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POARCH CREEK NEWS



Chairman's Corner November 2009



Happy Autumn everyone... The Chairman's Office continues to be a busy place. We held our annual Domestic Violence vigil at the Pow Wow grounds during the month of October in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness month.

This month we will celebrate Veteran's Day. If you happen to see a veteran please take the time to stop and thank them for their service to our country. Without them we would not have the freedom that we have all become accustomed to.

I, along with some Tribal Council members attended the 66th annual NCAI meeting in October. NCAI, National Congress of American Indians, is a very important advocate for all aspects of Native American tribes throughout the country.

Later in October we attended the USET Annual meeting held at the Seminole Tribe of Florida. This meeting was particularly special because USET celebrated its 40th anniversary.

This is the final reminder about the upcoming State of the Tribe presentation which will be held Saturday, November 7, 2009 from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. at the gym. We hope to see you there.

I would also like to invite each of you to our 39th annual Thanksgiving Day Pow Wow to be held Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27, 2009. Until next month MVTO!

Newsletter Changes and Deadlines

Many changes are ahead for the *Poarch Creek News*. The first of the year will bring many changes to the newsletter which include departmental changes, new deadlines, and bi-monthly issues. Complete details of the upcoming changes will be published in the December newsletter. Until that time, all deadlines remain the same. The deadline to submit information for the newsletter is the first working day of each month for the next month's publication. Please remember that the newsletter is generated one month in advance. If the submitted information misses the submission deadline, it will be published in the next month's issue unless it contains dated information.

Birthday/Anniversary Wishes: One photo per birthday/anniversary. We will publish birthday/anniversary information as long as the information is received by the last working day of the month of the birthday/anniversary. All other submissions will not be published.

Birth /Wedding Announcements: All submissions must be in writing. One photo per birth/wedding announcement. We will publish birth/wedding announcements as long as the birth/wedding information is submitted by the last working day of the month immediately following the birth/wedding. All other submissions will not be published.

2009 State of the Tribe

Saturday, November 7, 2009, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Wellness & Activities Center (Gym)

After the presentation lunch will be provided for those in attendance. Please plan to attend. An Annual Report is being generated and will be available for distribution at the presentation.

Attention 1st Generation Indian Descent Students

The Poarch Creek Indians Education Department will be awarding COMPETITIVE scholarships for College/Technical School to deserving PCI 1st generation students. Award amounts will vary. Applications are due no later than 5:00 CST, December 1, 2009. Applications will be available on the Tribe's website www.poarchcreekindians.org, at the Tribal Education Department, or may be mailed or emailed to applicants upon request. Once again these are competitive scholarships and not all applicants will receive an award. If you were awarded a Tribal scholarship previously in 2009, you may not reapply during this program year, but may reapply in 2010. Please call the Education Department at 251-368-9136, extension 2021 for more information. An OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT is REQUIRED. Obtaining this transcript and forwarding it to the Education Department is the responsibility of the applicant.

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2009 Christmas Parade
Friday December 4, 2009
Line Up at 4:00 p.m.
Wellness & Activities Center
Parade begins at 5:00 p.m.

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Creek Family Restaurant/Weatherford's Sports Grill Wins Taste of the South

Submitted by Sandy Wells, General Manager

I am very excited and pleased to announce that Creek Family Restaurant/Weatherford's Sports Grill WON at the Taste of the South on September 20th. We were awarded the best decorated booth AND BEST



FOOD awards!!!! We featured our ribs that are specials on Wednesdays and Saturdays 5-9 pm, and also our wings. We had an overwhelming response on the ribs and people came back for more over and over again. We went thru 4 cases! We really had a great time and got to meet a lot of new potential customers.

I truly feel like this is a positive for our restaurant. People were able to meet the new management and also taste our food. I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to all of our supporters and also the staff here at CFR/WSG. They truly worked hard to pull this event off. I also extend a very special thanks to Kenny Reid, (kitchen manager) and his wife Martina and Elliot Ross.

Come in to see our plaques and dine with us.



Kenny Reid and Sandy Wells proudly display winning plaques.



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MAGNOLIA BRANCH WILDLIFE RESERVE MANAGEMENT AREA

HUNTING RULES AND REGULATIONS

Submitted by CIEDA & Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve

Located in Escambia County north of Robinsonville, Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve has over 3,000 acres of big game and small game hunting area.

PERMITS: Gun permits for deer hunting will be issued Monday – Friday 8a.m. – 5p.m. from the Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority (CIEDA) headquarters located at 100 Brookwood Road Atmore, Alabama 36502. Separate permits for small game (i.e. rabbit, squirrel, and quail), deer (bow hunting) and turkey permits can also be obtained at the CIEDA headquarters. Maps and permits may be obtained by writing Billy Smith at the above address or by calling: 251-368-0819 extension 4505. Please include a large, self addressed, stamped envelope and indicate the permit you desire.

Fees for gun and bow hunting, which includes: deer, small game and turkey

- * \$500 per year for Tribal Members, which covers spouses and their children under the age of 18.
- * Tribal Members may sponsor a guest for \$150.00 for hunting, this fee entitles guest to three consecutive days of hunting. A Tribal Member can only invite up to three guests per year.
- * All Tribal Members 65 years of age and older are eligible to purchase a life-long permit for \$200.

2009-2010 Hunting Season Rules and Regulations

- * Saturday or Sunday hunting will be permitted except behind Moyeville Church.
- * Gun season will run from November 16, 2009 to January 31, 2010. (Designated areas only)
- * During gun season hunters are allowed to hunt with a gun or rifle on the property north of Hwy 27 and south of Earl Johnson's property along Sizemore Creek to the east side of Big Escambia Creek.
- * Turkey hunting will run from March 15, 2010 to April 30, 2010.
- * Bucks killed must be 6 pts or better. If a smaller buck is mistakenly killed, the hunter will have to pay a \$100.00 fine. The second offense will result in the permit being revoked. Three (3) bucks per person according to state law.
- * One doe allowed per paying member per year.
- * Tribal Members who hold the permit are responsible for their spouses and their children under the age of 18, if they are joining permit holder while hunting. Spouses and children under the age of 18 must be within 100 yards of the permit holder's food plot at all times.
- * No fall turkey hunting.
- * No hunting around camping sites.
- * Members are allowed to kill long beard gobblers 6 inches or better in size- no jakes.
- * Each member is limited to three gobblers per season.
- * Morning turkey hunting only; hunters may hunt until 12:00 p.m. (12 noon)
- * No coon hunting permits will be sold or issued.
- * There are 72 days allotted for gun hunting.
- * All hunters must place their own tags on board. Board is not to be tagged before 4:00 a.m.
- * ***All ALABAMA State rules and regulations will apply.***
- * Rule violations are subject to permits being revoked.

Gun Hunting- November 16, 2009 –January 31, 2010

- * A gun hunt for children 15 and under with one adult will be conducted on November 14, 2009.
- * A spring gobbler youth hunt will be conducted at the same time as the statewide Alabama Management youth gobbler hunt.
- * Any hunter found with feeder or baiting deer will have permit revoked.
- * Vehicle traffic will not be allowed on roads designated for hunting from daylight to 8:30 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to dark.
- * No dogs are allowed.
- * ***NO ATV's***
- * Wild hogs may be taken off property no limits but must be recorded with the park.
- * All youth hunters must follow rules as described by the State of Alabama Fish & Game Regulations.

GENERAL COUNCIL VOICE (GVC)

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 2009 8:00 A.M.

FAMILY SERVICES RESOURCE AUDITORIUM

If you are a Poarch Creek Tribal Member and would like to learn more about the incorporation and development of the organization named "General Council Voice", you are invited to attend a special called meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2009. This meeting is prior to the State of the Tribe address at the PCI Gym, which is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. - noon on November 7, 2009.

Tribal Member participants of the General Council Voice are currently working on several issues for change; however we need help from other members. If you are interested in the following issues and being a part of community change, please attend so your voice can be heard.

- Ensuring the equality and the rights of all General Council members are secure under the Tribal Constitution.
- Meaningful communication and sharing of information with the General Council for transparency of Tribal operations.
- A collective approach to making recommendations for positive change.
- Addressing changes to develop a healthy and informed Tribal community.

Light refreshments will be served. Look forward to seeing you there!!!!

Carolyn M. White, Chairman
General Council Voice

Woods Participates in U.S. Citizen Ambassador Program

Submitted by Gerald Woods

In June of 2009, Gerald Woods was selected to participate in the U.S. Citizen Ambassador Program. He has been thrice awarded the American Bar Association Silver Key Award. He is a member of the Louisiana Bar Association, The New York Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, and the District of Columbia Bar Association. Mr. Woods is also an alumni of the Kenner Citizens Academy. Mr. Woods, along with his mother Cecilia, is shown wearing the robes of long time Judge Harry Lee.



NATV Launches New "Hope in Action" Series!

NATV's new "Hope in Action" series kicks off with this first message for youth from actor Chaske Spencer. There are some amazing people coming out to support our Native youth through this series with topics that include issues that matter. Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Physical Fitness and Sports for spirit building and to combat obesity rates and the increasing rate of Type II diabetes in our youth, and so much more!

NATV's goal is not just to be another Network, but to help the community through content, education and outreach.

Check out the first video here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSniMXLIAno>
http://www.natvonline.org/hope_in_action.html
www.youtube.com/natvonline

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Chaske is an emerging native actor (Lakota Sioux) who plays Sam Uley in New Moon (release date 11-20-09). He has also been seen in Steven Spielberg's Into the West, the feature films Skins and Dreamcatcher, as well as many New York theater projects.

Wishing A Speedy Recovery



The children of Mattie Daughtry Anderson wish her a speedy recovery from the recent surgery/amputation of her left leg. Mattie was born in the Poarch Community and moved to McCullough, AL at age 5 with her foster parents Bud and Hattie Steadham. Mattie was married to Raymond Anderson and between them

they drove a school bus for 38 years. The Anderson's have three children, Raymond, Jr., Deloris Porter, and Arthur Anderson, 8 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. She recently celebrated her 95th birthday and has always loved to sew, can vegetables and help on the farm. Get well Mama, we love you!

Honoring Our Veterans

Submitted by David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison

Do you know that there are 165,000+ American Indian/Alaska Native veterans? The following information summarizes American Indian/Alaska Native service to the United States of America.

Early Wars (before WW I):

During the American Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War (both for the Union and Confederacy), scouting skills of American Indian soldiers were exploited.

Tyonajanegen, an Oneida Indian, distinguished herself at the battle of Oriskany during the American Revolution, fighting along side her husband of Dutch descent.

Sacajawea, a Shoshone woman, guided Lewis and Clark on their expedition west.

In 1866, the Indian Scouts were established by the U.S. Army; one year later, 474 Indians served. The Scouts accompanied Gen. Pershing to Mexico in pursuit of Poncho Villa in 1916. The Indian Scouts were an integral part of the Army until 1947.

American Indian soldiers accompanied Teddy Roosevelt to Cuba as Rough Riders in the Spanish-American War.

Four American Indian nuns worked as nurses for the War Department in Cuba during the Spanish-American War.

In the early war period, 16 American Indians were awarded the military's highest honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor.

World War I:

About 12,000 American Indians served during WW I.

About 600 Oklahoma Choctaw and Cherokee men served in the Texas 124th Infantry, which saw action in France, and were recognized widely for their combat skills and bravery.

Fourteen American Indian women served in the Army Nurse Corps.

The Choctaw language was used to code messages to confuse German code-breakers.

Four American Indians were awarded the Croix de Guerre, France's highest military honor, for their valor.

In 1919, American Indian soldiers and sailors were granted U.S. citizenship, five years before the Snyder Indian Citizenship Act granted citizenship to all American Indians.

World War II:

More than 44,000 American Indians served in the military from 1941 to 1945, including 800 women.

An estimated 99% of healthy male American Indians ages 21 to 44 were registered for the draft.

Nearly 20% of the American Indian population, both men and women, were either in the armed forces or working for the war effort on the home front.

Six American Indians earned the Congressional Medal of Honor for service during WW II.

Ira Hayes, a Pima Indian from Arizona, was one of 6 Marines to raise the flag on Mt. Suribachi in Iwo Jima.

The Navajo language was used to code messages in the Pacific theater of operations. Over 400 Navajo "Code Talkers" served in the Marine Corps by war's end.

Korean War:

More than 10,000 American Indians served during the Korean War.

Three American Indians were awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Among notable American Indians serving during the Korean War were former Colorado Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell and Vice Admiral Joseph "Jocko" Clark, a Cherokee, who was commander of the Navy's 7th fleet during the war.

Vietnam War:

More than 42,000 American Indians served in the Armed Forces between 1965 and 1975.

The Senator Matsunaga Project, as mandated in Public Law 101-507, studied Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) among American Indian Vietnam veterans. The study found relatively high levels of exposure to combat, stress and PTSD among them.

Post-Vietnam Era:

During the Gulf War, which includes Desert Storm/Shield and Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, more than 3,000 American Indians served in the Gulf region.

Several American Indians lost their lives in the Gulf War, including Lori Piestewa, a Hopi Indian from Arizona, who died in the ambush in which Jessica Lynch and her compatriots were captured. Squaw Peak in Arizona was officially re-named Piestewa Peak in her honor.

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As of 1980, at least 60 women served as Eskimo Scouts in the Alaska National Guard, patrolling the western Alaska coastline. The Scouts, organized during WW II, represent the only unit of the Alaska Guard to have a continuous active duty mission.

Of course, this list is not all inclusive and does not represent those currently serving our military!! Remember that freedoms we enjoy would not be possible without the sacrifices of those serving this country and those that have served.

Mvto!!!! to all the Veterans and their families!!!

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Berry Ross, Tribal Council Member



“Congratulations, it is a boy!” These words are heard at the beginning of life but the changes that a person experiences molds and shapes their lives. We as individuals are all the same, but yet different in some way; we do not choose our family or parents, nor do we choose the things that happen to us. My life has changed much since my birth, changes that came about through my raising, my educational pursuits, my employment history, my marriage, and my medical condition.

I am the son of Gene and Marilyn Ross and I was born in Pasadena, Texas. I was three hours old when I had to be rushed to the operating room and underwent emergency surgery. I almost died, the doctor’s had to shock my heart to bring me back to life. Shortly thereafter they discovered that I had a heart murmur (a hole in my heart); the doctors told my parents that this would probably correct itself by growing back together as I got older. Shortly after that my family returned home to Atmore; fortunately, I grew into adulthood with no further complications with my heart.

I graduated from Escambia County High School in 1988 and I have never seen my parents so happy as when I received my diploma. My mother cried many tears of joy at my passing this milestone; I was the first of the twenty grandchildren of M.C. and Hattie Lou Morris to graduate from high school. After graduation I went to work in the construction field with my uncle, David Morris. He told me to pick a field that I liked in construction and go on to college for training and education in that area. At first I was not sure what interested me the most but I soon realized that I was fascinated with welding. I enrolled at Jefferson Davis Community College and graduated almost two years later with a degree in Welding Technology. I was soon traveling all across the country working as a welder and soon became an accomplished combination welder, which means that I can weld all types of material, metal, and pipe.

Although I was doing well for myself, I came to realize that there was something missing from my life, that there was a void that I could not seem to fill; that void was a family of my own. When you realize you have a need, you try to find whatever is necessary to meet that need, even if you are not conscious of it. I went to the grocery store one day to buy some oysters. While I was making my selection I got to talking to the department manager, a young lady with a beautiful smile and a very kind heart, her name was Melissa Freeman. We make a connection that day and we were soon dating and falling in love. Much to my surprise Melissa said “Yes” when I asked her to marry me. She and her son Elliot became my family and not long after I adopted Elliot and he became my son. It was not long before we found out that we were going to have an addition to our little family. I was on top of the world.

When my son Troy was born I realized that I needed a job closer to home. My current job kept me away from home and out of town. I wanted to be closer to my wife and two sons. I was able to get a good job in Cantonment, which was great for a while until the plant had a big layoff. No jobs were available at home so I went to work as a combination welder for an oil rig company. Not long after starting this new job I was injured when the scaffolding I was on fell. Fortunately, I was wearing my safety line, but unfortunately, my back was injured when this safety line jerked me back too fast; I damaged three of the disks in my back.



Berry & Melissa Ross

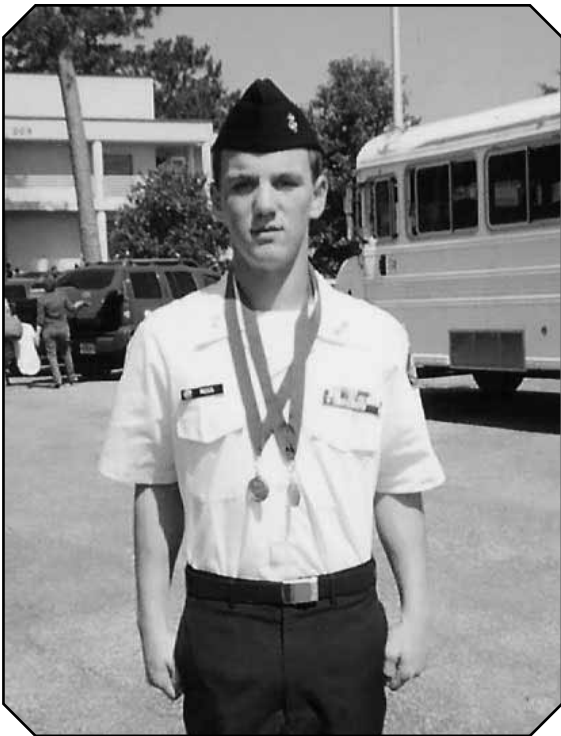
I became adjusted to life with constant back pain when I started having chest pains. At first I thought it was just a bad case of the heartburn, after all I had not had any problems with my heart since I was a child. But the pain continued and it soon developed to the point that I had to ask for help. I was treated, but the pain just would not go away and I eventually had a heart cath and had stents put in, just to awaken three days later to learn that I had suffered a heart attack! During my recovery from this heart attack, I decided that I needed to address my back pain as well. I underwent surgery and pain management. The recovery period was long and hard, but I did not give up and I was able to return to a moderate lifestyle with no heavy lifting. I realize that problems like this can happen to anyone and getting through them is an adventure, one that you can never prepare for! I made it through these problems by the grace of God.

I have run for Tribal Council twice before and again put my name on the ballot for the 2009 Tribal Elections. I had another spell with my heart and was told that I would die, but by the grace of God and the many prayers that were spoken on my behalf I am alive today and was released from a ten day hospital stay just in time to attend this year's Tribal Council candidate debate. I want to thank everyone for their prayers during this time and I give God the glory for my healing. I didn't give up, I continued my election campaign because I felt that what happens to us molds us and makes us who we are and I wanted to do everything I could to help our people and give back to the community. As you know, I won the election and I am proud to serve you, the Tribal Members of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. Thanks to you, I am living a dream come true.

I am now back in college working toward my degree in Business Administration and pursuing interests in the areas of politics and governmental business. In my past I have been a combination welder, boilermaker, ironworker and small business owner. I have been a 14 year old participant of the Tribe's JTPA program, working with Mr. Leonard Folk and cutting grass. I was the President of the JDCC Honor Society in 1991 and am currently on the Dean's List at JDCC. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family. I feel that everything I have experienced has made me the man I am today and the man I am today is proud to be a member of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians and just as proud to be a member of the Tribal Council that provides the leadership for our Tribe.

I feel that as a Tribal Council we must treat everyone fairly. I want to thank every Tribal Member who supported me and came out to vote of me; if you did not vote for me, I thank you for coming out to vote because your vote is your voice and each voice must be heard.

Remember, through God all things are possible and you should never give up.



Elliot Ross



Berry & Troy Ross

Task Completed!

By Gayle Johnson

On January 6, 2009 members of the Tribal Council, PCI Gaming, and CIEDA stood on the 17th floor of the Wind Creek Casino & Hotel and saw traffic backed up for miles as Tribal Members, friends, neighbors, and visitors from near and far attended the grand opening of the new Wind Creek Casino & Hotel; a facility like no other in the area. It was a day of great accomplishment and pride. Saturday, September 5, 2009 was another such day with the opening of the new Wind Creek Spa and Cooking Studio. The week prior to the grand opening was filled with pre-opening activities and demos. A media event was held on Friday, September 4th and representative from the local papers and TV stations attended. "The opening of the Spa and Cooking Studio completes the task set by the Poarch Creek Indians to provide a place for food, friends, and companionship that is second to none. This task has been accomplished and we now offer our patrons a first class resort. Within the last year we have completed the renovations at Riverside in Wetumpka in December of 2008, opened the Wind Creek Casino & Hotel in Atmore in January of 2009, followed by the opening of the Amphitheater in July and now the Spa and Cooking Studio in September. It has been a very successful year!"



Chef Carla & Chef Stafford during demonstration

At the opening of the Cooking Studio at Wind Creek Casino & Hotel, Chef Stafford DeCambra stated that the facility was his dream come true. Celebrity Chef Carla Hall assisted Chef Stafford during the media event and stated "This is your dream come true; I have just started my journey and I hope to make my dream come true in such a manner as this as well. This is one of the most beautiful facilities I have ever been in." Chef Carla stated. "My room is absolutely divine! I had to call my husband and tell him all about it. This kitchen is a chef's dream come true, and I aspire to work in a kitchen such as this!" Chef Hall became known throughout the culinary world after she was a finalist in the "Top Chef-New York" reality series on Bravo. She served as Celebrity Chef for the grand opening and met with patrons and fans for photos and autographs on Saturday.

Under the guidance of Chef Stafford the Cooking Studio offers classes and demonstrations which began in mid September. The demonstrations are led by resort chefs Louis Chatham, Collin Pinson and pastry Chef Gary McGahan;

the end result will be that typical cooks will learn techniques to create elegance from simplicity.

The creation of the Cooking Studio and Spa created additional jobs for the community and brings the estimated employment base for the Poarch Creek Indians to 2,200, which has had a positive effect on the Tribal and local community as well. David Gehman, Tribal Council Member, stated, "If you were to look back many years on this very spot, you would see cotton, corn, and even cucumbers being grown in the area. You would also have seen Poarch Creek Indians working hard in these fields, barely making a meager living. This is a dream that has become a reality and offers our community opportunities that would never have been available otherwise."

For more information or to schedule a cooking class, contact the Wind Creek Casino & Hotel at 1-866-WIND-360 or visit their web site at www.windcreekcasino.com.

Tribal Council Members with Celebrity Chef Carla Hall



**In Loving Memory of
Andrew Lee Salter
11 August 1991
4 September 2009**

Andrew's life ended too early at the age of 18. He will truly be missed by his family, friends and everyone that came in contact with him. He was proud to be a member of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.



Even though his life was cut short, he had accomplished many great things. He graduated in May 2009 from Valley High School in Valley, AL with a 4.0 grade point average (GPA) and had recently began his studies at Troy University where he was enrolled in the nursing program. He was in the process of pledging Pi Kappa Phi and was inducted posthumously at his wake.

He was on his way to great things such as wanting to work for the Tribe's Health Department after graduation. We will never know how it all would have turned out; but we know that he will always be remembered and will forever remain in our hearts. We love you Andrew!

The family of Andrew L. Salter would like to express their heartfelt thanks to everyone for their comfort and support during this time. The flowers from PCI-Gaming and CIE were lovely. A special "Thank You" to the Tribal Chairman and Tribal Council for making it possible for relatives and friends of the Poarch community to travel to Dothan, AL to extend their sympathy to the members of the Salter family during their time of grief.

Submitted by Allison Rodriguez

Thanks From O'Barr Family

Submitted by Teresa "Shada" Thomas



Words alone cannot express the way each of you made us feel when we lost our loving mother, Bessie "Sweet" McGhee O'Barr. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to you all.

Mama was sick for a long time, but during this time there was always someone praying for her, asking about her, and coming by to see her. Some came for only brief moments, some stayed for hours; but each visit was a blessing to her and as long as she was aware of her surroundings she was happy to have company and thanked each one for coming by. We thank everyone for every prayer, every phone call, every visit, and for every effort that was made to make this time a little easier on us. We thank you for all the food that was provided during Mamma's illness and after her passing. We thank you for all the beautiful flowers that were sent in her memory. We thank you for every precious memory that was shared with us. Our hearts ache with the knowledge that she was loved by so many.

We appreciated each time the Tribal Fire Department and Tribal Police Department came in response to a call for help. They were wonderful; they went above and beyond what was necessary. They were always gentle with her and explained everything to her and us to help minimize the anxiety we felt every time they came to assist us. They would move furniture and plants around to be able to get her out the door but they always made sure they put things back where they were and that the doors were locked before they left. Her medical needs, comfort and concerns were always their priority.

Again, words alone cannot express our gratitude for the love shown to us and our mother during her illness and passing. We will continue to miss her as we know you will. Please continue to keep our family in your thoughts and prayers.

A Daughter's Tribute To Her Mother

Submitted by Debra Bos-Rogers



It's been almost a year since you left us. You didn't have to go. There isn't a day that we all don't think about you and wish you were still here. Our lives will never be the same. You were an extraordinary woman, always helping your family and friends. You made all our holidays special and that is something we all miss. You should see some of the changes in the family, you would be proud. I know one thing that helps keep me going is that you are finally free from the pain and suffering you had endured for the past few years. And you now walk hand in hand with Dad in Heaven. I know God will take care of the both of you. And you will never be forgotten, as you will live forever in our hearts and minds. I miss you Mom. Your loving daughter, Debi.

Poarch Creek Tribal Police Call Report

September 2009

Submitted by Investigator Doyle "Butch" Lee

Complaint Type	Calls
Escort	92
Assist Motorist	42
Traffic Stop	28
License Check	26
Assist Other Law	13
Civil Paper Service	13
Accident	12
Subdivision Patrol	11
Citizen's Complaint	10
Private Property Accident	9
Theft/Larceny	8
Harrassing Communications	7
Assisting Citizens	6
Counterfeit Money	6
Domestic Disturbance	4
Escort Funeral	4
Follow Up Investigations	4
Miscellaneous	4
Reckless Driver	4
911 Hang Up	3
Assist Medics	3
Fight	3
Investigate Complaint	3
Medical Emergency	3
Welfare Check	3
Animal In Roadway	2
Criminal Mischief	2
Domestic Violence	2
DUI	2
Harrassment	2
Open Door/Building	2
Suspicious Person	2
Suspicious Vehicle	2
Assist Other Agency	1
Brush Fire	1
Child Endangerment	1
Close Patrol	1
Disorderly Conduct	1
Fire Alarm	1
HazMat Complaint	1
Livestock In Roadway	1
Prisoner Transport	1
Prowler	1
Structure Fire	1
Traffic Control	1
Trespassing	1

Total Complaints 329

PCI Fire Department Response Log

Submitted by Chief Michael Respress

The PCI Fire Department responded to the following calls during the month of September, 2009

Assist Fire Department	1
Assist Medics	15
Assist Law Enforcement	1
Assisting Citizens	8
Medical Emergencies	9
Structure Fires	1
Vehicle Accidents	8
Assist Motorist	1
Assist other agency	1
Assist Other Law Enforcement	1
Brush Fire	1
Fire Alarm	1
Haz-Mat Complaint	1
House Fire	1
TOTAL	50

PCI Gaming To Auction Vehicles

Submitted by Gia Johnson

PCI Gaming will accept sealed bids from Tribal Members from 8:00 a.m. Monday, November 2, 2009 through 5:00 p.m. Monday, November 16, 2009 only for the vehicles listed below. The outside of each sealed bid must include the identification of the vehicle the individual is bidding on. The sealed bid itself should include the amount of the bid as well as the bidder's contact information. You may bid on more than one vehicle, but each vehicle will require a separate sealed bid.

2004 Chevrolet Impala (Tan) 120,000K miles
2003 Chevrolet Impala (Black) 117,000K miles
2003 Saturn Vue (Black) 138,000K miles
2003 Saturn Vue (White) 55,000K miles
2002 Ford Escape XLT (Blue) 84,000K miles
1999 Chevrolet Astro (Silver) 77,000K miles

For additional information on these vehicles, please contact Gia Johnson, PCI Gaming Receptionist at (251) 446-4200 x 4100. Bids will be accepted via hand delivery or US Mail to Gia at 303 Poarch Road, Atmore, AL 36502. All bids will be opened Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. with each vehicle being offered to the highest bidder.

Birthday Wishes

Brantlie Thomas September 26, 2009

Brantlie Thomas turned six years old on September 26, 2009. She celebrated with a pizza birthday party at her home in Poarch on Saturday, September 19, 2009 with a Horse Theme. A lot of family and friends attended.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BRANTLIE



Jannice Philphot September 26, 2009

Jannice Philphot, pictured with great-grandaughter Jayden Johnson, celebrated her birthday on September 26th. Happy Birthday to Grandma from DJ, Blair and Jayden Johnson. We love you!



Mary Anna McGhee October 8, 2009

Mary Anna McGhee celebrated her 83rd birthday on October 8, 2009. Mary Anna is the daughter of Matilda McGhee, Granddaughter of Reushi McGhee and great-granddaughter of Julia McGhee. Mary has a living sister, Virgie Locke and a living brother, Dave McGhee, both of Daphne, AL. Mary Anna has 3 children, 8 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren. We all love you very much "GG". Happy 83rd birthday; Fran & Marylan



Ashkia Nicole Weaver October 9, 2009

Ashkia Nicole Weaver turned three years old on October 9, 2009. She celebrated her birthday with a Dora the Explorer Birthday Party on October 10, 2009. Ashkia's baby brother Lucas, born July 19, 2009, and other family and friends helped Ashkia celebrate her birthday. Happy Birthday, we love you! Mom, Dad, Lucas, Nana, Bo, Steph, Daygen, and Brionna.



Ronnie Ray Jackson November 3, 2009

Hunter & Jasmine Jackson would like to wish their PawPaw, Ronnie Ray Jackson of Bay Minette, AL, a Happy Birthday.



Birth Announcements

Sydney Gregson

Michael and Patricia Gregson would like to welcome to the world their daughter Sydney Gregson. Sydney was born August 13, 2009. At birth she weighed 6 lbs 13 oz and was 19 inches long. Sydney was welcomed home by Big Brothers Shane and Logan. Grandparents are Charles and Cheryl Gregson of Atmore, AL and Steve and Trudy Moe of Pensacola, FL.



Chloe Grace Bailey

Larry and Robin Bailey of Atmore, Alabama announce the birth of their daughter, Chloe Grace Bailey, born September 21, 2009 at Monroe County Hospital, in Monroeville, AL. At birth she weighed 8 lbs 2.5 ozs and was 19.5 inches long.



CULTURAL CORNER

BEGINNING CREEK LANGUAGE

Mvskoke Opunvkv

Please Dial 251-368-3385
You will hear these words properly pronounced

⌘ Nov. 9th thru Nov. 23rd ⌘

1. Vm-v-ni-cvs ~ help me
2. Yv-hi-kvs ~ sing
3. Hv-tec! ~ wait!
4. Me-cvs ~ do it
5. V-ho-ne-cvs ~ read
6. He-cvs ~ look

⌘ Nov. 23rd thru Dec. 4th ⌘

1. Me-ku-svp-kv ~ Prayer
2. Me-ku-svp-kv cu-ko ~ Church
3. Er-ke-nv-kv ~ Preacher
4. Co-kv Rak-ko ~ Bible
5. Me-ku-sa-pv ~ Christian
6. En-yv-hi-ke-tv ~ Song

⌘ *For calling, thank you!* ⌘

En-hueh-ke-tvn Mv-to-ce-ki-cis!!!!

FOR OFFERING YOUR TIME AND EFFORT, MVTO!!!

Lois Amos

Patch Work Seamstress

Carolyn Peterson

Basket Weaver

We have enjoyed having you teach our classes.

(Again we thank you! Mvto!!) CMCMA



Iron Bowl 2009

Broadcast Live

At the

Pow Wow

(2 TV's)

Memorabilia for both teams will be given away during the game.



SE-LOC-TA



Selocta (or She-locta) was a Muscogee chief who appealed to Andrew Jackson to reduce the demands for Creek lands at the signing of the Treaty of Fort Jackson.

After the War of 1812, some Muscogee leaders such as William McIntosh signed treaties that ceded more land to Georgia. The 1814 signing of the Treaty of Fort Jackson signaled the end for the Creek Nation and for all Indians in the South.

Friendly Creek leaders, like Selocta and Big Warrior, addressed Sharp Knife (the Indian nickname for Andrew Jackson) and reminded him that they keep the peace. Nevertheless, Jackson retorted that they did not "cut (Tecumseh's) throat" when they had the chance, so they must now cede Creek lands. Jackson also ignored Article 9 of the Treaty of Ghent that restored sovereignty to Indians and their nations.

Jackson opened this first peace session by faintly acknowledging the help of the friendly Creeks. That done, he turned to the Red Sticks and admonished them for listening to evil counsel. For their crime, he said, the entire Creek Nation must pay. He demanded the equivalent of all expenses incurred by the United States in prosecuting the war, which by his calculation came to 23,000,000 acres (93,000 km²) of land.



Calling Tribal Artists!!

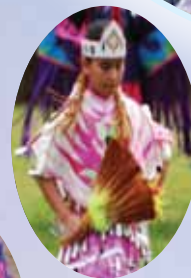
We are seeking individuals that may be interested in creating artwork for our museum.

**Please contact: Amber Lisenby
 (251) 368-9136, ext. 2656**

Poarch Creek Indians

39TH ANNUAL

THANKSGIVING POW WOW



Admission \$5.00
Ages 12 and under - Free
Tribal Members - Free
GATES OPEN
THURSDAY - 10:00 AM
FRIDAY - 12:00 NOON
GRAND ENTRY 1:00 PM BOTH DAYS

November 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Deadline to Submit Information For December Newsletter	3 Tribal Council Meeting 4:00 p.m. Weight Watchers Weigh In @ 5:00 p.m. Class @ 5:30 p.m. Well & Act Center	4 Housing Authority Meeting 3:00 p.m.	5	6 CIEDA Authority Meeting 8:00 a.m.	7 State of Tribe 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Gym
8	9 Tribal Court 9:00 a.m. Wellness & Activities Authority Meeting 4:00 p.m. 4-H Club 6:00 p.m.	10 Weight Watchers Weigh In @ 5:00 p.m. Class @ 5:30 p.m. Well & Act Center	11 Veteran's Day Tribal Offices Closed	12	13	14
15	16	17 Tribal Council Meeting 4:00 p.m. Weight Watchers Weigh In @ 5:00 p.m. Class @ 5:30 p.m. Well & Act Center	18	19	20 CIEDA Authority Meeting 8:00 a.m.	21
22	23 Tribal Court 9:00 a.m. Wellness & Activities Authority Meeting 4:00 p.m.	24 Weight Watchers Weigh In @ 5:00 p.m. Class @ 5:30 p.m. Well & Act Center	25	26 Pow Wow Tribal Offices Closed	27	28
29	30	1 dec. Weight Watchers Weigh In @ 5:00 p.m. Class @ 5:30 p.m. Well & Act Center	2	3	4	5

Notes:

December 1, 2009, deadline to submit information for January, 2010 newsletter.

Visit the Tribe's official website at www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov for additional information as it becomes available.

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