



# JENNY'S NEWSLETTER

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## **Absentee Voters**

Any absentee voters out there who have failed to send your marked ballot in are treading on thin ice. It would be wise to mail your ballots overnight express if you want to be counted. The Election Board recommended mail be sent 10 working days prior to the due date and we are looking at 5 working days left before the election.

## **Networking by State**

I have attached a list of cities by states. These locations house Osage citizens. Several people have been surprised at the number of cities within their own state that Osages live in. Please consider opening up a 2<sup>nd</sup> e-mail account and making yourselves available to one another within your state or tri-state area. Consider Facebook or a state blog to keep each other informed.

In order to initiate a network, I'm happy to post e-mail addresses for each city and state so that Osages can have access to

you and you can build a good solid base. Anyone wishing to offer contact information for the good of the nation, drop me an e-mail and we can begin the mission.

## **Petition to Remove**

The Petition to remove Shannon Edwards from Congress due to extreme absenteeism is receiving automatic support. It doesn't take long for Osages to sign the petition when they see the attendance record.

It is important to understand that the 307 Congressional Sessions in question were held over a 4 year period. This averages 76 session days per year. With Ms. Edwards being absent 108 session days out of the 307, she would have missed 27 out of the 76 session days each year.

According to the records, there were 247 Committee meetings over a period of 4 years and Ms. Edwards failed to attend 88 of those. An average of 62

committee meetings were held per year and Ms. Edwards failed to attend an average of 22 of these meetings per year.

Combining Congressional salaries with the stipend they receive, we pay these folks around \$65,000 a year. It appears that we pay this hefty salary for the Congress to convene or meet a maximum of 98 days out of 365. The fact is, 98 days is generous because most Committee meetings are held on session days, therefore, the likely hood of Congress even having meetings 98 days a year is not the case; but more like 80 days a year.

I must say that if I lived 2 hours from my job that pays me \$812.50 a day, I would be able to sacrifice the 4 hour round trip regardless of the circumstances short of open heart surgery or a death in my family.

## **Fallout so Far**



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I did receive a call from Ms. Edwards yesterday morning. As expected she is not real happy with me for initiating the petition. According to her, she plans to write some pretty nasty things about me. When and where I don't know but would have thought she would have produced something by now. Though I'm sure I'll find it all very interesting, expect no response or reaction from me when the time comes. As I stated, I'm not here to protect myself from criticism or accusations, I'm here to serve the Osage people to the best of my ability.

This action to petition the Congress comes from no other interest but for the interest of the people who are paying the outrageous salaries to disinterested people. Continuing to allow such acts of irresponsibility to go unchallenged would be to settle for basic tyranny and we all deserve and should expect better than that. At some point someone has to

take a stand and make the moves in the direction of democracy. Apparently I'm it. Soon we'll all be accustomed to living with a fine, respectable, honorable and trustworthy government. Until that happens, expect more bumps in the road.

### In My Defense

So far there have been 3 posters on the OSA Blog who support irresponsible acts such as absenteeism but of course they are Gray supporters, therefore Edward's supporters and one of them was Louis Gray, candidate for Congress and Jim Gray's brother.

In my defense however, I would like to share what Byron Mills posted on the Shareholder's blog and hope all of you concur with his thoughts on the matter. Here, Mr. Mills is responding to one of the three posters mentioned earlier:

The insults will continue as long as you support this gray administration. Related or not

our opinions are not relating one bit. I believe in democracy, accountability and integrity you apparently believe in tyranny, theft and illegal conduct. I want the minerals affairs completely removed from this new osage nation constitution and returned to the rightful governing body, the osage minerals council. When we pay someone to work for us, I want them to show up and when we want our voices heard, I want those paid to listen, to listen. How you or any other true osage can follow the gray bandwagon is beyond me. Please explain how it is that you can take such a stand against the welfare of our tribe? We have had 11 congress members observing ms. edwards failure to serve for 4 full years and not one of them had the brass to take issue with her irresponsibility and squandering of our \$260,000.00 that she has been paid up to date. Ms. Miller has that brass needed to whip this government into shape. We need more like her willing to get us on the right track and move us into a real democratic government by calling on the people to stand up and be heard. Byron mills, Norman, ok<

### 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Denies Rehearing

This is a huge topic and one that I have reported on consistently for a year. According to reports, Jim Gray is "shocked" that the Rehearing was denied. All



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I can tell him is the same thing I tell you, read my previous newsletters on the matter, there are several of them.

As far as a solution goes, I hardly think throwing more money at the dead horse is the answer. I would suggest that we consider diplomacy and patience and perhaps a little crow eating and humble pie. Most leaders in real governments are reasonable, not radical like the Osage Nation leadership we have today.

We have tolerated tyranny now for several years and especially these past 4 years. With any luck at all, Jim Gray will be replaced with a logical, fact facing individual who is willing to discuss this predicament in a non-belligerent, realistic, down to earth manner; state our case; explain how we got here and ask for mercy.

The Federal Government and the State Government are fully aware of what's been going on with the

Osage Nation these past few years. Regardless of the missteps that have been taken, they know who lead the way. One problem we may have though would be if we the people re-elect Gray. Should this happen, the Feds and the State may give up on us all and figure we want to keep following this path of destruction. If they think that, I'm sure they will help us destruct.

### **Sad but True**

I spent a few hours pounding the streets yesterday evening. I went door to door in Pawhuska handing out campaign material and securing signatures on the Removal Petition. As I stated earlier, it didn't take long to get signatures from most but sadly enough, I had the honor of running across a few employees of the Nation. The reason I say sadly enough, the fear they live with daily must be absolutely miserable.

I recall writing several months ago in a newsletter or post how difficult it

must be to wake up every morning, dress and prepare to go to work on the hill. Imagine dreading and fearing you may lose your job if you made the mistake of misspeaking. This is what our employees deal with every day and it simply has to stop.

Three people under the thumb of this government wanted to sign the petition but were afraid to. Yes, they believe in the "cause" but they believe in feeding their families even more.

Rest assured if I'm elected into Congress, I will propose a Resolution to remove any appearance of tyranny and set these employees free from fear and intimidation immediately. This is going to be number one on my list of things to do and I have a pretty long list already today.

**Until Next Time –  
VOTE FOR ME, I'LL  
SET YOU FREE!**

Jenny Miller  
Candidate for Congress