

## **SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

Students depending on committed scholarship funds from the Osage Nation can breathe a little easier today. According to a report from Congressman Supernaw; students who received less funding than promised will receive makeup checks. No word on how soon.

Students who haven't received funding at all as of this date are going to have to be patient. From what I understand, the Osage Nation Education Department is issuing checks in order of the alphabet by College. So far they have only issued checks to colleges beginning with C and D.

For questions and concerns, click on this link for contact information:

<http://www.osage-tribe.com/education/contact.aspx>

## **EXECUTIVE FAILS TO COMPLY – September 2, 2009?**

There is an article on the Osage Nation Congressional page dated September 2, 2009. Given today is only the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2009, I'm either one of those lucky people who gets tomorrow's news or the date is an error. At any rate, the article can be found at: [http://www.osage-tribe.com/congress/news\\_story.aspx?news\\_id=1534](http://www.osage-tribe.com/congress/news_story.aspx?news_id=1534)

Another oddity is that I am attaching for your review proposed legislation ONCA 09-

53 sponsored by Debbie Atterberry and Shannon Edwards. This is the proposed budget for the Executive Branch and only amounts to a mere 52.5 Million Dollars and it was received at the Congressional office on August 25, 2009.

No doubt these two Sponsors, Atterberry and Edwards have the Executive Branches full support for this outrageous budget. They fully support the Sugar Loaf Mound fiasco as well.

## **AND HERE'S MORE ON THAT:**

### **OSAGE LEADERSHIP TO THE RESCUE?**

**Excerpt from Osage Nation Website: Article titled: Sugar Loaf Mound Comes Home**

**Author unknown (NO TAGS) dated July 31, 2009. For the complete story click here: [http://www.osage-tribe.com/executive/news\\_story.aspx?news\\_id=1522](http://www.osage-tribe.com/executive/news_story.aspx?news_id=1522)**

(Excerpt)

### **“Osage Leadership to the Rescue”**

Osage Principal Chief Jim Gray announced his decision to purchase the property in a staff meeting earlier this week. After an extensive period of time and repeated requests from the Osage Executive Branch, the Osage Congress still could not agree to take any action to appropriate the funding to support this important preservation effort.

“The clock was ticking, we had the resources, so the Chief re-prioritized and took the appropriate action,” said ON-THPO Director Dr. Andrea A. Hunter

In recognition of the tremendous amount of our history lost due to the destruction of Osage ancestral territory and most significantly all of the mounds in the St. Louis area it was time to take action. “Hundreds of years of the Osage people's past have simply been erased from the landscape,” said Chief Gray.

“There is nothing we can do to bring back what was destroyed nor is the Osage Nation attempting to recreate a modern culture or lifestyle based on what has been set aside by our elders; but the Nation can impact what happens to Sugarloaf Mound today and can help educate Osages and the citizens of St. Louis about us and where they live,” said Chief Gray.

“St. Louis has a rich history, including being known as ‘Mound City,’ but due to development mounds that at one time existed throughout the area have been destroyed,” said Congressman Carnahan. “I'm pleased the Osage Nation has taken steps to preserve this property for future generations and look forward to the area

being used for historic and educational purposes.”

The Osage Nation wishes to express their gratitude to Congressman Carnahan for including the ON-THPO in this project and allowing Osages the opportunity to take the lead in reclaiming and preserving their past for future generations.”



And Congressman Carnahan thanks **YOU** Chief! There’s one born every minute!

**OK – MOVING ON – FROM ONE DISGRACE TO THE NEXT**

It seems that the Bill Leonhart, the Chief Financial Officer of Gaming has been fired. If you recall a year ago last month, there were several issues regarding gaming records.

No official reports are to be found regarding this action. Neither the Osage News Online nor other news sources have reported on the matter.

The firing occurred on August 19<sup>th</sup>. For no reporting to be found indicates to me that this will most likely be another major set-back and disgrace for the nation.



*Sugar Loaf Mound – St. Louis Missouri - \$235,000.00*

**One has to wonder what the real purpose was behind this waste of Osage money. Perhaps someone is vying for**

Recall my statement of many times: “Who among us knows how much money the tribe has or will have tomorrow?”

Once again I remind you that any candidate who plans to do “this or that” and tries to sell you a bill of goods has no place on your list of potential leaders. We’ve been there and done that!

Anyone planning to step into office and start spending money and signing documents without getting to the bottom of whatever crumbs may be left will be exactly someone like we have in there today.

Think twice and think hard.



*Exact same photo in case you don’t believe your eyes.*

**A Washington, D.C. appt.? Whatever it is, it isn’t sanity nor is it by any stretch of the imagination in the best interest of the Osage Tribe.**

**WHAT TO DO? & WHAT NOT TO DO?**

Though the news in the Osage is always bad and you have a right to know about it, I report these things to you so you’ll be informed.

I continue to encourage you to get the information to every Osage you run across. This is our only hope.

I’ve been told on more than one occasion that I started my campaign too soon. Well, if all I was interested in was campaigning, perhaps these people would be right.

As I have stated many times before, my main interest right now is getting the Osage citizenry informed. I knew then and I know now that we would

be faced with every obstacle possible insofar as reaching the public.

This mission and effort has proven to be a benefit to the Osage and a major thorn in the side of the Congress and Executive branches.

The ability to think ahead and take the time to do my best with the time I have is something I'll never be sorry for. I'll never have to look back and ask myself why I didn't do something.

I can tell we are reaching the people and I know that many of you are informing your friends and family members. I know this because of the "numbers."

My mailing list is growing continually and the visits to the website have passed 2,000 since it was launched on April 23, 2009. I don't know who the visitors are; I only get a monthly report from the provider in the form of numbers. But it's a safe bet they're Osages or other interested parties.

This is excellent news. We now have an outlet to keep the people informed and I will continue to do my best for all concerned.

Some may accuse me of taking over the business but I say to them: Anyone can do what I'm doing and I wish they would. We need all the help we can get! All it takes is the desire, the compassion and the

fortitude to do all you can to save ourselves (the tribe) from ourselves!

I should mention that the people who think I've started campaigning too soon are either elected officials or people planning to run. They should be thankful for my efforts and realize by now that my timing has been right on the mark.

In the event these folks ever decide to disclose their contact information, I will gladly report it to you. I most definitely want you to find out what they're about. The longer this goes on; I have to wonder if this is in fact what they're afraid of!

So. This is what we need to do. We need to keep doing what we're doing. Inform, inform, inform. We're doing this together and we're doing a great job! Good Job Folks!



What NOT to do. DON'T GIVE UP – KEEP ON TRUCKIN!

Always remember ---- When we have to hear the gory details and bad news keeps popping up, we cannot let it over shadow our mission. See it as just another bump in the road and keep on driving! We can't beat it unless we expose it!

### A POTENTIAL BRIGHT SIDE!

My family still owns original allotment land north of Pawhuska. Last week my Dad and I drove out around the place to look at an amazing project.

Ram Energy, Inc. is going to drill on 43,000 acres of land in Osage County. The process has begun and the heavy equipment has arrived.

Any of you who have had the pleasure of seeing the Tallgrass Prairie can pinpoint the area where some of the drilling will take place. This is a monstrous project and very exciting!

I plan to make a special trip to the area soon and will photograph the progress. I'll share the photos with you as soon as possible.

To get an idea of the place, the picture of my Dad standing in the middle of the pasture with the blanket is a beautiful view of our land. Absolutely gorgeous and it smells good too!

<http://www.jenny2010.com/its-personal.html>

Until next time, be safe and call me if you need me!

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