

NASNTI Celebrates Welcome Week!

NASNTI celebrated welcome week by hosting its first Symposium:

Native Women Power! Absentee Shawnee Tribal Governor, Edwina Butler-Wolfe was the guest speaker. Singer and Songwriter, Happy Frejo performed a Shawl Dance and Miss Indian Oklahoma City, Kendell Frazier, performed the Lord's Prayer.



Pictured left are Absentee Shawnee Tribal Governor, Edwina Butler-Wolfe and Seminole State College Student Melanie Harjo. (Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Tribe).

Governor Edwina Butler-Wolfe

Edwina Butler-Wolfe, a proud citizen of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe, was elected to the Office of Governor in 2013 and is currently serving her third-term of Office. She is the only female Governor in the Tribe's long and distinguished history to serve a full-term of Office and to be elected for the third time. Governor Butler-Wolfe attended Dale High School in Dale, Oklahoma and pursued her course work at Seminole Jr. College, Rose State Jr. College, St. Gregory's University and Oklahoma Baptist University. Governor Butler-Wolfe began her employment in her early teens and continues to illustrate both dedication and pride through and in her work. Her focal interest is on educational reform and curriculum advancement. She has expertise in creating, implementing and managing programs, event planning, raising funds and grant writing. She has coordinated a wide range of events for children and youth of all ages such as: basketball tournaments, 5k Run's, Fall Festival and Pow Wows.

Mrs. Butler-Wolfe has served on multiple advisory, planning, and educational committees and boards for over 26 years. She actively participates in nationwide senior level basketball games. She takes pleasure in coaching youth t-ball, basketball, softball, track and volleyball and being a part of her grandchild's adventures. Her husband, Leonard Wolfe, also an Absentee Shawnee tribal member, is a long-time Manager at Walmart in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Governor Butler-Wolfe has an adult son, Joshua Gibson, Absentee Shawnee tribal member and one grandchild.



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