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FROM THE ELECTED COUNCIL

wak' lis' aad modokni,

Here we are at the beginning of Summer. A season of planting seeds and growth.

The time has flown by over this past four years. It has been an honor to serve the Modoc People. The current Elected Council has made many strides during this term, focusing efforts on improving transparency and communication, expanding services to the membership, and reconnecting to Modoc Culture.

We've had some monumental moments occur, including the 150th remembrance of our forced relocation, laying our footprints in the homelands through the Modoc Ancestral Run, our first annual ye'ga (powwow), and bringing home our four warriors, Captain Jack, Boston Charley, Schonchin John, and Black Jim, to rest on the sacred lands they fought for.

It was important for us to increase communication with our members and to be transparent. Through bi-annual town hall meetings, Citizen Engagement Meetings, newsletters, mail-outs, website updates, annual reports, and meetings, we have been able to share relevant information and gather feedback about the needs of our general council. In addition to an open door and a listening ear to meet and connect with members one-on-one to ensure open lines of communication.

The most important part of our time in office has been investing in our culture. Reconnection to our Modoc Culture has been a vital nutrient in the healing and growth of our people. Members, from all walks of life, have had the opportunity to travel to the homelands, walking into the world of our ancestors with childlike wonder and curiosity. The land of our origin. It has been said that "the land needs to feel our feet and hear our voices to heal". That healing was mutual. We exchanged our stories with our ancestors on a very spiritual level. In addition, cultural programming has offered members opportunities to learn Modoc Language, traditional skills, and connect with historical items such as baskets, caps, cradle boards, bows, and tools.

Modokni, as you read this newsletter, know that we are working for you every day and for the generations to come.

g'mokamp's (creator)

Plai'kni shutesh (highest of the highest)

Mo sepk'ecc'a (Much thank you)

Nu mis gen wytas (for this day)

Been dicii naalaam olgi (it is good we gather together)

At a playiaa saaMaaks (now we pray for our relatives)

Stinta heewia coy tichipatko coy shugatko (with love and respect we pray)

Katak katak (Faithfully, faithfully)

Sepk'ecc'a,

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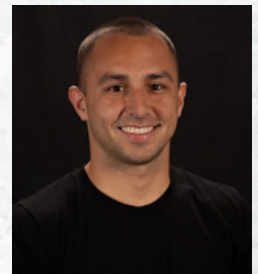
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ON THE COVER - THE 2025 MODOC NATION POWWOW

Last year, Modoc Nation hosted the first annual Powwow on new grounds by the Gathering Place and Wellness center, celebrating culture and the revitalization of our people through gathering together. Learn more about how this historic event on pages 5-6 was so impactful for the people of Modoc Nation.

OPERATION FEATHER GIVE

On August 6th, members of the Modoc Nation Elected Council and the Cultural Preservation Department traveled to Perkins, Oklahoma for a deeply meaningful visit to the Grey Snow Eagle House, home of the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma's eagle sanctuary and conservation program.

During the visit, the Modoc delegation had the opportunity to tour the aviary and learn more about the Iowa Tribe's ongoing commitment to eagle conservation. Through rehabilitation, education, research, and providing sanctuary to permanently injured eagles, the Grey Snow Eagle House strives to be a leader in preserving this sacred species for future generations. The highlight of the visit was participation in Operation Feather Give, an initiative through which the Iowa Tribe provides eagle feathers to specifically authorized Native American nations to support their cultural and spiritual needs. The Modoc Nation received 25 bald eagle feathers, 20 brown and 5 white, to be used in our cultural practices and ceremonies. We are grateful to the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma for their generosity, their stewardship of these sacred birds, and their commitment to supporting Native nations across the country. This exchange is a beautiful reminder of the strength we find in connection with one another.



ARTISAN DRUM GIFT

Modoc Nation citizen Randall Clark recently gifted the Nation a handcrafted drum made from buffalo hide from the Modoc Nation Ranch. We thank him for sharing his talent and honoring our traditions in this powerful way.





On December 14th, the Modoc Nation community came together at the Peoria Community Center in Miami, Oklahoma for the annual Winter Gathering, and this year did not disappoint.

A highlight of the day was the debut of the ugly sweater competition, and let's just say our citizens came prepared. The creativity and competitive spirit on display had everyone laughing and enjoying the day.

Children were visited by Santa and received gifts, and the afternoon was filled with Christmas themed crafts, cookie decorating, and a wonderful shared lunch.

Thank you to CCDF and the Modoc Nation for making this beloved annual tradition possible. Events like these remind us of the strength and warmth of our tribal community, and we look forward to gathering again next year.



MAKLAKS people celebrate YE'GA 2025

MODOC NATION'S FIRST INAUGURAL POWWOW



What was meant to be an October gathering became a November blessing. After adverse weather forced a rescheduled date, the Modoc Nation's first inaugural Powwow, maklaks yeGa, or "people celebrate," came to life on November 15, 2025 on the Modoc Nation Powwow grounds west of the Gathering Place and elder housing near Wyandotte, Oklahoma. And it was worth the wait.

The weekend kicked off Friday night with a bison chili cook-off, with meat generously provided by Modoc Nation Ranch. Competitors brought their best recipes and competed for a trophy and Modoc Nation Ranch swag, with Ranch employees serving as judges. Everyone went home with a full belly of chili and fry bread.



Saturday's Powwow was an exhibition event filled with drumming, dancing, and song. Southern Sway led the drum circle and M.C. Henry Rondeau kept the energy warm and welcoming, offering humor and guidance throughout the day. Monica Super was also in attendance, sharing her knowledge to educate and guide attendees on all things Powwow.



Vendors offered food, coffee, crafts, and jewelry. Modoc Nation Behavioral Health was on hand with culturally meaningful giveaways, and the Cultural Preservation Department offered craft activities and a cool shaded respite from the midday sun. Elders, veterans, and students were each given moments of honor.

The weather on the rescheduled date was clear and beautiful, almost as if the land itself was ready to celebrate. This was a weekend of community, connection, and good medicine. Much gratitude to everyone who assisted, volunteered, and participated.



Thank you to all who gathered at the Inaugural Modoc Nation Powwow, sharing in the culture, past, present, and future of our people. Read on in the next two pages to learn about the morning walk and the significance of this time in the gathering.

Morning Walk for Modoc Ancestors

At 10:00 a.m. on the morning of the Powwow/maklaks yeGa, tribal citizens gathered together for what was listed on the schedule as the "Morning Walk for Modoc Ancestors." The walk began with prayer, a tobacco offering, and a blessing before setting out. Over the course of several laps, members of Modoc Nation's elected council each took a turn leading the group, with Henry Rondeau and Monica Super from the Homelands offering guidance and education along the way. Each lap was dedicated to one of the four directions, carrying with it its own meaning, medicine, and prayer.

EAST - Air

The first lap was led by Chief Robert Burkybile, turning the group toward the East, the direction of new beginnings and new life. "New beginnings. New life. That feels especially fitting for today. With that in mind, I'm choosing to see today as day one, the starting point. And from here, I'm thinking ahead: what does day two look like? What does year one become? What does year two grow into? Today is our first step, and I'll be carrying that forward in how I think about what comes next."



NORTH - Dream

Second Chief Gina McGaughey led the second lap, guiding the group toward the North and calling everyone to lift their eyes beyond the present moment. "As we contemplate the North, we look upward and allow ourselves to dream. We can dream for our own lives, but we can also dream beyond ourselves, for our people, for this time, and for the generations to come. In doing so, we give thanks to those who came before us and the dreams they carried. From that wisdom, we are called to prepare these young ones and help create a strong future for them. So I pray that we take time not only to lift up our own wants and needs, because those are real—but also to pray for this nation, for its people, and for their needs. That we move beyond ourselves and hold a greater vision together."



CENTER - Here and Now

Council Member Braxton Graham led the next lap, guiding the group to the center, reflecting on the present time. "Our people have come a long way and traveled through a lot of hard things for us to be here today. Like the rest of you, I have loved ones that would be so proud to see the Modoc Nation right now. As we embrace where we are and how we move forward, I believe it is so important that we do it together, in unity. We made it this far together and we will make it so much further if we continue to work together."



WEST - Water

Secretary/Treasurer Ramona Rosiere led the third lap, turning the community westward in a spirit of reflection, gratitude, and reverence for the sacred nature of water. "It symbolizes not only the end of the day, but also the end of life's journey.

It is a time for introspection, for maturity, and for coming to a deeper understanding of our lives. Water is deeply spiritual and inseparable from life itself. It is considered a living entity, with its own spirit, and a place where our ancestral spirits dwell. The waterways of our homeland sustain life, fish, waterfowl, and plant life. Tule reeds have long been used to weave baskets, make footwear, and build homes and boats. The seeds of the wokus and the water lily were ground into meal, serving as a staple for the Modoc people. And my prayer is for our ancestors. I hope they are proud of this moment, and I wish they could all be here with us."



SOUTH - Mother Earth

Council Member Jessica Mullin led the final lap, bringing the walk full circle with a dedication to the South, to Mother Earth, to Modoc ancestors, and to the enduring strength of the Modoc people. "This lap is dedicated to the South, for Mother Earth, and to reflecting on our Modoc ancestors: where we come from and where we stand today. I've had the opportunity to visit our homelands a few times, and being there is nothing short of healing. Placing your footprints back on that land is a profound experience. Seeing the richness and diversity of the environment our people lived in, how they survived and thrived, is incredible. It reminds us that even though our ancestors came from a place of abundance, their true strength was their resilience, the ability to endure and make a way, no matter where they were. That same strength lives in us today. For us as Modoc people to walk together and place our footprints on this land makes it sacred. There may not be many of us, and there never have been, but we have always been a strong and mighty people. That is how the Creator intended us to be, resilient, enduring, and capable of thriving. The earth nourishes that strength within us. When life feels overwhelming or busy, we can return to the earth. Step outside. Sit in quiet. Find solitude. The earth is here to care for us, to heal us, and to steady our minds. And in return, we must care for it. When we do, it will continue to take care of us. So during this lap, hold that in your mind and in your heart, gratitude for the earth, for how it serves us, heals us, nourishes our bodies and spirits, and connects us all."



ANCESTRAL RUN 2025

This past October, the Modoc Nation returned to its ancestral homelands. Runners, and supporters gathered at Medicine Lake in the Modoc National Forest for the 2025 Modoc Ancestral Run, a four-day journey dedicated to our Warrior Women.

Camp opened on Wednesday after much preparation thanks to Modoc Ancestral Run organizer Monica Super. Participants prepared for the run, came together to build the spuklis, and closed the evening with a sweat ceremony. It was a grounding, spirit-filled night before two big days running on the land.

Friday's run carried everyone through the heart of Modoc country, from Lani'shwi through Indian Butte, Cougar Butte, Timber Mountain, Payne Springs, and into Medicine Lake. Then on Saturday morning, runners woke up to a heavy blanket of snow and icy roads. Without missing a beat, the group adapted and started Day 2 at the South entrance of the Lava Beds, continuing along sand buttes across the lava fields to petroglyph point before returning to camp for a dinner and celebration to close out the run.

Thanks to travel scholarships made available by the Modoc Nation Elected Council, enrolled members were able to make the journey and experience the run firsthand. It was a beautiful, challenging, and deeply meaningful few days on our ancestral lands.



HONORING OUR ANCESTORS VIRTUAL WALK 2025

From October 9 through November 16, 2025, the Modoc Nation came together for the Honoring Our Ancestors Virtual Walk, a tribute to the 153 Modoc men, women, and children who endured a 2,000-mile journey by railroad car from Fort Klamath, California to the Quapaw Agency in 1873. One hundred and fifty-three years later, we walked in their memory once again.

Fifty-eight walkers logged miles from wherever they were, joined in spirit and purpose. Among them, the Ancestral Run group contributed miles walked together on Modoc homelands, weaving the two events into one powerful act of remembrance. Together, participants logged 1,409 miles and raised \$682 for the Community Crisis Center of Northeast Oklahoma, a shelter serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking.

While our collective goal of 2,000 miles was not fully reached this year, what was accomplished is nothing short of remarkable. Fifty-eight people chose to show up, lace up, and honor those who had no choice but to endure. That matters deeply.

Sepk'ecc'a to every walker who participated, donated, and shared the walk with others. Because of your generosity, healing resources in our region will be stronger. We look forward to growing this walk in the years to come.



Walk for our Ancestors

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HOMELAND

RETURNING TO THE LAND: A YEAR OF PROGRESS FOR THE MODOC NATION HOMELANDS PROGRAM

The Modoc Nation Homelands Crew had another historic year working to strengthen the Tribe's connection to the lands and waters that sustained Modoc ancestors since Creation. Through securing funding, expanding the land base, and growing the capacity to manage natural and cultural resources, the Homelands Team continues to build a foundation for current Modoc people and for generations to come- to reclaim and restore what was taken more than 152 years ago.

The Homelands Program's mission is rooted in reconnection: to help all Modoc peoples return to the lands their ancestors cared for since time immemorial, and to provide that same stewardship for the benefit of all Homelands residents and future generations.

The Regenerative Grazing Program continues to grow despite real obstacles. Modoc descendant and retired veteran Charles Jackson was hired as Grazing Crew Lead with support from the Gamble Foundation. Additional funding from the Bureau of Reclamation will retain Charles and add another crew position to carry out regenerative grazing and vegetation management across the Nation's now 3,000-acre land base. Currently, Charles is managing invasive weeds and soil health at Modoc Ranch while building the grazing program through resource assessment, training, and partnerships that will directly inform the Homelands Integrated Resource Management Plan.

First foods and traditional cultural practices are at the heart of every effort the Homelands Crew pursues, including the Shapa'sh Landscape Restoration Project, a 39,000-acre initiative undertaken in partnership with the Modoc National Forest and Bureau of Land Management. Named for a Modoc village within the planning area, the project will approve sage-steppe restoration to address encroaching juniper that, while native and culturally valued, has grown unnaturally dense due to the long exclusion of Modoc cultural burning. Dense juniper not only increases catastrophic wildfire risk, but it also draws down groundwater and hinders other plant growth, reducing water flow to already-suffering downstream environments like Lower Klamath Lake. With salmon now returning to Lower Klamath Lake, restoring these tributary connections has never been more urgent.

The Homelands Crew has also been instrumental in intertribal relationship building. Homelands employees and one tribal member recently received Cultural Monitor Certifications while supporting the Hammawi and Koselektawi Bands of the Pit River Tribe during cultural monitoring training on their XL Reservation, rekindling family connections and sharing knowledge across tribal communities.

To support the volume of grant-funded work now underway, including a \$1.2 million award for Shapa'sh project planning and \$2.5 million from the California Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Program, Traci Herbert of Allied Grant Writing Services has joined as a Modoc Nation Preferred Provider. She has already secured \$50,000 to support grant writing and management across all program areas, and \$100,000 from the Mellon Foundation to create a new digital archive of Modoc cultural and historic resources in partnership with the Cultural Preservation Department in Oklahoma.

UPDATE

EXPANDING THE HOMELANDS: NEW LAND, NEW PLANS, AND YOUR VOICE

Modoc Nation's ancestral territory was once defined by expansive lakes, wetlands, and sage steppe ecosystems rich with life. Beginning around 1917, Lower Klamath Lake, Tule Lake, Clear Lake, and Goose Lake were drained and modified, triggering lasting damage to habitat, heritage, and traditional-cultural resources that continues to this day.

In early 2025, Modoc Nation was awarded funding from the California Natural Resources Agency through the Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Program for the Homelands Land Base Expansion and Planning Project. Through this award, Modoc Nation has completed the purchase of two parcels totaling approximately 874 acres of formerly dewatered land at Lower Klamath Lake, now called Modoc Farm. Together with existing properties, this creates a land base stretching from lake to mountains, with real potential to return water to the land and restore habitat for sacred fish, migratory birds, and other species. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service purchased the adjacent property just to the north, and collaboration is already underway to manage both with a Modoc cultural focus, potentially doubling the scope and impact of the restoration effort.

An Integrated Resource Management Plan is also being developed to guide stewardship of all Homelands properties and is expected to be completed this calendar year. Community input is a vital part of this process.

Modoc Nation wants to hear from you. Please take a few minutes to share your perspective:

Tribal Members

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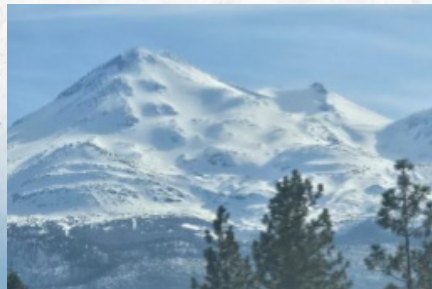


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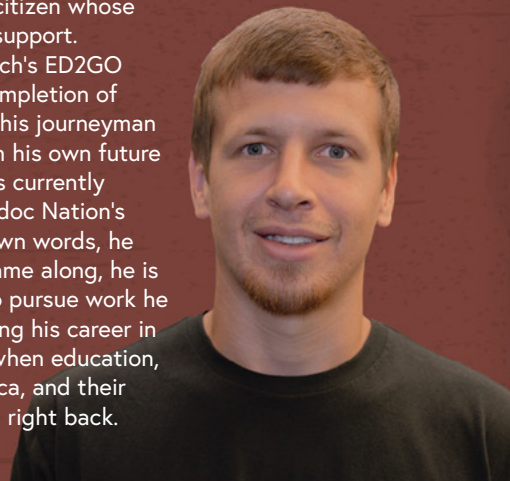
Your voice helps shape the future of the Homelands.



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

STEPHEN SHELTON

Modoc Nation is proud to recognize Stephen Shelton as our featured Student Spotlight. A Modoc citizen whose dedication to his craft and his community embodies the kind of growth this Nation works hard to support. In 2024, Stephen successfully completed the Residential Electrician program through Northeast Tech's ED2GO platform. Balancing education with the demands of everyday life is no small feat, and Stephen's completion of the program is a testament to his commitment and perseverance. Following graduation, he earned his journeyman electrician certification, a credential that represents not just technical skill, but a real investment in his own future and the future of his family. Today, Stephen is putting that investment to work close to home. He is currently employed with Modoc Power as a journeyman electrician, contributing his expertise directly to Modoc Nation's growing workforce. For Stephen, this opportunity has meant more than a career milestone. In his own words, he shares that he has always wanted to be more involved with his tribe, and when this opportunity came along, he is glad he took it, not only because it brought him closer to his Nation, but because it allowed him to pursue work he has always truly wanted to do. There is something deeply meaningful about a Modoc citizen building his career in service to his own people, and Stephen's story is a wonderful example of what becomes possible when education, opportunity, and a sense of belonging come together. Stephen lives in the area with his wife, Jessica, and their children: Cameron, Camden, Asher, and Stevie. He is grateful to be recognized, and we are grateful right back. Well done, Stephen! Your community is proud of you.



We are honored to spotlight Cyndy Tessitor, whose life reflects creativity, resilience, and a deep pride in her Modoc heritage. Descendant of Cora Pickering-Hayman, Cyndy was born in San Gabriel, California, and graduated from Stephens College in 1967 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. Over the years, she has followed many creative paths.

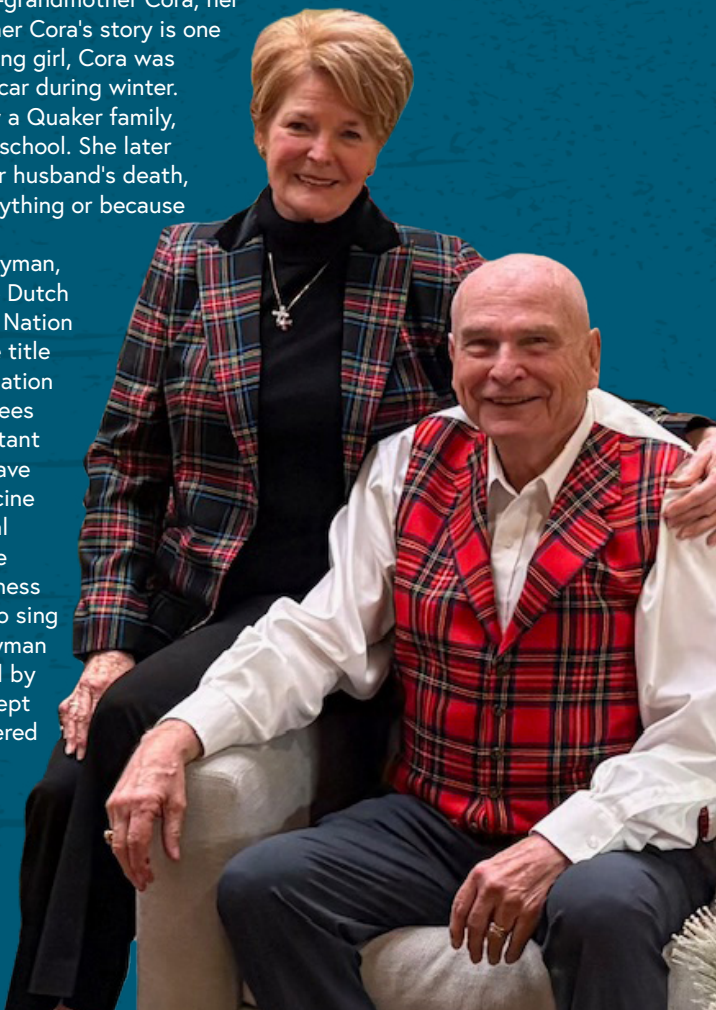
She owned a Theatre Arts Studio, worked for many years as an event florist, and continues teaching, creating floral designs, and practicing calligraphy with her own line of custom stationery. That creative spirit has always been supported by her family. Cyndy and her husband Doug have been married for 57 years. Together, they raised three daughters, Stacey Conzonire, Marcey Ellis, and Melissa MacGillivray, all registered Modocs. Their family now includes seven grandchildren, Katie, Jeffrey, Anne, Natalie, Emily, John, and Rosemary, each proud of their Modoc identity and accomplishments. Growing up, Cyndy, like many, did not fully appreciate her heritage as a child. Over time, that understanding grew through the stories of her family, especially her great-grandmother Cora, her grandfather Claude Hayman, and her Uncle Bert Hayman. Her great-grandmother Cora's story is one that has stayed with her and continues to influence her life even now. As a young girl, Cora was forced to leave the Klamath Falls area with her family, traveling in an open boxcar during winter. Within a short time, both of her parents had passed away. She was taken in by a Quaker family, given the name Cora Pickering, and given an education that included boarding school. She later returned to Indian Territory, where she raised four children on her own after her husband's death, supporting her family through hard work as a laundress and cook. Despite everything or because of everything, she was known for her care and thoughtfulness.

That strength carried into the next generation. Cyndy's grandfather, Claude Hayman, and her uncle, Bert Hayman, were deeply committed to their people. Alongside Dutch Walker and Viola Fryatt, they were part of the long effort to ensure the Modoc Nation would be recognized and not forgotten. The foursome may never have held the title of chief in their lifetimes, but their work helped pave the road for the Modoc Nation we know today. For Cyndy, that legacy is not just history. It is something she sees living on in her children and grandchildren. Education continues to be an important part of that story. With the support of the Modoc Nation, many in her family have pursued higher education and meaningful careers, from law to veterinary medicine to entrepreneurship. Cyndy also remembers visiting Chilocco Indian Agricultural School in Oklahoma, where her grandparents met. She recalls the beauty of the campus and the stories her mother shared about life there, both the homesickness many children felt and the moments of connection, like gathering by the lake to sing and drum. Family has remained at the heart of everything for the Pickering-Hayman family. One especially meaningful moment came when her mother was honored by the Glendora Historical Society. As multiple generations stood together to accept the award, Cyndy captured the moment perfectly, saying, "If you've ever wondered what a tribe of Modocs looks like, here we are."

Cyndy's story is one of creativity, devotion, and reflection. Through her memories, she honors the strength of those who came before her while celebrating the family and legacy that continue to grow today.

ELDER SPOTLIGHT

CYNDY TESSITOR



A LEGACY OF SERVICE: HONORING

Ramona Rosiere

Some lives are lived in quiet devotion to something greater than themselves. Ramona Rosiere is one of those people. As Secretary/Treasurer of the Modoc Nation since its federal recognition in 1978, Ramona has given more than four decades of her life to her people, with a deep sense of purpose instilled in her long before she ever took office.

Born in January of 1946 to Vernon "Dutch" Walker and Francis Walker, Ramona came into the world already rooted in Modoc leadership. She is the fifth generation of her family line of Modocs in Oklahoma, the daughter of Dutch Walker, the second Chief of the Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma, and the great-granddaughter of James Long, known historically as the "Youngest Modoc Warrior" of the 1873 Modoc War. Hers is a family that has stood at the center of Modoc history through some of its most defining and difficult moments, and Ramona has carried that legacy with grace.

Her father shaped much of who she became as a leader. Dutch Walker was a man who cared deeply about the future of the Modoc people. He worked to protect the tribe's identity in the years following termination from federal supervision in 1954, while also pushing for growth, opportunity, and dignity for his community. The values he lived by, looking out for one another, thinking ahead, and honoring the Modoc name, took root in his daughter and never left her.

Ramona has spent her career putting those values into action. As Secretary/Treasurer, she has ensured that resources were managed with care and directed toward the people who needed them most. She has approached her responsibilities with a long-term view, always asking not just what the tribe needs today, but what it will need tomorrow. Through periods of growth, challenge, and change, she has remained a constant and trusted voice and a tireless advocate for Modoc citizens.

Among her proudest contributions is the role she has played in supporting Modoc students over the years. Through tribal education funding, Ramona has been part of helping young tribal members access educational opportunities that may otherwise have been out of reach. For her, this was never just an administrative function; it was personal. Education represents the future, and investing in Modoc students meant investing in the continuation of the Modoc people themselves.

She has also been witness to the tribe's remarkable growth over the decades, in membership, in economic viability, and in its ability to serve its citizens through meaningful programs in education, housing, and health. That growth did not happen by accident. It was built by leaders who showed up, year after year, and did the work.

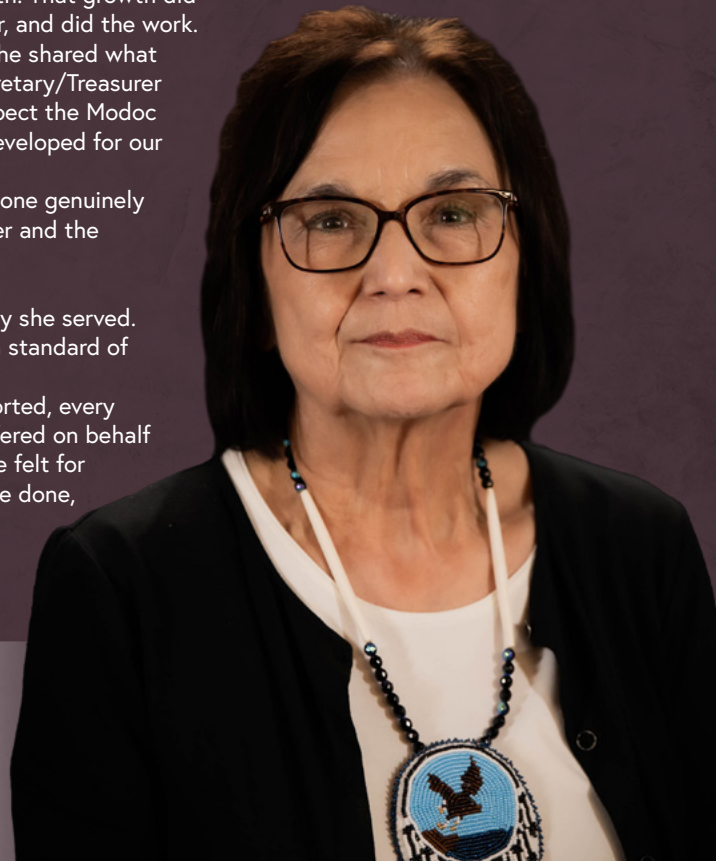
Ramona was among them. In her own words, spoken during a past campaign, she shared what has always guided her: "It has been my honor to serve the Modoc Tribe as Secretary/Treasurer for some forty years. My hope is that the Modoc Tribe will always strive to respect the Modoc name and to continue to maintain and improve the programs that have been developed for our members in all areas of education, housing, and health."

Those words capture her perfectly, not someone seeking recognition, but someone genuinely honored to serve. That quiet, enduring commitment is the hallmark of her career and the measure of her character.

Ramona raised four daughters and has always made her home in the community she served. She leaves behind a record of integrity, a tribe stronger for her presence, and a standard of service that will not easily be matched.

To Ramona Rosiere, thank you. For every budget reviewed, every student supported, every minute recorded, every meeting attended, and every quiet act of leadership offered on behalf of the Modoc people. Your dedication has left a mark on this nation that will be felt for generations to come. You have honored the Modoc name in everything you have done, and we are deeply grateful.

Ramona Rosiere served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Modoc Nation from 1978 until her retirement this year. The Modoc Nation wishes her rest, joy, and all the blessings she has so generously given to others.



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