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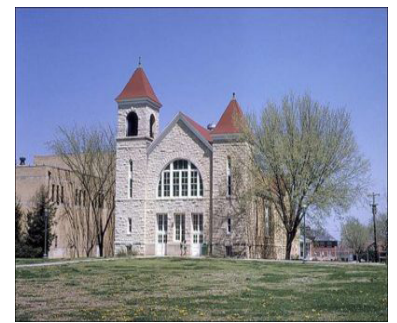
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# NEWS

## Renovation Work to Begin on Hiawatha Hall

TRAVIS CAMPBELL



After nearly 20 years of neglect, funding has been secured and the task of replacing the roof on Haskell's oldest standing structure, Hiawatha Hall, will soon be starting.

Lee Pahcuddy, Director of Facilities, has secured the necessary money to complete the project and is excited to get started. He is hopeful that this will be the first of a series of renovations to the 119-year old structure with the ultimate goal of returning it to active use.

Designed in a Gothic-Romanesque by John G. Haskell, the architect responsible for the design of the Kansas State Capitol building and brother of the school's namesake, Dudley C. Haskell, Hiawatha Hall was built in 1898 and served as the chapel and auditorium for Haskell Institute.

Later, the building served as the girls' gymnasium and classroom space. Sadly, the condition of the historic structure has degraded over the years as it has been closed since the late 1990s.

Pahcuddy stated that the new roofing project has already received approval from the Kansas State Historical Society, approval that is necessary to ensure that any changes are in keeping with the building's original design and aesthetic as Hiawatha Hall is listed on the National Register of Historic places.

As word about the upcoming project spreads, Pahcuddy's enthusiasm is mirrored across campus. Jancita Warrington, Director of the Haskell Cultural Center and Museum, said, "Being the oldest building on campus, the history that lies there is our greatest reminder of the changes that have

occurred here over the past 119 years and the amazing tenacity of the people to persevere and overcome every challenge that was presented to us. The spirit of that building is the resilient spirit we carry forward today."

A photo of Hiawatha Hall from the past shows the historic building when the structure was in better condition.

The new roof will restore the exterior of the building to its appearance in the mid-20th century and will serve to protect the interior from any further exposure to the elements until large-scale rehabilitation work can begin.

According to Pahcuddy, the total cost for the renovations to the building had previously been estimated at around \$9 million, \$35,000 of which would cover the new roof.

Pahcuddy added that most of the building's original late 19th century woodwork is still in place and is hopeful that during renovations the school's bell, which once occupied the building's north tower, can be found and reinstalled.

Individuals seeking further information about the upcoming renovations are encouraged to contact Lee Pahcuddy at [lpahcuddy@haskell.edu](mailto:lpahcuddy@haskell.edu).

Additional information regarding the history of Hiawatha Hall is available from the Haskell Cultural Center and Museum at [hinuccm@gmail.com](mailto:hinuccm@gmail.com).



## New I.D. Cards offer upgraded security at Curtis Hall

DAMON PEAK

Many Haskell students don't know that the reason new ID cards were issued is to have better accounting of who exactly is eating at Curtis Hall.

According to the Haskell Director of Food Services Mrs. Barbara Stumblingbear, "\$200,000



*Curtis Hall Employee Nia Iris Schexnider*

dollars were lost last year due to many unknown patrons eating at dining hall."

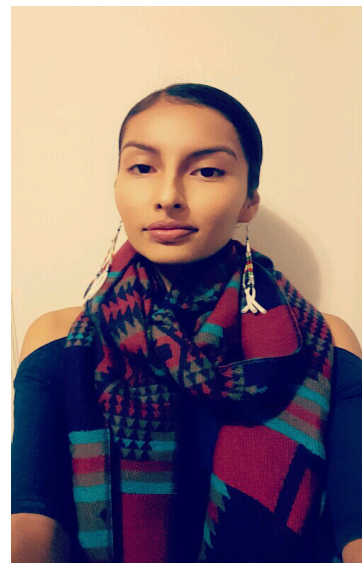
She also remarked, "We are feeding everybody under the sun. We are feeding students on and off campus, students who haven't paid... and people who used to be students."

For many years Stumblingbear says that the Haskell Food Services Department has accounted for just how many students are served daily, and exactly whose I.D. cards were used during the previous years with records that date back since 2014.

The estimation of the \$200,000 dollars that was lost stems from the unaccounted food that has been served over the course of a whole school year.

Haskell Student and Curtis Hall patron Kayla Bointy said, "as a student I knew there were other students that would forget their I.D.'s sometimes, and

I would also see old students walk in,



*Curtis Hall Patron and Student Kayla Bointy*

but I didn't know that it was costing our school that much money!"

These I.D.'s are part of a worldwide program called CBORD, which is a leading provider of campus and cashless card systems.

As opposed to the \$200,000 dollars that were lost last year, this program is worth about \$28,000.

With these numbers, Haskell's Food Services Department are optimistic that this will save the school a lot more money in the coming years.

## Quick trips around campus: students able to get around campus easier!

SHIRLEY CYPHER

Students want to get around campus a lot faster with the help of two wheels. Making it easier to get to that early morning class you might have woken up late for? A small program is in the process of using old bikes left behind on campus.

Haskell staff, Megan Fisher, is organizing the idea of gathering old bikes. Fisher wants to make college life easier for students to get around Haskell better and also keeps students entertained outside during their free time.

Fisher is hoping to get the program started either this spring 2017 semester, or push it onto the fall 17' semester.



Students will be allowed to use the bikes around the different buildings to store their bikes during class or any business students need to take care of. The bikes will be available all over campus and will be marked with Haskell colors.

The program is still in the process of looking for a bike repair shop that can help repair the bikes, and also teach students to repair them on their own.

Facilities at Winnemucca is also helping restore the bikes for use.

Fisher is in the process of getting grants and funds to get the small program started through bike committees and other sponsors.

For further details contact Megan Fisher at the Natural Resources Office in Pontiac Hall (785) 749-8409 x409

or also contact Lee Pahcuddy Jr. Facility Manager (Winnemucca Hall) (785) 749-8467 x202



## Haskell athletics recognized six seniors on the women's basketball team for the 2016-2017 season.

SHANA LOMBARD



On February 1st, Haskell's women's basketball team played their last home game of the season against Central Christian. The ladies took home their last home win of the season (85-48) before going on the road for their final three games.

Once the game was over, the teams shook hands and the underclassmen went back to the locker room to prepare some items to send their graduating teammates off with, while the seniors called down their families to escort them on the floor

## SPORTS



The first player called out for her recognition on the team was KiAllen Gibson. She is from Thoreau, NM and transferred in to Haskell from Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI).

Sylvana Levier was the next honoree of the night. She is from Mayetta, KS. She currently has a 3.5 GPA. The third player called to the floor was Brandi Buffalo. Buffalo is from Rocky Boy, MT. She is also on the Dean's Honor Roll. Tinaya Murphy was called next.

She is from Los Lunas, NM. Murphy made President's Honor Roll for the Fall 2016 semester with a GPA of 3.9. Kortney Meat joins her fellow players on the court for her recognition on the team. She is from Kingfisher, OK. Meat also joined the 1,000 point club at the game.

Her career stats for points is currently at 1,003 total points over her collegiate career. The final player announced was Cerissa Honena – Reyes from Fort Hall, ID.

Honena gained a few awards during her time playing for Haskell Athletics and they include: Champions of Character award, All-Time Team award, and being a part of the Dean's Honor Roll.

Each player was gifted a bouquet of flowers and a bin full of presents from her team. They also received an eagle feather from a member of Haskell's Color Guard.

Haskell Athletics is planning the men's basketball Senior Night is going to be held after their game on Feb 8th against Lindenwood University – Belleville.





## Staying Fit!

**TIMOTHY BARBER**

According to Webmd.com “One in four freshman gain 5% of their body weight, an average of ten pounds, during their first semester,” stated by Jennifer Warner in her article “Freshman 15: College Weight Gain is Real.” A lot of variables come into play when staying fit such as: proper diet, getting enough sleep, and exercising. Diet plays a major role to staying fit, having too high of carbohydrates could lead to “weight gain or even diabetes,” stated Coach Joseph Bointy. A well rounded diet that consists of all food groups is the best. When certain food groups get favored is when problems start to arise, people lose track of their calorie intake and don’t know how much to burn off. Coach Al Gipp gave this example “chicken strips are around 187 calories a chicken strip and you have around 5 on your plate. That’s 935 calories alone so whatever sides are included are making it a 1000+ calorie meal”. The time you eat could also be a factor, “People gain more weight eating after 8pm,” stated Coach Gipp. Having a well-rounded diet that consist of: proteins, vegetables, fruits

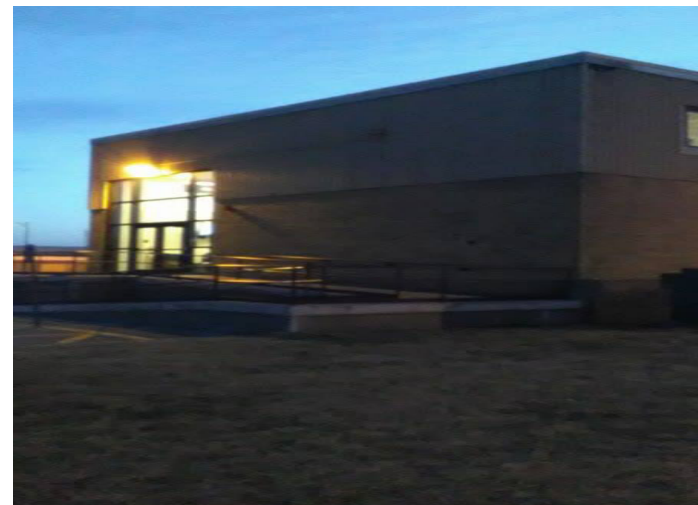
and some carbs.

“Sleepless at Stanford: What All Undergraduates Should Know About How Their Sleeping Lives Affects Their Waking Lives,” published on Stanford.edu by William Dement, M.D., Ph.D., states “the average sleep requirement for college students is 8 hours with an exception of an hour more or less.” A “sleep debt” can occur if this requirement is not reached. This could lead to falling asleep at the wheel, in class, or missing class entirely because of sleeping in. If you feel drowsy that should be considered a “red alert” because it means you can fall asleep at any time. The article also states “falling asleep at the wheel or in other hazardous situations are one of the leading causes of death and disability,” and that “55% of drowsy fatalities occur under the age of 25.”

Making sure to exercise and finding the time to put in a workout. Bointy suggested, “exercising at least 3-4 times a week for at least 45 minutes.” This along with the right diet can help keep any busy college student stay in shape. While Coach Gipp suggested, “an individual should focus on a certain aspect they want to build on and

work on that,” he also advised having a student help you with your workout schedule.

Staying in shape involves a lot of aspects of life, but with perseverance, a good routine, and diet it could lead to a long healthy life. Keeping track of your calorie intake can help you maintain or even lose weight. Activity trackers on phones can help keep students stay aware of what they are eating or how many steps they are putting in daily.



## Entertainment

**HUNTER HOTULKE**



In the wake of one of the most controversial Presidential Elections in United States history, many question have been asked regarding President Donald Trump’s future legislations and whether they could affect Haskell Indian Nations University

Remington Gritts, a Haskell Student, says that he hopes that “President Trump and his administration will continue to provide the funding for the education that many people receive here.

## Trump and the Future of Haskell

He hopes that the President will continue to support government programs that many people benefit from.” Remington goes on to say that “cutting funding for things like Planned Parenthood and other government funded programs, Haskell could be on the radar.”

Dr. Eric Anderson, instructor of history of Indigenous and American Indians, expressed many of the same sentiments, “President Trump’s freeze on hiring government employees is something that affects Haskell in many ways.

Dr. Anderson says that he hopes that President Trump will see the great things being done every day at Haskell and will allow them to continue to provide a quality education for natives around the country for many years to come.”

Haskell receives federal support through the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the Department of Indian Affairs and supports an average enrollment of over 1000 students from many federally recognized tribes each semester.





# HIGHLIGHT NIGHT PHOTO GALLERY





# BIE Official Speaks at Spring

REID WILLIAMS



Haskell kicked off the new semester with the Spring 2017 convocation. Haskell student, Diamond Rock (Cherokee) began the event by singing the National Anthem in her tribe's language, followed by a welcome from Mr. Stephen Prue, Assistant to the President.

Prue introduced keynote speaker, Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) Associate Deputy Director, Bart Stevens. Stevens spoke about his career path leading to his position today at the BIE.

Addressing the Haskell community, Stevens assured everyone that he and his department are here to assist not only Haskell as an institution, but also the students that attend Haskell.

At the close of convocation, students and faculty were allowed to ask questions. Stevens was asked what changes students should expect with President Elect, Donald Trump taking office at the end of the week. Stevens answered saying that there shouldn't be a concern about a loss of funding.



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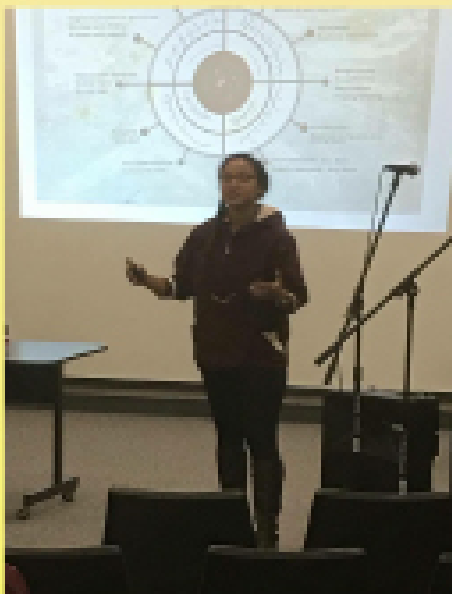
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AIS Professor Petrovic and his Decolonization Class

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