

WHAT'S HAPPENING WHERE?

Youth in the News Math Awards

Sequoyah School, located 5 miles SW of Tahlequah, OK, had 91 students who each received national recognition for their “outstanding performance in high school mathematics” and membership in the United States Achievement Academy. They will be in the USAAYearbook and will be competing for one of the 254 scholarships awarded by USAA each year.

Sequoyah High School draws more than 400 Native students each year as their school of choice. See <http://sequoyah.chokekee.org/>

College

If you are planning on going to college, there are now Native sorority and fraternity chapters active on many campuses. **Alpha Pi Omega Sorority** is the oldest. For information and a list of the campuses with Native Greek organizations, Visit: www.alphapiomega.org/Chapters.html.

Also, check out Native scholarship information on the CSIC website. Click the *Education* link in the bar at the top.

SPORTS

Natahnee Spencer, a Nez Perce freshman at Lapwai High School, has been selected Idaho **basketball** “Player of the Year” for girls 1A Division. She was SportsKid of the Month for the May issue of *Sports Illustrated Kids* magazine. She also has been breaking records and was selected to attend the prestigious Nike basketball camp in May. Pretty impressive for a high school freshman. Lapwai is a smaller school, but they schedule non-league games with many bigger



Native Fashion

By Staff

Okay! These are extreme, but we wanted to show that Native fashion designers are creative and cutting edge in both their concepts and execution.

These are fully beaded high heel tennis shoes by Kiowa fashion designer Terri Greeves.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

The team leaders will be working with parents and youth to set up some fun trips and meetings for the summer thru September. We will notify you by email or phone with planning meeting dates, place and times. Hope you can come and give your input.

These meetings will concentrate on having fun, getting acquainted and inviting new Native youth to join in.

Since the Youth News pages have their own link online, we will need articles, pictures and videos for this newsletter, the CSIC Youth website and other publications. This will be just part of each fun meeting.

Plan to bring your parent(s) to the monthly as they are announced from 11-1 before the CSIC community dinner in August. You will get information about any other meeting by email or phone.

schools each year. Her coaches praise her as a “total package kid.” She is already receiving attention and questionnaires from colleges interested in enrolling her.

www.indiancountrytoday.com/national/midwest/94584024.html

The **Tom Longboat Award** is given each year to the top male and female Canadian aboriginal amateur athlete. Brigette Lacquette, a 17 year old Saulteaux defensive **hockey** player, took the top female spot, and **basketball** standout, **Ammon Crowfoot** (Blackfoot/Saulteaux/Iroquois), took the top male award. Both transferred from their home school to a larger school with better sports programs.

Lacquette’s team took the gold medal in the world hockey tournament last April in Chicago. She

plans to attend the University of Toronto in the fall.

Crowfoot not only plays basketball well, he also placed second in the Western Redmen cross-country running team regionals.

Two sports events you may want to follow in July are below:

The adult’s **World Eskimo/Indian Games Olympic games** in Fairbanks, Alaska, from July 21-23. See the following links:

http://www.weio.org/the_games.html an explanation of the games; and game results here: <http://www.weio.org/index.html>.

The National American Games in Arizona on July 15-18. Sports between Native teams: basketball, baseball, softball, volley ball, cross country, wrestling, track and field.

www.indiancountrytoday.com/national/southwest/97158589.html

TEEN TOPICS PAGE

MEET THE NATIVES ON THE MENACE TEAM



Julia Roberts, Navajo, **Halley Tsosie**, Navajo, **Kayla Boyd**, Delaware, **Josie Wood**, Cherokee.

The local twelve-member Menace fast pitch team in Colorado Springs has four team members who are Native.

All four are 14 years old and in eighth grade. Last year, the team had 44 wins and 13 losses and they took 1st place in the Bronze division tournament in Oklahoma City. They also won the State USSSA tournament in 2009 for the 12U division. This year, they have won 65% of their tournament games so far. Visit The Menace website at <http://www.coloradomenace.com/> for more info about them and their team.

All four of the teammates are accomplished players and excellent achievers in school. Here is a run

down on just some of their activities.

Kayla Boyd is a triple threat who plays third, first, catcher and outfield on The Menace team. She is the daughter of Michelle and Larry Boyd. She has played fast pitch 5 years.

At school, she enjoys PE and social studies, talking with friends and after school sports. At home she likes watching TV, hanging with friends and playing outside. She is learning more about her Delaware (Lenape) heritage. She says she likes fast pitch ball because it is intense and fun. She graduates from Challenger Middle School this year.

Julia Roberts, the Menace shortstop and center fielder, is the daughter of Dale and Jennifer Roberts and graduates from Cheyenne Mountain Junior High this year. She has played fast pitch 4 years and is active in school clubs, art and music, where she plays trumpet. She has lettered twice in symphonic band, made honors band, was selected to play in the wind ensemble in the high school band, and placed in the top 20 kids of all the local high schools to audition for the local youth symphony.

She also is the goalkeeper on her school's soccer team and point guard on the basketball team.

Halley Tsosie has played fast pitch for 3 years and plays outfield and pitcher on the Menace team.

She is the daughter of Patty and Lorenzo Tsosie.

Halley graduates from Falcon Middle School this year where she has enjoyed participating in language arts, science and choir. She also sings and plays the guitar and she sang in this year's talent show at school. Halley has been active with the youth group at the Colorado Springs Indian Center and has taken the free art classes at the Future Self studio.

Halley also helps her parents with their Indian taco stand to help raise funds for both the Indian Center and the Menace team organizations.

Josie Wood is the daughter of David and Tiffany Wood and attends Timberview Middle School where she will graduate this year. She has played fast pitch two years and currently plays second base for the Menace.

At her school, Josie enjoys science and social studies classes and is active in basketball, volleyball and working on the yearbook. At home, she enjoys hanging out with her sister, listening to music and watching The Nanny on TV.

Congratulation girls, on your sports, school and community involvements. Go Team!



Out and About

In May, CSIC recognized Native graduates in May 22 ceremonies: Honorees included three kindergarteners, seven eighth graders, and eleven students from high school. See the May Camp Crier newsletter for names and schools. Congratulations to all...The 2006 NAWA princess, Alexis Fay, will be married in Colorado Springs to Alex Blake on July 10th. They will live in Texas.

You will find past issues of the CSIC youth pages at <http://www.coloradospringsindiancenter.com/youth/> (copy & paste to browser)