



IOWA TRIBE OF KANSAS AND NEBRASKA NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 15, 1981

Dear Iowa Tribal Member,

Another year has past, and its time we inform you of the happenings concerning the Iowa Tribe and its operation. We hope that each member of the tribe will take pride in some of the following accomplishments.

IOWA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Howard Simmonds, Chairman  
Leon Campbell, Vice Chairman  
Aquila Tilton, Secretary  
George Ogden, Treasurer  
John Kreitzer, Member

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ANNOUNCEMENT: The annual General Council Meeting will be held October 17, 1981, at 1:00 p.m., on the Reservation in the New Community Facility Building.

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TRIBAL OFFICES

The employees in the Tribal Office are: Howard Simmonds, Tribal Chairman, Director of all Programs; Aquila Tilton, Tribal Secretary; Diann Windmeyer, Finance Officer; Christine Henry, Bookkeeper; Angela Beaman, Secretary.

The Community Building Office houses the Indian Action Team; Community Health Representative; and the Bus Driver. Rebecca Fee is employed as Secretary.

## TRIBAL ASSIGNMENT COURT CASES

In November 1980 the Executive Committee met in Session to discuss the Leonard Fee and George Rhodd assignment. After lengthy discussion and examination of records it was decided that the Executive Committee is mandated to carry out the wishes of the General Tribal Council pursuant to the Resolutions adopted by the General Council in 1973 pertaining to the two assignments. Pauline Fee, widow of Leonard Fee and Edith Rhodd, widow of George Rhodd, were notified by the Executive Committee to vacate and surrender the Tribal assignment and improvements to the Iowa Tribe as designated in the Resolutions.

This action caused the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska to be named as defendant in law suits filed in United States District Court, Topeka, Kansas, by Pauline Fee (Civil Action File No. 81-4080) and by Mildred Hartman and Glen Hartman (Civil Action File No. 81-4081).

The Executive Committee hired an attorney, Bert Hirsch, to defend the Iowa Tribe.

The case is still in Federal Court.

## LAND PURCHASE

Congress sets aside money each year thru FHA for Indian Tribes to buy back land that is located on or adjacent to the Reservation.

This money is made available to individual tribes thru loans with a very reasonable interest rate. There is a 40 year payback. The land must be bought by fair market value. The Committee has been trying very desperately to utilize these funds or loans that are made available.

## WALNUT LOGS

An area of the Park was cleared for a Ball Diamond which resulted in some Walnut Logs being cut. The logs are stock piled to be sold this fall. Bids will be taken. After the logs are sold the money will be deposited at Horton Agency in the IIM account for the Tribe.

## TRIBAL FARMING OPERATION

The Tribe is now farming about 260 acres of corn, 50 acres of soybeans, and 30 acres of wheat which was harvested and sold. The money for the wheat crop was deposited in the IIM Account at the Horton Agency as will be the money from the corn and soybeans.

By leasing the equipment of the Indian Action Team to do the grading work on the New Community Building, digging the water line, and also the water line to the late Murray Campbell place, the tribe received \$1850.00 to buy some farm machinery. We now have a tractor, plow, disc, and a corn planter. This equipment is old but in good condition and gets the job done.

## BURIAL ASSISTANCE

Burial Assistance in the amount of \$100.00 is provided through the Tribal Budget and is Tribal funded.

This fiscal year checks have been issued to the beneficiary of the following deceased members:

Dorothy Lucas  
Henry DeRoin  
Dr. Bill DeRoin  
Charles Joslin  
Ralph Burnett McCurry, Jr.  
Earl L. Joslin

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Lucy Mildred Richey  
John David Whalen  
Paula Keller  
Wesley Dennis Kelley

#### CEMETERIES

We have four Cemeteries on the Iowa Reservation; Franklin, Partlow, Tesson, and Campbell. We were notified by the Township Cemetery Board that the Tribe would not receive any funds this year to keep the cemeteries mowed due to the Tribal Trust Land not being on the Tax rolls. The cemeteries were mowed and kept up by the Summer Youth Employees. The Indian Action Team also offers their services in opening and closing grave sites. The Campbell Cemetery has been kept up. It will be fenced. At present there is no access road to the Cemetery. The only way to get to the Cemetery is walk in. This problem will be resolved in the near future.

#### INDIAN ACTION TEAM CONTRACT

The Indian Action Team employees, seven men, five of which salaries are paid thru C.E.T.A. and supplemented thru the contract of the Indian Action Team. The other two salaries are being funded thru the I.A.T. Program.

No salaries are being paid with Tribal funds.

The Indian Action Team employees are: Howard Simmonds, Director; Leon Campbell, General Foreman.

The trainees are Vernon Rhodd, Jr., Ray Robidoux, Billy Simmonds, Richard Richardson, Jeffrey Frederick.

Howard Simmonds also serves as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Thru this program the work on the New Community Facilities has been completed. Also a new 30' X 50' Road Maintenance

Shop has been built at Tribal Headquarters. The funding for this project came from the Area Office in Anadarko. The Indian Action Team provided the labor.

With funds thru the Community Development Block Grant the tribe bought the J & B Bar building on a tax sale. This was all on approval from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (H.U.D.). This building is to be used as a Community Center when the remodeling is completed. The Indian Action Team is doing the work on this project.

A new roof will be put on the Old Community Building, and also storm windows. The Indian Action Team will do this work also. The funds for this project came from B.I.A. (Bureau of Indian Affairs).

Thru the Indian Action Team Contract the construction on the park and recreation area is still being included in this project.

#### SPECIAL ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

A special Road Maintenance Contract was received direct from B.I.A. Central Office, Washington D.C. for emergency repair and maintenance of roads within the Reservation Boundaries. This Contract was attached to the Indian Action Team Contract. Through this Contract we are able to employ three Indian persons to work on this special project. They are Thomas Fee, George W. Ogden, Jr., and Harvey A. Frederick.

#### PL93-638 GRANT

The 93-638 Grant F/Y 81 was received through B.I.A. in the amount of : \$24,896.00. This Grant provided employment of the Tribal Secretary, Aquila Tilton as Grantee Administrator, office supplies, Executive Committee meetings, Travel, Telephone, and Aud-  
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its. The duties of the Grantee Administrator are to assist the Executive Committee in making evaluations of programs currently operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The 638 Administrator will maintain information for the Executive Committee concerning the Zero Base Budget process. Also Aquila performs the duties as required as Tribal Secretary.

#### HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Home Improvement Program F/Y 81 consisted of \$15,797.00 plus \$14,130.00, transferred from the Indian Action Team to the H.I.P. by the funding sources. The Executive Committee received 13 applications. 13 Iowa Tribal members were served. The H.I.P. Program was administered at B.I.A. The Housing Officer is Gladys Whalen, Horton Agency. Everyone who applied for H.I.P. grants received funds to begin or complete their project. We try to assist everyone to the point that they can either start or finish their project.

#### HOLTON HEALTH FACILITY

The Holton Health Facility located in Holton, Kansas is funded through Indian Health Service. The Clinic is open five days a week for appointments. We have a Satellite Clinic at White Cloud, Kansas the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month. The White Cloud Clinic serves approximately 30 patients on these days. It is very beneficial to the Iowa Tribal Members due to the number of miles to visit the Holton Clinic. The Holton Clinic Staff are: Nina Kincaid, Acting Facility Director, and Administrative Assistant; Dr. Angel Cananon, physician; Jim Rospedt, pharmacist; Myra Barrow, Medical Clerk; Loraine Thomas, Contract Health Clerk; Linda Cadue, Administration Clerk; Nancy Bear, Clinical Registered Nurse; Doris Tork, Nursing Assistant; Susan Gay, Public Health Nurse; Myrtle Patterson.

#### COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE

Our CHR is Jean Farley an Iowa Tribal Member. She has 12 years experience in this capacity. Jean assists the Medical Staff at the White Cloud Clinic. She makes home visits, arranges medical appointments, works with young mothers to utilize the WIC program, assists participants with applications for the energy programs and transports some patients to the medical facilities if they have no other means of transportation. This program is contracted from Indian Health Service.

#### THE SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM

The Senior Citizens Nutrition Program and the Senior Citizens Bus was operated this year on a federal grant under Title VI Older Americans Act.

MEAL SITE. The nutrition program provided one balanced meal per day, five days a week to Indian persons 60 years and older or the spouse of. An average of 11 Indian persons per day were served. Crafts, trips, entertainment, were provided for the Social Part of the program. We are able to employ 3 Indian persons at the Meal Site. They are: Viola Kent, Site Director; Irene Henniger, Site Coordinator; and Sharon Moonhey, Janitor.

SENIOR CITIZEN BUS. The Senior Citizen Bus is utilized to transport persons to and from the Meal Site daily. It provides two shopping trips per week to surrounding towns. It is used to transport patients to and from the White Cloud Clinic and the Holton Clinic. It also provides transportation to the cities for specialized treatment of patients. The Bus provided an average of 66 units of service per week to Indian Senior Citizens. The Bus provided employment of 1 Indian person. The Bus Driver is Anthony (Tony) Mendez.

TREASURER'S REPORT FY/81 OCT. 1 TO SEPT. 15, 1981

I. Investments by Albuquerque, New Mexico Office.

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT INVESTED</u>
(A) 9116 - 2615	(Land Purchase)	Principal 86259.33
9616 - 2615	(Land Purchase)	Interest 59699.17
Matures 10-27-81		Total Invested <u>145958.50</u>
(B) 9135 - 2621	(Tribal Government Operation)	Principal 8013.04
9635 - 2621	(Tribal Government Operation)	Interest 5519.16
9146 - 2621	(Tribal Government Operation)	Principal 2005.23
9646 - 2621	(Tribal Government Operation)	Interest 7490.18
Matures 9-10-81		Total Invested <u>23027.61</u>
(C) 9135 - 2605	(Programed but not Identified)	Principal 1819.41
9636 - 2605	(Programed but not Identified)	Interest 59.70
Matures 8-20-81		Total Invested <u>1879.11</u>
	(A)	145958.50
	(B)	23027.61
	(C)	<u>1879.11</u>
GRAND TOTAL		<u>170865.22</u>

II. IIM (Individual Indian or Tribe's Money) at Horton Agency.

(A) Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska

1. Unprogrammed FY-81		\$ 7587.73
2. Unprogrammed FY-79	Interest	3.98
3. Operating Budget FY-78	Interest	2.59
4. Operating Budget FY-79	Interest	3.97
5. Operating Budget FY-80	Interest	92.47
6. Operating Budget FY-81	Interest	5.23
7. Land Purchase Account		464.55
8. Operating Budget FY-81		7161.06
9. Unprogrammed FY-80		721.94
10. Unprogrammed FY-78		<u>4.35</u>
		<u>\$16047.87</u>

	Exec. Comm. Meet.	Health Brd. Meet.	Finance Officer Meet.	Housing Author. Brd.	Travel & Per Diem	Burial Assist	Insur.	Audit & Consul.	Recruit. & Newsltr.	Compress Cash Fund	Supply	Bldg. Supply	Utility
Oct 1/80	150.00	60.00	-0-	100.00	192.40	100.00	152.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	154.00	-0-	633.20
Nov	150.00	60.00	30.00	100.00	400.00	100.00	353.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	50.00	234.49	-0-
Dec	150.00	90.00	30.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Jan 81	150.00	30.00	30.00	250.00	-0-	300.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Feb	150.00	90.00	30.00	125.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00	82.67	79.93	-0-
Mar	150.00	-0-	30.00	100.00	-0-	-0-	121.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Apr	150.00	120.00	30.00	100.00	-0-	100.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
May	120.00	30.00	30.00	75.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Jun	120.00	-0-	30.00	75.00	-0-	200.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Jul	150.00	90.00	30.00	75.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Aug	150.00	90.00	30.00	75.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	12.69	-0-	-0-
Sept													
Total Spent	1590.00	660.00	300.00	1075.00	592.40	800.00	626.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	299.36	314.42	633.20
Balance	210.00	420.00	60.00	425.00	2907.60	700.00	634.00	500.00	700.00	-0-	200.64	185.58	1166.80

DRAWN FROM ANADARKO, OK FOR FY/81 BUDGET

FY/80 Check Book Carryover \$ 3272.92  
 FY/81 Drawdown 9000.00  
 TOTAL 12272.92

\$4000.00 Budget FY/81 \$15500.00  
 5000.00 Drawdown 9000.00  
 TOTAL \$9000.00 Balance in Budget \$ 6000.00

BALANCE IN CHECK BOOK FY/81 \$ 5382.54

George Ogden Sr., Treasurer

IV. Land

- (A)(1) Leased 70 acres (Original White Cloud Allotment) to George Keller Jr. and Robert Keller.  
ANNUAL RENT: \$3125.00  
Expires February 1983.
- (2) Leased 80 acres (Original Aunt Jenny's) to George Keller Jr. and Robert Keller.  
ANNUAL RENT: \$3500.00  
Expires February 1983.
- (B) Farming By Iowa Tribe.
- (1) Originally DeRoin assignment, 28 acres. Had a wheat crop. \$2580.03 deposited in IIM account.
- (2) Originally Marvin Murphy assignment, 50 acres. We have a crop of corn standing at this time.
- (3) Originally Marvin Campbell assignment, 40 acres. We have a crop of soy beans now standing.
- (4) Originally Murry Campbell assignment, 40 acres. We have a corn crop now standing.
- (5) George Rhodd assignment, 55 acres. We now have a crop of corn standing.
- (6) Leonard Fee assignment. It has 30 acres of corn and soy beans now standing. The tribe gets half of this crop.

\*\*\*\*The last two assignments listed are now in court.

The Iowa Tribe is farming around 230 acres of their land.

### POW-WOW CLUB

The Iowa Pow-wow Club held their 2nd Annual Pow-wow in Rulo, Nebraska in June of this year. Although it rained that weekend the club went on and held performances.

The Pow-wow members believe that the Pow-wow was a success, although a lot of hard work was donated by everyone.

Besides the paying attendance, the Pow-wow was attended by several different members of various tribes. Some of them being from the Southern Iowa Tribe from Perkins, Oklahoma and we hope that they will attend next year.

The officials at the Pow-wow were as follows: Joe Patterson, Master of Ceremonies, Nelson White, Southern Iowa was Head Man Dancer, Ramona White Cloud, Otoe-Iowa was the Head Lady Dancer and Noble Grant, Otoe-Iowa was the head singer for the Pow-wow.

The dates for next year are as follows: June 18, 19, and 20, we hope that you all can come and support the Pow-wow Club.

The present Committee is as follows: Jim Rhodd, Chairman, Doris Baily, Vice-Chairman, Aquila Tilton, Secretary, John Kreitzer, Treasurer and Raymond Robidoux, Member.

The Pow-wow Committee wishes to thank everyone who helped at the Pow-wow and everyone who donated time or money to the club.

### IOWA HOUSING REPORT

The Housing Authority of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska has been approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (H.U.D.) to construct twenty-five (25) additional Homes. They will be Mutual Help Homes and will be built either in a cluster or on separate sites. Any Tribal Member that is interested should contact the Housing

Office in White Cloud, Kansas or call 913-595-3380.

The Housing Authority will hold re-evaluation for those people that are already living in a Mutual Help home, beginning the last half of October, 1981.

At the time the Housing Authority hopes to have people from the Department of Housing and Urban Development here to assist in the re-evaluation and to answer questions that the tenants might have.

Please contact the Housing Office if you have any questions.

### JOHNSON O' MALLEY PROGRAM

The JOM program is available to serve Indian Students who are  $\frac{1}{4}$  degree or more American Indian. A group of interested persons met on June 25, 1981 to organize a Parent Committee to apply for a JOM Contract. The program is contracted from BIA through United Tribes. A contract starting October 1, 1981 has been approved in the amount of \$2,000.00 to serve 16 students enrolled in Highland Grade School and Highland High School. Our goal is to provide school and athletic supplies to the students to improve their education and encourage more participation in school activities. The officers are:

Mrs. Regina B. Jensen, Chairperson  
Mrs. Maxine Kent, Vice-Chairperson  
Mrs. Gail Reed, Secretary  
Mrs. Luch Lenzini, Member  
Ms. JoAnn Tilton, Acting Contractors Representative

The Parent Committee is very proud to work with our 16 students and appreciate their interest and input. The Committee appreciates the support of Mr. Earl McGee, Superintendent of school at Highland, Kansas. We also would like to thank JoAnn Tilton for being instrumental in organizing the Parent Committee.



UNITED TRIBES OF KANSAS AND SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA, INC.

United Tribes located in Horton Kansas is run by a board of Directors that consist of the five Council persons plus, two appointed members of each Tribe.

The officers are Howard Simmonds, Chairman, Curtis Gilfillan, Secretary/Treasurer. For your information listed below are services provided to Indian people by United Tribes.

<u>Name of Program</u>	<u>#Indians Served</u>	<u>#Indians Employed</u>
WIC	235	3
BOS	33	2
ANA	*N/A	1
IPA	*N/A	1
EPA	*N/A	0
LIEAP	178	0
ECIP	157	0
Indirect Fiscal	*N/A	1
Senior Citizens	55	2
Indian/Manpower	40	3
Commodities**	213	4

\*These projects are not service oriented programs.

\*\*August caseload.

FOUR TRIBES CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

The Four Tribes Children's Program is a Tribal organization providing services for the four federally recognized tribes in the State of Kansas (Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, The Sac & Fox Tribe of Missouri, The Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas and the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Tribe of Kansas). The four tribes recognized the need for implementation of Public Law 95-608, the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 U.S.C. 1901, which resulted in the development of the Four Tribes Children's Program.

The Four Tribes Children's Program is governed by a Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees consists of two Tribal Council Executive Committee Memb-

ers appointed by each respective tribe. Board Members report program activities to their respective Tribal Councils.

The Four Tribes Children's Program is currently serving the four tribes in Kansas and the Indian Center of Topeka, Incorporated, as a child welfare and social service program. The program has been sanctioned by Tribal Resolutions to develop a civil/juvenile code and court system and currently is under contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for that purpose. The four tribes by tribal Resolutions have sanctioned the program to contract from the Bureau of Indian Affairs the Social Service Program at the Horton Agency. The program is currently conducting research for the tribes under Public Law 93-638 Grant through the Indian Health Service on Child Health Needs.

The Four Tribes Children's Program has currently established an office within the White Cloud community, the phone number: 595-6600. The social worker responsible for program activities has been on a leave of absence from the program. We are filling this position and any interested individuals should call 966-2100.

The Four Tribes Children's Program provides assistance in referrals to other Social Service Agencies. We assist in help tribal members apply for state assistance. We license and place Indian children in foster homes when needed.

The main objective of the program is to keep Indian children with their families. We have a basic philosophy that Indian children are the tribes most valuable resource and Indian people have a right to raise their children within their respective Indian Community.

The Four Tribes Children's Program has offices within the Kickapoo, Prairie Band of Potawatomi and Iowa Tribal communities.

Iowa Office.....595-6600  
 Kickapoo Office.....496-2835  
 Prairie Band of Potawatomi.....966-2100

Please feel free to contact us for any reason.

# ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

re:

"Should Indian Action Team  
Programs be Discontinued?"

Issued by

IOWA TRIBE OF KANSAS AND NEBRASKA

Presented to

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

September 15, 1981

1. The executive Committee of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska has learned that a Senate Appropriations Subcommittee has approved a measure eliminating funds for Indian Action Team Programs in FY 82. The tentative IAT allocation for FY 82 had been set at 17.3 million dollars. Under the measure approved by the subcommittee, these funds would be reduced to approximately 12.23 million dollars and redistributed among other Bureau of Indian Affairs functions. These functions and the increase in spending authority each would receive are as follows (in millions of dollars): Housing (+4.46); Employment Assistance (+4.45); Business Enterprise Development (+1.4); Agriculture (+.5); Water Resources (+.323); and Wildlife and Parks (+.3).
2. Although the Tribal Council recognizes the priority given to achieving budgetary reductions, it disagrees strongly with the proposed plan to do away with IAT programs.
3. The proposed shuffle of funds to other BIA line items will in all likelihood do nothing to solve the kinds of difficulties that have plagued IAT - it will only move them someplace else. Furthermore, the disruption of IAT programs will force tribal governments to familiarize themselves with new funding mechanisms under the new line items and will result in an immediate and drastic reduction in Reservation labor forces.
4. The IAT program has the responsibility of maintaining vital community services which are generated by combining funds with other federally funded projects to provide road maintenance, upkeep to Tribal Cemeteries, Soil Conservation of Tribal Trust Land and other Community Services. The total reservation population will be drastically effected by the loss of the Indian Action Team Program.
5. The status of Indian peoples vis-a-vis the Federal government is not the same as that of other minority and impoverished groups. The welfare of Native Americans is part of the special Federal trust responsibility. The destruction of IAT programs, insofar as it leads to increased dependence of public assistance, will in effect shift this responsibility to the States - at their expense. This is unfair to Indian peoples, unfair to the States, and contrary to the Federal government's recognized obligations.
6. The Iowa Tribe is extremely opposed to deleting funding to the Indian Action Team Program FY 82 and recommends the IAT not be destroyed.
7. We strongly request your support in this critical issue for economic and social development of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska.

### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Committee would like to take this means of thanking the Tribal Members for their help and support this past year. The Tribal Government responsibilities are growing each year due to cuts in Government spending Contract requirements, regulations, and reporting systems. We are fortunate in having qualified personnel administering our programs. The Federal Government is looking at how well each Indian Tribe is progressing toward self determination and becoming self supporting.

We are striving toward a small industry located on the Reservation to employ people and generate income to the Tribe. We must have water and roads on the Reservation to operate an industry. We applied for a Community Development Block Grant this year for a water system to provide water on the Reservation and to the Housing Project. Our application was rated in the top ten. We did not receive it. We plan to reapply again next year.

Your tribal office is located on the Reservation. The Hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Your visits are welcome.

Sincerely,

IOWA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE