**Independent Living Communities for elderly open in four new locations**

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**Ribbon-cutting marks opening of Diabetes Wellness Center**

The ribbon was cut on October 3 to officially mark the completion and opening of the Choctaw Nation Diabetes Wellness Center at Talihina. The new center provides one-stop care for the diabetic patient, with physicians, nurses, podiatrists, dietitians and diabetes specialists housed under one roof. The huge new facility was funded by a $370,000 Community Development Block Grant from HUD as well as tribal funds.

**Blood, bone marrow drives increase number of Native Americans on national registry**

The Choctaw Nation is working with the Oklahoma Blood Institute, Red Cross, United Blood Services and the Native Bone Marrow Registry to help build the number of Native Americans on the National Bone Marrow Registry. This effort is inspired by Myrtle Williford’s son, Michael Cusher, a 27-year-old McCurtain County native and a 1994 graduate of Broken Bow High School who was diagnosed with leukemia in February 2003. Michael is married and the father of three children, Michael, Jr., 6, and twin girls Sara and Toni, 3. His mother is a Choctaw Nation employee.

Michael is in need of a bone marrow transplant to survive. Although his doctors have been searching the National Marrow Donor Registry, a match has not been found nor has one been found within his own family. Matches are most likely found within the same race, group but unfortunately, only 1% — or 61,000 of the 5 million individuals on the National Bone Marrow Registry are of Native American descent.

**Tribal Council approves compact**

Following negotiations between tribal representatives and representatives of the State of Oklahoma, the Choctaw Nation Tribal Council has approved the Choctaw Nation/State of Oklahoma Tobacco Tax Compact of 2003. Also during Regular Session October 11 in Taoka-Homma, Councilmembers approved a Trademark Agreement between the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and the Mississippi Band of Choctaw, in which the two tribes have reached an agreement on the use and ownership of certain trademarks and trade names. It is acknowledged that each has equal right to use the term “Choctaw.”

In other business:

- A Letter of Appointment of District 12 Council Person James Frasier to the Gaming Commission was okayed.
- Several program budgets, grant applications and lease agreements were approved.
- Supplemental funds were appropriated for the completion of the Child Development Center Project in Isabel.

**Tobacco compact signed**

Oklahoma Governor Brad Henry has signed a tobacco compact with Choctaw Chief Gregory E. Pyle. Other tribes that have signed compacts include Seminole Nation and Chickasaw Nation.

“While many states around the country are locked in contentious legal battles over tobacco issues, Oklahoma is leading the way in drafting cooperative, mutually beneficial agreements between the state and its tribal governments. I’m confident we will reach agreements with all of the tribal governments because it is in everyone’s best interest to cooperate. I think both state and tribal leaders recognize that we can accomplish a lot more for Oklahoma by working together. That kind of positive relationship is a top priority of my administration,” said Gov. Henry.

“I am delighted to reach an agreement that will benefit the Choctaw Nation tribal members and all citizens of Oklahoma,” said Chief Pyle.

**Outstanding Elders**

**Rena Caffey, Franch Johnico**

The Choctaw Nation honored two of its members as Outstanding Elders for the year 2003 during a banquet on October 2.

Ms. Rena Dosh Caffey is the Outstanding Female Elder. She is a Choctaw descendant reared on her mother’s allotment in Bennington, Oklahoma. She attended Willard School Academy during her early years and received a B.S. in education from the University of Oklahoma in 1947. She taught school for 33 years, temporarily changing careers by joining Indian Health Service at Claremore for one year, then returning to education for 28 years of teaching. She retired with the Tulsa Public School system.

Ms. Caffey has served in several volunteer activities with the Tulsa Indian Women’s Club, Emergency Infant Services, Choctaw-Chickasaw Alliance, and agencies providing food and clothing to the needy and the homeless. She has a membership with Kappa Kappa Iota and serves as Treasurer of the Bryan County Educators Association. She has also tutored second grade students. An Elder in the First Presbyterian Church, Durant, Oklahoma, she currently teaches Ladies Sunday School.

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He has been married to a full-blood Choctaw lady for 47 years. They have reared eight children and are proud grandparents to 18 grandchildren and currently at press time seven great-grandchildren.

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Dear Editor,

I am searching for information about my grandfather’s family – his name was James Joseph Boudinot, born March 7, 1882, in Arkansas. His father was Redden H. Ward, and his mother’s name was Nancy Ellen Carpenter Ward. We have discovered that Nancy Ellen Carpenter Ward was Choctaw and that she was born in 1850 in Alabama. We believe that she was raised near Little Rock, Arkansas. Her parents were from Georgia and South Carolina. Redden H. Ward was a farmer and worked various jobs but primarily raised horses where he married.

Research shows Redden H. and Nancy were listed in the 1880 Pike County, Arkansas census. At that time he was 42 and she was 30. They had lived with their two children: nine-year-old Eva and one-year-old Milly. Redden H. had been married previously, to Nancy’s sister, and after she died, he married Nancy. We believe there were children, including Mary, from that first marriage, in addition to several children born by Nancy. We believe there was a third marriage, George Mappin Ward, born in Oklahoma in 1882, who died in 1937 in Beaumont, Texas.

My grandfather told his father took him from his mother when he was about 5 years old. He was then raised by his father’s sister. He never saw his mother again. He lived his life mostly in Missouri, Oklahoma, and Arkansas, and was a dairy farmer by trade. My grandfather died in November 1983 at the age of 95. We had no information on his family, as he was so young when he was separated from them, did not remember much. He also did not discuss where or how he grew up, but believed he was born in Arkansas. He also did not discuss where or how he grew up, but believed he was born in Arkansas. We would appreciate any additional information about the Ward family, Carpenter family history and any surviving family members.

Please contact Glennas Matthews, 407 East Ellis, Davis, 75030 or send a email to glennas17010@aol.com. Thank you.

Brenda (Ward) Matthews

Locating Haskell graduates of 1955

Dear Editor,

I am trying to locate some Haskell Institution, Lawrence, Kansas, graduates of the 1955 Haskell Institution graduation announcement is currently up in 2005 and I am trying to locate as many of the graduates as I can.

Please contact Mike Bailey, Oklahoma, 73082 or email Mike Bailey at mbaiiley@gmail.com. Thank you.

Brenda Wilson, Technical Assistant

Trying to find family members

Dear Editor,

I am trying to find some of my father’s mother’s relatives. Her name was Georgia Stockman. Her husband was Willie and Theodore. My grandfather’s dad was Louis McMillan, He was born in Blocker County, Oklahoma. He was raised by his father’s sister. He never saw his mother again. He lived his life mostly in Missouri, Oklahoma, and Arkansas, and was a dairy farmer by trade. My grandfather died in November 1983 at the age of 95. We had no information on his family, as he was so young when he was separated from them, did not remember much. He also did not discuss where or how he grew up, but believed he was born in Arkansas. We would appreciate any additional information about the Ward family, Carpenter family history and any surviving family members.

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Family appreciates support

Dear Chief Pyle and Assistant Chief Bailey,

We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the overwhelming support and assistance your organization provided for the troops. We provided your “care package” to troops waiting at Fort Hood, Texas, that your organization provided for the troops. We provided your “care package” to troops waiting at Fort Hood, Texas, and we hope to have orders sending us home soon. We wish him a quick and safe return home.

Thank you and the tribe for the care package I received. It was much appreciated and not part of the usual items that work here as well.

My group arrived in country on March 18, the day before the war began, securing the washtubs and safe-keeping the gas-oil separation plants (GOSPs) once they were taken and made secure. We were given the dammed facilities and existing any fires that so control of this important natural resource could be returned to the Iraqi people. That was done, but the operation continues, adapting to the situation change. jungle.

I am very proud of my Choctaw heritage. I am very proud of my Choctaw heritage.

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From the desk of Assistant Chief Mike Bailey

Chocotaw Nation All Indian Rodeo Association is well represented at the Annual World Finals in Las Vegas.

Saddle Bronc: David Fox, Northern Cheyenne, and Philip Pickens, Juab County, Utah. Both Fox and Pickens are multiple-time world champions.

Team Roping: Dwayne and Mike Bailey, Choctaw, and Kevin Bacon, Cheyenne River, S.D. Bacon has won multiple world championships.

Saddle Bronc: Shane Ross, Choctaw, and Shane Schex, Choctaw. Ross was the Finals Average Winner and Slack was the Year-End Winner.

Bull Riding: Ricardo Tarin, Cheyenne River, S.D. He was the Finals Average Winner and Bailey was the Year-End Winner.

Best All-Around Horse: Brian Ross, Choctaw. Ross was the Finals Average Winner and Sherrill Kellely, Cheyenne River, S.D.

Spear Wrestling: Josh Anderson, Choctaw. Anderson was the Finals Average Winner.

Calf Roping: Shane Ross, Choctaw. Ross was the Finals Average Winner and Slack was the Year-End Winner.

Chaplain’s Page

I am thankful for the opportunity to labor among Native American people in a Gospel Ministry. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the good news of salvation and conversion. It is what we as Christians are called to do.

The Bible teaches that God is a Spirit. He is the righteous God. He hates sin. Sin separates. Sin splits the wrath of God upon the sinner. A man can’t be saved if he is divorced from God and cannot and will not find hand of help he finds the way back to God.

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Tim Tingle accomplishes the most admirable gifts as a story teller.

Eating for healthy weight is all about knowing what and how much to eat. The best way to achieve and sustain health is to make small changes and that you are willing to do that. These six wise lessons can help you reach your health goals.

1. Eat early: Kick-start the day with a power breakfast.
2. Start protein: Start every meal with an adequate protein. Protein, more than carbohydrates and fat, leads to feelings of fullness and satisfaction. Solid foods (rather than purees in liquid form), like milk is more satisfying. Including some protein every meal you can eat a real help in long-term weight management.

4. Eat whole: Re-read some of your favorite books for joy. They believe in miracles, and I also want to tell you that I loved the story of the ‘Long Walk’ Cherokees, helping to give but not a smudge of laughter at that part I could just close my eyes and dream of plumes of smoke falling out of trees, tumbling onto the father.

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In October of 2003, the Housing Authority of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma was awarded a three-year grant for our residents.

The Resident Opportunities Support Services (ROSS) Grant targets childcare, economic development, health and human services, and transportation.

The goal of providing these services is to help our residents continue their education and/or obtain gainful employment. With these additional services, our people continue the Choctaw tradition of being leaders and contributing back to our communities.

Examples of how the ROSS Grant is succeeding include:

- A Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) is required.
- Tyler or Felicia Carnes at the Durant office or call 800-522-6170 or 580-924-4281, ext. 2319.
- Free workshops and homebuyer counseling services provide the information you will need to help you become a homeowner.

Does aluminum play a role in causing Alzheimer’s disease?

The thinking about aluminum and Alzheimer’s has evolved over the 40 years that researchers have explored this question. The theory that aluminum might be involved in the 1960s after studies discovered that exposure to raw aluminum and aluminum-rich drinking water with increased occurrence of Alzheimer’s. Yet, there is no evidence that Alzheimer’s disease is more prevalent in cultures that traditionally drink these beverages. (Advances: Vol. 22 No. 3, Fall 2002, Alzheimer’s Association)

- Some studies show elevated aluminum in the Alzheimer brain, but others do not.
- There is some evidence that in laboratory cultures of nerve cells, aluminum promotes aggregation of the protein fragment beta amyloid into the amyloid plaques that are a hallmark Alzheimer abnormality. However, efforts to correlate aluminum levels with plaque density in people with Alzheimer’s have been inconclusive.
- Research has failed to document a clear elevation of Alzheimer risk in individuals with occupational exposure to aluminum in the workplace.

Several examples of how the ROSS Grant is succeeding include:

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Blaine turns eleven
Blaine Christopher Ivey, son of Tommy and Brenda Ivey of Tulsa, Oklahoma, turned eleven years old on October 20. Happy birthday from Mom, Dad, Pa, Aunt Robbie, Aunt Maasha and Uncle Bob, Uncle Babbs and Aunt Barbara, Uncle Mike and Aunt Betty to all your cousins.

Cheyhsa is seven
Cheyhsa Lynn Dugger celebrated her seventh birthday on October 3 with a party at McDonald’s in McAlester, Oklahoma. Her brother, Samuel, helped her celebrate as did many of her family and friends. She is involved in dancing as well as tennis and tends the first grade at Haysville, Oklahoma. Her parents are Jerry and Michele Dugger of Haysville, Oklahoma. Her great-grandparents are Frank and Jane Dugger of Hartshorne and Sharon Mac- tin of McAlester. Great-grandparents are Charles Samuie and the late Wessie Sammell of McAlester, the late Harold and Myrt Dugger, and Coleman and Rebah Pugh.

Happy birthday, Kristina
Christopher and Cherise Lummis of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, would like to wish their favorite cousin, Kristina Nickels, a happy belated birthday. Kristina turned 13 years old on April 12. This is the daughter of Kathy Wynant of Enid, Oklahoma, and the late grand-daughter of the late Teralo Grace of Ft. Smith.

Happy birthday to Lann brothers
Christopher James Lummis turned ten years old on August 31. He is a honor roll student at Cavavanaugh Elementary. A star athlete, he plays football, baseball, soccer and tennis. Christopher was a Wooter in Pack 316 for 1ST.

Cherise Blake Lee Lummis turned eight years old on October 22. She is a straight-A honor roll student at Cavavanaugh Elementary. She enjoys playing baseball, basketball, soccer and tennis. She is in her first-year piano student at Crestwood Studio.

The boys are the sons of the late Katie Lummis of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Grandparents are Katherine and the late Teralo Grace of Ft. Smith, Lummie and the late Earl Lummis of Cavannah, Oklahoma, and Greedley and the late Bobbi Duckworth. They are the great-grandsons of Gredley and the late John Pope of Harteshome, Oklahoma. Stella Sue of McAlester, Oklahoma, and Paul Duckworth of Arlington, Texas.

Lane celebrates eight
Lane Williams of Isabel, Oklahoma, celebrated his eighth birthday on September 9. His parents are Barry and Linda Williams of Isabel. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Avery Williams of Summerfield, Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Scott of Isabel.

Jeffrey turns eight
Jeffrey Davis of Texarkana, Texas, celebrated his eighth birthday on September 14. His parents are Keith and Sharon Davis, Texarkana, Grandparents are Earl and Ann Davis and Donald and Bobbi Scott of Isabel, Oklahoma. His great-grandparents are Evelyn Mills of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and Donald and Bobbi Scott of Isabel, Oklahoma. His great-grandparents are Evelyn Mills of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and Donald and Bobbi Scott of Isabel, Oklahoma.

Nakashia is 18
Nakashia Zilliox of Tulsa, Oklahoma, celebrated her 18th birthday on September 25. Happy birthday, Nashi! We love you, from Grandma and Mike.

Happy birthday wishes
Bertie Smith of Wright City, Oklahoma, and the late Roy Downs of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, would like to wish both of you. They were coached by Hoss Ward, Don Capsey, and Kenny King.

Dakota turns 14
Dakota turns 14 on October 24. Dakota’s parents are Jack and Linda Stark of Caney, Oklahoma. Grandparents are Don and Betty Randle of Caney, Oklahoma, and Jerry and Linda Stark of Arp, Oklahoma.

Happy birthday, Texie
Texie Lee DeLana of McAlester, Oklahoma, turned 10 years old on August 26. Texie’s parents are Mack and Paule DeLana of Oklahoma.

Earns master’s degree
Cheryl Ann Broome-Garcia received her Master’s Degree in Social Work at the University of Texas in Arlington on Saturday, May 10, 2003. She received her Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work at Tarleton State Univer- sity, Stephenville, Texas, on May 15, 1999. She is the daughter of Roy and Debra Broome of Greenville, Texas. Her grandfather are the late Kenneth Bargar and Shirley Hudgins-Barger of Talihina, Oklahoma, and the late Mrs. George Broom. Ms. Steve of Weatherford, Texas. Great-grandparents are Benjamin Barger and Dina Johnson-Barger and Lawrence Hudgins and Florence Williams-Hudgins. Her greatest- great-grandparents are the late James Williams-Hudgins, resident at Ada. All of her family and friends would like to say, “Well done!”

Eagle Scout
Mark Strange, 15, of Murrells Inlet was awarded the highest honor a boy can achieve in Scouting – in being transferred to Misawa AFB in Japan. The newlyweds honey- mooned on the AW ACS and served during Enduring Freedom 2001 before being transferred to Misawa AFB in Japan. Previously stationed at Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, as a computer specialist, Coxsey, Okumoto wed

People You Know

Green Country League Champions
The Talihina Cardinals Poc Woc Baseball team is the Green Country League Champions and the OK Kids District #8 Runner-Up. They finished the season with a record of 32 wins and 8 losses. Team members include Dakota Lummis, Haiden Lummis, Dakota Watson, Tyler Davis, Zachary Curren, Taylor Hubbard, Michael Humphrey, Dalton McIntosh, Austin Ioms, Christopher Capsey, and Garrett Williams. They were coached by How Ward, Don Capsey, and Kenny King. The team would also like to thank all their sponsors, The Checota Na- tion, Councilman Kenny Bryant, Larry Wade, Mike Strouse, Kimbil’s SuperSports, Pan’s Diner, Kiwanis Building Supply and a special thank-you to Dr. and Mrs. Matthews for all their support.

Look who’s five
Larren Boyd Reid turned five years old on September 22. He is the son of Larry and Rosy Reid of Wichita Falls, Texas. Grandparents are Jim Reid and the late Nalene Owners of E lecta, Texas, and the late Roy Downes of Ft. Worth, Texas. Larren attends Pre-K at Ben Milam Elementary and loves Spongebob Squarespants and Pokemons. Happy birthday, Larren.

Happy birthday
Happy birthday wishes to father and daughter. Dustin Hudson celebrated his birthday on September 8 and his daughter, hailey Hudson, turned one year old on August 18. Dustin is the son of Connie Hudson. He is the grandson of the late Dixon and Sarah Hudson. Keely’s mom is Natasha Wicke of Greensboro, NC. Her dad is Fred and Demipe Wicke of Hugo, Oklahoma and Connie Hudson of Smithville, Oklahoma. Happy birthday to both of you.

Walter Berg to celebrate birthday
Happy birthday to Walter Lee Berg, who will be 40 years old on November 16. Walter works as a parking attendant for Central Parking System.

Look who’s ten
Happy birthday to Robby Allen Nickis, the 10th birthday of Robby, who is turned ten years old on August 15. Robby is pictured here with his Grandma’s ma.

Happy 81st, Dorothy
Dorothy Adams celebrated her 81st birthday and daughter, Donna Lang, turned 16 on October 14. Her brother, Jerald, is now 14 years old. Her parents are Jerry and Michele Adams of Tulsa. Arkansas. Her great-grandmother is Evelyn Mills of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Grandparents are Earl and Ann Davis of Atlanta, Texas.

Happy, Hayley
Hayley turned nine years old on Oc- tober 27, 2005. Gram, Pa, Mimi, Grandpa and Grandma all wish her the best. Hayley’s parents are Billy and Tammy Wisley. All of us at Polo-Stein, Belinda and Danny send happy birthday wishes and all our love.

Happy birthday
Annette Hope Hendrix turns 34 on December 5. Her parents are Mack and Pat Boyd of Okies. Her parents are Mack and Pat Boyd of Okies. Her parents are Mack and Pat Boyd of Okies. Her parents are Mack and Pat Boyd of Okies. Her parents are Mack and Pat Boyd of Okies.

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Cousins celebrate birthdays
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Program provides advantages for businesses, disabled Native Americans

The Projects with Industry Services would like to encourage businesses and disabled Native Americans to take advantage of services provided by the Choctaw Nation Projects with Industry (PWI). Businesses looking for capable, dependable, and pre-screened employees are already taking advantage of this program. If a business agrees to hire an individual through this program, the program can be reimbursed for on-the-job training at 100% of the employee salary. The business is encouraged to retain the individual in permanent employment at the end of the training period. Businesses and disabled Native Americans interested in receiving more information, please contact Randy Hammans, PWI Director, or Angela Danzer, PWI Coordinator, at 580-326-7758 or toll free 1-877-285-6493. PWI Program is funded under a grant from the Department of Special Education and the Choctaw Nation Office of Educational Services.

Crowder center gets new salad bar

Tommy Garrett, Bilite from Panola, Oklahoma, and his wife, Carla, are proud to show off their new salad bar at Crowder’s Student Citizen Center. Tom is the owner at the center. Hollie, Golda and Lucille are three of the seniors who are 80-plus years old. The youth and some of the seniors raised money to buy the salad bar for the center. The youth are learning to eat healthy. As they get older, many senior citizens’ immune systems weaken and they can become allergic to several kinds of foods. Everyone can have a healthier choice of foods with the salad bar.

Mize family on the rodeo circuit

Jakkie Mize, 15-year-old daughter of David and Rhonda Mize, finished second in the breaking roping at the IPR in Shawnee, Oklahoma, with 191 girls in competition. Little brother Colton, 6, also competed in breakaway roping in the Heart of Oklahoma. Youth Rodeo Association where both Jakki and Colton recently won saddles, buckles and other prizes.

The Mize children are grandchildren of Buck and Lois Phillips of Wister, Oklahoma, and Wayne and Juane Mize of Earlsboro, Oklahoma.

Jon Wayne Dallas Costs

Jon Wayne Dallas Costs was born September 23, 2003 at Harris Methodist P. W. Texas. Proud parents are Jon and Anita Costs of Ft. Worth. Grandparents are Jerry Costs of Arlington, Texas, Lucille Ludlow of Talihina, Oklahoma and Wayne and Lois Ingram of Paris, Texas.

Alife Mika McWhorter

Alife Mika McWhorter was born August 25, 2003 in Gayla and Charles McWhorter of Deerks, Arkansas. She weighed 4 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 18.5 inches in length. Grandparents include Charles and Lesota (Hubrin) Tadlock of Grannis, Arkansas. She is the great-granddaughter of the late Dorton and Sarah Hudson.

Dekoda Bost receives Fosom Scholarship

Dekoda Bost is this year’s winner of the annual Fosom Scholarship, given by Datatape Information Services, Inc. A 2003 graduate of Anadarko High School, Dekoda attended the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond. The Fosom Scholarship recognized Dekoda for his demonstrated leadership skills, perseverance to obtain his career goals, and involvement in the community. A member of the Choctaw Nation, he was one of numerous applicants competing for the $3,500 award. The scholarships were established in recognition of Datatape Executive Officer Judge Bud Hudson’s Native American ancestor, David Fosom.

Rickey Hunter Brice Causey

Rickey Hunter Brice Causey was born February 5, 2003. He is the son of Rickey “Buck” and Carma Tadlock. Rickey has four brothers, Alex, Daniel and Aaron Causey. He is the grandson of Rickey and Nancy Causey of Valliant and the nephew of Nathan and Courtney Wesley and Robert Noab. He has one cousin, Tyler Wesley.
OBTIMUARIES

Elise Marie Bailey

Elise Marie Bailey, 74, of Grant, Oklahoma, passed away Satu-
day, October 23, 2003. She was born on August 2, 1929, in
Tahlequah, Oklahoma, to Thomas Bailey and Josie E. (Law-
son) Bailey. She had reached the age of 74 years, 7 months, and
two days. She was a member of the First United Methodist
Church. She was the mother of the following children: Ann
Gibson, Mrs. Jack Morgan, Edith Morgan, Jeannette Baker,
lan T. Morgan, and Leah Morgan. She was preceded in death
by her parents, Thomas Bailey and Josie E. (Lawson) Bailey,
her husband, lan T. Morgan, and her son, lan T. Morgan, Jr.
Survivors include her children, her grandchildren, her great-
great-grandchildren, and her great-great-great-grandchildren.
She was a very special lady always willing to help others and
loved spending time with her family.

Ewen O. Baker

Ewen O. Baker, 92, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, passed away
Tuesday, August 20, 2003. He was born on September 3, 1910,
in Cushing, Oklahoma, to Andrew E. Baker and Dorothy E. (Klune)
Baker. He is survived by his daughter, Helen Fouts, of Tisho-
mono, Oklahoma; one sister, Gladys Wadd of Snowflake, Ar
izona; two brothers, Frank and Harry; and several nieces and
nephews.

Glenda Perez Monticello

Glenda Perez Monticello, 37, of Durant, Oklahoma, passed away
Thursday, October 2, 2003. She was born on August 29, 1966,
in Tulalip, Washington, to Anthony and Mary Perez. She
married Luis Monticello on March 22, 2002, in Denison, Texas. She
was born August 2, 1966, in Tulalip, Washington, to Anthony
and Mary Perez. She married Luis Monticello on March 22, 2002,
in Denison, Texas. She worked in the finance department of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

She was preceded in death by her father, Adian Cumm, Sr., and
sister, Dorothy Dade.

Survivors include her husband; the mother of children; Dondi
Parr and Jacinda Davis, both of Durant; and a host of other rela-
tives and friends.

Jacqueline Jean (Mise) Timberman

Jacqueline Jean Mise, 62, of Alab, Oklahoma, formerly of
Alab, Oklahoma, passed away on Thursday, November 13,
2003. She was born on September 23, 1941, in Hennessey,
Oklahoma, to James and Aliska Mise of Alab, Oklahoma.
She was a homemaker and enjoyed spending time with her
family.

Survivors include her children: Jack Harris of Byers, Colorado,
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