



## JENNY'S NEWSLETTER

March 24, 2010

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### A Serious Concern

Having read candidate platforms and listened to their plans for the Osage Nation Government should they be elected, I have become concerned that we may not succeed in salvaging what is left of this government.

Consideration and careful thought must be taken into the current financial situation before us. To ignore the reality of it all and tout a "pie in the sky" message with all the trimmings of prosperity and futuristic plans that will make us millions is quite frankly scary for me and should be for you.

It is precisely because of this type of thinking that we have landed where we are today. Spend, spend, spend and once there is no more, grab the reserves! Yes. This is the reality of what just occurred from October 2009 to January 2010. The projected gaming revenue turned out to be practically 30 million dollars over an actual of 27

million. The Chief presented a budget of 52 million dollars for FY 2010. Raymond Red Corn (up for re-election) was all for getting into our reserves to make up the difference. (See attached report from Red Corn on this matter).

Candidates proposing all of these unrealistic plans will clearly vote if elected into congress with the same thought processes of Raymond Red Corn. Had Red Corn gotten his way Jim Gray would have received his 52 million for this year and our reserves would have been reduced substantially. This struggle in the Congress went on for months and though our reserves were thankfully not touched, other unreasonable appropriations were made in order to resolve the budget and move forward.

Candidates suggesting plans to apply for federal grants to help the Nation build this or that apparently are not aware of the HUD Reports (attached) or other

realities facing this government.

Those who tout their ability to travel across the country and their experiences with other tribes and what they've seen is great but we are concerned with the Osage Tribe, it's future and recuperating from a tyrannically run government with no accountability or respect for the law.

These problems are in reality what this next Congress needs to concern themselves with. This Congress has the responsibility to oversee and appropriate funds in a responsible, well thought out manner. This new Congress in my view will be accepting the task of cleaning up after the storm and all elected officials will hopefully strive to restore our reputation in the business world so that we can pave the way for prosperity once this world wide economic free fall regains itself.



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## **Rocky Road**

All of us have to face reality and especially as voters this time around. We simply must resign ourselves to conclude that this election is not a personality contest, it's not about helping a family member or good friend out by voting for him or her. This election is about what is best for the Osage people overall and its government. This is about whom do you really believe will vote on decisions that will realistically be beneficial to the people, not the Chief and not any other individual Osage but the Osage people as a whole. The business of voting is extremely serious at this juncture in our government affairs.

## **Why?**

I ask that you review the four DEFIANT ACTS listed on the DEFIANT ACTS page of this website. I ask that you take into consideration that there has been absolutely no accountability from the Executive Branch of this

government. I ask that you ask yourselves how much money the nation has, how much has been committed, how much we owe and how much has disappeared. I ask that you take the time to read and understand the reality of what has taken place these past 4 years and then ask yourself what you as a member of this tribe have realized from any of it. While some employees flew off to Hawaii, others jetted off to France, some to New Mexico, Colorado California, Washington D.C. and the rest of the world, purchasing fine suspected historical monuments that other states couldn't shake (see photo of Sugar Loaf Mound), ask yourselves: Did you even get a Christmas Card, Calendar, turkey or ham? Once you've answered these questions, ask yourselves if you want more of the same.

## **Inherited Problems**

Our next elected officials are going to be faced with serious issues. Here are just a few:

Fallout from the OKTC lawsuit

Casinos not on Trust Land

Casinos being sued

Casinos being shut down due to non-compliance

Housing & Urban Development Fraud case.

Restoring the Office of Finance & Performance Review  
(Dropping the Chief's lawsuit against our own OFPR)

Finding the money

## **My Platform**

My platform for Congress Member is the same as it has been for over a year:  
Propose Legislation to:

- Hire an auditing firm to perform forensic audits in every department of the Osage Nation
- Inventory and assess all Osage Nation equipment.



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- Remove all Mineral Trust concerns from the Osage Nation Constitution and return it to the governance of the Osage Nation Minerals Council, thereby the Osage Shareholders.
- Implement a referendum vote for the Osage Citizenry to vote for or against a Constitutional Convention.
- Encourage Congress members to accept a \$10,000.00 decrease in annual salary.
- Encourage the Executive Branch to accept decreases in annual salaries.
- Implement a spending freeze on all government spending with the exception of salaries, health care, education, audits and other existing obligations.

- Adopt the Native American Civil Rights Act into the Osage Nation Constitution.
- Create on the job training programs to bring Osages into the work place.
- Repair damaged relationships within the Osage and throughout the country as a result of this current administration.
- Restore our image as an honorable, respectable tribe of Native Americans.

The Bible says to build your house on rock, not sand. The Osage Government house has been built not only on sand but quick sand and it is sinking fast.

Unless and until we elect serious, informed individuals to represent us with the ability to make conservative, well thought

out decisions, we are truly going under.

## **Struck a Nerve?**

I apparently struck a nerve at the Executive Branch with my last newsletter. They actually posted on the OSA Blog wanting to know if I ever had anything positive to say.

In response to that I am happy to report that we now have a real Editorial Board and they have taken action to put an end to the biased reporting of the Osage News!

Let's keep our fingers crossed that by the end of May we will have a real news source that will take some of the load off of me!

## **UNTIL NEXT TIME**

Share all you know with friends and family, study the facts, and vote for Jenny Miller, Osage Nation Congress.

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