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Custer County Sheriff replaces jail painting depicting Gen. Custer with picture of Cheyenne and Arapaho Chief Moses Starr

By Kelcie Hartley-Wolfe, Clinton Daily News

(CLINTON, OK) A portrait of General George Armstrong Custer displayed in the Custer County Jail for many years was removed Tuesday morning and replaced with a temporary one of former Cheyenne-Arapaho Chief Moses Starr. The permanent one is larger, and will be displayed in the jail.

"We want everyone to know we care about our Native American brothers and sisters," said Custer County Sheriff Dan Day. "We can't erase history, and we don't want to. We want to learn and grow from it. A lot of bad things happened with Custer, but we have learned from those mistakes. We are not to be separated, and we are all one people under God. It is an honor for us to temporarily put up this smaller picture as we await the larger one."

The ceremony was very emotional for many tribal citizens who attended. There were four generations of the Starr family in the room. The portrait was hung by one of Starr's great-granddaughters, Ariana Borjas.

"It is an honor to be here," said Cheyenne Chief Jason Goodblanket. "I want to thank you, Sheriff Day, for having the portrait here. This is something that our grandparents wanted, and this is just the beginning. We love this area, and it is our home. We are very proud to be here honoring my uncle Moses. He helped me when I first became chief, and taught me what to expect. It was a great loss to our people, but we try to carry on everything he taught us within our ceremony ways."

Day said he didn't know

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Cheyenne and Arapaho Gov. Reggie Wassana and Arapaho District 3 Legislator Travis Ruiz hold up the photo of Cheyenne and Arapaho Chief Moses Starr with Moses' great-granddaughter Ariana Borjas standing directly underneath. The photo of Moses replaces a depiction of General Custer that had hung in the jail office for many years. (Courtesy photo)

BIA Launches New Missing and Murdered Indigenous Person's Website Dedicated to Solving Cases

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) announced on Dec. 10 the launch of its new website dedicated to solving missing and murdered cases in Indian Country.

The website seeks to draw attention to unresolved missing and murdered Indigenous persons cases the BIA, Office of Justice Services, Missing and Murdered Unit (MMU) is working on and invites the public to help law enforcement solve those cases.

The announcement came as Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Bryan Newland (Bay Mills Indian Community) participated in a panel on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples Crisis at the Western Governors Association Winter Meeting at the Lowes Coronado Bay Resort, in Coronado, Calif.

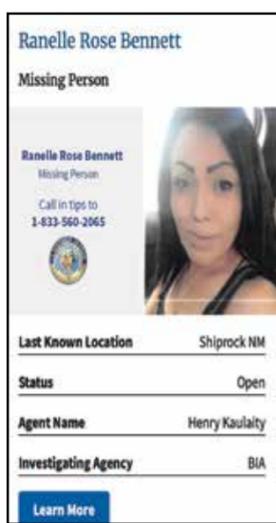
"The Missing and Murdered Indigenous peoples' crisis has plagued Indian Country for too long, with cases often going unsolved and unaddressed," Newland said. "This new website

represents a new tool in the effort to keep communities safe and provide closure for families."

The new site provides detailed case information that can be easily shared, and three pathways to submit important tips and other case information that may help investigators with the detection or investigation of an offense committed in Indian Country.

The site also contains information regarding how to submit tips or case information that may help investigators. For some tips, BIA offers rewards for information assisting in the detection or investigation of an offense committed in Indian country or in the arrest of an offender against the United States. The standard reward may be up to \$5,000, depending on the specific details provided. BIA may increase the amount conditional on the circumstances.

Additionally, an important feature of the site is its connectivity to the Nation-



al Missing and Unidentified Person's System and the Federal Bureau of Investigation Indian Country Case website, which aims to enhance the Missing and Murdered Unit's ability to connect cases that involve American Indian and Alaska Native people.

The new website is in addition to the work the Biden administration has undertaken under Interior Deb Ha-

land's leadership to address the missing and murdered Indigenous person's crisis. Within the first 100 days of the Biden-Harris administration, Secretary Haaland created the MMU to pursue justice for missing or murdered Indigenous people.

For more information, please visit the BIA's new missing and murdered cases at www.bia.gov/service/mmu.

Alumni Support Haaland's Boarding School Initiative: "Boarding schools were a learning experience"

By Nancy Marie Spears, Gaylord News

Tribes across the Southwest dread the possibility that thousands of unmarked graves might be uncovered by a federal investigation into abandoned Native American boarding schools expected to wrap up early next year.

The investigation, ordered by Interior Secretary Deb Haaland, came in the wake of the discovery this year of more than 1,200 unmarked graves at two shuttered boarding schools in Canada's British Columbia and Saskatchewan provinc-

es. "She's brought awareness for our Native people, for our children," said retired Pawnee elementary school teacher Oney M. Roubedeaux, an alum of the Concho Indian Boarding School in El Reno. "I feel like that is

opening up a box of worms. I mean, just a whole big old span of our people that nobody paid attention to."

Roubedeaux, who is Ponca and Otoe-Missouria, said she rode a Greyhound bus in 1971 from Stillwater to Con-

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An Indian Christmas Story

By Arapaho Chief Allen Sutton



In the early years when the Indians first heard about the man called Santa

Santa would stop by with his deer.

They knew that Santa would stop by their camp.

The Chiefs and older Braves sat around by the fire and talked what this man called Santa would bring to the Tribe.

And the young Braves sat and listened to what the Chiefs and the older Braves were talking about and what Santa would bring to the Tribes.

The young Braves stayed up and waited for Santa

and as they young Braves were watching the sky to see when Santa was coming

as the young Braves were looking around for Santa in the sky and wondering what Santa would bring the Tribes.

When Santa showed up Santa landed his deer and

his sleigh outside of the camp.

Santa delivers his gifts to each tipi and sits by each tipi door

the chiefs and the older Braves were wondering what Santa would bring the whole encampment.

As Santa was making his way back to his deer from finishing up his gifts and delivering to each tipi.

Santa made his way back to his deer and his sleigh to find his deer were gone.

The young Braves took Santa's deer one by one.

The young Braves said to Santa thanks for delivering the deer for the Tribe.

Taking all Santa's deer, the young Braves told Santa see you next year.

Next time bring more deer.

As Santa started walking toward the woods; the young Braves shouted out at Santa,

Merry Christmas!

Don't look away from 800,000 dead from COVID-19

By Renée Graham

If 100,000 dead from the coronavirus was "incalculable," how then to describe another 800,000 Americans gone?

COVID-19 deaths nationwide will soon surpass 800,000. Too few will notice.

"Never in my wildest imagination did I think we would reach a point where a thousand-plus deaths a day would be normalized and met with a shrug," Alex Goldstein, founder of Faces of COVID, told me. I first spoke to him in mid-May 2020, two months into the virus's initial wave. He had just posted his thousandth story to @FacesofCOVID on Twitter, tweet-sized remembrances of those killed by the disease caused by the coronavirus.

By that point, more than 80,000 people had already perished. Two weeks later, as deaths surged toward 100,000, the nation seemed to buckle under the great weight of this catastrophe. In anticipation of this wretched milestone, The New York Times devoted its Sunday front page to the names of the dead: "U.S. DEATHS NEAR 100,000, AN INCALCULABLE LOSS," read the headline. "They were not simply names on a list. They were us."

If 100,000 dead from COVID was "incalculable," how then to describe another 700,000 Americans gone, an impossible number that is probably even higher? After a brief lull, cases, hospitalizations, and deaths are rising again. The Delta variant continues to rage, especially in conservative states. Omicron, the latest variant, is spreading across the country.

So has indifference. Forget COVID fatigue, that's so 2020. Many seem to have grown cold to the mayhem this virus is still unleashing on families and communities. The infected are now younger and sicker,

and at least 120,000 children have lost parents or caregivers. Some COVID survivors struggle to fully recover since the virus can cause organ damage and make once-simple tasks into daily challenges. Yet a preoccupation with getting back to "normal" has convinced some to act like they're done with the virus when the virus clearly isn't done with us.

Despite three highly effective vaccines, 2021 saw more COVID deaths than in 2020, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Inflamed by the pandemic's rancid politicization originally fueled by Donald Trump, resistance to masking protocols led to resistance to vaccines. Anti-vaxxers were already a noisy minority before this pandemic; COVID metastasized their dangerous movement.

Vaccinations that could have saved lives weren't just ignored; they were demonized. On Fox News, its vaccinated talking heads deride vaccine efficacy and discourage others from getting their shots. Some far-right agitators have compared mandates to the Holocaust and Dr. Anthony Fauci to a Nazi doctor who conducted experiments on Jews and others in concentration camps. This isn't just wrong. It's ahistorical and deeply antisemitic, just as claiming mask requirements are tantamount to slavery amplifies why history needs to be taught instead of banned from classrooms.

Those lies are tenets of a death cult. The Kaiser Family Foundation estimates about 90,000 deaths between June and September could have been prevented if those infected had been vaccinated. For various reasons, about 40 percent of the country remains unvaccinated. Those statistics are even more dire in low-income countries, where vaccination rates hover below 5 percent. Un-

less wealthy countries do whatever is necessary to boost global vaccinations, this pandemic will never end.

On Faces of COVID, Goldstein will soon post its seven-thousandth remembrance, less than 1 percent of acknowledged deaths. From a September peak of more than 151,000 followers, the Twitter account now has dipped to 149,343, perhaps a kind of barometer of waning interest in the pandemic and its relentless toll.

"There were a lot of stories I told myself about how the pandemic would end that were fairy tales that probably served more as a coping mechanism than anything else," Goldstein said. "To be back here again approaching the holidays with a new variant looming, millions unvaccinated, and science continuing to be villainized in the places that need it the most is just heartbreaking."

In the beginning weeks of the pandemic, Fauci, then a member of the Trump White House coronavirus task force, said there could be 100,000 to 200,000 COVID deaths. People were horrified by what seemed a ghastly prognostication. Yet compared with where things stand and the many uncertainties that lie ahead, if such numbers had been the ceiling instead of the floor it would have been a triumph.

Here's what is certain: This could have been prevented. Lies overwhelmed science and logic. Once, wars were cited as signposts of mass death that we dared not cross. Those numbers were surpassed months ago. Now there is nothing comparable to COVID, a landscape of misery marked with the bodies of 800,000 fellow Americans and a craven desire to ignore the suffering that still surrounds us.

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BOARDING SCHOOLS

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First grade yearbook photo of Oney M. Roubedeaux (l) at the Concho Indian Boarding School in 1970. Right is Roubedeaux today.

cho Indian Boarding School at age 6 with her 8-year-old brother.

She is the youngest of 17 siblings, many of whom attended boarding schools.

Boarding schools were established in the U.S. from the 19th to 20th centuries with the primary objective of assimilating Indigenous youth into American culture. Most were closed in the 1980s and early 1990s, but alumni of those schools are well-represented in Indigenous communities.

Roubedeaux was separated from her brother at Concho when she transferred to the Seneca Boarding School after her mother's death in 1973.

She said one of her other brothers was beaten to death in his room in Chilocco Indian School, 20 miles north of Ponca City, in 1980, the year it closed down. By the time she left Concho there had been three student deaths, one being her best friend's brother.

After her mother's death, Roubedeaux was placed in foster care.

She had gone through 10 foster homes before a foster mother realized when she was 16 that she could not read or write. The teachers at the public and boarding schools she attended had never taken the time to

teach her, Roubedeaux said. She caught up, she said, with help from her foster mother, and obtained a degree in special education from the University of Central Oklahoma. She concluded her 20-year teaching career in March 2020 and now enjoys spending time with her five children and 13 grandchildren.

Even though "not everything was good," Roubedeaux said boarding schools gave her self-reliance. Her biggest reclamation of agency, she said, was her education.

"Boarding schools were a learning experience for me as a young child ... it took me through life, to be able to rely on myself," Roubedeaux said. "To this day, at the age of 57, I can still do that."

According to the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition, 73 of 367 boarding schools in 29 states are open today and 15 are still boarding. Oklahoma had the most with 83 schools, and some are still open today. Arizona is second with 51 schools.

Riverside Indian School in Anadarko is the oldest boarding school and is still open. Constance Fox, who is Cheyenne and Arapaho and a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) self-determination advisor, is an alum and said never taken the time to

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Higher Education Scholarship Program Features November Students of the Month



Morgan Bullcoming

Hello, my name is Morgan Bullcoming, and I am from Lookeba, Okla. My hobbies are watching Netflix and Hulu, drawing, watch sports games with my brothers, and spend time with my family. I am currently a senior at Southwestern Oklahoma State University and fixing to graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration Management. After I graduate, I hopefully found an occupation that I could use my degree and help me gain more experience in the workforce. But I am currently looking at different places of where I would potentially

apply to work at. Hopefully, I could work at the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribe to help our tribe succeed in the future.

I just want to thank the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Department; I would not have been able to do it without them. Good luck to all the other student that are in the middle of the fall semester!

Phillip

Prairie Chief

Hello, my name is Phillip Eagleheart PrairieChief, my Indian name is Redpaint. I am Cheyenne from Stillwater, OK where I live with my wife Kayli PrairieChief and our two children Zeydon Warledo PrairieChief and Etta



Lookout. My mom's name is Imogene Blackbear and my grandparents are the late Eugene Blackbear Sr. and Bessie Blackbear. I attend Northern Oklahoma College and Oklahoma State University where I will graduate with my Associates degree in pre-engineering in applied math and science in 2022. I have been accepted to The University of Oklahoma for the fall 2022 school year where I will graduate with my bachelor's degree in chemical engineering in 2024. I am a member of AISES American Indian Science and Engineering Society since 2020. This year they held the AISES national conference in Phoenix, AZ from 09/22/2021 to 09/26/2021. I arrived and didn't know anyone, so I went for a walk and met fellow Natives in the

same cohort for the program. Over the week we attended meetings and became lifelong friends. At the conference I heard of the First Nations Launch program a high-powered rocket competition. As well as Indigenous business professionals such as Czarina Salido who started a non-profit for young Native girls to get interested in S.T.E.M. which is something I would like to bring home to the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes. Every person that contributed in some way to bring everyone together during the AISES conference inspires me and I want to encourage my people to study Science and Engineering and join the AISES family as I have and know you belong in the corporate world as much as anyone else. Thank You.

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CANTON HEAD START

I would like a Kitchen set
Love Delilah

I would like a Christmas
Love Dakota

I would like Keys
Love Colt

I would like a Dino
Love Kayson

I would like LOL Doll
Love Emery

I would like a Barbie Car
Love Kimber

I would like a new Minnie
Car
Love Sophia

I would like 3 presents
Love Walter

I would like a Fire Truck
Love Nate

I would like a T Rex
Love Lance

I would like a Monkey
House
Love Ava

I would like Blue E's
House
Love Kensli

I would like a Ostrich
Love Landrie

I would like a Puppy
Love Aliyah

I would like a Puppy
Love Jaxtyn

I would like a Barbie
Camper
Love Leah

I would like a Mickey
Santa
Love Asher

I would like a Body Car
Love Jake

I would like anything
Spiderman
Love Brantley

CLINTON HEAD START

Paw Patrol and PJ Mask
Toys,
Love, Carlos R.

Kids big ride on a pink car,
Love, Harmoni J.

Black Panther action
figure,
Love, Isaiah J.

Dinosaurs,
Love, Julian T.

Giant dancing Santa,
Love, Kamari H.

Big puppy dog,
Love, Raelynn R.

Toy scooter,
Love, Sterling U.

CLINTON HEAD START

Cheese popcorn,
Love, Wyatt B.

Cocomelon,
Love, Ysabella A.

Kids big ride purple truck,
Love, Roewen D.

Babydoll,
Love, Camila A.

Doll tree house,
Love, Elias B.

Train and cars,
Love, Mateo G.

Train and chocolate,
Love, Santiago V.

Supergirl and a yellow car,
Love, Jemma P.

Batman and a Barbie,
Love, Joanna B.

Puppy dog for walking and
a baby boy,
Love, Em'marie R.

Cars and Superheroes,
Love, Maximiliano R.

Pink computer,
Love, Naomi H.

Spiderman and cars,
Love, Gianluca C.

Cars and dolls,
Love, Giancarlo C.

Batman and toy
Spiderman,
Love, Chris V.

Letters and car toys,
Love, Otha D.

Robot,
Love, Isaiah G.

Racecars,
Love, Raymond B.

Yoyo,
Love Amelia W.

Princess
Love, Valkyria B.

Slime
Love Ava R.

Tablet
Love, King K.

Thanos and Spiderman
Love, Bravery N.

Dinosaurs
Love, Blaine A.

Phone
Love, Elijah K.

Nerf gun
Love, Axel A.

Barbies
Love, Ryann T.

Paw Patrol bike
Love, Isaiah W.



CLINTON HEAD START

Babydoll
Love, Daleyza C.

Paint and crayons
Love, Julian V.

CLINTON CHILD DEVELOPMENT

I would like a baby doll
and Minnie mouse
Love, Riley Spottedwolf

I would like toy cars and
blocks.
Love, Trevor Ruiz

I would like toy cars and
books.
Love, Legend Crumb

I would like a Paw Patrol
toy and a puppy.
Love, Wyatt Kloka

I would like a baby doll
and play food.
Love, Amberly Lonebear

I would like a dinosaur and
toy cars.
Love, Braydon Sorter

I would like a baby shark
toy and baby doll.
Love, Madelyn Barron

I would like toy cars and
an airplane.
Love, Allan Pool

I would like an Elsa and
Anna doll.
Love, Joanna Bradley

I would like a skateboard.
Love, Tinsley Barron

I would like a Paw Patrol
bike, Paw Patrol helmet
and Paw Patrol shoes.
Love, Isaiah Whiteshirt

I would like LOL dolls,
Barbie and Anna doll.
Love, Ryann Tapaha

I would like a bike, finger
skateboard track and
Jurassic park dinosaur.
Love, Blain Ayers

I would like a skateboard,
PS4 flash game and 100
pages coloring book.
Love, Beau Tapaha-Biffle

I would like a shark toy,
Robux and PS4 Aquaman
game.
Love, Drayden Tapaha-
Biffle



CONCHO CHILD DEVELOPMENT

I would like baby teething
rattles and musical toys
Love, Wyoma

I would like bouncy balls
and baby teething rattles.
Love, Hudsyn

I would like soft bouncy
balls and musical push
cars.
Love, Alejandro

I would like push light up
cars and baby teething
rattles.
Love, Reese

I would like play kitchen
utensils.
Love, Chase

I would like Cocomelon
and Baby Shark.
Love, Grayson

I would like cars and a
monster truck.
Love, Christopher

I would like cars and
Cocomelon.
Love, Dayton

I would like Cocomelon
and Baby Shark.
Love, Amina

I would like a purse, dress
up dresses/princess
shoes.
Love, Soslikah

I would like Spiderman,
My Little Pony and baking
utensils.
Love, Blossom

I would like Cocomelon
and Baby Shark.
Love, Haven

I would like a baby doll
and dress up clothes.
Love, Noemi

CONCHO HEAD START

I would like dinosaurs.
Love, Alexa

I would like cars.
Love, Kevin

I would like a Barbie
Dream House.
Love, River

I would like Dino
Ranchers.
Love, Berkley

I would like semi trucks,
cars, trains and games.
Love, Ryder

CONCHO HEAD START

I would like a teddy bear.
Love, Logan

I would like Power
Rangers.
Love, Zayn

I would like Star Belly
Dream Lites Unicorn.
Love, Maisie

I would like Batman toys.
Love, Landon

I would like a skateboard.
Love, Kirby

I would like anything
Mickey Mouse or Blues
Clues.
Love, Mirac

I would like a baby doll.
Love, Noalani

I would like some more
PS4 games, a new PS4
controller, trains and train
set. Love, Jimmy

I would like a
Dimorphodon dinosaur, a
Spiderman plushie and a
trampoline.
Love, Stetson

I would like a train track, a
train, and a toy gun.
Love, Mason

I would like magnets, a
green truck, and a blue
truck.
Love, Goku

I would like a dog, dog
toys, and dog treats.
Love, Mia

I would like a Barbie,
Barbie house, and a baby
doll.
Love, Briana

I would like a Barbie, a
kitchen, and a baby doll.
Love, Angel

I would like dinosaurs, a
tablet, and a glue stick.
Love, Ethan

I would like a Barbie
house, Marinette, and
Adrien the Cat Noir.
Love, Ruby

I would like a play house,
bow and arrow, and a
bike.
Love, Lezlee

I would like the Hulk,
Spider-Man, and Iron-
Man.
Love, Dominic

I would like a Poppy
Playtime toy, Spider-Man,
and monster trucks.
Love, Isidro

CONCHO HEAD START

I would like candy, the
Hulk, and dinosaurs.
Love, Antonio

I would like a monster
truck, dinosaurs, and
magnets.
Love, Joseph

I would like Spider-Man,
a Christmas Elf, and
magnets.
Love, Xavi

I would like blocks, trucks,
and a bike.
Love, Nolan

I would like a Spiderman
motorcycle, a bike, and a
Lego set.
Love, Josiah

I would like a Gabby doll
house, Gabby dollhouse
toys, and blocks.
Love, Jordana

I would like a makeup
table, makeup, and a
Gabby dollhouse.
Love, Tamari

I would like a King Kong
toy, George the monkey,
and cars.
Love, Braxtyn

I would like a skate board,
a playground, and cars.
Love, Donnie

I would like a unicorn
pillow, a dollhouse, and a
cool stuffy.
Love, Olivia

I would like a bike, hulk
toys, and cars.
Love, Jamison

I would like a train track,
race cars, and lots of
presents.
Love, Jose

I would like a new phone,
a little pink car, and
Barbie's.
Love, Ha'rih

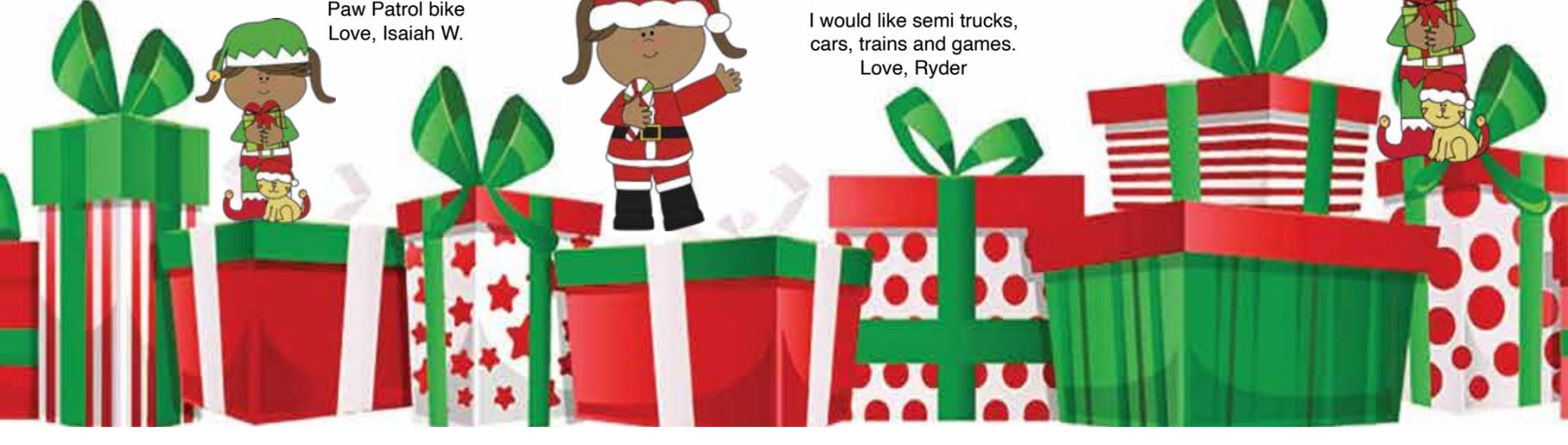
I would like dolls, princess
toys, and a doll house.
Love, Lashay

I would like a pony, a toy
to ride on, and dolls.
Love, Wenonah

I would like trucks, Legos,
and balls.
Love, Bence

I would like hulk shoes,
Iron man toy, and a dog.
Love, Tyler

I would like a Barbie
dream house and Barbie
toys.
Love, Daleyza.



BOARDING SCHOOLS

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boarding schools today are a good thing.

"I think they're a good thing because of the uniqueness Native students have," Fox said. "For many it was all they had, good and bad. I hope they continue. I know there's been a lot of positive strides made ... I go back to Riverside and it's a whole different place."

Fox said Riverside has upgraded its buildings and athletics department over the years. When she attended Riverside, Fox said, no advanced courses were offered in the curriculum, but she said today they recruit teachers for such courses.

"I have friends that have kids and grandkids that go to boarding schools and it's because they want to ... because there is still discrimination in public schools," Fox said. "Being around their Native people makes them want to do better and want to succeed. So, I think that's a dynamic that has changed over the years."

Fox attended Concho from grades three through eight and graduated from Riverside Indian School in

1984 as valedictorian. She holds a bachelor's degree in tourism management from Northeastern State in Tahlequah and a master's degree in education from the University of Oklahoma.

Fox, now a resident of Yukon, has been employed in various positions with BIA for nearly three decades, mostly in the area of self-determination.

Fox said boarding schools, specifically the adults who worked at them that she said practically raised her, helped shape her passion for self-determination and her career working to further the benefits of it for tribes.

"What at the time was negative to me ended up really being positive," Fox said. "I learned so much about self-responsibility, and that came from the dorm parents, teachers, and other people who worked at both Concho and Riverside."

Fox said she fully supports Haaland's efforts and thinks her investigation shows goodwill to create

an understanding of the traumas her ancestors suffered and the impact it has today. While closure cannot begin without acknowledging the history, she said it is hopeful to begin the healing process for the families and tribes impacted.

Hopi journalist Patty Talahongva said she got her start in journalism at the boarding school she attended in high school.

Talahongva is the executive producer of newscasts by Indian Country Today, a national nonprofit Indigenous affairs digital news publication. Talahongva attended Phoenix Indian High School in 1978 and 1979 and lives in Phoenix, Ariz.

While she knows about the brutal history of her grandparents' boarding school experiences, the year she spent at Phoenix Indian School was different.

"People want to cling to this idea that it was always, always bad," Talahongva said. "I would say there's always good in whatever story, no matter how bad it got."

Talahongva said by the

time she was in school children were allowed to speak their languages freely. Cultural customs were celebrated, not suppressed. The overall experience, she said, made her more independent.

Even the launch of Indian Country Today's newscast has roots in boarding schools.

Talahongva said the newscast launched in April 2020, but because of the pandemic there weren't many studio options. The solution? The former grammar building of Phoenix Indian School built in 1935, now called the Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center, which Indian Country Today used for seven months, before moving into the studio at Arizona PBS.

"Those kids who went to school in that building were never encouraged to go to college, get a degree, or do whatever they wanted to do," Talahongva said. "They were certainly never encouraged to become anchors and producers. I can hear our relatives laughing. It's like, 'take that, gov-

ernment. We're using the building you put up to hold us down, and we're broadcasting to the world.'"

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Nancy Marie Spears, a Gaylord News reporter based in Washington, D.C., is an enrolled citizen of Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma.



Constance Fox, Cheyenne and Arapaho, attended Concho Boarding School from third grade through eighth grade, graduating from Riverside Indian School in 1984 as a valedictorian.



Patty Talahongva doing coverage for Indian Country Today on the gaming compact signing at the Heard Museum in Phoenix, Ariz. on April 15. (Courtesy photo)

OBITUARIES

Charles 'Louie' Luther Daukei

Charles 'Louie' Luther Daukei was born Oct. 19, 1963 in Clinton, Okla. to Horace Daukei and Erma White Eagle Blackbear and passed away Nov. 24, 2021, at the age of 58. He was a resident of Santa Fe, N.M. for two years, where he was a BIA Wildland "Hot Shot" Firefighter, a jack of all trades, and a career traveler. He attended Watonga Schools and was a member of the Indian Baptist Church. Louie lived life by his terms and made many memories along the way. He never stayed in one place too long, but

always considered New Mexico his home. He was considered a second father to his nieces and nephews and was a

favorite brother to his siblings. Louie was a loving man, but also had a wild side that would either make you laugh

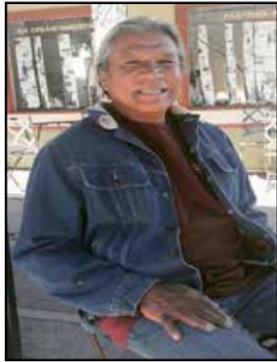
or frustrate you! Some

may say that the movie Urban Cowboy was loosely based on his life. For a man who didn't

have a car, he sure got around. Louie will be missed dearly, but he can now lay his long traveling feet to rest.

He is preceded in death by his father Horace Daukei, his mother Erma White Eagle Blackbear, brothers, Waldo and Gary Daukei, sister Norma Daukei Capshew, as well as one daughter Sasha Tafoya.

He is survived by one son Augustine James Daukei of Dulce, N.M., three daughters, Marily Tafoya of Dulce, Autumn Tafoya of Rio Rancho, N.M. and Tolicia Tiznado of Ignacio, Colo. Three brothers, Gene Daukei, of Farmington, N.M., James Daukei of Watonga, Okla., David Tasso of Oklahoma City, six sisters, Mada Daukei of Watonga, Beverly Daukei of Oklahoma City, Juanita Daukei of Watonga,



Phyllis Daukei, of Watonga, Carolyn Barr of Shawnee, Okla., and Marilyn Jones of Shawnee. Eleven grandchildren, Jayden Daukei, Fancy Daukei, Keanu Tecube, Kieran Tafoya, Zion Tafoya, Nehemiah Tafoya, Uriah Smith, Shiloh Smith, Micah Salazar, Jason Wager, and Brian Wager, as well as numerous other friends and relatives.

Funeral service was held Dec. 3 at the Concho Emergency Response Center, in Concho, Okla. with Rev. Doug Jackson officiating. An interment followed at the Concho Indian Cemetery in Concho, Okla.

OBITUARIES

Charles Edward Lonelodge Jr.



Charles Edward Lonelodge Jr. died Nov. 25, 2021 in Oklahoma City. He was born Aug. 6, 1958 in Oklahoma City. His Potawatomie Indian name, Deet-ta-mah, means grandson and Kickapoo Indian name, Kikanakabia, means eagle that's looking around.

Charles was raised in Anadarko and Oklahoma City attending Riverside Indian School and Old Classen High School where he was known as Chicken-Hawk. He was a painting contractor and

a member of the Native American Church. He was the great-grandson of Sam Ahboah who was an original member of Oh-hah-mah Lodge War Dance Society.

Charles was a champion war dancer, singer, and drummer well-known for his participation in the powwow circuit. A talented artist, he worked in the mediums of drawing, painting, bead work, and made Native regalia.

On July 1, 1977, Charles married Dianna Lynn Holland. Dianna survives him. He is also survived by children, Charles Edward Lonelodge III of Oklahoma City, Alicia Marie Lonelodge of Del City and Elizabeth Anne Lonelodge-Jimenez of Bethany, brothers, Reginald Aken of Anadarko, Alan Lonelodge of El Reno and Bobby Lonelodge of Shawnee, sister Christine Talton of Anadarko, Tahlia Coronado of California and Pamela



Johnson of Earlsboro and eight grandchildren.

His father, Charles Edward Lonelodge Sr., mother Nancy Alice Ahboah Lonelodge, daughter Amy Rochelle Lonelodge, and sisters, Alice Ann Lonelodge and Velma Ruth Lonelodge, preceded him in death.

Wake service was held Dec. 1 at the Concho Response Center in Concho, Okla. Funeral service was held Dec. 2, at the same venue, followed by a burial at the Concho Indian Cemetery in Concho, Okla.

Olga Marie Haag

Olga Marie Haag, 84, of Mountain View, Okla. passed away peacefully on Nov. 28, 2021 at Saint Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City. She was born on Nov. 27, 1937 to Sheridan and Lydia (Pratt) Meeks in Carlton, Okla.

Olga grew up and attended school at Concho Boarding School. She met Bradford Haag and they were united in marriage on Sept. 11, 1960 in Lawton, Okla. Olga was a member of the Rainy Mountain Indian Baptist Church. She was also a citizen of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. Olga will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her, especially her family. Survivors include her chil-

dren, Gary Gray and wife Kathy of Yukon, Okla., Sherianne Austin Frank of Tecumseh, Okla., and Larry Austin of Mountain View, 14 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren, sister-in-law Mary Meeks of Shawnee and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Sheridan and Lydia Meeks, husband Bradford Haag, brothers, William (Sam) Meeks and Wesley Meeks, sisters, Genevieve Pennock and Thelma Haag, grandson James Austin, granddaughters, Cheryl Bunner and Tish Haag, great-grandson Austin Bunner, daughter-in-law Janice



Toppah and son-in-law Ron D. Frank.

Wake service was held Dec. 3 at the Concho Emergency Response Center in Concho, Okla. Funeral service was held Dec. 4, at the same venue, followed by an interment at the Rainy Mountain Cemetery.

George Little Thunder III

George Little Thunder III was born on June 4, 1961, son of George Little Thunder II and Connie (Williams) Little Thunder in Clinton, Okla. He attended Longdale Elementary School and Canton High School in Canton, Okla., before earning his GED at CWC in 1979. He also lived in Tujunga, San Fernando and Bell Gardens, Calif. On April 4, 1981, George married Melissa SunRhodes. George worked at Aerospace as a machinist as well as seismographer, camp crew, surveillance for the Wind River Hotel and Casino. In the film, "Windwalker," George was proudly cast as a horseman. George faithfully attended the annual Northern Sundance in Ethete, Wyo. A few of George's hob-

bies included drawing, listening to music, playing at the casino and playing with his grandchildren. Survivors include his wife Melissa Candace Little Thunder of Riverton, sons, Thunder Sky Little Thunder, George Little Thunder IV and Clifton Little Thunder, daughter Estelle Little Thunder, grandson Eli Little Thunder and numerous other grandchildren, brothers, Merlin Little Thunder, George Little Thunder, Linden Toby Little Thunder Sr., sisters, Merle Oldman and Georgia Little Thunder; He was preceded in death by his mother Connie Little Thunder; father George Little Thunder II, Clifton Little Thunder, Roark Little Thunder, Merle Oldman, Cheryl



Little Thunder, Raymond Little Thunder and Julia C'Hair.

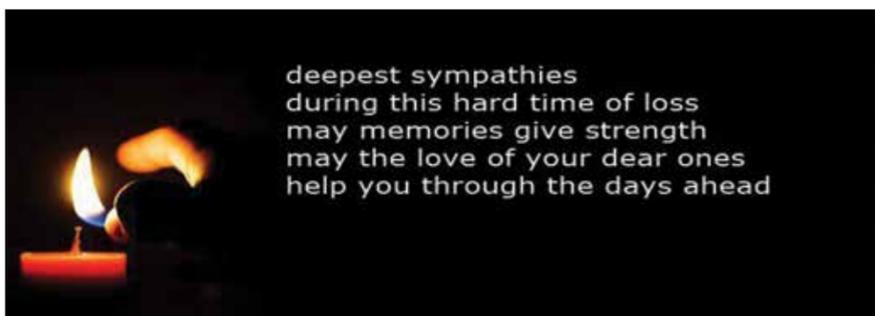
An all-night traditional wake service was held Dec. 9 at the Little Thunder Family Home in Wyoming. Funeral service was held Dec. 10 at the Arapahoe Church in Arapahoe, Wyo., followed by a burial at the Arapahoe Catholic Cemetery in St. Stephens, Wyo.

Adella Katherine Green

Adella Katherine Green, 77 of Anadarko, Okla. passed away Dec. 2, 2021 in Chickasha, Okla. She was born June 25, 1944 in San Antonio, Texas. Wake service was held Dec. 6 at the Smith Funeral Home in Anadarko, Okla. Funeral service was held Dec. 7, at the same venue, followed by a burial at the Memory Lane Cemetery.



deepest sympathies during this hard time of loss may memories give strength may the love of your dear ones help you through the days ahead



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

In Loving Memory



Happy 2nd Birthday Catalina Friday Dec. 15 Love yOUr grandparents James & Denise Friday



Happy birthday Mark Curtis Dec. 24, 1972 Hi tm's stay safe and Merry Christmas. Eat an NDN taco for me. Aho!



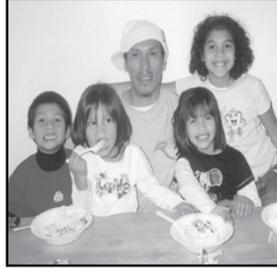
Happy Birthday to our girls! Marcella Sankey - 15 Ophelia Woods - 7 We love you both so much. Love, mom dad your siblings and grandma Virginia



Happy 1st Birthday Oakley Dec. 21 2021 Love your dad Donovan Sage Jr. and your mom Tiara Ford



Happy Heavenly Birthday Amy Gould Dec. 12, 1984 Nov. 10, 2015



Hello Son, well it's that time of the year again. Wow to wish you a Happy 39th birthday in Heaven again

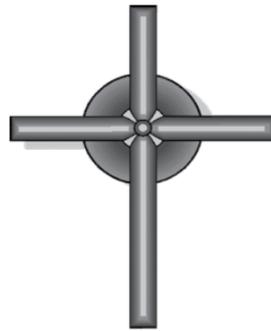
Sometimes I smile... I know you're near. It's not enough, You are not here. You left with LOVE, when you flew away, And a piece of me went with you that day. The years roll by, I'm not the same. But in my heart you will remain.

We Love You Amy. From your Family, Mom, Amanda, Perry, Aiyana, Isaac, Zaina, Ayden, and Wasose

Time just keeps marching on, my dear son. You are loved and missed everyday Son, your presence here was only brief but long enough for us to love you. We celebrate you today Son with special and joyous memories.

The day you took your first breath until the day you left. Our heart aches for you my son, brother, uncle, father, grandson. We miss you and your daughter very much, but we know you are with some good people there, which we say is across the River. We love you Son Shannon aka Duke Blackwolf You touched us all on Dec. 26, 1982. So continue to watch over us Son.

Love you forever, mom, dad, grandpa Don, Rachel, Joe, Kevin, Jarrod, Derrick, Mindy and of course your son Rumel.



Happy Birthday December 17 Lela Pedro!

I want to thank the Cheyenne and Arapaho Governor and Lt. Governor, and all the tribal staff that helped with Fright Fest. My children really enjoyed themselves and had a good time. Thank you, Kimberly Eagle



Starting in 2022 Seiling Indian Baptist Church 106 N. Orange will begin meeting at 2 P. M. This will be the first Sunday in January. We will have lunch, fellowship time, Cheyenne Spiritual Songs and time to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. For more information contact Brother Ron Starr 580.500.7786.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
From The Staff of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Tribune

Wishing you the very happiest of holidays & a wonderful new year!
from all of us at Tribal Child Support Services El Reno

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

WE ARE LOOKING FOR...

Responses to the Tribal Justice System Needs Assessment Survey!

Please visit the link below:
<https://form.jotform.com/213196133914050>

For Questions or Concerns contact:
Melanie Kodaseet - 405-422-7770
mkodaseet@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov

Below is a link for an online survey being conducted to gather a Tribal Justice System Needs Assessment. This assessment is step one of the Tribes creating a tribal action plan for the Tribal Justice system as required for the Judicial Branch CTAS grant. The goal of this survey is to gain insight from tribal members and employees on how we can improve the tribal justice system. The survey will be conducted through February 2022. For any questions or more information please contact Melanie Kodaseet at 405-422-7770 or by email at mkodaseet@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov. JotForm Link: <https://form.jotform.com/213196133914050>

Clinton Service Unit & the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Present

TELEPHONE TOWN HALL

FRIDAY
Dec. 17
1:00 - 2:00 PM

TOWN HALL MEETING

Call-in and join us for questions and answers on the Covid-19 vaccine.

CALL: 1-3462487799
PASSCODE: 2679348668#
JOIN ZOOM MEETING:
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Holidays & Traveling

Tara Conway, MS, RD, LD, CDCES
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

The holidays and where we travel more than we normally would. Traveling can be exciting, educational, exhausting and energizing! Taking food with you while you travel can be enjoyable, especially if you are traveling by car for more than a day.

Before You Go, Pack Foods with Care

Clean your produce. Rinse all fresh produce under running tap water before packing it in a cooler, including produce with peel-away skins or rinds.

Keep cold food cold. Place cold food in coolers with frozen gel packs or ice. Stashing it at 40°F or below prevents bacterial growth. Consider packing beverages in one cooler and perishable foods in another since you are likely to grab beverages most often. Sliced fruit and veggies, hummus, guacamole and yogurt are good snacks to store in the cooler.

Keep hot food hot. Unless you have a portable heater, probably won't be taking hot foods with you.

Pack healthy non-perishable snacks. No matter how you travel, your family can keep eating healthfully with these simple options:

- Whole or dried fruit.
- Freeze-dried vegetables.
- Nuts (pre-portioned into snack-size bags).
- Nut butters (travel packs are great for planes).
- Whole-grain pretzels, crackers and bread sticks.
- Trail mix.
- Snack bars. Look for bars made with whole grains, nuts and fruit with few added sugars.

Carry hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes. These come in handy for washing your hands or other surfaces.

Once You're Off, Keep Food Safety in Mind

Clean your hands before you eat. Even if you don't need to use the restroom, you'll still want to wash away germs you picked up in the airport or train station. Wash with soap and water or hand sanitizer.

Be safe with water. Water is regulated and tested throughout the U.S., but, when in doubt, don't drink the tap or well water. This also goes for anything made

with water, such as ice or fountain drinks. Stick with sealed, bottled beverages if you have any concerns about the local water supply.

Remember the two-hour rule. If you buy cold or hot food at the airport or train station, eat it within two hours of purchasing. After that, bacteria multiply. (In hot weather, the safe time limit is one hour.) Set a timer on your watch or phone to remind you.

Think before eating. On the plane, clean off your tray table with disinfectant wipes. Never set food directly on the tray table. If hot food is served on the plane or train, make sure it is, indeed, hot.

Eat Right While Traveling

Choose healthy snacks. These choices are easy to carry and are available in many gas station marts and most airport terminals:

- Part-skim mozzarella cheese stick.
- Whole-grain sandwich with lean meat, vegetables and mustard.
- Salad with lean protein.
- Vegetable soup.
- Fat-free latte.
- Fruit cup.

Pre-cut veggies (paired with nut butter brought from home).

Road trip stops. There might be long stretches of road with limited options between cities, but road trips don't have to cause a disruption in eating healthfully.

Markets. Pick up pre-washed/pre-cut vegetables, hummus, yogurt, sandwiches, salads and fruit with peels including oranges and bananas.

Sandwich shops. Choose whole-grain bread, extra vegetables and mustard instead of oil or mayo.

Drive-thrus and casual restaurants. Focus on items that are grilled, steamed, broiled or baked instead of fried or sautéed. Consider salads with lean protein and a vinaigrette-based dressing, broth-based soups, oatmeal and eggs with whole-grain bread. If you're craving comfort food, just watch your portions, stick to the basics such as a single burger patty without special sauces, kid-size sides and water instead of soda.

At Your Destination, Seek Out Healthy Bites

Don't take a vacation

from food safety rules. Fish, shellfish, meat and eggs are still unsafe to eat when raw, even at a fancy hotel.

At a hotel, ask for a room with a mini fridge. Then visit the local market for grocery staples. That way you can eat breakfast in your room and keep healthful snacks on hand including hummus and yogurt.

Make instant oatmeal for breakfast. If you have a coffee maker, you can make instant oatmeal. Stir in dried fruit, nuts and milk for a satisfying start to the day.

Be cautious about continental breakfasts. Enjoy this complimentary meal option by choosing whole-grain cereal with fat-free or low-fat milk, fruit or yogurt.

Pass on street vendor foods. Though the aromas may be tempting, consider skipping food from unknown street vendors. The safest strategy is to stick to tried-and-true dining establishments.

Beware of buffets. Before you grab a plate, walk around the buffet and decide which foods you'll choose. Steer clear of any food that's served at room temperature,

that's within the temperature "danger zone" where bacteria can thrive. Aim to make half your plate fruits and vegetables, one-quarter lean protein and one-quarter whole grains.

Be adventurous ... but not overly venturesome with meat selections. Just say "no thanks" to wild meat such as monkeys, bats and unusual game meat.

For a personalized weight management plan that meets your individual needs, consult a registered dietitian either at the Diabetes Wellness Center or the Clinton Service Unit.

For more information and tips on health and wellness contact Tara Conway at the Diabetes Wellness Program 405-422-7685 or toll free at 800-247-4612 ext. 27685 or by email, tconway@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov or Jenna Crider 405-422-7656, toll free at 800-247-4612 ext. 27656 or by email, jcrider@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov.

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ATHLETES' SPOTLIGHT

Jamason Dodge, CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL

Latoya Lonelodge, Staff Reporter



Making his way to the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association (OSSAA) 4A State Finals for football, once again, Jamason Dodge, 17, has made it a goal in his senior year on the football field to win the gold ball.

Standing 6'1 and weighing 240 lbs., Dodge plays offensive and defensive lineman for the Clinton Red Tornadoes at Clinton High School.

With the Red Tornadoes making it to the state championship for their 27th time, with 16 state championship wins in the bag, Dodge has made it a dream to see his team win at state.

"I started playing when I was in the fifth grade and kept going ever since," Dodge said.

Dodge said in the Clinton, Oklahoma area, they're known for their football team.

"I asked myself, what else is there to do and so I played football, that's what we're known for in Clinton is our football team," Dodge said.

What makes football most enjoyable for him, Dodge said, is being around the people he's come know as friends and family.

"Being around the people I've been with for the past umpteen years in football, being with them and just the competitiveness of it," Dodge said.

Dodge said they made it to the state finals the previous year, however fell short of a victory win.

"Since we already made it there it's like we just

try not to hype ourselves again, like how we did last year, and act like we just been there before," Dodge said.

Since the beginning of the football season, Dodge said what he looked forward to the most in his senior year was to progress in the game every week up until the playoffs.

"What we want right now is just to win," Dodge said.

In his previous season, Dodge said he had to miss out on most of the play off experience due to him getting COVID-19.

"It impacted me a lot because when I went to get my COVID test to show for sure if I had it or not, they called my mom and said I had it and I just started tearing up because I couldn't be there with them, my football friends and family," Dodge said.

But in returning for his senior year on the football field, Dodge said he looked forward to playing more than anything else.

Throughout the season, Dodge said he's been working on himself, being a student and an athlete.

"Just to equal those things out, work on school work and playing football, if you focus more on football then you'll just fall back in the classroom and then if you work in the classroom more than you

do at football or anything else you do, it's the same vice versa," Dodge said.

In preparing for the state championship against the Tuttle Tigers, Dodge said he's been trying to prepare himself mentally and physically as this will be his final game for his senior year.

"It's mixed emotions, if you have a bad play you have to have short term memory and if you have a good play you should drive off of it, to know you can do more and more," Dodge said.

His inspiration for playing football, Dodge said, comes from the tradition he was raised in and around.

"From the other people in front of me that played for Clinton or went to Clinton, that just laid the



foundation for me and my team," Dodge said.

Through his football years, Dodge said he's seen growth in himself as a football player in staying busy and working on what would help him and his teammates the most.

"Football has taught me self-discipline, how to manage your time, your school work and everything else in your life that

goes on," Dodge said.

Dodge said he hopes to be remembered on the field as an all-around guy.

"If you need help on something, just ask me or anybody else that has done it in the past," Dodge said.

Jamason's parents are David Swails and Deidre Swails, and he has two siblings, Keira and Justin Dodge.



Native Youth Community Project Student Spotlights



NYCP's Student Spotlight: Washington Elementary

Washington Elementary Student Spotlight is Analise Sevenstar. She is a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and is in the sixth grade.

Analise was chosen because she is a hard worker, she's efficient, good grades and strives for self-improvement. Her favorite sport is basketball, she likes to watch Netflix, her favorite food is chicken alfredo and favorite subjects are social studies and science. A few people she admires are her mom, aunt Amber and her mom's friend Dee. Analise thinks she is special because she has made a lot of improvements within herself.

Great job Analise! We are proud of you!



NYCP Student Spotlight: Clinton Middle School

Clinton Middle School Student Spotlight is DanyElla Redshin. She is an eighth grader and a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. She was chosen because she exemplifies what it means to be a student athlete, she has straight As and perfect attendance. Since Kortney has known Ella she has always gone above and beyond with whatever task she takes on.

DanyElla's favorite sport is volleyball, she likes to play outside, her favorite food is Indian tacos and her favorite subject is math. Someone she looks up to is her brother David, because he helps her. DanyElla plans to go to college and become a teacher if she doesn't make it as a famous volleyball player.

Great job DanyElla! We are proud of you!



NYCP's Student Spotlight: Washington Elementary

Washington Elementary Student Spotlight is Makayla Bird. She is a sixth grader and a Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal member. Makayla was chosen because she has been keeping her grades up, she's sweet, kind and always has a good attitude.

Makayla's favorite sport is soccer. Her favorite hobby is art. Makayla's favorite subject is math. Someone she admires is her dad. She believes she's special because she is nice.

Great job Makayla! We are proud of you!



NYCP Student Spotlight: Southwest Elementary

Southwest Elementary Student Spotlight is Payson Panana. Payson is a third grader and is a Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal member.

Payson likes to play Fortnite and his favorite sports are soccer and football. His favorite food is spaghetti, pizza and his mom's goulash. His favorite thing to learn in school are biographies. Payson's career goal is to be a doctor who works for Indian Health Services. He wants to attend college in Oklahoma, SWOSU in Weatherford is on the top of his list. Payson says, "I admire my mom, dad, grandpa and actually my whole family." He thinks he's special because he cares about people. Payson's parents are Juan and Leslie.

Great job Payson! We are proud of you!

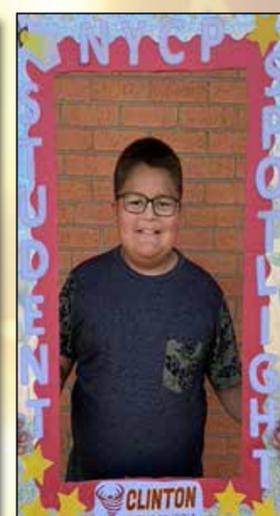


NYCP's Student Spotlight: Clinton Middle School

Clinton Middle School Student Spotlight is Roderick Barker. He is a seventh grader and he's Cheyenne, Arapaho and Navajo. Roderick was picked because he constantly wears a smile on his face and always has a positive attitude.

Roderick's favorite sport is football. He likes riding his bike with his friends. His favorite food are ribs that his uncle makes. His favorite subject is science. Someone he admires is Ronnie Red Shin because he is like a brother to him and helps him with basketball. He wants to attend college at the University of Oklahoma for business and start his own clothing line.

Great job Roderick! We are proud of you!

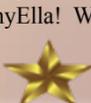


NYCP's Student Spotlight: Southwest Elementary

Southwest Elementary Student Spotlight is Sergio (Joaquin) Bird. He is a fourth grader, a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and has been chosen because he's always friendly, thoughtful, respectful and a great student.

Joaquin's favorite sport is football and he likes to play with his dog, Adkis. He likes pepperoni pizza and his favorite subject is math. Someone he admires is his dad. He thinks he special because he's smart, kind and creative. Joaquin wants to attend college at Stanford University.

Congratulations! Keep up the good work!



VACCINES & BOOSTERS

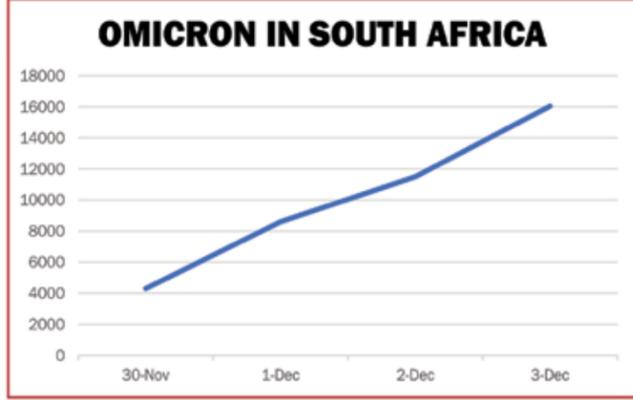
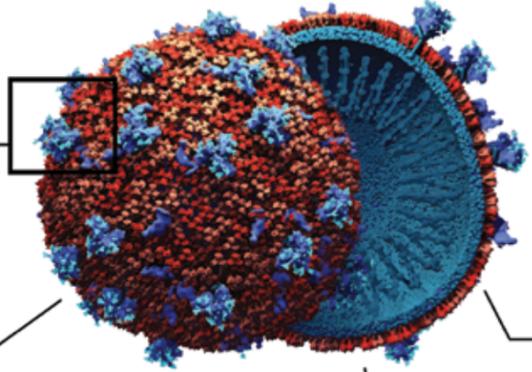
STAYING SAFE WITH OMICRON VARIANT

OMICRON WHAT IS DIFFERENT?

30 CHANGES ON THE SPIKE PROTEIN*



*THE SPIKE PROTEIN IS WHAT YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM LOOKS FOR TO KNOW WHEN TO FIGHT THE INFECTION.



SPREADS MORE EASILY THAN ANY VARIANT*
 *SOUTH AFRICA SAW A RAPID INCREASE IN NEW CASES DUE TO THE OMICRON VARIANT. SEE GRAPH HERE.

REINFECTION RATE FOR UNVACCINATED IS HIGHER*

*UNVACCINATED PEOPLE WITH COVID IMMUNITY FROM PRIOR INFECTION ARE 3X HIGHER TO BE REINFECTED BY OMICRON.

WHAT WE DON'T KNOW YET ABOUT OMICRON

1. IF IT WILL CAUSE MORE SERIOUS DISEASE
2. IF IT WILL INCREASE HOSPITALIZATIONS
3. IF CERTAIN AGE GROUPS WILL BE MORE AFFECTED

WHILE WE ARE WAITING FOR NEW DATA KEEP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SAFE BY DOING THESE



GET VACCINATED & GET A BOOSTER



INCREASE VENTILATION & FILTRATION INDOORS



WEAR A MASK INDOORS



AVOID CROWDS ESPECIALLY IF THEY'RE UNVACCINATED



GET TESTED IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OR BEEN EXPOSED



ISOLATE/QUARANTINE IF YOU HAVE COVID-19 OR BEEN EXPOSED



SPEND TIME OUTSIDE PHYSICALLY DISTANCE INDOORS



DON'T PANIC BUT REMAIN VIGILANT

BOOSTERS

WHAT COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER SHOULD I GET? ¹									
First Vaccine	Pfizer BIONTECH			moderna			janssen PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES OF Johnson & Johnson		
# Vaccine Doses	2			2			1		
Booster Options	moderna	Pfizer BIONTECH	janssen PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES OF Johnson & Johnson	Pfizer BIONTECH	moderna	janssen PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES OF Johnson & Johnson	moderna	Pfizer BIONTECH	janssen PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES OF Johnson & Johnson
# Antibodies <i>The higher the better!</i>	17.3 x	14.9 x	6.2 x	9.7 x	7.9 x	4.7 x	56.1 x	32.8 x	4.6 x
Rank <i>1st is the best option.</i>	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd

¹Reference: "Heterologous SARS-CoV-2 Booster Vaccinations - Preliminary Report" (SARS-CoV-2 Vaccine Booster Trial), Table 2, SARS CoV-1 IgG Binding and Neutralizing Antibody Assays, Geometric mean fold rise. Copyright © 2021 Rob Swanda, PhD, drswanda.com.



1 CLOSED SPACES



2 CROWDS



3 CLOSE CONTACT



The risk of getting COVID is really high when the 3 Cs overlap!

AVOID THE THREE CS