fullerton, Ronald Drake  
Garner, Ashlyn Kristi  
Garner, Lauren Allison  
Gaskins, Landen Tyler  
Giese, Madalyn Senamarie  
Giese, Maralyn Ruth  
Giese, Matthew Scott  
Giese, Nicole Leigh

Goldey, Allyssa Adelene  
Goldey, Nadia Marie  
Goldey, Nicole Taylor  
Goodge, Brianna Rae  
Goodrich, Carson Mikel  
Goodrich, Sydney Jeanette  
Grace, Lindsey Marie  
Grace, Tyler  
Grant, Jessica Rene'e  
Grant, Ryan Jeffry-Dean  
Grant, Sean Michael  
Gray, Harper Andrew  
Gray, Lola Ann  
Greendyke, Jack Henry  
Greenhalgh-Adam, Errol David  
Laverne  
Griffin, Kaden Levi  
Hagert, Alexandria Louise  
Hahn, Ainsley Kay Jeanne  
Hall, Dustin Jay  
Hankins, Kaenan Jon  
Hansen, Daniel James  
Hart, Anna Grace  
Hart, Bellamy Jean  
Hassan, Karson Nichole  
Hassan, Mitchell David Scott  
Hassan, Quinten Mostafa  
Henderson Jr., Antoine Demond  
Hildebrand, Abigail Charlotte  
Hildebrand, Ryan Scott  
Hinds, Remington Wade  
Hobson, Levi Grant  
Hodge, Lucas Andrew  
Holt, Shelly Lyn  
Hopper, Brody Baker  
Hopper, Emily Ann  
Hunter, Cayden James  
Hunter, Cecilia Ann  
Hutchins, Elliott Carl  
Hutson, Tucker Joe  
Idleman, Dylan Scott  
Jacks, Walker Orion  
James, Elizabeth Kimiko  
Jarnagin, Madison Paige  
Jarnagin, Milaina Jade  
Jensen, Ava Grace  
Johnson, Abbygail Rayann Nicole  
Johnson, Belle Sanna  
Johnston, Layton Michael  
Jordan, Michael David  
Kibbons, Tyler Wayne  
Kovaleski, Austin Calvin  
Kovaleski, Garrett Burton  
LACount IV, Leon Christopher  
Lankow, Emilee Elizabeth  
Lawrence, Christopher Rhyann  
Lawrence, Isaac Aaron  
Lawrence, Jason Ryan  
Lawrence, Joshua David  
Lemus, Mila Lucille  
Levin, Ava Jo  
Levin, Lia Jo  
Long, Connor James  
Long, Rhyann Rane  
Long, William Bright  
Lovell, Jane Maeve  
Loyd, Amber Alyssa  
Loyd, Sara Lynn  
Mattingly, Jaelyn Charles

Mazzare, Ethan Matthew  
McCann, Nolan Cruz Jack  
McCombs, Marisa Lynn  
McCombs, Monica Rose  
McKeown, Michael Anthony  
McQuiston, Hayden Ray  
Mencl, Brianna Deonne  
Mencl, Carlie Michelle  
Mencl, Randall Kenneth Wiley  
Merz, Kashlynn Nicole  
Metcalf, Rain Monroe  
Mlady, Embry Cordova  
Monroe, Mark Angus  
Monroe, Michele Alison  
Moody, Jason Raymond  
Moody III, John C  
Moody Jr., John C  
Moody, Joseph David  
Moore, Wesley Gage  
Moores, Henley Nicole  
Morefield, Kennedy Lynn  
Mueller, Aleia Madeleine  
Mueller, Christian Eduard  
Mueller, Katiana Roswitha Estella  
Mumford, Belle Marie  
Mumford, Jonathon James  
Mumford, Wesley Lee  
Ootton, Retsyn Cole  
Ootton, Riley Klein Theroux  
Ordaz, Elaina Melanie  
Ordaz, Julia Danielle  
Parker, D'Shaelynn Marie  
Perkins, Drew Marie  
Pickard, Michael Anthony  
Pickard, Noah James  
Plock, Clara Jane  
Poe, Robert Ryan  
Pruitt, Isaiah Matthew  
Rainsberry, Joshua Ryan  
Rainsberry, Rebekah Grace  
Reed, Alexander Lee  
Roberts, Jax Allen  
Robitaille, Akira Ivy Rose  
Roller, Aden Wayne  
Ross, Brayden Alexander  
Ruark, Konnor Dale  
Russell, Kohlton Matthew  
Russell, Nolan Matthew  
Rust, Merrianna Renee  
Sako, Jessica Marie  
Sapp, Layla Avery  
Scott, Allyssa Nicole  
Scott, Brianna Renee  
Scovel, Mallory Lynn  
Scovel, Tyndale Richard  
Sherrill, Nora Juniper  
Smith, Hunter Hoffmann  
Smith, Trenton J  
Sowter, Triston James  
Spencer, Alexander Ivan  
Spencer, Sean Kristopher  
Spencer, Victoria Joy  
Stanhope, Payton Anne  
Stanhope-Siler, Chasity Leanne  
Stanich, Deborah Rene'  
Starks-Watts, Jadin Dewight

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Start, Easton Matthew  
Stone, Amory Lorraine  
Suttles, Samantha Nicole  
Taylor, Grayson Lee  
Thomas, Jaxon David  
Thompson, Zoe Lee  
Turnell, Dameion James  
Udick, Ashley Velrene  
Uribe-Drake, Angelica Maria  
Vandiver, Logan Brenden  
Vaughan, Makenna Whitney  
Wainscott, Nicole Catherine  
Waite, Madison Rose  
Wales, Jaden Alexander  
Ward, Ashden James  
Ward, Caden Tyren  
Ward, Ella Lynn  
Ward, Emma Ann  
Warden, Alia Boone  
Watts, Canaan Yilin  
Watts, Debra Kaye  
Watts, Hadassah Shuxing  
Watts, Justin William  
Watts, Magen Rae  
Watts, Talitha Enxin  
Weaver, Knox George  
Webb, Marshall Nathan  
White, Jordan Abel  
Whittemore, Gina Marie  
Whittemore, Larissa Joy  
Wiggans, Remington Lynn  
Wilson, Elizabeth Grayce  
Wilson, Gavyn Todd  
Wilson, Kalei Nguyen  
Villeneuve, Linda Gail  
Wittrock, Emmalyn Mae  
Woods, Alexandra Monae  
Woods, Alissa Kaylin  
Woods, Ashley Alana  
Wright, Jacob James  
Wright, Jessika Mae  
Wright, Lily Annalee  
Yager, Alyssa Morgan  
Zuccaro, Jacob William  
Zuccaro, Kayla Marie

## Education

**Submitted by Tammy R. Charles  
Education Director**

### Preschool

Wyandotte Nation Preschool is starting its 25th year of operation. That speaks volumes, as many schools in our area have public preschool programs! The staff is excited about reaching this milestone and have some special ideas to celebrate throughout the year. We have classroom space for 80 children and currently have a few names on a waiting list. If you know of someone who is interested in starting their

child in our program please contact the offices.

## Before and After School Program

The 2014-2015 before and after care program has reached record numbers in participation. We are averaging 19 children before school and 55 for after.

## Library

We are pleased to announce that Wyandotte Nation was awarded an Institute of Museum and Library Services 2 year enhancement grant. The processes are in the works to begin implementation. This grant will fund another staff member in that area and will begin to offer classes and opportunities in the areas of culture and technology. Please stay in contact with the library attendant and be watching for announcements of events.

## Child Care & Development Fund Program

The Child Care and Development Fund is in the process of reviewing recertification papers. We are partnering with Missouri Southern State College to offer some educational training for providers in that area. The program has added new clients in the past months and is available to assist Tribal citizens with child care if you reside within a 100 mile radius of tribal headquarters.

## Tribal Scholarships

Scholarship funds have been disbursed to new and returning students for fall 2014. At the close of this term (Semester or Quarter) recipients need to submit an updated transcript with most recent grades and next term schedule. The best resource for capturing all needed information is to submit unofficial transcripts via email.

We are very excited to announce that the Wyandotte Nation Board of Directors approved the addition of a semester of funding for our Master's level students. This addition brings the program numbers to 4 semesters for \$1,500 each.

If you have any questions about any of the scholarship or adult training programs, please contact the office by phone or email. It is my

pleasure to assist you in any way possible!

## Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

The Workforce Investment Act is accepting new clients. This program offers tuition assistance at colleges or universities or vocational programs for members of any federally recognized tribe that lives in Southeast Kansas or Southwest Missouri.

If you are interested in any of the programs that are housed in the Education Department, please call our offices or send an email and we will do our very best to help you with answers and services.

**As you try to contact our offices for assistance, we want to distribute our new telephone numbers:** Tammy Charles 918-678-6330 (tcharles@wyandotte-nation.org); Loretta Combes 918-678-6334 (lcombes@wyandotte-nation.org); Anita Jolene Tucker 918-678-6331 (aj-tucker@wyandotte-nation.org)

## Housing

**Submitted by Kathy DeWeese  
Housing Director**

Two duplexes have been completed, which provided housing for four families. This coming year, we hope to build another family duplex, as well as a senior duplex.

The splash pad was a huge success this year. It was not only used by our preschool, but also other area schools. It will re-open in May and will be open until Labor Day.

The community center is available for rent. The cost is \$50 for tribal members or \$75 for public, with a \$25 deposit which will be returned if the building is left clean. The dates are filling fast. If you would like to reserve the center, please contact our office.

If you live in the Indian Service area, which includes nine counties in Oklahoma, and are in need of water or sanitation services, please contact our office for an application.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Kathy DeWeese- Housing Director**  
**Valari Richards- Housing Specialist**  
**Don Graham- Residential Maintenance Technician**  
**Levi Griffin- Project Coordinator**  
**Paul Parker- Project Coordinator**

## Planning & Development

Good News! Soon we will be expanding the Artie Nesvold Community Center (Title VI) Building, and the Carla Culver Education Center. The Artie Nesvold Community Center will have an activity room which will function as a safe room, with a capacity of 122. The Carla Culver Education Center will have a "Gross Motor Skills" classroom which will also function as a safe room, and will have a capacity of 150. Both areas will have HVAC, lighting and generators. The Title VI Building will also get new energy efficient windows throughout.



Goins Construction is the Contractor for the new Water System Expansion Project, which will include, standpipe, well house and miscellaneous. The standpipe is currently in place.

We have been working with EWC1 Architects, on plans for the Culture Center, and we will advertise for a contractor once this process is complete. All three of these projects were funded through Housing and Urban Development (HUD), from an Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG).

In September, we sent the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), a proposal for Water Resource Program Funds, to prepare a comprehensive Water Resource Management Plan (WRMP). If funded, the WRMP will serve as the Tribe's Strategic Plan for the comprehensive management of its water resources over the next 10 years. This will be a 12 month project, with the final product, a Tribal approved Watershed Plan.

I am working on the FEMA storm shelter applications again and hope to have them submitted very soon. I recently became the Grant Writer, so I will be able to dedicate all of my time to this and other grants. I appreciate your patience.

If you have any questions, you may contact: Debbie Dry, Grant Writer (918) 678-6315

# TRIBAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS

## Culture

**Submitted by Sherri Clemons  
Tribal Heritage Director**

Happy fall! What an exciting September. I think the Wyandotte Nation set some amazing records attending the Gathering, Pow-Wow and Annual Meeting. The weather was cool but beat the heat we have had to endure in the past.

The Gathering was a great success in all aspects. This year it included a lot of hands on and get up and dance time. The goal of the committee was to try and get members to feel comfortable to get out and dance during open dances. I was very happy to see fellow tribal members dancing some of the social dances. A dream of mine.

Huge participation in the special interest classes. The committee had 70 shawls ready and enough for 50 bandoliers. It was touch and go if we would run out but everyone that attended got to do their craft. I hope the women who did shawls finish them and bring them back next year to dance.

The Cultural Committee met Saturday, Oct. 11 to start making plans for next year's events.

Plans to continue camp for The Little Turtles is in the planning stages and will be on the web page and Facebook as they progress, so keep an eye out for that. Also, the committee has started plans for next year's Gathering. The survey posted on the web page is a big help in trying to plan, so if you can, please fill one out and submit.

The Committee wants to say Tizameh to Barbara Collier and Shawn King for coming and helping out with the Story of the Pow-Wow and social dancing. Also Ben Barnes and the Shawnee for hosting the Stomp Dance.

Barbara Collier, having grown up at pow-wows her entire life, (Quapaw Tribal Member), shared so many wonderful stories and when she came to work at Wyandotte in 1994, was charged by Chief Bearskin to do the annual pow-wows, she took it to a whole new level. She was by far the joy of the Gathering.

Now for the 25th Pow-Wow -- What a weekend! It was by far the biggest one to date.

With the Prize money (thank you Chiefs and Board) it brought in a lot of dancers. Good dancers from across the nation. The Head Staff were wonderful. Yellow Hammer is a group with a huge following and Red Land is one of the top Northern Sing-



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(Above) The sun sets just before Grand Entry Saturday evening at the Pow-Wow. (Below) Barbara Collier discusses the 25 years of Pow-Wow.



ers in the nation.

If you missed Friday night, you missed a very special occasion. For the first time a young Wyandotte, Caleb Garcia was roached and became the first Wyandotte Fancy Dancer. Very historic. This young man has amazed the committee with his hunger to learn, teach and grow in the rich culture we have been blessed with. I would also like to thank his parents, Arturo and Kim (tribal member) for being so supportive in teaching their family the true way to do this. So now the future has someone to carry on the ways of the Tribe. So as we begin planning for the 26th Annual Pow-Wow, we are hoping it continues to grow and be the best in the country.

The Pow-Wow Committee would like to thank the Wyandotte Nation Police veterans for helping out during Grand Entry. Chief Ken Murphy, Faron Lee, and Patrick Horn did an amazing job and just want to say Tizameh.

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**Shawn King and his daughter help lead social dances during The Gathering. Tribal members had a chance to learn some of the dances before the 25th Annual Pow-Wow.**



## Environmental

**Submitted by Christen Lee  
Environmental Director**

Our department continues to remain busy with the water sampling of 7 sites on a monthly basis. Three on Lost Creek, two on Sycamore Creek, and 1 site each on the Spring and Neosho Rivers. This summer with the amounts of heavy precipitation, the bacteria levels were above the recommended criteria standards, thus resulting in No Swimming Advisories for Spring River and Lost Creek. The heavy rain down pours we experienced did not allow for the rain to soak into the ground, but instead to flush everything immediately into the water ways. Janice Wilson our Water Tech keeps up to date on this situation and keeps Tribal Officials informed.

On July 29th and 30th, Janice Wilson and Kathleen Welch attended the Inter Tribal Environmental Coalition Conference at Tulsa, Okla. Janice gave a power point presentation which highlighted our Water Programs from the beginning until present day. Kathleen Welch gave a presentation on our Recycling Program from the beginning of it when we first got "RENIE the Recycle Robot" to present day with our Lost Creek Recycle Center.



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**Janice and Kathy give a presentation at the Inter Tribal Environmental Coalition Conference in Tulsa.**

In August Christen Lee and Janice Wilson attended the Shoal Creek Water Festival and shared a booth with the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Environmental Department. This event was held at the Wildcat Glades in Joplin, Mo.

In August we had a booth at the Ottawa County Free Fair. For the past several years we have invited other Tribal Environmental Departments and local agencies to share

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## Health Fair 2014

The Bearskin Healthcare & Wellness Center held its 13th Annual Health Fair and Medicare Part D/Diabetic Screening Project Tuesday, Oct. 7. The event featured a mobile health screening truck (pictured right) as well as vendor booths providing health-related information for those attending.

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in setting up at the booth. This year there was our department, the Eastern Shawnee, Peoria, and Quapaw Tribes, and the LEAD Agency.

September is always a busy month preparing for the Pow-Wow. Each year our department hands out



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### The Shoal Water Creek Festival.

complimentary hand washing kits to the food vendors at the event.

On Sept. 23, our department attended the "16th Annual Tar Creek Conference. The theme this year was "No. 16 and still not clean." Tar Creek and many other environmental issues are having an impact on Ottawa County and the surrounding area. If you are interested in becoming involved with the different issues you can contact Rebecca Jim

at LEAD Agency in Miami, OK. (918) 542-9399.

Services provided includes: Private Well Drinking Water Sampling for tribal and non-tribal citizens within a 50 mile radius of Wyandotte Nation Tribal Offices. This consists of sampling for bacteria and heavy metals. Septic System Assessments for tribal and non-tribal citizens living within the Grand Lake Watershed.

### Department Contacts

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People of all genders, ages, and ethnicities are at risk for suicide. But people most at risk tend to share certain characteristics. The main risk factors for suicide are:

- Depression, other mental disorders, or substance abuse disorder
- A prior suicide attempt
- Family history of a mental disorder or substance abuse
- Family history of suicide
- Family violence, including physical or sexual abuse
- Having guns or other firearms in the home
- Incarceration, being in prison or jail
- Being exposed to others' suicidal behavior, such as that of family members, peers, or media figures.

The risk for suicidal behavior also is associated with changes in brain chemicals called neurotransmitters, including serotonin, which is also associated with depression. Lower levels of serotonin have been found in the brains of people with a history of suicide attempts.

Many people have some of these risk factors but do not attempt suicide. Suicide is not a normal response to stress. It is however, a sign of extreme distress, not a harmless bid for attention.

## Health

Suicide is a major public health concern. Around 38,000 people die by suicide each year in the United States. More people die by suicide each year than by homicide.

Suicide is tragic. But it is often preventable. Knowing the risk factors for suicide and who is at risk can help reduce the suicide rate.

### Who is at risk for suicide?

Suicide does not discriminate.

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## What about gender?

Men are more likely to die by suicide than women, but women are more likely to attempt suicide. Men are more likely to use deadlier methods, such as firearms or suffocation. Women are more likely than men to attempt suicide by poisoning.

## What about children?

Children and young people are at risk for suicide. Year after year, suicide remains one of the top three leading causes of death for young people ages 15 to 24.

## What about older adults?

Older adults are at risk for suicide, too. In fact, white males age 85 and older consistently have the highest suicide rate than any other age and ethnic group.

## What about different ethnic groups?

Among ethnicities, American Indians and Alaska Natives tend to have the highest rate of suicides, followed by non-Hispanic Whites. Hispanics tend to have the lowest rate of suicides, while African Americans tend to have the second lowest rate.

## How can suicide be prevented?

Effective suicide prevention is based on sound research. Programs that work take into account people's risk factors and promote interventions that are appropriate to specific groups of people. For example, research has shown that mental and substance abuse disorders are risk factors for suicide. Therefore, many programs focus on treating these disorders in addition to addressing suicide risk specifically.

Psychotherapy, or "talk therapy," can effectively reduce suicide risk. One type is called cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT). CBT can help people learn new ways of dealing with stressful experiences by training them to consider alternative actions when thoughts of suicide arise.

Another type of psychotherapy called dialectical behavior therapy (DBT) has been shown to reduce the rate of suicide among people with

borderline personality disorder, a serious mental illness characterized by unstable moods, relationships, self-image, and behavior. A therapist trained in DBT helps a person recognize when his or her feelings or actions are disruptive or unhealthy, and teaches the skills needed to deal better with upsetting situations.

Some medications may also help. For example, the antipsychotic medication clozapine is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for suicide prevention in people with schizophrenia. Other promising medications and psychosocial treatments for suicidal people are being tested.

Still other research has found that many older adults and women who die by suicide saw their primary care providers in the year before death. Training doctors to recognize signs that a person may be considering suicide may help prevent even more suicides.

## What should I do if someone I know is considering suicide?

If you know someone who is considering suicide, do not leave him or her alone. Try to get your loved one to seek immediate help from his or her doctor or the nearest hospital emergency room, or call 911. Remove any access he or she may have to firearms or other potential tools for suicide, including medications.

### If you are in crisis:

Call the toll-free National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255), available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The service is available to anyone. All calls are confidential.

### For more information on Suicide in America:

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Web site: [www.nimh.nih.gov](http://www.nimh.nih.gov)

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health  
NIH Publication No. TR 11-7697 2010  
[www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/suicide-in-america/index.shtml](http://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/suicide-in-america/index.shtml)



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(ABOVE) The start of the Red Ribbon 5K in Wyandotte, Okla. (BELOW) Wyandotte Nation Afterschool youth participants who ran the 5K.

## Red Ribbon

Wyandotte, Okla.

### 5k RUN AGE GROUP RESULTS

#### MALE AGE GROUP: 1 - 8

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1 Charlie Gould	5 Wyandotte	43:59

#### MALE AGE GROUP: 9 - 12

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Jozsel Pal	12 Wyandotte	25:01
2-Jacob Burney	12 Wyandotte	25:19
3-Mikey Lawson	11 Wyandotte	28:04
4-Jaret Burney	9 Wyandotte	32:09
5-Anthony Barrea	12 Wyandotte	33:53
6-Matthew Anderson	12 Wyandotte	41:08
7-Bronsen Hopper	12 Wyandotte	46:40

#### FEMALE AGE GROUP: 9 - 12

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Jaci Clinton	12 Wyandotte	24:00
2-Jennelle Lundien	11 Wyandotte	25:29
3-Ally Bartley	11 Wyandotte	31:52
4-Cymbre Edwards	12 Wyandotte	35:04
5-Grace Goins	11 Wyandotte	38:52
6-Cassie Fast	12 Wyandotte	46:29
7-Arianna Barrers	10 Miami, Ok	51:36

#### MALE AGE GROUP: 13 - 15

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Kainen Clapp	15 Wyandotte	20:43
2-Ben Artussee	13 Wyandotte	22:27
3-Cody Teal	14 Wyandotte	24:27
4-Kiante Edwards	15 Wyandotte	29:41
5-Cymon Hibbard	14 Wyandotte	39:56

#### FEMALE AGE GROUP: 13 - 15

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Angel Brooks	13 Wyandotte	31:52



2-Kaylee Arment	14 Wyandotte	40:19
3-Alesha Tucker	15 Wyandotte	47:29

#### MALE AGE GROUP: 16 - 19

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Zack Edwards	19 Wyandotte	19:15
2-Colton Raper	19 Wyandotte	19:18
3-Colton Almos	19 Wyandotte	19:24
4-Gunner Price	16 Wyandotte	19:33
5-Timothy O'Connor	19 Wyandotte	20:02
6-Derick Shrum	19 Wyandotte	20:24
7-Kristian Holguin-Mendez	18 Wyandotte	20:46
8-Lane Lassiter	19 Wyandotte	20:52
9-Cullen Patterson	18 Wyandotte	20:52
10-Dillon McCaleb	19 Wyandotte	20:55
11-Mitchell Sellers	19 Wyandotte	21:15
12-Jacob Hill	19 Wyandotte	21:49
13-Kelvin Grubbs	19 Wyandotte	22:07
14-Ben Becker	19 Wyandotte	22:27
15-Edwin Santos	18 Wyandotte	22:50
16-Zeke Breuninger	18 Wyandotte	23:13
17-Josh Ailey	19 Wyandotte	23:56

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18-Braden Bennett	18	Wyandotte	23:57
19-Brandon Arnold	16	Wyandotte	24:10
20-Drake Martel	19	Wyandotte	25:07
21-Jesse Lewis	19	Wyandotte	25:36
22-Devon Dollison	16	Wyandotte	26:23
23-Brock Warren	19	Wyandotte	26:47
24-Cory Barnett	19	Wyandotte	31:19
25-Shawn Beeson	19	Wyandotte	31:25
26-Jordan Drybread	19	Wyandotte	31:31

**MALE AGE GROUP: 20 - 24**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Nick Meck	20 Wyandotte	20:25
2-Austin Allen	20 Wyandotte	20:57
3-Zack Dobbins	20 Wyandotte	22:21
4-Justin Mark Hobson	21 Wyandotte	23:22
5-Daniel Carrillo	20 Wyandotte	23:39
6-Michael Williams	22 Wyandotte	23:39
7-Clay Archer	20 Wyandotte	24:51
8-John Davison	21 Wyandotte	24:52
9-Dylan Collins	20 Wyandotte	25:03
10-Ryan Klahr	20 Wyandotte	26:23
11-Bryan Dutton	20 Wyandotte	26:25
12-Samual Johnston	20 Wyandotte	26:48
13-Kenny Cleveland	21 Wyandotte	31:09
14-Caleb Cotter	21 Wyandotte	31:11
15-David Ingram	22 Wyandotte	32:48

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 20 - 24**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Kelly Wiczorek	24 Wyandotte	31:52
2-Jenna Ingram	23 Wyandotte	32:48

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 25 - 29**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Jennifer Cole	28 Wyandotte	32:48
2-Kristin Hitchcock	29 Wyandotte	35:19

**MALE AGE GROUP: 30 - 34**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Adam Pulley	32 Wyandotte	22:15
2-Austin Gould	33 Wyandotte	37:33

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 30 - 34**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Joyce Payne	33 Wyandotte	25:03
2-Summer Aldridge	34 Wyandotte	30:03
3-Kellie Francisco	31 Wyandotte	30:57
4-Holly Hilliard	32 Wyandotte	31:26
5-Kim Fidler	33 Wyandotte	32:13
6-Emilie Gould	32 Wyandotte	43:59



## Honored Person for 2014

Wyandotte Nation Chief Billy Friend and Second Chief Norm Hildebrand honor Family Services Director Kate Randall with a plaque as the Honored Person for 2014. The presentation was made at the Annual Meeting Sept. 13 at the Bearskin Healthcare & Wellness Center.

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**MALE AGE GROUP: 35 - 39**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Joe Renfro	37 Wyandotte	21:17
2-Matt Edwards	37 Wyandotte	35:04

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 35 - 39**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Kelli Clinton	37 Wyandotte	27:09
2-Tara Oelke	37 Wyandotte	28:09
3-Laura Goins	36 Wyandotte	38:10

**MALE AGE GROUP: 40 - 44**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Brian Estep	42 Wyandotte	23:15
2-Mike Edwards	43 Wyandotte	26:30
3-Robert Suman	44 Wyandotte	51:37

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 40 - 44**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Kelsey Lee	41 Wyandotte	27:18
2-Allison Suman	43 Wyandotte	46:50
3-Jeanie Cox	42 Wyandotte	54:18
4-Wendy Tucker	44 Wyandotte	54:18

**MALE AGE GROUP: 45 - 49**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Kelsey Lee	41 Wyandotte	27:18
2-Allison Suman	43 Wyandotte	46:50
3-Jeanie Cox	42 Wyandotte	54:18
4-Wendy Tucker	44 Wyandotte	54:18

**MALE AGE GROUP: 45 - 49**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Robert Berry	46 Wyandotte	20:49
2-Todd Willard	47 Wyandotte	30:24
3-Joeseeph Pal	48 Wyandotte	41:08

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 45 - 49**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Shaon Hines-Ice	45 Miami	24:12
2-Lori Estep	45 Wyandotte	25:34
3-Lisa Goode	46 Fairland, Ok	27:59
4-Lisa Teal	48 Wyandotte	42:30

**MALE AGE GROUP: 50 - 54**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Rusty Johnson	50 Wyandotte	25:34

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 50 - 54**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Tanya Reece	51 Wyandotte	29:04
2-Kathy Mustain	50 Wyandotte	29:04
3-Missy Burns	54 Wyandotte	42:30

**MALE AGE GROUP: 55 - 59**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Martin Pierce	59 Wyandotte	30:59

**FEMALE AGE GROUP: 55 - 59**

Place/Name	Age/City	Time
1-Cathy Brummet	58 Wyandotte	30:59
2-Toni Brown	59 Wyandotte	46:16

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