

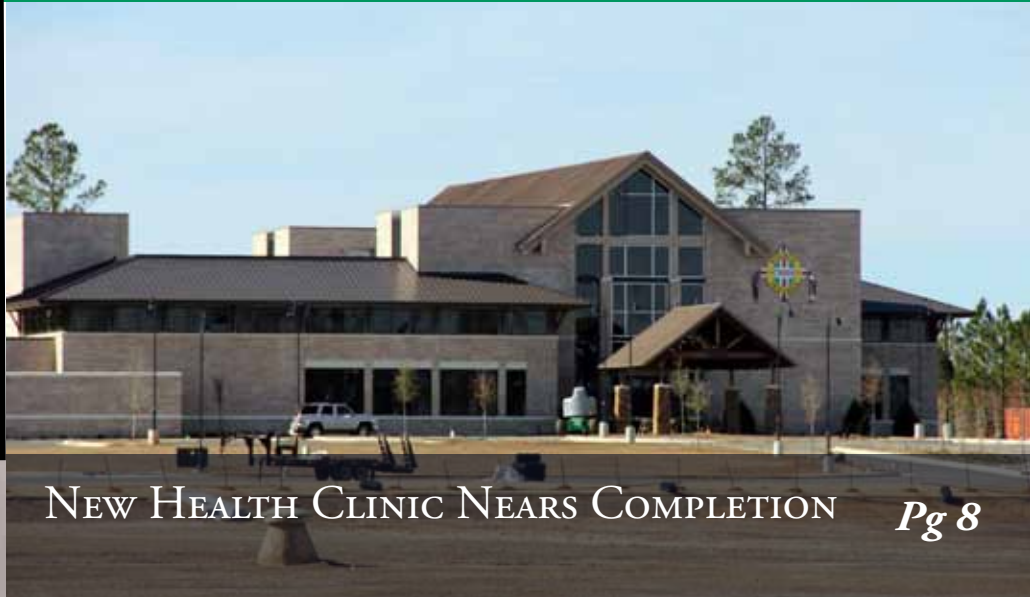
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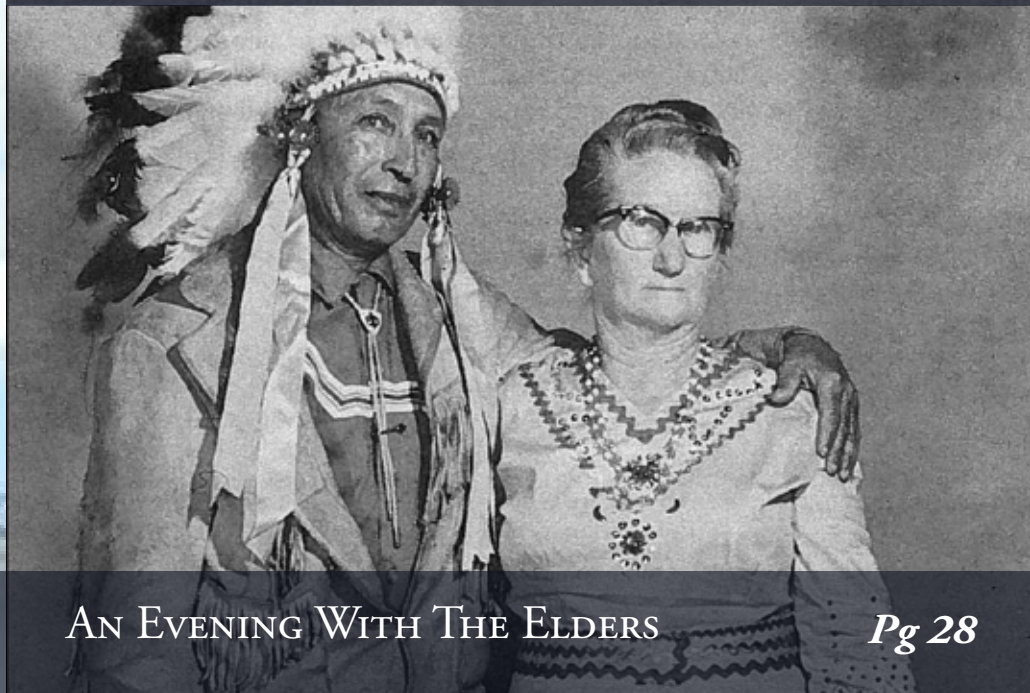
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is received by the last business day of the month immediately following the birth.

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# CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

## FEBRUARY 2014

TRIBAL  
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Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman/[tlancaster@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:tlancaster@pci-nsn.gov)

We have just experienced some of the coldest weather in our area in over twenty years, but spring time is approaching! Just as spring brings changes and new life, your Tribal Council is dedicated to bringing about changes and new or improved services that will best serve our fellow Tribal Members. Some of the changes will be evident with the opening of the new Health Clinic at the end of the month.

February is a busy month. Tribal Council Members and appropriate staff and representatives will be travelling to Washington DC, for USET Impact Week. Plans are also underway for the annual legislative event to be held in Montgomery where Tribal Council Members and officials meet with our state legislators. Both of these events are important to you, the Tribal Member, as it is one of the ways that we meet with our national and state leaders and educate them on the Tribe and

the impact the Tribe has in our local community and on the State of Alabama.

Each month I share some of the new and exciting things going on at the Tribe; I encourage you to use the newsletter to share your exciting news and events with your fellow Tribal Members.

If you have any exciting events or important news in your life that you would like to share please do so by contacting Gayle Johnson, Media Specialist. Her contact information appears on the back page of the newsletter. She would be more than happy to print your information in the Tribal Newsletter so that you may share it with each of your fellow Tribal members.

I close by extending my condolences to the families of those we have lost recently and during the past year. I also ask that we continue to pray for and support each other in sickness and health.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL ANNOUNCES BOARD VACANCIES

The Tribal Council has announced the following vacancies on Tribal Authorities, Commissions, Boards, and Committees. Applications will be accepted through Friday, February 28, 2014.

Ethics Board	1 vacancy
Perdido River Farms Board	1 vacancy
Environmental Board	1 vacancy

If you are interested in applying for one of these positions, applications are available on the Tribal

Council page of the Tribe's web site [www.pci-nsn.gov](http://www.pci-nsn.gov); you may complete and submit your application from the web site. You can also pick up an application at the Tribal Council Offices located on Hwy 21.

All applications should be returned to the Tribal Council Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2014. Please contact Kelli Ramer, Tribal Council Liaison, at (251) 446-1140 if you have questions or need additional information.



# YOUR 2014 TRIBAL COUNCIL

## TRIBAL COUNCIL



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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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# COUNCIL'S CORNER

## FEBRUARY 2014

TRIBAL  
COUNCIL

David W. Gehman/[dgehman@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:dgehman@pci-nsn.gov)

In church we often sing, “Count Your Many Blessings”. Within the family and friends of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, we certainly have many blessings. We have recently experienced record low temperatures across the nation, yet we have warm homes to protect our families from the cold and rain. The new Bell Creek housing development is under construction and new homes will soon be built. In Pensacola new homes are also being constructed in the Walker subdivision.

The new Tribal Health and Assisted Living Centers are nearing completion and should be open in March. Nearly 7,000 acres of Tribal lands are now open for hunting by Tribal Members and their families.

The response of the U.S. Supreme Court in the State of Michigan –vs- Bay Mills Indian Community case will be pivotal to Tribal Sovereignty. Our work with Congress and the Administration on issues relevant to Tribal Sovereignty and land into Trust will continue to be our priority.

Very soon we may begin broadcasting with a Tribal

FM Radio station in the Poarch Community. Application has been made with the FCC; a construction permit may be issued any day. This will be a great resource for our local community. Programming would include news of Tribal events and emergency information. This would be a low power FM with an interference free coverage area of approx. 7-8 miles.

My heart felt sympathies for those who have lost family members recently. We never know what a day may bring our way, so it is important to spend time with your family and friends, make sure they know you love them...everyday.

To our staff I “Thank you” for all you do and your dedication in serving our people.

We are a blessed Tribe. May we never take our blessings for granted.

Happy Valentine’s Day!

David Gehman, Secretary of the Tribe

## TRIBAL COUNCIL VALUES

*As proud leaders of our Tribe, our integrity demands that we are true to who we are.*

*Our integrity is the foundation of our love for family and community, which strengthens our faith and commitment to do what is right for the Tribe.*

*We will further the legacy of self-determination and self-reliance inherited from our elders by investing in the progress and driving a vision for the future that leads to our prosperity.*





## NEW HEALTH CLINIC NEARS COMPLETION HEALTH DEPARTMENT PREPARES TO MOVE

***The Health Clinic will be closed February 21, 2014 through February 28, 2014 to move into the new Health Clinic.***

Health Department offices will be closed February 21 through February 28, 2014. During that week, the Health Department staff will be packing their things and moving into the magnificent, new building. Health care services will resume again, beginning March 3, 2014 from the new facility.

The Tribal Pharmacy and

Premiere Family Eyecare will not be closed and will be open during their regular hours.

During the closure, patients can continue to call the regular clinic number and they will be referred to the Director of Nursing who will assess the situation and determine where best to send the patient. For most appointments, it will be Atmore Primary Care. If the situation is more acute and needs immediate attention, they will be referred to Atmore Urgent Care or to the Emergency Room.

The new facility will usher in a focus on improving patient care. Staff will have access to better equipment, more space, and improved technology to provide more in-depth health assessments.

Patients will enjoy the benefits of a highly motivated, caring team of professionals. Please be patient as we all adapt to the positive changes that are coming our way during this transitional period!

*Submitted by Ginger Bergeron, Health Administrator*





*Audiology Testing will soon be available!*



*Spacious new exam rooms!*



*An enlarged Lab area for on site lab work!*



*Hallways, lots of hallways!*



*Elevators will carry you to the second floor but stairs are there for those who want to get in a little exercise!*



*Family Services, Tribal Member Benefits, and IT will also be moving to the new facility!*

*February Breakfast Briefing  
Friday, February 14, 2014  
7:00 am*

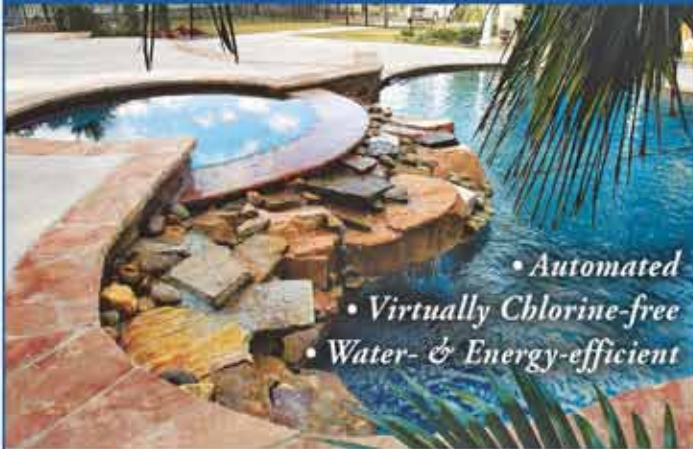
*Auditorium of Building 500*

*Featured Department/Program:  
Family Services*

*A light breakfast will be served.*

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The *Tribal Members Only Portal (TMOP)* for Tribal Members age 18 and above is now active. The portal is located on the left-hand sidebar of the web site's home page, [www.pci-nsn.gov](http://www.pci-nsn.gov). Information such as Tribal Council Minutes, proposed ordinances and other confidential information, will be posted in this area that is accessible to Tribal Members only.

You may initially access the TMOP by using an established username and password provided to you. Once you log on for the first time, you will be given the option to change your password if desired.

Please know that the TMOP will not be an automated site; it will be up to individual users to resolve issues they have if they are unable to login to the Tribal Members Only Portal.

We will be unable to provide assistance beyond confirming that you have the correct username and password to access this area of our website. Confirmation of correct username and password may take up to 24 hours.

We are aware that not all Tribal Members have email addresses and/or access to the internet; however, for those who do, you can receive updated news and information via the Tribal Member Distribution Email (TMDE). The TMDE distribution list is limited to Tribal Members age 18 and above and is restricted to outgoing emails only. If you would like to be included on this distribution list, please email your contact information and Tribal roll number to [info@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:info@pci-nsn.gov).

You may also receive updated news and information on the Tribe's Facebook page at [facebook.com/PoarchBandofCreekIndians](https://facebook.com/PoarchBandofCreekIndians). You can also follow the Tribe on Twitter at [twitter.com/PoarchCreek](https://twitter.com/PoarchCreek).

The Tribe's Facebook, Twitter, and TMDE accounts are maintained by the Government Relations Department.







## UNDER THE SEA 2013 CHRISTMAS PARADE

As usual, the competition for the best float in the Christmas Parade was intense. The judges had a hard time selecting the winner!

First place, top right, Tribal Gaming Commission; second place, top left, Fire Department; third place, second on the left, Recreation.

This year we also had Shriners, a couple of local high school bands, floats from Friendly Holiness Church and the National Guard, and Lori Findley, a beautiful pink jelly fish (*she sort of floated away from Housing's float*).



## BIRTHDAY WISHES

**Harry Beltram**  
January 1, 2014



Happy birthday to Harry Beltram  
from Pittsburg, CA.

We love you!  
From your family.

**Megan Young**  
January 2, 2014



Happy birthday Megan.

We love you very much.

Mom, Dad, Mallory, Emmee and family.

**Ed Jarman**  
December 10, 2013



Happy birthday Dad!

We hope you had wonderful day!

We love you, Laurie, Leeann, Big Steve,  
Steven & Trevor.

**Johnny Overstreet**  
January 6, 2014



Happy birthday to Johnny Overstreet  
from Pittsburg, CA.

We love you!  
From your family.

**Aubrey Flowers**  
January 6, 2014



Happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday Aubrey!

We love you!

Love, Daddy, Momma, Alli, and all  
of your family!

**Gary Overstreet**  
January 6, 2014



Sweetheart and Dad, may this year be filled  
with laughter, love, and many blessings!

We love you!!!

Robin, Talon, and Gracie.

**Alli Flowers**  
January 8, 2014



Happy 6<sup>th</sup> birthday Alli!

We love you!

Love, Daddy, Hannah, Aubrey, and all  
of your family!

**Nevaeh Godwin**  
January 12, 2014



Happy 1<sup>st</sup> birthday Nevaeh!

You are growing up so fast!

We love you!

Aunt Sassy, Uncle Bunk, Mom and Dad,  
PawPaw and Nana and friends and family.

**Bella Lynn Walker**  
January 17, 2014



Happy 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday Bella! Roll Tide!!

We love you!

Love, Momma, Daddy, and all of  
your family!



**Myra Odom**  
January 18, 2014



Happy birthday MyMy!

We love you!

From Granny & PawPaw, Momma, Daddy, Lea, and the rest of your family.

**Brody Hunter Rolin**  
January 18, 2014



Happy 8<sup>th</sup> birthday Brodie!!

We love you !

Momma, Daddy, Autumn, Aunt Jessie & family, Aunt Amanda & family, Uncle Nathan & family, Nonnie & Papa.

**Madyson Moye**  
January 21, 2014



Happy 11<sup>th</sup> birthday Madyson!

We love you !

Momma, Luke, Ben, Nonnie & Papa.

**Maybree Faith Johnson**  
January 21, 2014



Happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday Bree!

We love you!

Momma, James, Aunt Jessie & family, Uncle Randall & family, Uncle Nathan & family, Nonnie & Papa.

**Zani Kay Rolin**  
January 21, 2014



Happy 1<sup>st</sup> birthday to our beautiful granddaughter!

We love you!

Love, PaPa, NaNa, Aunt Canyon, and Uncle Damon.

**Mallory Young**  
January 22, 2014



Happy birthday Mallory.

We love you very much.

Mom, Dad, Megan, Emmee and family.

**Tyler Smith**  
January 29, 2014



Happy birthday Tyler.

We love you.

Mom, Jamie, Logan, and family.

**Mattylyn Juliette Tate**  
February 2, 2014



Happy 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday Mattylyn!

We love you!

Love, Momma and Daddy.

**Sheila Odom**  
February 9, 2014



Happy 55<sup>th</sup> birthday Granny!

We love you!

Lea, Jackson, MyMy, and the rest of your family.

**Melissa Kendrick**  
February 9, 2014



Happy 38<sup>th</sup> birthday Melissa!!

We love you!!

From all your co-workers, family and friends.

**Brady Rolin**  
February 10, 2014



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

We love you!!

Love, Dad, Val, Canyon, and Damon.

**Jayla Sells**  
February 11, 2014



Happy 8<sup>th</sup> birthday Bug!!

We love you!!

From all your family and friends.

**Leverne Roden**  
February 12, 2014



To the world's greatest person, my best friend and Mom. I love you.

Happy birthday from Dwayne, Tracy, Stanley, and Desiree.

**Marshall Tripp Lassister**  
February 14, 2014



Happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday!

We love you!

From your family.

**Gary Pruitt**  
February 16, 2014



Happy birthday Gary!

We love you!

From your family.

**John O'Barr**  
February 24, 2014



Happy birthday John!

We love you so much!

From your wife & family.

**Scarlett Strickland**  
February 24, 2014



Happy 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday Scarlett!

You have brought so much joy into our lives and we love our sweet baby girl.

Love, Mommy, Daddy, Grandma Debra, and Uncle Clint.

**Dawn Vickery**  
February 25, 2014



Happy 35<sup>th</sup> birthday Dawn!

We love you!

From your family.



**Lea Odom**  
February 25, 2014



Happy birthday Lea!

We love you!

Granny & PawPaw, Momma, Daddy,  
MyMy, and the rest of your family.

**laRose Powell Watson**  
February 26, 2014



Happy birthday, LaRose!

We love you!

Love, your family.

**Clint Lassister**  
February 26, 2014



Happy 24<sup>th</sup> birthday, Clint!

We love you!

Love, your family.

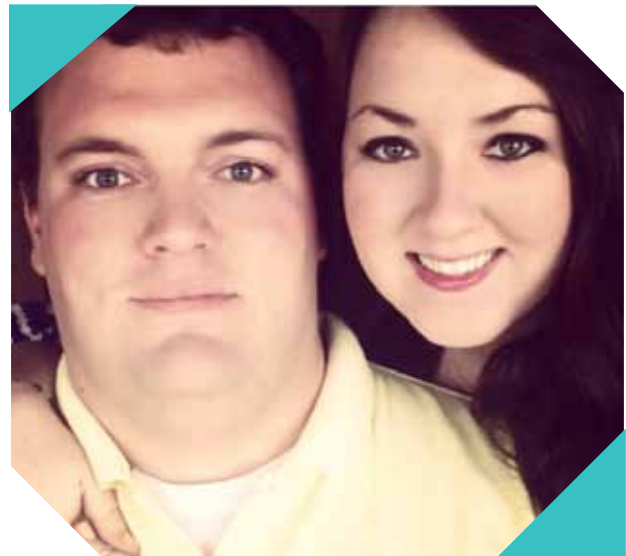
BIRTHDAY WISHES

## MCGHEE/ COLE ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

**M**r. and Mrs. Buddy McGhee of Brewton, AL, are pleased to announce the engagement of their granddaughter, Brittany Bianca McGhee to Justin Kyle Cole, son of David and Lottie Cole of Brewton, AL.

The future bride graduated from W.S. Neal High School in 2011 and is pursuing an Associate Degree of Applied Science in Nursing from Jefferson Davis Community College. She is also a graduate from Fortis Institute with a certification as a Medical Office Assistant.

The future groom graduated from W.S. Neal High School in 2006 and is a graduate from Lurleen B. Wallace Community



College in Andalusia, AL with an Associate Degree of Applied Science in Emergency Medical Services. He is employed as the EMS Director at D.W. McMillan EMS.

A wedding date has not been set at this time.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

# GAREY & ROBIN OVERSTREET

## FEBRUARY 17, 2014



Gary and Robin Overstreet will celebrate 18 years of marriage on February 17, 2014.

They live in Redding, CA with their children, Talon, 13, and Gracie, 11.

They all plan to travel to Atmore this coming year!!!

# JIM & LINDA SELZER

## FEBRUARY 23, 2014

This is for every hour  
We have ever spent together:  
For every kiss,  
Each embrace,  
And every tear shed  
For each other...

This is for every precious  
moment  
We have created  
Just by being together:  
For all the times we managed  
to work through our anger  
and our tears,  
For all the times I was distressed  
And you were patient.

This is for every time that you  
Were there when I needed you:  
For all the personal sacrifices  
You have made for me,  
For all the times when you understood me,  
And for all the support that you  
Have always given me.

This is for all the beautiful memories:  
Of the love we have made



And given to each other,  
Of all the tenderness and love  
That you have shown to me,  
Of all the little things you have  
done for me  
That in time have added up to be  
so great.

Most of all, this is for you from me:  
To show you just how special  
I believe you really are.

This is from my heart:  
To thank you for  
Everything you have done for me,  
To let you know exactly how I feel  
About you,  
And for all the times I forget to tell you these  
things.

This is to remind you  
That I will ALWAYS AND FOREVER love you.

Happy anniversary we made it to fifty!!

*Poem by Diane Beeler  
Submitted by Linda Selzer*





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**Darrell Hollinger, Garden Supervisor**



# IN MEMORY OF OLLIE DAVID MCDURMONT

## 8-17-23 - 10-22-13

Ollie David McDurmont, age 90, was born in Uriah, AL. She resided in Pensacola, FL until 2002 when she moved to Tallahassee, FL where she died on October 22, 2013.

After a very bumpy start in life due to the untimely and tragic death of their young mother Mattie, Ollie and her sister Loyie moved to Pensacola in their early teens to earn their GED and find jobs. This time would see them through their lives.

Ollie met and married Holland Charles McDurmont, Jr., on December 28, 1944. Holland was in the Navy during WWII; after they married in Pensacola Ollie traveled to San Diego, CA where they began their married life during his time in the Navy. Ollie and Holland returned to Pensacola after the war ended. They celebrated 58 years of marriage before Holland's passing on October 13, 2002.

Ollie enjoyed many things in her zest for a fulfilled life. She was not one to waste time. She was pretty darn good at freshwater fishing, spending lots of time with her husband on the rivers of Escambia, Tensaw, and at Lower Bryant Landing. Bowling was another passion. The Pensacola News Journal credited Ollie for 'spark plugging' the League of Hope, one of the city's top charity leagues. Ollie served as the League's Secretary for many years. The League of Hope was organized to donate proceeds to help support Petree School for Mentally Challenged Children throughout the Pensacola area. The League offered bowling lessons to children twice a week. The League is still strong today and many of the children have participated in various levels of competitive bowling, including participation in the Special Olympics founded by the Kennedy Foundation established by the family of President John F. Kennedy.



Gardening at her home in Pensacola with her plants and flowers was another thrill. She enjoyed rooting new plants and the magic of planting a seed and watching it grown and thrive.

Ollie was not one to waste time; the spark remained bright, ever courageous, and diligent no matter the times or challenges that came her way throughout her life. In 1987 she survived brain aneurysm surgery in New Orleans. In 1994 she suffered a paralyzing stroke on the left side of her body which caused her to lose her speech. The speech returned and she regained partial use of her left leg but she never regained the use of her left arm. From 2002 through 2012 she incurred several broken bones and hospitalizations and resided in two assisted living facilities. In October of 2013 she was diagnosed with CVA from which she would not return. Ollie was always a strong willed person, once she was removed from life support in October the doctor predicated that she would only last a couple of hours, it was 16 days before she passed. The doctor later wrote to Ollie's daughter Janet, "She was a very determined woman, remember the good times."

Ollie maintained her membership throughout the years at Warrington Baptist Church in Pensacola and enjoyed the fellowship of the church until her move to Tallahassee following her husband's passing.

Ollie is preceded in death by her husband Holland, her sister Loyie David Williams, her parents William (Willie) Arthur and Mattie Lou Hathcock David, maternal grandparents Silas & Leacy Williams Hathcock, paternal grandparents Fannie Bryars and Alex, Davis, her aunt Dollie Murphy McClellan, and others. She is survived by her daughter Janet Wagers, granddaughter Kelly Greene, nephews Gerald, Harold, Don, Ronnie, and Steve Williams and their spouses, and her cousin Annie Davis and children.

REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES

*Submitted by Janet Wagers*





## IN MEMORY OF EVA NELL BURCKETT

3-13-52 - 12-27-13

We would like to thank everyone that has been so kind to us through this time of heartache and loss, the worst time in our lives. God knows we all are missing Eva Nell more and more each day. He will help us cope with it better in time and one day let us reunite with her in Heaven.

Thanks for all the flowers, and sweet words during our loss of a best friend, mother, and grandmother.

We love you Eva Nell and miss you so much.

Josh, Vicky, Lil'Josh, Douglas, Scott, Tammy, Dalton, and Haylee.

*Submitted by Vicky Burckett*

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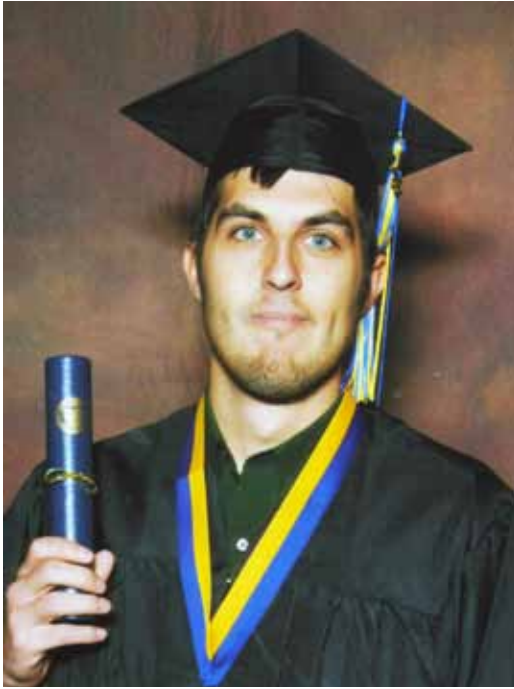
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Nathan is the son of Mark and Jamie Depetris.

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February	<i>HotvlĒ-Hvse</i>	August	<i>Hvyo-Rakko</i>
March	<i>Tasahcuce</i>	September	<i>Otvwoskuce</i>
April	<i>Tasahce-Rakko</i>	October	<i>Otvwoskv-Rakko</i>
May	<i>Kē-Hvse</i>	November	<i>Eholē</i>
June	<i>Kvco-Hvse</i>	December	<i>Rvfo-Rakko</i>

*From: A Dictionary of Creek/Muskogee  
by Jack B. Martin and Margaret McKane Mauldin*

## COMMON EXPRESSIONS

<i>Monks!</i>	<i>No!</i>
<i>Mowēt?</i>	<i>Really?!</i>
<i>Hvtēc! Hvtec cē</i>	<i>Wait! Hold it!</i>

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Annette J. McCreary  
Sister of Jimmy Leon Johnson



Jimmy served as a Drill Instructor at NAS Pensacola, FL  
from 1971 - 1973. Photo submitted by Annette J. McCreary

**Jimmy Leon Johnson**  
**Drill Instructor**  
**United States Marine Corps**

The late Jimmy Leon Johnson, born October 11, 1945, was the son of Clayton and Lonie Williams Johnson. He proudly volunteered for military service and joined the Marine Corps. He was sent to Parris Island, S.C. for basic training. After basic training he was stationed in Danang, Vietnam. After being wounded in Vietnam, he was sent to Pensacola, FL to recuperate.

Jimmy's sister Annette McCreary shares her mother's experience when seeing her wounded son at the hospital in Pensacola. *"After weeks of waiting and wanting to see her son, my mother was anxious. Finally, we were standing in the hospital surrounded by injured men. As we waited for instructions, my mother's eagle eye spotted her son. Jimmy spotted her and as she ran to him, he spun his wheelchair toward her. With just a hug, love and strength passed from one to the other. That was a moment to remember."*

Orders kept Jimmy state side in Pensacola and Parris Island for several years. In February of 1969 Jimmy returned to Don Ha, Vietnam for his second

tour. He was a member of the 3rd Marine Division that was involved in the mission known as "Operation Virginia Ridge." After returning from Vietnam, Jimmy was stationed at Parris Island, S.C. There he was trained as a Drill Instructor. He graduated third in his class. He received a certificate of commendation and was cited for outstanding performance. Jimmy was then assigned to Pensacola Naval Air Station where he served as a Drill Instructor from 1971-1973 where he trained Naval candidates to endure extreme stress in order to become Navy pilots.

Jimmy was a proud Marine; receiving medals was not on his agenda but he always strived to be the best he could. The result was the award of several medals and certificates including the Defense Service Medal, the Purple Heart, the Vietnam Service Medal with 2\*, the Vietnam Campaign Medal w/ device, a Presidential Unit Citation, the Good Conduct Medal with 2\*, 2 Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citations, the Cross of Gallantry with Palm, the Civil Action Color with Palm & Frame, Letters of Appreciation,

a Certificate of Commendation, the Combat Action Ribbon, a Rifle Sharp Shooter Badge, and a Pistol Expert Badge.

While stationed in South Carolina Jimmy met and married Millie Hudson; they have three sons, Jimmy Jr., James Ray, and John. Jimmy graduated from Beaufort County School of Technology. He established Sea Island Air Condition and Refrigeration in 1977. The business has been operational longer than any other air condition business in Beaufort County, South Carolina.

Taps sounded for Jimmy on June 22, 2012. Following a full military service, he was laid to rest at Beaufort National Cemetery in South Carolina, just a few miles from Parris Island.



Jimmy Johnson, with his sons and grandson. Left to right Jimmy, John, James Ray, and Jimmy Jr. with grandson Nick in the front. Photo submitted by Annette McCreary

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# NEWS & INFORMATION

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

### YOU ARE INVITED!

**WHO:** PCI Tribal Members or 1st Generation PCI Descendents that are graduates with a High School Diploma, GED, or College Degree from September 2013 - May 2014.

**WHAT:** Academic Achievement Banquet

**WHEN:** April 22, 2014 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**WHERE:** Wind Creek Casino & Hotel, Coosawada Ballroom

**WHY:** To honor the academic success of our high school and college graduates

**HOSTED BY:** Tribal Council, PCI Education Department, Education Advisory Committee, and Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority

**RSVP's ARE REQUIRED!** This form must be completed and turned in to Magen Weaver in the PCI Education Department by **APRIL 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email or Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Graduated From: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Received and Major if Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance: Please indicate if you will be attending the banquet.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be attending the banquet.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have graduated but am unable to attend the banquet.

Number of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_ *Please indicate how many guests you will be bringing, not including yourself. This is a celebration for you and your immediate family. You are allowed to bring a maximum of 4 guests with you to the banquet.*

- Please direct any questions to Magen Weaver at 251-368-9136 ext. 2021 or via email [mweaver@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:mweaver@pci-nsn.gov) in the PCI Education Department.
- Please complete and return this information to: The Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Attn: Magen Weaver, Education Department, 5811 Jack Springs Rd. Atmore, AL 36502

### FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

If you would like to be presented with your Tribal Scholarship at your class night/awards banquet, please provide the following information to the PCI Education Department by **APRIL 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.**

Date & time of Awards/Honors Day: \_\_\_\_\_

Person in charge of event (name & contact information): \_\_\_\_\_

High School mailing address & phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

# **FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

## NEWS & INFORMATION

### 2014 WINTER LIHEAP INFORMATION

*If you or a loved one is a victim of domestic violence, please contact Dr. Frank McCloskey, Abuse Prevention Coordinator, for assistance or information.*

*You can reach Frank at (251)-368-9136, ext. 2212, or via e-mail at [fmcloskey@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:fmcloskey@pci-nsn.gov).*

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*Prevent the*

*Abuse* **”**

(Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

#### DISTRIBUTION DATES:

February 18, 19, 20,  
March 4, 5, 6, and March 18, 19, 20

#### \*\*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.
- 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 pay stubs, paychecks, letters of salary verification, etc.
- If anyone in the home over 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 2014 applications and services.

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\*\*

Please call the Family Services Department at (251) 368-9136 x 2600 if you have any questions.

**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. If you wish to review these grants, please come by our office to view these documents. We welcome your comments and suggestions!**



## Family Services Department

## 2014 LIHEAP Information Continued

**ESTIMATED STATE MEDIAN INCOME, BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND BY STATE,  
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2014**

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
<b>Ala.</b>	\$64,899	\$38,939	\$20,249	\$26,479	\$32,709	\$38,939	\$45,169	\$51,399
<b>Fla.</b>	\$65,406	\$39,244	\$20,407	\$26,686	\$33,965	\$39,244	\$45,523	\$51,802

Please note income guidelines have changed due to changes in federal guidelines.

\*\* Please be aware of household income adjustments \*\*

\*\* LIHEAP applicants must meet above listed income guidelines to qualify. \*\*

**\*WINTER LIHEAP APPLICATION DATES AND TIMES**

DAY	DATE	TIME	PRIORITY SCHEDULE
Tuesday	February 18, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	SENIORS & DISABILITY INCOME ONLY
Wednesday	February 19, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Senior Households; Households with Children Under 5 years; and Households receiving Food Stamps and TANF benefits
Thursday	February 20, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Tuesday	March 4, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Wednesday	March 5, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Thursday	March 6, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Tuesday	March 18, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Wednesday	March 19, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households
Thursday	March 20, 2014	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	All Types of Households

The Family Services Department 5811 Jack Springs Rd. Atmore, AL 36502

Phone: (251)-368-9136, ext. 2600

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# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## NEWS & INFORMATION

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF RECEIVE AWARDS

**C**ongratulations! The selection of recipients for the 2013 Nashville Area Honor Awards have been made. We are delighted to announce the selection of the 2013 Individual Award recipients in the following categories:

*Exceptional Performance Award:* Christine Williams, Lab Manager

*Employee of the Year – Outstanding Customer Service:* Judy McGhee, Patient Registration Clerk

*Employee of the Year – Medical Provider:* Dr. Parker Estvold, Chief Physician

*Tribal/Urban Program Recognition Award:* Arlene Mack, Special Projects Coordination

We are extremely proud of these employees!

#### LAB

We have been in the process of sending out letters regarding your lab work. If your labs are normal,

we will send a notification in the mail. If your labs are abnormal, one of our clinic providers or their nurse will contact you. We welcome any feedback that you may want to give us regarding this new process.

#### NEW EMPLOYEE

Welcome Sarena Helton, Medical Assistant. Sarena is a Tribal Member who joined our clinical team in January. She previously spent many years working at Sacred Heart Primary Care.

#### FLU SEASON

We are in the peak months of the flu season and Alabama is one of the top three states with reported cases of the flu, with many of the cases being classified as H1N1 flu. The flu vaccine is our best defense and contrary to popular belief, it will not give you the flu. The vaccine takes two weeks to reach its potential, so if you have been exposed to the flu prior to receiving the vaccine, or are already incubating the flu during this two week period, you can become ill, but not from the vaccine. The flu vaccine is available, so take advantage

of it. Everyone ages 6 months and older should have the flu vaccine. Please keep in mind that the flu is a very serious illness and in some cases can be fatal especially in young children, pregnant women, those with chronic and immune disorders and the elderly.

**WE'RE MOVING . . .** but just a short distance away! If all goes according to plan, health department offices will be closed February 21 through February 28, 2014. During that week, we will be packing our things and moving into our magnificent, new building. Health care services will resume again, beginning March 3, 2014 from the new facility.

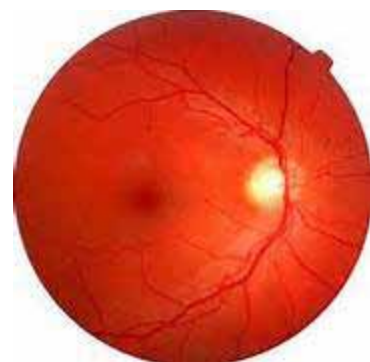
Look forward to new services coming soon as we will be adding Radiology, Physical Therapy, and Audiology. Patients will enjoy the benefits of a highly motivated, caring team of professionals. Please be patient with us as we all adapt to the positive changes that are coming our way during this transitional period!

## MATTERS OF THE HEART RETINAL SCREENINGS

Did you know that you can have emboli in the blood vessels in your eye? It is called Hollenhorst plaque. These can be an indication that you have emboli also somewhere else in your body. High blood pressure and other cardiovascular problems can cause these. We photograph them to document where the emboli are located in the vasculature. The same instrument is what we are

using for our retinal screenings.

Please join us for our next retinal screening which will be held on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00-3:30 at Premiere Family Eyecare. If you cannot make this one, our next one is scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup> 8:30-10:00.







## NEWS & INFORMATION

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ON A DAILY BASIS

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

Emergency/Transitional Housing  
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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 responsible for making corrections or updating applications. Failure to update an application for a period of twelve months is grounds for removing the application for consideration and you will be ineligible for consideration until an updated application is on file.

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



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# OFFICE OF ARCHIVES & RECORDS MANAGEMENT

## NEWS & INFORMATION

### AN EVENING WITH THE ELDERS



Mrs. Joyce McGhee, wife of Chief Calvin McGhee

Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Family Services Auditorium, Building 500

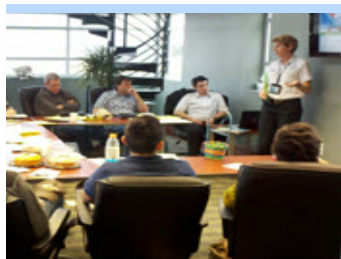
For our "Evening with the Elders" program, join us to hear the voice of Mrs. Joyce McGhee who was interviewed by Dr. J. Anthony Paredes in 1972 and whose voice was digitized by the University of Florida.

Everyone is invited. Dinner will be served.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Ellen O'Barr at 446-4531 or Dr. Deidra Suwanee Dees at 446-4540 / ddees@pci-nsn.gov.

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# RECREATION DEPARTMENT

## NEWS & INFORMATION

### REGISTRATION FOR SPRING LEAGUES UNDERWAY

#### 2014 Wee Ball & Tee Ball League

Registration January 6<sup>th</sup>– February 15<sup>th</sup>

Registration Open to Public

(Tribal & Non tribal Athletes - Boys & Girls)

Wee Ball: Ages 3 & 4

Tee Ball: Ages 5 & 6

Registration Fee:

Wee Ball \$20.00

Tee Ball \$30.00



#### 2014 Baseball & Softball League

Registration January 6<sup>th</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>

Registration Open to Public

(Tribal & Non tribal Athletes - Boys & Girls Ages 7-18)

Registration Fee: \$50.00

*For more information and registration applications, contact the Recreation Department at 251-368-9136 ext. 2256 or online at [pci-nsn.gov](http://pci-nsn.gov).*

## SWIM TEAM-KEEPING THE POOL HOT



#### TRIBAL SWIMMERS PLACE IN PENSACOLA NAVY YOUTH SWIM MEET

##### TIFFANY GOOKIN

- 1st Place 10 & under 25 Butterfly
- 3rd Place 10 & under 25 Breaststroke
- Two Standard Breaker ribbons in 10 & under 25 Freestyle and 25 Backstroke, which means she broke a set time in order to move up in her division.



##### BRAXTON PEEBLES

- 3rd Place in 10 & under Boys 50 Backstroke
- 5th Place in 10 & under Boys 50 Freestyle





# YOUR HEALTH MATTERS

Small Decisions Make Big Things Happen

## The Keys to a Healthy Heart

**February is American Heart month and that means it's a good moment to think about a disease that kills more than 600,000 Americans each year.** Heart disease is a major problem. Every year, about 715,000 Americans have a heart attack—that's 1 out of every 4 deaths. Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women.

But there's a lot that we can do to stay heart healthy everyday by making better nutrition, exercise and lifestyle choices. The name of the game is PREVENTION.

Here are 3 ways to help prevent heart disease and keep our hearts healthy:

### 1. EAT HEART HEALTHY

- Choose foods high in omega-3 fats like salmon, almonds and avocados.
- Stick with lean white meats and fish as opposed to fatty cuts of red meat.
- Avoid cooking foods in oils that are high in saturated fat like coconut oil or butter. Instead opt for oils that have higher levels of healthy fats, such as olive oil or vegetable oil.
- Reduce trans fat consumption by avoiding processed and packaged foods containing hydrogenated oils. Frozen dinners, chips, cookies and cakes, margarine and other processed snack foods can have hidden trans fats.
- Choose zero calorie beverages like water, coffee and green tea, instead of sweetened beverages with large amounts of sugar and/or high fructose corn syrup, like juices and soda.
- Pay attention to portion sizes, slow down and chew, chew, chew.

### 2. JUST MOVE

- Adults should engage in moderate-intensity exercise for at least 30 minutes on most days of the week.
- Maintaining a healthy weight is a major step in improving cholesterol levels and preventing excess weight gain.
- Increase your muscle mass to improve blood sugar control, cholesterol and increase your metabolic rate. Try a combination of walking and lifting weights.



### 3. STRESS LESS

- Reduce controllable stressors like smoking and drinking alcohol. Don't worry about things out of your control, like traffic, the weather or football scores.

Heart disease is preventable and controllable by taking responsibility for your health and practicing PREVENTION. If you are concerned about being at increased risk for heart disease, then it's important to consult with your physician and start to implement daily nutrition, exercise and lifestyle steps towards improving your health.

For additional support:

In the meantime, reach out to me if you have any questions and have a great February!

- Ben

Ben Brown is the Nutritionist for Advantage Training. He believes the key to a successful nutrition plan rests on changing one's habits, rather than focusing on good and bad foods. You can connect directly to Ben by clicking on My Message Center/Talk to a Nutritionist inside the My PCI Wellness online portal.



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# YOUR HEALTH MATTERS

## Small Decisions Make Big Things Happen

## Exercise: The Heart Disease Fighter

**Heart disease can have a big impact, not just on your health but also your wallet.** A severe heart attack can cost up to 1 million dollars! The *National Business Group on Health* states that this high amount comes from both direct and indirect costs. The direct costs are hospital bills, visits to your doctor's office and the money spent on prescription drugs. Time away from work and lost productivity are what make up the indirect costs. There are ways to lower these costs and potentially avoid them all together.

Exercise is the "Heart Disease Fighter," which can lower your risk of having a heart attack by 50%! Both strength training and cardiovascular training improve your heart's health.

### Benefits of Strength Training:

- **Improves heart function:** It helps with our circulation as well as blood pressure.
- **Increases dilation of blood vessels:** It improves blood flow back to the heart and reduces artery stiffness.
- **A fast way to lose body fat:** A small change in weight can have a big impact. Reducing your weight by only 10% can lower your blood pressure, reduce your total cholesterol and decrease your risk of diabetes.

### Benefits of Cardiovascular Training:

- **Improves heart strength:** This is a key component to combating heart disease and complications from heart disease. A stronger heart means better circulation, lower blood pressure and increased stamina.
- **Lowers body fat:** This leads to increased energy levels and a better quality sleep.

### 3 Ways to Incorporate Exercise into your Daily Schedule:

1. **Exercise 30 to 60 minutes, 3 to 5 Times a week:** If you don't know where to start, contact Poarch Creek Recreation and get started on the Advantage Training workout program.
2. **Make your daily activities mini workouts:** For example, instead of parking right by the door at work, park far away and walk the distance. Another example is taking the stairs instead of the elevator or escalator. These mini workouts add up to big results!



### 3. Play games, go for a bike ride and make your training fun!

You can compete against a friend in your training program, or simply train with friends. Your fitness training should be enjoyable and challenging. Getting out of your comfort zones and pushing yourself in a healthy way is extremely beneficial.

Challenge yourself to be physically active everyday, incorporate both strength training and cardiovascular training into your fitness program. With exercise we can combat many diseases and improve our overall heart health. Make exercise your "Heart Disease Fighter!"

Win the Day!  
Spencer

Spencer Tatum is the National Training Director for Advantage Training. He has worked with all levels of fitness and currently oversees all of the program writing at Poarch Recreation. You can connect directly to Spencer by clicking on My Message Center/Talk to a Trainer inside the My PCI Wellness online portal.



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# TRIBAL GAMING COMMISSION

## NEWS & INFORMATION

### TRIBAL GAMING COMMISSION AUDIT DIRECTOR

#### PUBLISHED IN INDIAN GAMING MAGAZINE



Mr. William "Billy" Byrne, Tribal Gaming Commission Director of Audit, recently published an article in the December 2013 volume of Indian Gaming. Mr. Byrne's article entitled "*Player Tracking Risks and Controls*" outlined the many ins and outs of gaming player tracking and the advances that have been made within the industry.

Mr. Byrne's article can be

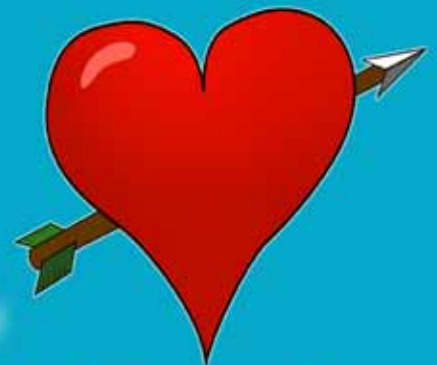
accessed on the web at: <http://www.indiangaming.com/magazine/InternalAudit/PlayerTrackingRisksandControls> - by Billy Byrne.

The Tribal Gaming Commission is very proud of Billy for the hard work and research that went into this task as well as the recognition gained by the Poarch Creek Indian Tribe in the world of Indian Gaming regulation.

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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.

Working as the economic development arm of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority (CIEDA) oversees the non-gaming enterprises owned by the Tribe. CIEDA actively supports each business achieving their specific business goals and to grow and maintain economic sustainability as put forth by the CIEDA Board of Directors and Tribal Council.

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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.

Other sites that may be of interest to Tribal Members include:

Farm Service Agencies

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

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

USDA Rural Development

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

[www.rurdev.usa.gov/al](http://www.rurdev.usa.gov/al)

Alabama Forestry Commission

[www.forestry.state.al.us](http://www.forestry.state.al.us)

Contact David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison, at (251) 368-0826 or 5535 Poarch Road, Atmore, AL for more information.



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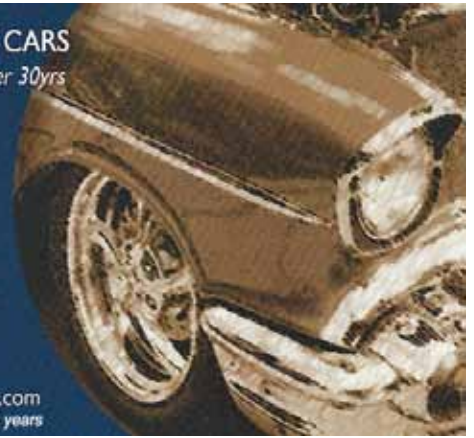
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Not all letters in the left and right of the empty box are used; it's up to you to discover which ones are needed to complete the familiar words. Some letters may fit in more than one of the empty squares to complete words; however, only one arrangement of all the letters of the alphabet will complete a word in each row. Plurals and proper names are not allowed.

See example in bold below. The answer will be published in next month's issue.

## January Answer Do As You Are Told

1. COOKINGCLASSES
2. COOKINGCLASTSTEST
3. CEEKINGCLASTSTEST
4. EEKINGLASTSTEST
5. EEMINGLASTSTEST
6. EEMINGFASTSTEST
7. ESTEEMINGFASTST
8. ESTEEMINGFSTSTA
9. ESTEMINGFSTESTA
10. ESTEMINGFSTTESTA
11. ESTEMINGOFSTTESTA
12. ESTEMINGOFHTTEHTA
13. ESTEWMINGOFHTTEHTA
14. ESTEWMINGOFHTTHETA
15. ESTEWMINGOFTHTHETA
16. THETAMINGOFTHESTEW

Answer: THE TAMING OF THE STEW

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<b>B</b>	T	N	U	S	T	E		C	E	R	P	T	I
<b>C</b>	A	K	O	<b>T</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>E</b>	R
<b>D</b>	T	R	R	W	I	D		S	T	H	V	S	E
<b>E</b>	F	L	K	T	C	R		W	B	A	R	E	E
<b>F</b>	O	E	A	B	E	D		O	O	M	T	E	R
<b>G</b>	A	T	T	E	N	T		V	E	N	N	E	U
<b>H</b>	M	P	L	I	G	H		V	T	I	E	S	V
<b>I</b>	W	A	E	N	P	N		E	R	S	U	S	K
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<b>L</b>	A	W	S	B	O	N		O	U	R	B	T	L
<b>M</b>	T	A	K	O	O	I		O	G	U	R	T	U
<b>N</b>	I	S	T	R	N	G		L	A	R	E	U	P
<b>O</b>	O	O	E	K	N	A		E	L	E	S	S	A
<b>P</b>	H	S	H	A	P	E		Y	A	O	T	N	E
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<b>U</b>	R	H	L	A	R	V		E	L	I	C	A	N
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<b>W</b>	E	C	E	P	S	W		A	R	B	L	E	M
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A school teacher injured his back and had to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. It fit under his shirt and was not noticeable at all. On the first day of the term, still with the cast under his shirt, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in school. Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, he opened the window as wide as possible and then busied himself with desk work. When a strong breeze made his tie flap, he took the desk stapler and stapled the tie to his chest. He had no trouble with discipline that term.

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# FEBRUARY (*H<sub>O</sub>T V L Ē - H<sub>V</sub> S E*) 2014

## ***Tribal Council Meetings***

Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm  
Tribal Council Chambers

## ***Tribal Court Sessions***

Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am  
Tribal Courtroom

## ***CIEDA Meetings***

Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 7:30 am  
CIEDA Offices

## ***CMCA***

Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm  
Museum

## ***Housing Authority Meetings***

Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm  
Building 400 Conference Room

## ***Recreation Authority Meetings***

Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am  
Recreation Department (Gym)

## ***TERO Commission Meetings***

Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm  
TERO Offices

***Pool & Splash Pad Closed For Winter***

## ***Batting Cages***

Friday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

***Closed if rain/inclement weather and when temperatures are below 60 degrees***

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

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

## ***February 14, 2014***

***NAYO Basketball Registration Deadline***

***January 6, 2014 - February 15, 2014***

***Wee Ball & Tee Ball Registration***

***January 6, 2014 - March 1, 2014***

***Baseball & Softball Registration***

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

### ***By Appointment***

Monday & Tuesday  
8:00 am - 11:00 am or  
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## ***4-H Club***

Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm  
Education Department

## ***Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace***

### ***University Classes Ongoing***

Home based kits available.  
Contact Annie Nowak at (251) 368-9136 x 2043 or [anowak@pci-nsn.gov](mailto:anowak@pci-nsn.gov) for more information

***Wednesday, February 5 2014***

***5:00 p.m. (CST) Deadline to submit information to be published in the March 2014 newsletter.***

***Friday, February 14, 2014***

### ***Breakfast Briefing***

***7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.***

***Auditorium of Building 500***

***Featured Department: Family Services***

***Light breakfast will be served.***

***Monday, February 17, 2014***

***Tribal Offices & Boys & Girls Club Closed***

***In observance of President's Day***

***Tuesday, February 18, 2014***

***An Evening With The Elders***

***6:00 p.m. @ Auditorium Building 500***

***February 18, 19, 20, 2014***

***LIHEAP Assistance***

***First Come, First Served***

***See page 28 for priority applicants***

***Family Services Department***

***February 21-28, 2014***

***Health Clinic Closed***

***In preparation of move to new facility***

***Reopen Monday, March 3, 2014***

***Thursday, February 27, 2014***

***Free Retinal Screening***

***Premiere Family Eyecare***

***2:00 pm - 3:30 pm***

***Friday, February 28, 2014***

***Last day to submit application for board vacancies***

## ***Important Upcoming Events***

***Escambia County Steer & Heifer Show***

***Thursday, March 6, 2014***

***Perdido River Farms***

***Easter Egg Hunt***

***Saturday, April 5, 2014***

***Age birth - 12 years old***

***Hosted by Family Services Department***

## ***Newsletter Contact Information***

### ***Poarch Creek News***

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