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The Darlington Chiefs basketball team won the ORES Championship, defeating Tenkiller 58-38, moving them for the championship game against the Zion Jets.

The Darlington Chiefs hold up their gold ball, claiming the ORES State Champion title for the fourth straight year in a row. (Photo / Latoya Lonelodge)
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We all know stories of the lives we’ve lived, the stories we’ve told. I imagine some of my own friends. I heard my own voice in the background as I told them the story. I felt each part, flipping back to other tabs, answering emails, clicking back. I thought of all the faces that I’ve misinterpreted, moaning and “omg him too?!” that happens when you’re fast-forwarding through life, then fall back on any progress we’ve made. There’s so much to be more than stereotypes. There’s the community’s dirty laundry. We struggle with sexism, patriarchy. Consequences for victims of domestic violence. We struggle with anger. Power. Vulnerability. Protection of others. Patriarchy. Consequences for victims of sexual violence. Women’s rights in India. We struggle through it all. I watch them talk about the women who kept telling me to drink more at an after party, who stole my wedding ring and then returned it, the prominent male Native on twitter who was telling me that I was too aggressive when I came from matriarchal societies, and the ways Native men don’t treat us the way we deserve in relationships. The ways they use their power, their control, their influence to be speaking to warn me about particular things. I read with my stomach in my throat. I read with my stom- ach clenched, my thoughts full of fear and anger. Power and vulnerability. Protection of others. Patriarchy. Consequences for victims but never abuses. The cycle repeats.

But I do know that we tell ourselves its ok. That it wasn’t that bad. That maybe no one was overreacting. That we were the only ones that were noticing. That they do “good work.” That it’s historical trauma. That it’s just the way things are. We don’t want others to know in the moment. We don’t want others to feel the sadness we do at the memory. That we will be made to feel it was our fault. We need to talk about it. I just don’t know how.

We’ve protected the ones that mainstream society has deemed “worthy.” My own sto- ries, I’ve shared them, I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. I’ve sought solace in them, I’ve sought resolution in them. 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It is important to make informed food choices and develop sound eating habits. The American Heart Association recommends eating right with a healthy breakfast or fueling for an athletic event, the foods you choose daily can make a difference. Choosing nutritious foods is important. Broccoli, cauliflower, kale, brussel sprouts, collards, watercress and radishes are considered cruciferous vegetables because of their different colors, shapes and sizes. They have been shown to reduce inflammation. They are rich in vitamins and minerals such as folate and vitamin K. Dark leafy greens like kale and spinach are also an excellent source of vitamin A & C. Cruciferous vegetables are high in fiber and can be a great way to add volume and fiber to your diet. Some of these vegetables can also have simple sugars like carrots and a teaspoon of sugar for a great taste. Make a kabob for your kids and serve with some hummus, dip sparingly as it is high in calories and fats.

Fruits and vegetables are a very important to incorporate into your meal plan. Buy fruits and vegetables when they are in season to get the best prices. Fruits and vegetables can be a good alternative.

In celebration of National Nutrition Month, we will have nutrition questions of the day the entire month for prizes. NYMCO Camp is June 15-18, 2018. It is a weekend diabetes prevention camp for youth ages 12-18. Please contact us at diabetes@nysmphc.org for more information and tips on eating at contact Tara Corty at the Diabetes Wellness Program 405-422-208-0787 or email t-corty@ihs.org.

Paid internship offered by NPS northeast office

The NPS Northeast office of Tribal and Cultural Affairs is pleased to offer the following paid 11-week internship to assist in creat-
ing a GIS-based Tribal Lands finding aid for National Park Service managers. The internship is part of the Cultural Re-
source Diversity Internship Program that you can learn about at CRIDP.org.

The selected candidate, upon completion of their current degree of study and the intern-
ship, will have Direct Hiring Authority. The individual will have two years to find an open position that meets their qualifications within the Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Land Management. The individual will be able to work with these agencies to find a position with a very high level of flexibility in their hiring process.

Qualifications include:

Must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resi-
dent.

Must be 18 to 35 years of age and are in
pursuit of a higher education degree or within two years of graduation.

Must be able to communicate clearly and con-
cisely with resource professionals within NPS.

Must have effective communication skills with diverse audiences;

Ability to self-direct alone and effectively participate in a group or small team environment.

An interest in the Social Sciences, Histo-
ry, or Geography in the course of academic study.

Must have knowledge and experience us-
ing ESRI’s ArcMap software and are interest-
ed in learning more.

Be able to occasionally assist with out-
door projects in all weather conditions.

Must have a valid driver’s license, clean driving record, and ability to provide docu-
mentation.

English proficiency is necessary.

Ability and willingness to undergo a fed-
eral criminal background check is required.

Applications close on March 4th.

In order to apply, know of someone or need more information please call 313-506-5959 or email David_Gold-
stein@nps.gov.

The 401 Post is honored to do funerals for veterans, however, timing can be an im-
portant factor on whether we can accept an invitation to provide honors for the de-
ced.

Our members reside in Lawton, El Reno, Clin-
on, Norman, Oklahoma City, and Spavinaw, Okla. We must receive a notice or request to perform with time to coordinate our Color Guard members.

A family should try and decide if they want 401, Army, Marine, or Air Force units to perform the burial detail, once they decide if it is Post 401, we will contact our members and make a de-
cision. We do this as a group and make a de-
cision as a group, providing burial detail
requests is a top priority for our unit.

The contacts for our Honor Guard are Red Stone Call, 405-822-6919, Charlie Fletcher, 405-213-1823. They handle most of the requests we receive. It is always our honor to be asked and respond to these requests. We just ask that families be aware of the timing involved.

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LaValle Russell, 68, of Jenks, passed from this life on Feb 15, 2018 in Tulsa. He was born on September 14, 1949 in Clinton, Okla to Harvey Cicero Russell, Sr. and Frances (Nibbs) Russell, and Meccah Pollock. He was preceded in death by his wife Diane of the home; his parents, Harvey Russell, and a son Scott Lio.

LaValle is survived by his wife Diana of the home; eight children, Lena Black, Derek Scott Black, and Adrian Black; and two great grandchildren, Nadianna Mousetrail-Russell and Nadianna Monts-Paz; ten brothers and sisters, Mona Russell, Millie Russell of Marysville, WA, Marcella Russell, and wife Ruthie of El Reno, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Cheyenne Wake Service will be held Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018, starting at 7:00 PM at the Concho Community Hall. Burial will follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Sapulpa, OK with full military honors.

I love you Father, we will love you. I really hope that everyone is in a good mood and having a good day. I wake up everyday not knowing what to expect but usually already have something planned. And not just one or two of the same, I have so much to do, they just keep expanding. And I feel like I’m not doing much because I don’t have a job, and I spend a lot of time laying around the house. I would influence LaValle to become an airplane mechanic, which he attained a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management. Later at Tulsa Community College, LaValle attained two Associates of Applied Science—one in Electrical Substation Technology and another in Electronics Technological and three Certificates of Achievement—the first for Electrical Substation Technology, the second in Alternative Energy, and the third in Business Computer User. He worked as a contractor in the wind turbine and electrical fields for many years. LaValle and Diane M.D. Cooper met in February, and on May 1, 2015 the two were joined in marriage at Zem, Nebraska, and they made their home in Jenks, where they attended the First Tulsa Seventh Day Adventist Church. LaValle was a proud veteran and member of the DAY and VFW, as well as the Cheyenne Warrior Society.

Happy Birthday Cynthia Bultonoming, Hazel Galvins, and LuSa Gained! Wishing you a birthday with sweet surprises! We love you! From your grandma, aunts, uncles, and cousins.
Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver’s license and a copy of CDIB (if applicable) to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email articles@c-a-tribes.org.

Executive Director Social Services
Concho Closing: Until Filled
Qualifications:
Must possess a working knowledge and understanding gained through graduate and supervised work in case work, group work and/or community organization practice and the skill to apply these factors to department programs. Knowledge of various laws referred to the administration of the department programs including but not limited to the Indian Child Welfare Act, HIPPA, recommendations for actions that can be taken in the presence of children, proper techniques, methods, theory and practice of social work. Must demonstrate basic professional competence in the field of social work, recognize child abuse and neglect indicators. Must have basic knowledge of early childhood education and child welfare case work, recognize child abuse and neglect indicators. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidentiality regulations and documented crime records. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma Driver’s License to operate a government owned vehicle. Must be able and willing to work alternating shifts on weekends, nights and holidays. Must retain a valid Oklahoma driver’s license and have a clean driving record. Must pass criminal and financial checks. Must have a telephone or cell phone at place of residence. Three years experience working in situations involving children. Must be able and willing to work out of town.

SALARY: Negotiable

Foster Care Worker / Social Workers
Concho Closing: Until Filled
Qualifications:
Job duties and responsibilities where necessary and complete physical exam including TB test or chest x-ray and pass.++Must complete Supplemen-tal Application.++Must complete OSBI and criminal background check as required. Current TB skin test or chest x-ray required. Must have a valid Oklahoma driver’s license and a clean driving record. Must possess a working knowledge of tribal and community resources in order to refer clients to most appropriate source of assistance. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and Non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidentiality regulations and documented crime records. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma Driver’s License to operate a government owned vehicle. Must be able and willing to work alternating shifts on weekends, nights and holidays. Must retain a valid Oklahoma driver’s license and have a clean driving record. Must pass criminal and financial checks. Must have a telephone or cell phone at place of residence. Three years experience working in situations involving children. Must be able and willing to work out of town.

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LEGAL NOTICES

WANTED ON CALL/AS NEEDED CERTIFIED MECHANIC
Certified mechanic needed to inspect tribal program vehicles on call/as needed basis for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Property & Supply Program located at 100 Red Moon Circle in Concho, Okla. Certification MUST BE CURRENT
Contact Chieko Buffalo at 405-422-7535 or by email at cbuffalo@c-a-tribes.org
Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
American Indian College Fund early childhood initiatives spur international self-determination movement as detailed in new report

DENVER, COLO. Preparing children for college starts at birth. But the American Indian College Fund realized that a one-size-fits-all approach to education does not work for Native children. Six years ago, the College Fund set out to strengthen systems of care and learning for Native children by expanding opportunities for their families to consider college as a pathway to thriving communities, starting from birth to career, by incorporating the local culture into education.

Today the College Fund released a landmark report detailing its findings from the work that has impacted an international movement, titled Tribal College and University Child-

hood Education Initiatives: Strengthening Systems of Care and Learning with Native Communities from Birth to Career.

Thanks to the College Fund’s Tribal Col-

lege and University (TCU) Early Childhood Education Initiatives, entire Native commu-

nities are determining and providing place-

based, culturally appropriate education for their young children to ensure their academic and social success at a foundational age.

The new report details how the College Fund built systems of early childhood care and learning founded on sustainable strategies and implemented them at seven TCUs (accredited higher education institutions located on or near Indian reservations serving Native communities) through the College Fund’s initiatives to date, 3,975 children and families have benefited, while 1,185 teachers received training and professional development opportunities in the total amount of $7.25 million.

The initiative is directed by Tarajean Yazzie-Mintz, Ed.D., an enrolled member of the Na-

vajo Nation and the CEO of the American Indian College Fund. Yazzie-Mintz spent two years working in the Boston Public Schools before becoming an assistant professor in curriculum and instruction as a faculty member at the School of Education at Indiana University – Bloomington. There she worked as an assistant professor of curricu-

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The new report details how the College Fund awarded funding opportunities in the total amount of $7.25 million to TCU early childhood teacher education programs and faculty and TCU early learning centers and their partners, teachers, Native families, and children. Seven TCUs participated in these ini-

tiatives: the College of Menominee Nation (Keshena, Wis.); Bikayl College (Uigia-

gik, Alaska); Kwanzaa Bay Ojibwa Com-

munity College (Baraga, Mich.). Northwest Indian College (Bellingham, Wash.); South-

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