A school mascot played a role in Stephanie Jerome’s decision last year not to en-
sure her 10-year-old daughter in the Cheyenne Mountain School District, whose high school mascot is the “Indi-
ans.” The Jerome family is of Lakota and Ojibwe heritage. Before they moved to Colo-
ado Springs, Jerome’s sons had been bullied in other schools for their background and their long hair, and giv-
en the mascot, the family thought it would be even worse for her daughter, Jean-
vieve. “It’s disrespectful to our people and it hurts to see people support that,” said Jeanvieve, who also didn’t want to go to school in the district and was home-
schooling instead. She said it gives students permission to make fun of Native students, furthering mocking and bul-
lie in schools.

The 25 Colorado schools that have American Indian mascots have 11 months to remove them or face a monthly fine of $25,000. That means changing uniforms, signs, paintings in hallways and even gym floors, and when Democratic Gov. Jared Polis signed SB121-116, he paired it with a letter of con-
cern about the short timeframe and cost to school districts, which can run hundreds of thousands of dollars.

By Dana Brusland, Denver Post

31st Annual Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow returns to Keep Traditions Alive, Despite COVID-19 Pandemic

In a pre-pandemic world, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, along with other tribes in and around Oklahoma, look forward to the annual Oklahoma Indian Nations (OIN) Powwow held ev-
ery year in Concho, Okla. When the COVID-19 pandemic closed every-
thing in its tracks, OIN was forced to cancel its annual powwow in 2020 to keep tribal citizens and community members safe. A year later OIN will make its return to the powwow scene. A lot of tribes came, we’ve seen how it’s grown, and we’ve had people come and say they couldn’t even get down here to the powwow because it’s so packed,” Franklin said. “I think it brings a lot of our people together, and it has been involved, they’ve been really significant in putting in and helping, like this year we didn’t have any fundraisers at the tribe’s going to help us with contest money, but then we have the head staff that’s asked to come and help us, and then our prin-
ciples, they’re all pitching in to make this happen,” Franklin said.

Founded in October 1987, Okla-
ahoma Indian Nations Powwow was founded on the premise of perpetuat-
ing the traditional customs and values of the Oklahoma Plains Indian Re-
gion with 11 members, the club has grown to over 50 members in as little as two years with the club predomi-
nantly being Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal citizens. Although, other tribes have been actively involved as well.

By Saja Hindi, Denver Post

Some Oklahoma health leadership are calling on the governor to reissue an emer-
gen health declaration as COVID surges again

By Dana Brusland

Colorado schools have 11 months to remove American Indian mascots

By Saja Hindi, Denver Post

In a pre-pandemic world, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, along with other tribes in and around Oklahoma, look forward to the annual Oklahoma Indian Nations (OIN) Powwow held ev-
ery year in Concho, Okla. When the COVID-19 pandemic closed every-
thing in its tracks, OIN was forced to cancel its annual powwow in 2020 to keep tribal citizens and community members safe. A year later OIN will make its return to the powwow scene. A lot of tribes came, we’ve seen how it’s grown, and we’ve had people come and say they couldn’t even get down here to the powwow because it’s so packed,” Franklin said. “I think it brings a lot of our people together, and it has been involved, they’ve been really significant in putting in and helping, like this year we didn’t have any fundraisers at the tribe’s going to help us with contest money, but then we have the head staff that’s asked to come and help us, and then our prin-
ciples, they’re all pitching in to make this happen,” Franklin said.

Founded in October 1987, Okla-
ahoma Indian Nations Powwow was founded on the premise of perpetuat-
ing the traditional customs and values of the Oklahoma Plains Indian Re-
gion with 11 members, the club has grown to over 50 members in as little as two years with the club predomi-
nantly being Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal citizens. Although, other tribes have been actively involved as well.
Delta Variant sparks new COVID-19 Cases in Cheyenne and Arapahoe Country

Marie Whitebird and I live with my common-law husband, Dr. Robert Blackbird. We grew up around Watonga most of our lives. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

Roberta "Robbie" White Thunder Hamilton – Lt. Gov. Candidate

My name is Roberta "Robbie" White Thunder Hamilton. I come from a long line of Native American leaders. My maternal grandfather was Cheyenne Chief Henry Roman Nose. My maternal grandmother was Arapaho Chief Blackhawk. I was born in Oklahoma City and grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

 Governance Candidate: Wilma Blackbear

I am also the proud grandmother to 19 kids, including Vida Roman Nose Red Buffalo, Amanda Howling Crane, and Roberta Blackbear Blackbear. I grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Robert and Imogene (deceased) Blackbear. My maternal grandmother was Neva Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Chief Henry Roman Nose. My maternal grandmother was Arapaho Chief Blackhawk. I was born in Oklahoma City and grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

 Delta Variant & the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

There have been more than 735,000 of these infections. Also, individuals with comorbidities of frailty, obesity, and diabetes are at a higher risk of hospitalization with COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

The easiest and most effective way for you to protect yourself and others is to get vaccinated. The vaccines have been developed to prevent COVID-19 and the vaccines are very close to preventing the disease. The vaccines are very effective at preventing infection, transmission, severe disease, hospitalization, and death due to COVID-19. If you haven’t yet been vaccinated, please get yours as soon as possible to protect yourself, your family, and our people from COVID-19 and encourage those who know to do the same.

Delta Variant sparks new COVID-19 Cases in Cheyenne and Arapahoe Country

Marie Whitebird and I live with my common-law husband, Dr. Robert Blackbird. We grew up around Watonga most of our lives. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

Governor Candidate: Wilma Blackbear

I am also the proud grandmother to 19 kids, including Vida Roman Nose Red Buffalo, Amanda Howling Crane, and Roberta Blackbear Blackbear. I grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Robert and Imogene (deceased) Blackbear. My maternal grandmother was Neva Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Chief Henry Roman Nose. My maternal grandmother was Arapaho Chief Blackhawk. I was born in Oklahoma City and grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

 Delta Variant & the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

There have been more than 735,000 of these infections. Also, individuals with comorbidities of frailty, obesity, and diabetes are at a higher risk of hospitalization with COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

The easiest and most effective way for you to protect yourself and others is to get vaccinated. The vaccines have been developed to prevent COVID-19 and the vaccines are very close to preventing the disease. The vaccines are very effective at preventing infection, transmission, severe disease, hospitalization, and death due to COVID-19. If you haven’t yet been vaccinated, please get yours as soon as possible to protect yourself, your family, and our people from COVID-19 and encourage those who know to do the same.

Delta Variant sparks new COVID-19 Cases in Cheyenne and Arapahoe Country

Marie Whitebird and I live with my common-law husband, Dr. Robert Blackbird. We grew up around Watonga most of our lives. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

Governor Candidate: Wilma Blackbear

I am also the proud grandmother to 19 kids, including Vida Roman Nose Red Buffalo, Amanda Howling Crane, and Roberta Blackbear Blackbear. I grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Robert and Imogene (deceased) Blackbear. My maternal grandmother was Neva Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Chief Henry Roman Nose. My maternal grandmother was Arapaho Chief Blackhawk. I was born in Oklahoma City and grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

 Delta Variant & the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

There have been more than 735,000 of these infections. Also, individuals with comorbidities of frailty, obesity, and diabetes are at a higher risk of hospitalization with COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

The easiest and most effective way for you to protect yourself and others is to get vaccinated. The vaccines have been developed to prevent COVID-19 and the vaccines are very close to preventing the disease. The vaccines are very effective at preventing infection, transmission, severe disease, hospitalization, and death due to COVID-19. If you haven’t yet been vaccinated, please get yours as soon as possible to protect yourself, your family, and our people from COVID-19 and encourage those who know to do the same.

Delta Variant sparks new COVID-19 Cases in Cheyenne and Arapahoe Country

Marie Whitebird and I live with my common-law husband, Dr. Robert Blackbird. We grew up around Watonga most of our lives. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

Governor Candidate: Wilma Blackbear

I am also the proud grandmother to 19 kids, including Vida Roman Nose Red Buffalo, Amanda Howling Crane, and Roberta Blackbear Blackbear. I grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Robert and Imogene (deceased) Blackbear. My maternal grandmother was Neva Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Chief Henry Roman Nose. My maternal grandmother was Arapaho Chief Blackhawk. I was born in Oklahoma City and grew up around Watonga most of my life. My parents are Roby and Milton and my husband is Dr. Robert White Thunder Hamilton. My great-grandfather was Edward White Thunder Hamilton. My family is from the Fonda/Watonga area.

 Delta Variant & the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

There have been more than 735,000 of these infections. Also, individuals with comorbidities of frailty, obesity, and diabetes are at a higher risk of hospitalization with COVID-19, especially the Delta variant.

The easiest and most effective way for you to protect yourself and others is to get vaccinated. The vaccines have been developed to prevent COVID-19 and the vaccines are very close to preventing the disease. The vaccines are very effective at preventing infection, transmission, severe disease, hospitalization, and death due to COVID-19. If you haven’t yet been vaccinated, please get yours as soon as possible to protect yourself, your family, and our people from COVID-19 and encourage those who know to do the same.
The following public offices are open for election: Arapaho District 2 Election Commissioner

Voting will be included on the same ticket as the 2021 Elections.
Beginning July 19 through Aug. 6, 2021, nominations for public office will open to qualified candidates wishing to run for Arapaho District 2 Election Commissioner.

Registration packets are available at the Election Commission office located in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes’ Education Building located in Concho, Okla. Filing Fee will be paid to be before receiving a packet.

All interested candidates must submit their completed registration packet along with their verification of candidacy eligibility no later than 5 p.m. on Aug. 6, 2021.

Candidate Filing Fee for A2 District Election Commissioner is $100.
The non-refundable filing fee must be a check or money order payable to the Election Commission.

Withers of the filing fee are available upon request if the person meets or falls below the current poverty guidelines and can document this with their prior year federal income tax form. This determination can be made before a packet can be picked up.

The minimum qualifications for the District Election Commissioner candidates are as follows:
1. A candidate for District Election Commissioner shall be an enrolled member of the tribe and shall possess a high school diploma or its equivalent.
2. No person convicted of a felony shall be eligible to serve as an Election Commissioner.
3. At the time of filing a nomination petition, a candidate for District Election Commissioner shall physically reside in the district for which he or she seeks elective office and if elected, reside in that district for the duration of their term.
4. The candidate cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the tribes.

For more information or questions please contact the Election Commission office toll free at 800-247-4612 ext. 27619.

At one former boarding school in Oklahoma, honoring the dead now calls to alumni

A new federal investigation into the unmarked graves of Indigenous students uncovers a complicated history and patchy records at dozens of Oklahoma boarding school sites.

By Ari Fife, Read Frontier

A few miles from the Kansas border, a handful of Chilocco Indian Agricultural School students describe their long dirt road on a warm July day as so lush and sprouting the sprawling but now-crumbling campus. While much of the sprawling campus is overgrown with weeds, the school’s graveyard, near Newkirk, remains preserved. Chilocco alumni only know it existed at the school when they began attending.

“it was a sacred ground, and it should be treated as such and respected, because you know that a lot of the people who are buried there have not only attended Chilocco, but they’re the students who were buried in the same school that they were boarding care of the site more than 20 years ago, but they’ve since uncovered 57 additional burial sites. Many of these were uncovered between 1844 to 1937 — all unmarked.

“In the heart of the land, there are a lot of the people who are buried there, and the beginning of the Investigation is correct and contacting the landlord. The third step is to turn in the application with the necessary documentation.

• Arapaho District 2-Election Commissioner seat will need to be filled for 2 years, which is the remainder of a 4-year term, and will be on this ballot and only Arapaho District 2 voters will be allowed to vote for this position.

1. Candidate Registration will open July 19-August 6, 2021.
2. Completed packets must be returned by August 6, 2021.

“A Special Election to Amend the 2006 Constitution” will be held within 90 days so be on the look-out for more information.
President Joe Biden signed into law, in May, an emergency declaration. The district plans, said Dr. Donna Tyun-
gu, a pediatric infectious disease specialist. "The school mascot is a source of anger, with the "Ravens." No school community, for families, for the school says not having a mas-
costs come from, Benavidez argued. "You see in museums and where a lot of legislation does, it pulls us out of how the school, particularly from alumni. It was

**MASCOTS**

been asking for mascot changes for more than 30 years, said Democratic
classic state Rep. Adrienne Benavidez of Commerce City, one of the sponsors of the new law. The Colorado Legis-
lar has also tried to pass the bill in years past.

Colorado started its own assess-
ment amid national discussions about the use of derogatory Native Amer-
can mascots, and in 2016, a state com-
mission recommended schools should
cancel all Native American mas-
cots because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless
temporary ban on Native American mascots. This is because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless

*Some of these names like the (La-

tur Saguaro and the (South)." (Frankly)," GOP Rep. Colin Larson of Littleton said. But his vote came down
discussions with state leaders to provide the

emergency order, "we’re a little bit stuck in be-

asked to remove the derogatory

have to cut essential needs, including

Colorado started its own assess-
ment amid national discussions about the use of derogatory Native Amer-
can mascots, and in 2016, a state com-
mission recommended schools should
cancel all Native American mas-
cots because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless

*Some of these names like the (La-

tur Saguaro and the (South)." (Frankly)," GOP Rep. Colin Larson of Littleton said. But his vote came down
discussions with state leaders to provide the

emergency order, "we’re a little bit stuck in be-

asked to remove the derogatory

have to cut essential needs, including

Colorado started its own assess-
ment amid national discussions about the use of derogatory Native Amer-
can mascots, and in 2016, a state com-
mission recommended schools should
cancel all Native American mas-
cots because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless

*Some of these names like the (La-

tur Saguaro and the (South)." (Frankly)," GOP Rep. Colin Larson of Littleton said. But his vote came down
discussions with state leaders to provide the

emergency order, "we’re a little bit stuck in be-

asked to remove the derogatory

have to cut essential needs, including

Colorado started its own assess-
ment amid national discussions about the use of derogatory Native Amer-
can mascots, and in 2016, a state com-
mission recommended schools should
cancel all Native American mas-
cots because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless

*Some of these names like the (La-

tur Saguaro and the (South)." (Frankly)," GOP Rep. Colin Larson of Littleton said. But his vote came down
discussions with state leaders to provide the

emergency order, "we’re a little bit stuck in be-

asked to remove the derogatory

have to cut essential needs, including

Colorado started its own assess-
ment amid national discussions about the use of derogatory Native Amer-
can mascots, and in 2016, a state com-
mission recommended schools should
cancel all Native American mas-
cots because of the misrepresentation and stereotypes they perpetuate unless

*Some of these names like the (La-

tur Saguaro and the (South)." (Frankly)," GOP Rep. Colin Larson of Littleton said. But his vote came down
discussions with state leaders to provide the

emergency order, "we’re a little bit stuck in be-

asked to remove the derogatory
Native American Basketball Invitational attracts largest turnout in 18 years

The Native American Basketball Invitational (NABI) returns in 2021 with one of its largest tournaments ever hosted. The NABI has been called one of the largest Indigenous basketball competitions in the U.S. It was first launched in 2003 by current CEO/President Gia Marie Scarpa, former Phoenix Suns player Mark West and the late Scott Poleski and is held annually in Phoenix, Ariz.

The NABI has hosted over 15,000 Native youth, representing over 300 tribes and have granted approximately $250,000 in scholarship funds.

When COVID-19 first began to spread throughout the U.S. in 2020, Scarpa knew the tournament would have to be canceled for 2020, and even thought it would continue to be shut down in 2021.

She said she then remembered how important the tournament was to the Native American community and made a decision to dig in her heels and get the tournament up and running again in 2021.

With thanks to Scarpa's determination and the 2021 sponsors, ranging from the Phoenix Suns, Nike, Gila River Indian Community and the Seminole Tribe of Florida, and the Phoenix Mercury, NABI was able to host one of their largest tournaments to date. The tournament featured 124 all-Native teams who competed in 434 games in five days.

Many Oklahoma teams competed in the 2021 NABI tournament including the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes’ R.E.Sp.E.C.T. teams, and the Oklahoma Runners, coached by Reggie Island and Derek Tofpi.

On the fifth day of tournament it came down to two teams in the high school boy’s division competing for the national title … the Oklahoma Runners and the Young Guns from the Pacific Northwest. The Oklahoma Runners held on until the end, when the Young Guns rallied in the second half with a final score of 61-56. The Young Guns were named national champions.

Coming in second place were the Oklahoma Runners (seniors/juniors) and placing third was yet another Oklahoma Runners team comprised of freshman and sophomores.

Coach Reggie Island has full confidence in his freshman and sophomore players as they prepare and make plans for the next big tournament … after all there are more games to be played.

“They play so unselfish and have good chemistry along with good defense. They beat some tough teams and won 9-2. And yes we hope to have everyone back for the next 2-3 years. We really preach about loyalty to our players and if they are loyal to us then we show that same loyalty to them. Most of these kids have been playing for me or Derek for a long time. A lot of our success is consistency, year in and year out.” – Coach Reggie Island

Oklahoma Runners place 2nd in the 2021 NABI. Pictured front row l-r: #21 Dallen Forsythe, #30 Nolan Parker, #10 Kevin Bigfoot, #25 Karsen Williams, #5 Tevyn Mack, #15 DanQuez Dawsey and Assistant Coach Derek Tofpi. Back row l-r: Head Coach Reggie Island, Kayden Carter, Richard Berry, Jordon Parker and Ryan Island. (Courtesy photos)

Oklahoma Runners, comprised of one junior and the rest freshmen and sophomores, finished the tournament in 3rd place out of 64 teams. The team’s Head Coach is Reggie Island with Assistant Coach Derek Tofpi. Pictured l-r: Breydan Lemos, Matt Tofpi, Evan Roman Nose, Josiah Reveles, James Reveles, Jacob Robertson, DeLos Lonewolf, Logan Sandoval and Dominick HJavern.
The Community Health Representative (CHR) Program has five CHRs covering 11 reservations that serve Indigenous communities. "My name is Joyce Bullcoming. I have been happily serving the Cheyenne and Arapaho people for more than 15 years. I have been working with our elders and the community and helping to provide care to our people. I enjoy working with our elders and the community."

"I have been a Community Health Representative for 17 years. I service the youth."

"My name is Ladonna Roman Nose and I service the youth."

"I service the youth."

"My name is Juanita Trout. I have been working with Native Health for more than 15 years. I have been working with our elders and the community and helping to provide care to our people. I enjoy working with our elders and the community."
Ronnie Redshin

Two Cheyenne and Arapaho youth chosen for National Basketball Games in Atlanta, GA

Laytona Lodelnidge, Staff Reporter

Ronnie Redshin also plays for an ABA basketball team for R.E.E.S.E.E.C.T. basketball team.

Competing against the best of the best, Ronnie and Thomas were selected to be a part of Team Oklahoma.

Redshin, 13, said he was invited to the tryout at Clinton High School in Clinton, Okla., earlier in the springtime and when he found out he was selected, he was excited.

“I was held for two days, they made us in A-dribble, we played up and downs and then we had dunking contests. I think we had probably over 8,000 kids there, both girls and boys, and on my team there’s 10 kids,” Redshin said.

Standing, 5’6, Redshin plays shooting guard. He began playing basketball just three years ago.

“My starting player was the best in the state, Redshin and classmate James Harden,” Redshin said.

Alongside playing basketball for Clinton Public Schools, Redshin also plays for an ABA basketball team for R.E.E.S.E.E.C.T.

“I like teamwork and getting to know my teammates because I’ve made a lot of friends,” Redshin said.

Morton, 16, said she looks forward to seeing the upcoming U.S. Tournamant. Redshin and his made friends with teammates that came from different communiti- ties to join Clinton.

With teams widespread in the state of Oklahoma, Redshin and the team’s players of teams from Reno, Clinton, Muskogee, Tahlequah, Altus and Okmulgee also played.

“For the upcoming U.S. Tournament, Redshin said he looks forward to seeing the most and meeting new peo-ple through basketball.”

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play- er James Harden,” Redshin said.

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play-Redshin and Lilly Thoma-

Ronnie Redshin basketball that’s played on the east side of the state and we’ve always kept up with court offenses and we love the boost our team and the players from the west coast, they are smaller in stature so they can run a lot, Ronnie’s exactly who we’re running against whenever they’re running behind,” Morton said.

Out of his 12 players on the OIN powwow.

OIN powwow has always been an event that not only the Chey-enne and Arapaho tribal citi-zens enjoy, but also other tribes near and far.

“I don’t recall what year the Summerfest activities first started, but the addition of all those activities defi-nitely generated more people attending the powwow. It’s just an exciting time and I enjoy seeing our Native peo-ple coming together, having fun and good fellowship,” Morton said.

Each year, Morton said the powwow committee nor-mally begins planning their event as early as May in selecting head staff, getting biogra-phies, making forms for reg-istrations, coordinating with various departments for ser-vices and ordering items for the powwow.

“The powwow has been estimated to bring in around 1500-2000 people, from traditional powwow dancers to various vendors selling their goods and other tribal citizens to participate in the powwow’s Summerfest activities,” Morton said.

Morton said OIN powwow has always been an event that not only the Chey-enne and Arapaho tribal citi-zens enjoy, but also other tribes near and far.

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play- er James Harden,” Redshin said.

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play-

Ronnie Redshin also plays for an ABA basketball team for R.E.E.S.E.E.C.T. basketball team.

Competing against the best of the best, Ronnie and Thomas were selected to be a part of Team Oklahoma.

Redshin, 13, said he was invited to the tryout at Clinton High School in Clinton, Okla., earlier in the springtime and when he found out he was selected, he was excited.

“I was held for two days, they made us in A-dribble, we played up and downs and then we had dunking contests. I think we had probably over 8,000 kids there, both girls and boys, and on my team there’s 10 kids,” Redshin said.

Standing, 5’6, Redshin plays shooting guard. He began playing basketball just three years ago.

“My starting player was the best in the state, Redshin and classmate James Harden,” Redshin said.

Alongside playing basketball for Clinton Public Schools, Redshin also plays for an ABA basketball team for R.E.E.S.E.E.C.T.

“I like teamwork and getting to know my teammates because I’ve made a lot of friends,” Redshin said.

Morton, 16, said she looks forward to seeing the upcoming U.S. Tournamant. Redshin and his made friends with teammates that came from different communiti- ties to join Clinton.

With teams widespread in the state of Oklahoma, Redshin and the team’s players of teams from Reno, Clinton, Muskogee, Tahlequah, Altus and Okmulgee also played.

“For the upcoming U.S. Tournament, Redshin said he looks forward to seeing the most and meeting new peo-ple through basketball.”

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play- er James Harden,” Redshin said.

“Ronnie was selected out of the Clinton area, he’s a very smart kid, smart on the court and because of my favorite play-

Ronnie Redshin basketball that’s played on the east side of the state and we’ve always kept up with court offenses and we love the boost our team and the players from the west coast, they are smaller in stature so they can run a lot, Ronnie’s exactly who we’re running against whenever they’re running behind,” Morton said.

Out of his 12 players on the OIN powwow.

OIN powwow has always been an event that not only the Chey-enne and Arapaho tribal citi-zens enjoy, but also other tribes near and far.

“I don’t recall what year the Summerfest activities first started, but the addition of all those activities defi-nitely generated more people attending the powwow. It’s just an exciting time and I enjoy seeing our Native peo-ple coming together, having fun and good fellowship,” Morton said.

Each year, Morton said the powwow committee nor-mally begins planning their event as early as May in selecting head staff, getting biogra-phies, making forms for reg-istrations, coordinating with various departments for ser-vices and ordering items for the powwow.

“The powwow has been estimated to bring in around 1500-2000 people, from traditional powwow dancers to various vendors selling their goods and other tribal citizens to participate in the powwow’s Summerfest activities,” Morton said.

Morton said OIN powwow has always been an event that not only the Chey-enne and Arapaho tribal citi-zens enjoy, but also other tribes near and far.

“One of the wonderful things,” Morton said about the OIN powwow is that it benefits the tribe closed all community halls and powwow grounds to keep the people safe,” Morton said.

Franklin also shared she’s excited to bring people back to the OIN powwow this year.

“Because we’ve had some people step in and are sponsoring different things so that’s what’s going to make us, you know, be pitch-ing in and helping us, so I think we’re going to do this year,” Franklin said.

Franklin also shared she’s excited to bring people back to the OIN powwow this year.

“I’m looking forward to seeing all the kids, the youth, the old people, everyone and I think we’re going to have a lot of fun,” Franklin said.

Current Oklahoma In-dia Nation powwow committee members are Dana Franklin, chairperson; Christine Mor-son, secretary/treasurer; Joc- sie Botone, ticket sales, Fritz Prairie Chief, mentor and Patricia Hawk, mentor.

The Oklahoma Indian Nations Nations Opens at 6 p.m. Friday July 31 with the Western Heritage Pow-wow Entry at 8 p.m. and runs through Sunday evening Aug. 1. Summerfea activi-ties kick off at 6 p.m. with- men’s/women’s fast pitch softball tournaments and 3 on 3 youth basketball tour-naments, and runs through 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1.

Most Good Ads Said Below What We Paid No Gimmicks!!
Amaya is the daughter of Jennifer and her brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-

Amaya Littlehawk is the daughter of Jennifer brother, Burgess. Amaya’s Kiowa name, Mato-igah - strong influence in their up.

The family of the late Burgess and Millicent Tapedo. The family of Lawrence, Kansas. Amaya attended Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas and played basketball and field and volleyball. She qualified for the state meet in the javelin and placed in the top eight each year. This year is her last season she was the Sunflower League Champi-

and the late Fred and Fern Littlehawk. I come from White Rabbit Creek Tribes of Oklahoma. I currently reside in Pon-
Elder of the Year:

Lucy Melvina Snyder

Fred and Kathy (Youngblood) Hoffman. I have three older brothers and four younger sisters. We all went to two-room country school at Herring, Okla. I attended school from the 1st through 8th grade and graduated from Harmon High School. The four younger sisters graduated from boarding schools. I attended Draughons School in Tulsa, Okla.

In 1964 Mr. Ed Burns selected me as the Cheyenne Princess for the Anadarko Indian Nation Powwow. Being the first time I was able to represent my tribe. My father was a member of the Thunder clan. He was preceeded in death by his parents, his son Anthony and uncle Derek Reeder.

My parents are Anthony Kaulauly and Lynette Twotong Kaulauly. Grandparents are the late Hubert Twotong and Kalie Twotong. We reside in Del City and enjoy spending the summers at our extended family.

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me this weekend, and I look forward to representing my family and tribe. Also, I am very happy to have my parents were the late Laura Sankadota and Elna Mosqueda. I have two sisters, Clarinda and Millic, one brother Steven "Steps-on-Time" Fletcher, and a whole bunch of nieces and nephews.

My late grandparents are John Kandrick Fletcher Sr. and Wilma Josephine Fletcher. I work for Lucky Star Casino. George Edward Eaglenest, a Marine veteran, served two tours in Vietnam. After his military service, he worked for a short time with Rock Island Railroad before beginning his career at Concho Indian School.

He was preceeded in death by his parents, William and Aline Eaglenest.; 15 grandchildren, this involved a lot of people, and to this day most of these friendships are everlasting.

I was discharged. Six months naturally after marriage, I got pregnant and at that time I was discharged. Six months later they changed the regulations to allow mothers to return to service. We lived in Oklahoma and Pennsylvania until my daughter was 13 and then we moved home.

I would like to thank these wonderful people, and to this day most of these friendships are everlasting. I am so happy to be a part of your program. It is so great to be a Native American.

Elder for this year's Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am proud to say that I come from the Kiowa Tribe. My Kiowa name is Tsee Pah Gya Mah, or Flute Woman. It was given to me by my maternal great-grandmother.


He was preceeded in death by his parents, William, and Ruth Wieland Eaglenest and three sisters, Hattie Mah, Mary Ellen Maples and Thelma Eaglenest.

I was very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am so happy to be a part of your program. It is so great to be a Native American.

My parents are Anthony Kaulauly and Lynette Twotong Kaulauly. Grandparents are the late Hubert Twotong and Kalie Twotong. We reside in Del City and enjoy spending the summers at our extended family.

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me this weekend, and I look forward to representing my family and tribe. Also, I am very happy to have

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.

I am very happy to have been selected as the Honored Elder for this year’s Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow.
David Burton Hawk Sr. was born in Okarche, Okla., on July 15, 1965 and made his heavenly journey on July 15, 2021. David was employed with the EMD division of the Kingfisher Fire Dept., and was also a former fire-fighter with the Concho crew out of Concho, Okla. He graduated from the Police Dept. and was also a forest ranger as a dispatcher. He was the Emergency Response Center Director. His service was held July 20, at the same venue, followed by an internment at the Kingfisher Cemetery.

Pauline Blind Harjo was born on July 15, 2021 in Revere, Wyo. Pauline was the daughter of Jesse Blind Sr. of Geary, Okla., and Marie Spettomac Blind also of Geary. She was full blood Cheyenne and Arapaho. Pauline was enrolled citizen of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. She attended Concho boarding school, graduating from the Cheyenne Black one sister Nena Rose Hawk, and his mother is Esther Howling Crane Blackman, who was full blood Arapaho.

The wake service was held held July 24, at the same venue, followed by an internment at the Concho Indian Cemetery. Pauline was the daughter of Jesse Blind Sr. of Geary, Okla., and Marie Spettomac Blind also of Geary. She was full blood Cheyenne and Arapaho. Pauline was enrolled citizen of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. She attended Concho boarding school, graduating from the Cheyenne Blackman.

My name is Frances White Thunder, a candidate for Cheyenne District 2 Legislator. Striving to address the concerns of tribal members, effectively communicating with my district and providing information regarding the importance of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' goals is an objective I’ve achieved. Another goal of mine is to work diligently to help move our tribes forward. My paternal grandfather is Edward White Thunder, a full blood Cheyenne. My paternal grandmother is Helen White Thunder White Thunder Blackburn and she, too, was a full blood Cheyenne. My father is Robert White Thunder, who was a full blood Cheyenne.

Tina Lynn Sealy

Tina Lynn Sealy was born Aug. 4, 1965 in Daly City, Calif. She passed away July 21, 2021 in Oklahoma City. Tina was a homemaker and a member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Geary, Okla.

My mother is Ida Blackman, of Oklahoma City, sisters, Charles Sealy, of Geary, Oklahoma; sisters, Patricia Ann King of Ada, Okla., and Amabelle Lorent of Geary, and grandchildren, Christian Little Raven, Lace Little Raven and Janie Little Raven. My father is Robert White Thunder, who was full blood Cheyenne. My maternal grandmother is Robert White Thunder, who was full blood Cheyenne.

My maternal grandfather is Edward White Thunder, who was a full blood Cheyenne. My paternal grandmother is Helen White Thunder White Thunder Blackburn and she, too, was a full blood Cheyenne. My father is Robert White Thunder, who was a full blood Cheyenne.

My name is Frances White Thunder, a candidate for Cheyenne District 2 Legislator. Striving to address the concerns of tribal members, effectively communicating with my district and providing information regarding the importance of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' goals is an objective I’ve achieved. Another goal of mine is to work diligently to help move our tribes forward. My paternal grandfather is Edward White Thunder, a full blood Cheyenne. My paternal grandmother is Helen White Thunder White Thunder Blackburn and she, too, was a full blood Cheyenne. My father is Robert White Thunder, who was a full blood Cheyenne.
Students who died at boarding schools didn’t receive proper burial in accordance with tribal traditions. They were never given the opportunity to choose where or how they were to be buried, and many were buried in the schoolyard. While it had been thought to be of no consequence, it is now recognized as a grave injustice.

For many years, the Chilocco National Alumni Association started maintaining the school’s cemeteries. Originally, the cemeteries were maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In 2014, the Chilocco Colville Student Associate was formed to continue the work.

Many students buried in the groundyards were Cheyenne & Arapaho students, although one grave belonged to the child of a faculty member.

Most alumnae who worked at Chilocco were Cheyenne or Arapaho, who had no one to claim their bodies after they died. Even so, many students died in family, and many others were identified by name, but their remains were not properly identified. To this day, many unmarked graves remain in the schoolyard. They are identified with numbers.

In 2012, the Chilocco Colville Student Associate was formed to maintain the cemetery. The former campus had been under federal government’s oversight of Native American cultures and languages.

Of all new COVID infections to others (coworkers, family, friends, and strangers) including to vaccinated individuals, 99.7% are among unvaccinated individuals, which means that the vaccines are working, and that unvaccinated individuals, despite being at greater risk of breakthrough infections (as autos, buses, etc.) avoid- ing masks in indoor locations (such as offices, schools, restaurants, and stores).

Students who died at boarding schools didn’t receive proper burial in accordance with tribal traditions. They were never given the opportunity to choose where or how they were to be buried, and many were buried in the schoolyard. While it had been thought to be of no consequence, it is now recognized as a grave injustice.

For many years, the Chilocco National Alumni Association started maintaining the school’s cemeteries. Originally, the cemeteries were maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In 2014, the Chilocco Colville Student Associate was formed to continue the work.

Many students buried in the groundyards were Cheyenne & Arapaho students, although one grave belonged to the child of a faculty member.

Most alumnae who worked at Chilocco were Cheyenne or Arapaho, who had no one to claim their bodies after they died. Even so, many students died in family, and many others were identified by name, but their remains were not properly identified. To this day, many unmarked graves remain in the schoolyard. They are identified with numbers.

In 2012, the Chilocco Colville Student Associate was formed to maintain the cemetery. The former campus had been under federal government’s oversight of Native American cultures and languages.
Happy 10th Birthday to Khloe “Koko” Knoxsah—“Mi-Na Ha-Nie”. With love: mom and all the family.

Jordyn Littlebird, 10, of El Reno, Okla., led her 10 and under Oklahoma Athletics 2011, Pawnee fast-pitch softball team to the title of NATIONAL MIDWEST CHAMPIONS! She competed against some of the best in the midwest and took the crown for Most Outstanding Pitcher for her team and the overall tournament. She received outstanding honors from her coaches and caught the attention of many in Davenport, Iowa.

Her talent is one that leaves an impression on anyone watching her. She finished her best season with a total of 569 batters faced and struck out 222 and left 57 confused and struck out looking.

Jordyn is a proud Arapaho, Cheyenne, Creek and Choctaw, beautiful and talented Native youth. Be on the lookout for more of her accomplishments... she is a force to be reckoned with!
The team, Johnson said, half are of Native American descent. With two practices in the bag so far for the tournament, Johnson said Team Oklahoma is more of a representation team that will play for the U.S. Women's Basketball Tournament and each state puts together teams from their players and sends them to the tournament, so it is an all-star game but I consider it more of a representation tournament," Johnson said.

The combines for tryouts were held to test player's skills, and based on how they performed, Johnson said they would work along with their performance in their AAU program, and at high school, players were selected to be a part of Team Oklahoma.

Johnson said this is the first time Oklahoma had representation for the U.S. Women's Basketball Tournament. "A lot of what we're preparing for is the physical aspect, but because we don't have as strong the teams for the other states are going to be because we don't have as strong the teams that have been there since the get go, there's teams in other states that have been there since the get go and they have more established state leadership and coaching," Johnson said.

In fundraising for the tournament, Redskin said he has held a fundraiser raffling off items and will have food sales and other events, "I'm strong, I'm teachable, people loved that we could share that information, where a lot of other places you could give," Redskin said. "I just don't do things like that, I'm not about that," he recalled saying when he was first approached. But the opportunity is so great and the team wants to ask her, because this is the first time interacting with a mental health provider, she considered their growth, "I'm proud of what we've been able to get a great college look out of her, as has her Oglala Lakota Tribe, joined after losing her aunt to COVID-19, along with her parents who studies anthropology and family and human development. "I'm from the Navajo Nation, being in a part of a team that will play some of the top teams in the country," Brown said. "I'm appreciative that she chose to come along for the journey."

They're looking for kids who have determination, passion, and zeal for the sport, and in order to make this type of team, they have to bring all those components in one of the other combines, you have to show each coach that you deserve, earned and are talented enough to be a part of a team that will play some of the top teams in the world." Brown said. "And for Thomas, Brown said "I think I'll get a lot of looks," Thomas said. "I'm quite aggressive so I'm hoping she's appreciative that she chose to play and get out there on the court with more people. In fundraising for the upcoming tournament, Johnson said she's been quite a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court.

"I'm strong, I'm teachable, I'm proud of what we've been able to get a great college look out of her, as has her Oglala Lakota Tribe, joined after losing her aunt to COVID-19, along with her parents who studies anthropology and family and human development. "I'm from the Navajo Nation, being in a part of a team that will play some of the top teams in the country," Brown said. "I'm appreciative that she chose to come along for the journey."

They're looking for kids who have determination, passion, and zeal for the sport, and in order to make this type of team, they have to bring all those components in one of the other combines, you have to show each coach that you deserve, earned and are talented enough to be a part of a team that will play some of the top teams in the world." Brown said. "And for Thomas, Brown said "I think I'll get a lot of looks," Thomas said. "I'm quite aggressive so I'm hoping she's appreciative that she chose to play and get out there on the court with more people. In fundraising for the upcoming tournament, Johnson said she's been quite a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that area," Brown said. Team Oklahoma 16U Girls Coach, Corey Brown said that although Thomas is sweet and quiet, she has a big presence on the court. During this tournament I'm hoping she brings a variety of the team to the box as far as the post areas concerned, she's well built, she can move, she shoots mid-range, she's quite aggressive so I'm hoping she brings a level of competitiveness in that
The Delta variant is more infectious and more dangerous.

- 84% of all new COVID infections in Oklahoma are caused by the Delta variant.
- It is more likely to cause severe disease, hospitalization, and death.
- It’s 225% more transmissible than the original variant, making it similar to smallpox.

37 people died in Oklahoma last week. All of them were unvaccinated.

COVID Infections May 2021, USA

Vaccinated 1,203 people got COVID in Oklahoma last week. 1,199 were unvaccinated.

The COVID vaccines are among the most effective and safe vaccines ever developed.

- They have been in development and research for 40 years.
- COVID vaccines are designed to prevent severe illness, hospitalizations and death.
- Testing positive for COVID while vaccinated is called a breakthrough infection.
- Breakthrough infections will occur with a few individuals, but symptoms are almost always mild.

Unvaccinated people are:

- at the greatest risk for getting COVID
- allowing COVID to mutate and spread
- continuing the pandemic

500 people are hospitalized for COVID. Nearly all were unvaccinated.

More than 99% of all COVID deaths now are among the unvaccinated.

- 99.7% of all new COVID infections are among the unvaccinated.
- More than 99% of new COVID infections have been spread by unvaccinated individuals.
- Close to 99% of all new COVID-related hospitalizations are among unvaccinated individuals.

16,348 were vaccinated in Oklahoma last week. Do you want to join them?

Talk to your doctor or a health professional you trust about the COVID vaccine.