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# THE EDITOR

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The newsletter is furnished to the Head of Household (HOH) of all Tribal Member homes, widows/widowers of deceased Tribal Members, and

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We reserve the right to edit or refuse any item submitted for publication.

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Please keep the established *Photo* deadline in mind when are line submitting information for submit publication.

Submissions are limited to information pertaining to, or of interest to, Tribal Members & spouses, First Generation & spouses, and those living in a Tribal Member household.

**Contact Information** Always provide contact information when submitting information for the newsletter.

Word Limitations Due to space limitations, articles submitted for publication should be limited to 500 words or less. Birthday wishes are limited to 30 words or less, excluding the name and date in the title of the birthday wish.

Photo Submissions: Photos are limited to one per article submission. Please submit photos in PDF or high resolution .jpg format. Distasteful or inappropriate photos will not be published. Original photos may be brought in or sent to the Poarch Creek News; photos will be scanned, saved, and returned.

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

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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 date in the title of the birthday wish.

# STAY IN THE KNOW!

The *Tribal Members Only Portal (TMOP)* for Tribal Members age 18 and above is located on the left sidebar of the web site's home page, 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.

The TMOP is not 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 are 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.

You may also receive updated news and information on the Tribe's Facebook page at <u>facebook.com/PoarchBandofCreekIndians</u>. You can also follow the Tribe on Twitter at <u>twitter.com/PoarchCreek</u>.

The Tribe's web site, Facebook, Twitter, and TMDE accounts are maintained by the Government Relations Department. Please contact Hannah Flowers at (251) 368-9136 x 2003 if you have any questions or concerns.



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# KEEP YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATED!

In order for the annual Tribal It is Member holiday distributions to be processed accurately, Tribal Member Benefits needs to be informed of any changes you may have to your current banking account or address.

Please contact the Tribal Member Benefits Department at (251) 368-9136 x 2209 or 2207 so that a new Direct Deposit Form can be mailed to you to be completed and returned for processing.

very important to your Tribal Census keep information up to date. When no forwarding addresses, etc. preparing the newsletter for These newsletters are held for publication each month an updated Head Of Household mailing list is obtained from Tribal Enrollment to ensure that the address information is current and up-to-date.

Unfortunately each month Post Office returns numerous newsletters that information. undeliverable due to are incorrect or incomplete

addresses, no mail receptacle, individual moved and left one month after publication, if the individual does not claim their newsletter, it is forwarded for recycling.

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Tuesday, October 21, 2014
6:00 p.m. Wind Creek Casino Ballroom
Dinner will be provided.

RSVP Helen Hallman (251) 253-5140 or Cindy Martin (251) 253-4341



http://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/

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While breast cancer in men isn't common, it does occur. In fact, about 1 out of every 100 cases of breast cancer occurs in men. As in women, breast cancer in men can cause breast masses or lumps, changes in the skin overlying the breast like dimpling or puckering, and changes in the nipple such as retraction or scaling and redness.

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# A OMENT WITH THE TRIBAL HAIR OCTOBER, 2014

Stephanie A. Bryan, Tribal Chair/sbryan@pci-nsn.gov

It is slowly but surely beginning to feel like fall as cooler temperatures emerge on the scene. This is definitely a wonderful change from the oppressive heat we have experienced this summer. But, despite the heat, I'm thankful that we have a beautiful place to go cool off and spend time with our families. That place is none other than Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve.

Many wonderful enhancements have been made at Magnolia Branch. I hope that all of you were able to enjoy these improvements at this year's annual Sovereignty Celebration. I certainly enjoyed the food and fellowship at our annual celebration, and I trust you did also. We are constantly striving to make this event better each year; therefore, if you would like to make recommendations regarding the Sovereignty Celebration, please contact Tierney Lancaster at tlancaster@pci-nsn.gov. Also, a big THANK YOU goes out to all of the staff at Magnolia Branch. All of you are doing a great job; keep up the good work!

Fall celebrations and carnivals as well as hunting season are just around the corner. In a few short weeks, hunters will be able to take advantage of the PCI hunting club. Many have worked tirelessly for countless hours to make this club a success. I would like to thank these dedicated individuals for their efforts and commitment to enhancing our lands. Whether it is on Tribal lands or elsewhere, I pray that

all of you will wear your orange and practice safety during the hunting season. I also hope that you all will be safe as you enjoy your Fall Celebrations...try not to eat too much candy!

As always, your Tribal Council and I continue to stay involved in the ever-changing issues affecting our Tribe. We work to ensure that we have representation and a voice at the local, state and national levels of government. Recently, some productive meetings have been held with county officials as well as Florida officials. We are hopeful that this will result in some positive relationships between the Tribe and these entities. Please rest assured that we are here for you and will continue to advocate with your best interests and that of the Tribe in mind.

We recently held another community meeting regarding Tribal enrollment and had a record attendance. This lets us know that you are as concerned as we are about this issue and are willing to speak up regarding the issues we are facing. We hold these meetings so each of you will have the chance to express your concerns or opinions and ask questions that you may have. Your questions are always taken back to the table and considered as we continue sorting through this extremely delicate and crucial issue. Please be aware that we will be hosting subsequent Tribal community meetings. For that reason, be looking for upcoming advertisements of future meetings regarding enrollment.

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Tribal offices were closed Friday, September 26, 2014 in observance of American Indian Day, but let's not forget that next month (November) is Native American heritage month. Our culture and heritage is what makes us the unique individuals that we are. As such, I encourage you all to get involved with cultural classes and learn as much as you can about the history, heritage and culture of our people, the Poarch Creek Indians. It is so important that we pass this knowledge down to our children as well. In this manner, we will continue to have a vibrant Creek culture that will be sustainable for generations to come.

In closing, please remember that my door is always open to you. If you have an issue, a

need, or simply need to talk, please know that I am here for you. You all are very important to me, and I will see to your needs to the best of my ability. I ask that you pray for our Tribal Members who are fighting medical battles as well as their families. Also, pray that God will give the caregivers the strength and ability that is needed to get through these difficult times. May He continue to bless you and our Tribe.

Much love from me to you,

Stephanie A. Bryan

Autumn is the perfect time to take account of what we've done, what we didn't do, and what we'd like to do next year. – Author Unknown



# Tribal Loan Portal Credit Card Payments

Tribal Government Finance has established a Tribal Loan Portal accessible to Tribal Members Only through a link on the front page of the Tribe's web site at www.pci-nsn. gov. The **Pay Tribal Bill Here** link is on the left sidebar of the homepage under the Tribal Member Portal heading. Tribal Finance will

provide usernames and passwords for the Tribal Loan Portal to all Tribal Members with a current loan as well as future Tribal loan program participants.

Tribal Government now accepts Tribal loan payments via VISA and Master Card through the Tribal Loan Portal or on-site payments at Tribal Government. VISA and Master Card payments are not accepted for other programs at this time.

If you have any questions please call Candy Byrd at 251-368-9136 ext. 2006 or Deborah Hammons at 251-368-9136 ext. 2007.

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# Your 2014-2015 Tribal Council



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Sandy Hollinger, At-Large shollinger@pci-nsn.gov

#### \*OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

During the June 19, 2014 Tribal Council meeting, Treasurer Robbie McGhee was appointed by the Tribal Council to temporarily fill the Vice Chair position vacated by Tribal Chair Stephanie Bryan until a special election can be held on December 6, 2014 to elect a Vice Chair. At-Large member Arthur Mothershed was appointed by the Tribal Council to temporarily fill the Treasurer's position until the special election. Once the special election has been held, Robbie and Arthur will resume their regular positions on the Council.



Kevin McGhee, At-Large kdmcghee@pcigaming.com

# 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.



Keith Martin, At-Large kmartin@pci-nsn.gov



Garvis Sells, At-Large gsells@pci-nsn.gov

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David Gehman, Secretary/dgehman@pci-nsn.gov

2014 Tribal Sovereignty Celebration was a very good time to be together and to visit with our Tribal families. Although the temperature was hot, we were blessed to be outdoors in the beautiful Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve. I hope each of you went away with more than just a gift, I hope you made great memories and grew closer together with our people. special "Thank You" to the staff and volunteers that worked hard to insure a successful and safe event. May we all be grateful and thank God for our tribal benefits.

The rapid growth and success we have experienced in recent years has been remarkable. New businesses include Town Place Suites by Marriott, now under construction at Redstone Arsenal, Gate 9, Huntsville, Alabama. Tentative opening is July, 2015. The Ft. Walton Holiday Beach Resort is performing very well with a current ranking of number

one hotel resort in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida. We have seen a transformation of the old Brantley Tires buildings, recently cleaned up and remodeled to accommodate fabrication and welding of very heavy fluid pumps and specialized tools used to erect wind farm turbines. Our partnership with GKN Aerospace Industries has led to construction of climate controlled sub-zero storage areas under the roof of Muskogee Technologies. A unique fabric used in manufacturing composite structures, such as civilian and military aircraft, is stored for GKN in our facility, with opportunity to perform some prep work on the materials such as cutting and kiting. Through the Tribe, we are blessed to have jobs available, we are recruiting new workers, and providing employment to over 3,000 workers.

Keith Martin, Garvis Sells, and I serve as the Land & Natural Resources Legislative Committee. The future development of our Tribe is based on available land for economic development, housing, education, recreation and cultural uses. I invite you to visit us and take a tour of tribal lands, but please call or email us to schedule. We want to see our community lands preserved, not loaded into trucks and taken away as gravel mining businesses could do with 700 plus acres in the heart of Poarch. God has blessed us with beautiful land. Harvest time is here for cotton, peanuts and fall gardens. Fall also means Thanksgiving and Pow Wow will soon occur. Remember time changes on Sunday, November 2nd, we fall back an hour. May God bless and keep you, your family, and our Tribe.

If I can be of assistance, please call or email. 251-253-8219 or dgehman@pci-nsn.gov.

# 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.



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#### 2014 Tribal Council Special Election Notice

WHEN: December 6, 2014

**LOCATION:** PCI Community Resource

Building (old SAIL Center)

**TIME\*:** 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

PURPOSE: To elect a Tribal Vice-Chairman to serve the remainder of current term-until the annual election in June 2015 and vote on Constitutional Amendment to Amend Vacancy Provisions for Council Members.

#### **DEADLINE TO DECLARE CANDIDACY:**

5:00 p.m. Monday, October 6, 2014 To have name printed on official ballot.

5:00 p.m. Thursday, November 6, 2014 To be included as a Write-In candidate.

### DEADLINE TO PUBLISH BIO & PHOTO IN POARCH CREEK NEWS:

Candidates wishing to publish a biography and photo in the November 2014 issue of the *Poarch Creek News* must submit their biography and photo to the Election Board, by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 6, 2014.

Biographies are limited to 500 words or less and cannot contain political platform or views. Digital copies of biographies and photos are preferred and may be submitted by email to Elections@pci-nsn.gov. Any portion of the biography which seems to contain political views, as determined by the Election Board, will be stricken from the biography.

Contact Edie Jackson, Election Board Chairman, at (251) 368-9136 x 2231, (251) 446-5231 or ejackson@pci-nsn.gov if you have any questions or need more information.

\*All times are Central Standard Time (CST).

If you <u>requested</u>, <u>received</u>, <u>and returned</u> an Absentee Ballot for the 2014 General Election in June, you will automatically receive an Absentee Ballot for the Special Election on December 6, 2014.

#### 2014 Tribal Council Election Calendar

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014 – Deadline to submit Letter of Candidacy to Election Board for name to be included on official ballot.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014 – Deadline to submit biography and photo for publication in November 2014 issue of *Poarch Creek News*.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014 – Names of candidates and any proposed constitutional amendments, ordinances and/or resolutions will be posted.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2014 – Last day to submit Letter of Candidacy for Tribal Council to be a Write-in on Ballot. Any additional names of candidates will be posted within 10 days.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2014 — Walk-in voting starts. Open daily from 9:00\* a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except for Sunday, November 30, 2014. Walk-In voting will be open during Pow Wow.

<u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>NOVEMBER 25</u>, <u>2014</u> – Last day to request Absentee Ballot be mailed out.

<u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>DECEMBER 5</u>, <u>2014</u> – Walk-in voting ends at 6:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014** – Deadline to receive Absentee Ballots at 5:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2014** – Tribal Election Day. Polls open 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at PCI Community Resource building (old SAIL Center).

### RESULTS OF 2014 TRIBAL SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE POSTED AT/ON:

- PCI Community Resource Building (Old SAIL Center back door),
- Tribal Center on the Community Bulletin Board,
- Tribal web site at *pci-nsn.gov*,
- Tribal social media pages:
  - facebook.com/PoarchBandofCreekIndians
  - twitter.com/Poarch Creek, and
- Published in the January 2015 issue of the *Poarch Creek News*.

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### ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

#### 2014 POARCH CREEK INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL SPECIAL ELECTION SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2014



I,will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on or	, am a before December 6, 20	n enrolled member of th	ne Poarch Creek Indians, and				
When requesting a ballot one will be mailed to you for the following elections: December 6, 2014.							
Please send an Absentee Ballot to me at the address	listed below:						
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OR EMAIL:	ELECTIONS@PCI	-NSN.GOV					
Should you have any questions pertaining to contact Edie Jackson at (251) 368-9136 ext		_	, please feel free to				

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The ALS Ice Bucket Challenge has taken America by storm; Poarch Creek Tribal Council and staff were proud to be a part of the phenomenon.

Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), often referred to as "Lou Gehrig's Disease," is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. Motor neurons reach from the brain to the spinal cord and from the spinal cord to the muscles throughout the body. The progressive degeneration of the motor neurons in ALS eventually leads to their death. When the motor neurons die, the ability of the brain to initiate and control muscle movement is lost. With voluntary muscle action progressively affected, patients in the later stages of the disease may become totally paralyzed.

The ALS Ice Bucket Challenge, sometimes called the Cold Water Challenge, involves people getting doused with buckets of ice water, or jumping into cold water, while being videotaped, the video is then posted to social media, then nominating others to do the same, all in an effort to raise ALS awareness. People can either accept the challenge or make a donation to an ALS Charity of their choice, or do both. The Tribe elected to do both, the dumping of ice water and making a donation.

The Tribal Council and Tribal Government employees were challenged to take the "Chill Spill" on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. The Tribe was also challenged to match employee donations. A total of \$1,727.30 was donated by employees; the Tribe matched this amount bringing the total donation to \$3,454.60.

Videos have been posted on the Tribe's Facebook page at facebook.com/PoarchBandOfCreekIndians. We are sure these hilarious videos have been shared throughout Indian Country as well as across the nation.

Photos of the Ice Bucket Challenge have been posted on the Community Life page of the Tribal web site www.pci-nsn.gov.

Gayle Johnson, Media Specialist



Panel discussion with Dr. Phillip Carr, Eddie L. Tullis, Robert Thrower, and Dr. Gregory Waselkov

In early July of 1813, a number of Red Stick Creeks departed from Holy Ground. Their destination? Spanish territory, specifically the rapidly growing town of Pensacola. Their mission? To petition Spanish Governor Manique for ammunition and gunpowder. Such was the beginning of what was to become known as the Creek Wars of 1813-1814. Also known as the Red Stick War, the Creek War was a civil war between Red Stick Creeks from northern Creek Towns, the United States, and the friendly Creeks of the Tensaw area. As with all civil wars, the Creek nation was divided with family members fighting on both sides. The end result? The Treaty of Ft. Jackson, the loss of over 23 million acres of land in Alabama and Georgia, and ultimately the removal of Creeks and other Tribes on the Trail of Tears.

On Saturday, August 23, 2014 the Office of Archives and Records Management and the Tribal Historic Preservation Review Board hosted a conference observing the 200th anniversary of the Red Stick War of 1813-14. The conference program

"Planting Seeds of Knowledge" included Creek Hymns presented by Kenny Shivers, the 2014 graduating class of the Fred L. McGhee Learning Center, and Princesses Sidney Lisenby and Breanna Hall; stomp dancing by Hysossy Tallyhassee; and presentations by Robert Thrower, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Deidra Dees, Tribal Archivist, and Ellen O'Barr, Records Coordinator. Attorney General Lori Stinson presented an overview of the Treaty of Ft. Jackson. Did you know that only one 'hostile' Creek chief signed the Treaty of Ft. Jackson? The rest of the Creeks signing the treaty were friendly Creeks.

Dr. Gregory Waselkov, Professor of Anthropology from the University of South Alabama gave an informational presentation on 'A Conquering Spirit: Fort Mims and the Redstick War of 1813-14'. After lunch University of South Alabama's Associate Professor Dr. Phillip Carr, addressed the issue of 'What Do Textbooks Tell Us About Creeks?" Let me tell you, very little and what they do tell is often misleading or completely incorrect.

There was also a panel discussion on the Red Stick War led by former Chairman Eddie L. Tullis who was joined by Robert Thrower, Dr. Waselkov, and Dr. Carr.

Part of the draw to the conference, was the Boys & Girls Club Art Show which featured the artwork of 152 young artists. First place winners in the five age categories were Levi McGhee, age 4-5 category; Brayden Jackson, age 6-7 age category; DeAsia Wilson, age 8-10 category; Jacelyn Chunn, age 11-13 category; and Tyler Sells, age 14-18 category.

The event concluded with Evening With The Elders featuring Dr. J. Anthony Parades' interviews with Elders Roberta Sells, Joyce McGhee, Gertrude Walker Rolin, Jack Daughtry, and Ruby Barnhill.

Approximately 260 attended the conference throughout the day. All left with positive comments, a new outlook on Tribal history, and a thirst for more knowledge of the life and times of our ancestors.

Gayle Johnson, Media Specialist

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# SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR USET VETERANS

## COMMITTEE

The Poarch Creek Indians Tribal Council is actively seeking applicants to serve on the United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) Veterans Committee. If you are interested, please prepare a letter which explains why you are a good candidate for this committee. Your contact information (mailing address, phone numbers, and e-mail) should also be included. Letters should be delivered to:

Poarch Band of Creek Indians Attn: Kelli Ramer 5811 Jack Springs Road Atmore, AL 36502



Should you have any questions, please contact Kelli Ramer, Tribal Council Liaison, at (251) 446-1140. The deadline for submitting your application is 5:00 p.m. Friday, October 31, 2014.

# The Gathering At Horseshoe Bend

The Native American Ministries Team invites the community to:

A Time of Remembering, Storytelling, & Sharing of Meal at Horseshoe Bend Park

Saturday, November 15, 2014

10:00 AM
Gathering and walk around the park
11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Storytelling, video, meal, etc.

Admission to Park is Free! Event is free! Meal: \$5.00 donation; children 12 and under FREE

Horseshoe Bend National Park 11288 Horseshoe Bend Rd. Daviston, AL 36256

Email: dmccullers@umcna.org to register; Online registration to come soon!

This event is sponsored by the Native American Ministries Team, North Alabama Conference United Methodist Church.

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#### Mark Eric Walker Hollis James "Mose" Hicks **Emmee Gracyn Hayes** September 5, 2014 September 8, 2014 September 11, 2014 Happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday Emmee Gracyn! Happy 28th birthday MarkE. Hope you Happy birthday to Hollis James "Mose" have the best birthday ever! We are all You are a ray of sunshine and we love you Hicks on September 11, 2014. so very proud of you!! very much! We love you, your family. Love, Mama, Daddy, Memaw, Papa, Aunt Love, Mama, Tommy, and the whole Meg, and all your family. family. **Shane Gibson** Lance Hodges Tori White September 12, 2014 September 17, 2014 September 18, 2014 Happy 12th birthday Tori! Happy 34th birthday Lance! Happy birthday Shane! We love you! We love you! From your co-workers at Rolin Construction. Mom, Dad, Drake, & Dalton. Love, your family. Jason Countryman Karleigh Patrick Alaina Hodges September 18, 2014 September 19, 2014 September 21, 2014



Happy birthday Jason! From your co-workers at Rolin Construction.



Happy 10th birthday Karleigh! We love you! Love, your family.



Happy 14th birthday Alaina! We love you! Love, your family.

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Jack D. Colbert

October 2, 2014

Your family would like to wish you a happy "50th" birthday!!!

We love you!!!!



Susan Spruill

Happy birthday Susan!

We love you!

From your family, especially Josh, KK, and Mark.



**Gracie Mae Griffey** 

October 11, 2014

Happy birthday to our baby girl, Gracie Mae! We are so proud of the young lady you are becoming.

Love your Mama, Daddy, Brother, and Sissy.

**Shannon Griffey** 

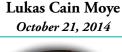
#### Eli Michael McGhee October 18, 2014



Eli Michael McGhee will celebrate his 4th birthday on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Eli is the son of Mike and Jennifer McGhee.

Happy Birthday! We love you!





Happy birthday Luke!

We love you!

Momma, Cody, Madyson, Ben, Nannie, & Papa.

**Dalton Walker** 

October 30, 2014



Happy birthday Shannon!

We love you!

From your family.

#### Magan Daughtry October 23, 2014



Happy 30th birthday!

We love you! Praying God blesses you with many more!!

Love, Trevor, Gabby, & Samuel.



Happy 17th birthday Dalton!

We love you!

Mom, Mark, Drake, & Tori.



**Connie Vickery** 

October 29, 2014

Happy 51st birthday Connie!

We love you!

From your friends, family, and coworkers!





# Ada Elizabeth Sells August 6, 2014

Shelton and Christyn Sells proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Ada Elizabeth Sells, on Wednesday, August 6, 2014. Ada was born at Mobile Infirmary in Mobile, AL. At birth she weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Ada is the paternal granddaughter of Frank and Pat Andrews of Atmore, AL., Mark and Nancy Haddix of Bay Minette, AL., and James and Ann Lindsey of Dauphin Island, AL. She is the great-granddaughter of Lucille Sells of Atmore, AL. and Betty Bryars Lindsey of Mobile, AL.



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# Mark & Vicki OHNSON SEPTEMBER 12, 2014

Vicki Johnson and celebrated 18 years of marriage on September 12, 2014.

After all these years, you are still the one! Congratulations!

With love from your boys, grandchildren, and family.





# CHRIS & THERESA

# Rutherford OCTOBER 15, 2014

and Theresa (Jackson) hris Rutherford will celebrate their 6th wedding anniversary on October 15, 2014!

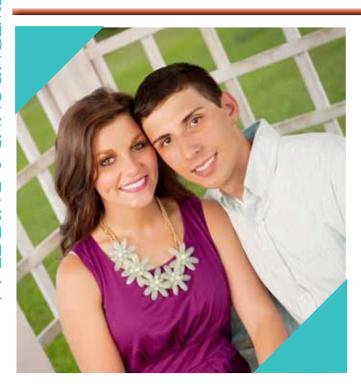
Hope you are blessed with many more years together!!!

Love, your family.



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# MITH & NICHOLS WED



Teresa and Jay Nichols of Atmore, Alabama announce the marriage of their daughter, Morgan Elise Nichols, to Nathan Palle Smith, son of Mr. Randall Smith of Slidell, Louisiana and Ms. Paula Smith of Atmore, Alabama.

Morgan's grandparents are Rosemary and James Womack and Gayle Pearson of Atmore, Alabama and J.W. Nichols of Mc David, Florida.

Nathan's grandparents are the late Eva Pearl and late Palle Steen Hansen of Atmore, Alabama and Alice Smith Green of Slidell, Louisiana and the late Don Edward Smith, Sr. of Mandeville, Louisiana

The bride graduated from Escambia County High School in 2011 as Salutatorian. She is a 2013 graduate of Faulkner State Community College where she earned an Associate's Degree in Pre-Medicine. Morgan currently attends The University of South Alabama and is pursuing a Bachelors degree in Professional Health Sciences, with a concentration in Health Care Management. She will graduate in the Spring of 2015. Morgan is currently employed at Jus Because.

The groom graduated from Escambia Academy in 2010. He is a 2013 graduate of Faulkner State Community College where he earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice. Nathan is currently employed with Turning Leaf Construction.

The couple was united in marriage on Saturday, September 13, 2014. A reception followed at The Matthews' Hunting Camp.

The couple enjoyed a honeymoon in Turks and Caicos and returned to reside in Atmore, Alabama.



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# In Memory Of Lottie Lee "McGhee" Daughtry Duerst September 23, 1931 - August 1, 2014

Our beloved community lost Lottie Lee "McGhee" Daughtry Duerst on August 1, 2014. Fellow Tribal Members and family showed great love and support through their visits, supplies, meals, flowers, and prayers during this time.

Lottie's family would like to extend their gratitude to everyone who assisted them throughout this hardship. Your assistance was heartwarming and appreciated more than you may realize.



Lottie will be greatly missed, but her traditions and character will live on through her surviving family which includes 2 brothers, 6 children, 12 grandchildren, and 23 great grandchildren.

Sincerely, Lottie's family.

# In Memory Of Dennis Vickery March 5, 1955 - October 9, 2012

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF BROTHER

Moved to Heaven, not gone away
Thoughts of you I have each day.
Gone to God in that silent land,
You walk with angels hand in hand.
All our dreams and all our plans
No more to do, I understand.
Memories now rush my mind
Up in Heaven, I know you're fine.
On with life, I pray each day,



Some sweet time, I'll be on my way.
I'll join you in Heaven's land
Where eternal life will be GRAND!

Author unknown

Submitted by Connie Vickery

### STEADHAM REUNION

Sunday, October 5, 2014

10:00 a.m. until

Steadham Chapel

Bring a covered dish! Everyone Welcome

For more information contact Kenneth Steadham at: (813) 802-1937

## DAVID MCGHEE FAMILY REUNION

Saturday, October 4, 2014

12:00 noon

United Pentecostal Church North Main Street, Atmore

Church is located directly across from Walmart in Atmore

Please contact Charles or Debbie Bray at: braydeb54@yahoo.com

# Huxford Elementary School Fall Carnival

Auction & Country Store

Thursday October 2, 2014

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For more information contact Vicky Burkett at (251) 253-1643 or vickyburkett@yahoo.com.

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# GIBSON MEETS OLYMPIAN

Ashley Gibson, a 9th grade student at WS Neal High School in Brewton, is catcher for WS Neal's girl's softball team and is a member of the Tribe's NAYO Softball and PCI Fall Travel Ball teams.

Ashley attended the National Pro Fastpitch Championship game in Hoover, AL in August. While at the game Ashley got to meet Jennie Finch, pitcher for Team USA in the Olympics – Gold Metal 2004 – Silver in 2008.

Ashley is the daughter of Gary and Angela Gibson and Paul and Selina Lynn Steele.



We are proud of Ashley and her accomplishments. We encourage her to be the best she can be. Her passion and enthusiasm for the game is remarkable and she puts heart into every play. She stands strong and represents PCI honorably.

Keep your dream alive and you CAN be a Team USA member!

Submitted by Selina Steele



# Poarch Community Garden Watch Us Grow!

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Veronica McGhee, Casual Help (251) 359-2669

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# ACOB COLBERT GRADUATES FROM AUBURN

Jacob M. Colbert of Perdido, Alabama, graduated from the College of Science and and received:

or Science degree in Geology
at Auburn University's commencement
ceremony, held on August 3, 2014.

While at Auburn, Colbert's activities
included 2014 Vice President of
Society of Exploration

is all Mathematics with Honors and received a

is also a member of Sigma Gamma Epsilon honor society, a member of the American Z Association of Petroleum Geologist, and the Geological Society of America. Colbert also served as an AU Explore Volunteer with the Geology Department. In addition, he served as a Teaching Assistant for two years.

Colbert was selected by his professors to assist in ongoing research projects for Auburn University. These included the quantitative geochemical analysis of the oil bearing shales in the Black Warrior Basin and field work mapping Horseshoe Bend National Military Park.



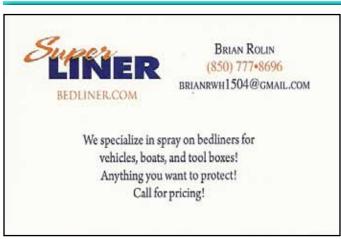
The summer of 2014 he worked for Southeast Metals LLC where he worked as an exploration geologist searching for rare earth elements.

Mr. Colbert plans to attend graduate school, after graduation.

Colbert is the grandson of Robbie and Judy Colbert of Perdido, AL and son of Keith Colbert of Atmore.

Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world.

Nelson Mandela





## Creek War Of 1813-1814

Submitted by Robert Thrower, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO)

#### The March Toward Burnt Corn Creek

Colonel Caller's militia When Stoddard, departed Fort their mission was intercept the to Redsticks returning from Pensacola and capture their ammunition.

His command first consisted of three small companies, two from St. Stephens and one from Washington County. They crossed the Tombigbee River at St. Stephens on Sunday, July 25, 1813, and then marched to Fort Glass, where he was reinforced by Captain Sam Dale's company. Caller's party was "... well mounted and carried their own rifles and guns, of every size and description." Among these weapons was Captain Dale's double barrel shotgun, an unusual weapon for that time. Colonel Caller was described as: "... wearing a calico hunting shirt, a high bellcrowned hat and top boots and riding a large fine bay horse." Leaving Fort Glass, the party spent the night at Sizemore's Ferry, and on Monday, July 26, 1813, crossed the Alabama River, with their horses swimming by the side of canoes. They marched to David Tate's cow-pens and then to the intersection of the Wolf Trail and Pensacola Road where they camped for the night. Here Colonel Caller received reinforcement from Captain Dixon Bailey's company from the Tensaw area.



Robert Thrower, THPO

Colonel Caller's force was now one hundred and eighty men strong, in six small companies, among these were white men, mixed bloods, and friendly Indians and James Cornells, who was seeking revenge for the burning of his home and kidnapping of his wife.

On July 27, 1813, they marched down Pensacola Road, which ran parallel with Burnt Corn Creek. Around 11:00 am, word arrived that the enemy was camped near Burnt Corn Creek, a few miles ahead, and that the Redsticks were engaged in cooking and eating. The decision was then made to take the Redsticks by surprise attack.

Next month: A Redstick Victory At Burnt Corn Creek

#### FROM THE SEA

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**CLAM** FOLAHVP

**BULLFROG** VPVVNV-RAKKO

OYSTER. **HUEREKO** 

SAND **OKTAHV** 

TIDE **UE-VLAKV** 

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

#### James Jackson Wilder, Jr. Veteran of the Month

Mr. Wilder graduated from J.M. Tate High School, Pensacola Jr. College, Community College of the Air Force, and Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

He worked for twenty years with Morrison, later known as Compass Group North America. There he earned promotions to the role of Regional Director of Operation. He currently has worked as District Manager with Trinity Service Group for the past two years.



James Jackson Wilker, Jr. TSgt. US Air Force Reserve

Mr. Wilder has been married to Cheryl Schroeder Wilder for 25 years. Their family consists of three children: Brandon Wilder, Blake Wilder and Brittany Wilder.

Mr. Wilder has served the community through the local church and the Kiwanis Club. He has served as Sunday School teacher, special event cook, and several roles in the Kiwanis Club including President.

James Jackson Wilder, Jr., one of many Tribal Members who have proudly served for their family, their Tribe, and their country.

#### Larry J. Jackson Veteran of the Month

Corporal Larry J. Jackson served in the United States Army, Battery B-6th Battalion & 8th Artillery-5th Army from 1966-1969 in Korea.

Larry dedicated his life to his tribal community and served as one of the first Tribal Police Officers with the Poarch Police Department and remained an officer for 19 years until his retirement in 2004.

Larry is the son of Mable (McGhee) Jackson and the late Alton Jackson, he has one sister, Catherine Sells, and three brothers, Ronnie Jackson, Don Jackson, and Eddie Jackson.

Larry was married to Linda (Sexton) Jackson and together they shared five (5) children, Theresa



Larry J. Jackson Corporal United States Army

Rutherford, Tracy Jackson, Larry Jackson Jr., Charles Waters, and Rhonda Solaas, fifteen (15) grandchildren, and seven (7) great-grandchildren.

Aside of dedicating his life to his tribal community, Larry enjoyed writing poetry, especially poetry that described things that he

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experienced growing up in the Poarch community and people that effected his life in some shape or form. Those who knew him knew that he was an Alabama Crimson Tide fan to the bone and enjoyed talking football to coworkers and to childhood friends about every play of the game!

We know that Larry is looking down from Heaven smiling about the accomplishments our Tribe has made and what our Tribe will accomplish in the future, and all the National Championships that Alabama has won!

From your children and the rest of your family: "Roll Tide Daddy! We love and miss you!"

Larry J. Jackson, one of many Tribal Members who have proudly served for their family, their Tribe, and their country.

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The Tribal Council approved the following physician, and the ALF management team. Level of Care Rate Schedule for the Please The level of care is based on the individual's 251-446-4899 for additional information. needs as determined by the Care Plan team which includes the individual, his/her

contact the Assisted Lavan Martin Assisted Living Facility. Administrator, Michelle Colbert Shaddix, at

#### LEVEL OF CARE PAYMENT RATE SCHEDULE



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#### LEVEL 2 – SUPPORTIVE CARE

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#### LEVEL 3 – COMPREHENSIVE CARE

1-Bedroom Unit - \$2,075 monthly 2-Bedroom Unit - \$2,430 monthly



# NEWS & INFORMATIO Upcoming schedule changes

Keep these closures and schedule changes in mind during the upcoming holidays:

November 11, 2014 Closed in observance of Veterans Day

November 24-25, 2014 Open all day

November 26-28, 2014 Closed in observance of Thanksgiving

December 22-23, 2014 Open all day December 24-26, 2014 Closed in observance of Christmas

December 29-31, 2014 Open All Day

Boys & Girls Club raised \$147.30 for the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge!

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## NEW FENCE AT Pow Wow Grounds

Due to the recent installment of the new fence at the Pow Wow Grounds, the Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority is asking that NO posters, flyers, signs, etc. be placed, tied, hung, etc. on the fence. This will help keep the fence around the facility in the best condition possible. If posters, signs, or flyers are placed on the fence, they will be removed without notification.

Please contact, Chris "Ding-Ding" Blackburn at 251-368-9136 x 2052 or Karla Martin at 251-368-9136 x 2655 with any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you for your cooperation!

### PRINCESS PRACTICE

The practice schedule for this year's Princess Contest is shown below. Practices will be held on Sunday afternoons in the Auditorium of Building 500.

October 5th 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

October 12th 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

October 19th 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

October 26th 2:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

#### TWO NEW AGE CATEGORIES HAVE **BEEN ADDED THIS YEAR!**

Little Miss<sup>(new)</sup> ages 4-7 Elementary ages 8-12

Junior ages 13-16

Senior ages 17-22

Elders<sup>(new)</sup> ages 55 & up

Please contact Karla Martin at (251) 368-9136 x 2655 or Kimberly Rackard at (251) 368-9136 x 2051 or via email at ksmartin@pci-nsn.gov or krackard@pci-nsn.gov for more information.

## Important Notices

#### ATTENTION ALL PAST TRIBAL PRINCESSES!

The Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority is gathering names and years of past Tribal Princesses for our records. If you were a past Tribal Princesses in the Elementary, Junior, or Senior division any year from 1971-2000, please contact the Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority-Kimberly Rackard at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2051.

#### THE GIFT SHOP WILL BE CLOSED ON OCTOBER 6TH AND 7TH.



## ARTIST MARKET

The Calvin McGhee Cultural Authority will be sponsoring the first ever Artist Market on December 5, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p m in Building 500, the old Family Services Bldg. Everyone is invited to buy items made by our Tribal Artisans.

All Tribal Member and 1st Generation Artisans are invited to come sell your arts at the Artist Market. If you are under 18 years old you can sell items but must be accompanied by an adult. If you plan on selling items there is a mandatory meeting November 24, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in Building 500, the old Family Services Bldg. Please bring your Tribal ID card or 1st generation letter to the meeting.

For more information please contact Margaret Baggett at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2648

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# JEWS & INFORMATION 2014-2015 SCHOOL SUPPLY

# Reimbursement Program

#### **SCHOOL UNIFORM & SUPPLIES**

- \$300 Reimbursement per child (No receipt required.)
- Must be Tribal Member or First Generation student who is entering 4K-12th grade in the 2014-2015 school year.

#### **COMPUTER REIMBURSEMENT**

- Every household with a Tribal Member or First Generation student is eligible for 1 computer device (includes iPad) every 4 years. \$600 maximum reimbursement per household (receipt and bank form is required.)
- PROGRAM WILL END OCTOBER 31, 2014.

- Must be a Tribal Member or First Generation student in 4K-12th Grade.
- Computer reimbursements will be electronically transferred into your account in 45 days or less.
- Each student must show proof of school enrollment, i.e. current school bill, letter from the school, copy of your child's report card from school year 2013-2014.
- Applications can be faxed to (251) 368-0809, emailed to Magen Weaver at mweaver@pci-nsn.gov, mailed to PCI Education Department at 5811 Jack Springs Road, Atmore, AL 36502, or dropped off at the Education Department.

If you have any questions please call the Education Department at (251) 368-9136 x 2021.

#### FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP

Dr. James Theeuwes Financial Aid Director Faulkner State Community College

Billie Smith Scholarship Compliance Specialist Poarch Creek Indians

Monday, November 10, 2014 Tribal Courtroom/Building 300 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Workshop is free and available to everyone Refreshments will be provided.

Contact Billie McGhee for more information or to let her know that you will attend (251) 368-9136 x 2243 or bmcghee@pci-nsn.gov.

#### FINANCIAL PEACE CLASSES

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Classes are currently underway. Enrollment is open to Tribal Members, First Generation Indian Descendants, and Tribal Employees. The home based kit that includes all materials to complete the course in the comfort of your own home, at your own pace, is also available.

Contact Bryan Fayard, Financial Education Coordinator, in the Education Department at (251) 368-9136 x 2504 or bfayard@pcinsn.gov for more information. Additional information may also be found on the Education page of the Tribe's official web site, www.pci-nsn.gov.

# 2014 Florida Indian Youth Program



Front row left to right are Noah Coon, Rachel Presley, Tyler Smith, Peyton Findley, Melea McGhee, Alexia Ross, and Denise Lister(Counselor). Middle row left to right are Bradley Rolin, Breanna Hall, Emily Fayard, Gabriella McGhee, Claire Dawe, Anna Rolin, and Mary Elizabeth Rolin. Back row left to right are Patrick Elliott, Colby Dalrymple, Dakota Rolin, Blake Crook, Dakota Lambeth, Steven Gibbs, and Nicholas Lambeth.

Another successful year for the Florida Indian Youth Program. Every year we go to Tallahassee for two weeks for this program. We had tribal youth from all over come together to learn about each other's culture. We had academic classes the youth attend during the day and lots of fun in the evenings. The photo above was taken before we went into the bowling alley.

We hope to have more of our Tribal youth attend next year. The applications will be in the Education Department around March and April.

So let's get the word out and have more of our Tribal youth attend. I'm so proud of each and everyone of these youth in this picture. They won awards, scholarships, plaques. I had several people come to me as we were out and about to tell me how much respect our youth have for adults and each other. I'm so proud of them! To the parents, thanks for your great work in raising these awesome students. I love them all.

Denise L. Lister, Counselor

## 2014 Summer Camp Program Assistance Deadline

The last day to turn in application for the 2014 Summer Camp Assistance Program will be close of business Wednesday, October 1, 2014.

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## NEWS & INFORMATION 2014 Kids Christmas Party

The Family Services Department will host the 2014 Kid's Christmas Party at the Wind Creek Cinema on Thursday, December 11, 2014.

- The times for the movie to start will be staggered to allow everyone a chance to see the movie.
- Movie start times are: 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, and
   7:15.
- Seating in each theater room is limited.
   Once a theater room is filled, the remaining participants will wait to see the movie at the next showing time.

- Food, including a hot dog, popcorn, and a drink, will be served prior to the movie starting.
- Each participant will be able to see the movie <u>one time</u> and then will be given an opportunity to take a picture with Santa and receive a Christmas gift.
- Plan to join us for this event and also take time to enjoy the beautiful Christmas lights in the Wind Creek Casino's amphitheater area!
- \*Please complete the Kid's Christmas Pre-Registration and return it to Michealine Deese by Friday, November 14, 2014.

## OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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 fmccloskey@pci-nsn. gov.

You are not alone. We are here to help you.

# Stop the Violence Prevent the Abuse

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!



# Poarch Creek Indians Family Services Department 2014 Tribal Kid's Christmas Party Pre-Registration Form



#### \*Children eligible to Pre-Register include:

- children between the ages of birth through 12 years of age, and
- children who reside in a tribal-member's household

\*\*Each child must be pre-registered to attend!\*\*

\*The Pre-Registration Form is due to the Family Services Department on or before Friday, November 14, 2014.

\*The Tribal Kid's Christmas Party will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at the Wind Creek Cinema.

**Pre-registration will not be accepted over the phone!**  2014 Tribal Kid's Christmas Party Pre-registration Form									
Parent/Guardian's Name: Home Address:	Roll #: Phone #: _								
*Please list child's name, date of birth, age, gender, and also list any family members planning to attend the Tribal Kid's Christmas Party with your child(ren):									
Name	Date of Birth	Age	Male/Female	Tribal Member #					

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# NEWS & INFORMATION PROGRAM CHANGES FOR LIHEAP & CSBG Services

PBCI Tribal Per Capita monies will be included in the calculation of household income starting October 1, 2014.

PBCI Senior Benefit monies will be included in the calculation of household income starting October 1,2014.

#### DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAM

The Disaster Relief program is designed to provide limited aid within a limited time-frame to PBCI Tribal Member households experiencing a natural disaster.

- Services will be provided through a coordinated effort between Family Services, Housing, Emergency Management, Tribal Council, and other Departments as needed.
- Tribal Member households will have to provide proof of homeowners or renters insurance on their home and verification of reported damages resulting from the natural disaster.
- Tribal Member households will have to provide verification of services received or denied from their insurance company, the Red Cross, FEMA, and other disaster relief services.

- Tribal Members will have to apply for a Small Business Association loan as required by FEMA during a major widespread disaster.
- Any financial aid provided through this program is taxable income for the household and will have to be reported on a 1099 for tax purposes.
- If you are interested in having your Tribal Member household participate in this program, you will need to send a copy of your homeowners or renter insurance verification, your household constitution (how many people live in the home), current address, and photos of your home to the Family Services Department. This information will be included in a data base. This information will be used to assist you if you experience a natural disaster. This information will need to be updated if /when changes occur and/or on an annual basis.
- Please contact the Family Services Department if you have any questions.



## NEWS & INFORMATION

## CODEPENDENCY GROUP STARTING

## WHAT IS A CODEPENDENT AND WHAT CAN THEY DO ABOUT IT?

Codependent is a description for someone when they get overly involved in another person's life. They find themselves to be preoccupied with the other person to the exclusion of their own feelings and needs. The codependent is addicted to another to the point they often find it difficult to define who they are or what they need. This is a learned behavior and can be unlearned. A healthier, mutually satisfying relationship can be developed because a "relationship addiction" doesn't work for the codependent or the other person.

Codependents can often develop coping mechanisms that are unhealthy. They try to cope becoming overly focused on work, food, power, substance use, or another type of dysfunctional behavior. Often a codependent will find themselves saying yes when they want to say no.

Those who are at risk of being codependent often grew up in a dysfunctional family which functioned in abnormal or unhealthy ways. Those at greater risk of becoming codependent are: spouses of substance abusers; adult children who grew up in a home with substance abuse; work addicted people; those growing up with inappropriate sexual behaviors or witnessing spouse abuse.

The road to recovery and greater emotional health will require that the codependent re-order their external focus (on another person) and become internally focused on their own feelings, needs, goals and desires. This means they cultivate healthy behaviors and self-fulfillment by achieving a trust and acceptance of themselves as an independent person. They choose to stop being dependent upon a dysfunctional behavior or someone else. They become emotionally centered within themselves

experiencing a freedom and contentment long forgotten. Consider joining the new codependency group beginning October 1, 2014 at 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Behavioral Health Conference Room.

For more information contact Behavioral Health at 251-368-9136 ext. 2384 or 2309.

#### ALABAMA CARES, SUPPORT FOR SENIORS

The Poarch Creek Indians, Community Health Nursing Department is partnering with the Alabama Cares, Support for Seniors, program to provide a Caregiver College for seniors, caregivers of seniors and those seeking knowledge of senior care issues.

The event is scheduled for Thursday, October 23, 2014 at the new S.A.I.L. Center located on the Poarch Reservation. The class will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and is free.

The topics will include Dementia 101, The Red Cape Topic (Caregiver support), Legal ease (attorney advice on legal issues for seniors), and information on Medicare Part D open enrollment. Both Tribal and community members are invited to attend.

For more information you may contact Sandra Day, RN, BSN, Community Health and Education Director at 251-368-9136, ext. 2315 or by email at sday@pci-nsn.gov. Space is limited so make reservations as soon as possible.

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## Farewell and Best Wishes to Dr. Julio Dejardens!

Dr. Julio Dejardens retired September 19, 2014. We were sorry to see him go and he will be missed but we are happy for him to be able to retire and return to his home country, Puerto Rico.

Dr. Dejardens has been with the clinic for three years and has been an exceptional provider of care. Those patients who routinely saw Dr. Dejardens will have the option to see one of the other Providers or a new temporary physician, Dr. Caroline who comes to us from Georgia. His background is in family medicine.

Farwell Dr. Dejardens and we wish him much happiness in his retirement.

### **TIPS FOR IMPROVING SLEEP HABITS:**

- Set a routine by sticking to about the same bedtime and wake time every day
- Avoid taking naps in the afternoon and limit naps to no more than 20 minutes
- Avoid drinking caffeine and using nicotine products at least 6 to 8 hours before bedtime
- Exercise earlier in the day and no later than 2-3 hours before bedtime
- Keep all electronics out of the bedroom
- Keep your bedroom quiet, cool, and dark

Reference: National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Guide to Healthy Sleep.



## NEWS & INFORMATION

## Y Applications Accepted On A Daily Basis

pplications 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; applicant 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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## Amerind Fire Safety Poster Contest Winners



Ava Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade category with \$100 prize; Jason Davis, 1<sup>st</sup> place 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade category with \$150 prize, Caleb Davis, 3<sup>rd</sup> place 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade category with \$75 prize, and Kennedy Long, 1<sup>st</sup> place K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade division with \$150 prize. There were no participants in the 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade category.

## TIME TO UPDATE HOUSING APPLICATION!

Tribal Members age 21 or older interested in a new house must come to the Poarch Creek Indian Housing Department to submit a new application or update a current application.

Applicants must provided a copy of their 2013 tax returns and social security cards for all persons on the application plus other required documents.

Contact Wendy Davis, Programs Manager, at (251) 368-9136 x 2257 if you have any questions or need further information.

## LAST DAY TO UPDATE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2014



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# NEWS & INFORMATION

LEGAL UPDATE

The Legal Department would like to provide Tribal Members with a synopsis of recent revisions to Tribal laws. If you have any questions regarding any of these matters, please feel free to contact your Tribal Council members at (251) 446-1140 or the Legal Department at (251) 368-9136 Ext. 2525.

#### TRIBAL LEGISLATION

The Legal Department highlights below the 2014 amendments and recent revisions to the Tribal Code:

#### Title 34 (Enrollment)

TCO 2014-05 (August 7, 2014) amended Chapter VI (Relinquishment and Disenrollment) in following sections of Title 34:

- Section 34-6-6(b) to remove the provision "no later than thirty (30) days" to allow additional time for the Tribal Council to hold a disenrollment or blood quantum reduction hearing, and
- Section 34-6-6(e) to remove the provision "no later than thirty (30) days after the hearing" to allow the Tribal Council additional time to make a decision after a disensollment or blood quantum reduction hearing.

## <u>Title 45 (Board and Committee Organization Act)</u>

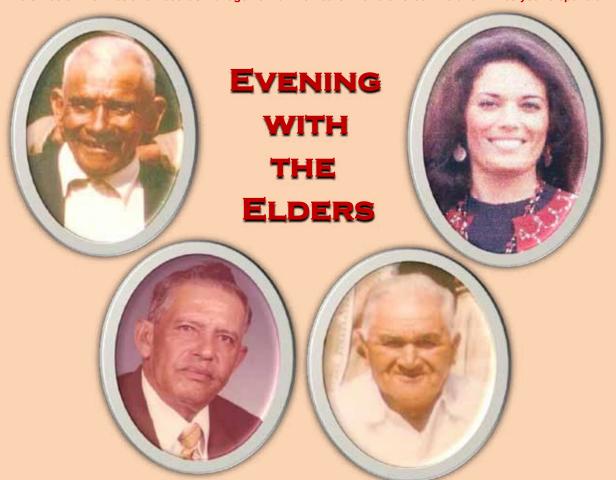
TCO 2014-06 (September 4, 2014) amended Section 45-1-6(b) (Qualification and Service Restrictions) of Title 45 of the Tribal Code to require all members of boards and committees to be enrolled Tribal Members of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

As always, to promote dissemination and public access to Tribal laws, Tribal Member viewing is available during office hours at the Tribal Chairman's Office, Tribal Council Office, Tribal Court, Education, and the Office of Archives and Records Management. The Tribal Code is also available online, 24 hours a day, by clicking on the links found on the Tribe's website, www. pci-nsn.gov. Also full copies of any Titles or amended legislation may be obtained by contacting the Office of Archives and Records Management at (251) 446-4540.



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The Office of Archives and Records Management at the Poarch Band of Creek Indians invites you to spend an



## Mr. Isaac McGhee, Ms. Evelyn McGhee Akins, Mr. Greley McGhee, Mr. Noah McGhee

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

**Old Family Services Auditorium, Building 500** 

Join us to hear the voices of Mr. Isaac McGhee, Ms. Evelyn McGhee Akins, Mr. Greley McGhee and Mr. Noah McGhee who were interviewed by Dr. J. Anthony Paredes in 1972 and whose voices were digitized by the University of Florida in 2012.

Everyone is invited. Dinner will be served.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Ellen O'Barr at 446-4531 or Dr. Deidra Suwanee Dees at 446-4540.



## **YOUR HEALTH MATTERS**

Small Decisions Make Big Things Happen

## **How to Lower Cancer Risk: Exercise!**

Cancer is the second biggest killer in America. Ugh. But you can help protect yourself by moving each day! Cancer can be greatly diminished and even prevented by making exercise a regular part of your life. By exercising regularly and maintaining a healthy weight, you can reduce the chances of getting cancer by 40%, that's a big jump! And you can shorten your recovery time after any treatment.

How exactly does exercise prevent cancer? Great question! Exercise helps to prevent cancer by:

- Strengthening your body's ability to fight disease.
- Keeping stress at bay. Stress is a sneaky trigger for cancer.
- Helping you maintain a healthy weight. Up to 1/3 of all cancer deaths are related to obesity and a sedentary lifestyle.

#### **Exercise also improves:**

- Hormone function
- Metabolism
- Blood flow
- Sleep patterns
- Appetite
- Energy

Proper functioning of all of systems listed above will reduce your chances of getting a cancer diagnosis. One of the biggest and best improvements, however, is in your overall mood and wellbeing. Exercise makes you happy and greatly diminishes the incidence of depression. It can give you a sense of control and hope for the future! When you are happier, you are able to fight disease more effectively. This is why it is so important to incorporate exercise and movement into your daily life!



But how much exercise do you need? Well, we should move 30-minutes for 5 out of 7 days of the week. The 30-minute activity can be anything you want it to be:

- Walking
- Weight Lifting
- Playing Sports
- Living Room Dance Party!

Only 30 minutes to a happier and healthier you! Get moving and make everyday count!

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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## **YOUR HEALTH MATTERS**

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## It's All About the Antioxidants!

We hear about antioxidants all the time on the news and in magazines. We know they're healthy for us, but we may not know exactly what they are and how to include them in our food choices.

Antioxidants are helpful, natural chemicals that help prevent damage to the cells in your body caused by free radicals. Free radicals are a healthy part of normal cellular production, but in excess, they can cause damage to your cells, and even result in cancer. Antioxidants are the protective force to keep free radicals in check and your cells healthy!

#### **How Can You Be Sure To Get Enough Antioxidants?**

- **1.** Choose Colorful Foods: Choose a variety of colorful fruits and veggies. Aim for two or three different colors of fruits and veggies each day.
- **2. Drink 'em Up:** Green tea, cranberry juice, cherry juice, and even coffee are good sources of antioxidants. Juicing fruits and veggies is another great way to increase your intake. Remember to choose a variety of these healthy drinks.
- **3.** Add Herbs and Spices: Get creative with your cooking by adding herbs and spices instead of salt. Think outside the box and sprinkle herbs and spices on vegetables, mix with yogurt for a delicious dip or add them to salad dressings.
- **4. Smart Snacks:** Not only are nuts and seeds a healthy snack that will keep you energized between meals, they are also rich in antioxidants. Brazil nuts are a key source of selenium, which is important for brain health. Almonds and sunflower seeds are great sources of vitamin E, which helps our bone and muscle health as well as our immune system.



In addition to these 4 tips, fruits, vegetables and whole grains are the best sources of cancer fighting antioxidants. Try your best to include these foods in every meal of the day.

Now that you know some of the benefits of antioxidants, you can start reaping the rewards! Developing this healthy habit now will not only make you feel great, inside and out, but will also keep you feeling great into the future.

Here's to a happy and healthy you! Reach out to me if you have any questions and have a great October!

- 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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# NEWS & INFORMATION NAYO TOURNAMENT

The crack of the bat, the cheers of parents, family, and friends as runners tag home plate, the groans as an out was made; those are some of the sounds associated with the NAYO tournament held at Cherokee, NC July 17-20, 2014.

Congratulations to all members of the nine teams that traveled to Cherokee to

represent Poarch Creek. Not everyone finished in a winning bracket, but all played outstanding softball and represented the Tribe well.

Team photos have been posted on the Community Life page of the Tribe's web site www.pci-nsn.gov.

## Upcoming League Information

### Volleyball League

Registration: September 2 - October 17, 2014

Registration Fee: \$125 per team (12 on roster) Co-ed teams-minimum 2 ladies on the court at all times.

Ages 16 & older

Team rosters/registration will not be accepted without registration fee paid in full.

Schedule TBA

### Flag Football League

Registration: September 2 - October 17, 2014

Registration Fee: \$125 per team

Age 16 & Older

Schedule TBA

Team rosters/registration will not be accepted without registration fee paid in full.

### Youth Basketball League

Registration: September 2 - December 12, 2014

Registration Fee: \$30

Registration open to community

Age 5-18

Co-ed teams for ages 5-6

Male & Females teams for ages 7 and up

Games will begin after completion of registration and selection of teams. Schedule TBA

Registration and Coaches applications are available upon request at the Recreation Department and on the Recreation page of the web site www.pci-nsn.gov.

For more information about any of the leagues, contact Brooke Rolin, Sports Coordinator, or Trina Rackard, Operations Manager at (251) 368-9136 x 2256 or bbell@pci-nsn.gov or trackard@pci-nsn.gov.



## NEWS & INFORMATION NASA Tournament

The crack of the bat, the infield grand Women's Division (13 teams) slam, the cheers as runners tag home 1 plate, the groans as an out was made; those are some of the sounds associated 3 with the NASA tournament held at Poarch Creek August 8-9, 2014.

Thirty-nine teams representing four Tribes from throughout the South East; Poarch Creek Indians, Choctaws, Seminoles, and Coushatta.

Congratulations to all members of the nine teams fielded by Poarch Creek. Not everyone finished in a winning bracket, but all played outstanding softball and Men's Legends Division (5 teams) represented the Tribe well.

Team photos have been posted on the Community Life page of the Tribe's web Legends site www.pci-nsn.gov.

- **Choctaw-Natives**
- Seminoles-Lady Seminoles
- Coushatta-Designated Drivers

Women's Legends Division (4 teams)

- **Choctaw-Legend Players** 1
- Poarch Creek-Lady Legends
- Cherokee-Chatta Ohoya

Men's Division (17 teams)

- **Choctaw-Indians**
- Cherokee-Angry Birds
- Poarch Creek-Sneaky Creek 3

- Poarch Creek-LA Legends 1
- **Choctaw-Indians**
- 3 Poarch Creek -Sneaky Creek

## 2015 NASA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Cherokee, North Carolina

January 8-11, 2015

Registration Deadline December 5, 2014

PCI Team Registration Applications are available at the

Front Desk of the Recreation Department

(Must be Tribal Member or 1st Generation to participate)

For more information contact the Recreation Department at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2256



## Auditorium Of Building 500

# RIBAL DMINISTRATION LUNCH & EARN

Friday, October 10, 2014
Featured: Assisted Living

Join us on Friday, October 12, 2014 for the October "Lunch & Learn" from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. The Lavan Martin Assisted Living Facility will be highlighted this month.



A light lunch will be served and staff will be introduced. Programs will be explained so that Tribal Members will know what services/benefits the department/ program offers. There will also be time to mingle and ask questions of the staff.

Contact Tribal Administration at (251) 368-9136 x 2234 if you have any questions or concerns.



# NEWS & INFORMATION TEAMWORK - SMART RECOVERY

SMART stands for Self-Management And Recovery Training. SMART Recovery is a self-help, abstinence-based program for people who want to kick an alcohol or drug or other addictive habit. Using principles of psychology, individuals help themselves to kick a problem habit, prevent relapses, and address habit-related personal problems.

SMART Recovery meetings are open to all who are interested. There are no requirements. Meetings are focused on current problems and challenges that participants are facing to encourage an open dialogue and discussion. The goals are 1.) Learning how to increase motivation to quit, 2.) Handling urges without acting on them, 3.) Developing new ways of coping with problems, and 4.) Creating a healthy, positive lifestyle.

YOU ARE NOT POWERLESS, UNLESS YOU WANT TO BE...

SMART Recovery is a psychological approach to recovery that is not in any way 12-step related. SMART Recovery focuses on empowering the individual to choose abstinence, with the emphasis being on the individuals' own choices in one's own recovery. The meetings are free and self-supporting. There will be information and materials present for anyone who is interested.

#### **SMART RECOVERY**

**S**elf-**M**anagement **A**nd **R**ecovery **T**raining SMART Recovery Advisor: Wes Hayles, M.S.

Friendly Holiness Church 3266 Atmosphere Road, Atmore, AL 36502 Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m.

Please contact Wes Hayles for any questions or further information at (251)368-9136, ext.2652 or whayles@pci-nsn.gov.



## Identifying First Generation Descendants

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The Tribal Enrollment Department is developing a data base of First Generation Descendants of the Poarch Creek Indians and requests assistance from Tribal Members to complete this project.

The *Identifying First Generation Descendants* form is accessible to Tribal Members in the TMOP of the web site, www.pc-nsn.gov. Please list the name and birth date of all First Generation Descendants in *your* immediate family as well

as any other First Generation Descendants that reside in your household. Please note that immediate family *does not* have to reside in your household to be identified on the form.

Please contact Tribal Enrollment at (251) 368-9136 x 2281 during regular business hours for any enrollment, genealogy, verification letters, and DNA related inquiries.

# RIBAL PHARTMENT

# NEWS & INFORMATION Update Your Information

In order for the annual Tribal Member holiday distributions to be processed accurately, Tribal Member Benefits needs to be informed of any changes you may have to your personal information. If you have any change in your current banking account or address, please contact the Tribal Member Benefits Department at (251) 368-9136 ext. 2209 or 2207 so that a new Direct Deposit Form can be mailed to you to be completed and returned for processing. The Direct Deposit Form may also be downloaded from the Tribal Member Benefits page accessible through the Tribal Members Only Portal (TMOP).

If you have no changes to your address or current banking account information, you <u>DO NOT</u> have to contact Tribal Member Benefits.

Resource Development/Tribal Member Benefits Department (TMB) has relocated to the Buford L. Rolin Health Clinic and is located on the second floor.

Please contact TMB at (251) 368-9136 x 2209 for more information relating to Tribal Member benefits, services, ID requests, or resource development.

## **EWS & INFORMAT**

## Do You Have A Power of Attorney



It was Iron Bowl day some (many) years ago, and my husband and I were driving through our neighborhood and SCREEECH BOOM CRRRRRRUNCH some guy ran his stop sign and t-boned our car on my side. Fortunately for me, my husband had yelled "\*!%@!!!", looking in the other driver's direction, and I instinctively jumped from my seat towards my husband. I was lucky - just a little bit sore -- but I was super mad and scared.

I had no power of attorney, I'm embarrassed to admit.

What if I had been seriously injured, unable to deal with the insurance company, the doctors, the hospital, the bank? Well, that would have been a mess. And that would have been incredibly difficult for my husband - on top of worrying about me, he would have had to worry about handling the day-today business of our lives, my life, with no guidance and little to no authority to do so.

Let's start the conversation, then, about one of the most important legal documents you need to have: the power of attorney.

So what does a power of attorney do? Generally, in Alabama, there are two types of powers of attorney: a financial power of attorney and a health care power of attorney. For both, it is crucial for you to understand the powers that you are giving someone else. Because that's what you're doing - you're empowering someone else to act as if they were you, either in a money matter or with a health issue. Think about that for a minute. That means that you are giving someone the authority to access your money, to make decisions regarding your home and your stuff. That means that you are giving someone the authority to make medical decisions for you. Your money and your life, that pretty much sums it up.

So who do you pick? And how much power do you give that person?

You pick someone who will act in your best interest and is qualified to do so. Don't pick your child just so you don't hurt her feelings -- unless she is the best person. You give the amount of power that is needed to accomplish your goals. You also name a back-up person in your power of attorney. You do this once and you do it right -- you don't want multiple powers of attorney floating around, giving too many people too much power over your money and your life.

If you become incapacitated, somebody will have to be able to take care of you (and your home and your money), just like you would. So you can decide who that person will be, and you can decide how much authority they will have, and how they should use it. Or you can let a court decide -- who wants that?

In the next article, we will talk about why it is a mistake to use a "form document" off of the internet or that you buy at Office Max.

> Sabrina Comer, Comer Elder Law, LLĆ. at request of Tribal Finance Department



## NEWS & INFORMATION

# TRIBAL POLICE TIP LINE (251) 446 -ITIP (446-4847)

Call (251) 446-ITIP (446-4847) to leave an anonymous tip about:

- Drug Activity
- Alcohol Activity
- Known Underage Drinking Parties
- Recent Crimes-Thefts, Vandalism, Drug Sales, etc.
- Bullying
- Concealed Weapons
- Other Safety or Community Concerns

As a partner with our Tribal Community, the Poarch Creek Tribal Police Department is pleased to provide this service. We hope this service will be a great benefit to you as a citizen. Together we can make our community safer.

The Tip Line is not monitored; your name or phone number will never be required.

All information provided via the Tip Line will be investigated.

Larry Hammonds, Chief of Police

## Srt Training



Left to Right: Officers Lucas Gibson, Lee Fountain, Kaweta Coon, Steven Bradley, Cpl. Keith Hutchins, Officers Caleb Linam and Chad Johnson.



On the firing line!

The Tribal Police Special Response Team (SRT) was in certification training on Thursday, August 21, 2014 at the Department of Corrections State Firing Range. Certifications included Distraction Devices-(Flash-Bangs), Night firing and rifle skills.

The Distraction Devices are for the safety of officers breaching and entering buildings, etc. It is our hope that our Officers never have to use the skills they learn and hone, but they are prepared if the need arises!



## NEWS & INFORMATION

## Changes To Solid Waste Pickup

The construction of the new equipment shed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant was completed in August. We will begin utilizing the building to properly store Utility assets.

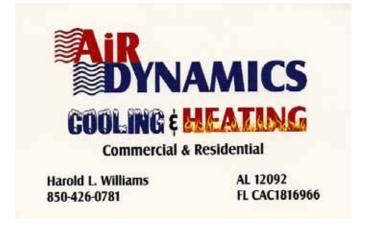
The new garbage truck has arrived and the implementation of the new services began in September. Our Headworks Dewatering Project is schedule for completion by the end of September.

Utilities has successfully completed two projects in the Rivercane Development. Utilities extended the water line from the Creek Smoke Shop to Muskogee Inn. It is now an 8 inch PVC water main with the intention to connect the Muskogee Inn to the Tribe's water system.

Our department also relocated the existing sewer force main to the Rivercane Utility easement. The West Well Project, which was bid out in September, will vent the reservoir at the West Well, as well as provide containment and drainage for any excess water.

The Alabama Public Service Commission has approved the request for Escambia Community Utilities, a PCI Utilities subsidiary, to acquire the Huxford Water and Fire Protection Authority and own, operate, and manage that system for the purpose of distributing water to the Huxford community.











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.

Additionally, CIEDA executes and oversees building, construction and development projects commissioned by the Tribe.

## 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 <a href="mailto:dhenry@pcicie.com">dhenry@pcicie.com</a> for additional information or to schedule an appointment.

## PRF Named State Environmental Stewardship Award Winner

Alabama Cattlemen's Association Press Release Dated 8-12-14

Perdido River Farms (PRF) was recognized as the 2014 State Environmental Stewardship Award winner by the Alabama Cattlemen's Association (ACA) at the fall board meeting held in Auburn. Owned by the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, PRF is home to 1,200 beef cattle in western Escambia County. "This award recognizes the tremendous job PRF is doing to produce beef in a sustainable, environmentally friendly manner", states ACA President Woody Clark of Andalusia.

The management of Perdido River Farms works closely with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to implement many best management practices that benefit both production agriculture and environmental stewardship. "PRF conscientious of maintaining, and preserving protecting "Mother Earth" and utilizes USDA programs to address their resource concerns", states David Elliot, NRCS tribal liaison.



"Perdido River Farms (PRF) of Atmore was recognized as the 2014 State Environmental Stewardship Award winner by the Alabama Cattlemen's Association (ACA) at the fall board meeting held in Auburn. Alabama Cattlemen's President Woody Clark of Andalusia presented the award to Stephanie Bryan Tribe Council chair and John English, farm manager. Shown left to right are: Tim Martin, Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority President and CEO; Billy Smith, Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve General Manager; Sandy Hollinger, Tribal Council Member; Garvin Sells, Tribal Council Member; John English, PRF General Manger; Stephanie Bryan, Tribal Council Chair; Keith Martin, Tribal Council; Woody Clark, ACA President; David Gehman, Tribal Council Secretary and David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison.

The state Environmental Stewardship Award Program is part of a national recognition effort by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. "The cattlemen and women of this country take seriously their responsibility to the environment", stated NCBA President Bob McCan of Texas. "The ESAP award serves

as a showcase for the practices employed by farmers and ranchers to improve air, land and water quality. Those practices, in turn benefit the land, improve fish and wildlife habitat and serve as an outstanding example to their fellow producers."

## Out On The Land

Poarch Creek Indians, Magnolia Branch and Perdido River Farms were featured in an episode of Out on the Land, a television series that showcased the Tribe's conservation efforts. Here is the link if you want to check it out!

http://outontheland.com/season-4-episode-41-poarch-band-of-creek-nation-conservation-activities/

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Mission: Helping people help the land

Vision: Productive soil, healthy land

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 <u>www.al.nrcs.usda.gov</u> 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/al www.nrcs.usda.gov/farmbill

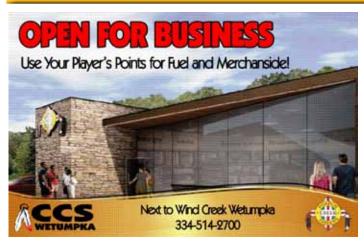
USDA Rural Development

www.rurdev.usda.gov www.rurdev.usa.gov/al

Alabama Forestry Commission www.forestry.state.al.us

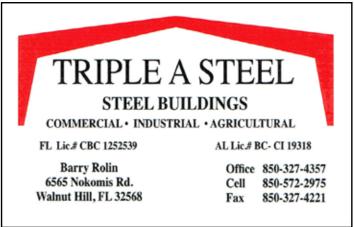
For more information contact:

David Elliott, NRCS Tribal Liaison 5535 Poarch Road, Atmore, AL 36502 (251) 368-0826









## Advertising In Poarch Creek News

Ad Sizes	Dimensions (WxH inches)	Cost			
Inside Front/Back Cover	7.5" x 10"	\$300			
Full Page	7.5" x 10"	\$250			
Half Page	V 3.75" x 10" H 7.75" x 5"	\$150			
Quarter Page	3.7.5" x 5"	\$75			
Business Card	3.5" x 2.25"	Free*			
*Tribal Member Owned Businesses Only Must be 51% - 100% Tribal Member Owned					

Doing business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark. You know what you are doing, but nobody else does.

-Steuart Henderson Britt

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Advertisers will receive a free subscription to newsletter as long as ad runs.

Subscription to *Poarch Creek News* available to general public for annual fee of \$20.

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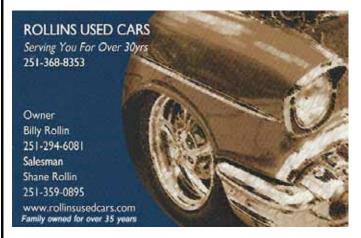
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(Texas)

## October (OTVWOSKV-RAKKO) 2014

School Supply Reimbursement Program Continues through October 31, 2014

Youth Basketball League Registration Ongoing

Purchase Tribal Hunting License
Tribal Government Accounting
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 pm

#### Princess Practice Sunday Afternoons Building 500 Auditorium

- October 5th 2:00pm 5:00pm
- October 12th 2:00pm 5:00pm
- October 19th 2:00pm 4:00pm
- October 26th 2:00pm 5:00pm

#### Wednesday, October 1, 2014

Last day to turn in application for the 2014 Summer Camp Assistance Program.

#### Wednesday, October 1, 2014

Changes in LIHEAP and CSBG Services begin

#### Monday, October 6, 2014

- Deadline to submit Letter of Candidacy to Election Board for name to be placed on official ballot for Special Election.
- Deadline for candidates to submit biography and photo for publication in November 2014 issue of *Poarch Creek News*.

Monday, October 6, 2014

Deadline to submit information for publication in November issue of Poarch Creek News.

*Monday & Tuesday, October 6-7, 2014*Museum Gift Shop will be closed.

#### Friday, October 10, 2014

Lunch and Learn 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Building 500 Auditorium Featured Department: Assisted Living Facility

#### Thursday, October 16, 2014

Names of candidates and any proposed constitutional amendments, ordinance, and/or resolutions will be posted.

#### Friday, October 17, 2014

Last day to register for Volleyball League and Flag Football League

#### Tuesday, October 21, 2014

Cancer Support Group Meeting Wind Creek Ballroom 6:00 p.m.

Dinner provided, please RSVP

#### Tuesday, October 30 2014

An Evening With The Elders Building 500 Auditorium 6:00 p.m.

#### Friday, October 31, 2014

Free Retinal Screening Premiere Family Eyecare 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

#### Tribal Council Meetings

Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm Tribal Council Chambers

#### Tribal Court Sessions

Monday, October  $6^{th}$  &  $20^{th}$  9:00 am Tribal Courtroom

#### CIEDA Meetings

Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am CIEDA Offices

#### **CMCA**

Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm Tribal Museum/Welcome Center

#### Housing Authority Meetings

Thursday, October 9th & 23rd 4:00 pm Building 400 Conference Room

#### Recreation Authority Meetings

Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am

Recreation Department (Gym)

#### TERO Commission Meetings

Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm Building 600 Training Room

#### 4-H Club

Monday, October  $13^{th}$  &  $27^{th}$  6:00 pm Education Department

#### Story Time

Wednesdays at @ 12:15 pm PCI Library

## After School Tutoring and Homework Club

For Tribal Members & 1st Generation Descendant students in grades 1-12 Education Department

#### Gym & Weight Room Hours

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

#### Batting Cages Now Open

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#### Pool Open

Tribal Members & First Generation w/ one guest Splash Pad/Playgrounds/Pavilion Open Tribal Members & First Generation w/ one guest

#### Playground Pavilion/No reservations needed

No set time for usage/First come first serve

#### Thursday, November 6, 2014

Deadline to submit Letter of Candidacy to Election Board to be a Write-In on for Special Election. Any additional names will be posted within 10 days.

## Newsletter Contact Information Poarch Creek News

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