

The **National Tutoring Association** recently had the honor of featuring Cheewa James at our national conference. The participants looked forward to her address as her attendance had been well publicized. Ms. James, however, left all expectation in the dust as she delivered a powerful and personal keynote.

Her presence and energy are undeniable. Her message was empowering and very reminiscent of the unparalleled Dr. Leo Buscaglia who shared great love and wisdom with his audiences while delivering a straight-forward message of how we can better treat and respect each other. The conference was at the beginning of April, and I am still receiving e-mails regarding Ms. James and her incredible speech and infectious personality.

Cheewa James is no less a skilled speaker, a talented historian and a poet, a wise observer of human nature and culture, and almost certainly a national treasure.

—Dr. Sandi Ayaz, Executive Director