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Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes receive Technology Improvement Grant

CONCHO, OK) The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes receive a $17,000 First Nations Development Institute grant to provide a wireless broadband network that allows Internet access to the majority of tribal members. This grant assists the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to design and create a wireless broadband network serving Western Oklahoma and will allow the tribes to provide 2.5 GHz wireless Internet to the majority of tribal members.

According to Ty Todd, former CEO of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Business Development Corporation, providing wireless technology to the Tribes is much needed and creates additional opportunities for the Tribes.

"The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are very concerned with the current access to the Internet in our tribal service areas, slow speeds, high cost and availability have created a digital divide," Todd said. "The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated how critical access to the Internet is. With this grant, we’re able..."
Cheyenne and Arapaho Business Development Corporation Launches Hammerstone Construction Group

(CONCHO, OK) The Cheyenne and Arapaho Business Development Corporation announced the launch of Hammerstone Construction Group, its newest subsidiary company. This new company is based in Concho, Oklahoma and provides general contracting, construction management, excavation, trenching, civil and site work services, site clearing, and other commercial construction services.

“We will bring high-quality construction services and craftsmanship to a number of essential projects in local communities and surrounding regions,” said Kyle Spotted Horse, president of Hammerstone Construction.

Hammerstone Construction leads the following current projects: Concho Streets and Sidewalk Improvements, Concho, Oklahoma; Lucky Star Casino-Comanche Administrative Building-Parking, Comanche, Oklahoma; Lucky Star Casino Hotel/Casino Watonga-Parking Lot and the Watonga Emergency Response Center’s Building Pad Project.

Hammerstone Construction will contribute to an array of projects in the local communities and surrounding regions. In addition, it will contribute to the sustainability of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes through its expertise in important construction projects.

The new company is making significant advancements, including the growth of job opportunities and the foundation of tribal government operations. The new company is an important step in the growth of tribal government operations and advancing the tribe.

“We are excited to have Hammerstone Construction Group join our family of companies,” commented Brian Foster, CEO of Lucky Star Casino.

Hammerstone Construction plans to launch an electrical portion of its projects in full commercial and residential, new construction, renovation, retrofitting fixtures and electrical and computer compliance upgrades.

“We plan to outfit a skilled crew of Cheyenne and Arapaho electricians, providing a career that will benefit them and their families as well as a rewarding employment model that improves the quality, craftsmanship, and dependability on every project. Hammerstone Construction Group is located in Concho, Oklahoma.”

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Tribal Council Coordinator Candidates

TCC candidates will be voted on at the annual Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3 in Concho, Okla.

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In a year that’s been plenty scary, this much is clear. Pandemically, it’s been different than regular Halloween. Many traditional ways of celebrating are now considerably different because of concerns over the risk of spreading the coronavirus.

Accordingly, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have issued guidance to help celebrate Halloween safely. No big surprise: Classic door-to-door trick-or-treating and crowded, booty costume parties are not recommended.

The CDC’s guidelines propose Halloween activities into low-risk, moderate-risk, and higher-risk buckets.

The moderate-risk category includes both door-to-door trick-or-treating and events where kids get treats from the trunks of cars in a big parking lot. Also no-nos: indoor haunted houses where people will be breathing together, and air-binding, which could send inanimate particles flying. Going on hayrides with people you don’t live in your household in full festivals in rural areas also carry a risk of spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. And using alcohol and drugs “can cloud judgment and increase the risk of bad behavior” the CDC says—though that’s quite an easy assumption in any season. How about giving your kids instead.

The agency says this way of trick-or-treating poses a moderate risk (compared with the higher risk of the traditional style): kids will need to wear masks and stay 6 feet away from each other. You could also organize a small outdoor costume parade where everyone is at least 6 feet apart. An outdoor costume party would also be considered moderate risk, if people wear masks and stay 6 feet away from each other. Haunted houses are out, but haunted forests are in.

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Battling COVID-19

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My wife and I had a ride for a race on our motorcycles and when we went to bed and I awoke the next morning I didn’t feel good. My body ached, my breathing was shallow and it hurt when I tried to take a deep breath. Sleeper said.

He stayed in bed and slept most of the day and through the night. The next day he forced himself to get out of bed to eat because he was afraid his wife had made for him.

“Don’t you want to get out of bed, but I thought I had better because I was afraid I was sick serious,” Sleeper said.

When they arrived at the Indian Health Clinic his wife called inside to check in but said his chart was inactive and she could not find his name and they would have to grab his ID. But when the nurse came outside to get the car and saw how sick Sleeper was they decided to give him COVID-19 testing and admitted him to the hospital.

“When I came back positive, that’s when they had me go in so they could examine me,” Sleeper said.

Sleeper was sent to the hospital for x-rays and for what he called a tough seven days. He said he was on oxygen, an inhaler and antibiotics. I called my wife to check on me. Sleeper and asked if he could have someone to help me because I was weak from my family and me,” Sleeper said.

The day after the sweat was held, Sleeper said the doctor came to listen to his lungs and he was going to go home. Though he was glad to hear those words, he knew the next few months would be challenging for him.

“I don’t want to do anything without getting winded and I had to stay home. It’s not cause I didn’t want them to get infected. I’m good now and I’m back with my wife and doing duties as President of the Indian Oklaho- ma Bikes and back on our motorcycle,” Sleeper said.

“I want to say to all of our tribal members to take this virus seri- ous. It’s real and can be deadly, so take care of yourselves and your families,” Sleeper said.

As of Sept. 28, Oklahoma Dept. of Health Website showed 85,194 new positive cases of COVID-19 and 1,007 deaths. Throughout the U.S. there are, as of Sept. 28, over 7,115,000 positive cumulative cases and over 204,750 deaths. Medical professionals and scientists strongly recommend the wearing of facial masks to help curb the spread of the coronavirus causing COVID-19. They also stress social distancing and regular, routine hand-washing/sanitizing practices.

For more information on Oklahoma COVID-19 visit information www.coronavirus.health. ok.gov.

Alison Black named new Indian Education Coordinator for Stillwater Public Schools

STILLWATER, OK—Alison Black, was recently named Stillwater Public School’s new Indian Educa- tion Coordinator. The dis- trict’s Title I Program serves over 700 tribal students between nine schools with representa- tion of approximately 70 Tribal Nations. She leaves Frontier Public Schools as Director of Indian Educa- tion and teacher of Native American Studies. During her tenure, she developed and implemented their first enrolled Tribe Youth ASCEND Ini- tiative. Through this partner- ship, students traveled exten- sively for events and cultural experience. She also served as an enrolled mem- ber of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. Black is also passionate about Native American Studies and received a BIS in Applied Sociology from Oklahoma State Uni- versity. In spring 2018 she completed her master’s de- gree in Curriculum and Leadership (M.Ed.) at Oklahoma State University. The rigorous program is ranked in the top ten of cur- riculum studies programs in the nation. While there she mentored two students in the nation’s oldest Native Amer- ican sorority. She is begin- ning her first year as the Director of Foundations in Education as a non-degree seeking stu- dent. Currently, she is the Prin- cipal of Otoe-Missouria Council and Otoe-Missouria Tribe ASCEND Ini- tiative. Through this partner- ship, students traveled exten- sively for events and cultural experience, including to Kintai Hawai‘i.

Black is also passionate about Native American Studies and serves on the Board of Directors for the Oklaho- ma Chapter of the Ameri- can Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). She was recently elected to serve a second term, making her only one of two Indigenous women to serve on the board. Her so- cial justice work has also led her to help rain the Plan- ning Native Tribe’s Oklahoma campaign event, “Illumina- tive,” a summit to change the national narrative about Native Americans. One of the issues Alison has openly advocated for is the end of Native mascot use. In 2019 she was named as one of two Indigenous women to serve on the board. Her so- cial justice work has also led her to help rain the Plan- ning Native Tribe’s Oklahoma campaign event, “Illumina- tive,” a summit to change the national narrative about Native Americans. One of the issues Alison has openly advocated for is the end of Native mascot use.

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Native American voters could help swing the presidential election

By Elizabeth Myong

NATIVE AMERICAN VOTERS COULD HELP SWING THE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Native American issues are in sharper focus in the 2020 presidential election cycle, as candidates are paying more emphasis on policy proposals.

The Native American electorate could equal or exceed the combined populations of the seven major sovereign states: Arizona, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, and South Dakota, according to data from Four Directions.

“We can make a difference,” said Renee Lever, a Faulkner Iron Hawk, who helped implement the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe in South Dakota get a place to vote and makes a difference. We can and have mobilized our vote when it matters.”

For many years before I held the Governmental Affairs position for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma in the State Capitol of Oklahoma, I have in common in political circles is the desire to get our tribal members active and voting outside tribal elections. As a tribal member who has previously run as a state office in 2016, I became aware that the representation of tribal citizens in that political arena is very low. I ran as a tribal member candidate, a past U.S. Government shutdown, there was one major advocate for Indian Health Service funding, which fluctuates at about 47 to 59 percent of its budget. That made me very angry. The U.S. Government has a treaty obligation to uphold their responsibility to federal Indian tribes in providing services such as Indian Health Service. Funding for Indian Health Service fluctuates at about 47 to 59 percent of its budget. It should be at 100 percent. During the Bush Administration, I learned about the IHS appropriations because my job was eliminated due to federal budget cuts and services were cut from our community. So whose responsibility is it to make sure we are getting the proper funding at Indian Health Service. Funding for our healthcare? Our healthcare right now is not what it was before this funding. That is why we need lawmakers who will fight for our healthcare.

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By LaRenda Morgan

Do You Vote?

Why should we register to vote in state and presidential elections?

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“I’m obsessed with it and I don’t go one day without making something. Not only is this medicine for our people, this is how I portray it and if you have been told, you are putting medicine, good vibes into the pieces to the people who are buying from you, so if you are in a bad hair day you shouldn’t buy.” Blackwolf said. “It’s also good medicine for me, it brings me happiness and brings me happiness that anybody would ever want anything that I have made. It’s pretty awesome to me that is has gotten as big as it is.”

Recently Blackwolf was contacted by CeCe Meadows, found and CEO of Prados Beauty requesting orders to be sold on her Indigenous Beauty Website. “I bought some things from her and we are so happy and excited to have her beadwork featured on our Website. I thought it would be important for exposure and growth that we highlight her work on our Website for all to love and buy,” Meadows said.

Meadows stated she loved the colors and patterns of Blackwolf’s work and the affordability of her pieces. “I feel like a lot of artists put high prices on their work and they miss out on opportunities for exposure because people can’t afford to buy their pieces. Support of an artist always has been something I do, so when the pandemic hit I always saw her selling her earrings, I thought I could help get her more clients by using my platform. I love my BlackwolfBeadz earrings, I think anybody who buys from her will love,” Meadows said.

Blackwolf said her ideas come from just seeing the different color transitions in nature and random things she looks at. From seeing how a flower transitions from dark to light, a leaf and even a blade of grass. “I just see all of that. It’s funny because I have to step back and hear how much I’ve grown and pick colors other than what I like and see different color schemes. Once I get a main color in my head, then I have transitions I use and sometimes I will draw something out, but mostly it just comes to me while I am working on the piece. It turns into something way bigger than what I saw in my head,” Blackwolf said.

The majority of Blackwolf’s business has been from word of mouth and before the pandemic hit Blackwolf had made plans to have booths at various powwows this season and other events, but like many things, the pandemic changed all of that.

“The coronavirus has put a damper on some of my plans I had for being at different powwows and events, but next year I am hoping to have a full collection to do some different shows,” Blackwolf said.

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“I’m obsessed with it and I don’t go one day without making something. Not only is this medicine for our people, this is how I portray it and if you have been told, you are putting medicine, good vibes into the pieces to the people who are buying from you, so if you are in a bad hair day you shouldn’t buy.” Blackwolf said. “It’s also good medicine for me, it brings me happiness and brings me happiness that anybody would ever want anything that I have made. It’s pretty awesome to me that is has gotten as big as it is.”

Recently Blackwolf was contacted by CeCe Meadows, found and CEO of Prados Beauty requesting orders to be sold on her Indigenous Beauty Website. “I bought some things from her and we are so happy and excited to have her beadwork featured on our Website. I thought it would be important for exposure and growth that we highlight her work on our Website for all to love and buy,” Meadows said.

Meadows stated she loved the colors and patterns of Blackwolf’s work and the affordability of her pieces. “I feel like a lot of artists put high prices on their work and they miss out on opportunities for exposure because people can’t afford to buy their pieces. Support of an artist always has been something I do, so when the pandemic hit I always saw her selling her earrings, I thought I could help get her more clients by using my platform. I love my BlackwolfBeadz earrings, I think anybody who buys from her will love,” Meadows said.

Blackwolf said her ideas come from just seeing the different color transitions in nature and random things she looks at. From seeing how a flower transitions from dark to light, a leaf and even a blade of grass. “I just see all of that. It’s funny because I have to step back and hear how much I’ve grown and pick colors other than what I like and see different color schemes. Once I get a main color in my head, then I have transitions I use and sometimes I will draw something out, but mostly it just comes to me while I am working on the piece. It turns into something way bigger than what I saw in my head,” Blackwolf said.

The majority of Blackwolf’s business has been from word of mouth and before the pandemic hit Blackwolf had made plans to have booths at various powwows this season and other events, but like many things, the pandemic changed all of that.

“The coronavirus has put a damper on some of my plans I had for being at different powwows and events, but next year I am hoping to have a full collection to do some different shows,” Blackwolf said.

Blackwolf is employed with the Tribal Child Support Office for Medicine Nation as a case manager, legal assistant and process server. She was born in Clinton, Okla., to Terreux and Donald Blackwolf. She was raised in California, Sheldon, and process server. She was born in Clinton, Okla., to Terreux and Donald Blackwolf. She was raised in California, Sheldon, and process server.

“Since that one piece, I have made more than I thought and I see a lot of requests from word of mouth and being helpful all along the way,” Blackwolf said.
Saving Lives Through Medical Training at Lucky Star Casino

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Staff Reporter

At Lucky Star Casino in Concho, Okla., the Security Department commends their long history of mandatory trainings required for security and guards being prepared for emergencies that could occur. For Lucky Star Casino, Security training has prepared for any and all emergencies and is essential.

On Aug. 24, a medical emergency occurred at Lucky Star Casino involving a long-time employer who received immediate medical attention.

Upon assessing the scene with fellow security personnel, Lucky Star Casino Security Director Sidney Pratt said he knew immediately that it was a serious medical episode.

“We knew we had to start fiddling with it, we had to get him to a better state before the EMT’s arrived on the scene,” Pratt said.

With Heather Pritchett, security guard, and Cory Powell, security manager present, they acted quickly and began performing CPR.

“You could tell the employee was in trouble, he was breathless. We were there on his back and at first I couldn’t recognize him because it was so different from how different they look at times under the sun at all six of our locations,” Pratt said.

Since the incident occurred, Pratt said they have had updates on the employee’s recovery in the gaming industry.

“That’s just one of the reasons why I love doing it. You just never know when your training as a person off the ground almost. That’s why I love doing it, it makes me feel good, it always has. It makes me feel good.”

Once paramedics had arrived, Pratt said they applauded them for their immediate response.

“Knowing that we helped save someone’s life, Powell said. In knowing he helped save someone’s life, Powell said the reason he works in security is to help people.

“It is you never know when someone’s going to have a medical emergency and we want to be there when they need you and have the experience and knowledge to deal with that situation.” Powell said.

For training Lucky Star Casino security, Pratt said, they’ve taken a lot of information and training styles from different instructors over the years.

“We combined it all into one set type of training that’s more based on training security rather than outside security and security in the non-gaming industry. What we’ve done is grid it all together and made it more applicable for our guards,” Pratt said.

With CPR, AED and different types of First Aid training, Pratt said they’ve recently put together what they’re going to deal with out there on the casino floors, because we see everything under the sun at all six locations.

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Alfred was a kind and gentle soul, always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. He was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church in Geary, Okla., where he served as an elder and taught Sunday school. He was also a lifelong member of the Kiowa Tribe, and was active in tribal affairs, serving as a tribal council member.

Alfred and Bette were the proud parents of four children: Frank, Ruby, Roger, and Karen. He is survived by his two daughters, Janet Franklin Johnson and Linda Franklin Woody; his son, Frank M. Franklin; and his grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Alfred was always known for his kind and gentle spirit, and his love for his family and friends. He will be missed dearly by all who knew him.

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Violence against Native American women

Warren, Sanders, Castro, and Williamson have all supported the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act, which allows tribal communities to prosecute non-tribal perpetrators — a practice that has barely kept up with inflation or have actually resulted in decreased spending power, the report said.

In 2018, Senator Tammy Duckworth, D-Il., and Representative Sharice Davids, D-Kan., who lost her father to COVID-19, and then the phone calls …

I am weary of watching the disregard for human life for Native American children and weary of wondering if you or I or someone else will contract the virus while sitting in a car or in a classroom or in a basketball gym or on a football field.

I am weary of the rhetoric, heard daily of those who say, “IT IS MY RIGHT TO NOT WEAR A MASK.”

Is it? Is it your right to put your children in harms way just be cause I am not a mind reader. I don’t know what goes on in someone else’s mind be cause I am not a mind reader. It is not even getting to the point of illogical. It has reached the point of mad. I am honestly disappointed in the behavior of so many of you.

I don’t know about any one else but I have become COVID-19 weary … it may be in my mind, in my heart and in my soul. I think the impact of the virus while sitting in a car or in a classroom or in a basketball gym or on a football field. So many will have to die before I can feel safe again. And I sat and wondered, how can I do anything to stop this from happening again to me and to those who I love. I don’t want to lose another loved one. It is not even getting to the point of illogical. I am honestly disappointed in the behavior of so many of you.

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At her request, she was laid to rest in her home town of Kingfisher, where she had resided for many years. She is survived by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Emily lived a life full of love and laughter, dedicated to her family and friends. She was a remarkable woman who will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

Throughout her life, Emily dedicated herself to helping others. She worked as a nurse for many years, caring for those in need. She was always there for her family and friends, offering a listening ear and a comforting presence.

Emily had a strong faith in God and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Kingfisher. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

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Use of face masks and cloth face coverings has been shown to reduce transmission of the COVID-19 virus, the virus that causes COVID-19. Along with other preventive measures, such as practicing physical distancing, wearing a mask is one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

Fighting the Spread of COVID-19

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes have been active in promoting mask wearing as a way to protect people from COVID-19. The tribe has been working to ensure that people who are in close contact with each other, such as family members, are wearing masks.

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Every October during Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), advocates and communities across Indian Country and the United States rally together to honor survivors of domestic violence and support abuse prevention.

In 2020, StrongHearts Native Helpline once again calls on advocates, tribal leaders, reservation and urban Indian community members, service providers and Native organizations to support the movement to prevent and end domestic violence, which disproportionately affects millions of Natives every year.

Violence against Indigenous peoples begins with European contact and has continued to this day, adding up to more than 500 years of abuse. Domestic violence, which continues as a tool of colonization, represents a lack of respect for Native peoples. Native women and men in the United States experience domestic violence at alarming rates, with more than four in five Natives having experienced some form of violence in their lifetime and more than half experiencing physical violence by an intimate partner in the past year.

Domestic violence has many faces: physical, sexual, emotional, cultural, financial and digital. It doesn’t discriminate and includes violence against children, elders, LGBTQ2S individuals. There is also a strong connection between domestic violence and thousands of Missing and Murdered Indigenous women.

Native nations in the Lower 48 and Alaska Native Villages continually go underfunded for life-saving domestic violence services. Now in its fourth year of operation, StrongHearts has received more than 9,103 phone calls and online chats requesting critically-needed support to deal with intimate partner violence. Of the phone calls, 5,010 were received in 2019—a 396.04% increase from 2018.

This year during the Covid-19 pandemic, conversations focused on domestic violence have attracted international media and public attention. Alarming increases in domestic violence have been documented worldwide, due to victims and their abusers being trapped in close quarters while sheltering in place during quarantines. In August, in an effort to help Native communities affected by all forms of violence during this uncertain and dangerous time, StrongHearts added sexual violence advocacy to its existing domestic and dating violence outreach services.

“We must continue to highlight awareness of the issues of violence in Indian Country,” says StrongHearts Native Helpline Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). “StrongHearts Native Helpline urges all individuals not only during October but throughout the year to believe survivors, speak out, take action against abuse, and to share supportive resources with our loved ones and communities in a concerted effort to put an end to domestic violence forever.”

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a safe, anonymous and confidential domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline that offers culturally-appropriate support and advocacy for American Indian and Alaska Natives. If you or someone you love is experiencing domestic, dating or sexual violence or if you have questions about your behavior, help is available. For one-on-one advocacy, click on the Chat Now icon at https://www.strongheartshelpline.org or call 1-844-7NATIVE (786-2843). Advocates are available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT.

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Calls for an end to violence inflicted on Indigenous peoples

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