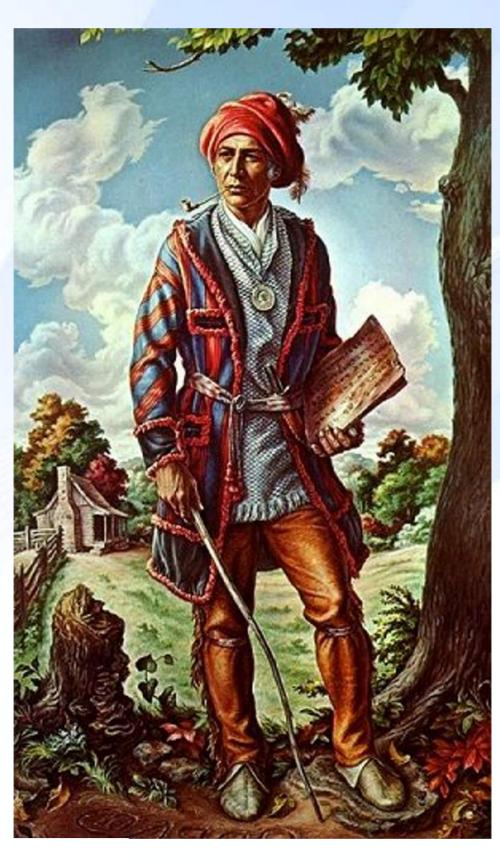
George Blue Spruce Jr. DDS, MPH

(1931 -)



- Dr. Blue Spruce is an enrolled member of the San Juan-Laguna Pueblos of New Mexico.
- He is the first American Indian Dentist.
- He is the first American Indian Dentist to earn the rank, "Assistant Surgeon General."
- He founded the Society of American Indian Dentists.
- He currently serves as Associate Dean, Education and Student Success for ATSU ASDOH.





Sequoyah (1767 - 1843)

 Sequoyah was a member of the Cherokee tribe. He invented the Cherokee alphabet and a way to write down the Cherokee language. He did this amazing feat all on his own.



William C. Bluesky (1922 - 2004)



- Dr. Bluesky is the first American Indian to graduate with a DO from ATSU-KCOM in 1954
- Set-up practice in Mentor Ohio
- He was a member of the Seneca Indian Tribe
- He severed as a Technician Third Grade during World War II
- While at ATSU-KCOM he became a member of Alpha Phi Omega, a coed service fraternity



Billy Mills (1938 -)



- He is a member of Oglala Lakota (Sioux) tribe
- He is a co founder and spokes person for "Running Strong for American Indian Youth"
- Set numerous high school track records
- Gold medal winner at the 1964 Olympics
- Served as an officer in the United States Marine Corps
- Awarded the 2012 Presidential Citizens Medal



John B. Herrington (1958 -)



- He was a U.S. Navy Aviation Officer
- He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation, Coast Guard Special Operations Service Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Sea Service Ribbons and various other service awards
- He is a member of the Chickasaw tribe
- He was the first American Indian in Space



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