

# Poarch Creek News 2013

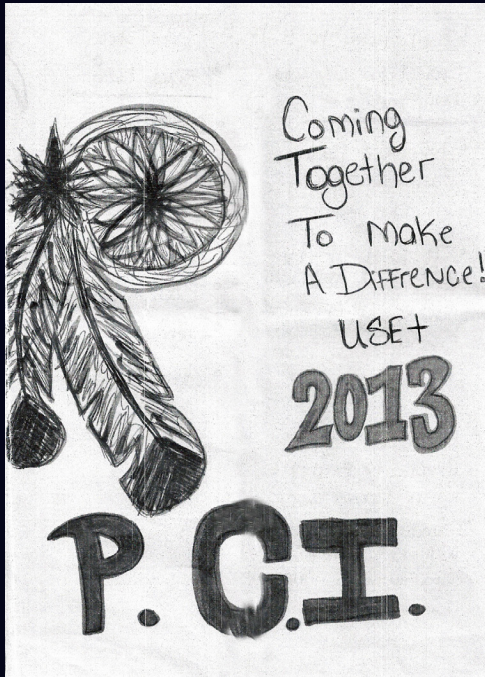


*Construction Of New Health Clinic & Assisted Living Facility Underway*

*Cokv-Tulvme (joh-guh duh-luh-mee /newspaper)*



# Don't Do Drugs! Live Above The Influence!

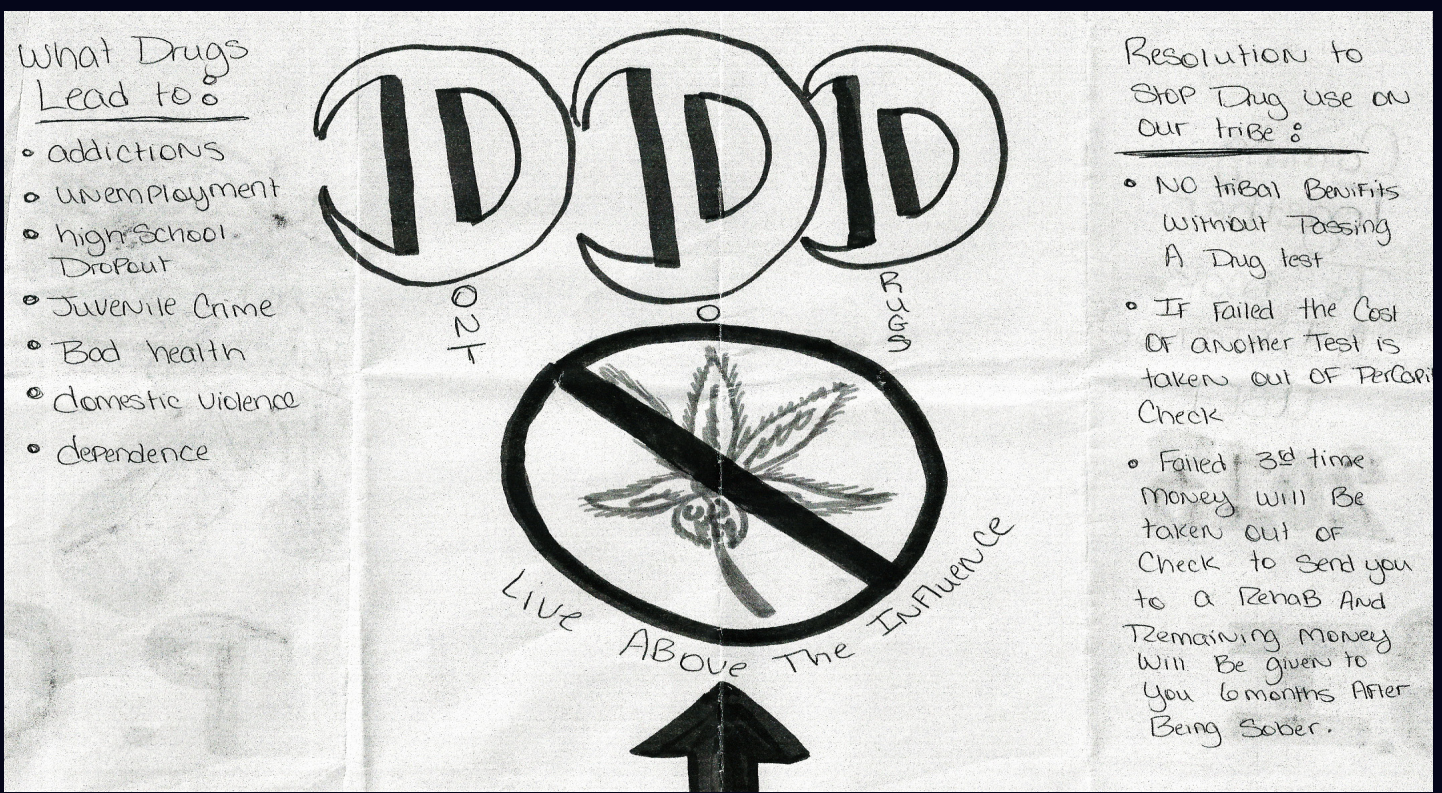


This is the cry from today's Tribal youth, please heed their call.

As part of the Close Up program, participants must develop and implement a community awareness project. The 2013 Close Up participants from the Poarch Creek Indians decided to focus on drugs; a danger that effects Tribal Members of all ages and social status and can lead to destructive behaviors such as addictions and dependence, unemployment, high number of high school dropouts, adult & juvenile crime, bad health, and domestic violence.

Their suggestions to stop drug use in our Tribe are:

- *No Tribal benefits without a drug test.*
- *If failed the cost of another test is taken out of Per Capita check*
- *Failed a third time, money will be taken out of check to send you to Rehab and remaining money will be given to you 6 months after being sober.*





*Members of the Tribal Council and staff traveled to Washington DC in February to attend United South and Eastern Tribes' (USET) Impact Week.* During this week, your Tribal Council and representatives met with other USET members to address concerns in Indian County as well as meeting with our Senators and Representatives on Capitol Hill. It is through these meetings that we are able to bring attention to the Tribe, address our unmet needs, and show how the Tribe is affecting the state of Alabama, our local community, and Indian Country.

I also attended meetings for NIHB and NCAI during the month of March. These two organizations are vital to Indian Country and I am honored to serve on NIHB and represent you as a member of NCAI.

The Election Board has officially announced the 2013 elections, which are scheduled for Saturday, June 1, 2013. This year we will directly elect the positions of Secretary, incumbent David Gehman; Treasurer, incumbent Robert McGhee; and one at large



Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman  
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position, incumbent Eddie L. Tullis.

I strongly encourage you to participate in the election process, whether it be as a voter, a candidate, a volunteer, or simply giving someone a ride to the polls so that they can cast their vote. Each vote is important, it is your voice.



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### The Council's Purpose

*Our love for our people and our commitment to their future drives us to make tough decisions and stand by them to provide stable governance. With our blend of mature wisdom and modern knowledge, we grow the Tribe's assets to build self-reliance and enhance quality of life for all.*

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*There are 3069 enrolled members of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.*

We have incorporated the use of the Muskogee language as much as possible in the newsletter. You will see examples in the page numbers and month of issue on each page, as well as on the front cover.

Once the newsletter has been posted on-line, you can use the embedded hyperlinks to take you directly to articles/pages, web sites, email forms, etc.

The Minute Insert also includes an application for recognition of 2012-2013 High School graduates. This information is not included in the newsletters received by those on the subscription mailing list.



## ON THE COVER



Construction has begun on the new Health Clinic and Assisted Living facility.

*Photos by David Gehman*



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## Newsletter Information & Deadlines

The *Poarch Creek News* is the official newsletter of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. The newsletter is furnished to Tribal Members, widows/widowers of deceased Tribal Members, Tribal entities, and representatives of agencies providing funding, i.e. IHS, NRCS, and official representatives of other Federally Recognized Indian Tribes at no cost. Non-Tribal Members interested in receiving the *Poarch Creek News* must pay an annual subscription fee.

The *Poarch Creek News* is generated on a monthly basis by the Government Relations Department of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians at the direction/discretion of the Tribal Council to provide important news, updates, and information to Tribal Members. ***We reserve the right to edit or refuse any item submitted for publication.***

The *Poarch Creek News* is generated one month prior to the month of publication. The deadline to submit information to be published in the newsletter is the 10th of the month prior to the month of publication. If the 10th falls on a weekend or

holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day.

Due to space limitations, submitted articles should be limited to 500 words or less. Photos are limited to one photo per article submission. When forwarding a photo for publication in the newsletter, please be aware of the quality of the photo you are sending. We all want to look our best when we see ourselves in print! Over the past year we have received several photos that were of poor quality and did not publish well. If possible, do not use photos from a newspaper or magazine. If there is a photo in a newspaper or magazine that you would like to use, please contact the publication and ask them for a digital copy of the original. When using copiers or scanners to scan your photo, please check your settings. When using a scanner that gives you the option, please set the resolution at 300 pixels per inch. If all else fails, you can bring or send the original photo to the *Poarch Creek News*; it will be scanned, saved, and returned to you.

***Submissions such as obituaries, birth announcements, wedding & engagement announcements, and birthday & anniversary wishes are limited to Tribal Members & spouses, First Generation & spouses, and those living in a Tribal Member household.***

***Obituaries/Family Thanks*** will be published if submitted by the last business day of the second month immediately following the death.

***Birth Announcements*** will be published as long as the information is received by the last business day of the month immediately following the birth.

***Engagement / Wedding Announcements*** will be published as long as the information is received by the last business day of the month immediately following the engagement/wedding.

***Birthday & Anniversary Wishes*** may be published the month before, the month of, or the month after the birthday/anniversary. Birthday wishes are limited to 30 words or less, excluding name and birth date.



## **GULF COAST CANCER CENTERS ENCOURAGES YOU TO KNOW THE FACTS**

*Submitted by Gulf Coast Cancer Center*

When you hear the word “cancer,” what instantly comes to your mind? Is it fear or hopelessness? Do you get a pit in your stomach because you are scared that it could happen to you?

Gulf Coast Cancer Centers would like for you to **KNOW THE FACTS.**

In 2013, about 239,000 American men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer, which is the most common cancer found in men, other than skin cancer. Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in men behind lung cancer. About 17% of men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer at some point during his lifetime. Even though a man has a 1 in 6 chance of developing Prostate cancer in his lifetime, only 1 man in 34 will actually die because of the cancer.

Prostate cancer occurs most often in older men, age 65 and over. Men who are at a higher risk of developing this type of cancer should begin regular screenings at the age of 45. Those men at an even higher risk, like those who have several close relatives who had Prostate cancer at an early age, should begin testing at 40.

How would you know if you had prostate cancer? The number one symptom surprisingly is - no symptom. Prostate cancer can be confirmed by an elevated prostate-specific antigen (PSA) score. PSA is a protein produced by cells of the Prostate Gland or of Prostate cancer. However, irregularities in your urine, such as trouble urinating or blood in your urine, can offer warning signs in the later stages of the cancer growth. In order to detect whether or not you could have this form of cancer,

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a doctor should do a screening.

At Gulf Coast Cancer Centers, we provide regular screenings for our community to catch cancer in its earliest stages giving the best chance to cure it. When prostate cancer is diagnosed, the pathologists will assign a Gleason Score, which helps to predict the aggressiveness of the cancer. Ranging from 2 to 10, the Gleason score helps your doctor determine treatment options. Depending on the risk level, a CT or bone scan is then performed to further identify treatment options.

If cancer is detected, there are many treatment options available. We provide our patients with treatment options based on the type of risk by looking at their PSA value, stage of cancer, and Gleason score, as well as estimated longevity. At Gulf Coast Cancer Centers, we offer the most up-to-date treatment guidelines based on the National Comprehensive Cancer Network and tailor our treatment recommendations to each individual patient.

The following are treatment options are available to patients:

#### ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE

- Regularly testing the PSA will allow us to detect any change in the activity of the cancer.
- Repeat biopsies detect unfavorable changes in the Gleason score.
- As men age, their PSA levels can normally go up, even if you have no prostate cancer.
- Surgery
- Radical Prostatectomy: an operation to remove the prostate gland and some of the tissue around it.

#### RADIATION THERAPY

- Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT): This advanced form of radiotherapy offered at Gulf Coast Cancer Centers is a technologically superior device which selectively blocks portions

of the radiation beam in order to attack only the affected area. In turn oncologists are able to treat tumors with precision, even in complicated areas.

- Calypso: Offered in our Daphne clinic, the Calypso System accurately and precisely tracks the position of targeted tissue in real-time by using radiofrequency waves. Calypso is the only real-time technology for prostate radiation therapy that safeguards you against additional, unnecessary radiation.
- Brachytherapy: For the treatment of prostate cancer, Gulf Coast Cancer Centers offers brachytherapy, also known as interstitial radiation. With brachytherapy, radioactive “seeds” are permanently implanted into the prostate gland to deliver a prescribed dose of radiation directly to the cancer cells, decreasing the risk of radiating surrounding healthy tissue and organs.

We realize that having cancer can be a daunting life experience. That’s why we’re here for you. Our centers are unique because we are committed to comprehensive care, providing for the total well-being of our patients, going the extra mile to give our patients the best care, and providing the highest standard of care while keeping up with current technology.

Prostate cancer can be a serious disease, but most men diagnosed with Prostate cancer do not die from it. In fact, more than 2.5 million men in the United States who have been diagnosed with Prostate cancer at some point are still alive today.

Early detection and treatment are key to ensuring that your life is long and healthy. Don’t become a statistic. Call 800-970-GCCC to schedule your Prostate Screening at Gulf Coast Cancer Centers in Brewton, Monroeville or Daphne.



# KIDS FEEDING KIDS

*By Arelene Mack*

The Boys and Girls Club Mentoring Program places a high priority on community service and fund raising activities designed to teach youth to identify local challenges and seek solutions. Working together and sharing with others is a vital part of becoming a productive and caring citizen. With approval from the Poarch Creek Tribal Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors and the Program Administrators, our mentor/mentee team (Arelene Mack-Mentor, Jolene Black and Phenix Crews-Mentees) selected a Peanut Butter and Jelly community service project and named it "Kids Feeding Kids."

After lengthy discussion, we dedicated ourselves to collecting Peanut Butter & Jelly donations for 60 days (November 16, 2012, through January 14, 2013). Sickness caused our original completion date to be pushed back to January 31st which was our day for using donated funds (since some people would give us money but not their peanut butter and jelly) to purchase the items wherever we could receive the best value for our dollars. Our goal was ambitious: 180 jars of Peanut Butter (18 ounces or more) and 90 jars of Jelly (any size). In the early days, we sometimes wondered if we would make our goal.

Life skills learned include:

- Identifying and solving community challenges.
- Working with others to pool resources to promote strength through unity.
- Sharing and caring for others to put feet to our faith. Learning thankfulness for being citizens in America which is a plentiful land.
- Food economics for learning unit cost per ounce and cost per serving.
- Purchasing experience to use donated funds to obtain best food value for the dollar.
- Label reading to learn the nutrition value of foods.
- Research to find out nutritional benefits of Peanut Butter.



*Melissa Durden, Domestic Violence Coordinator, accepts donation of Peanut Butter and Jelly for Tribal Domestic Violence Shelter. Shown left to right are Melissa Durben, Phenix Crews, Jolene Black, and Arelene Mack.*  
*Photo submitted by Arelene Mack*

- Learning about food portion sizes.
- Informing others and sharing lessons learned.
- Giving with a glad heart.

Friends, relatives, product manufacturers, and the whole community supported our project and we exceeded our goal. Our remaining funds will be used to purchase bread. 100% of all contributions have been shared with our two selected recipients, the Tribal Domestic Violence Shelter and the Atmore Christian Care Ministries food pantry. Because we have been so blessed, we have found great joy in being a blessing to others.

THANK YOU!!! To everyone who supported our community service Peanut Butter and Jelly Project. We appreciate all the contributions and those who cheered us on.

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# 2013 TRIBAL COUNCIL NOTICE & CALENDAR

Pursuant to Section 22-3-6 of the Tribal Election Code, notice is hereby given that the 2013 Tribal Council Election shall be held on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at the Community Service Building (PCI SAIL Center). Voting will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Election results will be posted at the Tribal Center on the Community Bulletin Board, and published in the July Tribal Newsletter.

In the 2013 election, the General Council will directly elect the Secretary, Treasurer and one at-large Tribal Council member. Anyone wishing to be a candidate for this year's election must complete a written statement of candidacy with the Election Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2013.

Walk-in voting will be held beginning Friday, May 17,

2013 through Friday, May 31, 2013 in the Community Services Building (PCI SAIL Center). This does include Saturday, May 25, 2013. Walk-in voting times will be from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, with the exception that we will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19, and on Sunday and Monday, May 26 and 27, 2013. Also, on the last Friday, May 31, 2013 the hours will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tribal members may vote by absentee by completing and submitting an Absentee Ballot Request. The Absentee ballot request form will be posted on the Tribal Website and will be available at the Tribal Center. For your convenience, a copy of Request for Absentee Ballot and Letter of Candidacy will be incorporated in the April and May issues of the *Poarch Creek News*.

## ***Tribal Election Calendar***

***Tuesday, April 2, 2013*** Deadline to submit Letter of Candidacy for Tribal Council, Biography, and picture if name to be printed on official ballot, and bio and picture printed in May newsletter.

***Friday, April 13, 2013*** Names of candidates and any proposed constitutional amendments, ordinances, and/or resolution will be posted.

***Thursday, May 2, 2013*** Last day to submit Letter of Candidacy for Tribal Council to be a Write-In on Ballot. All names of candidates will be posted within 10 days.

***Saturday, May 11, 2013*** Tribally sponsored Meet and Greet for all candidates.

***Friday, May 17, 2013*** Walk-in voting begins PCI SAIL Center 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

***Tuesday, May 21, 2013***

Last day to request that an Absentee Ballot be mailed out.

***Saturday, May 27, 2013***

Walk-in voting  
Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

***Friday, May 31, 2013***

Walk-in voting ends at 5:00 p.m.

***Friday, May 31, 2013***

Deadline to receive Absentee Ballots 5:00 p.m.

***Saturday, June 1, 2013*** 2013 Tribal Election Day  
Polls open 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.  
PCI SAIL Center

Should you have any questions pertaining to the 2013 Tribal Council Elections, please feel free to contact Edie Jackson at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2231.





# TRIBE DONATES TO ATMORE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL



*Members of Poarch Creek Indians Tribal Council present a check to Atmore Community Hospital. Shown left to right are David Gehman, Garvis Sells, Buford L. Rolin, Sandy Hollinger, Stephanie Bryan, William Grissett, Escambia County Alabama Community Hospitals, Inc. Board Chairman, and John Tucker, Administration, Atmore Community Hospital.*

The Poarch Band of Creek Indians has donated \$964,000 to Atmore Community Hospital (ACH) in Escambia County, Alabama. The hospital provides a range of health care services to the City of Atmore and the Tribal community, including vital emergency room services. The presentation was made by the Tribal Council Members as a result of a Resolution from the Tribal Council during a special ceremony held Jan. 24 at the hospital.

"We are thrilled that we are able to help out our local

hospital, especially in these tough economic times. The Tribal Council realizes how important quality healthcare is, and that every person deserves to receive the best care available. We believe this donation will only enhance that quality of care that is already being provided by Atmore Community Hospital." said Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin.

An initial donation of \$484,000 will be used for renovations and equipment to the hospital and emergency room, with no less than \$150,000 of the donation to be used to renovate the emergency room. The Tribe will donate \$40,000 a month for a year, with the option for the Tribe to make an additional donation to match money collected from a community supported fundraising event.

"This is an especially difficult time for rural hospitals across the nation. This gift from the Tribe will allow us to make some much-needed improvements to our facility's equipment and technology," said John Tucker, ACH vice president and administrator. "We are very appreciative that the Tribe has once again demonstrated its commitment and extraordinary generosity to organizations in our community."

*Baptist Health Care Press Release dated January 24, 2013*

*As submitted by Sharon Delmar, PCI Tribal Public Relations Tribal Liaison*

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Government Affairs Legislative Committee has scheduled a Public Hearing on the following issue:

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON ENROLLMENT

Date: Monday, March 11, 2013  
Place: Family Services Auditorium  
Time: 5:30 p.m.

This hearing is open to the public.

## Pharmacy Closing Daily For Lunch

Until further notice the Poarch Creek Pharmacy will be closing daily for lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. Please keep this closure in mind when making plans to visit the Pharmacy.

We appreciate your understanding and apologize for any inconvenience.

*Thank you, Poarch Creek Pharmacy*

# TRIBAL CENSUS UPDATE

There are 3069 Tribal Members of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. In 2012 a total of 30 new Tribal Members were added to the roll, 43 Tribal Members passed away, and 5 Tribal Members were disenrolled.

A breakdown of Tribal membership is listed below:

Male	1521
Female	1548
In Service Area	2036
Outside Service Area	1033
Age 18 & Above	2780
Below Age 18	289

The following Tribal Members passed away in 2012; their families remain in our thoughts and prayers.

## *January*

Lenora Harrelson  
Hollis McGhee  
Houston Lee McGhee

## *February*

Hazel Manning  
Bertie Lee Miller  
Van Ike Sells  
D.C. Daughtry  
James Edward Gentry

## *March*

Riley Edward Jackson  
Donnie Ray Daughtry  
Willie Gray Taylor Everett

## *April*

Lavaun Murphy  
Theodore Woods  
Bobbie Lee McGhee  
Lee Van Edwards Martin

## *May*

Mable St. Germain

## *June*

Annie Maude Presley McCurdy  
Houston Owen Hicks  
Geraldine Gibson Gunn  
Jimmy Leon Johnson  
Judy Ann Taylor Smith

## *July*

Ruby Faye Hubbard Swick  
James Elbert Gregson  
Donice Colbert

## *August*

Eddie Wayne Gregson  
Beverly Elizabeth O'Barr

## *September*

Dollie Murphy McClellan  
Franklin D. Rolin

## *October*

Vernon Bernard Barnhill  
Dennis Len Vickery  
Mark Register Johnson  
Sara Louise Rolin Daw

## *November*

Fred William Walker, Sr.  
Ollie Mae Steadham McPhaul  
Thelma Faye Brown  
Sharon McGhee Peebles  
Barbara Jean McGhee Pawling  
Ediann Philicia Gregson Farina  
Inez Elaine Ward  
Mary Christine McGhee Parker  
John Wayne Franklin  
James Allen Mitchell

## *December*

Larry Wayne Edgecombe

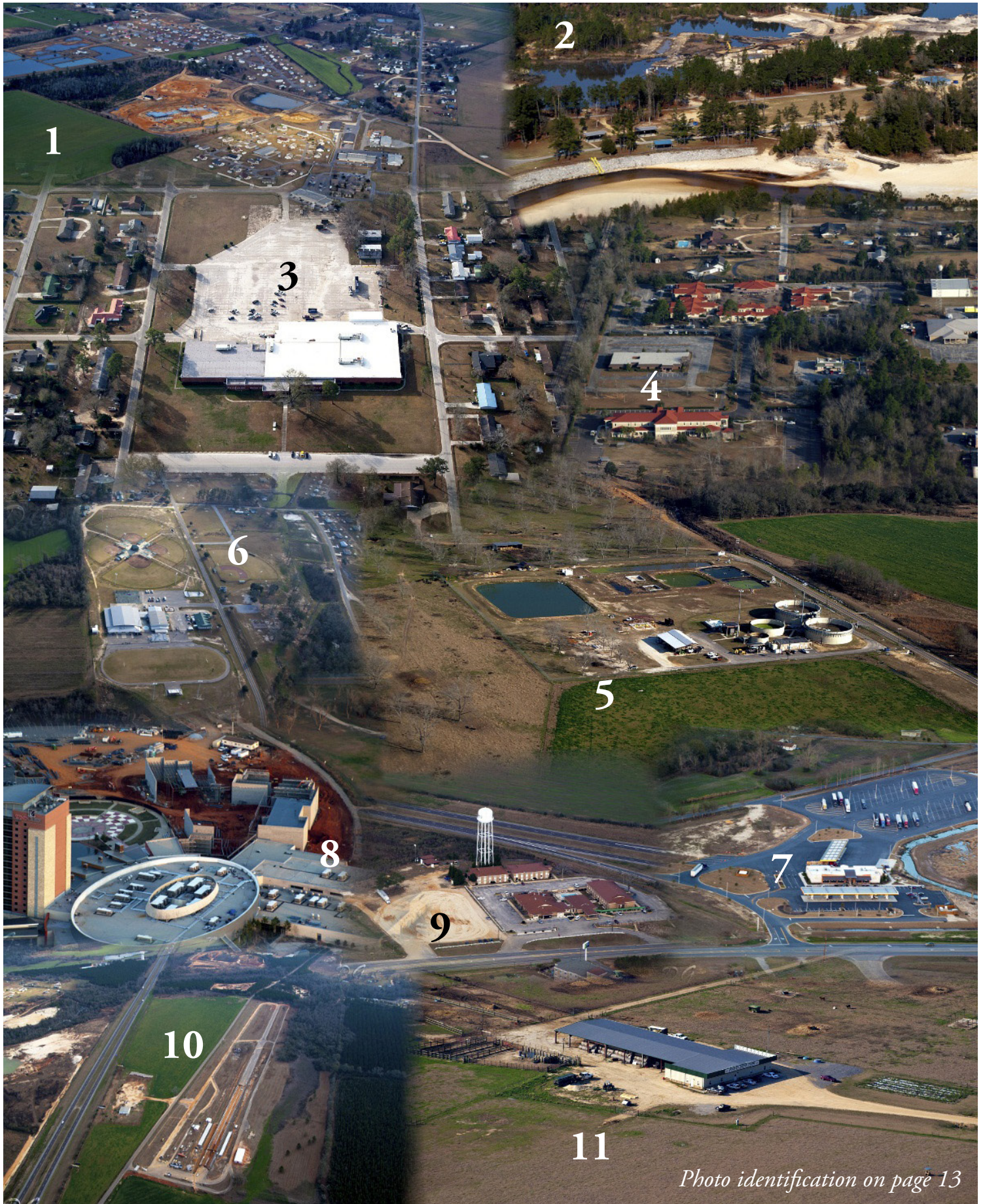
## *Go Forward With Courage*

When you are in doubt, be still, and wait; when doubt no longer exists for you, then go forward with courage. So long as mists envelop you, be still; be still until the sunlight pours through and dispels the mists-- as it surely will. Then act with courage.

*Ponca Chief White Eagle (1800's to 1914)*

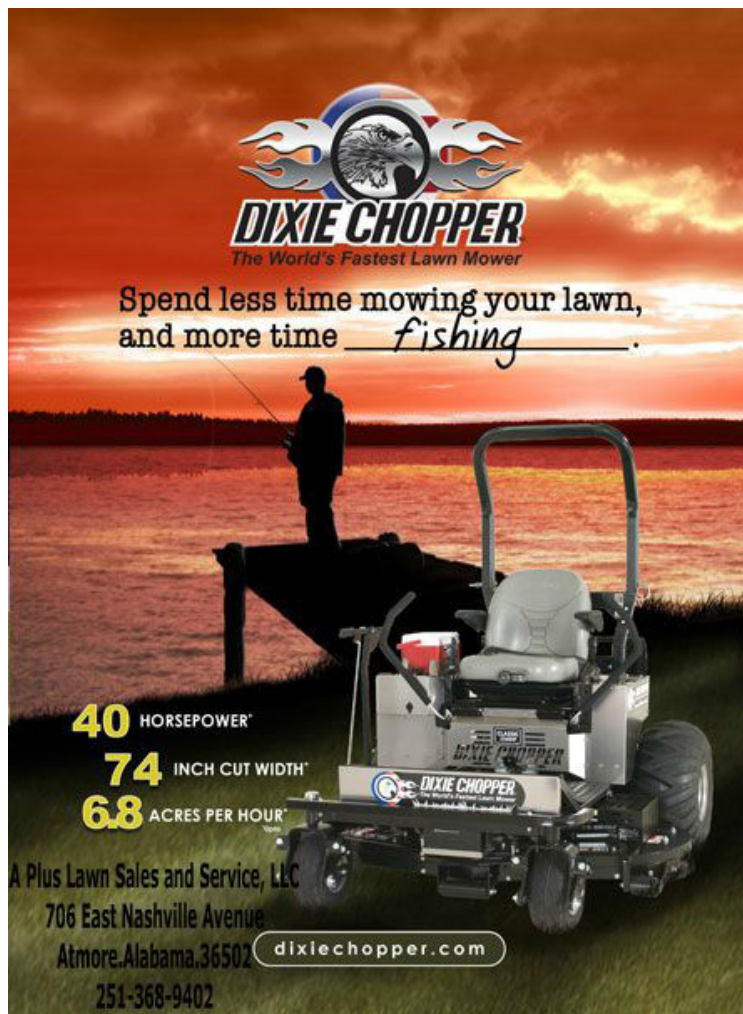


# *A Bird's Eye View*



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## A Bird's Eye View

Things look different from above! Were you able to identify the eleven photos in the collage on page 12?

1. Tribal Complex, including construction site of new Health Clinic and Assisted Living facility.
2. Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve
3. Muskogee Technologies
4. Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority
5. Utilities/Waste Water Treatment Plant
6. Recreation Complex & SAIL Center
7. Creek Travel Plaza
8. Wind Creek Casino & Hotel
9. Muskogee Inn
10. Drag Strip
11. Perdido River Farms

*Photos by David Gehman*

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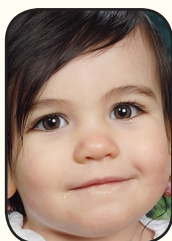
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# CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS



**Mattylyn Juliette Tate**  
**February 2, 2013**

Mattylyn celebrated her 1<sup>st</sup> birthday with family and friends. She is the daughter of Julie (McGhee) and Matthew Tate and the granddaughter of Harold and Lynna McGhee. We love you!



**Walter Burl Hicks**  
**February 8, 2013**

Happy 77<sup>th</sup> birthday Dad! We hope you had a wonderful day, we love you!

Marcella, Nettie, Tate, Cynthia, Haley & Layla.



**Carl McGhee**  
**February 9, 2013**

Happy birthday Dad! We love you!

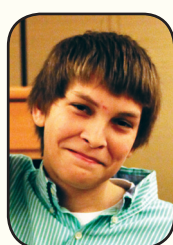
Love, Glenn, Gilbert, Carl Jr., Robert, Harold, Larry, Sandra, and families.



**Sheila Odom**  
**February 9, 2013**

Happy birthday Sheila! We love you.

From family & friends.



**Casey Jackson**  
**February 16, 2013**

Casey Jackson celebrated his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Birthday Casey from Mom, Dad, Chance, Granny Mable and Granny and PawPaw Tullis!



**Noah O'Neal**  
**February 18, 2013**

Happy 9<sup>th</sup> birthday to my grandson. We love you very much. Noah celebrated his birthday with family & friends.

Love you Mamaw & family.



**Charles Pierce, Jr.**  
**February 24, 2013**

Charles Pierce Jr. celebrated his birthday February 24<sup>th</sup>.

He is the son of Karen Henson Pierce.



**Lea Odom**  
**February 25, 2013**

Happy 8<sup>th</sup> birthday Lea! Lea is the daughter of Chad & Leslie Odom.

We love you. From family & friends.

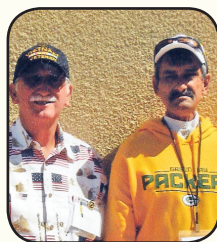


**Tabatha O'Neal**  
**February 25, 2013**

Happy birthday to our baby girl, we are so very proud of you. We love you. Tab is the daughter of Denise & the late Lester

Dalrymple.

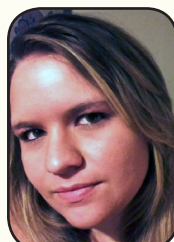
Love Mom.



**Levon & Leon McGhee**  
**February 28, 2013**

Happy 66<sup>th</sup> birthday Levon & Leon! We love you.

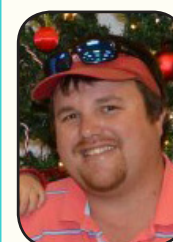
From your family & friends.



**Krista Ellis**  
**March 1, 2013**

Krista Ellis will celebrate her birthday on March 1<sup>st</sup>. She is the wife of Davis Ellis.

Happy birthday from your husband and family. We love you.



**Jeremy (BooBoo) Odom**  
**March 2, 2013**

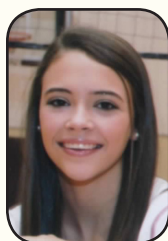
Happy 32<sup>nd</sup> birthday BooBoo! We love you; can't believe you are turning 32!

From family & friends.

# CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

**Mikayla Spruill**  
**March 6, 2013**

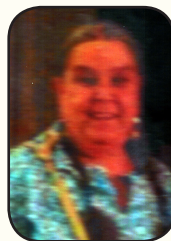
Happy 15<sup>th</sup> birthday KK!  
We hope you have a great birthday!



Love Mom, Dad, Josh, and your family.

**Rose McGhee**  
**March 6, 2013**

Happy 58<sup>th</sup> birthday Rose!  
We love you.



From your cousins Levon,  
Willie Faye & Sandra.

**Karen Pierce**  
**March 10, 2013**

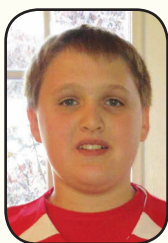
Karen Pierce will  
celebrate her birthday  
on March 10<sup>th</sup>. She is the  
daughter of the the late  
Girlie and Carey Henson.



Happy birthday from your Florida family.

**William Alexander**  
**(Alex) Ward**  
**March 11, 2013**

Happy 11<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Alex! We love you. Alex  
is the grandson of the  
late William Raymond  
McGhee and son of Dee Dee "Bug" Ward.



**Leslie Odom**  
**March 13, 2013**

Happy birthday Leslie!!  
We love you!



From family & friends.

**Mark Depetris**  
**March 17, 2013**

Mark will celebrate his  
52<sup>nd</sup> birthday on March  
17<sup>th</sup>. Happy birthday to a  
wonderful husband and  
father. We love you Dad.



Nathan, Brittany, and your wonderful wife  
Jamie.

**Micah Aylen Howard**  
**March 18, 2013**

Happy 6<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Micah! Micah is the son  
of Robert Howard and  
Hillary Rolin.



Happy birthday, I love you and you mean  
so much to me. Love, Daddy.

**Harper Lee Littles**  
**Henson**  
**March 18, 2013**

Happy 8<sup>th</sup> birthday to  
the little boy with such a  
loving heart! Harper is the  
son of Kenneth Jr. & Susan  
Henson. We love you! Have a wonderful  
birthday.



**Joshua Spruill**  
**March 27, 2013**

Happy 10<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Josh! We hope you have  
a great birthday!



Love Mom, Dad, Mikayla, PaPa and your  
family!

**Austin Shuttlesworth**  
**March 27, 2013**

Happy 17<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Love, Mama, Darrell,  
Anna Grace, Denver, &  
Maw Maw.



**Claudia Michelle**  
**McGhee**  
**March 30, 2013**

Happy 18<sup>th</sup> birthday!  
Claudia is the daughter  
of Micki S. McGhee and  
granddaughter of Mickey and Joyce McGhee.



Today she becomes a beautiful young woman.

Love you!

**Johnny Luke**  
**March 31, 2013**

Johnny Luke will celebrate  
his birthday on March  
31st. He is the husband of  
Candice Luke.



Happy Birthday from your wife and children.

**Chester F. McGhee**  
**March 30, 2013**  
Happy birthday Fields!

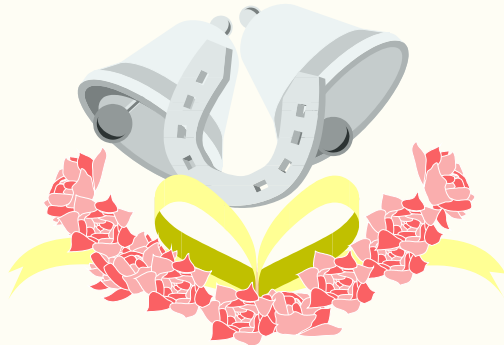


# ANNIVERSARY WISHES

## *Jim & Linda Selzer* *February 23, 2013*

Jim and Linda Selzer celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on February 23, 2013.

Congratulations, from the boys.



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# PAW PAW JERRY

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## *Paw Paw Jerry*

*By Arthur Mothershed*

Family is a word that implies love and loyalty,  
No matter whether expected or earned.  
Family defined in the traditional sense,  
Means blood relatives or so we have learned.

But several years ago we started a lesson.  
One we didn't even know had begun.  
Someone new had joined our family,  
Although at that time he was just someone.

As the years passed on he became more,  
Something unique in him we saw.  
Even though he was no blood relation,  
To all of us he became "Paw Paw".

It was if he had been here forever,  
He was embedded in our hearts and minds.  
Helping our family unit grow stronger,  
Staying tough even through bad times.

Isn't that what family really means?  
That you love even when you are not certain why.  
That you would sacrifice what you have,  
So that your family would not be deprived?

Today we grieve the loss of Paw Paw Jerry,  
A family member who has now been taken away.  
The times we all shared are priceless,  
Those memories will help us get through each day.

Your pain is gone and you suffer no more,  
That helps ease our hearts that are filled with sadness.  
Thank you Paw Paw for coming into our lives.  
You became family and for that we are blessed.

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## *Heartfelt Thanks and Appreciation*

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I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for all the flowers, food, and kindness shown during the loss of my husband Jerry Kelley, affectionately known to my children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and a host of other family members and friends as Paw Paw Jerry.

A special thanks to Rev. Steve Ward, Dr. Travis Paul, the staff of Covenant Hospice, and Joe Petty Funeral Services for all that you did.

The Jerry and Deloris Kelly Family

*Jerry, we miss you dearly,*

*Your loving wife Deloris.*





# TRIBAL MEMBER SUBMISSIONS



L-R: Morgan Ward, Daulton Tullis, Ali Martin, Brannon Freeman, and Hannah Gibson.

Photo by David Gehman

## *Tribal Athletes Part of State Championship Team*

*The trip from Bratt, FL to Orlando is more than 480 miles, so the Northview Chiefs weren't going to let this opportunity go to waste. Playing in their first ever state championship, the Chiefs beat a previously undefeated Trenton team in commanding fashion 42-21.*

*Atmore Advance article by Erich Hilkert.*

Among these courageous and victorious athletes were five with ties to the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. Tribal Member Daulton Tullis and First Generation Descendant Brannon Freeman were members of the football team. Cheering them on from the sidelines were cheerleaders Hannah Gibson, Tribal Member, and First Generation Descendants Morgan Ward and Ali Martin.

Congratulations to these young athletes on a job well done!

*Submitted by David Gehman & Kristy Gibson*



## *Martin Invited To Join Phi Eta Sigma*

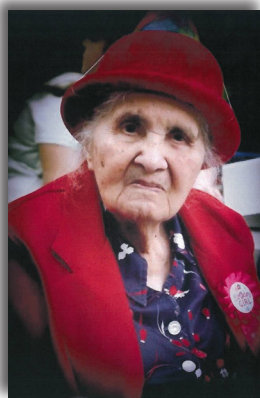
Tribal Member Will Aaron Martin, a student at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, AL, has just completed his first semester.

He has been invited to join Phi Eta Sigma, the national freshman honor society. Will finished with a 3.777 overall GPA and made the Dean's List as well this semester. Will's major is in Biology/Pre-Medicine. Will is also a member of the social fraternity Beta Theta Pi-Delta theta Chapter.

Will would like to take this opportunity to thank the Tribal Council, the General Council, and the PCI Education Department for their financial support and overall guidance with his educational endeavors.

Will is the son of Christine and James T. Martin and the brother of James, Brice, and Maxwell Martin.

*Submitted by Christine McGhee*



## *Family Surprises Mother With Party*

Willie Mae (McGhee) Bray was honored with a surprise 88th birthday party given by her children. The day included a cook-out, singing, games and wonderful fellowship. In addition to her children, those joining in the celebration included grandchildren; great-grandchildren; great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews; and friends.

"Mom, you are one-in-a-million and your love for your family and others is immeasurable. We love you and are so very blessed. Much love from your entire family."



*Submitted by Judy Bray Camden*

# TRIBAL MEMBER SUBMISSIONS

## *Then and Now*

*By Larry Jackson*

Back in the forties when I came on the scene  
My Mother was pretty and my Granny was mean  
Ed was my Pop, a very fine man  
Who listened to you talk with the aid of his hand  
Rock was the leader of our little clan  
Always to rise early and always with a plan  
My father was a traveler, a man of his time  
A hard working man, one of a kind  
Viola was my Granny, she had a big heart  
A long life she lived, life was hard  
Johnny was my uncle, a warm and gentle man  
A driver by trade, a lover of the land  
Calvin was the original, his feathers glowed in the sun  
The original, the one, the one  
Our community as we know it, small and safe  
There was no other like it in our great state  
Never lock the doors, windows open wide  
Dust would roll out when a car passed you by  
Will, too, was one of the original, with boots on his feet  
Bessie was his wife and the right thing she did teach  
Dan was the driver, he knew us all  
The church bell would ring, Uncle Tom giving us a call  
Mal, was the one that would drive the car  
With speakers on top, their message would go far  
There is one in the community that lived by the book  
He would stand before us on Sunday, Mace would give us  
that look  
Levi, was the father of girls and a boy  
A God loving family and life they do enjoy  
Florence was a survivor with a heart of gold  
She made a way for the young and old  
To his friends he was Geronimo Eddie is his name

With everyone watching him it's a wonder he's not insane  
Buster is no longer with us, he lives in the stars  
Traveled everywhere he never owned a car  
Popcorn was a man that really loved life  
A.D. was a man that went his way  
Jody is the son and I love him today  
Harold is the driver of a red van  
Doors open up and he does it all by hand  
A one arm man lives down the road  
You can't help but like him, but stay on your toes  
Willis the son of Will, did his time for the flag  
A low key person, you never heard him brag  
Chipper was the one that could read the leaves  
He could see the sign, soon rain would be  
Melvin now rest near a little tree  
When you pass by, you can easily see  
Cold water would rush on us without a sound  
The one with long hair, we called him Big Sam  
This is about our love ones then and now  
Our community has grown and we all know how

Submitted by Sheila Odom

*Knowledge is like the wind... once obtaining it, you can go anywhere.*

*Yellow Horse*

*Submitted by Robert Howard*

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# OPPORTUNITY FOR AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE IN FLORIDA

USDA/NRCS News Release

*As submitted by David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison*

The 2008 Farm Bill was recently extended by Congress until September. This extension has allowed the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Florida to add an additional chance for producers to improve water and air quality, build healthier soil, improve forest lands, conserve energy, enhance organic operations, and achieve other environmental benefits.

"Adding an additional ranking date is going to give more producers time to submit their applications and help them get started with implementing the practices they need to benefit the natural resources on their operations," said NRCS acting state conservationist Roney Gutierrez.

Interested producers should visit their local NRCS service center now to receive more information on the:

- **Organic initiative**--helps producers install conservation practices on USDA certified organic operations or those working toward organic certification.
- **Seasonal high tunnel initiative**--helps producers install high tunnels designed to extend the growing season, increase productivity, keep plants at a steady temperature and conserve water and energy.
- **On-farm energy initiative**--helps producers conserve energy on their operations.

- **Longleaf pine initiative**--helps private landowners improve the sustainability and profitability of Longleaf pine forest ecosystems.

They can then apply for conservation technical assistance and possible cost-share funding opportunities. ***Applications must be filed no later than March 15, 2013, to be eligible for this year's funding.***

Although applications are accepted on a continuous basis, the March 15th date has been set to make FY 2013 funding decisions for these special initiatives. Producers may continue to apply for all funded programs throughout the year.

The Escambia County, FL Field Office is located at 151 Hwy 97, Molino, FL 32577. (In the Escambia County Farm Bureau Building) Phone # (850) 587-5404 ext 3 Additional information on NRCS, conservation assistance, and available programs can be found on this website: [www.fl.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.fl.nrcs.usda.gov) or at your local USDA - NRCS office. To find the nearest office go to your telephone directory under "U. S. Government, Department of Agriculture", or on the web at: <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app>.

Poarch Band of Creek Indian members can also contact David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison at 5535 Poarch Road, Atmore, Alabama 36502 or call 1-251-368-0826 for assistance.

## Other NRCS Sites That May Be Of Interest

NRCS National website:

National FSA Website:

Alabama FSA Website:

National RD Website:

Alabama RD Website:

Alabama Forestry Commission:

[www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov)

[www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)

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## CIEDA Small Business Loan Program

Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority offers valuable business assistance to Tribal Members seeking small business loans. 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 \$100,000.00 in aggregate to any Tribal Member. All loans exceeding \$50,000.00 must be approved by the CIEDA Board of Directors. Additional

credit criteria as well as loan collateralization requirements apply.

If you are a Tribal Member who owns a business or is thinking about starting a business and are 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.

### ***Natural Resources Conservation Services***

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The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is the USDA agency which works at the local level to help people conserve all natural resources on private lands.

Visit the NRCS web site [www.al.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.al.nrcs.usda.gov) to see updated news and information about services that may be helpful to you and your family.

Contact David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison, at (251) 368-0826 or 5770 Poarch Road, Atmore, AL for more information.



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# ***TWO TRIPS SCHEDULED FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS AGE 55 & OLDER***

## ***ELIGIBLE TRIBAL MEMBERS MAY REGISTER FOR ONE TRIP ONLY***

<b><i>TRIP 1</i></b>	September 15, 2013 - September 21, 2013 Seven day road trip to historic Savannah, Georgia
<b><i>TRIP 2</i></b>	October 6, 2013 - October 13, 2013 Seven night Eastern Caribbean Cruise Port of Departure: New Orleans, LA <i>Transportation to/from port via Tribal buses departing from Tribal SAIL Center only.</i>
<b><i>Cost</i></b>	Tribal Member      \$100      Non-Tribal Spouse \$200

### ***REGISTRATIONS FOR EACH TRIP WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS***

***Registration\* Dates***                      March 11, 2013 - April 5, 2013  
Monday - Friday      8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

\*No one will be allowed to register before or after the dates and times shown above. No multiple registrations allowed except when registering as Tribal Member & spouse. Registrations may be made at the Poarch Creek Indians SAIL Center on Lynn McGhee Drive or by calling one of the following:

Carolyn Dortch, Senior Services Director  
(251) 253-5885

Cyndi Wright, Transportation Coordinator  
(251) 253-8772

Casey Walker, Senior Services Secretary  
(251) 368-9136 x 2615 or 2289



# ***Poarch Creek Indians Housing Fair***

***Tuesday, March 12, 2013  
Family Services Auditorium  
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Come find out more about***

- ***Section 184 Housing***
- ***Renovation Loan Program***
- ***Senior Emergency Program***
- ***A/C Loans***
- ***Emergency Transitional Housing***
- ***Rental Program***
- ***TAHO Program***
- ***AMERIND Risk Management(Content Insurance)***

## ***Door Prizes and Snacks Provided***

### ***Attention All Tribal Members***

Applications for the following Housing programs are available on a daily basis and will be processed as vacancies/funds become available:

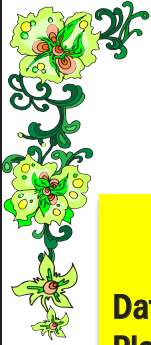
Emergency/Transitional Housing  
Rental - All Poarch Subdivisions  
Rental - Walker Subdivision, Pensacola, FL  
Rehabilitation Assistance  
Renovation Loan Program  
Heating & Cooling Loan Program  
Senior Emergency Program  
TAHO

Applicants are responsible for providing all necessary information and accurately completing all applications and must certify that all information is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge. The applicant is also reasonable for making corrections or updating applications.

Failure to update an application for a period of twelve months is grounds for discarding the application.

For questions or concerns contact the Housing Department at (251) 368-9136 x 2251.





## The Family Services Department Update March, 2013

The Family Services Department will host the 2013 Easter Egg Hunt

**Date:** Saturday, March 16, 2013  
**Place:** On the Mound at the Pow-Wow Grounds  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m.  
**Ages:** Birth through 8 years old



**\*\*Will be held at the Family Services Department's auditorium, Bldg. 500 if it is raining.**

### 2013 WINTER LIHEAP INFORMATION (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

DISTRIBUTION DATES: March 12, 13, 14

#### **\*\*General Information\*\***

- Applications will be accepted in the Family Services Auditorium.
- No appointments are necessary. Services are offered on a first come, first served basis.
- Note the various dates and come in according to your household composition.
- Priority is given to Senior Households, clients receiving Disability Income, Households with children under the age of 5, and Households receiving Food Stamps or TANF benefits.
- LIHEAP does NOT pay for any additional fees or services such as late fees, connection fees, outside lights, etc.
- Approval amounts range from \$250-\$325. You will be responsible for any charges that are not covered by LIHEAP. If your bill is less than the awarded amount, only the total amount of the bill will be paid.

#### **\*\*Required Documentation for All Applicants\*\***

- Current energy or gas bill.
- Social Security cards for ALL members of the household. There will be no exceptions or approvals without Social Security cards. This is a federal requirement.
- Tribal ID for applicant/head of household.
- Current income verification for all household members that are over the age of 19, such as paystubs, paychecks, letters of salary verification, etc...
- If anyone in the home over age 19 is unemployed, you must bring a statement verifying they are not working. The statement must be signed by three people who do not reside in your household and must include their phone numbers.
- Current verification if receiving state unemployment benefits.
- CURRENT Social Security or Disability Income Verification. We must have current income verification on file for all 2013 applications and services.

The Family Services Department 5811 Jack Springs Rd. Atmore, AL 36502  
Phone: (251)-368-9136, ext. 2600 Fax: (251)-368-0828





## The Family Services Update Continued, March, 2013

### L.I.H.E.A.P. Income Guidelines

State	Est. State median income for four person family	60 % of Est. State median income for four-person family	60% of Estimated State Median Income					
			One Person Family	Two Person Family	Three Person Family	Four Person Family	Five Person Family	Six Person Family
Ala.	\$64,079	\$38,447	\$19,992	\$26,144	\$32,295	\$38,447	\$44,599	\$50,750
Fla.	\$65,728	\$39,437	\$20,507	\$26,817	\$33,127	\$39,437	\$45,747	\$52,057

DAY	DATE	TIME	PRIORITY SCHEDULE
Tuesday	March 12, 2013	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Wednesday	March 13, 2013	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Thursday	March 14, 2013	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households

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

**If you or a loved one is a victim of domestic violence, please contact Melissa Durden, Victim's Advocacy Coordinator, for assistance or information. You can reach Melissa at (251)-368-9136, ext. 2212, or via e-mail at [mdurden@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:mdurden@pci-nsn.gov). You are not alone. We are here to help you.**

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## The Fred L. McGhee Early Learning Center

### Pre-K Registration

CHILD MUST BE 4 YEARS OLD ON OR BEFORE SEPT. 1, 2013

**When:** Friday, April 12, 2013

**Time:** 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Closed for lunch 12-1

**Where:** The Fred L. McGhee Learning Center

44 Creek Drive

Atmore, AL



You must bring:

- Certified Birth Certificate
- Shot Record (Alabama Blue Card)
- Social Security Card
- Proof of Tribal Enrollment -OR- Indian descent letter

#### PARENTS OF FIRST GENERATION INDIAN DESCENT STUDENTS PLEASE NOTE:

If your child does not have a first generation Indian descent letter you must contact Tribal Member Benefits @ 251-368-9136 ext. 2281 as soon as possible. Your child will be required to undergo DNA testing, which is scheduled two times per month on a first come first served basis. We cannot accept students who do not have a letter at the time of registration. If you have questions about registration you may contact Fran Gregson @ 251-368-8762.

## Poarch Creek Indians Environmental Department Child Passenger Seat Program Changes Effective March 1, 2013

Effective March 1, 2013 the fee to enter a child in the car seat program will be \$20.

Contact Barnie White, Environmental Health Specialist, at (251) 368-9136 x 2316 for more information.



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# 2013 CREEK INDIAN ART SHOW

March 21, 2013 ~ Family Services Auditorium



Youth Age Divisions ~ may enter only one (1) piece per person

4-5 ~ 6-7 ~ 8-10 ~ 11-13 ~ 14-18

Adult Division Categories ~ may enter one (1) piece per category

Painting ~ Drawing ~ Pottery ~ Basketry ~ Beadwork ~ Weaving ~ Jewelry ~ Traditional Clothing  
Photography ~ Weaponry ~ Musical Instruments ~ Wood ~ Gourds ~ Quilting ~ Mixed Media

All entrants must be certified artisans. Certification can be obtained upon delivery of art show entry(ies).

Entries will be received at the Kerretv Cuko Poarch Band of Creek Indians Museum from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 18, 2013 – Wednesday, March 20, 2013.

Announcement of winners will be made at the Awards Ceremony at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 21, 2013 at the Family Services Auditorium.

Prospective participants are strongly encouraged to read and understand the 2013 Creek Indian Art Show Rules & Regulations prior to submitting an entry. The Rules and Regulations can be viewed on the Tribe's website, [www.poarchcreekindians.org](http://www.poarchcreekindians.org), or by contacting the Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority at 251-368-9136 ext. 2656.

For more information, please contact Chris Blackburn, Planning & Events Coordinator at 251-368-9136 ext. 2052 or [cblackburn@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:cblackburn@pci-nsn.gov).



# PCI RECREATION DEPARTMENT

## League Play and NAYO/NASA Information

### NAYO Basketball

March 28-31, 2013

Host Tribe: Seneca Nation, New York

Registration deadline March 22, 2013

### NASA Co-Ed Soft Ball

May 24-26, 2013

Host Tribe: Cherokee, North Carolina

Registration deadline March 22, 2013

### Baseball & Softball

Registration deadline March 8, 2013

Birthday Cut off: May 1, 2013

\$50.00 Registration Fee

### NAYO Baseball & Softball

July 18-21, 2013

Host Tribe: Seminoles

Hollywood, Florida

Registration Deadline May 31, 2013

### Adult Softball Leagues

Registration March 1st - April 30, 2013

Ages 16 + Up

\$200.00 Registration fee per team

### NASA Softball

August 8-12, 2013

Host Tribe: Choctaws, Mississippi

Registration April 1st - May 31, 2013

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## Memorial Bricks Sale

The Recreation Department will be selling Memorial Bricks April 1st through April 30, 2013.

For more information contact Trina Rackard or Brook Rolin at (251) 368-9136 x 2256 or via email at [trackard@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:trackard@pci-nsn.gov) or [bbell@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:bbell@pci-nsn.gov).

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# BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

- Barn Dance at Cook's Barn in Walnut Hill from 7:00-11:00 p.m. Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Boys & Girls Club Members and 2 Parents will be admitted free. Any other guests will be \$5. **NO ALCOHOL** will be permitted on premises. Officers will be present.

- Spring Break will be Monday –Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>-March 28<sup>th</sup>. We will be open 7:30-5:30. **We will be closed Friday due to Good Friday.**
- The Teen Center will be open every Saturday from 5:00-10:00.



Greg McGhee teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade Duck Duck Goose in the Muskogee language.

**Coming Soon:** Archery Classes, Basket Weaving Classes, and Stomp Dancing Classes.



Laura Sells teaching the 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls how to do beading on a loom in beading class.



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# MARCH 2013

## ***Tribal Council Meetings***

Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 4:00 pm  
Tribal Council Chambers

## ***Tribal Court Sessions***

Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am  
Tribal Courtroom

## ***CIEDA Meetings***

Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am  
CIEDA Offices

## ***CMCA***

Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm  
Welcome Center

## ***Housing Authority Meetings***

Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm  
Building 400 Conference Room

## ***Recreation Authority Meetings***

Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am  
Recreation Department (Gym)

## ***TERO Commission Meetings***

Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm  
TERO Offices

## ***Education Classes/Club Meetings***

### ***4-H Club***

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm  
Education Department

### ***GED Classes-Day Schedule***

#### ***By Appointment***

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
8:00 am - 11:00 am or  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

### ***GED Classes-Night Schedule***

Tuesday & Wednesday  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Thursday 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Education Department

## ***Homework Club***

Monday-Thursday 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Throughout school year  
Education Department

## ***After School Tutoring***

Monday - Thursday 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Education Department

## ***Homework Club***

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Grades 1-12 All through school year  
Education Department

## ***After School Tutoring***

Monday - Thursday 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm  
Grades 1-6 All through school year  
Education Department

## ***Recreation Programs***

### ***Gym & Weight Room Hours***

Monday - Friday  
6:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

## ***Pool Open April 1, 2013***

***NASA Co-Ed Softball &  
NAYO Baseball & Softball  
Registration ongoing***

### ***March 8, 2013***

***Last day to register for  
Baseball & Softball Leagues***

***Adult Softball League Registration  
March 1, 2013 - April 30, 2013***

***Memorial Bricks on Sale  
April 1-30, 2013***

## ***Other Dates To Remember This Month***

### ***March 1, 2013***

***Child Passenger Seat Program Change  
\$20 Fee to enroll in program***

***Deadline to submit information to be  
published in the April 2013 newsletter is  
5:00 p.m. CST, Monday, March 11, 2013.***

### ***March 11, 2013***

***First Day To Register For Senior Trip***

### ***March 11, 2013***

***Government Affairs Legislative Committee  
Public Hearing on Constitutional  
Amendment on Enrollment  
Family Services Auditorium  
5:30 p.m.***

### ***March 12, 2013***

***Housing Fair  
Family Services Auditorium  
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm***

### ***March 14, 2013***

***Last day to apply For Winter LIHEAP***

### ***March 16, 2013***

***Easter Egg Hunt  
Pow Wow Grounds  
11:00 a.m.***

### ***March 18-20, 2013***

***Dates to submit entries for  
Creek Indian Art Show***

### ***March 21, 2013***

***Creek Indian Art Show  
Family Services Auditorium  
(Awards Ceremony 6:00 p.m.)***

### ***March 22-23, 2013***

***Southeastern Indian Festival  
Pow Wow Grounds***

***Tribal Offices Closed Monday, March 29  
2013 in observance of Good Friday***

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