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*Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin first to be  
sworn in with new Oath Of Office*

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## Chairman's Corner

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**Buford L. Rolin**  
Tribal Chairman  
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If you are from Poarch or any of the surrounding communities, I hope you were able to join us for the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. There were technical difficulties with the sound system but I have to say "Good Job!" to those who ventured on with speeches and entertainment in spite of the sound system. The fireworks were amazingly beautiful and could be seen from communities all around the reservation. Thanks to Mandy Peebles, Ronnie Jackson, the guys from the Fire Department and Police Department and all the others that helped make this event a success for doing such a good job.

The 2011 NAYO tournament was held at Arrowhead Park on July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. At the time we were generating this article the event had not been held but I know our teams played well and exhibited excellent sportsmanship. Thanks to the Wellness & Activities Authority for hosting this event; it is a job with a lot of responsibility and little acknowledgement.

Don't forget to make plans to attend the Annual Celebration at Magnolia Branch on Saturday, September 3, 2011. I believe all the campsites have been taken but there will still be fun and fellowship for folks of all ages.



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## Reminder

The 2011 Annual Celebration has been scheduled for Saturday, September 3, 2011 at Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve.

Please remember that the Annual Celebration is for Tribal Members and members of immediate family living in the household only. Please do not invite extended family members, neighbors or friends to event. No pets, drugs, alcohol, or weapons are allowed. **No Gators with grooved tires or other ATVs are allowed on the Reserve.** Golf carts are allowed except in the food pavilion area.

If you have not contacted Magnolia Branch at (251) 446-3423 to reserve your camp site, please do so as available spots are limited. *At this time only primitive sites with water and electricity hook-ups are available.*



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***There are 3057 Tribal Members of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.***



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**DEADLINES TO REMEMBER.** The deadline for submission of information to be published in the Poarch Creek News is **5:00 p.m. CST** the 10th of the month prior to the month of publication. If the 10th falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline will be extended to the next working day. To prevent misprints or misinformation, all submission MUST be in writing. No phone or oral submissions will be accepted. Birthdays/Anniversary Wishes are limited to Tribal Members, spouses, first generation descent, and those living in the Tribal Member's immediate household. These requirements apply to Birth and Wedding announcements as well. Birthdays/Anniversary Wishes can be published the month before, the month of, or the month after the birthday/anniversary as long as established deadlines have been met. This may mean you will have to publish a birthday/anniversary wish prior to any party planned for the event. Birthdays wishes are limited to no more than four (4) sentences. Birth/Wedding Announcements will be published as long as the birth/wedding announcement is received by the last working day of the month immediately following the birth/wedding. Obituaries/Family Thanks will be published as long as the information is received by the last working day of the month immediately following the death. Photos, due to space limitations, photos may be limited to one photo per article.



## ***Utilities Authority Posts Consumer Confidence Report***

The Tribal Utilities Authority has completed its annual Consumer Confidence Report. A copy of this report has been mailed to all Tribal Utilities customers; a copy has also been posted on the Utilities Authority page of the Tribe's web site at [www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov](http://www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov).

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. Per the 2010 Consumer Confidence Report, the Tribal Utilities system has no violations and the Utilities's drinking water meets federal and state requirements.

Please contact Josh Thomas, Utilities Director, at (251) 446-1617 if you have any questions about the report or any other Tribal Utilities related issues.



# 911

***If you have a fire, medical or other type of emergency, call 911 first! Your call will be directed to the appropriate responder. The 911 calls from all land lines in the Poarch area are dispatched by the Poarch Creek Indians Tribal Police Department; cell phone 911 calls are dispatched through Escambia Central.***

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Patients should contact their doctor or medical provider to have the new prescription changed to a product carried by the pharmacy. A list of the drugs carried (the formulary) is available at the pharmacy and a doctor's office may also contact the pharmacy with any questions about formulary medications. For your convenience and review, the formulary has also been posted on the Health Department page of the Tribe's web site at [www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov](http://www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov).

In certain circumstances, some non-formulary medications may be approved if your doctor completes a "Non-Formulary Drug Request" form also available at the pharmacy. If the non-formulary drug request is approved, the Tribal pharmacy will stamp the medication in order to have the cost paid by the Tribe.

Patients who have non-formulary medications being refilled at Buy Rite, will continue to have their prescriptions paid for until all refills expire and a new prescription is needed.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this change, you may contact pharmacy staff, Jaime McGhee, Clinic Director, (251) 368-9136 x 2305 or Candace Fayard, Health Administrator at (251) 368-9136 x 2302.



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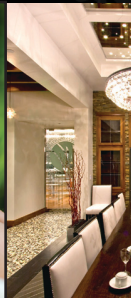
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From Pensacola, take US-29 N to Molino, turn left onto FL-97. Crossing into Alabama, FL-97 becomes AL-21 N. Continue 8 miles north, turn left at Poarch Road (County Road 14).

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# Drug & Alcohol Prevention Aftercare Program

*Submitted by Keesha O'Barr*

The Poarch Band of Creek Indians Drug Court would like to invite you to participate in our Drug and Alcohol Prevention Aftercare Program.

Wes Hayles, Addictions Counselor for the Tribe has worked diligently to provide a program that will assist past participants that have graduated from our drug court program or attended an in-patient treatment facility with their continued sobriety.

Please call (251) 369-9136 Ext. 2660 to schedule an individual appointment or for dates and times for the aftercare group sessions.

## Notice to Veterans

**H.R. 3553:** Indian Veteran's Housing Opportunity Act of 2010, *to exclude from consideration as income under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) amounts received by a family from the Department of Veterans Affairs for service-related disabilities of a member of the family*, was introduced by Rep. Ann Kilpatrick [D-AZ1] on September 9, 2009.

The bill was passed by the U. S. House of Representatives on April 20, 2010; it was passed by the U. S. Senate on September 27, 2010 and became Public Law 111-269 when signed by President Barrack Obama on October 12, 2010.

*Submitted for perusal of other veterans and their families by Ricky Gibson and Johnny McGhee.*

## Buy the new album from Medicine Tail!

*Recorded live at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual Poarch Creek Powwow*



The *Medicine Tail Singers* are proud to bring you their 4<sup>th</sup> album entitled: **"Family"!**

Recorded live at the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving powwow, *Family* features 13 original brand new tracks from the Medicine Tail Singers. Pop this CD in and find yourself right in the middle of the powwow! Come support your hometown drum group! MVTO!

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Or call (850) 582-9844

# Oath of Office

The newly elected/re-elected Tribal Council Members were sworn in during the June 19, 2011 regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting.

Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin was the first to take the new Oath of Office, followed by Arthur Mothershed, Garvis Sells, and Sandy Hollinger. In a show of good faith, the remaining Tribal Council Members also took the new Oath of Office as well. After the swearing in ceremony, Sandy Hollinger took her seat at the Council table and participated in the rest of the meeting.



*Sandy Hollinger, Arthur Mothershed, and Garvis Sells take Oath of Office as administered by Tribal Judge Joe Brogden and witnessed by Tribal Council Liaison Kelli Ramer. \**

*Stephanie Bryan, David Gehman, Eddie Tullis, and Robbie McGhee take Oath of Office as administered by Tribal Judge Joe Brogden and witnessed by Tribal Council Liaison Kelli Ramer. Councilman Keith Martin participated via conference call and took the Oath of Office as well.*



*Tribal Council Member Sandy Hollinger takes her seat at the Council table.*

*\*Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin is shown on the cover of this month's issue as he takes his Oath of Office.*

# Celebrating Birthdays

## **Christine McGhee Parker**

Christine McGhee Parker celebrated her birthday on July 2, 2011. Happy Birthday from your brothers & sisters.

We love you! Betty Ann, Angie, Bobby, Johnny, and Pete.



**Cierra Caraway**

Cierra Caraway celebrated her 14th birthday on July 22, 2011. Happy Birthday CC from your family. We love you!!



**Macey Jones**

Macey Jones celebrated her 2nd birthday on July 27, 2011. Macey's family would like to wish her a great big HAPPY BIRTHDAY and special wishes from your two big sisters, Brooke & Bailey.



**Dawson Cox**

Dawson Cox will celebrate his birthday on August 5, 2011. We love you, Mom, Chris, Malori, Kaylee, Wyatt, Rowdy, Jadon, Gdaddy, Granny Pat, Granny Stell, Paw Paw Wayne, and the rest of your family.



**Gene Henson**

Gene Henson will celebrate his 69th birthday on August 11, 2011. Happy birthday from your children, family and friends!!



**Daniel Camden**

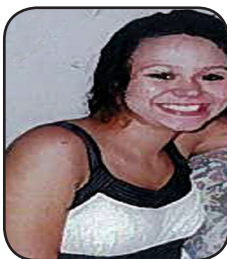
Daniel Camden will celebrate his 13th birthday on August 11, 2011. Happy Birthday Daniel, we love you!



**Brian Ledkins**

Brian Ledkins will celebrate his 30th birthday on August 12, 2011. Happy 30th birthday, we love you very much.

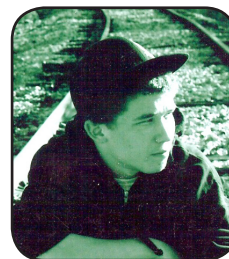
Mom, Dad, family & friends



**Ashley Vickery**

Ashley Vickery will celebrate her 20th birthday on August 14, 2011.

Happy Birthday from Aunt Connie!!!



**Richard Frazier**

Richard Frazier will celebrate his 18th birthday on August 16, 2011. Happy birthday, we are so proud of you! Love Mom & Sam



**Alexis Barnhill**

Alexis Barnhill will be celebrating her 7th birthday on August 22, 2011.

Her family would like to wish her a Happy Birthday!! We love you Alexis!!



**Victoria Vickery**

Victoria Vickery will celebrate her 5th birthday on August 23, 2011. Happy birthday, love you, Aunt Connie!!



**Wyatt Rutherford**

Wyatt Rutherford will celebrate his birthday on August 26, 2011. We love you Dad, Theresa, Granny, Paw Paw, Rowdy, Kaylee, Dawson, Malorie, Jadon, Aunt Brandi and Melea!



**Brandi Rutherford**

Brandi Rutherford will celebrate her birthday on August 28, 2011. We love you, Mom, Dad, Melea, Chris, Theresa, Wyatt, Rowdy, Kaylee, Dawson, Malorie and Jadon! Hope you have many more!!



# Cole's Taxidermy Places 3rd in Championship Trade Show

Submitted by Carol Cole

Cole's Taxidermy has accomplished something that many in this profession dream of: placing in the renowned World Taxidermy and Fish Carving Championship.

Recently, Cole's Taxidermy teamed up with TWN Industries to offer Water Transfer Printing to the trade. Camouflaged skulls give a unique flare to your ordinary white skull. Cole's Taxidermy was awarded for their dedication at the 2011 World Taxidermy and Fish Carving Championship in St. Charles, Missouri. The 5 day event attracted the best taxidermists in the world, with registrants from all 50 states and over 22 countries. The convention featured over 160 trade show booths, various competitions and numerous seminars focusing on fish carving, taxidermy and the history behind this remarkable but challenging industry.



Pictured from left to right are Michael Cole, Rob Hill and Connor Cole

Cole's Taxidermy won 3rd place with a pheasant that was accented with Water Transfer Printing. This is the first time Water Transfer Printing has won an award in the taxidermy industry. Michael Cole operates Cole's Taxidermy in Milton, Florida and David Cole operates Cole & Son's Taxidermy in Excel, Alabama. To find out more about Cole's Taxidermy visit them on the web at [www.ColesTaxidermy.com](http://www.ColesTaxidermy.com) or find them on Facebook.

## ***Important Notice Regarding First Generation Indian Descent Scholarship Program***

This notice is to inform you effective January 1, 2012, ALL persons applying for and utilizing the First Generation Indian Descent Scholarship will be REQUIRED to file a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and submit the results to the Education Department of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

Students should begin preparations for the FAFSA as soon as possible. Those who apply early have the best chance of obtaining funds. If you are awarded any Pell grants, your per semester Tribal award shall be offset by any Pell grant received.

Information about the FAFSA as well as the application can be found at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). The document may be completed on-line or it can be printed and completed by hand.

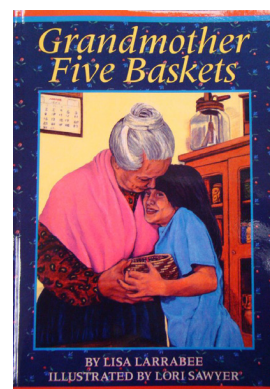
Any questions regarding the FAFSA application may be directed to Mrs. Billie McGhee at 251-368-9136, ext. 2243. Please feel free to contact the Education Department at 251-368-9136, extension 2021 with questions.

## ***Grandmother Five Baskets***

Come by the Museum/Welcome Center Gift Shop and get your copy of *Grandmother Five Baskets* for \$15!

*Grandmother Five Baskets* was written by the late Lisa Larrabee; Lisa was married to Donnie Jackson and was a long time Tribal employee.

The book was illustrated by Tribal Member Lori Sawyer; her mother, the late Gale Thrower, served as inspiration for the character Grandmother Five Baskets.



Show your Tribal ID and receive a 15% discount on regular priced merchandise.

# Celebrating An Anniversary

## **Josh & Vicky Burkett**

Josh & Vicky Burkett will celebrate their anniversary on August 12, 2011.

Happy Anniversary, we love you!

From your family & friends



## **Kathy & Joe Ledkins**

Kathy & Joe Ledkins will celebrate their anniversary on August 20, 2011.

Happy Anniversary, we love you!

From your family & friends

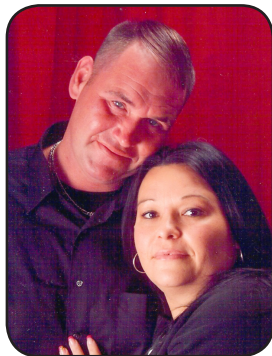


## **Renee & Sam Frazier**

Renee & Sam Frazier will celebrate their 2nd anniversary on August 24, 2011.

*"Sam, we have been married only 2 years, I feel like it has been forever. I love you so much and hope to have many more years together."*

Happy Anniversary, I love you!  
Renee



# Birth Announcement

## **Jackson Lonnie Rackard**



Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Rackard are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jackson Lonnie Rackard.

Jackson was born at West Florida Hospital on May 13<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 12:25 p.m. Jackson weighed 6 lbs 4oz and was 19 inches long.

Jackson is the grandson of Lonnie and Carolyn Rackard and the late Blanche Colbert Yates. He is the great grandson of Ruthie Mae Rackard and the late Edgar Rackard. Jackson's god parents are Jake & Kelly Carlton and Rosemary Powell.

Jackson was welcomed home by his big sisters, Destiny and Khalia.

## **Krislynn & Natalynn Parker**



Natalie Parker and Chris Lee proudly announce the birth of their twin daughters, Krislynn Grace and Natalynn Gail. They were born on May 24, 2011 at Springhill Memorial Hospital in Mobile, AL.

Krislynn was born at 12:55 pm, weighing 5 lbs, 13 oz and was 18 ½ inches long. Natalynn was born at 12:57 pm, weighing 6 lbs, 14 oz and was 19 ½ inches long.

Krislynn and Natalynn are the granddaughters of Mike Parker and the late Linda Gail (Rolin) Parker of Atmore, AL and Bertha Knott and George (J.B.) Knott also of Atmore.

Krislynn and Natalynn were welcomed home by their siblings, Kiah and Makayla Parker, Chris Jr. and Alexia Lee and a host of other family and friends.



# Education News & Updates

## ***Notice to all McGhee - Tullis Tuition Program Participants***

Please be advised that the Tribal Council has amended the aforementioned policy in regards to the “specialized tools” section. There is no longer a limit on the amount of funds that can be used to purchase specialized tools; however students are still limited to the yearly allotment levels of \$10,000.00 per year for undergraduate students and \$12,000.00 per year for graduate or professional school students.

Please note that the guidelines for what constitutes a specialized tool has not been changed; therefore all items must be listed on a course syllabus or the student must present a letter (on official school letterhead) from the course instructor stating that the items are required for the class.

The Tribe will not pay, or reimburse, for any items which are considered optional and are not required for each and every student participating in the class.

Questions concerning this change in policy should be directed to Sandra Hiebert, Education Director at (251)368-9136, ext. 2020, or Shelia Fisher, Tuition Program Coordinator at ext. 2241.

## ***Education Department Now Offers PLATO™ Learning Courses***

The Poarch Creek Education Department has purchased a site license with PLATO™ Learning to provide Tribal Members and Tribal First Generation students and adults with an additional access to online training skills for anyone at third grade level up to twelfth grade. The program includes training for Reading, English, Writing Skills, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Electives.

All of the courses include a pre-test, practice sessions, and a post test. The student can select to have the paragraphs or questions read aloud to them. An example is provided to show how to arrive at the correct answer if you answer a practice question incorrectly.

There is no cost for Tribal students to use the PLATO™ Learning Program through the Poarch Creek Education’s access point. The student’s parent or the adult student may contact either Christyn Sells, Children’s Services Coordinator, at (251) 368-9136, ext. 2244 for third grade through eighth grade or Billie McGhee, Education Coordinator, at (251) 368-9136, ext. 2243 for grades 9-12 for the access code.

A complete list of PLATO™ Learning Courses is available through Education and may be found on the Education page of the Tribe’s web site at [www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov](http://www.poarchcreekindians-nsn.gov).

## ***Art by Cher***

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# ***TP Restricted Gaming License Policy***

*Submitted by Chris Gibson*

On Tuesday, July 5, 2011 the PCI Tribal Gaming Commission passed a policy entitled TP Restricted Gaming License Policy. This policy would allow Poarch Creek Indian (PCI) Tribal Member applicants with certain indiscretions appearing in their backgrounds the opportunity to apply for a gaming license for certain positions within PCI Gaming Authority. The following is a description of this newly approved policy:

The Commission is confident in its duties to safeguard the assets and integrity of Tribal gaming establishments, while also assisting PCI Tribal Member applicants to obtain a Tribal Gaming License. Therefore, the Tribal Gaming Commission will consider granting a TP Restricted Gaming License to PCI Tribal Member applicants with certain indiscretions appearing in their backgrounds. Such consideration will be granted according to the following guidelines:

1. PCI Tribal Members may be eligible for a TP Restricted Gaming License, who:
  - i. Have an official Tribal Roll Number from the Poarch Band of Creek Indian Tribe; and
    1. Were previously terminated under PCI Gaming's Dishonesty Policy; or,
    2. Have felony or misdemeanor convictions if:
      - a. The applicant does not have any pending charges.
      - b. The applicant is not currently on parole or probation.
2. A TP Restricted Gaming License under this policy will only be granted one time to an applicant. Once granted it is the responsibility of the applicant to keep their license current regardless of employment.
3. A TP Restricted Gaming License is a privilege; therefore, no applicant is entitled to a license.
4. TP Restricted Gaming Licenses granted under this policy are only for positions approved by the Tribal Gaming Commission and appearing on the Gaming Positions Exception List.
5. Applicants eligible for a TP Restricted Gaming License will be scheduled for an appointment with a Commission Investigator following their fingerprinting session to discuss the events surrounding their charges/convictions. The Investigator will write a report summarizing the details of the case to present to the Commission. The applicant must appear before the Commission to be considered for a TP Restricted Gaming License.

Positions appearing on the Gaming Positions Exception List are prevented from working in sensitive/secure areas unless escorted by security or another licensee who is in good standing and does not hold a position appearing on the Gaming Positions Exception List.

All TP Restricted Gaming Licenses will be forwarded to the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) for review. If the NIGC opposes such applicant, the TGC will review the applicant's file for further determination.

All PCI Tribal Members that are interested in additional information regarding this policy or the Gaming Positions Exception List should contact the Tribal Gaming Commission at (251) 368-1811.



# Producers Encouraged to Signup for Conservation Programs

*Submitted by David Elliott*

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Conservationist Dr. William Puckett announced September 30, 2011, as the cutoff date for producers to sign up for 2012 funding for the following conservation programs: Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP); Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) which includes the Agricultural Water Enhancement Program, organic farming, and high tunnels; the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP); Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) which includes Longleaf Pine; and Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP). Applications are accepted on a continuous basis; however, selecting applications for funding is completed periodically through batching periods with specific cutoff dates.

In the CSP, EQIP and WHIP programs, eligible producers may receive a payment based on the statewide average cost of the installation of the conservation practice. Socially disadvantaged, limited resource, and beginning farmers

and ranchers are eligible for a higher payment based on the statewide average cost of the installation of the conservation practice. In addition, socially disadvantaged, limited resource, and beginning farmers and ranchers can receive up to 30 percent advanced payment for purchasing materials or contracting. GRP and WRP are conservation easement programs where landowners receive payments for developing and protecting wetlands and grazing lands.

Interested landowners can contact David Elliott; NRCS Tribal Liaison at the NRCS Tribal Office at 5535 Poarch Road, Atmore, Alabama 36502 or call 1-251-368-0826. You can also look online at <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov>. General program information is available on the Alabama NRCS website at [www.al.nrcs.usda.gov/programs](http://www.al.nrcs.usda.gov/programs).

*Producers are individuals who are actively producing a crop. A producer can be a landowner or the person that rents land from the owner. This term is used to cover farmers, ranchers, etc.*

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# *Boys & Girls Club Is A Huge Success*



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# *Opportunities for a Better Education*

“Providing opportunities for a better education for our fellow Tribal Members has always been a priority for the Tribe and its leaders. Tonight’s event is evidence that the resources available have been utilized,” stated Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin during his opening comments at the Academic Achievement Banquet held in the ballroom of the Wind Creek Casino & Hotel on Friday, June 17, 2011. He continued by congratulating all the high school graduates and encouraged them to continue their education and reach their highest potential.

Stephanie Bryan, Vice Chair and Chairman of the Labor & Education Legislative Committee of the Tribal Council, spoke following the Chairman’s welcome and reviewed the history of educational scholarships offered through the Tribe. “As the Tribe continues to grow, so will the educational opportunities,” she said.

## **February 1987**

Education Trust Fund created to provide scholarships to Tribal Members. Total scholarship fund \$5,000 with an average award of \$500.

## **March 2005**

McGhee Tullis Tuition Assistance Program created to provide \$30,000 scholarships to Tribal Members under the age of 25 for college education or for Tribal Members age 10 to 18 to attend a secondary accredited private school.

## **June 2006**

Fred L. McGhee Memorial Scholarship Program was implemented with \$25,000, a portion of which was donated in lieu of flowers at the passing of Tribal Chairman Fred L. McGhee. This competitive scholarship program assisted Tribal Members over the age of 25 who wanted to obtain higher education.

## **July 2007**

McGhee Tullis Tuition Program expanded to include student loan repayment and remove age limit thus allowing all Tribal Members, of all ages, to have access to higher education. This action also ended the Fred L. McGhee Memorial Scholarship Program.

## **July 2008**

First Generation Indian Descent Scholarship Fund was established with an initial fund amount of \$25,000. This was a competitive scholarship program with a maximum \$2,000 awarded per scholarship. In 2009 \$85,500 in competitive scholarships were awarded through this program; \$97,500 was awarded in 2010.

## **December 2010**

McGhee Tullis Tuition Assistance Program amended to allow Tribal Members the opportunity to obtain an additional \$10,000 if needed after exhaustion of the original \$30,000 scholarship.

## **January 2011**

First Generation Indian Descent Scholarship becomes noncompetitive; up to \$20,000 available to First Generation descendants for higher education. The actual award amount is based on applicant’s GPA.

Catherine Timmons, Vice President of Human Resources for PCI Gaming, was the guest speaker for the night and spoke on the value of education in today’s market place. “Academic success can be defined in many ways,” Timmons stated. “For some it is the successful completion of a GED, for others it is earning a high school diploma, an Associate’s Degree, a Bachelor’s Degree, or a post graduate degree. Education is not received, it is achieved. Each of you made the choice to go to school. Each of you made the decision and made the sacrifices. You are achievers at all levels.”

Karla Martin, Mary Boyte, Jaime McGhee, and Megan Young, members of the Education Advisory Board (EAB), participated in the recognition of the achievements of the graduates. Deloris Kelley also serves on EAB but was unable to attend. Many of those to receive recognition were unable to attend but the EAB extended their congratulations to them as well as those in attendance and encouraged all of them to continue to seek and utilize the educational opportunities available to them.

“We the leaders of the Tribe believe in quality education,” Stephanie Bryan stated during her closing remarks. “We are committed to doing whatever is necessary to provide quality education at all levels for Tribal Members.” Looking back at the history of educational opportunities offered to Tribal Members, it is evident that continuing to improve educational opportunities available to Tribal Members remains a high priority for the Tribal Council; they have done, and continue to do, a great job.

*As of April 18, 2011, there are 144 first generation scholarship participants; 346 McGhee Tullis scholarship program participants, in addition to 23 participants of the student loan pay back option of this scholarship program; and 259 inactive participants. The inactive participants have either completed their course of study or have an application on file but are currently inactive.*

# Creek Indian Art Show 2011

August 16<sup>th</sup> through September 6<sup>th</sup>

The CMCMA will host the 2011 Creek Indian Art Show during the dates of August 16<sup>th</sup> through Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

- Artist eligibility will be limited to certified artists only. Certification can be obtained upon delivery of art show entry(ies). Proof of Poarch Creek Tribal membership or descent is required.
- (August 16<sup>th</sup> – August 19<sup>th</sup>) Participants will bring their art show entries to the Museum. There the entries will be processed by a juried panel which consists of the staff and representatives of the Calvin McGhee Cultural Management Authority.
- (August 22<sup>nd</sup> – August 26<sup>th</sup>) Will be a week of judging and setting up art for viewing and display.
- (August 27<sup>th</sup>) Art Show will start at 10:00 a.m. at the Poarch Creek Indian, Museum / Welcome Center.
- Ribbons will be displayed on the winning items August 27<sup>th</sup> through September 6<sup>th</sup>
- Winners of Art Show will be publicly announced and will receive their prize money at the Calvin McGhee Memorial August 27<sup>th</sup> between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

There will be a 3 piece limit per person, regardless of the number of categories entered. We will award 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes in the categories below, including one Best of Show Award.

1. Painting
2. Drawing
3. Sculpture (wood, clay, etc.)
4. Basketry
5. Beadwork
6. Weaving (loom or finger)
7. Traditional Clothing (ribbon shirts, patchwork vest, skirts ,ect.)
8. Photography
9. Traditional Utilities (tools, weapons, musical instruments, etc.)
10. Mixed Media
11. Quilting (minimum 3ft x 3ft)

Prizes are ribbons/cash. (1<sup>st</sup> \$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$75, and Best of Show \$250)

## Youth Division

One piece per person, categories are combined and prizes will be awarded by age groups of (4-5) (6-7) (8-10) (11-13) and (14-18) youth participants may enter into the adult show, but will not be able to enter both. We will award 5 places per age group in the youth division of the art show.

Prizes are ribbons/cash. (1<sup>st</sup> \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$45, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$40, 4<sup>th</sup> \$35, and 5<sup>th</sup> \$30)

**For more information contact the Calvin McGhee Cultural Management Authority: 251-368-9136 at extensions 2656, 2051 or contact Clayton Coon @ 251-368-9136 ext. 2648, email: ccoon@pci-nsn.gov**



# Calvin McGhee Memorial

## 2011 August 27th



***Grave side Service - 8:00 a.m. New Home Cemetery***

***\* All Families and Friends Invited***

***Memorial Festival - 5:00 p.m. Pow Wow Grounds***

***\* Tribal Members and Their Families***

***\* Opening Ceremonies @ 5:30 p.m.***

***\* Supper Provided @ 6:00 p.m.***

***\* Announcement of Art Show Winners***

***\* Introduction of Princess Contestants***

***\* Pow Wow Club Performance***

***\* Gospel Singing***

***\* Stickball Game***

***\* Multiple Children's Activities***

***\* Cake Contest ~ 1st \$100, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50 plus Ribbons***

***\* Pie Contest ~ 1st \$100, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50 plus Ribbons***

***(Entries must be in by 6:00 p.m. ~ CMCMA not responsible for refrigeration)***

***For More Information Contact: Clayton Coon @ 251-368-9136 ext. 2648***





# Council Announces Annual Board & Committee Vacancies

Below is the list of vacancies on the current boards and committees. If you are interested in applying for one or more of these positions, you may pick up an application at the Tribal Council Offices or contact Kelli Ramer, Tribal Council Liaison, at (251) 446-1140. All applications should be returned to the Tribal Council Offices by close of business on August 26, 2011.

Please note that the Tribal Council has proposed a new Board and Committee Organization Act which may impose new service requirements and restrictions. This new Act will be available when you receive your application. Please review the Act carefully and answer all questions on your application to the best of your ability. Do not hesitate to give Kelli a call at the number above if you should have any questions.

Gaming Commission	1
TERO Commission	1
Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority	2
CIE Development Authority	1
Housing Authority	2

PCI Gaming Authority	1
Utility Authority	2
Wellness & Activities Authority	2
Election Board	1 member & 1 alternate
Magnolia Branch Board	1
Ethics Board	1 member & 1 alternate
Muskogee Inn Board	1
Muskogee Technology Board	1
Perdido River Farms Board	1
Education Advisory Committee	1
Endowment Committee	1
Enrollment Committee	1
Environmental Committee	1
Investment Committee	1

## Notice to Bidders

Sealed bids will be taken on several used items such as office furniture, office equipment, and other items currently under inventory. Bids will be taken beginning August 5, 2011 and ending September 2, 2011 at the close of business, 5:00 p.m. Bids will be opened by the CFO. For general information or to see items, contact Betty Caraway, Property Control Coordinator, at 368-9136 ext. 2654.

## Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve Golf Cart Rules and Regulations

- Golf carts may NOT be operated by unlicensed drivers, unless accompanied by a Parent or Guardian. (Parent or Guardian MUST be in front seat beside operator)
- Anyone operating a golf cart must have their license with them while on the cart.
- Golf carts may NOT carry more than the number of passengers for which they were designed.
- Golf carts operation is limited to use on established Park roads or trails. Drive in designated areas only. Do NOT short-cut across grassy areas or other campsites.
- Operators MUST observe safe driving practices. Speed limit on Park property and in campground is 15 MPH.
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- Golf carts SHALL NOT be operated at any time between 10:00 P.M. and 8 A.M. (Except for on-duty staff and /or security personnel) Golf cart operators must observe established quite hours.
- NO UTVs or ATVs are allowed on the Premise.

Approved by the Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve Board of Directors 7-7-11

*If you suspect fraud, waste, or abuse in any of the Community Services Programs (LIHEAP, Community Services Block Grant, Child Care, or Tribal Emergency Fund), please contact the Family Services Department at (251) 368-9136 Ext. 2600.*



# For Your Health

Submitted by Donna Johnson, RN/Diabetes Case Manager

## Small Changes Do Make a Big Difference

Healthy eating can sometimes prove to be challenging, especially here in the south where covered and smothered is famous and sweet tea flows freely. With diabetes increasing the chance of heart attack or stroke 2-4 times, it's time we try something different, not only for ourselves but the generations to come. Most of you can name friends or family that have been affected by diabetes, heart problems or both.

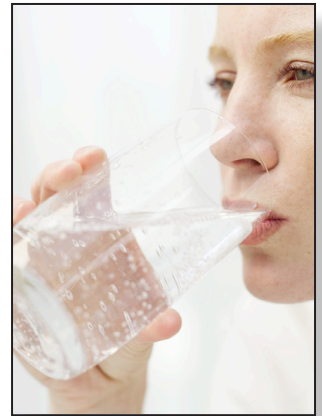
Making better food choices will help us feel better, lose weight and stay healthy, so we can live a longer and fuller life. Why is it so hard? Many of us do not even have the first clue as to how many calories we eat or drink in a day's time. Sweetened drinks and extra portion sizes can add a lot of extra pounds. Take-out meals are often loaded with fat calories and salt. While cooking meals at home allows us to decide what goes into our food. Sometimes with hectic busy schedules, eating out is the only option. Planning ahead can make a difference. Many restaurants will post their nutrition information in plain site or you can view it online. Don't be afraid to ask how a dish is prepared. Many sauces especially cream based, can add hundreds of unwanted calories. Ask to have the sauce placed on the side or choose tomato based sauce instead of cream if available.

A salad always seems like a good choice. How could we possibly go wrong with that? Some places drench the salad with high calorie and high fat dressing. This little innocent dressing can add up 200 to 300 extra calories. Have your dressing on the side and try dipping your fork into it then into the salad. You will see you didn't really need all that high calories dressing. You may learn that salad actually tastes pretty good when you can taste the salad. If your entrée has sour cream ask for lite or fat free. Skipped the fried foods and go for broiled or baked. Steamed veggies make a great side dish. Replace the mayo with mustard on sandwiches. Opt for water or a diet beverage if you just can't tolerate unsweetened tea. These changes seem very small, but carry a big impact as far as your health is concerned. Remember you are worth the effort. Till next month.

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[www.my-calorie-counter.com](http://www.my-calorie-counter.com)

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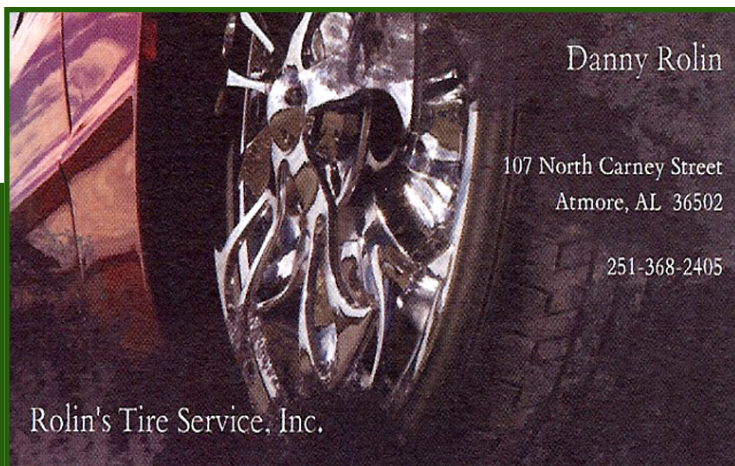
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## Cadets Graduate Police Academy

*Submitted by Tribal Police Department*

Tribal Members William Bailey Jr. (Billy) and Joseph Linam (Caleb) began their Basic Police Training on April 18, 2011 at the Mobile Police Academy in Mobile, Alabama to become certified police officers for the Tribal Police Department.

Through hard work and dedication they both graduated from the academy on Tuesday, July 5, 2011. Caleb was chosen as Vice-President of the class and was also honored with the Physical Fitness Award.

Our department would like to congratulate them both for a job well done.



*Tribal Police Officers William "Billy" Bailey, Jr. (l) and Joseph "Caleb" Linam (r) are shown above with Tribal Police Chief Larry Hammonds.*

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### ***Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority (CIEDA) Small Business Loan Program***

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Getting your loan request approved depends on how well you represent yourself, your business, and your financial needs. The lending limit may extend up to \$50,000.00 in aggregate to any Tribal Member.

All loans exceeding these limits must be approved by the CIEDA Board of Directors. Additional credit criteria as well as loan collateralizing requirements apply.

If you are a Tribal Member who owns a business or is thinking about starting a business and interested in obtaining a small business loan, please contact Donna Henry, Economic Development Coordinator at 251-368-0819, or by e-mail at [dhenry@pcicie.com](mailto:dhenry@pcicie.com) for additional information.



# Legal Update

*Submitted by Venus McGhee Prince, Attorney General*

I wanted to take this opportunity to update you on legal matters affecting your interests as Tribal Members. If you have any questions regarding any of these matters, please feel free to contact any of your Tribal Council members at (251) 446-1140 or me at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2525.

## Significant Court Cases

### ***Community Recovery Services, Inc. v. PCI Gaming v. Eddie L. Tullis***

As you know, in March 2006, Community Recovery Services, Inc. ("CRS") filed a complaint against PCI Gaming in Poarch Band of Creek Indians Tribal Court for over \$2.1 million claiming unpaid invoices for performance of work on the Riverside project. For the past four years, PCI Gaming has defended itself against CRS' claims and maintained its counterclaim against CRS for over \$2.5 million in excessive overcharges in the performance of the same work. As part of its defense, PCI Gaming filed a third party complaint against Eddie L. Tullis, so that PCI Gaming's assets would be fully protected if it were ordered to pay monies to CRS.

The Tribal Court entered an Order in this matter on March 10, 2011. In its Order, the Court held that PCI Gaming was entitled to recover \$1,971,294.70 from CRS, less \$412,160.12 which the Court found to be the amount that PCI Gaming owed CRS, leaving PCI Gaming a net judgment of \$1,559,134.58.

On June 2, 2011, the Tribal Court entered an Amended Judgment in favor of PCI Gaming in the total amount of \$2,026,874.95, which reflects PCI Gaming's entitlement to prejudgment interest against CRS. No party has appealed. If you would like a copy of the original Order and/or Amended Judgment, please contact Tribal Court.

### ***White v. PBCI et al. (Tribal Court) & White v. McGhee et al. (State Court)***

On May 1, 2009, former Tribal Judge Ernie White filed suit in Tribal Court against the Tribe and six individual Tribal Council members that voted to remove him from judicial office, alleging violations of his constitutional rights and demanding damages exceeding \$3 million for each of his four claims, and in Escambia County circuit court against the

six individual Tribal Council members who voted to remove him, alleging invasion of privacy and outrage claims and demanding damages exceeding \$2.5 million for each of his five claims.

## Tribal Case

The Tribe filed a motion to dismiss all claims based on sovereign immunity. In May 2010, the Tribal Court granted the Tribe's motion to dismiss. White moved for reconsideration of that ruling, and the Tribal Court denied that motion in December 2010.

On April 5, 2011, the Tribal Supreme Court entered a Decision affirming the dismissal of the claims against the Tribe and the named Tribal Council members in their individual capacities because there was no waiver of sovereign immunity. The Tribal Supreme Court, however, remanded the matter for consideration of the Tribe's motion to strike White's second amended complaint, which alleged claims against the individual Tribal Council members in their official capacities.

Per the Tribal Judge's May 2011 Order responding to the remand from the Tribal Supreme Court, the parties have submitted briefs regarding the motion to strike the second amended complaint and are awaiting the Tribal Judge's ruling on this matter.

## State Case

The individual Tribal Council member defendants also moved to dismiss the privacy and outrage claims based on sovereign immunity. In August 2009, the State Court denied the Tribal defendants' motion to dismiss, concluding that the issue of sovereign immunity is more appropriately addressed at summary judgment. The Tribal defendants filed a petition for a writ of mandamus with the Alabama Supreme Court, requesting that the Supreme Court direct the trial court to dismiss this case based on sovereign immunity. The Alabama Supreme Court denied the petition for a writ of mandamus in October 2010. The parties have been involved in discovery since that time.

On June 15, 2011, the state court set a status conference for June 27, 2011, and ordered that any dispositive motions be filed with the Court not later than June 20, 2011, and heard at the status conference. The individual Tribal Council member defendants and White filed motions for summary judgment and argued them at the June 27<sup>th</sup> status conference. The parties are now awaiting the state court's ruling.

# Tribal Member Submissions

## Malone Advances to Seventh Grade With Honors

*Submitted by Niece Andrews*

Marly Grace Malone advanced to the seventh grade after receiving numerous honors and awards at Excel Elementary School. She served as Miss EES for the 2010-2011 school term as well as being selected as sixth grade class favorite. Marly was among the top five honor students of her class and maintained an "A" average. She served as Class Secretary for her sixth grade class while also serving as President of the Elementary Student Council; she was also selected to serve on the High School Student Council for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year. Marly is a participant of the MCLE Gifted Program and a member of the Monroe County 4-H Club.



Marly is the daughter of Danny and Heather Malone of Excel, AL and the granddaughter of Niece Andrews and Lavon & Karen McKinley of Monroeville. She attends Excel Baptist Church.

## Pruitt Graduates High School

*Submitted by Brenda Pruitt*



Justin Kyle Pruitt graduated from Frostproof Middle-Senior High School on June 7, 2011. Justin will be attending Webber International University in the Fall.

Kyle is the son of Brenda & Gary Pruitt and the grandson of Glenda & Davis Ellis of Frostproof, FL and Faye Pruitt of Inman, SC and great grandson of Thelma McGhee Henson.

Congratulations Kyle! We are proud of you.

*Kyle also celebrated his 18th birthday on July 4th.*

## Martin Graduates from Chapel Hill with Ph.D in Education

*Submitted by Kaci Martin*



Karla Susanne Martin graduated with a Ph. D. in Education from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill. Karla will begin her career as Assistant Professor at Illinois State University.

Karla has also earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education from the University of Alabama and her Master's Degree in Education from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

We love you and we are extremely proud of you Karla!! You did a great job defending your dissertation and we know that you have worked extremely hard.

Karla is the daughter of Nathan and Susan Martin. She has one sister, Kaci Martin. Karla is also the granddaughter of Otha and Marie Martin and the late Floyd Holk and Erma Holk.

Congratulations Dr. Karla Susanne Martin!!!

Love, Dad, Mom, Kaci, and all of your family members.

## Colbert Named to Press Register's Top Academic Team

*Submitted by Judy Colbert*

Jordan Colbert, a graduating student from Escambia Academy, has been named to this year's Press-Register's Top Academic Team's list.



Jordan is the granddaughter of Robbie & Judy Colbert of Perdido, AL. She was a member of the National Honor Society, and received Academic Excellence in physics, pre-calculus, government/economics and English, and made a 36 on the reading section of the ACT. Her school activities included Scholar's Bowl, tutoring, and serving as a community volunteer. She received a Presidential Scholarship and plans to study biomedical sciences at the University of Alabama.

Jordan credits her grandmother for helping her succeed. *"She always told me to try and do my best, that I could do it, that I was smart. She's always made me focus on school and I'm going to stay focused on school."*



## Lee Chosen “Best Girl Camper”


*Submitted by Shavon Lee*

Somer Lee received the award “Best Girl Camper” at Camp Alamisco 2011.

She was awarded a \$15 Walmart gift card for excellent attitude during the camp and for helping others and being a good Christian.

We are proud of you! Love Moma, Nana, Papa, & Skye.





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## Team Titan Has Exciting Month In Ring

*By Blake Bell, Atmore News/Article reprinted with permission  
Photos submitted by Craig Helton*



Titan Martial Arts Academy, located on Ridgeley Street in Atmore, has had a dominating run during June. As the month comes to a close, four of the team’s fighters have combined for an incredible 19-0 record.

Titan trainers Jim Jernigan and Craig Helton saw fighter Dallas Scruggs improve to 3-0; TJ Nisewonger and Justin Ramer moved up to 5-0 and Bobby Ledkins achieved a 6-0 record.

The stellar run of victories gives the team an overall record of 41-5.

On Saturday, June 4th, Scruggs and Nisewonger both earned victories by submission in the first round at Blue Angel Fight Night in Pensacola, Florida; Thursday, June 9th, Justin Ramer and Bobby Ledkins both earned wins at the Hard Rock Casino in Biloxi,

Mississippi. Ledkins won by unanimous decision while Ramer came out on top with a second-round submission.

Helton said all of the team’s success is great for the program and added the Titans are always looking for more people in the area interested in learning about mixed martial arts. “Thanks to all of our sponsors and fans who help us to reach our goals,” Helton said. “We are also currently looking for new fighters in all sizes and styles.”

Helton added anyone interested in being a part of the team and willing to work hard to achieve success should contact him at 251-253-9223 or Jim Jernigan at 251-655-6072.

*Pictured above, Dallas Scruggs claims victory during Blue Angel Fight Night in Pensacola, FL. Scruggs is employed with the Tribe as a Lifeguard/W&A Counselor for the Wellness & Activities Authority. Pictured to the right are Tribal Members Craig & Cody Helton who state that the doors of Titan Martial Arts Academy are always open to Tribal Members and would love to see them compete in the ring!*



# Amerind Poster Contest Winners!



The Housing Authority presented awards to the winners of the annual Amerind Safety Poster Contest during their regular meeting on Thursday, June 23, 2011.

Jason Davis won a \$100 gift card for placing first in the K-3 grade division; Caleb Davis placed second and received a \$75 gift card, and Ava Davis placed third and received a \$50 gift card. Denver Shuttlesworth placed first in the 4th-6th grade division and received a \$100 gift card. Heather Davis received a \$100 gift card for placing first in the 7th-8th grade division, and Emily Davis placed second in this division and received a \$75 gift card.

Congratulations to each of these young people, their submissions were great! Jason, Denver, and Heather's submissions will now advance to the national level and will be posted on Amerind's web page, [www.amerind-corp.org](http://www.amerind-corp.org), for on-line voting in the near future. Once the posters are on-line, be sure to visit and vote for your poster of choice!

*Members of the Housing Authority are shown above with contest winners. Front row l-r are Jason Davis, Caleb Davis, Ava Davis, Heather Davis, Emily Davis, and Denver Shuttlesworth. Back row l-r are Authority members Shada Thomas, Lynn Woodcock, Tim Martin, Kevin McGhee, Levan Martin, Arthur Mothershed and Kelli Ramer.*

## Poarch Creek Indian Football & Cheerleading Registration Scheduled

**Cost: \$35      Ages 5-6      7-8      9-10      11-12**

***Applications can be picked up at Poarch Gym  
Deadline for submission of application – August 9, 2011  
(Equipment & Uniforms provided)***

***Coaches Needed!! – (Must successfully pass background check.)***

***Contact Megan Crabtree or Jacob McGhee at (251) 368-9136 x 2246/2256  
if you have any questions or need further information.***

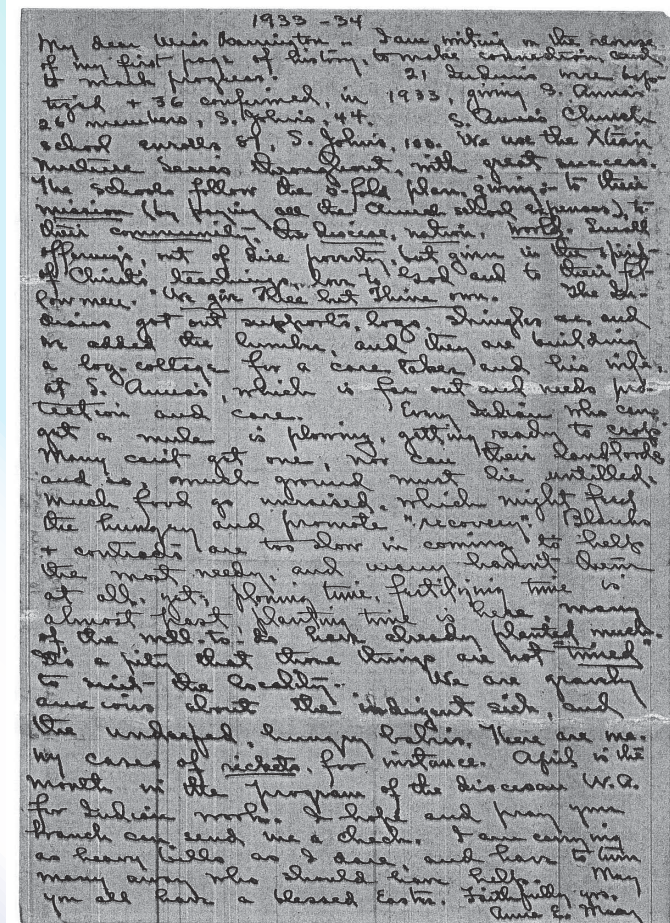


# Pieces of History

*Submitted by Deidra Dees*

The Office of Archives and Records Management has received a copy of a handwritten letter from Anna Macy from the Alabama Department of History and Archives. It is written on the back of an article titled

“Brief History of the Indians in Escambia County, Alabama, and The Work of The Episcopal Church Among Them.” The article contains some annotations in Mrs. Macy’s own hand.



*Handwritten letter from Mrs. Anna Macy*



*Article with Mrs. Macy's handwritten annotations in margins.*

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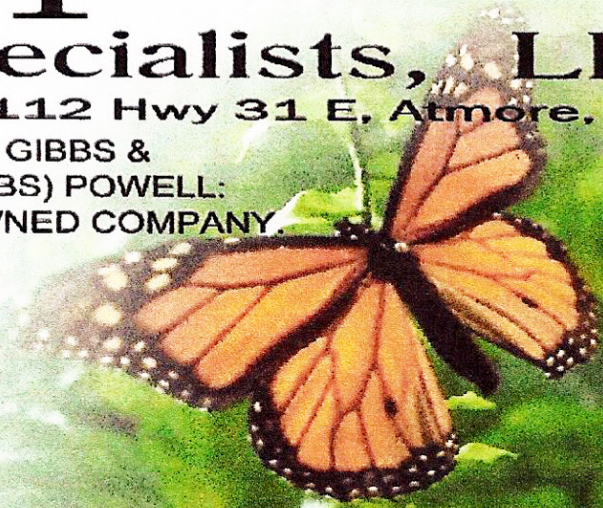
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>Tribal Court Tribal Courtroom 9:00 a.m. Dance Class @ Gym 5:30 p.m. &amp; 6:30 p.m. CMCMA Meeting 5:00 p.m. Welcome Center/Museum</i>	2 <i>NA Meeting Turning Point 7:00 p.m. Dance Class @ Gym 5:30 p.m./6:30 p.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m.</i>	3	4 <i>Tribal Council Meeting Council Chambers 4:00 p.m.</i>	5 <i>CIEDA Meeting CIEDA Office 7:30 a.m.</i>	6
7	8 <i>4-H Meeting Education Department 6:00 p.m. Dance Class @ Gym 5:30 p.m. &amp; 6:30 p.m.</i>	9 <i>Wellness &amp; Activities Authority Meeting Gym 11:00 a.m. TERO Meeting 3:00 p.m. TERO Office NA Meeting Turning Point 7:00 p.m. Dance Class @ Gym 5:30 p.m./6:30 p.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m.</i>	10 <i>Deadline to submit information to be published in September newsletter</i>	11 <i>Housing Authority Meeting Building 400 Conference Room 4:00 p.m.</i>	12	13
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