Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

Co-Sponsor Sex Offender Registration and Compliance Conference

Latoya Lonelond
Staff Reporter

With startling statistics and rates concerning sex offender related crimes in the United States, the epidemic continues to grow as issues arise in and around the enforcement of sex offender registration. However, through collaborative efforts and the sharing of information among agencies and law enforcement that deal with sex offender registration and cases, they are one step closer in combating these issues to ensure safer communities.

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Independent Living Center: A Place To Call Home

Rosemary Stephens
Editor-in-Chief

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Independent Living Center (ILC) received its new signs that will surely catch the eye of any passerby.

The ILC and Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Governor (now the current Cheyenne and Arapaho governor) used former Housing Authority Director Reggie Wassana approved appropriation from Tax Commission for residents. Their rent is based on 30 percent of their monthly income, whether that comes from SSI, retirement, military benefits or Civil Service. If applying as a married couple, only one needs to be 55 years or older.

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She said at first she was surprised a lot because she was used to living on her own in Colony, “But then I got used to it. I get to see people everyday, we play Bingo, sometimes we all go all out to eat, and we have church and Bible study... it’s a little community.”

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“We are equipped with a safe room that will hold up to 60 people, every unit has its own kitchen, washer and dryer hookups and all the showers are handicap accessible,” Stonecalf said.

Most recently, the center has gotten a complete new roof and metal roof. Upon hearing about the many leaks when it rained, the Seventh Legislative branch, along with Gov. Wassana approved appropriation from Tax Commission to make improvements to the center that included not only a new roof, but will also include LED lighting installed outside all the way around the building to make being out in the evening time safer for residents. Planning and Development Director Damon Dunbar said the new roof would help to stop the leaks causing interior ceiling damage and the parking lot LED lighting would improve the safety for the elders who wish to be out in the evening hours.

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In accordance with the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Constitutional provision, pursuant to Article V, § 2 (c), the tribal Council shall have the power to authorize the Governor to enter into treaties, compacts, or any contract.

Pursuant to Article V, § 3 (b), Special Meetings of the Tribal Council may be called by five members of the Legislature or by petition signed by one hundred fifty members of the Tribes. All requests for a Special Meeting of the Tribal Council shall be submitted to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council. Upon receipt of a valid petition, the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council shall call the Special Meeting. The purpose of the Special Meeting shall be indicated in the request for the Special Meeting and no other business shall be conducted at the Special Meeting.

Pursuant to Article V, § 2 (d) Resolution No. 2018RAT-020 and § 4 (c) requires all RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED at least thirty days before each Annual Meeting and Special Meeting of the Tribal Council.

Agenda items for Special Tribal Council Meeting to be held on November 23, 2019 are as follows:

1. Resolution approving the Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in the same form, as contained in the loan agreement between the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma for the construction of Lucky Star Casino-Watonga hotel and related facilities on Highway 270, Watonga, Oklahoma.

2. Approve the creation of the Department of Parks and Recreation.
The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes is willing to provide any audit information to tribal citizens through the Office of Records. In addition, tribal citizens can access any annual audits through the Federal Audit Clearinghouse, where all federal requirements, including annual independ- ent audits. As our audit will show, our programs have seen vast improvements over the past 10 years. The Federal Audit Clearinghouse includes copies of forms and audits of the tribes and trib- al entities, including the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Department of Housing. For more information, contact the Governor’s Office of Communications at (405) 422-7928.
Heap of Birds lectures at Yale, exhibits at Met Museum and SUNY, Purchase N.Y.

(NEW YORK CITY) Edgar Heap of Birds will present the Noram Lytton Lecture at the Yale University Center for British Art on Nov. 6. His lecture titled, “As a Native American, Art and Public Art and Studio Practice.”

This talk presents Native origins and experiences in the visual arts, pointing to the community, Indigenous community art actions, and public art collaborations between museums and art centers in America and internationally, as well as sharp expressive political discourse through large-scale monument installations.

Banks also participated in and attended the Oct. 9 gallery opening, with sons Wes Heap and Dylan Heap of Rigle a group exhibition at the Maas Gallery in New York City. N.Y. The artist exhibited his public art highway sign intervention piece titled “Re-” at the exhibition. The exhibition will continue through Nov. 20, 2019.

As of Right is a term in property development to describe a proposed development that complies with all applicable zoning, environmental, historic, and other governmental regulations. The Right of Development does not require special permits, variances, or any discretionary action from the City Planning Board. The Right of Development is not a right to build; it is a privilege to conduct an artist in residence project, August 2020, at the University of Oklahoma's Regional Art Center.

The exhibition “In the Home of a Foreign Place” will be on view until June 21, 2020. These works honor three members of the Dakota people who along with 35 others were hanged by the federal government in 1862. The exhibition begins with an executive order giving the Dakota people a new identity. As such, these artists for the tribes. She said the program is designed to reduce addiction “by using our culture as prevention.” As such, these works perform a critical task, they reassert a buried history, counter the dominant culture’s amnesia in a manner that is subtle yet hard to ignore.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ DAY

Mayor Heap of Birds holds the second for the year in the Chickasaw Garden at Oklahoma City University, read a mayoral proclamation that, among other things, recognized the people of indigenous nations as the first inhabitants and new “strong contributors” to Oklahoma City. (Photos / Josh Robinson, OCU)

Heap of Birds is pictured right in New York City.
In a world full of possibilities, no individual should feel left out of certain circumstances and abilities preventing from fulfilling their dream job. And that is just what the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribe’s Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program is here for—to be that stepping stone that may make dreams come true.

On Oct. 16 the VR program held a Disability Awareness Day event at the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla. In acknowledging services and resources available for individuals with disabilities seeking employment, the goal of the event was to shed light on the employment gold mine that VR offers.

As part of a national campaign held in October for National Disability Awareness Month, the event for Disability Awareness Day raises awareness about employment issues for individuals with disabilities.

Dr. Henrietta Mann, a Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribe member, has seen the VR program in action for many years. She is a long-time advocate for the program and a strong supporter of disability rights.

“Dr. Mann said. “I was humiliated and cried. My paternal grandmother, whom were non-Natives. I had already taught at the University of California, Berkeley.”

Still actively involved in the program, Mann recently participated in the American Indian College Fund Native American Pre-College Summer Program in Colorado Springs, Colo., and offered the blessing at the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla.

“Colleges were beginning to offer courses in Native American studies,” she said. “I had already taught at the junior high and high school levels, so when I learned of an opportunity to teach at Berkeley, I took it.”

“This was an era of activism, and Mann saw a propitious opening to share information about Native culture and traditions at a public college. “It was here that I found standing twenty woman, an aunt who was non-Natives. I didn’t have an idea what it was about and I got to tell you, nursing school is hard but you know life happens when you’re doing it.”

Dr. Henrietta Mann (Photo / David Bledsoe)

With the community center lined with vendors and booths offering information and services to attendees, the room was filled with chatter and conversation. In opening, the hostess and guard posted the colors and Gordon Youngman gave an introduction.

“Individuals with disabilities or individuals who could use services really see that there’s all kinds of things out there that can help me and I hope that they see that these vendors and especially with this success story, they see this program can really help and they find that help,” Yeagley said.

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“In 1970, she earned her bachelor’s degree and went on to earn her BA from the University of California, Berkeley. “I remember the Anglo students called us names, wanted to bring something out to our country, one that can else can do this like we do,” Yeagley said.

The consumer success story of Cheyenne and Arapaho citizen Carolyn Fletcher grabbed the attention of many as she shared her experience of how the VR helped her get through nursing school. Fletcher’s nursing school journey began after she visited Southwest Oklahoma State University to see what she needed to do to become a nurse. Fletcher met with a counselor who initially told her about vocational rehabilitation.

“Tim (Yeahquo) and Lori (Lee) and Susie (Galindo), they helped me with uniform, they bought me a stethoscope, they helped me with gas, they gave me mileage, they helped me with uniforms, they asked what else do you need, they gave me mitigation, they helped me with gas, they helped me with miles.”

“Disability Awareness Day is something that we do on an annual basis, it’s our grant today, we just got funded again and it’s something that we do annually, but it’s not just to do something for individuals with disabilities. It’s really to promote awareness that individuals with disabilities can have lives too, they don’t necessarily have to be stuck at home or stuck in a certain kind of job because of their disability, they can get retrained, they can be a better path for themselves,” Timothy Yeagley Jr., VR program director said.

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tions in ensuring registration of offenders as a sex offender. Speakers at the conference, including keynote Dr. Kirk Johnson, with the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART), tribal leaders, and agencies that deal with sex offender crimes, presented information and research relating to Sex Offender Registration and sex offender crimes. Speakers at the conference included keynote Dr. Kirk Johnson, with the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART), and Arapahoe Tribes co-sponsored the event for the conference, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

The Tribe and Territory Sex Offender Registry System (TSORS) provided an overview of the Department of Justice and the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART), tribal leaders, and agencies that deal with sex offender crimes, presented information and research relating to Sex Offender Registration and sex offender crimes.

Terrific Toby, Kiona, waves to the crowd during the Oklahoma City Indigenous Peoples’ Day celebration.

With the Department of Corrections, Cheri Bolt, and Marnie Dollinger address the crowd and answer questions relating to DOC Registration. (Photo Latoya Lonelodge)

APARADO DISTRICT 3 TRAVIS DREW RUZI FOR A3 LEGISLATOR

Terry Teston, Kiona, waves to the crowd during the Oklahoma City Indigenous Peoples’ Day celebration.

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It is with humility, hopefulness that I am writing this and asking for your VOTE on the 5th for November for Arapaho District 3 Legislator.

Our Cheyenne and Arapaho Nation is in need of young educated tribal members with new ideas and fresh perspectives, getting involved in our business affairs and advocating for our people because they are our future. Together we can create a better A3.

Below are a few of the things I have been working towards for our A3 communities:

1. Resolution to increase Tribal minimum wage to $14/hour.
2. Healthier positive youth-based activities for A3
3. Transparency to the People with monthly or quarterly meetings.

Working together in building a Native Nation that is progressing forward is essential. Being a leader doesn’t necess-

arily come with age, education or a fancy resume, but it does take responsibility and courage.

If elected I will do my best to ensure the Legislative body is working together for our people.

Hoowce ‘isenebettitlano beiscenontihii’ (We All Stand As One) Hahou
On Oct. 15, the VPR program held a Disability Awareness Day event at the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla. In acknowledging services and resources available for individuals with disabilities seeking employment, the goal of the event was to shed light on the employment goals of disabled individuals.

The event was held to raise awareness to disability in the community, try to support those who need help to succeed, and to introduce programs to help individuals with disabilities find employment. The event featured booths set up by organizations and agencies that offer services and resources for people with disabilities. Attendees visited booths to meet with representatives and discuss how they can help. The event was also an opportunity to highlight people and their struggles, any kind of impediment, we really want to do this for you to give you the tools you need to succeed in your life.

Fletcher has continued to grow and help others. She has started a new business called Fletcher's House of Hope, which provides support and resources for people with disabilities. She has also started a nonprofit organization called Fletcher's House of Hope, Inc., which aims to help people with disabilities find employment and live fulfilling lives. Fletcher has also been involved in advocacy work, speaking at conferences and events to raise awareness about disabilities and employment opportunities.

The event was a success, with many attendees expressing interest in the programs and resources offered by the organizations and agencies. The event also served as a way to connect people with disabilities with others in the community who can provide support and resources.

The day was a reminder of the importance of inclusion and equal opportunities for all people, regardless of their abilities. The event was a step towards creating a more inclusive and supportive community for people with disabilities.

Re-elect Ronald “Sonny” Redshin for C3 District

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I will be a candidate for your C3 District 3 Legislator. I am seeking re-election Nov. 5, 2019. As you know, I have been in office for a little over a year now and during this time as a legislator I have assisted in rebuilding relationships with the Legislative and Executive Branches while working with the Governor and Lt. Governor. I have had the privilege of serving our people and being a positive voice for the C3 District. I believe if re-elected we can continue in a positive path together.

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This past year we have passed several resolutions that are going to be financially beneficial to our tribe. We have many accomplishments, to name a few:

- Purchasing the south parking lot at Lucky Star in Clinton;
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Establishment of Health Board;

Supported with funerals for families of our district and other districts.

I will continue to do my best at serving my people and speaking on your behalf. It has been important to me to represent the members of the C3 District and feel that we are continuing to move forward as a whole.

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I would like to share some information about myself that I hope will provide you information in our upcoming election for the Cheyenne District 3 Legislator that I am campaigning for.

I served in the Marine Corps and Army for 23 years and retired as a Master Sergeant (E-8). Serving in the military taught me leadership skills, decision making skills and responsibility. I also retired from the Bureau of Indian Education as a Human Resource Supervisor (GS-14). I earned my Bachelor Degree in Human Resources (BS) and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA).

I was honored to be the first Governor of the tribes under the new Constitution. During my term as Governor, I developed many new programs, which are still in effect today, these programs created new employment opportunities for our tribal members. When I left office in January 2010, the tribe had money in the BANK and a high number of employees. In addition, our tribe was on “High Risk”, my administration met the high requirements of the BIA and removed the tribe from high risk, which qualified the tribe for many grants, contracts and programs.

I believe, I have the experience, education and skills to serve as your C-3 legislator. I have always believed that the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes should be one of the wealthiest tribes in Oklahoma. Our tribes has missed many opportunities because the Legislators are inexperienced, make bad decisions or no decisions, but my goal has always been to provide leadership and help our tribes succeed in all of our endeavors.

What I will do:
• I will provide monthly activity reports and create a WEB PAGE for members to communicate with me and each other. I will keep you informed;
• I will question the budgeting process, planning and implementation;
• I will investigate high salaries, unauthorized employment, unauthorized travel;
• I will work with the FBI to find answers to Poker Tribes.com ($9.4 million), tax commission ($15 million), (2 million) paid to HUD;
• Ballot voting on all resolutions presented at special and annual tribal council meetings for all tribal members living in districts, out of districts and out of state;
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I will pledge to work with other tribal legislators and the Governor to support our District 3 and the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. Today, I am asking for your support as I campaign for C-3 Legislator. I have the experience, ability, education, and skills to serve as your C-3 Legislator.
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years, he lived with his
little brother Ambrose,
and well-respected Northern
childhood memories with
his big sister Shonda, his
and Paulino run-
ning Indian education. My
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parents, who were non-Na-
tive American. He began
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I felt inspired to share
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ways, which means pursuing
the path of education by
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In "Life's journey, we are
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tor son his skills of how to
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future in Oklahoma. He
within his tribe.

He was disabled at an
in a diving accident. He
the remainder of his life in
rural communities in Western Oklahoma.

He was an accomplished
artist and enjoyed doing
colors and oil painting. He
was able to supplement his
in his art career for
and being inducted into the

the Native American Gymnasi-

A celebration of his life was held on Nov. 2, 2019 at the Watchetaker Hall in Lowta, Okla.

A traditional Cheyenne wake service was held on

Mark Michael Elksho-

Although the exact details of his life were not provided, we can assume that Xavier lived a full and active life in the Native American community, likely participating in cultural events and traditions such as powwows and Native American Gymnastics. The text mentions that there was a celebration of his life held on Nov. 2, 2019, indicating that he was remembered and respected by his community.

The text also includes a statement about USDA programs and policies, mentioning that individuals with disabilities should contact the centers listed for more information. This is likely intended to provide a resource for readers who may be seeking assistance or support.
We celebrated the unveiling of our new flags at the Northern Cheyenne, Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes at the Los Angeles United American Indian Invitational, Inc., with family and friends gathered together. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe’s flag is the Morning Star. The Other is the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal flag designed by Joseph Quintana. So, there was tradition - folk, food and frybread. Cheyenne Drummer Conrad Fisher sang traditional songs from the tribe. The drum circle played songs. It’s going to be such a honor seeing the flags added to the center.

Letter to the Editor:

Desire to change casino fees is all about the money. Gov. Stitt says it is a mandate to renegotiate the gaming compacts with Oklahoma’s tribal governments “has nothing to do with revenue.” When they tell you it’s not about the money, you can rest assured it’s about the money. Newly elected Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. was dead right when he said the state was trying to make up for a decade of poor fiscal decisions it had made. Oklahoma’s governor and representatives - both common schools and higher education, on starvation budgets just to curry favor with an education system that not seem to place much value on education, housing and health care. That is unlike Oklahoma’s government leaders, who do not seem to place much value on such things.

Office of Veteran Affairs Veterans’ Day Tribute

All dinners are from 6-9 p.m. Nov. 12, at the Bertrange Community Center, 411 N. Main Street in Seiling, Okla., and Nov. 20, at the Clinton Community Center, 2013 Deep Patch Rd., in Clinton, Okla. Meal will be provided.

Adult Education G.E.D. Pretesting-Watonga

All monetary donations appreciated with all proceeds going to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes’ Gov. Reggie Wassana. For more information call 405-774-3226.

Avery! Happy 4th Birthday

Happy 26th birthday Jeffrey Baggett! We love you, may god bless you with many more birthdays to come! Love you all from your family.

Happy birthday baby Ott! Love papa.

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To apply please submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of driver's license and a copy of CDIB (if applicable) to the Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or call 405-422-7498 or email atisdale@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov. Or download application by visiting http://cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov.

Master Teachers
Child Care: Clinton & Concho
Closing: Until filled
Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in education or related field preferred or an equivalent combination of education and experience, substituting one year of experience in teaching for one year of the required education. Knowledge and Arapaho preference. Knowledge of current educational learning styles, principles of teaching, Adult Education policies and regulations. General education curriculum, and testing procedures. Ability to deal effectively and courteously with participants and ability to exercise good judgment when conducting assessments and communicating results. Ability to prepare instructional plans, progress reports, files and other similar or related materials. Ability to maintain ongoing documentation regarding services provided (includes participant files and specialized class' workshops' files). Maintain professionalism and environment conducive to learning. Must possess basic computer knowledge. Proficiency in MS Word, MS Works, and Excel. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license having a clean driving record for one year. Ability to pass OSBI background investigation, drug screen, and maintain a valid driver's license. Ability to work flexible hours, including weekends and holidays not to exceed 29 hours/week. Must be willing and able to perform related travel normally associated with this position.

SALARY: Negotiable

Curriculart (ON CALL)
Language & Cultural Clerk
Closing: Until filled
Qualifications: Reliable and dependable. Ability to handle weights and loads. Ability to lift to at least 50 pounds, bending, pushing, pulling over 50 pounds, pushing, pulling. Must be able to lift 50 pounds, pushing, pulling. Must possess a valid Oklahoma driver's license. Must possess two years or equivalent experience as a Correctional Officer. Ability to pass background check and drug screen. Ability to work flexible hours including weekdays and holidays not to exceed 29 hours/week. Must be willing and able to perform related travel normally associated with this position.

SALARY: Negotiable

Staff Accountant
Closing: Until filled
Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in accounting or finance and a minimum of two years experience with Tribal accounting. Knowledge of generally accepted accounting principles, with spreadsheets and/or computerized accounting programs. Experience with fund accounting software packages, particularly MIP. Ability to organize projects and analyze information to complete projects and provide good communication skills, both oral and written. O'neill, Arapaho preference. Driver’s license required. 

SALARY: Negotiable

Counselor
Closing: Until filled
Qualifications: High school diploma or GED certification required. Must have a valid Oklahoma driver’s license. Must pass physical exam. Must have adequate transportation. Ability to pass background check and drug screen. Must be willing to work flexible hours. Must have Food Handler’s Card.

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Lumppmouth’s goal for the season in making it to state became reality when the El Reno Girl’s Softball team hosted and won regionals as District 5A champs. The last time El Reno hosted regionals for the district was in 2005.

“It feels really good,” Lumppmouth said following the Indians’ win against Noble, 21-11, in the last round of regional.

In crediting her experience as a pitcher, Lumppmouth said playing outside of school ball has helped her. Lumppmouth has been playing competitive travel softball for Oklahoma Athletics for over a year and within that time has traveled to Arizona and Texas, so one of her goals this season was to see how she would perform.

“I like it a lot, we went to Gulf Shores, Ala., this past July and we went to Texas last year for Oklahoma Athle-

Taking every opportunity she can with softball and in playing with Oklahoma Athletics, Lumppmouth has been invited to play for Team Oklahoma that will represent the United States in Spain in July 2020.

Through her freshman season, Lumppmouth accounts for a 16-12 record, 112 strikeouts, 40 walks and a 4.209 ERA. “Miklyn is a very talented young athlete, she works hard and nothing seems to phase her when she’s on the field, she just continues to play her game and serves her well as a pitcher,” Dave Deaton, El Reno Head Softball Coach said.

As a freshman playing on the El Reno Indians’ Varsity Softball team, Cheyenne and Arapaho youth Miklyn Lumpmouth, 14, knows a thing or two about throwing a pitch.

In her first year on the field for El Reno High School softball, the young pitcher, a position she has come to know since she started pitching lessons at the age of 8. Lumpmouth is quiet and soft spoken in nature, but on the mound, that’s when she displays talent that speaks volumes.

She knows that when she takes her grip and gets ready to deliver that pitch, it’s her chance to be in control, to set the tone of the field the moment the ball leaves her hand.

“Pitching sets the tone of the field the moment the ball leaves her hand, the strength of the ball leaving her hand, the way she grips the ball and the way she deals with the ball when she releases it,” Dave Deaton, El Reno Head Softball Coach said.

Softball is more than a game to Lumpmouth, it is a game she loves. Molded into the game by her grandfather when she was just 7 years old, Lumpmouth said that it is a game she loves to play.

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“I hope to go to college, I really enjoy OU and Florida,” Lumpmouth said.

Through her freshman season to date, Lumpmouth has been one of the top pitchers in the district and is excited for the opportunity to play the game I love while representing my country and my tribe. With the help of my family, friends and teammates, I know I can make it happen,” Lumpmouth stated in her introduction for Spain 2020 donations.

In playing softball, Lumpmouth said what she enjoys most is making friendships.

“I like to go out to eat with new teammates and new people, I’ve made a lot of friends outside of softball,” Lumpmouth said.

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“Miklyn has made a huge impact on the team, pitching is a big part of softball and she sets the tone of the game,” Dave Deaton, El Reno Head Softball Coach said.

With time ahead of her and more opportunities to look forward to in the next three years, Lumpmouth said she hopes to accomplish seeing El Reno host regionals again and win state.

“The story of the Ft. Marion, Cheyenne and Arapahos began with events that happened in both Colorado Territory in the aftermath that happened in the Sand Creek Massacre on Nov. 28, 1864.

The 1865 Ft. Laramie Treaty gave reservations to the tribes in Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, and the Dakotas. No mention was made of the Cheyenne and Arapahos.

When gold was discovered in Colorado, there was a frenzied rush to the gold fields that were situated on the Cheyenne and Arapahos reservations. The Indians objected. They were not permitted to leave their lands or to control where the white people were going.

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On Nov. 29, 1864, Col. John Chivington and his 1000 soldiers crossed the Arkansas River on Black Kettle’s band on the Big Sandy in southeastern Colorado, where 800 Cheyenne and Arapahos were killed. Black Kettle’s band had been killed.

Chivington and Arapahos abandoned their camp on the Washita River, leaving some women and children miles away. He chose not to attack the Dog Soldiers – and for good reason.

The Cheyenne Dog Soldiers at the time was a militi band of warriors, not only tribal law and order within the various Cheyenne bands, but retaliation for any offenses done to their tribes by Indians of other tribes or by white people.

As the Dog Soldiers began gathering at the Slimmy Hill, they were joined by warriors from the peaceful Cheyenne villages, including Sioux. Many of these men had lost family members in the Sand Creek Massacre.

They were outraged at the atrocities committed against their people and feelings ran high as they began their re- venge fight.

There were more white people killed by the Dog Soldiers than Indians killed by Chivington at Sand Creek, ranches were burned, livestock and crops were looted.

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The 2020 Governor’s Powwow is shaping up to be a spectacular 2-day event. The second annual powwow will be held Jan. 4-5, 2020 at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center in Weatherford, Okla.

Unlike other powwows hosted throughout the year, the Governor’s Powwow is fully funded by corporate and individual sponsorships, enabling it to be one of the biggest and best powwows in the Western Oklahoma area.

In 2019 the first Governor’s Elders Powwow brought in over 352 dancers from across the country, overwhelming the venue and this year’s event promises to be even bigger, expanding the event to two days.

“Prior to my administration and me becoming governor, no one had really appreciated or acknowledged the elders and we figured since our elders love to come to these events and powwows, we would host drums especially for them. We wanted to be a part of it because the tribe has been great to us and people are beginning to call in wanting to sponsor the event. Any time anyone wants to help sponsor or support this event, we welcome them to contact us and we are appreciative of their sponsorships.”

Dillon Byrd of Adreini & Company said when he heard the event was for the elders he knew he wanted in as a sponsor. “As an organization we like to give back and we knew it was for the elders and that’s something we are very passionate about,” Byrd said.

In early August, at the request of a few of the tribes’ concerned elders, the name of the powwow was changed removing the ‘elders’ title. Instead of discontinuing the powwow, the decision was made to keep the event as an annual event renamed to ‘Governor’s Powwow.’

“Many of our tribal members are asking if this event is the same as the inaugural ‘Honoring the Elders’ powwow and it is. Moving forward the concept of the governor’s wish remains the same, to host a powwow during the holiday break for our relations, our elders and our children, who all are vital to the Cheyenne and Arapaho people” Tonya Moore, one of the powwow’s organizers said.

From fashion shows to over 30 contests and some of the best drum groups across the country, it is likely the Powderhall Event Center will be the place to be Jan. 4-5, 2020. “We are changing it up a little this year having a Governor’s Powwow with a 2-Day Event in January. It was a good way to start the New Year out and I’m looking forward to an even greater event this year,” Wassana said.

“If you would like to sponsor this year’s Governor’s Powwow or would like to be a vendor at this year’s event, call 405-249-7054, 405-422-7618 or 405-343-4639. We’ve invited all drums for a $10,000 contest, but there is some criteria they have to meet as far as number of singers and things like that. I think it will be great and last year I think everyone enjoyed it. It was a good way to start the New Year out and I’m looking forward to an even greater event this year,” Wassana said.

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On Oct. 11 Beals & Cunningham Strategic Services, Nick Cunningham (l) and Michelle Howard (r) present Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Gov. Reggie Wassana with a $25,000 sponsorship donation for the 2020 Governor’s Powwow. (Photos / Rosemary Stephens)