

Pawnee Nation Officially Dedicates the New Entry Road and Bridge

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Nawah and Happy New Year!



We hope everyone had a joyful Christmas and hope Santa Claus was good to everybody.

We had a very enjoyable Veteran's Christmas dance, it was small because of the weather, but everyone who did make it out enjoyed their self. We had a good time dancing. It was good to hear our Pawnee songs and good to be back in the arena again dancing since I had not been out there for a couple of years. The spirit of the drum was really powerful; makes you really want to get out there and dance and dance hard.

It's good to see our people come out for the Veterans and support them and we even had a Comanche boy who was in the Marine Corps there and true to the Veterans, we honored him, which is always good because we honor our Veterans no matter what tribe or nationality. We respect our Veterans because they are the ones that give us the free-

dom to do what we do. We don't have to get special permission or get permits or anything else that our soldier boys and girls who stand guard over us that we have the right to do what we do and with our first World War Veterans who set it up for our Indian Veterans to have those three war dances a year and our New Year's hand game.

We had an enjoyable Veterans New Year's hand game, we had a lot of fun, if you weren't there you missed a good time, we enjoyed ourselves, we got to dance ghost dance, and hear our beautiful Pawnee ghost dance songs. It is really a spiritual blessing to hear those songs.

I want to wish each and every member of our great Pawnee Nation a joyful new year. May this New Year bring many good blessings to everyone. It is my prayer that everything be good for each and every person. I know sometimes things don't go the way we wish, but Atius always has a plan for us. Maybe we always don't understand it, but he is always there watching over us. That's the way the prayers went that the Moore family had at their meeting on New Year's Eve, also the Christmas Eve meeting was the same, that everyone have a good and prosperous new year.

At this time of the year we have had a couple of losses. It was hard with the loss of St. Elmo Wilde, he was a good man and Pawnee Veteran who helped out in any way he could. Another loss we recently had was Hiram Smith. Hiram and I use to talk about the Marine Corp, joke and laugh. We will miss both of them and all the ones who have passed on. I try to make all of our funerals, sometimes I can't make them all, but I do try to make all that I possibly can because I feel each and every member of the Pawnee Nation is important.

This last year has been a year that we have seen many new things at the Pawnee Nation. The completion of the police station, it is a beautiful facility, very modern, and up to date. The most enjoyable Christmas party that I was invited to was at the police station for the underprivileged children. We had very good time there. Also, the bike giveaway was very enjoyable. But the police station was just one of the many accomplishments of last year.

Also we saw the completion of the new bridge leading to the Great Pawnee Nation. We see that it is used daily with people going to and from the clinic and to work. We have even seen those people who have said that the bridge would never be completed and that it wasn't going anywhere, using the bridge. It was my prayer that it will be blessed and we would see it used greatly and it has been.

I was stopped by a young couple one day and they said that they were really grateful for the bridge. The young lady was four months pregnant and they would have to walk to the clinic from Eaglechief for appointments. They said they would have to walk clear around to the green bridge and around and now they just have to walk down the bridge and to the clinic from Eaglechief and that it saves them over an hours time walking. They are really grateful for that.

Beginning renovations at the roundhouse have started and the design for the elder's center is being worked on. A lot will be accomplished this next year. The VA and I.H.S. have just signed a memorandum of agreement were the veterans can be seen at the clinic. I.H.S. will get reimbursed for those visits, so now our Indian Veterans who would like to use the clinic can get signed up and be treated. This has taken several years to get done and now it is being done with hard work.

On Jan. 12, the Settlement Oversight Committee will have a meeting to decide how to use the other half of the settlement money for benefits and programs. They have a list of things to look at, such as burial, education and maybe even small assistance on business loans. There are a number of things that the Chiefs and the Council members will be looking at, will discuss and to need to decide on. I have instructed them that they need to meet quite often to get it published so that the people know what is being done.

For those who are looking forward to Feb. 14, I hope that cupid will not miss with his arrow and it brings lots of love to you all.

My prayer to Atius is that each and every one of you will have a very prosperous and blessed New Year.

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Cover Photo: The ribbon cutting ceremony that officially dedicated the new entry and bridge. (Left to Right) Darrell Flowers, Rhonda James, Chris McCray, Jim McCormick, Cecil Riding In, President Marshall Gover, Richard Tilden, Charles Lone Chief, Linda Jestes and Karla Knife Chief.
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Education

Free General Educational Development (GED) classes have resumed. For more information, call the Pawnee Nation College at (918) 762-3363.

Substance Abuse Program (SAP)

Every Wednesday of the month, the SAP support group meets from 7 - 8 p.m. in the SAP building. For details, call (918) 762-2153.

Diabetes Program

On Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. the Diabetes Program provides blood sugar checks. For details, call (918) 762-4045.

Pawnee Business Council

Jan. 9 and 23, Feb. 13 and 27. PBC Meetings held in the Roam Chief Building. Prayer Breakfast held Jan. 9 & Feb. 13 at 7:30 a.m. For more information, call (918) 762-3621.

Tribal Development Corporation

PTDC meetings held Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Corporate Office Conference Room located on the second floor of the Health and Community Services building. Community members welcome.

Pawnee Tribal Court

Jan. 11 - Criminal Court, 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 6 - Civil Court, 9:30 a.m.
Feb. 8 - Criminal Court, 1:30 p.m.
For details, call (918) 762-3649.

Jan. 8 - Pawnee Nation College spring semester 2013 begins. For details, call (918) 762-3343.

Jan. 12 - Settlement Oversight Committee Meeting at 9 a.m. For more information, call (918) 762-3621.

Visit www.pawneenation.org for additional information about the Pawnee Tribe and upcoming events.

Wildland Fire Scouts

Work Capacity Test & Refresher

Date: Jan. 15, 2013 **Time:** 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Consists of Pack Test, Drug Test and Refresher.
Where: Pawnee Nation Fire Station

Basic Training

Where: Pawnee Nation Fire Station
When: May 11 - 14, 2013 **Time:** 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

May 11, 2013: Work Capacity/Drug Test

Dress appropriately and bring Identification.
1. Driver's license or ID card issued by a state or outlying possession of the United States, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color and address.

2. School ID card with a photograph
3. Voter's registration card
4. U.S. military card or draft record
5. Military dependent's ID card
6. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner card
7. Native American tribal document

May 12-14, 2013: Classroom/outside training

A physical examination is required for those 45 years of age and older. Training is paid upon completion. Contact: Cecil Riding In or Rhonda James, 301 Agency Road, Pawnee OK 74058, (918) 762-3655, rhondaj@pawneenation.org.

Tribal Buildings offer many amenities favorable for community and personal gatherings. Locations for rent include the Roundhouse, the Community Building, the Camp Grounds, the Multi-Purpose building, the Wellness Center and the Roam Chief Event Center. For details, call (918) 762-2273.

Pawnee Nation Employees Honored For Their Service

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The Pawnee Business Council (PBC) and the Executive Office honored employees for their dedication and service during an employee lunch held on Friday, Dec. 14, in the Roam Chief Event Center.

"I would like to thank each of you for your passion directed to our People as demonstrated by your excellent service," said Carol Nuttle, PBC member. "Each one of you is very



(Left to Right) Richard Tilden, Cecelia Hawkins, Jaci Gover, Dawna Hare, Donna Howell and Carol Nuttle.

important and the services you provide are very much appreciated. Thank you."

Richard Tilden, PBC member, and Dawna Hare, executive director, also ex-

tended their gratitude and presented framed Certificates of Achievement to those celebrating many years of service.

Other tokens of appreciation presented to long-term employees were Howler's gift cards, Tax Office gift certificates, Pawnee Nation pins and Pawnee Nation pens.

SERVICE AWARDS

15 years of service

Harold Howell
Law Enforcement

10 years of service

Cecil Riding In
Transportation
Cecelia Hawkins
Tax department
Donna Howell
Food Distribution

5 years of service

Laura Melton
Grants & Contracts
Melissa Williams
Childcare
Ronald James
Pawnee Nation College

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Youth Leadership Training Sponsored By The Education Department

By Ted Moore
Education Division Director

Pawnee Nation's Education Division sponsored a Youth Leadership Training on Jan. 3, 2013.

In collaboration with Cloud Boy, LLC's Chance Rush and Emcee One; training on bully prevention, healthy relationships, empowering self-esteem, peer mentoring, and using culture education for growth was offered at the Pawnee Nation's Wellness Center Gymnasium.

Everyone was also welcomed to attend a community basketball exhibition game with live music later that evening.

"For all that is happening in the world today, we need to pull our youth together and provide them with strength, self-worth, and empowerment for the future," said Suzy Knife Chief, Youth Service coordinator.

"This event was open to ev-

eryone, including students who were returning from college for the break. Those that attended enjoyed the training, basketball exhibition and the live music."

Pawnee Nation's Education Division has planned a JOM meeting to be held at the Cultural Learning Center (Berry Building), at 657 Harrison Street, upstairs in the classroom, on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

The entrance is on the south side.

There will also be an election for the JOM Parent Committee held on Jan. 16, 2012.

For more information, please contact Suzy Knife Chief, Youth Services coordinator, or Ted Moore, Education Division director, at (918) 762-3227.

COMMISSIONS

Members of commissions are appointed by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC). If interested in serving, please send a resume and letter of interest to the PBC President at P. O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058. All commission meetings must be held on the Tribal Reserve.

The Gaming Commission

There is currently one vacancy on the Gaming Commission. Applicants for the Gaming Commission are appointed by the PBC for three-year terms and meet twice a month.

Primary responsibilities include regulatory matters concerning the gaming facilities located within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation and the selection and supervision of the Gaming Director. Commissioners must maintain a gaming license.

The TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) Commission

There are currently three posi-

tions that have expired on the TERO Commission. If interested in serving, please apply by Jan. 9, 2013.

The TERO Commission is governed by the Pawnee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Act (also known as the TERO Ordinance) and works with the Pawnee Nation and the Division of Education to place tribal members in training positions at the Pawnee Nation and with various businesses and organizations in the community in order to facilitate opportunities for better employment.

Arthur Fields is the current TERO Director.

Candidates are appointed by the PBC, serve a three-year staggered term and meet at least once a month.

The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (PTDC) Board of Directors

There are currently two vacancies on the TDC Board of Directors

and two other positions expire in January 2013.

The PTDC Board of Directors operates pursuant to the PTDC Articles of Incorporation. The Board is comprised of seven directors selected by the PBC, four of whom must be enrolled members of the Pawnee Nation. The remaining board members may be non-natives carefully selected because of their skill in manufacturing, engineering, technology, education, business or finance. Meetings are held every other Tuesday evening.

Selected candidates will be required to obtain a Pawnee Nation gaming license and a State liquor license.

The Pawnee Tribal Housing Authority Board of Directors

There are currently no vacancies on the Housing Authority Board of

Directors.

The Pawnee Nation Election Commission

The Election Commission has two positions that expire in December 2012. The two terms that are expiring are the Clerk and Alternate.

The Pawnee Nation Utility Authority Commission

The Utility Authority Commission member positions have expired. This is a three-person commission that is governed by the Pawnee Nation Utility Act.

The Liquor Control Commission

This three-person commission is governed by the Pawnee Nation Liquor Control Act.

For more details on the commissions, please visit www.pawneenation.org.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS



(Left) The cover photo for the December 2012 issue of the *Chaticks si Chaticks* highlighting St. Elmo Wilde at the Flood Anniversary Parade in October 2009 was taken by Muriel Robedeaux. Wilde passed away on Nov. 26, 2012 and was a member of the Pawnee Tribe. Wilde was committed to serving both Pawnee Nation and the Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization.

(Right) The photo that accompanied the article, "Run To Defeat Diabetes" published in the December 2012 issue of the *Chaticks si Chaticks* was taken by Darrel Banning. The picture includes (Left to right) Beverly Miner, Aaron and Crystal McNeill, Katie Fewell, Lynette Wichita and Tiffany Frieze.



PBC MEMBERS VISIT NEBRASKA

White Eagle Memorial in Fullerton Honors Pawnees

By Kathryn Bell
Contributing Writer

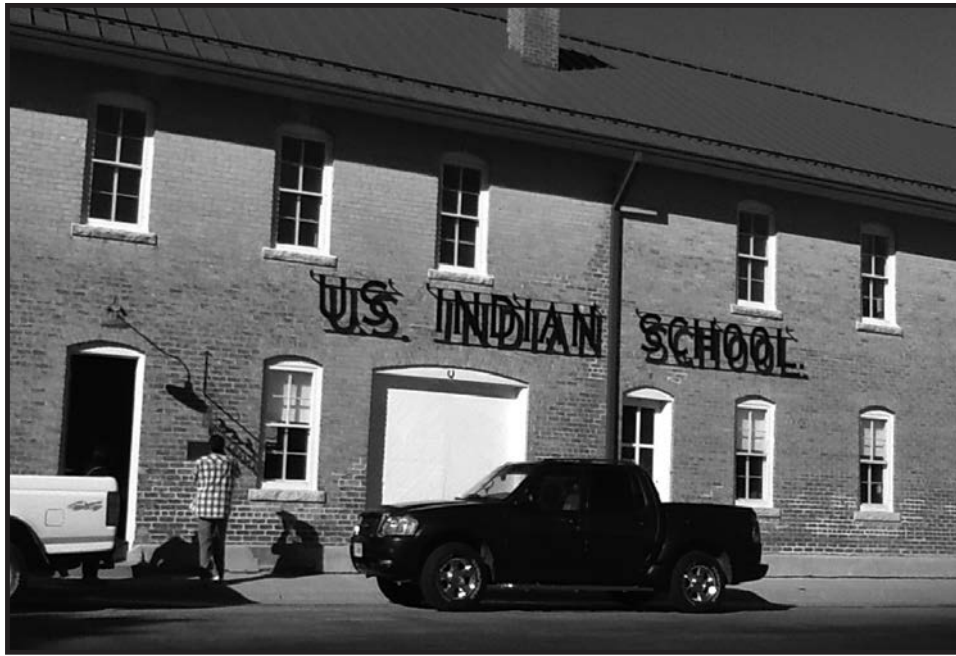


Photo by Carol Nuttle

Shay Nuttle at the U.S. Indian School located in Genoa, Neb.

The following journal entry is from Carol L. Nuttle, Pawnee Business Council (PBC) member and retired federal government employee. Nuttle has long been an outspoken and involved advocate on behalf of her own Tribe and the sovereignty and rights of all tribes.

She is also the Project Manager of the Pari Elders Interview Project of 2012, a collection of videos of tribal elders interviewed by Nuttle in 1991. She and other Pawnee Tribal Council members were present at the Sept. 22, 2012, rededication of the White Eagle Memorial held in Fullerton, Neb.

Fullerton was once home to more than 24,000 Pawnees who were originally part of the Pawnee Reservation created in 1857 by treaty.

According to rededication organizers, the 1873 rededication commemorated the last Pawnee Chief in Nance County, White Eagle, who was originally memorialized by a granite boulder that stood at the site of the ancient Pawnee Village (1915) and which was moved after a new Nance County Courthouse was built in 1976, replacing the original courthouse which was built in 1893.

The monument, inscribed with wording commemorating the bands of the Pawnee Confederation, needed to be rededicated.

The following are Nuttle's abbreviated journal notes upon returning home, from Nebraska for the Re-Dedication of the White Eagle Memorial in Fullerton, Neb. held Sept. 22 and sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Nebraska chapter.

Tiwat Shay Nuttle, my nephew, and I left Norman, Okla. on Friday, Sept. 21, 2012 and drove to Pawnee where we picked up my sister, Marilyn, and my nephew, Isaiah Nuttle. Isaiah will turn 10 on Oct. 9, my father, Frank Nuttle's birthday.

This was an important trip for my family. We arrived at the Fullerton Inn (a nice place) about 2 a.m. that morning.

At breakfast at the Inn, I spoke with Roy Taylor, former treasurer of the PBC, and he recounted the following about his great-grandfather White Eagle. (White Eagle had four daughters; Jenny, Addie, Annie and Mary.)

Mary was the mother of Libbie and Roy Taylor's grandmother. Annie was the mother of Julia who married my Ucka Effie's (Osborne) brother Paul LittleEagle.

At noon, we met the following Pawnees who attended the luncheon provided by the townspeople at the Veterans Memorial Hall: PBC President Marshall Gover and his wife Jaci; PBC Member Richard

Tilden and his wife Sarah; Roy Taylor; Council Member Karla Knife Chief and her daughter Skidi and friend Victoria Hawkins.

We were also joined by my relatives, Kendall Oren Friejo (whose grandmother was Julia LittleEagle), a direct descendent of White Eagle and his wife Ester and Kendall's son Kirt, and Kendall's daughter, Kim Friejo and her son, Morgun.

So the Pawnees were very well represented. They had a Pawnee exhibit case that included a Tribal Flag, dried pumpkin, three varieties of corn, (blue, red and white) blue eagle corn and other artifacts. The people there were exceptionally nice people.

From the Veterans Hall we went to the Town Square where the Monument of White Eagle dedication was held. Richard Tilden brought in the Pawnee Flag and Marshall Gover sang an old version of the Flag song.

Following the ceremonies, attendees were invited to speak. My brother Kendall did not hesitate to get up and thank the Nebraska people for their recognition of the Pawnees and their kindness. He did good and I was proud of him for stepping up. Richard Tilden also spoke and thanked the people.

When given an opportunity to share, I told them how my great-grandmother, Mattie Little Eagle, walked as a young girl from Nebraska to Oklahoma.

My Aunt Ramona Little Eagle Osborne had told me that my great grandmother must have been about 12 or 14 at that time.

My voice cracked when I said that it was a hard walk and that today we just can't imagine the struggles our people went through on that walk from Nebraska to Oklahoma back in that day.

We concluded the re-dedication with the Retirement of the Colors. After a little more fellowship, we regretfully concluded our visit to allow time for a tour of the Genoa Industrial School and a visit to the cemetery.

Those in attendance included

(12) and friend Christina (10), Taylor, Kendall, Ester, Kirt, Kim and Morgun and my family.

The Pawnee burial site was sectioned off from the rest of the town cemetery and bronze-like stakes marked the graves of the six Pawnee Scouts that were repatriated around 2001.

Standing at these Pawnee graves, I said, "These young men were about 17 or 18 when they were mustered out of the U.S. Army. They were on their way home when they were killed. They were decapitated and their skulls sent back to Washington to be studied under order of the U.S. Surgeon General and/or Secretary of War. They were trying to prove that Indians were inferior."

I told those there at the cemetery that when we attended the reburial, the Army sent soldiers to attend to the scout's reburial. After the ceremony, each soldier came by and shook our hand and said they were sorry for our loss.

I couldn't help but notice the extremely young faces of each one of these soldiers as they passed and I looked upon their face, that they were about the same age as those young Pawnee Scouts, our relatives, that we were putting away. That brought a stark realism to the meaning of that day.

After I spoke, my friend and relative, Roy Taylor, prayed and he said something in his petition to God that struck me as something unthinkable, he said, I pray that something like this never happens again to our people."

The young girls were short of crying and many of us had tears in our eyes. We must never forget what our people went through.

We drove back to Grand Island and it was about 8 or so when we got there, we were tired and hungry, the air was chilly and we were ready to eat and get some rest.

We did just that and drove back to Oklahoma the next day. It was a beautiful day blessed by Atius, ti'rawa-hut (Our Father in Heaven).

It is a great blessing to be Pawnee. Akitarau (the Tribe of Old) and our relatives have paid a dear price for their Pawnee children of today.

OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Keystone XL Pipeline Re-Route Bulls-eyes Pawnee Ancestral Lands

By Gordon Adams
Preservation Officer

The State of Nebraska sent a clear message to the standing-room-only crowd assembled at the Boone County Fair Grounds in Albion, Neb.

The message seems to say that the State of Nebraska is paying special attention to Tribal concerns and comments on the Keystone XL (KXL) pipeline's route through the State.

Representatives of four Tribal governments attended the public hearing held by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) in Albion on Dec. 4, 2012 and were well received by the State and attendees.

Also in attendance were Marty Cobenais, Indigenous Environment Network, and George Sibley and Genevieve Walker from the U.S. Department of State.

Tribal representatives attending the hearing were Gordon Adams,

Pawnee Nation Historic Preservation officer (THPO); Faith Spotted Eagle, Special Delegate for the Yankton Sioux Tribe, Tom Poor Bear, Vice-president Ogallala Sioux and Gloria Hamilton and Randy Tebeau from the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska.

This hearing was one of several the State of Nebraska held as it performed its due diligence prior to approving or declining a permit for the KXL.

The Albion event was the last hearing the State would hold to accept public comments on the KXL and an estimated 800 people attended.

The NDEQ heard statements from anyone who had something to say, and accepted written statements from any others.

In addition to Adams, Poor Bear spoke in behalf of the Ogallala Sioux, and Spotted Eagle for the Yankton Sioux.

All three representatives were

like minded in expressing official opposition to the KXL. At the end of the hearing, an overwhelming majority had opposed construction of the KXL, some of whom fell just short of threatening physical violence if it were constructed.

Adams explained that the Pawnee People were indigenous to central Nebraska and north-central Kansas and tens-of-thousands lived there for 1,000 years before Coronado arrived in 1541.

Adams went on to describe the KXL re-route and pointed out that it passes between Genoa and Fullerton, Neb., the most culturally sensitive spot of all. The area between Genoa and Fullerton is unique in Pawnee history.

Between the 1850s and the mid-1870s, all four bands of the Pawnee lived together for protection against the Sioux on their 15-mile by 20-mile Nebraska reservation.

Prior to then, the four bands lived in towns separated from one

another by as much as 50 miles.

Describing the Pawnee population density between Genoa and Fullerton at that time, KVNO News reported Adams as saying, "I believe it would be impossible for them to dig a trench and not come up with some sort of human remains- some sort of town, some sort of something - that has to do with the Pawnees."

In the round robin, back and forth, of the pipeline debate, there's only one argument that no one can touch. "Between Genoa and Fullerton, there couldn't be a more sensitive area having to do with our sacred sites, cemeteries and archeology sites," Adams stated.

It was the first time anyone had heard that argument, but their testimony didn't rest on those who had been put to rest.

"This land does not belong to us; we borrow it from our children," said Poor Bear. "I've never heard of a pipeline in the western hemisphere that doesn't leak."

Historic Treaty Created Between Pawnees And Yankton Sioux

By Gordon Adams
Preservation Officer



Submitted Photo

Faith Spotted Eagle and Gordon Adams shared a moment of solidarity.

Should you like to witness history in the making, you might wish to travel to Niobrara, Neb. for a couple of days to observe representatives of the Pawnee Nation negotiate a Peace Treaty with the Yankton Sioux.

Jan. 23, 2013 will be a very historically significant day for the Pawnee and Yankton Sioux people. That day marks the 150th anniversary of the signing of the "Treaty Between the Pawnee Nation and the Yankton Sioux Tribe of 1863" (the Treaty). On Jan. 23, 2013, they will ceremo-

pipeline's intrusion into their ancestral homelands in South Dakota and Nebraska.

Jan. 23, 2013 will be particularly important because it will also witness an exercise in sovereignty. Only sovereign nations can make Treaties. By virtue of this treaty signing, the Pawnee people extend their sovereignty to a higher level than before.

In June 2012, the Yankton Sioux Tribe approached the Pawnee Nation with the fabled "offer you can't

nially re-affirm the friendship their ancestors promised, and ally themselves against the Keystone XL

refuse." The offer? Renewing the friendship that has existed between the people of the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the people of the Pawnee Nation for nearly 150 years.

Here is the story.

On Oct. 24, 2012, Adams travelled to Niobrara, Neb. to confer with Faith Spotted Eagle, delegate from the Yankton Sioux and Gloria Hamilton, representative from the Ponca Tribe, to lay the groundwork for negotiations on a reaffirmation of the original 1863 Treaty.

On a bitterly cold January morning in 1863, a Pawnee delegation led by Crooked Hand met a Yankton Sioux delegation led by Struck by the Ree on the Ponca Tribal Reserve in Niobrara, Neb. and signed the "Treaty Between the Pawnee Nation and the Yankton Sioux Tribe of 1863." The Treaty was the first written Treaty between Indian Nations. Unlike written treaties between the United States and Indian Nations, the Treaty between the Pawnee and

Yanktons has endured for 150 years.

One of several remarkable things about the Treaty story is that at least eight Pawnees travelled over a hundred miles through the Nebraska winter to meet their heretofore enemies on the Ponca Reserve near Niobrara, Neb. A mere four months earlier, the delegation leader, Crooked Hand, was involved in a fight with the Brulé Sioux when he was wounded through the throat by an arrow and had three horses shot from under him. He fought most of the battle with the arrow still in his throat against a force outnumbering the Pawnees by three to one.

Jan. 23, 2013 will be a very historically significant day for the Pawnee and Yankton Sioux people. A "Treaty Day" holiday may even emerge some day.

For further information, please contact Gordon Adams at (918) 762-3227 or at Pawnee Cultural Learning Center, 657 Harrison St., Pawnee, OK 74058.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES CENTER

I.H.S.C. Celebrates Native American History Month

Submitted by Joyce Oberly
I.H.S. Performance Improvement Officer



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(Left to Right) Sharon Pratt and Clem Howell sport T-shirts with the Pawnee emblems.

Each November, the Pawnee Service Unit takes time to acknowledge the significant contributions Native Americans have made in the world and to celebrate the vibrant culture and traditions.

Beginning Nov. 1, Denise Miller, coordinated the Veterans Honor Wall to display Veterans pictures and their stories.

On Nov. 9, the Pawnee clinic hosted Tribal Pride Day. Employees participated by wearing Tribal T-shirts. Cedar blessings were offered

to all employees and patients on Nov. 13 and 19.

Sincere appreciation goes to Thomas Rice and Ron Rice, Jr. for providing the blessings on these days.

On Nov. 16, traditional foods were featured at the Employee Club Meal. On Nov. 20 Katherine Brady provided tribal greetings in the Pawnee language and Cherokee language.

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Pawnee Dental Department Reaches Out to Community

Submitted by Joyce Oberly
I.H.S. Performance Improvement Officer

Community Outreach is the focus for the Pawnee Dental department.

On Nov. 28, the dental program provided dental screenings and fluoride applications during the Pawnee Tribal Diabetic Program's Diabetes Awareness Month Activity.

Sealants were available and some patients made appointments for their comprehensive exam at the Pawnee Indian Health Center.

Providing services on this day included: Dr. Aaron Means, Mika Osaka,

Bobbi Thompson, Miranda Shropshire and Sheila Smith.

On Nov. 26, the dental program visited the Osage Nation Hominy Head Start. Staff provided dental screenings and fluoride applications for head start children ages 3-5 year olds.

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Dr. Aaron Means, Mika Osaka, Bobbi Thompson, Miranda Shropshire and Sheila Smith servethe community.

I.H.S. Employees Demonstrate Native American Pride

Submitted by Joyce Oberly
I.H.S. Performance Improvement Officer

On Nov. 21, I.H.S. hosted the first Employee Art Show. Ron Rice, Jr., maintenance worker, spearheaded the planning, artist outreach and the display.

Pawnee clinic employees were treated to an on-site art show worthy of any national museum.

Much appreciation goes to our local artists for sharing their work with us, including Lance Leadingfox, Tim Jim, Melissa and Jordan Moore, Ron Rice, Jr., Nolan Grant, Katherine Le Roy

Brady, Sheryal Reamy and Dobbin Knifechief.

The last event for Native American History Month was the Shawl Show, held Nov. 28. Employees were encouraged to bring their favorite shawl(s) and share its beauty and history with other employees.

Thank you to Cleona Roubedeaux, Sheryal Reamy, Alyssa Goodfox, Frances Williams and Joyce Oberly for sharing their shawls.

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This displayed shawl reveals red, yellow and light blue flowers on a dark blue background.

Walk-In Immunization Clinic in Community Health held every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Indian Health Services Clinic (I.H.S. C.) No appointment is necessary. Patients may also get influenza vaccinations during regular clinic appointments. For more information, call (918) 762-6724.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



Submitted photo

School District, located in northwest Tucson. Each has received special recognition and numerous academic honors. Sara and James actively participate in traditional ceremonies and are both very knowledgeable of their tribal heritage.

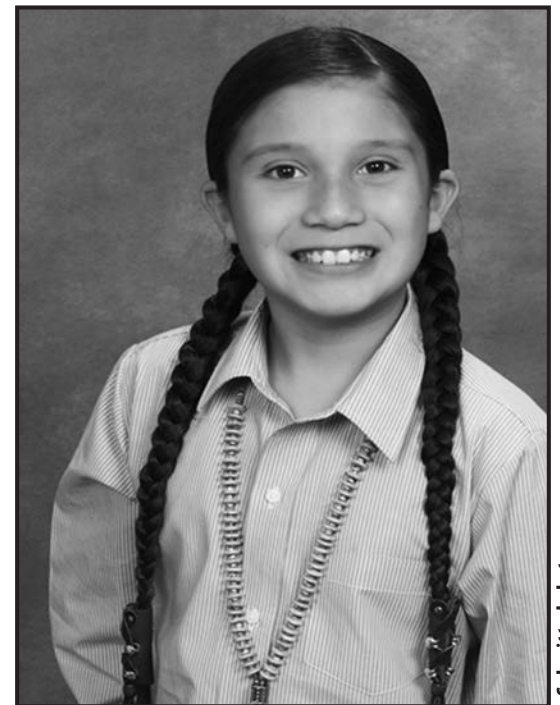
Sara, who attends Canyon Del Oro High School, has excelled in academics as well as athletics.

In the spring, she was a recipient of the Tucson Casas Adobes Rotary Club 8th Grade Honor Roll, recognition of eighth graders who have demonstrated outstanding academics and leadership throughout the school year. As a recipient of this award, Sara will be tracked throughout high school with an opportunity to participate in summer Leadership

Sara's long-term goals include attending college, majoring in History (emphasis in Native American), intending to help educate and enhance the historical aspects of Native Americans of the past and present.

James, who currently attends Mesa Verde Elementary, has maintained high grades is involved in many activities including Band and Student Council.

James recently campaigned for the student council president position, but fell short a few votes. Nevertheless, he was selected to be one of the Student Council class representatives. As a representative, he is involved in planning and promoting "activities" that provide his peers and school with a positive learning environment for students.



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Sara (Pictured Left) and James (Pictured Right) Johanntoberns are descendants of Chaui (Bluehawk), Kiowa (Tanedooah), and Caddo (Kionut) nations. They currently reside in Tucson, Ariz.

They are the children of Derwin and Kimberly (Daingkau) Be-gay also of Tucson. Their maternal grandparents are Rev. George and LaDonna Daingkau of Fort Cobb, Okla.

They are the great-grandchildren of the late Clyde Sr. and Mildred Daingkau and John Kionut and the late Mae (Kionut) Horn (daughter of Jane Bluehawk Davis). Sara and James are also the children of Mark Johanntoberns. Their paternal grandparents are Tom and Karen Kaulaity, all of Anadarko. They are the great-grandchildren of the late Ernest and Ruth Redbird.

Sara and James are both students within the Amphitheater Public

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(Left) Happy 4th Birthday to our cuz ~Anna Loomis~ Love: Quannah & Moon

Birthday Greetings!

(Right) Happy 4th Birthday to Nipawset "Moon" Morrison Love: Quannah, Momma, Daddy & Grandma Puggie



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PAWNEE NATION EMPLOYEES



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Mee-Kai Clark was selected as Learning Center Director effective Sept. 26, 2012.

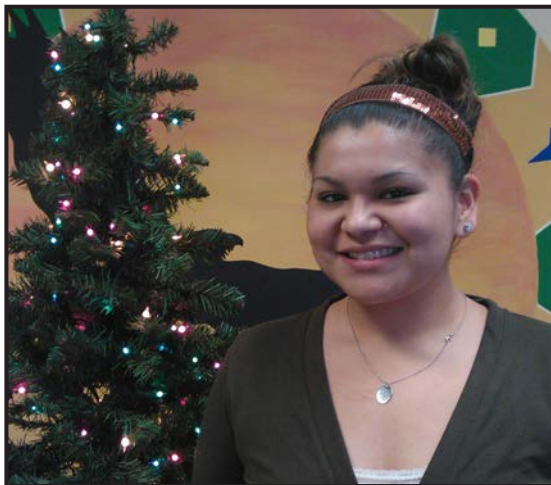


Photo by Toni Hill

Alexandria Chino was selected as Infant thru Pre-K Teacher effective Nov. 13, 2012.



Photo by Toni Hill

Delphine Nelson was selected as Planning and Tribal Development Division Director effective Nov. 26, 2012.



Photo by Toni Hill

Adrian Spottedhorsechief was selected as CHR Administrative Assistant/Driver effective Nov. 21, 2012.



Photo by Toni Hill

Cairene Smith was selected as Accounts Payable Clerk effective Dec. 3, 2012.



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Zachary Martinez was selected as CHR Generalist effective Nov. 21, 2012.

Not pictured: Arthur Fields was selected as TERO Director effective Nov. 5, 2012 and Deborah Merriman was selected as Infant thru Pre-K Teacher effective Nov. 5, 2012. Pawnee Nation also said farewell to two employees; Tiffany Fietze, former CHR Coordinator/Department Manager and Kari Little, former Indian Child Welfare Coordinator.



Photo by Toni Hill

Donna Leading Fox was selected as a Law Enforcement Officer effective Dec. 3, 2012. Donna poses beside a few of the gifts collected by employees of the Law Enforcement, the Pawnee Nation District Court and the Indian Child Welfare (ICW) departments to benefit the children involved in the ICW program.

Holiday Celebrations



Photo by Toni Hill

(Left to Right) Karen Haymond, enrollment assistant; Lyle Fields, tax manager and Cecelia Hawkins, tax assistant, enjoy holiday treats.

Pawnee Nation Dedicates The New Entry Road And Bridge

By **Toni Hill**
Communications Manager



Photo by Tomi Hill

The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma dedicated the new entry road and bridge that links the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Reserve to U.S. 64 on Thursday, Dec. 13, 2012.

Pawnee Business Council (PBC) Vice-President Charles Lone Chief introduced dignitaries and gave the invocation. Following, PBC President Marshall Gover recognized the United States as “the greatest Nation on earth” and welcomed those in attendance to the great Pawnee Nation. A reception held in the Albin Leading Fox building concluded the event.

At Gover’s request, Herb Adson, City of Pawnee Chief of Police, also performed the Pawnee Nation Flag Song. “Since we are a sovereign Nation, I felt that it was fitting to ask my brother to perform the Paw-

nee Nation National Anthem,” Gover said. “The basic translation is ‘Father, these are our soldier boys that carry the flag that they fought for.’ The Pawnees have served since the Pawnee Scouts to the present time and have shown their continued loyalty to the United States for many decades.”

Pawnee Nation officials had discussed the need over the past decade to build a new entry into the Pawnee Nation Reserve to provide accessibility infrastructure for additional economic development projects, the Pawnee Nation College, the Pawnee Indian Health Service Clinic, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Pawnee Nation headquarters and public safety services.

A Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety study determined that

more than 3,000 vehicles utilize existing pathways into the Pawnee Nation Reserve daily with the heaviest traffic count located over the green bridge on Harrison Street/Agency Road. The PBC recognized the need for the New Entry Project and approved its construction under the FY 2010 Department of Transportation and Safety planning process.

“If you look at what was on this land 20 years ago, you would see nothing but the campus. Now we have the Roam Chief Event Center, the Multi-Purpose Building, the Wellness Center, Fitness Nation, the Pawnee Nation Fire Station, the Law Enforcement Building and the Indian Health Service Clinic,” Gover said. “We are also completing renovations to our Roundhouse and beginning construction on the future Pawnee Tribal Elders Center.”

Dignitaries present included PBC Secretary Linda Jestes, PBC Member Richard Tilden and PBC Member Karla Knife Chief. Pawnee Nation also welcomed Dennis Casey (R), Oklahoma House of Representatives, District 35, City of Pawnee Mayor Brad Sewell, Pawnee City Clerk Tammy Todd and Pawnee County Commissioners JT Adams and Dale Carter.

Other officials in attendance included Duane Pratt, former PBC president, Jay Adams from the Oklahoma Depart-

ment of Transportation, Karla Cisco from the Tribal Technical Assistance Program, Jeffery Dixon from Brawley Engineering Staff and Robin Bellmard, Pawnee Agency superintendent from the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. Also present were Vyrlla Carr and Andrea Bowen, City of Pawnee Council members, and Mark McGuire and Mike McCormick from McGuire Brothers Construction who was contracted to build the road.

Pawnee Nation Transportation Department representatives include Cecil Riding In, Rhonda James, Jim McCormick, Jim Self, Chris McCray and Darrell Flowers. Also present were Pawnee Nation Executive Director Dawna Hare and Tribal Operations Manager Jimmy Jestes.

“The Pawnee Nation was the first Tribe in the Southern Plains area to initiate IRR (Indian Reservation Roads) 93-638 contracts that enabled the Nation to be their own contractor and to make a fair and reasonable profit on our projects,” Gover said. “This has made Pawnee one of the only two tribes of this region to approach the Federal Highway Administration directly for funds to build our roads, parking lots and now our bridge. The completion of what has been referred to as the “bridge to nowhere” will provide greater access to the greatest Nation on the face of the earth for generations to come.”



The group of individuals that used their expertise and talents to make the vision of the bridge a reality.

Photo by Tomi Hill



President Marshall Gover and Vice-president Charles Lone Chief show the cake created for the occasion.

Photo by Tomi Hill

Bykes For Tykes Makes Christmas Wishes Come True

Designed by Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The 8th Annual "Run to the Nation" Toy Run was held in loving memory of "Buffalo" and Cindy Stringfellow on Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012.

The "Bykes for Tykes" 8th Annual Community Children's Christmas Party was held on Dec. 20, 2012 at the Roam Chief Event Center. Several children were blessed with new bikes purchased from Walmart for Christmas and all youth were able to take home pictures taken with Santa Claus and bags of sweets.

This event was organized by Al Thayer and sponsored by citizens and local merchants including White's Foodliner, True Value Hardware, First National Bank, Armstrong Bank, Davis Sanitation, the Pawnee Chief and the Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization.



Photo by Toni Hill

Several of the youth blessed parents and attendees by singing Christmas carols.



Photo by Toni Hill

Miki Shaw gives Santa Claus her Christmas wishes.



Photo by Toni Hill

(Left to Right) Carly Jefferson and Karen Haymond pose with Carly's new bike.



Photo by Toni Hill

(Left to Right) Ericka Brady, Audrey Fields and Spencer Chapman show off their new bikes.

Pawnee Nation Continues Development

By Muriel Robedeaux
ICDBG Coordinator

The Tribal Roundhouse (Pictured Left) renovations are nearing completion. The layout includes an extra 1,000 square feet in the southern unit of the structure allowing for the creation of enlarged rest room facilities dressing rooms and a small kitchenette. The roof, siding, electrical connections and the heating and cooling units will also be addressed.

The Stand Pipe (Pictured Right) project which involved both interior and exterior upgrades finished with a fresh paint application was completed in late November.

The Construction Management Firm (Builder's Unlimited, Tulsa) is contracted for both ventures.



Photo by Muriel Robedeaux



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PAWNEE TRIBE IN THE NEWS

Warrior Tradition: Archway's new exhibit says thanks to Pawnee Scouts

By MIKE KONZ Hub Managing Editor
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KEARNEY — Pawnee tribal members were moved Sunday during the unveiling of an exhibit that acknowledges their ancestors' contributions to the westward expansion of the United States 150 years ago.

The new exhibit at the Great Platte River Road Archway depicts the Pawnee Scouts. The warriors volunteered in 1864 to protect construction workers as the Union Pacific pushed westward through Pawnee tribal lands in Nebraska to become the nation's first transcontinental railroad.

"I believe we're going to see some honor and respect come from this display," said Pawnee religious leader Warren Pratt Jr. "When visitors come to the archway to learn the history of the westward settlement, they'll see what the Pawnee people did to make it possible."

Pratt was among about 50 tribal members who traveled the 460 miles from Pawnee, Okla., for the unveiling. The event attracted about 100 history buffs and archway supporters from the Kearney area.

"Instead of a negative portrayal of Native Americans, the exhibit is something positive," said Kelly Rice, a second-grade teacher from Pawnee. "I'd like to see our textbooks bring more awareness of our tribe's contributions."

The Pawnees' decision to protect rail workers would have grave consequences for the tribe because white settlers followed as the Union Pacific moved westward.

Less than a dozen years after their scouts began helping the U.S. Army along the railroad, the Pawnee people were removed from their

Nebraska homelands and moved to a reservation in Oklahoma. Several thousand moved to Oklahoma, but illness and famine reduced the tribe's population to 700 in just a few years.

Today, the Pawnees number about 3,500 and they are flourishing, tribal president Marshall Gover said.

Gover said the Pawnee Scouts exemplify their tribe's warrior tradition, which remains strong today as many Pawnees enlist for military service.

"When you ask someone who has joined the military, 'Why do you go and fight for the United States after what happened to us?' they always respond, 'Because this is my country,'" Gover said.

Union Pacific representative Brenda Mainwaring said her company has been to many communities to celebrate its 150th year. She said Sunday's unveiling at the archway presented a unique opportunity.

"We've rarely had the opportunity to celebrate our 150th anniversary with people who helped to build the railroad," Mainwaring said. "Certainly the ancestors of the Pawnee who are here today had to know what they were doing would profoundly change their way of life."

Mainwaring presented Gover with a gold coin memento of Union Pacific's 150th anniversary.

As they waited Sunday after-



Warren Pratt Jr. and his son, Adam, 3, take a close look at the Pawnee Scout mannequin modeled after the elder Pratt, a Pawnee religious leader who helped the Great Platte River Road Archway develop its new display. The vignette was unveiled Sunday for a crowd of about 150, including many members of the tribe from Oklahoma.

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noon for the unveiling, Pawnee tribal members said they are grateful for the attention the Pawnee Scout exhibit will bring to their history.

"I want to see what the archway will be showing its visitors about our people," James Knifechief-Rice said.

John Only a Chief said the exhibit might help boost interest among the Pawnee in their personal heritage. "They know the history of the Pawnee Scouts, but they might not know whether one of their ancestors was a member of the Pawnee Scouts."

Autumn Only a Chief was among the Pawnee youths at the archway for the unveiling. Others included Pawnee basketball players returning from games in South Dakota.

"It's really neat. It's interesting what's happening here," said Only a Chief, who plans to study occupational therapy at Oklahoma State

University after high school.

Executive Director Gary Roubicek said the Pawnee Scout exhibit is the first new exhibit since the archway opened 12 years ago.

"We're all very excited about this first integrated exhibit," Roubicek said about the display, which has mannequins of Pawnee Scouts and white U.S. Army officers.

Cambridge sculptor Gary Ginther, who created the larger-than-life buffalo that stands near the archway's entrance, fashioned the mannequins in the Pawnee Scout exhibit.

Pratt helped ensure the exhibit is historically accurate and also helped narrate the display. Like other archway displays, the Pawnee Scout exhibit features a recording for visitors to hear as they pass the area.

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PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

PAWNEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION PO BOX 600 2013 ELECTION: SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Feb. 6, 2013: AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION IN THE PAWNEE CHIEF

DATE OF ELECTION: MAY 4, 2013

TIME: 8 A.M. - 7 P.M.

WHERE: MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING

Feb. 27, 2013 - March 2, 2013: FILING PERIOD FOR CANDIDATES:

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY: 1 - 5 P.M.

SATURDAY: 1 - 5 P.M.

BUILDING 64 CONFERENCE ROOM

\$200 FILING FEE (MUST BE CASHIERS CHECK OR MONEY ORDER)

March 4, 2013: POST LIST OF CANDIDATES (9 A.M.)

March 4-8, 2013: ELECTION COMMISSION REVIEW OF ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES

March 4-8, 2013: CHALLENGE PERIOD: ANY ELIGIBLE TRIBAL VOTER MAY CHALLENGE THE ELIGIBILITY OF A CANDIDATE IN WRITING. TRIBAL COURT: ACT ON APPEALS AND CHALLENGES

March 11-14, 2013: ELECTION COMMISSION REVIEW OF CHALLENGES

March 15, 2013: POST LIST OF QUALIFIED CANDIDATES: PAWNEE AGENCY, PAWNEE NATION OFFICES AND SUBMIT TO THE PAWNEE CHIEF AND THE PAWNEE NATION NEWSPAPER FOR PUBLICATION

March 22, 2013: DEADLINE: CANDIDATES STATEMENTS ARE SUBMITTED TO COMMUNICATIONS BY 5 P.M. FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSLETTER

April 6, 2013: DEADLINE FOR "REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS"

May 4, 2013: ELECTION DAY: POLLS OPEN 8 A.M. POLLS CLOSE 7 P.M.

May 5, 2013: POST ELECTION RESULTS: 10 A.M. TRIBAL RESERVE

May 6-8, 2013: PROTEST PERIOD: ANY VOTER MAY PROTEST IN WRITING (A REQUEST FOR RECOUNT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH \$300 RECOUNT FEE)

May 8, 2013: PROTEST DEADLINE: 5 P.M.

May 15, 2013: ELECTION COMMISSION WILL RESPOND TO PROTESTS NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2013

May 17, 2013: ISSUE CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

May 18, 2013: INAUGURATION

2012/2013 Election Commission: Chairman, Stephen Bird; Clerk, Catherine Keeling; Teller, Chris McCray; Sargent-at-Arms, Cynthia Butler; Alternate, Margaret DeLodge

Note: The 2013 Election will be conducted to fill the four-year positions of Vice-president, Secretary and Third and Fourth Seats of the Pawnee Nation Business Council (PBC). A vote will also be held to fill the vacated office of PBC Treasurer. The term for this position will be two years.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL FOURTH QUARTER 2012 MINUTES

Please understand that the following are only a brief synopsis of topics and actions taken by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC).

Sept. 12, 2012 PBC Meeting:

Six Council members were present; Jestes and Fields were excused. Those present provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare and TDC CEO Roger Smith provided reports.

New Business (with added items):

1. Alicia Seyler with the USDA Inter-tribal Agriculture Council provided information about USDA programs available to tribes.
2. Resolution 12-50 was approved to extend the Burn Ban for another 30 days.
3. Resolution 12-41 for 48 applicants for Enrollment was approved.
4. Resolution 12-42 for Enrollment to document 16 deceased members was approved
5. Resolution 12-43, 12-44, 12-45 and 12-46 – for four Conditional Relinquishments -approved.
6. Resolution 12-26 was approved for one Absolute Relinquishment.
7. Resolution 12-47 was an added item to approve a drawdown from the Proceeds of Labor account to pay for the replacement of an HVAC system at the BIA and to pay for the Elders rooms at the NICOA conference. Total of the drawdown was \$12,787.
8. Resolution 12-51 was an added item to re-appoint Stephen Bird to the Gaming Commission and it was approved.

Sept. 19, 2012 PBC Meeting:

Seven Council members were present and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the

last Council meeting. Jim Fields was excused. Executive Director Dawna Hare provided a report. Under Hare's report the Council approved that a letter be sent to all tribal members informing them of the settlement and per capita payments.

New Business:

1. Pawnee High School requested to reduce the amount of usage and payments for the Pawnee Nation Gymnasium - approved.
2. PNE Wind Presentation and request for approval of lease was tabled for review by the Attorney General.

Sept. 26, 2012 PBC Meeting:

All Council members were present and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare provided a report.

The minutes of the Aug. 22, 2012 PBC Meeting were tabled

New Business:

1. Resolution 12-52 was approved for the PNE Wind Farm Lease at Chilocco.
2. Resolution 12-53 P. L. 638 Contract renewal for Tribal Court was approved.

Oct. 10, 2012, PBC Meeting:

All Council members were and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare gave an overview of activities at the administration level and TDC CEO Roger Smith provided a report on TDC.

The minutes of the Aug. 22, 2012 and Sept. 12, 2012 meetings were approved.

New Business:

1. Gordon Adams presented

information to the Council regarding an 1863 Treaty with the Yankton Sioux and also updated Council on the history of this treaty and also developments concerning the Keystone Pipeline XL. He will prepare a resolution for a future Council meeting.

2. Resolution 12-54 for NCAI membership, dues and delegates was approved.

For the PBC Meeting on Oct. 24, 2012, there was no quorum. The meeting was rescheduled for Oct. 31, 2012. Note* - This meeting was held on Oct. 31, 2012 and RECESSED until the Nov. 3, 2012 Quarterly Meeting.

On Oct. 31, 2012, seven Council members were present and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. (Jim Fields was excused). Executive Director Dawna Hare provided an overview of activities at the Pawnee Nation.

The minutes of the Sept. 8, 2012 Joint meeting and the Sept. 19, 2012 meeting were approved. The minutes of the Sept. 26, 2012 were tabled. A reporter from the Native American Times was asked to leave the meeting.

The Council amended the agenda to go into/Executive Session to discuss selection of the Tribal Planner. After Executive Session, Delphine Nelson was accepted to be offered the position of Planner.

Motion was made to reconvene the meeting Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at the Albin Leading Fox Center. Five Council members were present. Linda Jestes, Roy Taylor and Jim Fields were excused.

Old Business:

1. TDC Personnel Policies and Procedures were tabled.

2. Resolution 12-55 for appointment to the Election Commission is approved – Chris McCray is selected.

3. Resolutions 12-56, 12-57, and 12-58 for the Appointments to the Housing Commission were tabled.

New Business (added item):

1. CPA position for Finance was tabled.

Nov. 14, 2012, PBC Meeting

Six Council members were present. Jim Fields was excused. Roy Taylor was unexcused. All Council members present provided a report on their meetings and Committees since the last meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare provided an overview of the activities at the Pawnee Nation and Roger Smith, TDC CEO, provided an update on TDC Activities.

The minutes of the Sept. 12, 2012 meeting were approved with corrections and the minutes of the Sept. 26, 2012 meeting were approved.

Old Business:

1. Resolution 12-56 – Appointment to the Housing Commission – Joan Roberts was approved.
2. Resolution 12-57 for Appointment to the Housing Commission – Linda LeForce is approved.
3. Resolutions 12-58 for Appointment to the Housing Commission – Richard Spears is approved.

New Business:

1. Resolution 12-59 for Appointment to the Gaming Commission was tabled.
2. Resolution 12-60 – To Renew the 1863 Treaty with the Yankton Sioux was tabled.

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PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL FOURTH QUARTER 2012 MINUTES

PBC Fourth Quarter 2012 Minutes continued from page 14.

3. Approve Revisions to Per Capita Payment – Council approved to remove ten unreported deceased members from the Per Capita list and add four that were inadvertently omitted.
4. Council approved repairs to the Trading Post roof and accepted the bid from Gary Collins. It will be paid from the insurance claim with the remainder from the TDC tribal share disbursement.
5. Donation Request from the Pawnee Nation College Basketball Team in the amount of \$300 was approved.
6. There was a report from the Liquor Control Commission.
7. Council approved a burial assistance for an infant in the amount of \$1,000.

Executive Session (added item):

1. Resolution 12-61 – Consti-

tutional Provisions.

2. Salary Negotiations for Tribal Planner.

After Executive Session, Resolution 12-61 was tabled until the next Council meeting and a salary was agreed upon and the Executive Director was directed to make the offer to the person selected as tribal Planner.

The Nov. 28, 2012, PBC Meeting was cancelled due to a death in the tribe.

Dec. 12, 2012 PBC Meeting

Six Council members were present. Jim Fields was excused. Council provided reports on their meetings, commissions and committees since the last PBC meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare provided a report. TDC CEO Roger Smith provided a report on TDC activities.

The minutes of the Oct. 10, 2012 PBC meeting were tabled.

Old Business:

1. The TDC policies and procedures (the portions that have been presented) were approved.
2. Revisions to the Per Capita Payment Plan were approved.
3. Resolution 12-49 for Revisions to the Gaming Ordinance was approved.
4. Resolution 12-60 regarding the 1863 Treaty with the Yankton Sioux was approved.
5. Resolution 12-61, Pawnee Nation Constitutional provisions, Article VII, Section 1. was withdrawn.

New Business:

1. Resolution 12-62 to open an account at the Armstrong Bank for THPO Revenue was approved.
2. Resolution 12-63 to Accept the Resignation and Declare a Vacancy on the Council in the Trea-

surer Position – approved.

3. The GMP Review for the Tribal Roundhouse was tabled until Jan. 9, 2013.
4. A request for a Special Wildlife Harvest Permit was approved.
5. The Pawnee Nation 2013 Holiday Schedule was approved.
6. The Revisions to the Burial Assistance Policy was tabled.
7. The Museum By-Laws were tabled.
8. Revisions to the Law and Order Codes were tabled.
9. Resolution 12-64 for the BIA Ag Lease Sale was approved.
10. Regarding the budgets, Council voted to extend the approval date to Dec. 31, 2012.
11. Resolution 12-65 for Membership into the United Indian Nations of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas was approved.
12. Resolution 12-66 was approved to Oppose moving the BIE office out of Oklahoma City.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL FOURTH QUARTER 2012 RESOLUTIONS

#12-54 – A Resolution to NCAI Membership – Approved – Oct. 10, 2012 by a vote of seven for, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-55 – A Resolution to Appoint a Teller to the Election Commission – Chris McCray is Approved Nov. 11, 2012 by a vote of three for, one against (Tilden), three absent (Jestes, Taylor and Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-56 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Housing Commission – Joan Roberts is re-appointed Seat #2, Nov. 14, 2012 by a vote of three for, none against, two abstaining (Jestes, Knife Chief), two absent (Taylor, Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-57 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Housing Commission – Linda LeForce is re-appointed Seat #3, Nov. 14, 2012 by a vote of three for, none against, two abstaining (Jestes, Knife Chief), two absent

(Taylor, Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-58 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Housing Commission – Richard Spears is appointed Seat #1, Nov. 14, 2012 by a vote of three for, none against, two abstaining (Jestes, Knife Chief), two absent (Taylor, Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-59 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Gaming Commission – Is tabled, Nov. 14, 2012.

#12-60 – A Resolution to Re-Enact an 1863 Treaty with the Yankton Sioux and also to oppose the Keystone Pipeline XL re-route. – Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-61 – A Resolution Regarding the Pawnee Nation Constitution,

Article VII, Section 1. – was withdrawn on Dec. 12, 2012.

#12-62 – A Resolution to establish an account at Armstrong Bank for the Tribal Historic Preservation Office – Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-63 – A Resolution Declaring a Vacancy on the Pawnee Business Council – position of Treasurer. – Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-64 – A Resolution allowing the Bureau of Indian Affairs to lease the Tribe's undivided interests for 2014 Agriculture leases. – Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone

Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-65 – A Resolution to Appoint Delegates and Approve Membership in the United Indian Nations of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas organization. – Marshall R. Gover is appointed as Delegate and Karla Knife Chief is appointed as Alternate. Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-66 – A Resolution Opposing the relocation of the Oklahoma City BIE office and supporting JOM. – Approved Dec. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for (Lone Chief, Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief, Nuttle), none against, one vacancy, one absent (Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

Pawnee Nation Enters Into Wind Energy Agreement



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

Resolution # 12-52
September 26, 2012

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL TO EXECUTE A WIND ENERGY EVALUATION LEASE AND A WIND RESOURCE LEASE WITH PNE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WIND ENERGY PROJECT ON PAWNEE NATION LANDS AT CHILOCCO.

- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council is the Supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation and is authorized to conduct business on behalf of the Pawnee Nation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Tribal Constitution, and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council met in a special session on Wednesday, September 26, 2012, at Building #64 Conference room, duly authorized, with a quorum present, and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Business Council has the duty and responsibility to act in the best interests of the Pawnee Nation; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Business Council has the duty and responsibility to enhance to economic potential of the Pawnee Nation for the benefit of the people of Pawnee Nation and their descendants; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Business Council has determined that in order to fulfill the Pawnee Nation's ability to enhance to economic potential of the Pawnee Nation for the benefit of the people of Pawnee Nation and their descendants; that the establishment of the Wind Energy project to be located on Pawnee Nation lands located at Chilocco is in the best interests of the Pawnee Nation; and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council is empowered to act, now or in the future, including, but not limited to, the authority to regulate and provide for permits, leases, and assignments of land for business, home site, and other purposes, and generally provide for proper use and development of all tribal lands, natural resources, and other tribal property; and,
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the Pawnee Nation to enter into a Wind Energy Evaluation Lease with PNE, attached hereto as Exhibit 1, for the purpose of evaluation of the wind energy potential of the property with the option to enter into a subsequent Wind Resource Lease, attached hereto as Exhibit 2, for the purpose of installing wind energy resource development facilities should the property prove to possess suitable wind energy potential; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pawnee Business Council approves the Wind Energy Evaluation Lease and the Wind Resource Lease with PNE; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pawnee Business Council hereby authorizes President to execute on behalf of the Pawnee Nation a Wind Energy Evaluation Lease and a Wind Resource Lease with PNE; subject to subsequent approval of a land survey for the siting of the Wind Energy Project and subject to final legal review, effective immediately.

Submitted by Dawna Hare
Executive Director

PNE Wind USA has requested to enter into a Wind Energy Evaluation Lease and a Wind Resource Lease for the Pawnee land around the Chilocco Indian School.

In exchange for the leases being executed, Pawnee Nation will make option payments during the pre-construction period and then full lease payments once the park is built (currently scheduled for Quarter 4, 2013 which includes the months of October - December). In summary, the lease option payments would entitle the Pawnee Nation to four percent of revenue received from power sales or a minimum of \$5,000 USD per Megawatt installed at the site for the full term of the lease.

PNE WIND Inc. is a company based in Chicago which plans and installs onshore wind farm projects. As part of the German PNE WIND AG group its core competencies lie in developing, planning, financing and installing wind farms. Once a project has been handed over to operators, the company offers technical and commercial operational management services, including regular maintenance.

As an independent power producer, the company also operates a select number of wind farms for its own. Alongside its established business in Germany, PNE WIND AG is expanding increasingly into dynamic growth markets with wind farm projects onshore and offshore.

The Pawnee Business Council passed the following resolution entering into an agreement. Since this is trust land, the lease has to be approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Pawnee Nation College

The College seeks to meet the higher educational and cultural needs of the Pawnee Nation, other surrounding Indian nations, and all who have the desire to engage in a life of learning.

The intent of the College is to foster an awareness of rich cultural diversity in the region and its inherent complexities and vibrancies, while at the same time encouraging students to fulfill their potential through challenging academic or training programs that prepare them to matriculate to four-year institutions or to enter the workforce.

As a tribal community college, the Pawnee Nation College is dedicated to promoting social responsibility, service to community, and research that contribute to the cultural, social, and economic well-being of the Pawnee Nation, other Indian nations, and surrounding communities.

Source: Pawnee Nation College website, www.pawneenationcollege.org,

Pawnee Nation College classes begin Jan. 8, 2013. For more information, please call (918) 762-3343 or visit www.pawneenationcollege.org.

CONDOLANCES

ELVINA GOODFOX WILSON

Feb. 14, 1926—Dec. 7, 2012



Submitted Photo

Elvina Goodfox Wilson was born on Feb. 14, 1926 in Pawnee, Okla. to Lawrence Goodfox, Sr. and Flora Lewis Goodfox.

She passed from this life on Friday, Dec. 7, 2012 at Clarehouse in Tulsa, Okla. having reached the age of 86 years, nine months and 23 days.

She married Tilden Wilson and he preceded her in death on June 3, 2006. She loved Nascar, and her favorite driver was #24, Jeff Gordon. She also loved animals, especially her dogs Angus, Molly and Brandy who will be placed at rest with her.

Elvina is survived by her daughter, Cherisse Murphree, Tulsa, Okla.; son, Randy Murphree, Tulsa, Okla.; grandson, Matthew Murphree who is stationed in Ft. Lewis, Wash.; daughter-in-law, Arlene Murphree, Tulsa, Okla.; two sisters, Wanda Kanuho, Pawnee, Okla.; Florence Goodfox, Pawnee, Okla., plus a number of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Besides her husband, Tilden Wilson, she was preceded in death by her parents, Lawrence Goodfox, Sr. and Flora Lewis Goodfox; three sisters, Rena Rice, Betty Garcia, and Henrietta Pratt, and two brothers, Walter Henry Goodfox and Lawrence Goodfox, Jr.

Services were held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2012 at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, Pawnee, Okla. with Rev. Bruce Pratt and Rev. Jordan Kanuho officiating.

Interment was at the North Indian Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla., under the direction of Potet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

*I am the Resurrection and the Life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.
John 11:25, 26*

Unless otherwise noted, obituaries are printed courtesy of the Pawnee Chief located in Pawnee, Okla.

Foster Care Provides Love And Hope

Submitted by Indian Child Welfare Program

Homes are needed for children of all ages, from birth to 17, and for all lengths of time, from a few days to a few years.

Foster parents are asked to do a very difficult job; to make a child a part of their family without knowing how long this child will be with them.

Although it is not an easy job, it comes with a sense of joy and ac-

complishment.

Foster parents are able to help children through a difficult time, teach them life skills and help them develop into strong and capable people.

There is no specific "type" of foster home. Foster parents can be single or married, have other children or no children, be a stay-at-home parent or be employed out-

side the home.

All kinds of homes are needed for all kinds of children.

Another great way to get involved and help kids is through the Pawnee Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program.

CASA volunteers are individuals who receive training to be advocates for kids involved in the child welfare system.

CASA volunteers typically have one or two cases to monitor, which involves meeting with the children and providing reports to the court.

For more information about the Pawnee CASA Program, contact Helen Norris at (918) 762-3776.

For more information about becoming a foster parent, contact the Indian Child Welfare program at (918) 762-3873.

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PAWNEE NATION BUILDING DIRECTORY

Building #64:

(918) 762-3621

- Pawnee Business Council
- Executive office
- Finance
- Human Resource
- Grants & Contracts
- Information Technology
- Tribal Planning
- Communication
- Indian Community Development Block Grant

Building #68:

(918) 762-3378

- Gaming Commission

Pawnee Nation College

- Albin Leadingfox Building: (918) 762-3393 or (918) 762-3383
- Staff Quarters Building: (918) 762-3343

Pawnee Nation Housing:

(918) 762-3454

Tribal Operations:

(918) 762-2273

- Reserve Maintenance
- Building Rentals

I.H.S Housekeeping:

(918) 762-3605

Building #1:

(918) 762-3624

- Tax Office
- Enrollment Office

Pawnee Tribal Court:

(918) 762-3649

Wellness Center/ Multi-Purpose Building

- Title VI (Elderly Meals): (918) 762-4042
- Early Learning Center and care given 0-2 yrs: (918) 762-2489
- Child Care Development Fund Coordinator: (918) 762-6495

Roam Chief Building:

(918) 762-2541

- Food Distribution

Fire Station

- Pawnee Police Dept.: (918) 762-3013
- Division of Natural Resource & Safety/
- Transportation: (918) 762-3655
 - Environment
 - Transportation: (918) 762-3655

Cultural Learning Center (Berry Building):

(918) 762-3227

- Education & Training
- Repatriation

• THPO

Health & Community Services Center: (918) 762-3873

- Indian Child Welfare
- Violence Against Women
- CHR/EMS: (918) 762-4641
- Diabetes Program: (918) 762-4045
- REACH US

Family Development Center

- Fitness Center: (918) 762-3006
- Learning Center: (918) 762-3014
- Early Learning Center: (918) 762-3007

Substance Abuse Building:

(918) 762-2153

- Substance Abuse Program
- Healthy Nations Program

Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation:

(918) 762-4832

Indian Health Services Directory**General Information: (918) 762-2517****Same-Day Appointments: (918) 762-6548****Chronic/Routine Care: (918) 762-6539**

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Settlement Oversight Committee Update

By **Dawna Hare**
Executive Director

The Settlement Oversight Committee established by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC) on Sept. 8, 2012, comprised of three members of the Pawnee Business Council and three members of the Nasharo Council has been appointed.

Linda Jestes (Acting Chairman), Carol Nuttle, and Karla Knife Chief are the PBC representatives

and Francis Morris (Pitahawirata Band), Warren "Junior" Pratt (Skidi Band), and Ralph Haymond (Kitkehahki Band) are the Nasharo representatives.

The Committee held a meeting on Oct. 6 to discuss strategy regarding allocation of the \$2 million earmarked for Pawnee Nation programs and services.

Priorities discussed include educational endeavors, increased elder ser-

vices, and assistance with burial arrangements. Ideas that included culture and language were also discussed.

The committee will present recommendations to the Pawnee Business Council for approval. As of the time of this publication, no funds have been expended.

The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12, 2013.

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Pawnee Learning Center Spreads Holiday Cheer

Designed by Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The Learning Center celebrated the holidays with lots of activities, treats and laughter.

In addition to sharing fun events, the staff and children also engaged in community outreach through participation in the Angel Tree sponsored by the Pawnee Nation Indian Child Welfare department. Contributions by parents and employees supplied gifts for a teenage girl and young boy this Christmas.

The Learning Center staff also made the holidays merrier by sponsoring a Christmas dinner on Dec. 19 and a party on Dec. 21 for the children and parents to enjoy. Each class did a book exchange at their Christmas parties.

The Child Care staff includes Director Mee-Kai Clark, Assistant Director Melissa Williams and Teachers Tammy Tubbs, Kim Miller, Debbie Merriman, Kathy Griesel, Patricia Hungerford, Crystal Helvy, Alex Chino and Shelby Turner.



Photo by Mee-Kai Clark

(Left to Right) Miss Pat's 2-year-old class standing in front of one of the five Christmas trees donated to the Pawnee Nation Learning Center this holiday season. Featured are Jackson Turner, Macyn Morgan, Hudson McCray, Landyn Weaver and HighEagle Pratt.



Photo by Toni Hill



Photo by Toni Hill



Photo by Toni Hill

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center staff makes the holidays fun for the children. First Picture (Left to Right): Terrien Exum, Miki Shaw, Tomoyake Clark, Blaze Moorman, Carly Jefferson, Kate Sherrill, Maelee Brown, Talli Washington, Ty Washington, Kaden Teter, Miss Crystal Helvy and Miss Mee-Kai Clark. Middle Picture (Left to Right): The infant class including Kyler Dallas, Mallory Houston, Simeon Exum and teacher Tammy Tubbs. Third (Left to Right): The Wobblers including Levi Spottedhorsechief, Kathy Griesel and Easton Exum.



Photo by Toni Hill

Terrien Exum enjoyed opening presents during the Christmas holiday.



Photo by Toni Hill

Kaden Teter liked playing with his toy train and tracks.



Photo by Toni Hill

Talli Washington loves to play with her kitty cat.

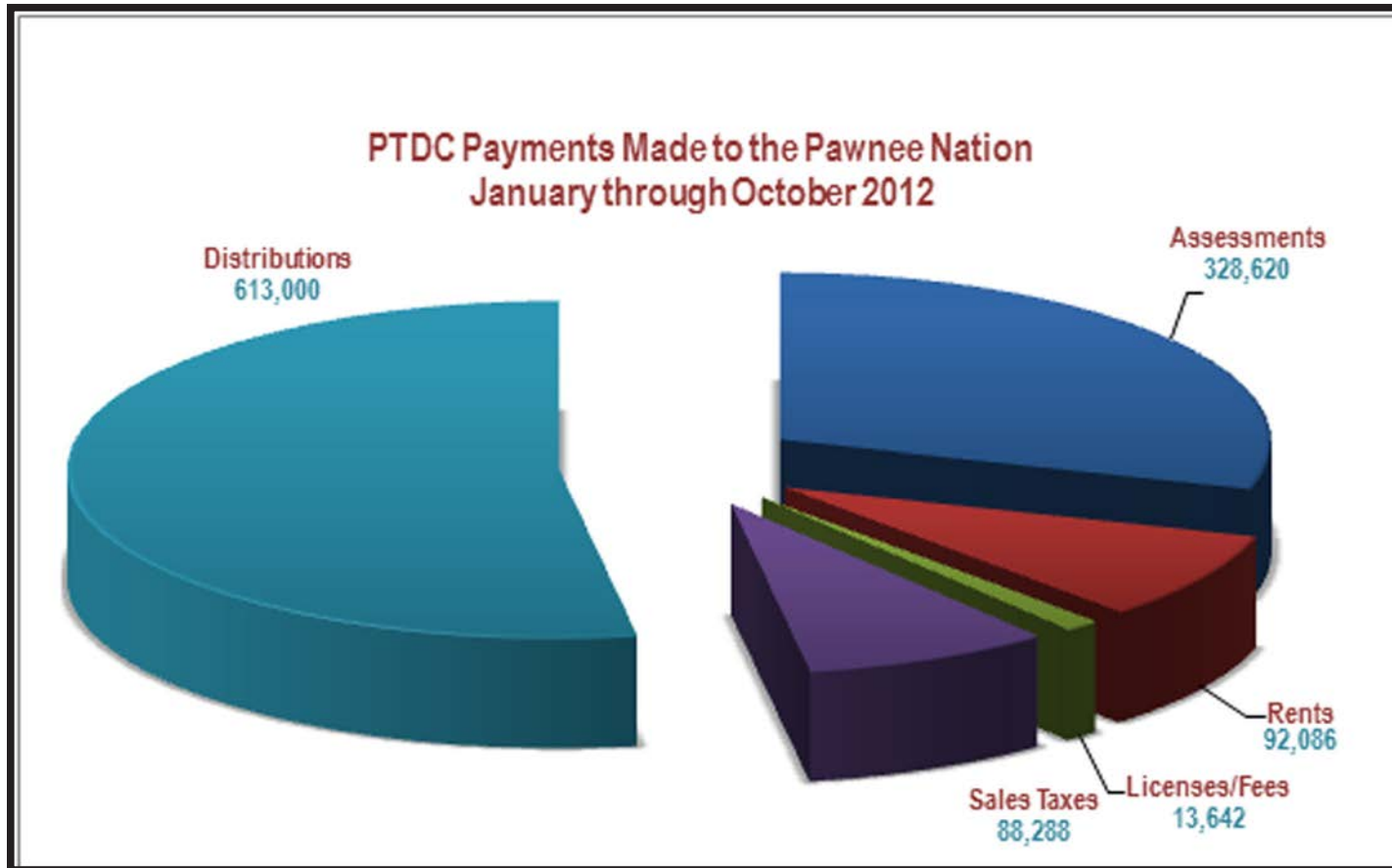


Photo by Toni Hill

Kate Sherrill enjoyed getting lots of toys for Christmas.

Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Provides A Financial Update

Submitted by the Tribal Development Corporation



The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (TDC) Board of Directors' activities are guided by their Articles of Incorporation and along with the Chief Executive Officer of the corporation.

TDC is continually working in a variety of ways to achieve greater successes for its current operations. A larger selection of gaming machines, new signage, re-branding of the restaurant, increasing board and

employee training, additional marketing techniques and an overall update in the corporate infrastructure is a clear demonstration that TDC is actively achieving its goals, embracing its corporate responsibilities,

seeking growth and focusing on fiscal accountability.

The month of October was particularly gratifying for the corporation as payments to the Pawnee Nation had reached over 1 million dollars.

The chart shows that payments of \$1,135,636 were sent to the Nation through October 2012.

TDC has set its goals for 2013 and will be working even harder to attain greater accomplishments and improved performances.

TDC is looking forward to realizing its goals for the Pawnee Nation government, its people and the community of Pawnee; the ultimate beneficiaries.

The corporation would like to thank the community for supporting its businesses.

TDC holds its meetings on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the corporate office conference room located on the second floor of the Health and Community Services building. Community members are welcomed to attend.

Pendleton Blankets Reflect Pawnee Pride



The Pawnee Nation Tax Office offers the Pawnee Nation Pendleton blankets designed to resemble the Pawnee Nation Flag.

The total cost of the blan-

ket, including tax, is \$324.

Lay-a-way is available with a 25 percent down payment and the remainder of the cost payable within 90 days in the form of a monthly payment of 25 percent of the balance due. An additional shipping cost of up to \$18 will be

applied to the final payment.

For more information, contact Lyle Fields or Cecilia Hawkins at (918) 762-3624.

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