Alyssa Granado is The New Kiowa Princess

by Dianna Hadley – Kiowa News Staff Writer

Hundreds of people filled the Red Buffalo Hall in Carnegie, Oklahoma on April 28, 2018, to vote for a new Kiowa Princess (2018-2019). Misty Bointy (Kiowa Princess Director) couldn’t be more pleased with the turnout. She said that the polls were busy all day from the moment they opened at 10 am.

Over 500 Kiowa Tribal members were able to select which princess candidate they wanted to represent them for the New Year. Both Juliana Wahnee and Alyssa Granado conducted outstanding campaigns that included attending events and both providing breakfast for the Kiowa elders. Although both ladies worked very hard on their campaign, Alyssa and Juliana Wahnee placed first and second, respectively.

The election tallies took place in the Kiowa Tribal Council in Carnegie, OK.

The Kiowa Sovereignty Act of 1906 is the law that allows the Kiowa Tribe to have the right to have a statehood election. The election is held the year before the US presidential election and the Kiowa Tribe votes on issues that concern the tribe.

Turnout was high with over 600 people voting. Although there were an estimated 1,000 people living on the reservation at the time, the Kiowa Tribe was able to vote in the election.

The results were as follows:

- Alyssa Granado (Kiowa Princess) received 357 votes.
- Juliana Wahnee received 223 votes.
- Total Rejected ballots were 11.
- Total Votes cast were 688.
- Over 600 Kiowa Tribe members were able to vote.

Commentary:

*On March 16th, my family, relatives, and I cooked and served a delicious Easter dinner to our Kiowa Casino in Carnegie. It was very good to see such a great turnout with everyone enjoying themselves fellowshipping with one another and getting full. Made me feel good.*

*Also enjoyed hiding eggs for the Victory Club at the Kiowa Tribal Council.*

*At the Kiowa Tribe AOA Easter Dinner, I had the opportunity to speak about how much I have been doing over the past few weeks.*

*Enjoying spending time with my brother’s at the Kiowa Casino and Ballroom.*

*Attended Apache Blackfeet dance at Red Buffalo Hall.*

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The Kiowa Indian Council maintains (1) the Kiic has the power to authorize its own rules of order and procedure in accordance with the constitution; (2) the Kiic retains the power to authorize the Chairman to enter into treaties, compacts, or contracts; and (3) the Kiic also retains the power to authorize the State of Oklahoma, as a sovereign authority, to enter into compacts or contracts establishing the constitution of the Kiic within the guidelines and limitations established by the Legislature. The Kiic is the body that is empowered to authorize any meeting where resolutions for statutes, or ordinances, are to be considered and any resolution that is to be presented to the Kiic for action. The Kiic has the only power to authorize the Kiic to adopt a resolution by a special vote of the Kiic. The Kiic has the power to authorize the Constitution by voting to call a Special Meeting of the Kiic and to authorize the calling of a proposed amendment along with the question of whether such proposed amendment is to be considered and how the constitution will be amended.
He was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and the Writers Guild of America and the Writers Guild of America. His achievements included 15 produced, and 24 articles of plays published, three teleplays published, and over 30 articles for radio, and online media. That "1975 was the year the Daytime Emmys were first held," he said, "the award showed that the entertainment industry was starting to recognize Native American talent." Bates obtained employment at Kaiser Ford in Oklahoma, Tulane, Miami and Oklahoma City, and Bacone College, the Universities of Kansas and California. He was very well educated, attending the Kiowa Higher Education Grant Program, the Kiowa Tribe Adult Vocational Training Program, in July of 2017, the first time he was in the program. When asked how the AVT Program has helped her, she replied, "I am ultimately a single parent to my 3 children, when I first started this program I had to work full time at a CPA, as well as be a full time student, and keep up with my school studies and meet the deadlines, which was difficult to do and I ended up having to drop. Since I have been back in the program the Kiowa Tribe AVT has made it possible to work and not have to work full time in a CPA, I am now able to just work on a PRN status and I can focus a lot more on my LPN coursework. The AVT program has also help me with getting to clinical sites with the mileage claim incentives. I am able to maintain a decent job for my children so I can complete this goal of time and become a nurse.”

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MMIW on Memorial Day

Having a Memorial Day, May 26, 2018 - 10:00 am - 7:00 pm. No More Stolen Sisters Movie (Starring: our Beautiful Indigenous Women), RED-CIRCLE A Spiritual Healing Ceremony for MMIW & Relatives will be held at the Skyla Park [406 W Gore Blvd] in Lawton, Oklahoma. Inviting speakers, tribal and organization presenters, MMIW survivors, prop- er families, MMIW & relatives. Catering Ceremony will be led by Michael Tampowski Kowun. A special dance circle will be scheduled for everyone to join the circle. Light refreshments will be provided for everyone to enjoy and fellowship with each other. The Kiowa Tribe, in conjunction with the following: MMIR - SW Oklahoma, MMIR - Klickitat, and MMIR - Comanches, Comanches on the Mes, and AIM Indian Territory. If you would like more information, please contact: Kandi Autaubo zaghegan, 5429-5429. Ms. Hadley expressed that victims of the missing and murdered indigenous women are being treated with respect and dignity and everyone is and continues to recognize that the color red is worn as it is the color for MMIW. The event is open to the public and everyone is welcomed to participate. Signs, flags, and posters are encouraged and there will be an open mic for whoever wishes to share their stories of their loved ones.

HESG Student of the Month

Kandi Autaubo

Jason LaPierre is from Cache, Oklahoma where he graduated from Cache High School. He has a wife, Alexandra, and four children. Her husband was in the program for 6 months, 5 years, 21 years, and 2 years, and one grandson, his name is Madden Troy, Paisley Jane, and Easten Alexzander. Her mother is lucinda poahway and her grandmother is Hannah kauldlekaule. Jason enjoys spending time with family, fishing and playing disc golf. Jason enjoys the Kiowa Tribe, and his grandmother is Hannah kauldlekaule. Jason enjoys spending time with family, fishing and playing disc golf. Jason enjoys the Kiowa Tribe, and his grandmother is Hannah kauldlekaule. Jason enjoys spending time with family, fishing and playing disc golf. Jason enjoys the Kiowa Tribe, and his grandmother is Hannah kauldlekaule.

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More Positive News

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Passes Away at 76

After a brief stay at the Elgin Clinic, on May 5, 1976, Russell Bates was admitted to a Lawton hospital where he passed away on April 9, 1976 at age 76. Russell Bates was a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma. He was very well educated, attending the Kiowa Higher Education Grant Program, the Kiowa Tribe Adult Vocational Training Program, in July of 2017, the first time he was in the program. When asked how the Kiowa Tribe Adult Vocational Training Program has helped her, she replied, “I am ultimately a single parent to my 3 children, when I first started this program I had to work full time at a CPA, as well as be a full time student, and keep up with my school studies and meet the deadlines, which was difficult to do and I ended up having to drop. Since I have been back in the program the Kiowa Tribe AVT has made it possible to work and not have to work full time in a CPA, I am now able to just work on a PRN status and I can focus a lot more on my LPN coursework. The AVT program has also help me with getting to clinical sites with the mileage claim incentives. I am able to maintain a decent job for my children so I can complete this goal of time and become a nurse.”

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These drivers also receive their annual training for certification and compliance through their partnership. Since 2011, a special agreement between the Kiowa Tribe Head Start program and CKTC has been able to provide head start services to children. During renovations of the Kiowa Nation Head Start Carnegie Center in 2015, CKTC provided space to the center for to use as an additional March.

Doa Do Hainta (Kiowa Head Start Director) stated that they ‘could be more proud’ of her [head start program] have come such a long way. ‘I am very proud,’ expressed Hainta. She also revealed how surprised she was when she first received the phone call about the award. ‘I wasn’t sure what to expect but to see our name mixed with such big businesses, I was just amazed.’ Lynni Munoz (Kiowa Head Start Health/Mental Health Service Manager) traveled to the Capital to receive the award for the tribe. She said, ‘It was a grand event, there were speakers and legislator rep- resentatives in attendance.’ Lynn also revealed how proud she was to attend.

There are other partnerships within tribes I’m sure, but for [our tribe] to be the only one to get [the award]… that’s a good feeling,” expressed Munoz.

As for the Kiowa Tribe Chairman Matt Doa Hainta stated, “The Kiowa Tribe and Caddo Kiowa Technology Center have a great partnership. To bring training and services to the people in the dis- trict [region], the centers are an excellent choice for the Award ‘Partners for Life Program’; and, the only tribe and technology center partnership to receive special recognition throughout the state of Oklahoma.

Chairman Kuntsly with the OATC award recognition for Partnership at the Kiowa and the Caddo Kiowa Technology Center.
Minthorn Receives Award
In New York City

The Kiowa Tribe Higher Education staff recently traveled to New York City to attend the American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Conference. There, a Kiowa Tribe member was awarded the prestigious Bobby Wright Award for Early Career Contributions to Research in Indigenous Education. This award was presented by the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas Special Interest Group of the AERA.

The recipient of the award, Robin Zape, tah-ah Minthorn, Ph.D., is an enrolled member of the Kiowa Tribe and is also a descendant of the Umatilla, Nez Perce, Apache and Assiniboine Nations. She is currently an Assistant Professor at the University of New Mexico in Educational Leadership and Native American Studies and teaches courses surrounding Indigenous leadership, leadership, and organizations in educational settings, and American Indian studies.

The Kiowa Higher Ed staff, headed by Director Sunny Hegwood, was grateful to have been present as Dr. Minthorn accepted this prestigious award, especially considering her numerous contributions to higher education research and for her ongoing support of Native students as they pursue higher education. Prior to becoming a faculty member at the University of New Mexico she also served as Coordinator of Native American Affairs at Oklahoma State University, an adjunct faculty at Ponce University College, preceding that, an academic advisor at Colorado State University, Oklahoma's 1st tribal college. She is also a co-founder of Gamma Delta Pi, American Indian Student, RAID, (Returning American Indians Now) as an undergraduate at the University of Oklahoma and as a professional she co-founded OVASIE (Oklahoma Native American Students in Higher Education) Conference. Her research interests include areas around Indigenous leadership in higher education, inter-generational leadership perspectives in tribal communities, supporting Native American college students, and campus climate in Native American college.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Charlotte Ann Silverhorn**

Passed away on Monday, April 9, 2018, at the Comanche County Nursing Home following a brief illness.

She was born on June 6, 1941, at the Kiowa Indian Hospital in Lawton, OK, to John and Anna (Schrock) Callahan. She graduated from Anadarko High School and then received her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1963 at Oklahoma State University, with a major in English and a minor in Business.

Charlotte attended school in Carnegie, Oklahoma until her fourth grade. She then attended college at Cameron University granting her Business Administration Degree. She worked for the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes in Child Protective Services. Charlotte was a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma, the Cedar Creek United Methodist Church and a member of Alpha Phi Sigma Sorority.

Charlotte was survived by one son, Tyler Joshua Silverhorn, Oklahoma City; one daughter, Leigh Ann Silverhorn of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one brother, Charles Braver of Col. Oklahoma, Oklahoma; one sister, Cindy Mick Watson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; five grandchildren, Maya Torralba, Maya Torralba, Krystal Caesar, and Amy Torralba; and one grandson, Devin Torralba.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Anna Callahan; her grandparents, John and Anna Callahan; and her twin sister, Delores Paddlety.

**Judy Carol Callahan Lavan**

Walters, peacefully at home on Monday, April 15, 2018, with her loving family by her side.

Judy was born on July 27, 1949, in Stueart, to Bertko and Europa (Shoop) Callahan. She was a graduate of Paint Creek High School in 1967.

Judy worked at the Kiowa Casino in Devil’s Tower, Wyoming as a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma. Judy enjoyed spending time with her family especially her grand-daughter Riska-OK, football, Oklahoma Thunder basketball or any basketball game and going to the casino.

Judy is survived by her sisters: Chris-Ann Shribon, of Tulee, Kansas; Brenda (Shire) May, of the home; and Annalisa, of the home; her brother, Ruben L. Callahan, of the home; her grandchildren, Savannah Shribon, of the home; Rachel Shribon, of the home; and Ruben L. Shribon, of the home; and her great-grandchildren.

Judy was a devoted member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and a member of the Kiowa Tribe. She was a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma.

Judy passed away peacefully in her home on Monday morning at 5:32 am, April 23, 2018, just two days before his 62nd birth- day. He will be sorely missed by all.

Russell John Tsoodle was born on March 3, 1953, at the old Tsoodle at the old home of Tuttle, Kiowa County, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Memory Lane in Anadarko, Oklahoma. He was the son of Roy and Edna (Bass) Tsoodle and he went home to be with his Lord early Monday morning, April 30, 2018.

Russell was a graduate of Mountain View High School where he excelled in football, playing for the Comanche Nation Gallery program in 2011 and an extensive movie collection. He was an avid photographer throughout his life.

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Chairman Komalty with help from Casino employees cuts the ribbon to officially open the new Kiowa Hotel.

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My money quadrupled!! Money for the safe!!! We played a little more and left at better than even.

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By the way check out time is 12 noon and I never used the safe.

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My Account by Keith Vasquez - Staff Writer

The new Kiowa Hotel in Devol is just that. A new hotel. It’s very, very, very nice.

After the Grand Opening on April 13th (Friday the 13th...Yoh!!), my wife said that she would like to spend a night there sometimes in the future. With the wording of that comment I could see us flying there in a spaceship and...well, that wasn’t what she meant by future.

What I think it could have been was a...strong hint, because our 29th Wedding Anniversary was just around the corner. The corner of 28th and April.

So, being a good husband, I booked a room, at the new Kiowa Hotel, for the night of the 27th.

I was told by casino management, at the Grand Opening, that there would be a discount for Kiowa Tribal members. True. A large room, king-size bed, large flat screen, and all the amenities, for only 60 bucks. It’s good to be Kiowa. You guys keep that in mind.

So, on Friday the 27th, after airing up the tires, checking the oil in Carnegie OK and flying south down I-44, in the Altima, we’re at the front desk ready to check in.

The first thing you notice when you walk through the doors is...the “new hotel” smell. They should put that on paper pine trees for car interiors.

A particularly amiable young lady says “Welcome to the Kiowa Hotel!” Before I can answer, a gentleman passes behind her en route to one of those “Employees Only” rooms. In the short few seconds it took for him to pass, he said, “Take good care of him, he’s the voice of the Kiowa Tribe.” Obviously making reference to the “Kiowa Voices” radio show I hosted a couple of years back.

Maybe we can broadcast again in the near future.

Back to the Hotel.

Because of the “60 dollars for any room” offer for Tribal members, I reserved a suite. YES!!

After getting checked in and receiving our key cards, we walked aboard a rosy elevator that took us to the 2nd floor (the hotel has 3 floors), saving my diabetic legs from climbing stairs.

Upon entering our room, the same “new hotel smell”, wafts about. Bathroom to the right, with a shower big enough to sleep in. The shower head, bigger than your face. And towels big enough to dry a dinosaur. TAKE THAT TEXAS!!

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There are six large Kiowa bands that formed the major subdivisions of the Kiowa; these include: Kiowa (Kiowa proper), Kake’o (Rat), Kake’-te (Big Shields), Korga (Ehks), Sennai (Thores), and Sndako’sy-Say-hal-pumpe (Say-so’s people). The Kiowa society was a hierarchical class system; the highest class was the One that consisted of leaders of religious objects, honored warriors, and major tribal leaders. Wealth played a major role in their class system. Warriors and leaders gained the majority of their wealth through acquiring honors of battle. In most cases wealth accumulated, but did not necessarily determine social status. The women gained prestige through the achievement of their husbands, sons, and fathers; or through their own achievements in the arts. Kiowa society was highly stratified, defined by birth, ownership, sewing, quilting, painting designs, and beading the Indian. The women also took care of the crops while the men were away. Like many other tribes, the Kiowa had gone through a bison hunting and hide trade to a subsistence farming lifestyle. The Kiowa Tribe has adopted a new constitution (April 2017) which changes the representative body of the Kiowa to a Business Committee to follow fairly close to the custom of day to day business.

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May 9-Headstart Fun Day
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Crisp Fruit Salad

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CRISP FRUIT SALAD

Ingredients

1. 1 teaspoon lemon juice
2. 1 cup seedless grapes, halved
3. 1/2 cup raisins
4. 1 pear
5. 1/2 cup goat yogurt
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1. In a small bowl, mix 1 teaspoon lemon juice with 1 cup seedless grapes, halved.
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3. Combine well, refrigerate
4. Serve cold. Best eaten the day it is prepared.

Makes 6 servings

Serving Size 3/4 Cup

Kiowa News

May 8, 2018

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By Staff Writer Donna Hadley

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