

Meskwaki Nation Times

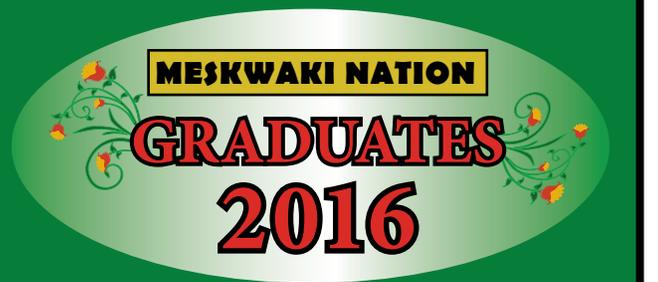
SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA

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"In the coming year you will see as you look across the sky and heavens a faint light. As you listen for the sound, only a whisper will you hear, but the effect of it's passing within the universe will bring about many changes in your lives as well as ours."

- Adeline Wanatee



Visioning for our FUTURE...



"To rely on the knowledge and experiences of the past, along with the will to survive to advance the people, culture and well-being of the Meskwaki Nation."



They feel **SAFE** to play outside unsupervised.
They have a **STRONG** cultural identity.
They have a foundation to pursue their **DREAMS**.
There is a **HEALTHY** economy.

They take **PRIDE** in and **RESPECT** the community.
They still know and practice a strong sense and **UNDERSTANDING** of cultural practices.
Continue with **VALUES**.
They strive for greater **EDUCATION**.

People remain **MODEST, RESPECTFUL** and **HEALTHY**.
The land is **RICH** with **RESOURCES**.
Economic & financial **OPPORTUNITIES** abound.
Language has been **REVITALIZED** and traditional ceremonies **REMAIN**.
Alcohol, drug abuse and violence are not prevalent.

They recognize they are something **MORE** than themselves.
They recognize that they are a part of **SOMETHING LARGER THAN THEMSELVES**.
They are able to **ENJOY** and **LIVE** the culture that I lived.
Where educational **OPPORTUNITIES** are available at all levels.

OUR CULTURE IS INTACT.
The lands are still **PROTECTED**.

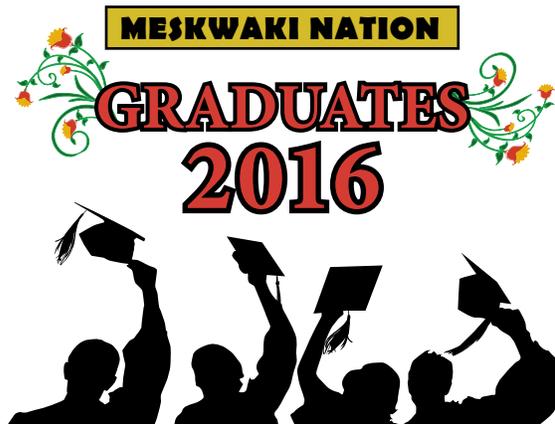
...there are great opportunities to live safely and to be **SUPPORTED** within the community surrounded by **CULTURE** and **LANGUAGE**.

More financially **DIVERSIFIED** and its safe to live and raise a family.
There's opportunity to achieve **GOALS**.
They have the resources to **LIVE, THRIVE** and **WORK** in a safe environment.
EVERYONE IS ACCEPTED for who they are, what they believe in and what ideas can improve the Tribe.

...it is still viewed as "**HOME**"!
Everyone feels safe, Meskwaki pride still exists, and it is a place where **all are EQUAL**.

...they **UNDERSTAND** the history of the Meskwaki Nation, **RESPECT** the sacrifices of our ancestors, and our strong culture, religion & traditions still **EXIST**.

In June of 2014, a strategic planning retreat was held for the Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa. During one of its activities, the community was asked to vision for the future. What should the Meskwaki Nation look like in 25 years? The responses were tabulated and a vision was born... **A ROADMAP TO SUCCESS!**



A ROADMAP TO SUCCESS FOR THE CLASS OF 2016

In June of 2014, a strategic planning retreat was held for the Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa. During one of its activities, the community was asked to vision for the future. What should the Meskwaki Nation look like in 25 years? The responses were tabulated and a vision was born... a roadmap to success.

"To rely on the knowledge and experiences of the past, along with the will to survive to advance the people, culture and well-being of the Meskwaki Nation."

This vision, shared with and instilled into the hearts of the 2016 Meskwaki graduating class, is now in part being passed down to them. As we spotlight the class's accomplishments through this special Graduation Edition of the Meskwaki Nation Times, we also challenge them to

continue on with this roadmap. As we look to the future, the path to continued Meskwaki sovereignty depends on each one of us.

The journey ahead may seem long but the path, having been paved ahead by Meskwaki ancestors, family members and the community, is clear. It is in working together with persistence and perseverance by which we can attain our goals. One of the responses from the retreat predominately stands out, "...To recognize that they are a part of something larger than themselves".

In reading the graduate information over the next few pages, we see this roadmap is clearly understood. These simple truths are written down by the graduates themselves in the "Advice to Underclass Persons" section. They advise, "Believe", "Strive to be better", "Don't be afraid", "Stay humble" and "Never give up".

As we send off this year's graduates, let us reflect on an old proverb that

says, "It takes a village to raise a child". To ensure the legacy of the Meskwaki Nation, we must ensure these strong, young men and women are encouraged and empowered to succeed along the way. We celebrate their accomplishments today, but understand it is just the beginning of a very long journey. They will need our help along the way.

Twenty five years from now, may these graduates look back to see they were impacted and empowered to succeed by the roadmap set forth for them by the Tribe. May they recognize that they were/are a part of" something larger than themselves". May they see the culture intact, the land protected, the community thriving and may they see the next generation of Meskwaki youth following in their footsteps.

A roadmap to success... The Meskwaki Nation, a vibrant, thriving community ensuring language, culture and traditions survive and thrive for generations to come.

LOURDES MARIA AVALOS

BAYNAMOKWA

PARENTS NAME

Marguerite Youngbear

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend 2 year college then
transfer to a university to
major in Social Work.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Be the best that you can be
and follow your dreams.



JONAS JAY BEAR

WAWABANOSATA

PARENTS NAME

Garrett Bear and
Christie Kapayou

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend the University of
Iowa to major in Business.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

It's O.K. to doubt yourself
in life. It's totally part of it.
Just believe it's going to
work out.



TYLENE BEAR

BABMIKAYEA

PARENTS NAME

Ty Bear
and Heather Hoag

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Travel.



CHRISTIAN BENSON

MAKATEDIKANA

PARENTS NAME

Shawn Benson
and Carly Warbonnet

FISH CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend college.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Stay in school.



LAWRENCE BLACKCLOUD

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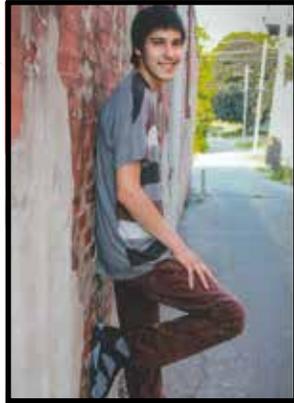
PARENTS NAME

Larry BlackCloud
and Ann Stark-Perez

BEAR CLAN

FUTURE PLANS

Pursue higher learning.



ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Grant yourself the keys to
success...
Don't play yourself.



KADE ERIC BROWN

WABANA

PARENTS NAME

Fino Chavez,
Hilda Youngbear
and the late Kristi Brown

FISH CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend Fort Lewis College
for Pre-Med.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Don't ever slack off.
Especially if you want
something. Someone out there
is still working while you
decided to slack off.
DO NOT GIVE UP!



WADE CLEMENT BROWN

NE GA SKIA

PARENTS NAME

Joni Mauskemo
and Milton Brown

FISH/FOX CLANS

GRADUATED FROM

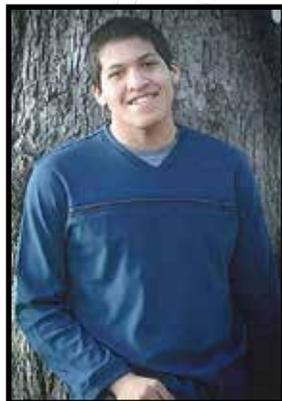
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend school, live life and
play many years of ball.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Embrace all the struggles, it
will only make you a better
person in the future.



CELISE BULLARD

PARENTS NAME

Tori Sprague
and Timothy Bullard

GRADUATED FROM

South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend MCC then transfer
to a university for an
Accounting/Business degree.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Stay focused and motivated.



ELLEH DRISCOLL

DEKIBAOTA

PARENTS' NAME

Larry Driscoll and
Leah Slick-Driscoll

WOLF CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend the Institute of
American Indian Arts for
Writing, Art, and Psychology.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Take grades seriously
because it could be worth
thousands for college in the
long run.



VICTOR GARCIA

PARENTS' NAME

Danelle Wabaunasee

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Live life.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Life may be difficult at times
but in the end, it's up to you
to get through it.



TERRELL GRANT

MAWETAKA

PARENTS' NAME

Garner Grant and
Christina Alamo

Wolf/Fox Clan

GRADUATED FROM

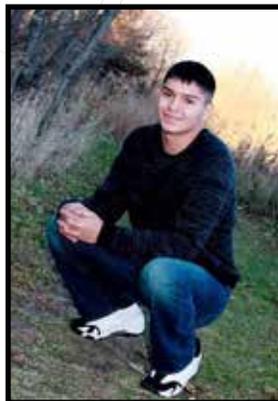
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend Ellsworth Community
College and play football.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Just work hard and push
yourself to be better than you
were the day before.



SHI 'ANN RENEE GREYBEAR

PARENTS' NAME

Tonia Greybear

GRADUATED FROM

Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Obtain degrees as a Vet
Tech and a Nurse.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Pay attention to the teacher,
study and work hard at what
you want to achieve and in
life, for sports play hard and
have fun. Be a team player!



MARCELENA GUEVARA

PARENTS NAME
Dalyn Wabaunasee

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Haskell Indian
Nations University to major
in Elementary Education.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Always listen to your
parents/guardians
because they are always RIGHT!
Stay humble.



SARA MIQUEL IKEBE

NANOWISAEGA

PARENTS NAME
Avis Bear-Bass

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Take advantage of every
opportunity that is
presented but make time
to have fun and make
memories!



SHAMMOND IVORY

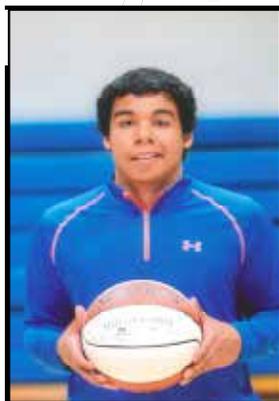
PARENTS NAME
Vincent and
Kristine Ivory

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Perry High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend DMACC-Boone to
play basketball and then
continue to a 4 year
college to play basketball.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Stay focused and don't let
anyone detour you from
your goals and dreams.
If you want it, work hard
and go get it.



SHANIA KAPAYOU

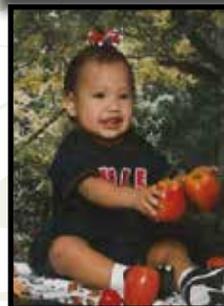
NI KANI SE GA

PARENTS NAME
Stacy Kapayou and
Lynn Morgan

FOX/WOLF CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college.



ALYSSIA RUBY KEAHNA

DI DI NA KWA

PARENTS NAME
Jackie Keahna and
Martha Freeman

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend UWC-Baraboo and buy
a lakehouse.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Time is preciouuuussss...



CLEO FRANCES KEAHNA

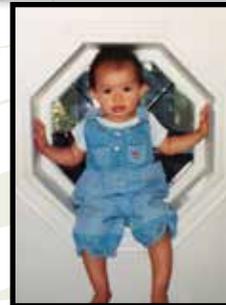
SHAAWANOBINESIIK

PARENTS NAME
Chad Uran
and Tish Keahna

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Hayward High School
Hayward, WI

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college to study
Journalism and Quantum
Physics.



DRAKE COLUMBUS KEAHNA

OKIMAE

PARENTS NAME
Dennis Keahna, Jr.

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college.



TIERANNY KEAHNA

WAKOSIGEA

PARENTS NAME
Verlyn and
Marsha Keahna

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Coe College and
throw in track and field.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Don't wait till senior year
to start thinking
about your future.



DANIEL ROBERT ROY LAMERE

MATTIOKIMA

PARENTS NAME
Shelene and
Armando Balderas, Jr.
and the late Robert La-
Mere, Jr.



WOLF CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Marshalltown High
School

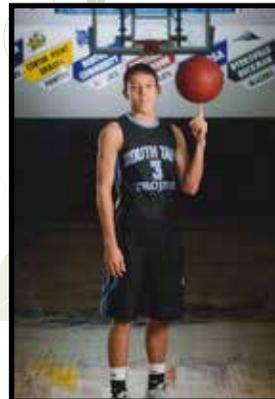
FUTURE PLANS
Continue my education
somewhere...
Just undecided right
now.



DARIUS XAVIER LASLEY

NEBE KWA

PARENTS NAME
Tyla Lasley



EAGLE CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

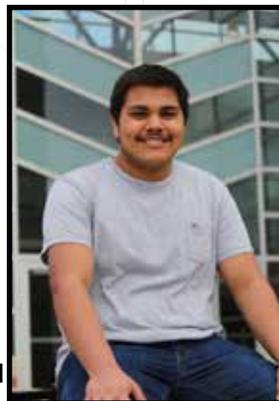
FUTURE PLANS
Play basketball for
Ellsworth Community
College and transfer
to a D1 or D2 to
play basketball.



FRANCISCO LASLEY SANTOS

WEBISEA

PARENTS NAME
Javier Santos and
Laurie Lasley Santos



EAGLE/THUNDER CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Ellworth Community
College then transfer to a
university.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Hardwork pays off.



LORENZO DANTE LASLEY

BEKONABIA

PARENTS NAME
Larry Craig Lasley, Sr.
and Marcine Youngbear



EAGLE CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend MCC then
transfer to UNI.

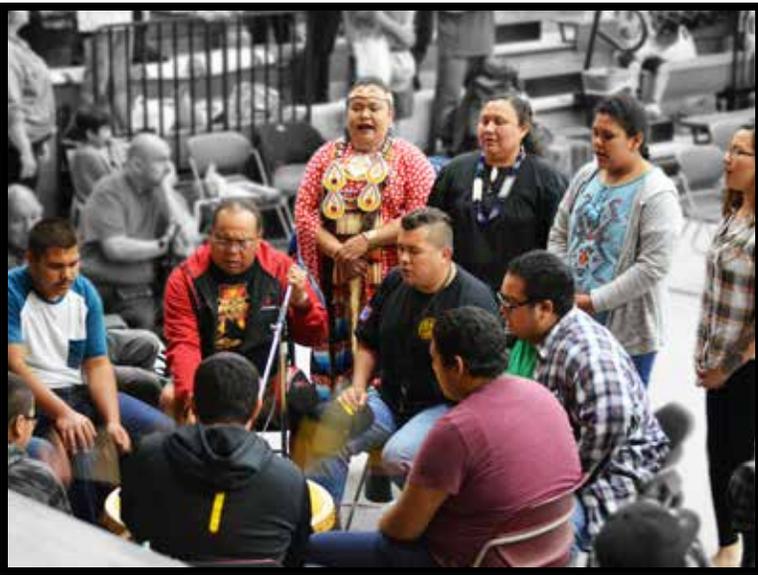
ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Don't mess up at the
last minute.





MESKWAKI
HONORING OUR
2016 GRADUATES
Saturday May 14
Sac & Fox Tribe of the
MSS High School
Meskwaki Settlement





INDIAN NATION

FOR GRADUATES

POW-WOW

Friday 14th, 2016

at the Mississippi in Iowa

at the School Gymnasium

in Des Moines, Iowa



TRISTON LASLEY

NENATANITAKEA

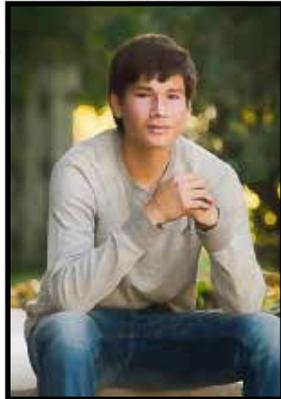
PARENTS NAME
Tyler and
Nahmi Lasley

EAGLE CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Kirkwood Community
College then transfer to a
university to earn a
Native American Studies
degree.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Stay in school.



ELAINA MARTINEZ

PARENTS NAME
Hilario and
Christina Martinez

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Iowa Central Community
College for the first 2 years then
transfer to a 4 year university to
major in Occupational Therapy and
minor in History.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Stay classy and remember that it
needs to rain before the rainbow.



MYRA DEA MARTINEZ

PARENTS NAME
Leo Martinez
and Kristina Hoag

THUNDER CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Travel and learn new
things.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Never give up and do your
best at everything.



ALBERT MEDINA

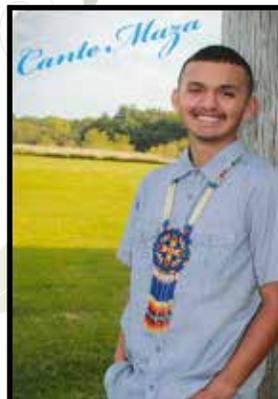
CANTE MAZA

PARENTS NAME
Luis Medina and
Kathy Shuckahose

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Work...

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
"Do it. Just do it. Don't let your dreams
just be dreams. Yesterday you said to-
morrow. So just do it. Make your dreams
come true. Just do it. Some people
dream of success while you're gonna
wake up and work hard at it. Nothing is
impossible. You should get to the point
where anyone else would quit but you're
not going to stop there. No! What are you
waiting for? Do it. Just do it. Yes, you
can. Just do it. If you're tired of starting
over, stop giving up!" - Shia Labeouf



TAMAH MINNIS

PARENTS NAME
Keith and
Shawn Minnis

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Oklahoma

FUTURE PLANS
Planning to double major in
Journalism and Native American Studies
with a minor in English at the University of
Oklahoma. Long term planning includes law
school and becoming a tribal lawyer to
advocate for Native American rights and ensure
the awareness of reservation poverty in the US.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
If I could go back in time and give the underclass
version of myself advice, it would be to stay
focused. High school is filled with many distrac-
tions. While some can be harmless and fun,
others are dangerous and destructive. At a certain
point you have to realize that no matter where you
go or what you do, life is going to keep moving.
Each choice you make affects your life and your
future. We don't have control over a lot of things
but we do over our choices. Choose a path which
will lead you to personal success and happiness.



BILLY JACK OLDBEAR, JR.

KA DE KO WA

PARENTS NAME
Billy Oldbear, Sr. and
Tonya Oldbear

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Uncertain, considering a career in
Graphic Design/Animation.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Never give up.
Never stop improving.
Strive to be better
than yourself.



SKYLAR GRACE PAPAKEE

ABATABIA

PARENTS NAME
Jon and
Sonja Papkee

THUNDER CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Travel and experience
things.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
You can't be remembered
for the bad times
if there are none.



ANDREW CHRISTOPHER PETERS

PARENTS NAME
Shannon and
Amy Peters

THUNDER CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend MCC.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Try new things. Don't be shy.
It's always nice to try new
things. You might actually
like it. Don't wait to think
about your future.



AMARRA POWELL

PARENTS NAME
Francesca
Papakee



GRADUATED FROM
South Tama
County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college
after working.



ROLLANDA PUENTES

PARENTS NAME
Lauren and Reyes
Puentes



BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Iowa Central.



KAILEE PUSHETONEQUA

TAKAMOSEGA

PARENTS NAME
Vestana Lasley

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend the Institute of
Amercian Indian Arts in
Santa Fe to go into
photography.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Turn your cant's into cans
and dreams into plans.
Find your wings.



ROXANNE PUSHETONEQUA

BEMITABEKIA

PARENTS NAME
Quinton
Pushetonequa
and Jenna Thomas

BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college to obtain an
Accounting degree.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
Don't be afraid to
challenge yourself.



JAZMYNE ROBERTS

BI YA TA MO GEA

PARENTS NAME
James Roberts, Sr.
and Kassi Akeens



GRADUATED FROM
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend college for Early
Childhood Education.



RYAN JANNAE ROBERTS (BEEBER)

ME DA ME KWA

PARENTS NAME
Dana Davenport
and Ryan Roberts



BEAR CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend MCC while playing on
the basketball team.



ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
It is what you make it.

KORDELL MURRAY SCHROCK

PARENTS NAME
Holly Youngbear-Schrock
and Jeff Schrock



GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Attend Morning Side College
to play football as defensive
end and obtain a degree in
Computer Science/Computer
Engineering.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
"Persistence guarantees that
results are inevitable."
- Paramahansa Yogananda



CHASIA LYNE SHUCKAHOSEE

KOSIGE

PARENTS NAME
Karena Johnson and
Charlie Shuckahosee



FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS
Spending time with my
family, traveling.
Taking time to decide
where I want to be.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS
No matter how tough things
get, don't give up.



ALLIS TAHAHWAH

PARENTS NAME

Ray Tahahwah and
Mary Lasley

EAGLE CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

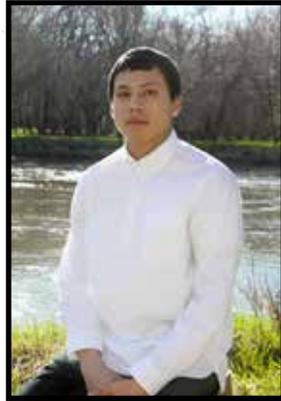
Meskwaki Settlement
School

FUTURE PLANS

Go to college and play
basketball.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Remember who we were,
but know who you're going
to be.



SHANAE LEXI BAILEY TRAVERSIE

PARENTS NAME

Shawn P. Traversie and
Carla Benson

GRADUATED FROM

Tiospaye Topa School
Ridgeview, South Dakota

FUTURE PLANS

Attend college in the fall.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Stay in school, focus on
your school work and stay
caught up because once you
fall behind it's hard to get
caught up.



PAYTON CALVIN WHITEBREAST

NI KA NA BI TA

PARENTS NAME

Arlan and Crystal
Whitebreast

FOX CLAN

GRADUATED FROM

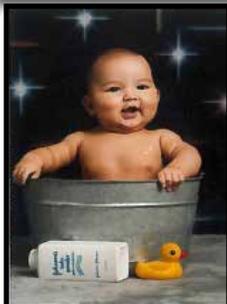
South Tama County
High School

FUTURE PLANS

Attend community college
and figure it out from there.

ADVICE TO UNDERCLASS PERSONS

Time is key!
Value every minute you have.



HONORING OUR GRADUATES



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Shaunden Bear
Devon Elksoldier
Ruben Garcia
Daylene Iverson
Raena Lasley

Tavian Lasley
Cristian Rivas
Ryley Seymour
Edwin Youngbear
Francine Youngbear

VOCATIONAL / TECHNICAL GRADUATES

1. Linsey A. Delgado, A.A.S., Esthetics
Paul Mitchell the School - Tinley Park, IL
2. Tracy Mesmer, A.A.S., Electroneurodiagn. Tech
Scott Community College
3. Ashlynn Roberts, A.A.S., Medical Specialties
College of America - Colorado Springs
4. Forrest Walker, A.A.S., Welding
Marshalltown Community College
5. Araya Wanatee, A.A.S., Cosmetology
Aveda Institute - Albuquerque, NM



Assisting enrolled Meskwaki Tribal members and their descendants in pursuing post-secondary education and life-long learning goals.

MESKWAKI HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

In addition to financial assistance in the form of grants for higher education, the following assistance is available from the Meskwaki Higher Education Program:

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP SUPPORT

Enrolled Meskwaki Tribal members who are attending college are eligible to receive a \$200 grant in order to attend one academic or professional conference/workshop per year. To receive this grant, students must complete an educational enrichment application, pay for the conference/workshop, and submit copies of receipts to the Meskwaki Higher Education Program. Following this, the grant will be issued directly to the student.

PRE-COLLEGE SUPPORT

Purpose: The purpose of the Meskwaki Pre-College Support Program is to provide enrolled Meskwaki Tribal members with financial assistance for pre-college expenses and academic enrichment programs. This includes college entrance exam preparatory classes and testing fees, college/university application fees, and academic enrichment programs for high school students.

ACT/SAT PREPARATION AND TEST FEES

A one-time reimbursement is available to cover the cost of one ACT preparation course and

exam and/or one SAT preparation course and exam. In order to be reimbursed, the student must complete an educational enrichment application, provide documentation of tribal enrollment, and submit receipts of payment.

APPLICATION FEES

Financial assistance (up to \$150) is available to help students pay college/university/vocational program application fees. In order to receive funding, students must complete an educational enrichment application, provide documentation of tribal enrollment, and submit their program application(s) to the Meskwaki Higher Education Program. The Higher Education Program will then send the application fee to the educational institution along with the student's application.

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Financial assistance (up to \$800 per request/\$1,600 per child) is available for parents who would like to send their children (ages 13-18) to pre-college, academic enrichment programs. Parents are limited to two requests per child, and these two requests cannot be made within the same academic year. In order to be reimbursed, the parent must

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

1. **Matthew Bear- B.S., Criminal Justice**
Iowa State University
2. **Ricky Benson, B.A., Criminal Justice**
Buena Vista University
3. **Hallie R. Brown, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
4. **Kadyn Clark, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
5. **Dawson Davenport, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
6. **Lucas Goose, B.A., Journalism & M. Media**
Iowa State University
7. **Adonica Hennessy- M.A., Social Work**
University of Northern Iowa
8. **Christie Kapayou, A.A., Elementary Education**
Marshalltown Community College
9. **Charlotte Keahna-Nunez, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
10. **Vincent Lasley, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
11. **Adrienne Mauskemo, A.A., Liberal Arts**
Marshalltown Community College
12. **Amanda Papakee, M.A., Marriage & Family**
Mount Mercy College
13. **Melissa Peters, B.A., Social Work**
University of Northern Iowa
14. **Shawn P. Roberts, B.S, Psych. & Criminal Justice**
Buena Vista University
15. **Brendan J. Wanatee, B.A, Accounting & Management-**
Iowa State University

complete an educational enrichment application and provide the following: (1) documentation of the child's tribal enrollment, (2) supporting documents that provide a detailed description of the program, (3) receipt of payment, and (4) certification of successful program completion. When this process is complete, the parent will be reimbursed up to \$800 depending on the cost of the program.

For more information, contact Travis Mullen or Harlan Brown at the Meskwaki Higher Education Program at (641) 484-3157.

SUMMER GRANT RECIPIENTS:

REMINDER - A GRADE REPORT NEEDS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE MESKWAKI HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE END OF SUMMER CLASSES.



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GRADUATES

A MESKWAKI TRADITION

The Meskwaki Higher Education Program held its annual Graduation Pow Wow on May 14th at the Meskwaki Settlement School. During the event, 43 high school graduates and 14 college graduates were recognized for their achievements, an all time high!

Special thanks to this year's ambitious parent committee who raised funds and planned a great event. Gratitude also goes out to the Meskwaki Settlement School, especially Orielle Kapayou and Demetreus "Bones" Wanatee, Jenna Thomas for quilt making, the I.T. Department for Livestreaming, Emcee Larry Yazzie and Arena Director Jerod Pushetonequa.



Thank you