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Iowa Tribe of Kansas & Nebraska

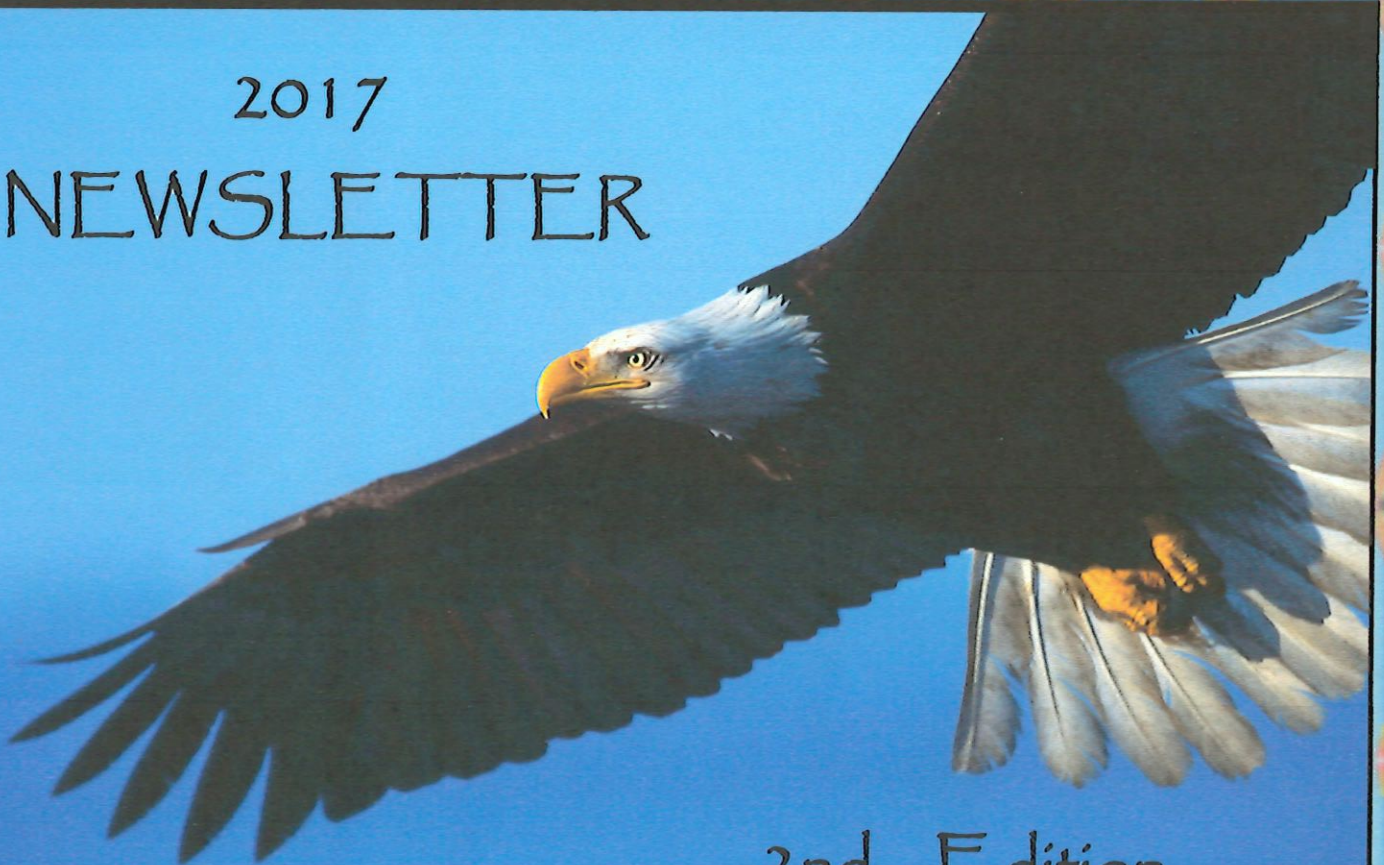
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NEWSLETTER



2nd Edition

2017 Tribal Election Notice

2017 Election

Time again for the Iowa Tribe of Kansas & Nebraska Election. The election for the positions of Chairman, Secretary and Member will be held on Saturday October 21, 2017. The filing fee for running for office will be \$150.00. The filing fee must be paid by money order or cashiers check and must be made out to the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska Election Board. No cash or personnel checks will be accepted. The filing fee is non refundable. This must be mailed along with the nomination form and the background investigation to the following address:

Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska
Election Board
P.O. Box 41
White Cloud, Kansas 66094

The above items must be postmarked no later than September 21, 2017. The forms can be picked up at the Iowa Tribal Office between 8:00 a.m.– 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. When coming to the Tribal Office you will need to ask for Brenda Lunsford.

The polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 1:00 p.m. on the day of election Saturday October 21, 2017.

Iowa Tribe Election Board

James DeRoin
Brenda Lunsford
Brandi Liberty

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING TRIBAL ELECTION

Tribal Business Meeting

October 21, 2017 @ 1:00 P.M.

George Ogden Building

3345 B Thrasher Road

White Cloud, Kansas 66094

Tribal Election

Chairman/Secretary/Member

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Iowa Tribal Police News

Greetings Tribal Members,

Currently the Police Department has had 5549 calls for service. Calls for service include topics such as residential security checks, building checks, motorists assists just to name a few. We are currently staffed with Six (6) full time officers two (2) part time officers and a police k-9. Earlier in the year we partnered with the Boys and Girls Club and purchased Drunk Buster Goggles and bikes. The purpose of these goggles is to teach our tribal youth the dangers of impairment by the use of drugs and alcohol. These goggles also teach how difficult it is to function on a daily basis while being impaired. The Police Department has held demonstrations with the assistance of the staff of the Boys and Girls club on two separate occasions, one in March and the other in July of this year. On August 2nd the Department participated in National Night Out in Falls City doing demonstrations with the goggles and bikes for youth and adults as well as demonstrations with the police k-9. National Night out is an event that is held every year across the united states to help get local communities familiar with emergency service agencies and the people that work or volunteer their services to help throughout our communities.

Sincerely,

Allen Phroper
Chief of Police



117 N. T Street
White Cloud, Kansas 66094

Greeting Tribal Members:

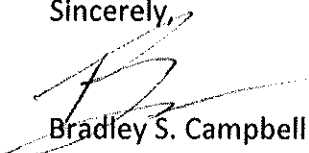
Hope everyone has had a great Summer so far. Just to update you all on the progress the Housing Authority has made over the summer, thanks to Brandi Liberty of Morning Star Consulting, our ICDBG was submitted back in May. The awards will not be announced until September. She currently is assisting us with our Title VI application. We are very grateful for her help.

Due to some HUD regulations, there is going to be some changes to our Down Payment Assistance Policy. The program is currently on hold until we get the changes implemented into the policy. The change that is being made has to do with Lead Base Paint Testing. Anything build before 1978 will require testing per HUD regulations. Anything Build after 1978 is exempt from the testing.

From now on, it will be the responsibility of the homebuyer to provide us with the certification that they have had the home tested if it requires it. Yes, there will be a fee for this test that the homebuyer will also be responsible for. Once we get this implemented in the policy the program will be available again in September.

If anyone has any questions, please contact the Housing Office.

Sincerely,


Bradley S. Campbell
Executive Director

Students that were awarded the



Iowa Tribe Lynn Roubidoux Scholarship for \$3,000

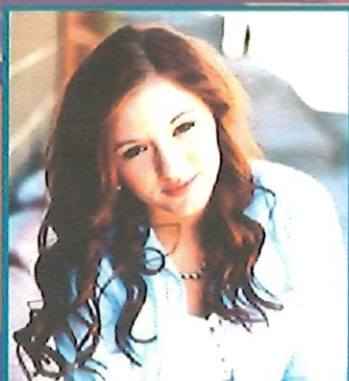
**Congratulations on your
Accomplishments!**



Taylor Bachman

Rulo, NE

Taylor is the daughter of Brenda Popejoy & Patrick Schulenberg. She will be attending Southeast Community College.



Ruby Barnett

Kansas City, KS

Ruby is the daughter of Tim & Pam Barnett. She will be attending Johnson County Community College.



Lily Beurman

Evansville, IN

Lily is the daughter of Todd & Carolyn Beurman. She will be attending Hanover College.



Trevor Beurman

Evansville, IN

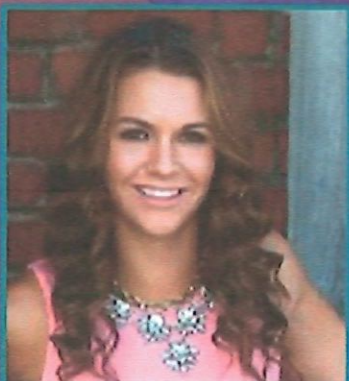
Trevor is the son of Todd & Carolyn Beurman. He will be attending Washburn University.



Sydney Campbell

Robinson, KS

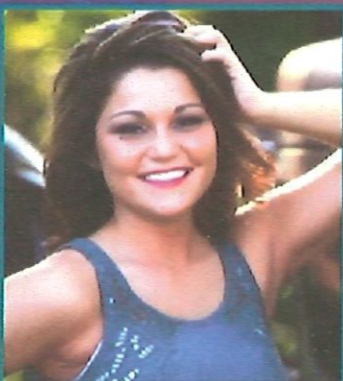
Sydney is the daughter of Douglas & Sara Campbell. She will be attending the University of Kansas.



Cheyenne Dovel

White Cloud, KS

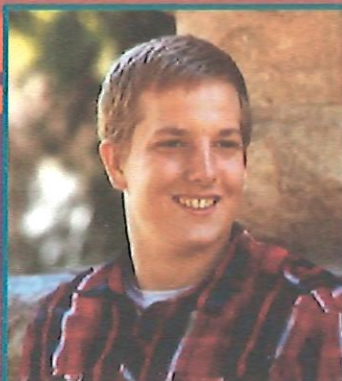
Cheyenne is the daughter of Jeana Dovel. She will be attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.



Hailey Fee

White Cloud, KS

Hailey is the daughter of Tony Fee & Tonya Barber. She will be attending Paul Mitchell the School in Lincoln.



Anthony Frederick

Lodgepole, NE

Anthony is the son of Roxanne Frederick. He will be attending Western Nebraska Community College.



Destiny Galvan

Four Oaks Ranch, TX

Destiny is the daughter of Efrain & Lynn Galvan. She will be attending The University of the Incarnate Word.

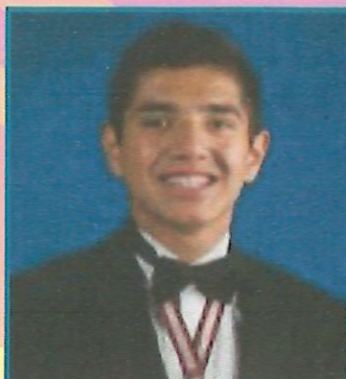
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Emmalee Gerdes

Falls City, NE

Emmalee is the daughter of Kevin & Stephanie Gerdes. She will be attending Southeast Community College at UNMC.



Evan Hernandez

Lincoln, NE

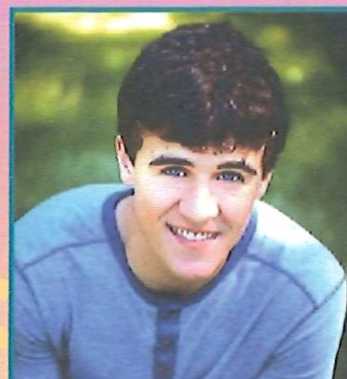
Evan is the son of Greg & Rita McClure. He will be attending Southeast Community College.



I'quajanae Jackson

Troy, KS

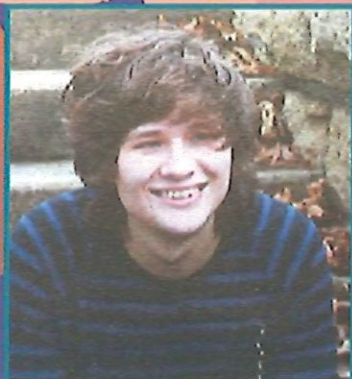
I'quajane is the daughter of Patricia Leeper. She will be attending Highland Community College.



Noah Keller

Falls City, NE

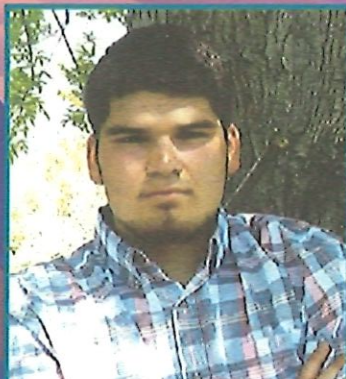
Noah is the son of James & Jennifer Keller. He will be attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.



Nickolas Keller

Falls City, NE

Nickolas is the son of Kristy Keller. He will be attending Haskell Indian Nations University.



Trevis Keller

Rulo, NE

Trevis is the son of Mike Keller & Rachelle Keller. He will be attending NCK Tech.



Kelyn Moses

Punta Gorda, FL

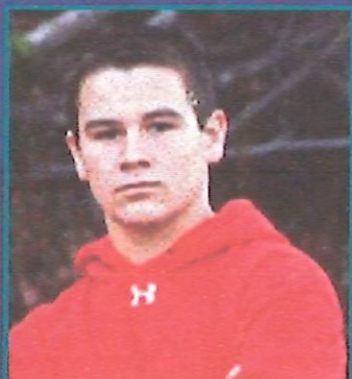
Kelyn is the daughter of Tallion & Kristi Moses. She will be attending Lamar Community College.



Taylor Partusch

Springfield, NE

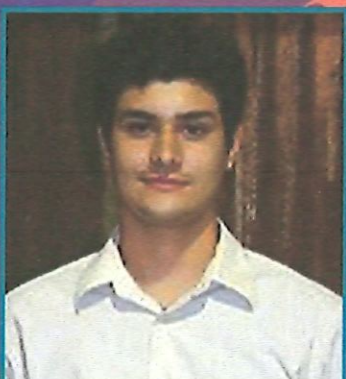
Taylor is the daughter of Gary & Jamie Partusch. She will be attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha.



Nathan Popejoy

Rulo, NE

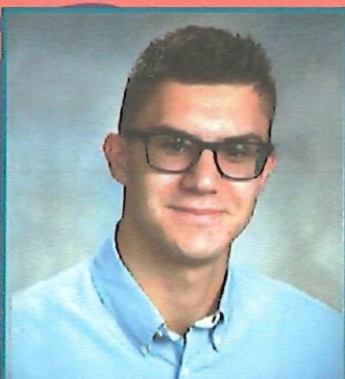
Nathan is the son of Ralph Popejoy & Billee Keller. He will be attending the NCK Tech.



Scott Quigley II

Folsom, LA

Scott is the son of Scott Quigley. He will be attending Louisiana Tech University.



Noah Rideout

Peoria, AZ

Noah is the son of Kent & Carla Rideout. He will be attending Fort Lewis College.



Kyle Tollefson

Hiawatha, KS

Kyle is the son of Jason & Lana Tollefson. He will be attending Kansas State University.



Native American Family Services, Inc.

3313 B Thrasher RD.
White Cloud, KS 66094

Ph. 785-595-3260

Fax 785-595-6262

Crisis Line:

1-800-209-0910

Native American Family Services, Inc. (NAFS)

Iowa Tribe Social Services Agency

NAFS is a non-profit agency offers a variety of services such as Child Protection, Family Preservation, Child Welfare Social Services, Family Violence Prevention, Elder Abuse, Foster Care, Independent Living and Children Services that fall under the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978.

Our hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Our phone number is: 785-595-3260

Or

If you have an emergency pertaining to one of our services please call our Crisis line at: 1-800-209-0910.

NAFS Staff:

Social Worker-Michelle Maguire; Georgia Beck- Case Manager; Norma Garlington- Fiscal Officer

Board of Trustees:

Kelli Cheek- Chairman; Jennifer Miller-Vice Chairman; Brenda Lunsford-Secretary



Iowa Tribal Learning Center

70277 664 Avenue

Rulo, NE 68431

PH: (402) 245-2060 * FAX: (785) 595-3262



The Iowa Tribal Learning Center is currently applying with the State of Nebraska to move from a Family Home I to a Center. This will allow the daycare to increase their enrollment.

Our hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information and an application please contact NAFS.

Iowa TLC Staff:

Stephanie Gerdes- Director

Jillian Lunsford

Brijida Hughes

Jami Coonce



IOWA TRIBE GAMING COMMISSION

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GAMING COMMISSION INCLUDE (included but not limited to):

Enforcing Tribal Law with respect to each tribal gaming activity or operation conducted on tribal land, including regulation of any management contractors, manufacturer/distributors and all gaming employees according to Gaming Compact and NIGC Standards.

There are currently 133 employees at Casino White Cloud. Approximately 35% of the employees are either Tribal Members or Tribal Spouses.

Gaming Commission:

Linda Bryan: Chairperson

Bennie Kent: Vice Chairperson

Connie Elrod: Secretary

Gaming Inspectors:

Bill Jensen

Tim Nuzum

Sandy McGraw

Lisa Robidoux

Norma Thomas

Thank you!

Iowa Tribe Gaming Commission
3345 A. Thrasher Rd.
White Cloud, KS 66094
(785)595-3211

CHR PROGRAM

Report To The Indian People

DATE OF AWARD: JANUARY 2017 - JUNE 2017

AMOUNT OF AWARD: \$62,638.00

CONTRACT NAME: IOWA TRIBE OF KANSAS AND NEBRASKA

PURPOSE OF AWARD: CHR / EMS PROGRAM

FOR THIS TIME FRAME THE TOTALS ARE AS FOLLOW

HOME VISITS:	24	TRANSPORTS:	75
MEDICINE DELIVERED:	36	BLOOD SUGARS:	05
HYPERTENSIONS:	08	OPTOMOLGY:	04
DENTAL:	05	MAMMOGRAMS:	02
MENTAL HEALTH:	03	ALCOHOL/DRUGS:	05
HEALTH EDUCATION:	32	ENERGY ASSISTANCE:	0
FOOD DISTRIBUTION:	0	AUDIOLOGY:	0
OFFICE VISITS:	18		

2017 CHIEF WHITE CLOUD RODEO RESULTS

Barebacks	Billy Griffin	80 points
Saddle Broncs	Jake Harbin	77 points
Bull Riding	Dustin Olmstedt	82 points
Calf Roping	Mitch Osborn	9.7 seconds
Over 40 Calf Roping	Dustin Jileck	10.4 seconds
Steer Wrestling	Jarek Vanpatten	4.1 seconds
Girls Barrel Racing	Taya Riedinger	14.257seconds
Team Roping	Cole/Cody Remington	5.8 seconds
Breakaway Roping	Caitlyn Wiswell	2.9 seconds



Grand River Rodeo Company

Friday June 23rd & 24th

Grand Entry - 7:30 pm

Fireworks were held immediately after the rodeo on June 24, 2017

The THPO Report: Tribal Historic Preservation Office Update

Fall Newsletter August 11, 2017, by Lance M. Foster, THPO

What is THPO? THPO Lance Foster, continues to perform the requirements of the THPO program agreement with the National Park Service, which funds and administers all THPO programs across the nation. Compliance reviews of projects that affect Ioway lands, on the reservation as well as aboriginal homelands, continue to be the focus of the THPO program. Foster also serves on the Board of NATHPO, the national THPO organization, and on the Board of the Plains Anthropological Society. Currently Foster is one of the organizers of MTHPO, the Midwest Tribal Historic Preservation Organization. THPO is under the direct supervision of Vice-Chairman Alan Kelley, who also assists as needed since we have no additional staff. THPO has quarterly input from the THPO Advisory Committee, made up of interested elders appointed by the Executive Committee for two-year terms. THPO's mandate focuses on cultural preservation and advocacy, and traditional culture was inseparable from the environment.

ON THE IOWA RESERVATION

Some projects THPO has been involved on the reservation with over the past year or two have been successful, including:

- Protection and stabilization of Burial Hill at the Leary Site NHL
- Restoration and fencing of Campbell Cemetery
- Founded Baxoje Wošgači: The Iowa Tribe Museum and Culture Center, with new exhibits by Noah Reuben Jr. and Sydney Pursel
- Assist initiating the tribal beekeeping and honey operation
- Consult on location of water line route for new water tower near Partelow Cemetery to ensure unmarked graves are not impacted

Some efforts have not been very successful. Agricultural development is the economic engine of the area, and so continues to alter the landscape of the reservation, with or without THPO review, as THPO sometimes does not learn about the projects until they are already in progress. Some of the projects are not on tribal land within the reservation. **Historic preservation laws cannot stop projects, they can only help people consider fully what they are doing, and how it affects us and our land and culture, and our future.**

Land and Culture: Some members may not realize that the tribe itself only owns perhaps 1/3 of our own reservation lands. Our traditional culture depended on our land and water, and held the land to be sacred. Springs were considered very sacred. Impacts to the land and water come from within the reservation as well as from surrounding lands and rivers. There continues to be an overall decline of environmental quality on our lands, including water and natural areas, due to deforestation and development. Our health is being impacted, and cancer is endemic here. Protection from any further decline would mean hard choices that most people are not willing to make, because it would mean major changes.

The **Reservation Plants Survey**, to see what medicinal and edible plants may still survive on reservation lands, was funded through THPO, and a draft report completed. THPO is now working on a report to be distributed to members, which will have additional cultural information. Our traditional culture depends on these plants and many plants have already disappeared, due to draining the land, drought, agricultural changes, and more. It would be wonderful to have an area of tribal land dedicated to preservation of nature and the practice of culture, but few seem to want that.

Ńi ix^a are ke (NYEE EE-kh-ah AH-ray kay) (Water is Life): Events in the region like multiple pipeline spills, the Standing Rock tribe's stance against DAPL, the Keystone XL (again), and the Elk Creek Mine plan to dump waste water into the Missouri upstream for 30 years, mean continuing compliance reviews and meetings. THPO assist also in Water Rights research assistance, regarding water claims, the proposed Kansas aqueduct with dam near White Cloud, and others. Both the Nemaha and Missouri Rivers are in bad shape, with warnings about eating fish from them, and groundwater is always an issue, both quality and quantity, and affects residents' health. Even for those uninterested in environmental conditions or health, water and land are integral to any economic development, and there need to be zoning and policies in place to ensure future success and avoid problems.

Baxoje Wošgači Archives: The current priority of the Museum is the development of the Archives, the record of tribal history, both old and contemporary. Various documentary sources such as old tribal papers and newsletters, allotment and service papers, family photos and genealogies are collected and some of them digitized. Reuben Noah Jr. started the organization and digitization efforts, but recently took a position at the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma. We have agreed to collaborate and share information whenever possible and beneficial to both tribes, since we are after all, the same people with most of our history the same. Several tribal members have donated papers and photos to this effort, and they will be recognized on a plaque.

Iowa Tribal Elders Oral History, a project in the 1990s, needs to be updated and additions made through more interviews with additional elders, twenty years later. Although it is primarily an Archives project, some kind of publication should occur and be made available to members.

Tribal Historic Preservation Plan: THPO is working on the Tribal Historic Preservation Plan but would like input from tribal members. Museum? Archives? Language? Cultural education? What do members think is important? Keep in mind 90% of our membership lives away from the reservation. THPO is putting together a questionnaire as well, an online version and one to go in the next newsletter. A historic context for the reservation and notable tribal sites on the reservation will be part of the plan as well.

New Baxoje Wošgači Museum/THPO Website: THPO has created a new website for the Baxoje Wošgači Museum and the THPO office. Find it at:
<http://www.iowaymuseum.com>

OFF THE RESERVATION: ABORIGINAL HOMELANDS

THPO also has a lot of responsibilities off the reservation working on compliance and advocacy which keeps THPO moving always around the region, and schedules are always shifting due to surprise meetings.

The **Good Earth State Park** visitor center THPO has consulted on for the last three years is open now; the film "Awakening the Silent City" was made for the center by Fourth Wall Films. It is an ancestral site of the Ioway, Otoe, Omaha, and Ponca near Sioux Falls, SD. The Iowa Master Plan also was part of our effort, and is discussed in articles in recent issues of the magazines *Iowa Outdoors* and *Land Architecture Magazine*.

Dixon Site Protection: The protection of the Dixon Site village and burials from erosion on the Little Sioux River up in Iowa is being accomplished, and reburial of exposed burials will be done in cooperation with affiliated tribes.

Effigy Mounds Case: The NAGPRA case of theft and concealment of ancestral human remains for decades was closed and sentencing of the offender happened last year, but rebuilding trust and accountability of Effigy Mounds National Monument is ongoing.

The **St. Joseph Museums NAGPRA case** is moving forward under new management at the museum, with all parties working together to rebury the remains and funerary goods; the Kaw (Kansa) Tribe received a grant and as the tribe most generally considered the descendant tribe from the King Hill site, is taking the lead in the reburial effort.

A new film, "Life Before Fairfield," on the history of southeastern Iowa, from ancient geology to the time of contact there with the Ioway and the Sac and the Fox (Meskwaki) is slated to be premiered in Fairfield, Iowa in August. We will be on the lookout for how people might be able to see it.

A Mini Lesson in Native American History: Acculturation, Assimilation, Termination

"If you can't change them, absorb them until they simply disappear into the mainstream culture. ...In Washington's infinite wisdom, it was decided that tribes should no longer be tribes, never mind that they had been tribes for thousands of years." -- Ben Nighthorse Campbell, 2007, former Senator from Colorado and Northern Cheyenne

Anyone familiar with Native American history knows that the U.S. government has tried to get rid of Indian tribes and take our land from the very beginning, first through wars and disease, then through **Indian Removal** from our aboriginal

territory to reservations (which is how the Iowa ended up on the Iowa Reservation due to the Platte Purchase Treaty in Missouri in 1836), and then over time "disappear" through acculturation and assimilation.

Acculturation is when tribes begin to live the nonIndian culture instead of their own original traditional ways. With the disappearance of buffalo and open lands to hunt on, and being surrounded by nonIndian culture, there was cultural destruction. The Ioway have been acculturated more and more since being put on the reservation: farming, jobs, speaking English, churches, etc.

Assimilation is when acculturation is pretty well complete, blood quantum has decreased through lots of intermarriage with nonIndians, and tribal members have little to distinguish its members from nonIndians, either how we look or how we live our lives. The next step is termination.

Termination was a policy of the U.S. government to get rid of its obligations to tribes under treaties by getting rid of tribes, as Sen. Campbell referred to in his speech above. The government based this in large part on if the tribe was considered assimilated, blended into the local population. Termination meant all federal recognition as a tribe goes away, including all Indian programs and grants, health care and education, status as Indian, and the reservation itself.

Termination was made federal policy in 1953, and over 100 tribes were terminated beginning then, including the Menominee, the Ponca, and many others. Because in 1940 the Kansas Act transferred much jurisdiction to the state of Kansas, the four tribes of Kansas, including the Iowa tribe, was slated for immediate termination in 1954 as well. But led by Minnie Evans of the Potawatomi, the Kansas tribes fought Congress to survive termination and succeeded.

Some tribes since then have fought to win back federal recognition, like the Ponca in 1990 (after being terminated as of 1966), but others are still in terminated status. **The threat of termination will never go away for any tribe**, as tribes and tribal attorneys often discuss; termination was brought up again in discussions at the Water Rights conference in Great Falls, Aug. 2017.

Resisting Future Termination: The core of all resistance to any future termination efforts by the government, and to ensure the tribe will continue into the future is based on our identity as a tribe, willingness to defend our status and identity, and the practice of our traditional ways and culture, including recovering our "sleeping language." While we can do little at this point about our blood quantum, we can do something about our culture and language, but only if all our people make that a priority in their own lives every day. Culture isn't just for one weekend a year at the powwow, it is for all year round, all your life and your children's lives. People need to think and ask themselves, "What does it mean to be Indian, and specifically an Ioway Indian? And how do I live that every single day?"

This concludes the 2017 Second Edition Newsletter.

Comments or suggestions may be directed

to: Tony Fee at

Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska

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(785) 595-3258 or (785) 595-3259

tony.fee@iowas.org



Email Blast

Dear Tribal Members,

We would like to take this opportunity to make you aware of a new email blast system that we have put in place. Many of our tribal members, who do not live on the reservation, aren't aware of projects, events, issues, board openings, advertisements etc. that are taking place on the reservation. This new system will allow the Executive Committee to disperse news to all our tribal members more frequently.

However, we only have some tribal members' email address. We ask that tribal members please email Kelli Cheek at kcheek@iowas.org and request to be added to the subscriber list.

We expect to send email updates weekly or bi-monthly. This new system will not affect the bi-annual newsletter. The Executive Committee feels that a more frequent news outlet is beneficial to tribal members. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Executive Committee at 785-595-3258 or email at Tim Rhodd - trhodd@iowas.org, Alan Kelley - akelley@iowas.org, Anthony Fee - tony.fee@iowas.org, Kelli Cheek - kcheek@iowas.org and Robbie Craig - rcraig@iowas.org. If you do not wish to be a subscriber, please contact Kelli Cheek.

Sincerely,

Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska Executive Committee