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Social Services

MAY 18 1977

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
604 Wagon Train Drive S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87123

Dear Mr. Bennett:

We would like to express our gratitude to you in finding time in your busy schedule to address the Judicial/Social Services workshop on May 12, 1977, at Aberdeen. Your discussion of the history of the laws and court decisions resulting in the present day BIA interpretations was outstanding. It served to place so much in proper context for the entire group.

The forming of a tribal corporation is something we are sure Indian tribes will seize upon to aid their programs. The taping of this segment of the program and the fact that this will enable many more to hear your talk is a special, unexpected bonus for which we thank you.

It is hoped that we may again call on you at some future date for the general consensus of opinion was that the workshop was valuable and additional sessions are recommended.

Sincerely yours,

*Lesley M. Zepher*  
Area Director



*Save Energy and You Serve America!*

7/11/77

Bob + Clara Barnett

You remember  
of the Ordination is  
deeply appreciated. My  
Dream is that the Lord  
will fill you all  
with peace + Joy.

EB Sivillo

"There is a Wonderful Brazilian  
Song that says.

'When one is Dreaming alone,  
it is only a dream, when  
we are dreaming together,  
it is not only a dream!

It is the beginning of reality!"

(Dom Helder Câmara)

Ed Savilla

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

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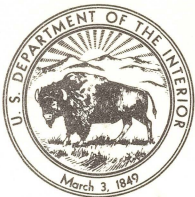


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# United States Department of the Interior

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November 22, 1977

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Consultant on American Indians  
604 Wagon Train Drive, SE  
Albuquerque, NM 87123

Dear Mr. Bennett:

I want to commend you on your excellent training presentation of Tribal Government at the Pawnee Tribal Reserve, Pawnee, Oklahoma. The goals of the course and the objectives were defined clearly. I honestly feel that those who attended the workshop were well pleased with the material received. The tribes will reap the benefits by having employees who have gained some knowledge from the training.

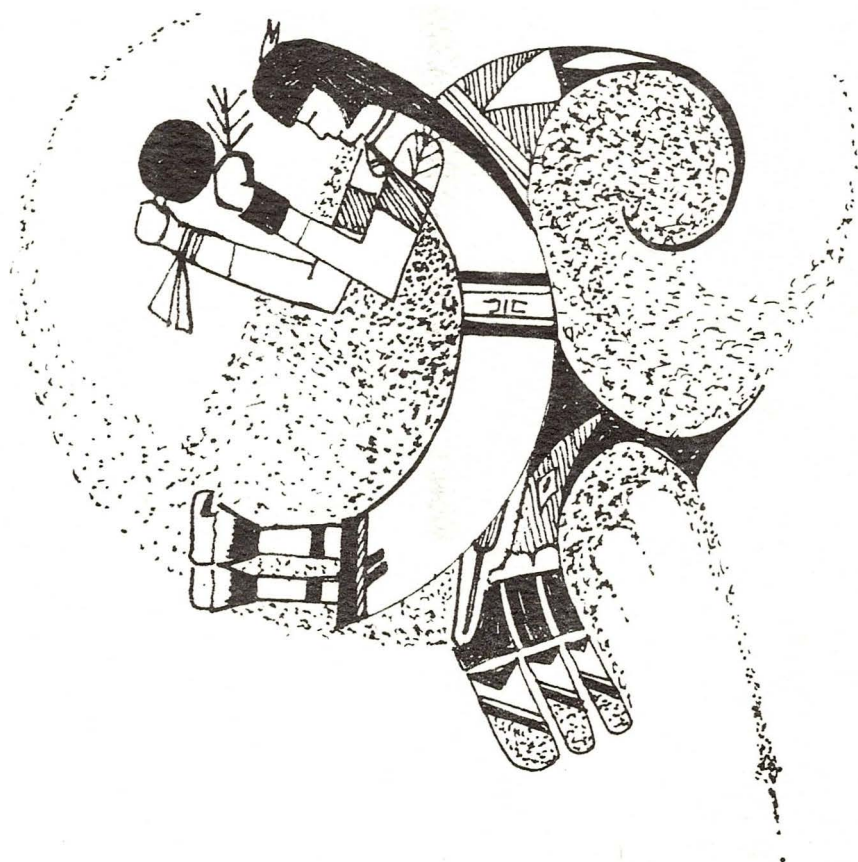
I hope you will be able to provide another training course in our area in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

  
Acting Superintendent



# AMERICAN INDIAN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



December 3, 1977

I have learned  
through practice

I have excelled  
through effort

I have won  
through faith

I have striven to  
do good

and

in my striving

I learned about myself

## American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame

### Logo Interpretation

THE EAGLE . . . Signifies bravery and courage. Of all the winged creatures the eagle soars closest to the Great Spirit. The eagle is also the emblem of America.

THE CIRCLE . . . Signifies unity among people. It is unending.

THE SPEAR . . . Represents an ancient economic tool.

THE HOLY PIPE . . . Represents spiritualism - our relationship with the Great Spirit.

THE WINGED TRACK SHOE, THE BASEBALL, THE CROSSED BATS AND THE FOOTBALL . . . signify sports.

THE OLYMPIC CIRCLES . . . Are conclusive, representing all forms of athletics.

THE SPEAR, THE HOLY PIPE AND THE ATHLETIC EMBLEMS . . . Also portray the physical, mental and spiritual attributes needed to accomplish harmony and unity among all people.

## American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame Enshrinement

Saturday, December 3, 1977

6:00 p.m. - Reception

President's Banquet Room

Curtis Hall

Master of Ceremonies - Overton James

Recognition of Honored Guest

Presentation of Hall of Fame Inductees

Concluding Remarks

Adjournment

## *Robert L. Bennett*

**TRIBE:** Oneida

Mr. Bennett is being inducted as an honorary member of the Hall of Fame. It was his vision while Commissioner of Indian Affairs, that Indian people have a Hall of Fame for recognizing the accomplishments of famous athletes, both men and women.

Mr. Bennett's personal accomplishments are numerous. He has represented his people and himself in a dynamic and eloquent manner. These attributes have enabled him to serve in and hold many prestigious positions.

Mr. Bennett's continuous support to the Hall of Fame is appreciated by all of his colleagues. The Hall of Fame Board of Trustees feel that due to his admirable accomplishment, it is not only fitting, but proper, that Mr. Bennett become a member of the Hall of Fame.

## *Chester L. "Chet" Ellis*

**TRIBE:** Seneca

**SPORT:** Boxing - Amateur and Professional

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

1935 and 1936 Kansas National Guard Camp Champion, 126 pound division.

1935-1937 Featherweight Champion, A. A. U. Haskell Institute.

1935-1937 Captain, Haskell Boxing Team.

1938 and 1939 Kansas City Star Golden Gloves Bantamweight Champion.

1939 National Golden Gloves Bantamweight.

1939 International Golden Gloves Bantamweight Champion.

Chester Ellis was the first Indian to win a national title in Golden Gloves. He advanced to the international bantamweight boxing championship and became the first Indian to achieve the supreme crown in the sport.

## *Stacy S. Howell*

**TRIBE:** Pawnee

**SPORT:** Basketball

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

1947 and 1948 Selected All-Conference while at Murray A&M Junior College.

1948 Selected as a Junior College All-American.

1949 All-Conference second team while at East Central.

His performance in the Oklahoma A. A. U. tournament won him N.A.I.B. All-American honors.

1950 A Helm's Foundation All-American selection.

## *Jack Jacobs*

TRIBE: Creek

SPORT: Football

### ACHIEVEMENTS

1939, 1940 and 1941 Started at quarterback for Oklahoma University.  
1940 Established kicking record for Oklahoma University, 47.8 yard average.  
1942 Played in E. W. Shrine game.  
1942 College All-Star game.  
1942 Played with Cleveland Rams.  
1945 Played with Washington Redskins  
1946 Played with Green Bay Packers.  
1950-1955 Played with Winnipeg Blue Bombers.  
1950 and 1953 Led Bombers to the Grey Cup finals.  
1955 Assistant Coach and Scout, Winnipeg.  
1956-1957 Head Coach, London Lords.  
1958-1960 Assistant Coach, Hamilton Tiger Cats.  
1961-1962 Assistant Coach Montreal Alouettes.  
Played 22 years without missing a season.  
Enshrined in the Canadian National League Hall of Fame in 1973.

## *Clyde L. James*

TRIBE: Modoc

SPORT: Basketball

### ACHIEVEMENTS

1924 Set scoring record at S.W.S.C. in the Missouri Intercollegiate Association Championships.  
1924 Elected Captain of All-League Team of the Missouri Intercollegiate Association.  
1925 Led Missouri Valley AAU in scoring field goals.  
1927-1947 Played with Tulsa Eagles, Tulsa Diamond Oilers, AAU Basketball Teams.  
1929 Led Missouri Valley AAU in scoring field goals.

## *Rollie Thurman Munsell, Jr.*

TRIBE: Chickasaw

SPORT: Boxing, amateur and professional.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

1932 Missouri Valley AAU Championship, 160 pound division.  
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1938-1942 As a professional heavyweight boxer fought over 100 fights against such boxers as Babe Hunt and Max Baer.  
1938 Won Indian Heavyweight Boxing Championship of the World Belt, recognized by the National Boxing Association and Ring Magazine.

Member of Oklahoma Athletic Hall of Fame.

## *Phillip Osif*

TRIBE: Pima

SPORTS: Track and Cross Country.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

1927 Captain Haskell Cross Country Team, Haskell Track Team.  
Member of 1927 Haskell 2-mile Relay Team, undefeated in Texas Relays, Kansas Relays, Knight of Columbus Games, Penn Relay Games and Rice Relays.  
National AAU Junior and Senior 6-mile Champion.  
1500-meter Illinois Relay Champion.  
3000-meter Kansas University Relay Champion.  
1927 Missouri Valley AAU 2-mile record holder.

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# AMERICAN INDIAN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME ENSHRINEMENT

Saturday, December 3, 1977  
Haskell Indian Junior College  
Curtis Hall 7:30 P.M.

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Master of Ceremonies: Overton James

## *Recognition of Honored Guest*

Presentation of Hall of Fame Inductee's

*Robert L. Bennett - Honorary Inductee*

*Response*

Chester Ellis - Boxing: Amateur and Professional

*Response*

Stacy Howell - Basketball

*Response*

Jack Jacobs - Football

*Response*

Clyde James - Basketball

*Response*

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*Response*

Philip Osif - Track and Cross Country

*Response*

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DEC 5 1977

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604 Wagon Train Drive, S.E.  
Albuquerque, NM 87123

Dear Mr. Bob Bennett.

This is a brief note of thanks for your participation in the recent Superintendent's Orientation.

Your willingness to share your thoughts and experiences added a dimension to the program that will long be remembered by all those who participated. Without exception the reaction was one of gratitude and appreciation.

Overall, we had a great week at Ignacio. It would not have been possible without your help.

Sincerely yours,

Director, Office of Indian Services





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Mr. Robert Bennett  
604 Wagon Trail Drive, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87123

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Enclosed herewith is the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Government Workshop evaluation forms you requested. Everyone who attended has raved about how beneficial the session was.

Here is an article that appeared in our Tribal newsletter.

Have a joyous holiday.

Sincerely yours,

Camilla Wishkeno, Chairman  
Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians