The Red Arrow

An e-news brief of The White Horse Nation.

Former Cherokee Nation Deputy Principal Chief Remembered

A former Deputy Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation who was instrumental in setting up such programs as health services and housing was remembered recently during a memorial service in Tahlequah.

James Dee "J.D." Johnson became the Nation's Deputy Principal Chief in 1968 under Principal Chief W.W. Keeler, where he served as Chair of the Constitutional Revision Committee and assisted in setting up the Nation's health programs, The Cherokee Nation Housing Authority and Cherokee Nation's Industries. He also served as Chair of the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission and as the Special Assistant to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

"The Cherokee Nation lost a great citizen and friend," said Chad Smith, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation. "His hard work and dedication will continue to benefit Cherokee citizens today and beyond.

Johnson was born July 27, 1928, in Stillwell to Charley and Lucy Johnson. A graduate of Sequoyah High School. He married Betty Aline Hemphill in 1976.

After working as a field auditor for the Oklahoma Tax Commission from 1977-1992, he founded the J.D. Johnson Construction Company where he worked to renovate low-cost housing throughout northeastern Oklahoma. He enjoyed woodworking, fiddling and judging fiddling competitions.

Those considering an expression of sympathy are asked to consider The American Heart Association in Tulsa.



James Dee "J.D." Johnson

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Crazy Horse - The Spirit Of The Warriors Lives

By Thunders-In -The-Sky

Crazy Horse or Thasunka Witkoa (His Horse Is Crazy) was a great and fearless war chief of his people, the Oglala Lakota Nation. He was born in 1840 and by the time of his death on September 5, 1877, he had become one of the greatest warriors and advocates for the preservation of traditional native ways of life that had ever lived. Crazy Horse's original birth name was "In The Wilderness" or "Among Many Trees". His father was originally named Crazy Horse but passed the name on to him at birth. In turn, his father took on the new name worm. Crazy Horse's mother's name was "Rattling Blanket Woman", both of his parents were La-

kota.

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After witnessing the death of Lakota leader, Standing Bear, Crazy Horse began to have a series of powerful trance visions that detailed how he would go on to become a powerful leader in the fight for the freedom of his people. During the late 1850's and early 1860's Crazy

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Horse's reputation as a warrior grew tremendously. He waged successful warfare on his tribes' enemies such as the Crow, the Shoshone, Pawnee, Blackfeet and others.

On September 5, 1877 at the Red Cloud Agency as he was attempting an escape after having finally surrendered to the U.S. government, he was stabbed by the bayonet of one of the arresting soldiers. He died later that night just after midnight from his injuries.

Crazy Horse's burial site reportedly lies along a stretch of a state highway near Wounded Knee, South Dakota. However, no one knows of the exact location.

Crazy Horse is being honored by the creation of the world's largest mountain sculpture. This mountain sculpture was begun in 1948 on Wolf Mountain in the Black Hills of South Dakota by Korczak Ziolkawski. The memorial sculpture remains unfinished today, due to inadequate funding. Although the monument continues to be in progress it is partially open for viewing, the Crazy Horse Museum plus a whole lot more.



Crazy Horse Ablaze.



Welcome to Crazy Horse



Crazy Horse Night View

Native Network Media

Native Network Media is proud to announce the launch of their new website, www.NativeNetwork.org! Following the success of Native Network Magazine, introduced at the Gathering of Nations in April, 2007, www.NativeNetwork.org was created as a resource for the Native community, to bring together the thoughts and ideas of our people, and to celebrate our rich heritage and culture.

With Tribal youth being the foundation of our future, their goal is to

align them with the tools necessary to succeed in today's society. They will find Native Network an excellent platform for Entertainment, and a guide to pursue their Educational goals. Native professionals will find Native Network the perfect resource to discuss business, politics, and other issues affecting our success. Native Network was created with you in mind, and their goal is to make News & Entertainment in Indian

www.NativeNetwork.org the voice of our people. Native Network might soon be the #1 source for Country, and they'd officially like to invite you to the community. Please show your support by registering for their message boards, and open up discussions in their "The Gathering" forum. Please note that your registration information will not be sold, shared, or given to any third party

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Actor Favors Citizenship For Freedmen Descendants

Actor Danny Glover warned Friday that other American Indian tribes will follow the example of the Cherokee Nation if it succeeds in blocking tribal citizenship for Freedmen descendants.

I am disturbed by what I see," Glover said, calling on black people to serve as the moral compass on such issues as the Freedman descendants quest to have full citizenship rights in the Cherokee Nation.

Speaking at a forum hosted by members of the Congressional Black Caucus, Glover called on the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma to allow Freedmen descendants into the tribe with full citizenship rights, the Tulsa World reported from its Washington bureau.

A March 2007 vote by Cherokee Nation voters to remove Freedmen descendants from tribal rolls has been challenged in court. Freedmen are descendants of former slaves owned by the Cherokee Nation.

Glover described the relationship linking American Indians and black people as one of the most pivotal in the nation's evolution.

"I've always embraced that relationship," he said. "My own grandmother was part Choctaw." He cited the history of black people

who escaped their captors and found refuge among the Indian tribes, as well as the strategic help black people offered the Seminoles in their war against the tyranny of the colonies.

Both groups, Glover said, have seen genocide and exploitation. "But I am disturbed by what I see," he said, calling on black people to serve as the moral compass on such issues as the Freedman descendants quest to have full citizenship rights in the Cherokee Nation.

"These are very important decisions that we have to make. They are moral decisions."

Glover later said he has been interested in issues involving black people and American Indians for some time and tries to express that both in his work as an actor and as a private person.

"It is a relationship that we don't have a great deal of discussion about," he said, adding that his own culture encouraged him to deny it.

Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chad Smith also gave a hallway interview as the forum took place, Smith said he had asked to be included in the forum's panel but was turned down. "That may be the heart

of the problem," he said, calling for



Danny Glover

all parties to have an open dialogue about the lengthy and complicated history.

Smith welcomed Glover's participation. "My response to him is, " Give me 15 minutes of your time. Let me show our side of the story," he said. "And, I think he will agree with us that it is a complicated issue and the courts should decide."

The tribe won a legislative victory this week when a provision designed to deny housing benefits to Cherokees until the tribe recognizes Freemen descendants as citizens was altered.

The latest version of the bill allows the tribe to receive those benefits as long as a tribal court order on the matter remains in place as the case continues.

The Tahlequah-based Cherokee Nation one of the largest Indian tribes in the United States, with about 250,000 citizens.

4th Tour For Cherokee Warrior

Staff Sergeant Zipora Clinkscales left home(13Oct08) for Iraq for her 4th tour of duty there. Please remember this female Cherokee warrior in your prayers. She is also the third cousin of our beloved Principal Chief, Laughs-A-Lot

Jesse (Odawa) Nelson Walks On

We regret to inform you that Jesse (Odawa) Nelson died due to an iron working accident on the job in Michigan. He was a good friend to many members of the White Horse Nation. It was his wish that certain people,

whom he considered friends, know of this journey departure. arrangements were completed In Michigan where all his family members reside. He will be missed by all.

Recipe Corner, By Red Eagle Woman

Three Sisters And Some Friends Soup by Carl Perry

2 cans white northern beans

2cans whole kernel corn

3 small summer squash, yellow and green sliced thin or diced

4 sorrel leaves, minced (if available)

2 yellow onions, chopped

2 cans swanson chicken broth, and 2 of these cans filled with water

2 cans red kidney beans

1 lg. can diced tomatoes

Put all ingredients in a large stock pot or soup pot and cover with broth and water. Simmer for at least one hour, better if longer. Add more chicken broth as the water evaporates during cooking process. Taste it as it cooks. Salt and pepper to taste. Serve with fry bread or corn meal muffins.

Congratulations Sunshine Child

The White Horse Nation wishes to congratulate Sunshine Child and Family on the birth of her new baby. Born September 18, 2008. Her name is Evangelina Nanyehi Leonardo. She weighted 5 lbs. 13 ozs at birth and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Prayer Request

Heather Grenee Flamme, Laughs-A-Lot's middle daughter, asks that you pray on her behalf for the new job she is applying for. This will provide for her little boy, Marcus.

From Where I Sit

I am saddened by my quest to encourage Southeastern tribal young people to take up making crafts from their own tribes. In the field of pottery they tell me that the public wants to buy pottery emblematic of the Plains or Pueblo nations. Perhaps this is true only because it is the only native pottery the public has been exposed is that of these people who proudly put their culture out there. And whose fault is that? What have you done lately to champion your own tribal culture? Have you searched out tribal teachers with tobacco in hand to learn (I'm sittin' here, there is nothing stopping you from learning from me!) Or have you just taken the easy path and learned the traditions of Plains people who were not your grandmothers and your grandfathers. It is these same ancestors who come to us at

By Laughs-A-Lot

night while we sleep nourishing us with their songs and words of wisdom to encourage us to walk the Good Red Road during our waking hours. And how do we repay their attention to us. Put your hand to the task and stop walk in the way the mainstream people are walking. Honor comes from ones ability to accomplish deeds. If you don't have any deeds you can count as your own. Get up off your ass and learn one! If I hear one more woman tell me with pride that she can't sew on a button, I am going to scream. Or that she can't cook, or that he can't fish and is too nervous to bait a hook, I am going to slap their parents for being trifling and not haven't given them the life skills their needed to survive! That isn't parenting. We are native people we had better celebrate our grand culture, each of us educating the general public to the beauty of

the crafts our ancestors handed down to us or we will fade away till we are just an old relic in a museum or a paragraph in a text book. And that is how I see it from where I sit...



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Choctaw Lighthorsemen



Choctaw Lighthorsemen were a hard fighting body of men, with a reputation for straight shooting and hard riding,. The Treaty of Doak's Stand in 1820 provided an annual appropriation of \$600 for the purpose of organizing and maintaining the Lighthorsemen. The first corps were organized in 1824 with a primary purpose of settling difficulties. The Lighthorsemen had the authority to

arrest, try and punish violators of tribal law.

By the mid-1800's the Choctaw Lighthorsemen no longer had judicial duties, but did continue to make arrests and carry out the sentences of the courts. By the beginning of the 20th century, their job consisted mainly of keeping peace. Today, a Choctaw Lighthorseman is selected to serve in the Tribal Court system.

Good Native Radio Program

The show, its on 90.1FM KKFI In Kansas city, its on at 4:00 pm CST Sundays, The show is on the net www.kkfi.org also It streams live so at 4:00 PM CST, people can listen at 5:00 pm EST, 3:00 pm PST.

nativespiritradio@yahoo.com is a wonderful young lady that is in the know of what is going on in the Indian World. She works with Haskell Indian Univ.

Good Listening

The Aztec World

Opens Sunday, October 26, 2008
Explore the grandeur and complexity of one of the world's great societies, and find out how this civilization that began in the middle of a lake went on to rapidly become one of the most powerful empires of all time. Through hundreds of spectacular artifacts and works of art, assembled together for the first time in Chicago, trace the remarkable rise and fall of the Aztec world exclusively at The Field Museum.

Inipi Ceremony, Spirit's Whisper Acres

Come join us in gratitude and good health!

Where: Spirit's Whisper Acres 12757 Baseline Road-Kingston, IL 60145

Contact us for directions...don't use mappuest

When: Saturday, November 1st, 2008 We will begin preparations at 8

We are privileged to have Jorge Arenivar sit with us again to pour water. Join us in this sacred purification ceremony as we connect our intentions and our prayers for our individual well-being and the benefit of all of our relations as we walk on this planet our sacred earth mother.

Experience the most from this ceremony by actively participating in the creation of the fire and the sacred space. As a community, we will begin preparations when you arrive at 8 a.m. Once we have built the fire, we will prepare the space and then each person may make their personal prayer ties. We will enter the lodge when the stones are ready.

For the ceremony bring: Your prayers and your songs. Cotton shorts (for men), modest-long cotton skirt or dress (for women Several towels (for inside the lodge and to dry off afterwards) Warm dry clothes for afterwards. Water to drink afterwards

For the potluck at Virginia's bring: A healthy vegetarian Your own serving utensils (If the dish needs to be heated, please bring your own pot)

The land is open for camping the

Friday before and Saturday evening

of the lodge. Please let Virginia know if you are planning to stay.

Gifts from the heart will be gratefully accepted Gifts go to Jorge Arenivar to continue his spiritual work that encompasses the globe.

Your support ensures Jorge can continue blessing everyone with his teachings.

Jorge continues to bring gifts back to the Native American community at Pine Ridge Reservation.

Again, if you plan on attending, please send an email reply to:

Millie at heim-lich13@sbcglobal.net or Virginia at spiritswhisperacres@tbc.net
We look forward to seeing you soon!

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The White Horse Nation is a group of Native Americans of mixed blood heritage that are direct lineal descendants of tribes spanning throughout North, Central and South America. The mission of the White Horse Nation is to provide education in the area of various Native American traditions and customs and to promote the continuation of native culture in a supportive environment to those persons possessing native ancestry as well as those who respectfully desire to learn of the culture. All who come in a good way are welcome to attend meetings.

November 2008 Pow Wow Schedule

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2008 NIU-N.A.T.I.O.N.S. Pow-Wow

NIU Student Recreation Center

DeKalb, Illinois

Doors open: 11am - 10pm Grand Entry: 1pm and 7pm

Free for all. Invited Drums Only

InterTribal Native American Dance, food, drafts and Music For information contact: Michael Augsburger, (815) 758-3604

6-9 November 2008

Cherokee Homecoming Festival

Gordon County Fairgrounds

Calhoun, Georgia

Cherokees return to their ancestral home at New Echota. Organized by a grassroots group know as Dragonfly Promotions. Cherokee Homecoming Festival

9 November 2008 White Horse Band Meeting, 2pm, Family Focus Ctr, 2010 Dewey Ave, Evanston, IL 60201

14-16 November 2008 54th American Indian Center Annual Powwow

University of Illinois Pavilion 1150 West Harrison Chicago, IL 60640

Contact us: rhodge@uic.edu

Vendors: Joe Podlasek, phone: 773-275-5871

Host hotel: \$99.00 per night, free parking (10 minutes from

pow-wow)

Will accommodate large vehicles for vendors. aic50@aic-chicago.org

Joe Podlasek, phone: 773-275-5871, email: aic@aic-chicago.org

Event Website: http://www.aic-chicago.org