

Hello and greetings from Legislator Mary Jo Green, Seat 5, Pontotoc District and Chairman of the Health Care Committee!

Kudos to the Chickasaw Children's Choir and all those who participated in the production of the play "Hina Falaa" which was presented at the Ada High School in November. The production was scheduled for October 1 at Chickasaw Festival but was delayed because of the weather. A lot of work and talent was shown by those who performed and produced the play. Now we need more acts featuring different times and incidents in plays and film. Keep up the good work on bringing the past alive for us!

It isn't too late if you haven't received your flu shot yet, just schedule it with your next doctor's appointment. Kudos to those who brought the flu shots to the senior nutrition participants. Kudos to Linda Giles who asked for the vaccine to be distributed to the members of the Oklahoma City Metro Community Council.

The Health System is interviewing for a doctor to replace Dr. Charles Whiting. Dr. Whiting is leaving to go into private practice with his sister. We will miss him and wish him the best.

In the month of October, 2005, there were 215 hospitalizations at Carl Albert Indian Health Facility. The number of outpatient visits at Carl Albert was 14,453. October Emergency Room visits were 1,084. October saw 250 surgeries and the Same-day Clinic saw 2,882 patients.

The Family Practice Clinic in Ada saw 3,546 patients in October. The Ardmore Clinic saw 2,931 patients and the Tishomingo Clinic saw 2,087. The Durant Clinic saw 2,541 patients and the Purcell Clinic saw 1,428.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and blessed Christmas with your family and friends. Please contact me through my email address [mary.green@chickasaw.net](mailto:mary.green@chickasaw.net) or through the address and telephone number listed elsewhere in this and every issue of the Chickasaw Times and on

the Chickasaw Nation web site. My articles are also located on the web site. I look forward to speaking with you! Until next month, thank you.