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GENERAL COUNCIL ELECTS COUNCIL MEMBERS



Election Board Members: Seated left to right are Glenda Carlton, Alternate Velma Crocker, staff representative Mandy Peebles, and Brenda Faircloth, Chairperson. Standing left to right are Alternate Tim Manning, Susan Wicker, Investigator Rex Baggett (for security), and Gilbert McGhee.

Each year Tribal elections are held the first Saturday in June. This year there were nine candidates for the three open seats on the Tribal Council. This election was an emotional one as the original candidate field of ten was narrowed to nine upon the sudden passing of Fred L. McGhee, Tribal Chairman, who was running for re-election.

The day was hot, but not as hot as we originally expected. The Election Board had Pepsi come in and set up a Pepsi wagon. We provided cold drinks and hot dogs were available all day at no cost. Hot dogs seem to be a favorite, but the supply always seems to run out before the end of the day. The Health Department hosted its annual Health Fair in the gym; departmental booths were also set up in the gym to help Tribal Members better understand the functions and services available on

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BUFORD L. ROLIN ELECTED TRIBAL CHAIRMAN

By Sharon Delmar, Community Relations Director



Buford L. Rolin, Poarch Band of Creek Indians Tribal Chairman

Buford L. Rolin was elected as Tribal Chairman for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians at its Tribal Council meeting on Monday, June 12, 2006. Mr. Rolin has served on the Tribal Council for more than 40 years. He has held the positions of Secretary and Vice Chairman during his tenure on the Tribal Council.

At the time of his appointment to Tribal Chairman, Mr. Rolin was acting as interim Chairman due to the passing away of Tribal Chairman, Fred L. McGhee. Mr. Rolin was employed as Health Administrator for the Tribe for 23 years; he resigned this position to serve as Tribal Chairman.

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The annual Health Fair was a big success



Tribal Council member Rodney Exum donates blood during the blood drive that was set up during Tribal Elections



Sparky the Fire Dog visited during Election Day festivities

the Tribe's Administrative/Government side. Almost every booth had some sort of give away; however no one left empty handed if they just stopped and looked at the information available, they would be leaving with a better understanding of Tribal functions and services.

Although the polls didn't close until 7:00 p.m., crowds gathered at the gym in anticipation of the voting results. Candidates, supporters, friends, and families gathered nervously watching the back door of the SAIL Center, waiting

for the Election Board members to come out. As 8:00 p.m. grew close people started gathering inside the gym in anticipation. Then, quiet as mice, the Election Board slipped in the back door of the gym.



Tribal Council members Patricia Hodges and her father, Bud Rolin, register to cast their votes.

Votes had been counted, recounted, checked, and double checked. What were the results? Brenda Faircloth, Election Board Chairperson, made the announcement, naming only the top three vote getters; in order they were Keith Martin, Stephanie Bryan, and Daniel McGhee. She also informed those present that it was a valid election in reference to the two articles on the ballot and that both had passed with a "Yes" vote. There was joy and disappointment at the same time; joy from the candidates that had won; disappointment from those who did not.

Per the Tribal Constitution and Election Procedures, the election was deemed valid after three days, the timeframe allowed for a challenge to the election results.

The newly elected, and re-elected, Council Members were sworn in on June 12, 2006, the next regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting after the elections. Prior to leaving the Council table outgoing Council Member Helen Hallman thanked those present for their support and for allowing her to serve her Tribe as a Council Member. She also told the Tribal Council that they had not seen the last of her; she would be back at each meeting and would address them during Public Comments as she still had issues that she felt needed to be resolved.

After the new Council was seated, two positions on the Executive Committee had to be filled by Council selection as well as several Council appointed positions on committees/boards. Buford L. Rolin, Vice-Chairman/Interim Tribal Chairman, was selected to serve as Tribal Chairman by acclamation. For those who may not know, acclamation is an oral vote, especially an enthusiastic vote, of approval taken without formal ballot and without opposition. Buford accepted the position and stated that he would be proud to serve as Tribal Chairman, which brought about his immediate resignation from the position of Vice-Chairman.

The selection of the individual to fill the Vice-Chairman position was not quite so easy. Sitting Council Member Robert (Robbie) McGhee and newcomer Stephanie Bryan were nominated for the position. Three times secret ballots were cast, each time there was a tie vote, three for McGhee, three for Bryan. As established in the Election Procedures, the selection was then made by the flipping of a coin; the winner of the coin toss would then serve as Vice-Chairman for the remainder of their current term, unless they choose to step down from the position prior to that time. The

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results ... Stephanie Bryan became the first woman to sit on the Council as Vice-Chairman. Life is a game of chance; such is the toss of the coin. We look forward to working with Stephanie in this capacity and wish her the best of luck.

Daniel McGhee served as Secretary on the Tribal Council for two years, but could not continue in the position unless he was re-elected by the Council as he was beginning a new term.

Daniel McGhee and Rodney Exum were nominated to fill the position of Tribal Council Secretary. Votes were cast by secret ballot and Daniel was elected to the position for another three years, the tenure of his current term.

Arthur Mothershed has served as Tribal Council Treasurer for one year; he was not up for re-election and will therefore continue in that position until the end of his current term.

With all Council Members sworn in and seated and all Executive Committee positions filled, the Council proceeded with its regularly scheduled meeting. In the course of this meeting, Arthur Mothershed volunteered to serve as the Council representative on the Employee Awards Committee and Robbie McGhee volunteered to serve as a Council representative on the Pow Wow Committee.



Newly elected Council Members Keith Martin, Stephanie Bryan, and Daniel McGhee are sworn in



Tribal Council Executive Committee: Arthur Mothershed, Treasurer, Daniel McGhee, Secretary, Stephanie Bryan, Vice-Chairman, and Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman



Three smiling faces! Daniel McGhee, Stephanie Bryan, and Keith Martin were elected to the three seats available on the Tribal Council



With the toss of a coin, Stephanie Bryan was selected as Vice-Chairman

Economic Development Tribal Business Review

Submitted by Kathy Jowers, Economic Development
Director

This month's featured business... Shadaland Daycare Center

Shadaland is located at 6541 Jack Springs Road, and is owned and operated by Teresa (Shada) Thomas. Shadaland is licensed by the state of Alabama, and currently cares for 44 children from the ages of six (6) weeks to sixteen (16) years. Shadaland is open Monday through Friday from 6:00 am until 5:30 pm.

Shadaland opened its doors on November 7, 1994, out of a great love for children, and growing needs in the community due to Tribal growth. Shadaland offers two (2) learning programs and an after school program. They accept children from the Department of Human Resources, Gulf Coast Regional Management Agency, Poarch Creek Indian's Family Services Department, Escambia County Mental Health, and utilize the United States Department of Agriculture Food Program.

Shadaland currently employs nine (9) Tribal members, and has five (5) volunteers. Enrollment at Shadaland is 70% Tribal members, 20% Indian descent, and 10% Tribal affiliation. The rates for childcare are \$70 per week per child, and \$30.00 per week per child for after school care. Drop-ins are \$2.50 per hour per child. Rates are based per child, per week, not on nationality, religion, gender, age, etc.

Shadaland specializes in the idea of LOVE. If they can't hold, comfort, rock or care for your child as they would one of their own, then Shadaland is not the place for your child.

If you are interested in having your business featured in the Business Review, please contact the Economic Development Department at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2289.

LOAN GUARANTY PROGRAM

The Bureau of Indian Affairs offers a 90 percent Loan Guaranty Program. The program was established by the Indian Financing Act of 1974 to stimulate and increase Indian entrepreneurship and employment through establishment, acquisition or expansion of Indian-owned economic enterprises. Please contact Kathy Jowers, Economic Development Director, at 368-9136 ext. 2288, for more information if you are interested in this program.

Tim Manning, Tribal Government Accounting Director Named as PCI Employee of the Quarter for the Second Quarter of 2006



The Employee Awards Committee has selected Tim Manning, Tribal Government Accounting Director, as the Employee of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2006. As Tribal Government Accounting Director Tim is responsible for the fiscal operations and management of all Poarch Creek Indians Tribal Government programs and accounts, which include administrating the Revolving Loan Program, keeping Tribal Elder and Death Benefits programs.

This is Tim's first time to receive the award since coming to work with the Tribe four years ago. He said that he was shocked, but filled with excitement and humility, when he was notified of the award. He stated that the gifts that go along with the award, along with the recognition of a job well done, are equally gratifying.

Tim attributes his success first to God, in Him he lives, moves and has his being. He also honors his parents, teachers, and ministers who have instilled within him the morals, values, and wisdom on which he daily relies; without these dear and precious people's influence, he feels that he would not be the person he is today.

When asked about the greatest aspect of his job and what he would change if he could, he stated that he is honored that as Tribal Government Accounting Director he is being allowed the opportunity to help and serve his fellow Tribal Members; however, he would like to see more consistency in salaries among all Tribal entities.

Tim, who possess a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration/Management, is a member of the Tribal Disaster Team, Fourth of July Committee, Annual Celebration Committee, and serves as Election Board Alternate.

Congratulations, Tim, your dedication and hard work has not gone unnoticed and is greatly appreciated.

Workgroup Receives 2005 National Director's Award

On Friday, April 21, 2006 the Tribal Consultation Policy Revision Workgroup (TCPRWG) was awarded the 2005 National Director's Award for the development of the "new" Indian Health Service (IHS) Tribal Consultation Policy which was adopted by the Director of IHS, in January 2006. The National Director's Award is the most prestigious award in IHS. It is presented to individuals and groups that have demonstrated dedication and outstanding effort to improving the health condition of American Indians and Alaska Natives and to improving the many aspects of health services delivery to Indian and Native people.

TCPRWG developed new and revised existing processes and procedures to institutionalize the requirements for IHS consultation with Tribal governments which is required by Statute and Presidential Executive Orders. The IHS Tribal Consultation Policy that the TCPRWG developed will result in improvements to the manner in which the IHS consults with Tribal governments and will guide the future interaction of IHS with its 561 Federally recognized Tribal government partners as we strive together to improve the health status of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Mr. James T. (Tim) Martin, Executive Director of USET, and a Co-Chair of the Workgroup, accepted the award on behalf of the entire TCPRWG. The award read: "For



Tim Martin, Poarch Creek Indian Tribal Member, USET Executive Director and TCPRWG Co-Chair, accepts award on behalf of workgroup.

efforts that have contributed to strengthening the government to government relationship between Tribal governments and the Indian Health Service."

Congratulations to TCPRWG, thank you for your important efforts in making the new IHS consultation policy a reality.

PCI Gaming Names Employee of the Quarter

Submitted by Lori Sawyer

The Creek Entertainment Center is proud to announce their Employee of the Quarter (Second Quarter 2006), Laura Reed Noel. Laura was a former employee of the Tribe's Atmore Best Western and has worked for Creek Entertainment since September 2003. She has held a variety of positions in the Deli and is currently the Daytime Deli Assistant.

Her supervisor, Deli Manager Sue McClendon, was thrilled with the announcement. "I depend on Laura so much because she is just so versatile. She can step in and do whatever I need her to do. She takes her job seriously and is willing to learn new things." McClendon adds, "While Laura is a hard worker, her main priority is taking care of her boys, Trey (age 4), Bryson (age 2) and Michael Jr. (age 1). She is a joy to work with and I am so proud of her."



Riverside Entertainment Center selected Sandra Long, Smoke Shop supervisor, as its Employee of the Quarter (Second Quarter 2006). Ms. Long began working with Bingo on April 4, 2002, and transferred to the Smoke Shop in February 2005. Throughout her employment with Gaming, Ms. Long has maintained her impressive work habits. Smoke Shop

Manager Christi Mann states, "Sandra does an exceptional job and knows how to step up and take charge when necessary". Congratulations to Sandra Long, keep up the good work!

Swimming Pool

Open To The Public

Pool Hours

Monday - Friday

9:30 - 10:30 - Senior Water Aerobics

11:30 - 4:30 - Summer Youth and Public

The pool is open to all Tribal members, first generation descent, Tribal employees and one guest.

Celebrate 40 Years of Excellence

with



College employees will be at the Poarch Creek Reservation, July 18th at 10:00 a.m. to answer questions, provide admissions information and financial aid assistance for the Fall Semester.

PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

Building Construction Technology
Collision Repair Technology
Computer Networking
Commercial Truck Driving
Cosmetology
Cosmetology Instructor Training
Industrial Electronics Technology
Industrial Maintenance Technology
Nail Technology
Office Systems Technology
Practical Nursing
Welding Technology
Child Development
Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide

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Evergreen, AL 36401
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Family Services Department

By Delila Anderson:

I have found a poem that has an unknown author, but I would like to share this poem with whoever would like to read it. It is called "We Are The Chosen" and it is about our ancestors, our genealogy, or better known to some as our family tree.

We have lost a great Leader among this Tribe, Mr. Fred L. McGhee; his legacy will go on. I do believe family members become our legacy and have the right to instill memories from our dearly departed to our newborn babies—the art of story telling.

We Are The Chosen

My feelings are in each family we are called to find the ancestors.

To put flesh on their bones and make them live again,
To tell the family story and to feel that somehow they know and approve.

To me, doing genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts but, instead,
Breathing life into all who have gone before.

We are the story tellers of the Tribe.

We have been called as it were by our genes.

Those who have gone before cry out to us:

Tell our story. So, we do.

In finding them, we somehow find ourselves.

How many graves have I stood before now and cried?

I have lost count.

How many times have I told the ancestors you have a wonderful family,

You would be proud of us?

How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow

There was love there for me?

I cannot say.

It goes beyond just documenting facts.

It goes to who I am and why I do the things I do?

It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and

Indifference and saying I can't let this happen.

The bones here are bones of my bone and flesh of my flesh.

It goes to doing something about it.

It goes to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish.

How they contributed to what we are today.

It goes to respecting their hardships and losses,

Their never giving in or giving up.

Their resoluteness to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes to deep pride that they fought to make and keep us a Nation.

It goes to a deep and immense understanding

That they were doing it for us

That we might be born who we are.

That we might remember them.

So we do.

With love and caring and scribing each fact of their existence,

Because we are them and they are us.

So, as a scribe called, I tell the story of my family.

It is up to that one called in the next generation,

To answer the call and take their place in the long line
of family storytellers.

That is why I do my family genealogy,

And that is what calls those young and old to step up and put flesh
on the bones.

[Author Unknown]

Tapestry

Submitted via Email

A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package. "What food might this contain?" The mouse wondered - he was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap.

Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning. "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said, "Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it."

The mouse turned to the pig and told him, "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The pig sympathized, but said, "I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers."

The mouse turned to the cow and said "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The cow said, "Wow, Mr. Mouse. I'm sorry for you, but it's no skin off my nose." So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer's mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house — like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer's wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer's wife.

The farmer rushed her to the hospital, and she returned home with a fever. Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient.

But his wife's sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig. The farmer's wife did not get well; she died.

So many people came for her funeral, the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them. The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness.

So, the next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn't concern you, remember — when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage one another.

REMEMBER, EACH OF US IS A VITAL THREAD IN ANOTHER PERSON'S TAPESTRY.

Goodbye

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for the opportunity to work for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. My experiences that I have had during my employment will be ones that I will not soon forget.

I have tremendously loved working with the Tribal Members and seeing them fulfill their dreams of homeownership. I will miss being a part of that process and wish everyone the best of luck in the future with their endeavors.

Again, thank you and I will miss you.

Stephanie M. McGhee
Housing Construction Assistant
June 9, 2006

A Good Heritage

The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.

The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Psalm 16:5-6



It is the consensus of all who knew him that Fred L. McGhee had a goodly heritage; a heritage that he passed on to his children, his family members, and his Tribe. We were all saddened at Fred's sudden passing on Thursday, May 18, 2006; it literally took the wind out of our sails and made everything else pale in comparison. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends, acquaintances, Tribal Members, and Tribal employees.

There is much more to be said about Fred, his accomplishments, his memory, etc. Throughout this month's issue of the Poarch Creek News there will be poems, remembrances, etc., from those who wish to share their thoughts.

In Sympathy

I want to take this opportunity to express to the Poarch Band of Creek Indians our heartfelt sympathy over the loss of your Tribal Chairman, Fred McGhee. Chairman McGhee was admired and respected by many; I was saddened when I learned the news of his passing.

I know this is a hard time for the family, many friends, and associates of Chairman McGhee. There are no words that truly help at a time like this, but please know that you will all be in our thoughts and prayers.

If you can think of anything that Janee or I can do to provide some comfort during this difficult time, I hope you won't hesitate to give me a call.

Hope our paths cross soon, preferable under better circumstances.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Jo Bonner, Member of Congress

Summer Time, Summer Youth



School is out and it is time for the Poarch Creek Summer Youth Program again; you may have noticed the Blue Bird bus running up and down the highway, taking the kids to lunch, activities, and other locations. We would like to share some pictures of the program with you.







Martin & Vernie Barnhill

Gehmans Celebrate Fifty Years of Marriage

Submitted by Martha Gookin

Fifty years ago on July 11, 1956, Martin Eby Gehman and Vernie Lee Barnhill were joined together in holy matrimony at the Poarch Mennonite Church (now the Poarch Community Church). To honor this special occasion, you are invited to attend a 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration to be held on Sunday, July 9, 2006 at the Poarch Creek Indians Senior SAIL Center from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend, please send them a card and include a special memory you have shared with them and/or a special photo you have of them.

Thank You

On behalf of my daughter, Cierra Leigh McGhee, I would like to express her heartfelt "Thank You." We would like to thank everyone for their love and support during this hard time.

Thank you for all the prayers, flowers, and contributions that were made, but most of all for the sincere kindness that you have shown towards Cierra. As you all probably know she was a "Daddy's Girl" and his memory will still be kept alive. Cierra is so much like her Dad, with her caring and kidding ways. Many of you ask, if she really realizes what is going on and I can answer you with a yes. Please keep her in your prayers.

To leave you with a sentiment of her own words from a conversation that she and I were having. She told me that if she could tell everyone something, this is what she would say, "She said that she would ask, "How many of you knew her dad, to raise their hands." She said after looking and seeing how many knew him, she would say that she would like to tell everyone that her Dad really loved his people and cared about them and all that he wanted was to help them."

Again, thank you for everything.

Stephanie Ledkins and Cierra L. McGhee



Happy Birthday

Skye Lee, daughter of Shane & Shavon Lee, celebrated her 9th birthday on Friday, June 9, 2006 with a High School Musical Slumber Party. Skye is the granddaughter of Danny & Myra King and Russell & Debbie Lee. A good time was had by all who attended.



Birth Announcement

Kaelyn Emma Montgomery, daughter of Mike & Kristy (Chunn) Montgomery of Milton, Florida, was born April 27, 2006 at Sacred Heart Hospital. Kaelyn weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.. Maternal grandparents: Debra Kay Chunn of Semmes, AL, Larue and Sandra (McGhee) Chunn of

Theodore, AL Paternal grandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Montgomery, Pensacola, FL. Great Grandfather: Carl (Buster) McGhee of Walnut Hill, FL. Carl has 17 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.



Deanna Strehl and Jeff Bates

Strehl Meets Favorite Singer

On May 13, 2006 Deanna Strehl met one of her favorite singers, Jeff Bates. in Fairhope, AL. Bates, best known for his songs "Long Slow Kisses" and "The Love Song", gave her a kiss on the cheek and wished her the best of luck in the Relay Idol competition. (On June 2, 2006 Deanna placed third in the youth division of the Relay Idol Competition.)

Deanna attended the concert with her mother Crystal Stabler and grandmother, Mary Boyte. Deanna enjoyed the concert, but will always remember and cherish Bate's kiss on her cheek.

Poarch Education's July News

Submitted by Billie McGhee, Education Coordinator

ARE YOU READY TO APPLY FOR NEW JOB OPPORTUNITIES?

Now is the time for all Tribal members and their descendents to prepare themselves with new skills, degrees, and training for jobs that will soon be available at the Poarch Creek Tribal Reservation and the Gaming casinos, hotel and the businesses that serve them. The town of Atmore has announced that the city will be building a hotel and mall, Rivercane, near the reservation's gaming facilities near Atmore Interstate 65 Exit. The mall and hotel will need trained employees. Tribal people can work for either organization. "The jobs will be here! **Will you be trained and ready to apply for one of the jobs?"**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EARNING A BS DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE, OR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING?

The National Science Foundation Engineering Research Center for Reconfigurable Manufacturing Systems/Tribal Colleges and Universities Partnership (RMS/TCUP) has a grant program that can help you earn your engineering Bachelors of Science degree. You will need to act fast to become a participant in this program.

The program has been extended to all Native American Students

- At least ¼ verifiable Native American heritages
- US citizen or permanent residents who have completed (or will be completing) their sophomore year (at least 60 credits) in other colleges
- Have at least a 3.0 GPA
- Are ready to transfer to the University of Michigan in Winter 2006 or Fall 2006

The purpose of the partnership is to increase the Native American enrollment in undergraduate and graduate programs in the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan. The students who participate in the program will proceed to earn a BS degree in a manufacturing-related engineering discipline (Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Computer Science, or Electrical Engineering). Students will spend two summers as participants in the Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program. Students will be encouraged to continue on to graduate school and will have preferred consideration for funding through the PhD program at the University of Michigan.

The Program Perks for Native American Students

- Expenses paid to attend up to two manufacturing-related conferences per year (\$1,200).
- A new laptop computer and software package.
- Room and board for two years of undergraduate school.
- All expenses paid during the August preparation month.
- Stipend of \$2,000 per term (Fall and Winter) during junior and senior year on the UM campus.
- Five hours per week paid group tutoring during the school year.
- Tuition waiver (if you are ¼ verifiable Native American).

- Participation in the Research Experience for Undergraduates Program, which includes.
 - Stipend of \$4000 for the summer.
 - Travel Expenses if needed.
 - Paid lodging for June and July.
 - Graduate Record Exam (GRE) test preparation course for graduate school.

You can find additional information at <http://erc.engin.umich.edu/education/TCUP.htm>.

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REID STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE RECRUITER IS COMING TO POARCH JULY 19, 2006

Mr. Carlton Leseur, Director of Recruiting and Marketing, will be at the Poarch Creek Reservation Tribal Court Room from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm on July 19, 2006 to talk with Tribal members, Descendents, and Staff members about the training and degree programs offered at Reid State Technical College in Evergreen, Alabama.

TUITION PAYMENT PROGRAM

It is time for all Tribal member students who are *eligible* to either **renew** their applications or **enroll** for the **Tuition Payment Program**. Contact Ms. Shelia Stallworth at (251) 368-9136, ext. 2241.

AMERICAN INDIAN FELLOWSHIP IN BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM

The scholarship program has an August 4, 2006 deadline. If you are a college junior, senior, or enrolled in a business master level of study and attending college full time, you should apply. The application is available at <http://www.ncaied.org/fundraising/scholar.html>.

FREE NATIONAL IRON WORKERS TRAINING PROGRAM FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

The National Iron Workers Training Program is located at 1819 Beach Street, Broadview, IL. This is a Pre – Apprenticeship Training Program that will, upon completion, provide students with direct entry into a Union Ironworker Apprenticeship Program. Apprentices will receive above average wages, job security, insurance and a pension, and a starting wages from \$10 to \$18 per hour with a raise approximately every six months. Within three to four years, you can become a Journeyman with wages ranging from \$18 to \$30 an hour. Students receive funding to pay for their room and board, proper work clothes, and boots are provided for the training. Training is provided for: Structural Ironwork, Reinforcing Ironwork, Ornamental Ironwork, Rigging Ironwork, Welding and Burning. Four different 12-week class sessions are scheduled from June 2006 through June 2007.

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See <http://www.ironworkerstrainingprogramforamericanindians.com/id3.html> or 708-345-2344. The class schedule is listed below:

Class	Arrival	Completion
115	9/05/06	11/16/06
116	12/04/06	2/21/07
117	3/05/07	5/23/07
118	6/04/07	8/22/07

You can pick up an application from Mrs. Clara Jones, WIA Coordinator, in the Education Department, if you live in the local Tribal Service Area or she can refer you to a Native American WIA program in your area.

MEDICAL DOCTOR SHORTAGE

Due to the fact a large number of doctors are reaching retirement age, the need for medical doctors will continue to grow. The Tribe has a few Tribal members and Tribal descendants who are currently studying Medicine. If you are interested, there are a number of loan repayment programs to help Native Americans and minority students to repay their Medical school loans.

Medical Internships provide students with medical work experience and training. Several Tribal students have found part-time jobs in a doctor's office for work experience and recommendations for Medical School. Medical Prep Programs such as (INMED) and the Association of America Indian Physicians (AAIP) help Native American students prepare for the MCAT exam and their staff can help guide students through their training. You can contact the Mrs. Billie McGhee at (251) 368-9136, ext. 2243 for details.

ATTENTION: TRIBAL MEMBERS SEEKING BS DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE, OR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

The National Science Foundation Engineering Research Center for Reconfigurable Manufacturing was recently granted a grant to work with Native American students who are seeking engineering degrees. The student must have 1/4 verifiable Native American blood quota.

Football & Cheerleading Applications

Submitted by Dana Pickern, Wellness Coordinator

The gym is now open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. M-F. We are now accepting applications for Youth football and Cheerleading ages 5 to 12. Please contact Trent Jackson Activities Coordinator for more information at 251-368-9136 ext.2256. Upcoming adult activities are Co-ed Volleyball and Co-ed Flag Football. For more information call the Wellness & Activities Department.

Tribal Members Graduate Eighth Grade at Perdido School



Hunter Scott Colbert

Hunter Scott Colbert, the son of Terri Albritton Morris and Russell Scott Colbert, recently graduated from Perdido School in Baldwin County. He will attend Baldwin County High School in the fall. Hunter is a Tribal Member and is the grandson of Lenard & Hazel McGhee Albritton, and Jerry & Alene Colbert. Congratulations on a job well done!! We love you and are so proud of you.

From Mom, James, Logan, & Chloe'



Jacob Rackard shown with father Kevin, sister Megan, and mother Trina.

Jacob Rackard, son of Kevin and Trina Rackard also graduated from Perdido School. He will also be attending Baldwin County High School in the fall.

Congratulations Jacob.



Summer Youth Class Makes Slime

Submitted by Troy Pierce, Life Scientist

The Environmental Department, with special guest teacher Anna Fallon-Pierce, taught the kids how to make "slime" using white school glue, water and borax. The kids learned how liquids can be combined to make solids and that some solids can still act like liquids. The students in the picture are holding the bags of "slime" they made.

In Memory

Submitted by Anita McGhee Tuel

Leo McGhee

June 7, 1936-May 21, 2001

WE'LL MEET AGAIN SOMEDAY

*No farewell words were spoken
No time to say goodbye
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knows why.*

*Every time I see your picture,
You smile and seem to say
"Don't cry, I'm only sleeping,
we'll meet again some day."*

*My hope is that we'll meet again
The day I know not when,
To clasp your hand in the better land
To never part again.*

Your loving wife, Kathleen

THE DAY GOD CALLED YOU HOME

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty place
He then looked down upon His
Earth and saw your loving face.*

*He saw your path was difficult
and He closed your weary eyes,
He whispered to you "Peace Be Thine"
and gave you wings to fly.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you
on the day God called you home.*

Your loving children & grandkids

A Simple Thank You - from Stuart Margel, Washington, D.C

Last week, while traveling to Chicago on business, I noticed a Marine Sergeant traveling with a folded flag, but did not put two and two together. After we boarded our flight, I turned to the Sergeant, who'd been invited to sit in First Class (across from me), and inquired if he was heading home. No, he responded.

Heading out I asked?

No. I'm escorting a soldier home.

Going to pick him up?

No. He is with me right now. He was killed in Iraq. I'm taking him home to his family.

The realization of what he had been asked to do hit me like a punch to the gut. It was an honor for him. He told me that, although he didn't know the soldier, he had delivered the news of his passing to the soldier's family and felt as if he knew them after many conversations in so few days. I turned back to him, extended my hand, and said, Thank you. Thank you for doing what you do so my family and I can do what we do.

Upon landing in Chicago the pilot stopped short of the gate and made the following announcement over the intercom.

"Ladies and gentlemen, I would like to note that we have had the honor of having Sergeant Steeley of the United States Marine Corps join us on this flight. He is escorting a fallen comrade back home to his family. I ask that you please remain in your seats when we open the forward door to allow Sergeant Steeley to deplane and receive his fellow soldier. We will then turn off the seat belt sign."

Without a sound, all went as requested. I noticed the Sergeant saluting the casket as it was brought off the plane, and his action made me realize that I am proud to be an American.

So here's a public Thank You to our military Men and Women for what you do so we can live the way we do.

Note from Gayle: I know that Memorial Day has come and gone, as will the Fourth of July by the time you get this newsletter, but we should always remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for freedom. We may or may not support President Bush in his military agenda, but we should always support those men and women who answer his call and go into harms way. We should remember them every day, not just patriotic holidays.

Pow Wow 2006

Poarch Creek Indian

36th Annual Thanksgiving Pow Wow

November 23 & 24 2006

Over \$32,000 in cash and prizes to be awarded.

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend.



Relay For Life



Team Members: Kneeling: Eldnar McGhee, Susan Spruill, Kim Snow, and Lori Findley. Standing, center row: Candice Lowrey, Teresa Smith, Trina Rackard, Tawana McGhee, Marty Rolin, and Carla McGhee. Standing, back row; Michelle White, Carolyn Dortch, Keesha O'Barr, Gayle Johnson, and Kevin McGhee



Eldnar McGhee, Co-Captain, Fields McGhee, Senior Idol, Cierra McGhee, Children's Idol, Kim McGhee, Adult Idol, and Trina Rackard, Team Captain



Judges Mark Spruill, Paula Smith, Robbie McGhee, and Laura Cook pictured with Cierra McGhee. Not pictured is Judge Arthur Mothershed.

The final PCI Relay Idol show was held Friday, June 2, 2006 to a packed house. Previous shows had been outstanding, but this was the best of them all. Sadly, eliminations started the show with two contestants from each division being eliminated. After eliminations, the children's competition began, followed by the adult, then senior division, with Fields closing the show with Kaw-Liga. After Field's performance, the "polls" were open and the audience was allowed to cast their last votes for the contestants of their choice. When the votes were all counted and added to the cumulative votes of the contestants, the PCI Relay Idols were named. Cierra McGhee received the most votes in the children's division and was named as the children's PCI Relay Idol, Kim McGhee received the most votes in the



Kim Snow and Kevin McGhee join the Southern Pride Dance Team for the Electric Slide

An Appreciation Banquet

By Gayle Johnson

On Wednesday, May 31, 2006, the Poarch Band of Creek Indians Drug Court Program hosted an Appreciation Banquet in honor of the late Donna McGhee White and other individuals that have helped in making this program a tremendous success. The banquet was attended by a large number of Donna's family as well as those who had worked with



her and/or those currently working in the program.

Robert McGhee, Tribal Administrator, opened the event by welcoming everyone and sharing some of his experiences with Donna and the Drug Court Program. He then introduced Earnest White, Tribal Judge, who shared the history of Tribal Court as well as Drug Court with those in attendance and explained how Donna had first approached him with the idea of Drug Court. I have been an employee with the Tribe for fourteen years, and have worked with Donna on several projects, but I was never aware of the efforts she put forth to make our Tribal Court/Drug Court Program a success. Her hard work and dedication is evident in the success of both our Tribal Court and Drug Court programs. Keesha O'Barr is the new Tribal Court Director and she has some mighty big shoes to fill. It is also evident that Keesha is filling those shoes to the best of her ability. She and her staff are dedicated and strive every day to continue the work Donna began and have succeeded in their goal.

After an excellent meal catered by Creekco Catering, Keesha and Tribal Court Specialist Regina Stabler unveiled a portrait of Donna that will hang in the Tribal Courtroom. The portrait includes the following quote from Sandra Hiebert. "Many people enter the doors of this room and feel their lives are hopeless. A courtroom by nature is not a place of hope. It is a place where crimes are punished, where families are torn apart, and where lives are unalterably changed. But one woman had a vision, a dream that would allow this very courtroom to become a place of forgiveness, second chances, and new beginnings. That woman was Donna McGhee White. Donna determined and charted a course for Tribal Drug Court. While she didn't do this alone, she felt the single-handed responsibility for it. She loved helping those people society deemed as hopeless, she loved giving her all to the Drug Court program, and she expected the same from other team members. She never felt anyone was too far gone. She believed a life could begin again on any give day. And she was right."

I sincerely believe that everyone left the banquet with a greater appreciation of Donna and the Drug Court Program, I know I did.



The Relay team sets up campsite

adult division and was named as the adult's PCI Relay Idol, Fields McGhee received the most votes in the Senior division and was named as the Senior's PCI Relay Idol. There will be another PCI Relay Idol competition next year, so if you are interested, get ready and get out there and get those votes!



John Wesley Hiebert and Brice McGhee relax under the shade

With the Relay Idol competition behind them, Poarch's Relay team shifted into high gear and began preparations of the Relay Event, which was held Saturday, June 10, 2006. Plans were made as to the design of the campsite, costumes, cancer facts, etc.; it was a week full of hard work, but it all came together. The team met at Heritage Park early that Saturday morning and set up the campsite. They finished in time to run freshen up and return by 12:00 noon, the beginning of the Relay event.



The Big Bad Wolf-Cancer Facts

It was hot. There is not much else you can say about that; it was hot! Thankfully the team was able to come up with enough fans to keep a breeze going. It cooled down later in the afternoon and the team was able to participate in the scheduled games without suffering from heat exhaustion.

When the awards were announced during the closing ceremonies, our Poarch team did us proud. They received the following awards:

- Most Money Raised (Corporate) \$21,483
- Best Cancer Facts
- Best Display of Cancer Facts
- Best Camp Song-Second Place

Each member of the Poarch Relay Team would like to say thank you to the Tribe, our fellow employees, community members, friends, and families for their support. We could not have done it without you.

Along the Creek

Magnolia Branch opened to the public on May 1, 2006; according to Billy Smith, General Manager, opening Magnolia Branch to the general public has been a big success. He says that there is a mixture of Tribal Members and non-Tribal members who frequent the Reserve, with Tribal Members still being the majority of visitors. John



Holey Tree Landing

Sells, Reserve employee, also stated that they have had individuals come from as far as Bay Minette, Excel, and Frisco City, just for a day of swimming. He and Billy say that they have had nothing but positive comments from the campers who have been in, some of them in RVs, some on the primitive campsites. They have even had a couple of campers that have requested an extended stay. Church groups from as far away as Monroeville have come to the Reserve to camp and have a good time. One family enjoys the Reserve so much that they have booked one of the pavilions for a wedding reception in July 2007.

Things are going so well that almost all campsites are booked up through the weekend of August 5, 2006, the date of the 2006 Annual Sovereignty Celebration. If you plan to camp out at the Reserve that weekend, you will need to contact the Reserve at (251) 446-3423 or CIE at (251) 368-0819 to make reservations. Don't forget that there will be camping fees to pay. In reference to the Annual Celebration, Billy says that the Reserve will be closed to the general public that day.

There are some problems however that they content with on a regular basis. The Reserve is an alcohol and drug free facility, and it has been a full-time job just keeping the alcohol out. Billy says that for every person who complains that they can not bring alcohol on to the Reserve he has ten who will tell him that they are glad that there is no alcohol or drugs allowed, this allows them to have clean fun and valuable quality time with their families without worrying about exposure to unfavorable behaviors.

Trash is a problem as well; it is a simple matter to pick up after yourself, but not everyone does. They used the example of Mudd Landing. They say that it tends to be a total mess; people do not clean up and leave trash everywhere. They said that if circumstances do not improve, they may have to address this issue by limiting access to the area.

Billy also asks that Tribal Members remember to bring their Tribal ID card when they come to the Reserve. With their Tribal ID, Tribal Members do not have to pay an entrance fee and they receive discounts on camping, etc. He asks that people remember to be respectful and not give the gate attendants a hard time if they do not let you in free or give you the applicable discount on fees if you do not have the proper ID. They are simply doing their job. He is aware that Tribal Members under the age of 18 do not have Tribal ID cards and he is trying to find a solution to this problem so that Tribal Members under 18 can enter free and get applicable discounts as



Tubers getting in the creek

well. Until this issue is resolved, they will pay as the general public does unless there is a Tribal Member with a valid ID with them.

On a positive note, the Reserve crew has begun developing a new “beach” area that will give visitors additional access to the creek. The creek can now be accessed through Holey Tree Landing to the left a little way down from the entrance gate. The landing, named Holey Tree because of a large tree that has abundant knot holes and squirrel holes in its trunk, is accessible, but there is still a lot of work to do before it will be as easily accessible as other landings along the creek. Billy and his crew are also working on a temporary camper storage area; when it is completed, you will be able to temporarily store your camper at the Reserve without taking up a campsite.

The crew has also been busy sawing lumber from the juniper logs. At the time of this article, approximately ten loads of lumber have been cut from the giant juniper logs. Some of the lumber was used to construct the gate house, some will be used in construction of other facilities at the Reserve, some will be used during the construction of the lodge (which Billy hopes to start next year), and some will be donated to the Hvsossv Tvllhasse Ceremonial Grounds to be used in the construction of restroom facilities.

The shower facilities are under construction and hopefully will be completed by the 4th of July. The Reserve has also entered into a Emergency Watershed Project with NRCS by which they hope to reclaim/reconstruct washouts throughout the Reserve. The purpose of this project is to reclaim the land that has been eroded and washed away. Additional lights have been added throughout the camping areas and Billy has met with the people from Turtle Point to help in the development of a canoe and kayaking trail down Big Escambia Creek. Magnolia has a good head start on the development of this trail; the other guys will use our facilities as a model and will have to play catch-up.

That’s all for this month, we hope to see you along the creek!



Shower facilities are almost ready



Sawing lumber from juniper logs



The Holey Tree

2006 Pow Wow Princess

Yes, it is that time of year again. We strongly encourage all eligible Tribal Member girls between the ages of 8 to 20 to participate in the Pow Wow Princess competition. Each year a Princess is selected from three divisions, Elementary (8-10), Junior (11-14), and Senior (15-20). The first scheduled practice/orientation has been scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 27, 2006 at the SAIL Center.

The Pow Wow Committee is working on several different ideas to help improve and enhance the Princess Contest. Last year they changed from awarding scholarships to awarding cash prizes for the Princess and First Alternate in each division. This year the Pow Wow Committee will purchase a beaded crown and choker set that



will be presented to the Senior Princess; this set will be hers to keep during, and after, her reign. Other ideas are being discussed and will be presented when, or if, they are approved.

We look forward to seeing a good turnout. If you are interested in participating, an application has been included in this newsletter or you can pick one up at the front desk. Call Jaime McGhee (ext. 2305), Regina Brown (ext. 2251), April Sells (ext. 2290) or Christy Huskey (368-3085) if you have any questions or need more information.

A crown set, similar to the one in this picture, will be presented to the 2006 Pow Wow Senior Princess



Poarch Volunteer Fire Department

Poarch Volunteer Fire Department Attends High Rise Training

The Poarch Volunteer Fire Department attended "Basic High Rise Operations" training at the Alabama Fire College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama May 12-14, 2006. This was the first training of the sort for the Fire Department, but they came through with flying colors.



Suiting up!

Date: _____

**Poarch Creek Indians
Pow Wow Princess Application**

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Tribal Roll #:** _____

Parents/Guardian: _____

School Attending/Attended: _____

Achievements: _____

Hobbies/Activities: _____

Division: (You must be the appropriate age for your division by November 23, 2006)

Elementary (Ages 8-10)

Junior (Ages 11-14)

Senior (Ages 15-20)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

You may bring the completed application with you to the first practice or mail it to:
April Sells, Princess Committee Chairperson
%Poarch Creek Indians
5811 Jack Springs Road
Atmore, AL 36502

Tribal Roll Numbers can be obtained by calling Gale Thrower or Anita Glass at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2282.

Additional applications will be available at the front desk at the Tribal Complex and/or the Community Relations Department. Please call April Sells, Jaime McGhee, Regina Brown, at (251) 368-9136 and/or Christy Husky at (251) 368-3085 for more information.

Orientation (considered to be the first practice session) will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 27, 2006 at the Community Services (SAIL) Center.

Peace and Dignity Journey Team Visits Tribe



Peace and Dignity Journey Team stops by Poarch.

Runners from the Peace and Dignity Journey team recently stopped by the Reservation and stayed overnight before starting the next leg of their scheduled run to Coney Island in New York. The team is made up of native peoples from Alaska, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, and other indigenous nations such as the Aztecs. Their ultimate goal is to visit the United Nations; they also plan to spend two days in Washington, D.C.

Approximately ten runners were involved in the team that came through our area. When running, a specific route is mapped out, and runners take turns running the route. They make sure that every inch of the route is covered, and sometimes have to backtrack to cover areas that may have been missed if a runner gets lost or makes a wrong turn. Each team member runs about 10 miles a day, regardless of the weather. As each runner is running, he/she is praying and carrying a prayer staff, each of which is symbolic of a different prayer or family. Each day the team runs to just before sunset; they stop at that point and perform a blessing ceremony and rest the staffs for the night. If the scheduled route has been completed that day, new staffs are carried the next day; if not the same staffs will be carried by runners the next day.

Peace and Dignity Journeys conducted its first intercontinental journey in 1992 to honor 500 years of resistance and survival of Native peoples through invasion, colonization, and genocide. Four years later, the 1996 journey honored youth and children. The

2000 journey honored the family, and the 2004 journey honored women. The 2006 journey honors migrant workers and legislation that will allow them and all other peoples to make an honest living and support their families.

For more information on Peace and Dignity Journeys, please visit their website at www.peaceanddignityjourneys.com.



Elder explains their mission/goal to Tribal youth.



Joe and Ellen O'Barr accept check from Liberty National representatives Stephanie Bryan and Eris Wilson

Liberty Nation Policy Pays As Promised

Joe and Ellen O'Barr, long time Liberty National Insurance policy holders, recently received a check for Liberty National as payment from their Critical Care Policy. Joe recently spent a combined total of 27 days in the hospital relating to a serious medical condition. They carried a Critical Care Policy and when they filed a claim Liberty National paid the benefits as stipulated in their policy. Joe and Ellen say "It really works! Liberty National paid up just as they said they would." Pictured are Joe and Ellen O'Barr, Stephanie Bryan, Liberty National Agent, and Eris Wilson, Consumer Affairs Representative.

Flag Etiquette

(www.usaflag.org)

The Flag Code, which formalizes and unifies the traditional ways in which we give respect to the flag, also contains specific instructions on how the flag is not to be used. They are:

- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal.
- The flag should not be used as a drapery, or for covering a speakers desk, draping a platform, or for any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bunting should be on the top.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose. It should not be embroidered, printed or otherwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins, boxes, or anything intended to be discarded after temporary use. Advertising signs should not be attached to the staff or halyard
- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, fireman, policeman and members of patriotic organizations.
- The flag should never have placed on it, or attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure, or drawing of any kind.
- The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.

The flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary. When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner.

Note: Most American Legion Posts regularly conduct a dignified flag burning ceremony, often on Flag Day, June 14th. Many Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Girl Scout Troops retire flags regularly as well.

Displaying the Flag Outdoors

When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window, balcony, or a building, the union should be at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half staff. When it is displayed from the same flagpole with another flag - of a state, community, society or Scout unit - the flag of the United States must always be at the top except that the church pennant may be flown above the flag during church services for Navy personnel when conducted by a Naval chaplain on a ship at sea. When the flag is displayed over a street, it should be hung vertically, with the union to the north or east. If the flag is suspended over a sidewalk, the flag's union should be farthest from the building.

When flown with flags of states, communities, or societies on separate flag poles which are of the same height and in a straight line, the flag of the United States is always placed in the position of honor - to its own right. The other flags may be

smaller but none may be larger...No other flag ever should be placed above it. The flag of the United States is always the first flag raised and the last to be lowered.



When flown with the national banner of other countries, each flag must be displayed from a separate pole of the same height. Each flag should be the same size. They should be raised and lowered simultaneously. The flag of one nation may not be displayed above that of another nation.

Raising and Lowering the Flag

The flag should be raised briskly and lowered slowly and ceremoniously. Ordinarily it should be displayed only between sunrise and sunset. It should be illuminated if displayed at night. The flag of the United States of America is saluted as it is hoisted and lowered. The salute is held until the flag is unsnapped from the halyard or through the last note of music, whichever is the longest.

Displaying the Flag Indoors

When on display, the flag is accorded the place of honor, always positioned to its own right. Place it to the right of the speaker or staging area or sanctuary. Other flags should be to the left. The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of states, localities, or societies are grouped for display. When one flag is used with the flag of the United States of America and the staffs are crossed, the flag of the United States is placed on its own right with its staff in front of the other flag. When displaying the flag against a wall, vertically or horizontally, the flag's union (stars) should be at the top, to the flag's own right, and to the observer's left.

Parading and Saluting the Flag

When carried in a procession, the flag should be to the right of the marchers. When other flags are carried, the flag of the United States may be centered in front of the others or carried to their right. When the flag passes in a procession, or when it is hoisted or lowered, all should face the flag and salute.

The Salute

To salute, all persons come to attention. Those in uniform give the appropriate formal salute. Citizens not in uniform salute by placing their right hand over the heart and men with head cover should remove it and hold it to left shoulder, hand over the heart. Members of organizations in formation salute upon command of the person in charge.

The Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem

The pledge of allegiance should be rendered by standing at attention, facing the flag, and saluting. When the national anthem is played or sung, citizens should stand at attention and salute at the first note and hold the salute through the last note. The salute is directed to the flag, if displayed, otherwise to the music.

The Flag in Mourning

To place the flag at half staff, hoist it to the peak for an instant and lower it to a position half way between the top and bottom of the staff. The flag is to be raised again to the peak for a moment before it is lowered. On Memorial Day the flag is displayed at half staff until noon and at full staff from noon to sunset.

The flag is to be flown at half staff in mourning for designated, principal government leaders and upon presidential or gubernatorial order. When used to cover a casket, the flag should be placed with the union at the head and over the left shoulder. It should not be lowered into the grave.



Kneeling left to right, Reid Bell, Thomas Aliff, Brannon Freeman, Justine Payne, Chase Freeman, and D.J. Hadley. Second row left to right: Wade Jerrigan, Tyler Roley, Dusty Spicer, Daulton Tullis, Justice Agerton, Tristan Montgomery, and Lucas White. Back row left to right: coaches David Bell, Bodie Tullis, Robert Agerton, and Larry Gibson.

Northwest Escambia Eagles

The Northwest Escambia 9-10 Minor League Eagles had an undefeated 17-0 season, playing teams from Century, Jay 1 & 2, Flomaton 1 & 2, Chumuckla, Fidelis, Milino, and Northwest Escambia County, Florida with strong pitching from Justice Agerton (5-0), Reid Bell (4-0), Daulton Tullis (3-0), and Tristan Montgomery (2-0) and 5 saves. The team scored 176 runs and gave up only 34. All pitchers had an E.R.A. of less than 1.0. Justice Agerton, Reid Bell, and Tristin Montgomery batted over 400; Daulton Tullis, Chasen Freeman, Wade Jernigan, Dusty Spicer, and Brannon Freeman batted over 300.

The All-Stars, Justice Agerton, Thomas Aliff, Reid Bell, Jordan Coon, Brannon, Freeman, Chasen Freeman, Wade Jernigan, Tristan Montgomery, Daulton Tullis, and Kevin Vaughan, will travel to Crestview on June 24th to play in the 10 year old All-Star game.

Annual Celebration Scheduled for August 5, 2006

The third Annual Sovereignty Celebration has been scheduled for Saturday, August 5, 2006. The event is still in the planning stages at this time so there is little information available. Just be sure to mark your calendars and plan to join us as we celebrate our sovereignty. Just a note of reminder, if you plan on camping overnight at Magnolia Branch, be sure to contact Billy McGhee at (251) 446-3423 because camping spaces are filling up and there may not be any more campsites available.

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16 Tribal Council Meeting 2:00 p.m.	17	18	19	20	21	22
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