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Honoring the service and memory of James Edward Fields

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the Pawnee Tribal Council, we can do so many things, but we need to realize that we are only one vote. We need to make sure what we do for the Pawnee people is in their best interest. So I trust that when you go to the polls that you will vote for the best person, someone that you feel will do the best things for the Pawnee people.

In the past two years we have seen a lot of things, including the new police station that was built, it is a wonderful building, and the Bridge to the Great Pawnee Nation completed and is being used daily by many people and by people who swore that it was a bridge to no-where. It is very useful and has helped many people. You also see the refurbishing of roundhouse, probably one of the most heartfelt and spiritual buildings on the reserve, where we hold handgames, war dances, funerals and even the dirt in the center of the roundhouse came from Nebraska. It holds many special feelings for a lot of people. Although people have their feelings about re-doing it, it's going to be wonderful when it is done. We will have a warm place in the winter, a cool place in the summer, we will have modern facilities for all of our dances and gatherings that we have. There will be lighting in the parking lot and a cooking area; it will be a very special place. You will see that the inside of the roundhouse will not be as different as it was before. Then it will be a real joy to participate in things in the middle of winter and our different functions we have in the middle of summer like this last summer when it was 117 degrees outside for our visitation and we suffered through it, now we will have a cool place to go. So we are looking forward to the completion of the roundhouse. We are also looking to break ground on the elder's center. It will be a place, we hope, that they will enjoy and make great use of.

Here in the near future, we will be promoting our Great Pawnee Nation on radio dial 1600 AM, KUSH radio from 9-10 am and that will start on March 20th and continue once a month. It has been a dream of mine that we have a radio station to promote our programs, our people and all the different things that the Pawnee Nation does. KUSH has donated time, so we will have an hour a month and grow from there. This time will allow us to tell about our history, programs, chiefs and our Pawnee Nation College plus more. We are excited to be given this opportunity to expand our outreach.

Powwow season is nearing and everyone is getting ready for traveling. Denver March has come and gone and we hope that everyone had safe travels and good times. We wish the best to all who are going to Gathering of Nations, this is the kickoff of those who follow that drum and hope that each of you will win plenty of prize money to pay your way around the country. We have world class dancers and singers from here, the Great Pawnee Nation, that go all over the country and we wish you well.

We were greatly honored to have the Millikin University Students here from Illinois to come down and do a lot of work at our cemeteries. That means a lot to us for them to do that, for that is where our folks are buried. There was a handgame put on by the Pawnee Nation Employees Club to teach them a little bit of our culture. They were fed well every night and our staff helped to entertain them and tried to make them feel welcome the best we knew how and we enjoyed their company. They were nice young students and we appreciate them. It's not that often that we get to have visitors like that. We enjoyed them and we had a good handgame. We had more people at the handgame than we seem to have when we plan one for several months. It was a real joy to have them here and to break bread with them almost every night.

My wish is that everyone had a Happy Easter. As we remember this holiday, let us remember what Easter is all about, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May his blessing and the blessing of Atius be on all of us and the Great Nation of Pawnee.

In closing, please continue to pray for our Pawnee people, community, our Elders and Soldiers.

Greetings all of you fellow Pawnee Tribal Members!

We were saddened by the news of the passing of Council Member Jim Fields. Our heart goes out to his family and all of his relations. We will miss him dearly. It goes to show we never know when Atius will call our name home. I want to wish all of our people good travels and may Atius smile upon you on your adventures.

It is coming time for elections and we are wishing all those who are running in the upcoming Pawnee Business Council elections the best of luck. For those of us who have to decide who to vote for, I hope that you will give each and every candidate their due respect and look at each of their qualifications and abilities. Being on the Business Council is a strong responsibility. We sometimes think that when we get on

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL

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Cover Photo: James Edward Fields passed from this life and went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013 surrounded by his family. Mr. Fields served as a council member of the Pawnee Nation Business Council. Pawnee Nation expresses sincere condolences to Mr. Fields' family. Obituary on page 3.



Spring 2013



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

April 3 and 17; May 8 and 22; June 12 and 26. PBC Meetings are held in the Roam Chief Building. Prayer Breakfast held April 3, May 8 and June 12 at 7:30 a.m. in the Roam Chief Event Center. Quarterly PBC Meeting held June 1 in the Roam Chief Event Center. Dates subject to change. 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

April 3 - Civil Court, 9:30 a.m.
April 5 - Criminal Court, 1:30 p.m.
For details, call (918) 762-3649.

Nasharo Band Chief Elections - May 2013

For more information, contact the Band Chiefs.

Pawnee Indian Veterans 67th Annual Homecoming

Powwow - July 4 - 7 at the Memorial Park in Pawnee.

The Pawnee Arts Center

The Pawnee Arts Center offers events that promote the Native America culture and history. The Pawnee Arts Center is located on 106 South Mill Street in Dannebrog, Neb. The Center is open year round at 4 p.m. every Thursday and by appointment. For more information, contact Gale Pemberton at (308) 226-8286 or at gale1938@live.com or visit www.thepawneeartscenter.org.

Visit www.pawneenation.org for additional information about the Pawnee Tribe and upcoming events. For information about Pawnee Nation College, visit www.pawneenationcollege.org.

Wildland Fire Scouts

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 and field exercises

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.

CONDOLANCES

JAMES EDWARD FIELDS

June 10, 1940--Feb. 9, 2013

James Edward Fields passed from this life and went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013 surrounded by his family.

Jimmy, as he was known by family and friends, was born on June 10, 1940 in Browning, Mont. Arthur Fields and Ahnawake Buchanan Fields.

He grew up in Pawnee graduating from Pawnee High School with the Class of 1958. He attended Wichita State University and graduated from Oklahoma Central University in 1966.

Jim had a 37 year career with the federal government working with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, retiring in 2003. He served as Agency Superintendent either in an acting

or full time capacity at the Miami Agency, Wewoka Agency, Osage Agency, and as Regional Director at the Muskogee Area Regional Office.

He thoroughly enjoyed performing these duties as his desire and goal was always for the betterment of Indian people.

Jim also served in the U.S. Army National Guard, retiring at the rank of Captain. Most recently Jim had the honor and privilege of serving as a council member of the Pawnee Nation Business Council, a duty he didn't take lightly as his desire was always to make a difference for the advancement of his beloved Pawnee Nation.

A Christian by faith, Jim most recently was a member of the Chris

tian Baptist Church where he had the privilege of occasionally filling the pulpit and sharing God's Word. One of his favorite Bible Verses is Proverbs 3:5-6 and he claimed that promise daily.

Jimmy is survived by his wife, Lisa; daughter, Suzanne Fields Berry and her husband, Jon, Springdale, Ark.; sons, Jay Christopher Fields and his wife, Tishia, Tahlequah, Okla.; Michael James Edward Fields, Tahlequah, Okla.; brothers, Richard Fields, Wagner, Okla.; Harrison Fields and his wife, Marie, Pawnee, Okla.; sister-in-law, Minnie Fields, Pawnee, Okla.; stepchildren, Gina Salazar, Stilwell, Okla.; Jeff Salazar and his wife, Shannon, Stilwell, Okla. He was also known as Grandpa to 11 grandchildren.

Survivors also include numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

Jim was preceded to heaven by his parents; sister, Eva Fields Nordwall; brothers, Arthur and Raymond C. Fields; daughter, Eva Fields; and son, James E. Fields, Jr.

Wake services were held Sunday and Monday evenings with life celebration services scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013 at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Complex, Pawnee, Okla., with Rev. Clarence Yarholer officiating.

Interment was at 1 p.m., at Greenhill Cemetery, Muskogee, Okla., under the direction of Potteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

Mr. Fields is pictured on the front cover. Obituary courtesy of the Pawnee Chief.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Bruce Pratt Vice President Candidate

Why Candidate is seeing election: I am seeking the office of vice-president to assist the Pawnee Tribe in moving forward in these difficult times. I would help our President and Council to know and be aware of the concerns of the people, the eyes and ears of the people. We have a rich history and legacy among the Native Nations. Hopefully, our business side of our Tribe will rise up to take a place among the Tribes.

Goals while in office: My goals if elected is to learn and grown in the knowledge of the business of the Pawnee Tribe. I would work with the council and employees to make responsible decisions based on facts and the constitution of the tribe. I promise to be on time and attend all meetings. I am a peace maker and I would hope to continue that role on Council. We can do more together than apart.

Education and/or professional qualifications: I have attended various grade and middle schools in the U.S. I'm a proud Pawnee Black Bear graduate. I have 3 yrs. of college in Business Administration. I'm currently a pastor. I have been a counselor for the Boys and Girls Club.

Bruce Pratt Vice President Candidate

Nowah, I am announcing my candidacy for the office of Vice-President.

My name is Bruce Pratt. I am married for 32 years to my wife, Vicki and we have 5 children, Kacie, Elisha, Taylor, Ryanne and Evanne. I have 2 grandchildren, Quinnlen and Lola and Richard Spears is their dad.

I am the son of Duane and the late Henrietta Pratt. I am the grandson of Lawrence and Flora Goodfox, on my mother's side and the grandson of Adam and Hazel Pratt, on my father's side.

I have recently returned to Pawnee after being in California and Florida for the past 9 years. Let me say, it's good to be home.

Why am I running for this council seat? First, let me say that times are tough everywhere.

It seems that we all have had to cut back and conserve more to make ends meet. It's not only the Pawnees but all the peoples of our great land are having harder and harder times.

Yet, we can all say that we still

live in the greatest country in the world. Our tribe is facing more and more problems with less and less Govt. resources. However, I believe in the Pawnees and I believe in our future. We, as leaders of the Tribe, owe it to our ancestors who fought and died for the freedoms and place which we now enjoy. We owe to our children who face certain hard times to come but will need a strong Tribal government and our Pawnee culture to help sustain them in their future. I am ready and willing to work to see that the Tribe continues to grow and prosper economically, culturally and spiritually.

I want to say that I have no agenda. I am not "OUT" to get anyone or anything. As far as I am concerned, everyone has a clean slate. I want to be a help to any and all who want to see a better tomorrow for our Tribe.

I respect and would like to commend the council members and the efforts they put forth to help our Tribe thus far. I have the highest regards for all the employees who have served in whatever work area

they work.

We are unique in this fact; we are all related. We all came from the same place, so in that respect, we must work together to build upon what the previous councils have accomplished.

I would also like to say that I have no hard words for any of the others running for the same seat. They are my relatives, classmates, church members and we have always been friendly toward one another. I hope that continues and I will make sure I do my part.

Some will say that I lack experience and that is true, I do, but we all have to start somewhere and I feel that the experiences of my life, along with my people skills, will go far in helping me to be a good councilman.

My family and I have helped many of you through the years and I hope I have proven myself to you as a good man and leader.

My current vocation is as a pastor at the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church. I have ministered to many people in many difficult situations

and have always put my best effort to solve the problems I've encountered.

I believe that will help as a council member. Though I am a minister and try to find peaceful solutions, I am not weak. I know the values that I have been taught and I will fight for the good of the tribal members.

I wish I could promise as President Herbert Hoover did when he said "A chicken in every pot" or in our case, "boiled meat in every pot", but I won't. I will promise that I will serve to the best of my abilities and make myself available to you.

In closing, I welcome any questions or concerns you may have. My door is open to each one of you if you wish to speak to me.

May our creator God, through His son Jesus Christ bless each and every one of you. Thank you.

VOTE BRUCE PRATT FOR
PAWNEE TRIBAL VICE-PRESIDENT

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Liana Chapman Teter

Business Council Seat #4 Candidate



Why candidate is seeking election: I am an interested tribal member who has closely followed the governance of the Pawnee Nation. I am concerned about issues affecting the PN and its people. I have the educational background, tribal government experience, and the motivation to provide leadership for our government. I am commit-

ted to reaching out, listening, and considering the needs and concerns of our tribe as our goals and priorities are considered.

My paternal grandparents are the late Henry Chapman and May RidingIn Chapman. My maternal grandparents are the late Walter Keys and Nora Shunatona Keys. The Chapman-Keys families have served the Pawnee people with exemplary leadership for many generations and I wish to continue that tradition.

Goals while in office: A PN Council member should follow government ethics with sound principles of leadership, holding elected officials

to a higher degree of knowledge and standards, treating everyone with dignity & respect, and formulate justifiable decision-making. As business affairs came up, I would: 1) gather the facts; 2) listen to the voice of the people; 3) put the interest of the Pawnee Nation first, above my own family and personal interest; and, 4) only

after taking all the facts into consideration would I plan to make my final decision.

As a PN Council member, I would stand for the following principles that I would like to advance during my term in office. To support and strengthen: 1) all Pawnee educational institutions; 2) economic growth; 3) economic self-sufficiency; and 4) cultural sovereignty.

Education and/or professional qualifications:

I am a graduate of Pawnee High School. My higher education includes both a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Education degree from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK. I also pursued additional graduate hours in Early Childhood Education from Oklahoma State University. I have been a school teacher in various Oklahoma public schools for the past 28 years, in addition to teaching undergraduate coursework at Oklahoma State University in the College of Human Environmental Sciences. My credentials include teaching certification by the OK State Department of Educa-

tion as a 'Highly Qualified Teacher' of Early Childhood Education, along with Learning Disabilities, Mental Retardation, Multi-Handicapped, Music, and Social Studies as well the full spectrum of the elementary grades. In 2007, I worked with the Pawnee Nation's "Pa<ee Pakoo<oo: Revitalizing Our Language, Strengthening Our Nation" Language Program, first, as Pre-school Curriculum Specialist, eventually moving up to Program Director. More recently, I worked in the Education Department, as the Education Specialist, for the Iowa Tribe in Perkins, OK. This involved administering the daily operations of the tribe's Higher Education Scholarship Program, Adult Vocational Training, Adult Education, and Direct Employment Assistance. A common thread has been spun throughout my professional years with proven interpersonal skills of cooperation, leadership, respect of others, and adaptability.

It is with deep respect that I request your support in this year's election.

"TRADITION WITH A NEW DIRECTION"

LIANA CHAPMAN TETER

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL SEAT #4

My traditional beliefs have remained constant throughout my lifetime. Respecting our elders, caring enough to train our children, and standing together in times of need are the foundations of these convictions. From my elders before me, I know that putting these beliefs into action is what kept the Pawnee Nation as one family and continues to shape our self-worth in belonging. Our children are our legacy, and we must ensure the survival of our ways through them, or our identity as native people will be lost forever. At this point in time, we have urgency for revitalization to preserve our cultural identity; and to find ways to meet the cultural awareness needs of those living outside the Pawnee jurisdiction.

I am Liana Chapman Teter, the youngest of four children of the late Basil Chapman and Alma "Chita" Keys Chapman. My husband, Richard, an educator, and I live on the family's original Pawnee Indian allotment (May RidingIn) in Payne County near Yale. Throughout our marriage of 42

years, we were blessed with three talented children (two with families of their own and one in college). In addition, we have three wonderful grandchildren. My paternal grandparents are the late Henry Chapman and May RidingIn Chapman. My maternal grandparents are the late Walter Keys and Nora Shunatona Keys. The Chapman-Keys families have served the Pawnee people with exemplary leadership for many generations and I wish to continue that tradition.

I am a graduate of Pawnee High School. My higher education includes both a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Education degree from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK. I also pursued additional graduate hours in Early Childhood Education from Oklahoma State University. I have been a school teacher in various Oklahoma public schools for

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Scholarship Program, Adult Vocational Training, Adult Education, and Direct Employment Assistance. A common thread has been spun throughout my professional years with proven interpersonal skills of cooperation, leadership, respect of others, and adaptability.

Serving on the Pawnee Tribal Business Council is an honor and responsibility that I would take very seriously. It requires not only the knowledge of the Pawnee people and culture, but also comprises the federal codes, policies and procedures, and understanding the laws that affect our Indian Country. If elected, based on my experience, I will bring to the Pawnee Business Council a unique perspective in the areas of education, family, and culture. I am committed to being supportive and responsive to the needs and concerns of all tribal members.

It is with deep respect that I request your support in this year's election, in which I am seeking Pawnee Business Council Seat #4.

God Bless, Liana Chapman Teter

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Lisa Fields – Pahsetopah

Treasurer Candidate



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My compassion and decisiveness as an elected official will be to make quality decisions. I also promise to serve as an executive, decisive and qualitative business leader and team player for the Pawnee Nation administration.

For the last ten years, I have been at at-home mother to my ten hear daughter Heaven Pahsetopah. Alongside being a mother, I have achieved many areas of expertise.

I have extensive experience in the food and drink industry working for a family-owned business where our motto was Customer Is King. We developed employee teams whose job was to treat

customers excellently.

I also am co-owner of Two Sisters Catering & Concessions, a home remodeling and building contractor, Dancing Eagles Native American cultural educators and independent farming, soil, water conservation consultant on Indian land.

As a conservation consultant for Indian land, I developed and improved farm and pasture land for cattle, hay and crop land for self-sustaining land owners.

These experiences will benefit our current Pawnee Nation Corporation and businesses, will aid in establishing and opening new businesses and hiring Pawnees as upper management to run and operate our tribal businesses.

This involved working relation-

ships with Pawnee BIA, Pawnee natural resources conservation service and knowledge of their programs and implementing policies and procedures.

This type of experience would benefit the Pawnee Nation for land use, farming, and soil and water conservation implementation.

I graduated from Oklahoma State University in May 2000 with a Bachelors of Science in Agronomy with an option in soil and plant sciences. I completed college courses in business administration, accounting I and business law.

I attended University of Nebraska working toward entering grad school in 2002. While attending OSU, I worked summers for Pawnee Nation and Dept. of Environmental Conservation and Safety and served as a wild land firefighter (the Pawnee Scouts).

I received recognition as Outstanding Worker at Minter Fire in 2000.

Upon graduation from OSU, I worked for the BIA in Winnebago, Nebraska in the Land Operation Division. While there, I helped to develop farm and grazing plans, implemented soil and water conservation plans, and conducted farming and grazing land inspections.

Farming in Nebraska was very intensive and required very intensive work and knowledge. It required developing working relationships with the Winnebago Nation, Santee Sioux Nation and with state natural resource and conservation service and federal agencies such as

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Land Management.

I served as crew boss over the Winnebago Agency's firefighters. In training, out of 600 men, I scored second highest of all six classes combined.

This was achieved through determination and desire to be the best I could be because as a firefighter, you are in charge of people's lives counting on you to make life-and-death decisions.

I left the BIA to marry and start a family.

Upon visiting with various Pawnee nation Administration employees, there are concerns of budget cuts from the federal government which have pulled strings tighter for the Pawnee Nation.

Starting with the five newly elected Pawnee Business Council members, it's going to take the left hand to help the right hand or should I say teamwork and with every councilperson is different, individualized experiences, training, education, knowledge and wisdom should bring something to the table to make quality decisions for the Nation.

I envision new beginnings, a new start, fresh and new ideas with the newly elected officials to represent and lead our Nation into a great beginning.

Based upon all the foregoing education and experience, I believe I am the right person for the job for our Nation.

Nowah! I am Lisa Fields Pahsetopah and I am a candidate for the Pawnee Business Council Treasurer seat. My paternal grandparents were Arthur Fields, Sr. and Anawake Fields and maternal grandparents were Sam and Effie Osborne. I am the daughter of the late Arthur Fields, Jr. and Robust Minnie Fields. I am proud to say, "I am Pawnee."

If elected I will serve as an elected public official for the Pawnee Nation. The word in this case means to choose for office. The people choose a public officer to represent the Pawnee people to listen to their concerns, opinions and ideas and to implement these into quality decisions and to be a prob-

TRIBAL BUILDINGS AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

Tribal Buildings offer many amenities favorable for community and personal gatherings.

Locations for rent include the Roundhouse, Community Building, Camp Grounds, Multi-Purpose building, Wellness Center and the Roam Chief building.

Rental rates vary for Tribal members and outside individuals and organizations.

Prices range from comple-

mentary up to \$250 based on both half-day and full-day rentals.

Reservations must be made in person and not exceed 90 calendar days in advance.

In order to give another person or organization an opportunity to reserve a facility during weekends, holidays and Tribal events; facilities may not be reserved for multiple or consecutive days.

Locations needed for official Tribal business are excluded from policy limitations.

If a person or organization requires more than 90 calendar days to plan for an event, the person or organization shall be required to pay an advanced rental charge to reserve the facility.

It is the policy of the Pawnee Nation to give precedence in the event of a Tribal death.

The Tribal Operations office is located at 361 Clinic Road in the metal building next to the old Indian Health Services clinic.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding Tribal holidays.

For arrangements, call (918) 399-1756.

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John J. Only A Chief Vice President Candidate

items that I have witnessed by our current tribal leaders. If elected, my first priority is to restore the confidence back to the people the decisions being made by the Pawnee Business Council concerning our tribal government. I have heard tribal members concerns, and have stood alongside, and have expressed the same concerns during the Pawnee Business Council and Tribal Development Corporation joint meeting, the Pawnee Business Council and the Nasharo Council joint meeting, and the regular Pawnee Business Council open forum meetings. I have felt the same

Nawa Pawnee Relatives,

My name is John J. Only A Chief and after taking two years off to reflect and evaluate my previous term, I find it necessary to ask for your support in seeking the office of the Vice President of the Pawnee Nation. I cannot continue to stand by and observe the lack of input, the lack of decision, and the lack of full understanding of business agenda

frustrations of my voice not being heard as a tribal member. The kind of listening that the current PBC does and without action is not the kind of representation I voted for as a tribal member.

At this time with the uncertainty of the sequester cuts that will affect every aspect of our tribal services, we need to prepare as much as we can in order to maintain the

same level of services that are currently being provided. Without revenue, we will not be successful and provide those services for our people. Here are some steps we can take in order to help in generating and or maintaining revenue for the Pawnee Nation:

- Contract 4 grant writers with the settlement monies we have received. Each will be selected for their expertise in the promotion of health, education, language, and the ICDBG (community block grant). The incentive for the grant writers is, when the grant gets funded, they shall receive a bonus. The grant proposal goal is to exceed the \$4.4 million settlement that the Pawnee Nation received.

- Create a revenue allocation plan for both the TDC and Tax Commission revenues. This will close the current "black hole", where money goes in, but we don't know where it goes.

- Stonewolf Casino needs to be a fully-operational casino by eliminating the entire retail side with the help of an experienced casino management company.

- Change the utility service

provider from the City of Pawnee to Indian Electric Cooperative to reduce cost. This process was originally initiated in the last three months of my previous term, but was not fulfilled by the current administration. It is still an option for the Pawnee Nation.

- Rescind the resolution that established the Housing Authority under its current questionable State or Tribal housing status. Being under the tribe's authority will be beneficial and necessary for leveraging future grants for the Pawnee Nation.

- Having listed all the above and currently not having a fully-staffed finance department with updated fiscal policy, they should receive the same priority and the full support of the PBC for maintaining all aspects of our finances.

If given the opportunity to serve as your Vice President of the Pawnee Nation and having only 1 vote at the table I will need your continued support when it comes to some of the necessary changes for our future. Thank you for your support. May Attius continue to bless you and the Pawnee Nation.

Phammie Littlesun Secretary Candidate

My name is Phammie Littlesun, I am member of the Kitkekahki Band of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. I am the daughter of the late Morgan Littlesun, Sr. and Fern Eaglechief.

I have four children, three daughters and a son and seven grandchildren.

I am seeking the office of Secretary for the Pawnee Business Council.

I am a recent graduate of Haskell Indian Nations University where I obtained my Bachelor's Degree in American Indian Studies. Through this degree I learned about sovereignty, tribal governments and

nation to nation relationships. I realize the importance of our language and culture. This is what makes us sovereign and Pawnee.

I worked in the Pawnee Nation Property and Procurement Department for ten years. I was also appointed to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission for five years in which I served as Chairperson and Secretary. I served as the Pani Arts Chairperson and during my term I taught beading classes for the community.

I served two terms as the Pawnee Nation JOM Parent Committee Chairperson where I helped raise funds for the Pawnee youth educa-

tional needs like school supplies, athletic equipment and graduation expenses. I also served as Head Cook for several organizations, Pawnee Veterans, Pawnee Nation College Pow-wow, Kitkekahki Dances and Young Dog Dance.

I have been serving the Pawnee Nation people in many ways and I would like to continue this service as the Pawnee Business Council Secretary.

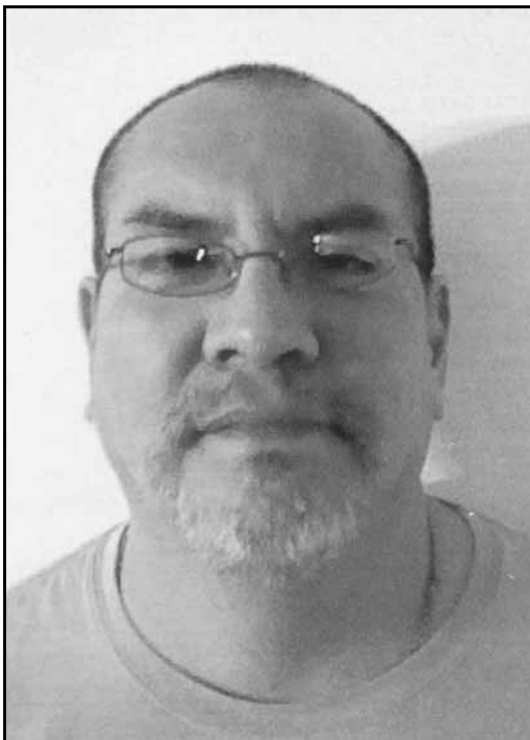
I was told by my elders to get an education and come back to help my people and I feel like I have prepared myself to do this. I have lived in Pawnee almost all of my life. I understand the current economic

hardships families face in our reservation and would like to see our tribe utilize its resources for the betterment of the people. I will be open and willing to talk to anyone that wants to discuss or ask questions about Council business.

I will do my best to be upfront and honest with each of you and work very hard to bring you progress. I believe it is time for the Pawnee Nation to move forward and prosper and if elected, I will do my best to see that the council works for You!

Vote for Phammie Littlesun, Pawnee Business Council Secretary

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Kenneth Lynn Murie, Jr.

Vice-President Candidate

thousands of dollars taken from the tribal members causing them to suffer for lack of employment. There are too many contractors coming in through the Pawnee Business Council and this is also taking money from our tribal members. We are tired of the Pawnee tribal council meetings being held early in the morning and during hours that other non-council members are unable to attend.

The business meetings are unproductive, carrying a yearly nonproductive agenda and track records, when they are supposed to carry a weekly and monthly track record. The Business council is not overseeing essential tribal

departments, these departments are able to do as they please, resulting in the employees not being available in the offices to answer phones. This is a risk to the health, welfare, and safety of our tribal members who depend on them.

Goals While in Office

To meet the current needs of the tribal members (children, elders, and Veterans), to truly take care of our members, like our elders took care of us.

I would make sure that not one person has sole control of the monies, assets, and where it goes. To make sure that each tribal member has an accounting of the monies and assets as per public record.

My main goal is to take care of the people's needs and not to have deaf ears and turned backs upon

them as they have endured during current and past tribal councils. All the money that is being brought through tribal businesses shall be given to us rightfully; instead of going to non-tribal members, that has been brought in by our tribal government.

If this tribal council is going to use our names to gain businesses then they will pay us for it, just like every other tribe around the state are taking care of their members and paying them. There will be no harassment, intimidation, employer retaliation, against employed tribal members like there currently exists. I know because this is what I have to endure along with other employees.

When seeking this office I know I have many candidates to run against, some are holding office currently and some new; and it is very obvious that the current and past Council people don't know what they are doing from their past records and would still be in office if they had known what they were doing.

Also, the new people will come in unaware of the problems with no incite of the current tribal situation that we have. Because of this, we do not need a repeat of the past because it has gotten us nowhere.

I came to work for the tribe as an employee on the 7th of December 2009. At the time the president gave a speech, he promised that the tribe will change for the better, more jobs, have it easier; but as you see, dissent, dismay, and poverty have happened instead.

Because of all the different situ-

ations I have been exposed to, I feel I have gained the knowledge and understanding to help this tribe.

If anyone has a question or problem they need answered, feel free to come by or call me, I will answer anything, ANYTHING that you want to know. I will try to help you anyway I can.

My final words to the people come from a day I was standing in a store. I heard two council members from another tribe talking about the Pawnee Nation.

The words they spoke I will never forget because they were true, "the Pawnee Nation could have a lot going for it if they knew what to do with it, but the people running the show are too stupid to know it, and they have got to be the most stupid tribe in Oklahoma."

I did not argue with these people, why? Because I realized this was the truth. I would like to thank the past and present tribal governments for putting us in this position, and that is why I am running for this position and would like your support and vote in this election.

Education and/or professional qualifications

Graduate of Glencoe High School, Attended Langston University, Eleven years Chief of Police, Twenty-one years as a Certified State and Federal Law Enforcement Officer, Twelve years as tribal employee, Veteran, Ordained Minister

My parents are Carol Murie and the late Kenneth Murie, Sr., grandparents are the late Stacy and Helen Mathews, and the late Frank and Avis Murie.

Why is candidate seeking election?

I am seeking election because our present tribal government cannot provide for our Pawnee people.

There are too many unanswered questions from tribal members. There are too many discrepancies and secrets that are being kept from the tribal members.

Our government tribal entities, as elected officials, are not giving an accounting to all the tribal members. It is because of these many unspoken discrepancies that I am seeking the office of Vice-President of the Pawnee Business Council. There are tribal employees that have to hire other people to do their jobs. This is a waste of money.

There are too many unnecessary management employees that are non-Indian. This amounts to

PAWNEE NATION COMMISSIONS

Members of the commissions are appointed by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC).

The Gaming Commission

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

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.

The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (PTDC) Board of Directors

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.

The PN Election Commission

The Election Commission has two positions that expire in Decem-

ber 2012. The two terms that are expiring are the Clerk and Alternate.

PN 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.

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

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Ellis Horsechief Secretary Candidate

mother was Minnie Ruth Moses Horsechief.

I am married to Ramona Fields Horsechief, and we have three (3) children, John – 22, Vada - 9, and Caleb – 6, all which reside along with myself in Pawnee, OK. I was born in Pawnee on Dec. 13, 1955.

Our family moved here from Oklahoma City, OK three (3) years ago in order to become more actively involved with our Pawnee Nation and also to allow my wife and children to be closer to her mother, Minnie Osborne Fields.

I own a successful commercial/residential paint & wall covering business for the past 25 years called Horsechief Painting.

I also have a college degree from Rose State College in Midwest City, OK and also Education at Oklahoma University in Norman, OK.

I am seeking election to make

changes for the wellness of our Pawnee people. One way is by creating more jobs, in other areas such as restaurants, construction, education, agriculture, and health & fitness and not to depend solely on our casino employment. I would advocate to have employment training for areas as mentioned above.

Our tribe needs a higher ratio of Pawnee Tribal members employed within the corporate positions as well as the other positions available within our nation. There are not many Pawnee Tribal members employed within our corporation positions and there will be if I am elected.

I would like to tackle drug and alcohol abuse problems as we have a high rate of addiction among our people. We need to put more emphasis on how to handle these problems – this is a viscous circle that our people get in, but it can be overcome with the help of our substance abuse program and other resources available within our area and other surrounding tribes.

But one of my goals while in office would be to start a drug/alcohol rehabilitation center for adults and juveniles' with a more Godly centered approach. This in turn will help our people with a happier and healthier life, not only for themselves but for their families.

This will allow growth and opportunity and allow them to be more productive within society because I have seen and know these people and they in turn are looking how to get of this viscous circle.

Finally, while in office, my goal is to work on getting per cap for our people because this is their money. I would like to bring better wages, fairness, and equality to our people. I will be the new voice for our people by bringing hard work ethics, accountability, equality, to treat our people the way that I would want to be treated.

This is only a small portion of my ideas and goals while in office.

Thank you and God bless
Ellis Horsechief, Jr.

My name is Ellis Horsechief, Jr. candidate for the seat of Secretary on the Pawnee Nation Business Council. I am the son of Ellis Horsechief Sr. and Laverne Liberty Moore Horsechief.

My maternal grandfather was Sydney Moore Sr. and grandmother was Iva Pratt. My grandfather was Delbert Horsechief Sr. and grand-

Lillie Cummings Council Seat 4 Candidate



Nawa Pawnee Tribal Members -

I am a candidate for Seat # 4 on our Tribal Council. I belong to the Chaui Band and am a descendant of War and Lillie Rouwalk, Jennie Rouwalk Realrider, Warren Realrider, and Austin Realrider, all full blood Pawnees.

On my Mother's side, my Great Grandfather was Nelson Rice, also full blood Pawnee and I am the Widow of the late Lloyd Cummings.

My education is three years of College, I have worked for the B.I.A., for a Lawyer, for three Radio and Television Stations as a Writer and Ac-

count Executive. I have also been a Head Start Teacher and Substitute Teacher.

All the Council candidates come from fine Pawnee families, but we cannot ride on the coat-tails of their accomplishments. We must stand on our own convictions and accomplishments.

I am not a newcomer to Pawnee Nation Policies and Procedures, having previously served on the Council for four years.

I have served as President or Chairperson of the Tribal Housing Authority and possess good Leadership qualities.

I recently was responsible for writing the petition that was signed by 254 tribal members requesting

the tribal council to pay out, in per capita, the 4.4 million dollars that was awarded to the Pawnee Tribe from the Nez Perce v Salazar settlement.

However, the Council made a unanimous decision to only give us the \$610 which I feel was not a fair amount.

If you elect me to Seat # 4, I will do my best to treat you fairly and see that you are not ignored. I would also want to restore authority back to our Tribal Chiefs.

Remember, we can all make promises, but everything has to be passed by a majority vote, so vote for the candidate who will best represent you.

I appreciate your vote!

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Linda K. Chapman Jestes

Treasurer Candidate



School closed. Earl and his wife Leta raised me and I lived on the tribal reserve from third grade to high school graduation. I have a lot of memories of all of the long gone buildings, homes and people that worked and lived on the reserve.

I also attended the Indian School my second year in school. This is why I have chosen to run for office again. My roots are at the Tribe and I want to continue to help if elected not only as Treasurer but in any way that I can.

I was elected as Secretary for this administration but upon the resignation of the Treasurer several months ago I also had to assume their duties according to the Constitution. I have always liked financial management and the challenges that go with it and knowing the needs the Tribe will be facing in the next few years, I made a decision to run for Treasurer based upon my business experience.

My name is Linda K. Chapman Jestes I am running for the position of Treasurer of the Pawnee Nation.

My parents are the late Henry and Lonie Chapman and I am the youngest in a family of eleven (11) children. My father as well as several of my brothers, Basil, Tommy and Bob served on the Pawnee Business Council and Earl was employed as Tribal Reserve Manager for many years after the Indian

I have been employed as Executive Director by the Housing Authority of the Pawnee Tribe for the last ten (10) years and have been commended by HUD and the IRS with having excellent record keeping. I also operated a licensed home day care for six (6) years before my employment with the Housing Authority. My husband and I currently have a Longhorn cow and calf operation and have had a successful farming and ranching business for over twenty three (23) years.

Some of the things I feel need to be achieved in the next administration are:

An update of the Constitution which include changes to the duties of the Secretary and Treasurer.

Change the Quarterly Meetings to an Annual Meeting and provide a report with full disclosure of all funds expended for the fiscal year along with information and reports from all tribal programs and provide a meal.

Develop a new Revenue Allocation Plan for monthly deposits from TDC and other sources.

Provide more funding to the Pawnee Nation College to help

them in achieving accreditation so that local Native Americans and others can attend a college that is affordable in our small community.

Develop a five (5) year Economic Plan for the Wellness Center and Gym, the Big Pasture, the Boys building, Superintendents house, Campgrounds and new Pow Wow grounds.

Build a playground for the children east of the Roundhouse which would include a splash pad. Build a new fence, bleachers, dug outs and install lights around the Mose Yellowhorse ball field as well as new bathrooms.

Our children are our future and funding should be set aside each year for all students from scholarships for college student to basic needs of students of all ages. They should have the opportunity to participate in programs and events that will enhance their quality of life and build self-esteem.

I believe that where there is a need there is a way and with God's help we will succeed. I respectfully request your vote on May 4.

Linda K. Chapman Jestes

Misty M. Nuttle

Treasurer Candidate

Nowa! My name is Misty M. Nuttle and I am currently seeking the position of Treasurer on the Pawnee Business Council. My parents are Neva R. and George H. Pratt and the late Samuel E. Nuttle. My Maternal Grandparents are Neva Spotted Horsechief Moore and the late Thurman F. Moore. My Paternal Grandparents were Pearl Osborne Nuttle and William F. (Bubby) Nuttle. I have three children; Andrew, Jaden and Adiliah, ages, 17, 16, and 6 and have resided in Pawnee for the majority of my life. I graduated from Skiatook High School and went on to pursue my education at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KS where I received an Associate of Arts degree in Tribal Management and at the University of Phoenix in Rockville, MD where I received a Bachelor of Science degree with emphasis in Business Management. I have worked in the Federal, Tribal and Private sectors and am ready and willing to share my knowledge and experiences to elevate the status of our Pawnee people.

I have already had the pleasure of serving our Pawnee people in various capacities such as; Tribal Planner, Tribal Development Coordinator and Grantwriter and am familiar

with our Tribal programs, services and existing Tribal infrastructure. In these and other capacities, I have attained knowledge of developing proposals, budget development and execution, auditing program expenses for compliance with GAAP and Federal and State cost principle regulations, oversight of monitoring Federal and State grants and contracts and development and execution of various organization and performance improvement plans. I am an honest, independent thinking, self-starter who approaches challenges head on and I believe that given the opportunity, I could make a positive impact and forward approach towards providing the Pawnee Nation with the necessary tools towards financial accountability, transparency, and stability.

As Treasurer and Council Member, I would like to address three areas of need. First, economic development is a must and a priority for our people and our future generations. Development of our Tribal enterprises is necessary and long overdue and we should continually be looking at the needs of our people and the surrounding community. We need to realize that our surrounding communities are also dependent on our Pawnee

Nation and the dollars brought to stimulate our local economy are a powerful tool and resource which can and should be utilized to create joint ventures and innovative approaches in meeting our longstanding unmet needs and challenges. If we develop businesses or services our community can utilize, we will build partnerships that will be sustaining and longstanding and have the support of our Pawnee community in our future economic advances and endeavors. Second, the youth of our Pawnee Nation need to be nurtured and primed to become our next Tribal directors and leaders. Designing an all-inclusive development program focusing on areas such as personal development, education, mentorship, counseling assistance and civic responsibility will give them a head start on the challenges we face in our daily lives and in the professional world. This program would lead them in a direction where they will seek out opportunities specific to their goals, wants and needs, teach them to overcome barriers on their own and eliminate unnecessary obstacles. Finally, development of a financial strategic plan, including development and/or revisions of current financial operating procedures, needs

to be addressed. Standard operating procedures are vital to any organization and lack of, leads to miscommunication, violation of ethics and violation of cost and accounting principles. Utilizing the funding we receive in a way that benefits all Tribal members should be an approach we take at every opportunity. Recognizing every Tribal member is unique and has their own circumstances and needs is pertinent to ensure all Tribal members receive the assistance they need no matter where they reside or what their current situation is. It is the responsibility of the Pawnee Business Council to make the best possible decisions and outcomes to provide for their Pawnee Tribal members.

All of these areas can be achieved, however, we must have leaders, directors and employees who are knowledgeable and have the expertise to demonstrate and pursue those venues and opportunities to achieve these tasks. The status quo is not acceptable and we must have a hands on, pro-active approach to accomplish this. With this being said, I ask for your support and vote on May 4, 2013 so we can make these plans and ideas a reality. Aho.

PAWNEE NATION EMPLOYEES



Photo by Toni Hill

Cynthia Rice was selected as the Community Health Representative Coordinator effective Jan. 14, 2013.



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Joanna Flanders was selected as the Indian Child Welfare Coordinator effective Jan. 28, 2013.



Submitted Photo

Charlotte Ramos-Nossaman was selected as a Violence Against Women Advocate effective Feb. 11, 2013.



Submitted Photo

Happy 5th Birthday
Aven King
Love, Mom & Dad
Submitted by Amber Whiteshirt, PNC

Not pictured: Linda Johnson was selected as an accountant effective Feb. 11, 2013. Pawnee Nation also recently bid a fond farewell to two employees, Ted Moore and Angela Thompson.



Submitted Photo

Pawnee "A" 3rd grade girls team won the tri-county lil'dribblers 3rd grade basketball tournament! Coached by Pete Moore and Louise Stevens, front row left to right is Lainy Kelley, Karson Bryant, Christa Carney, Haeli Stevens, Taylor Grant, Keilee Castleberry and Preslee Moore. The girls worked hard and ended the season as Champions! Submitted by Louise Stevens.



Photo by Toni Hill

The Tribal Development Corporation celebrates the contributions of Monie Horsechief with a farewell party held Feb. 22. Horsechief resigned from the TDC Board effective Feb. 19. (L to R) Back Row: Jeff Sexten, Roger Smith, Dixie Shaw and Rebecca Soxie. (L to R) Front Row: Lindsey Teter, Monie Horsechief and Susan Muench.

PAWNEE NATION WINTER WONDERLAND



Photo by Karen Haymond

The road located just before the Green Bridge.



Photo by Karen Haymond

The Arbor at the Pawnee Nation Camp Grounds.



Photo by Toni Hill

Black Bear Creek taken from the new bridge.

Millikin University Center Students Visit Pawnee Nation

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager



Chief of Police David Kanaho explains the boundaries of the Pawnee Reserve.



Photo by Toni Hill

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Students and faculty pose with Karla Knife Chief and Linda Jestes outside of the Pawnee Nation Housing Authority complex.

Millikin University representatives Mary Garrison, associate professor; Jan Traugher, director of Kirkland Fine Arts; and seniors Allie Lazorette, Kelsey Borchelt, Jade Anderson, Val Anderson, Carissa McCallister, Brittany Parker, Eric Du and Jon Williamsen visited Pawnee Nation on March 10 - 13.

This was the third visit to Pawnee from Millikin University staff and scholars over the past three years.

The Human Service majors agreed to travel to Pawnee from Decatur, Ill. during Spring Break to gain insight on socialistic benefits and challenges from a small town and tribal perspective.

“All of the students are involved in the Human Service Connection (HSC), an organization that targets college juniors and seniors interested in human service components,” said McCallister, HSC president. “Club members engage in promoting awareness of the homeless community through participation in “Box City,” an activity where individuals sleep in boxes in the Quad overnight.”

While honored guests of Pawnee Nation, the volunteers camped in the Roam Chief Event Center, engaged in community service through the beatification of the Tribal Cemeteries and spent time with the Pawnee elders and youth.

The collegians also partici-

pated in various cultural events including a hand-game sponsored by the Pawnee Nation Employees Club. Social activities included Trivia Game Night and disc golf competitions.

“I really enjoyed all of the Pawnee Nation visit and through my interactions now understand how much family traditions are valued by Tribal members,” Parker said. “This experience has made me commit to be more involved in my personal family history. I



Photo by Toni Hill

Jade Anderson (L to R), Jon Williamsen and Eric Du visit with Deb Echo-Hawk, Health and Community Services acting director, while serving at Title VI.

would like to thank everyone at Pawnee Nation for making us feel welcome and allowing us to be part of the Pawnee culture.”

The Millikin University visit was coordinated by the Pawnee Nation Executive Office.



Photo by Toni Hill

Warren Pratt, Jr. attempts to out smart the Millikin students at the Handgame sponsored by the Pawnee Employee Club held on March 12 at the Roam Chief Event Center.



Photo by Toni Hill

Albert Pohocsucut (L to R), P. Junior Rankims visit with Millikin students Brittany Parker, Carissa McCallister and Val Anderson while enjoying lunch at Title VI.

Pawnee Represented At The Festival Of Words

Designed by Toni Hill
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

Robert Deere (Fancy Dancer) (L to R), Warren Pratt, Jordan Kanuho (drummer), Princess Krystal Leading Fox, Justin Townsend (Fancy Dancer), Jay Mule (Fancy Dancer and Hoop Dancer) and Warren and Krista Pratt's children Cora and Adam represent the Pawnee culture.

On March 2, 2013, Junior Pratt and friends presented "Swing and Sway the Powwow Way!" during the 2013 American Indian Festival of Words sponsored by the Tulsa City - County Library.

Through presentations that incorporated storytelling and dance, Pratt brought the Pawnee Tradition alive to those in attendance. The event was facilitated by Teresa Washington Runnels, American Indian Resource Center coordinator for the Tulsa City-County Library.



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Justin Townsend (Fancy Dancer) explains the art of the dance to guests.

Pawnee Nation, On The Radio

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

PBC President Marshall Gover shares the Pawnees' rich heritage with listeners as prompted by Molly Payne from the "Donna & Molly Show" aired on KUSH1600 am Radio.

Pawnee Nation conquers new territory thanks to Molly Payne from KUSH radio/web, www.1600kush.com, Cushing, Okla.

Pawnee Nation will be featured monthly every third Wednesday from 9 until 10 a.m. on the "Donna & Molly Show" spon-

sored by KUSH Radio.

During Pawnee Nation's first radio spot aired on March 20, Pawnee Business Council (PBC) President Marshall Gover discussed the Pawnees' rich heritage.

Gover highlighted the Pawnees' concession of their territory to the U.S. Government in the 1800s and the 1875 relocation of the Reserve from Nebraska to what is now Pawnee County located in Pawnee, Okla.

Following, Pawnee Nation Election Commission Chairman Stephen Bird profiled the upcoming PBC elections.

Tribal member Herb Adson also performed the Pawnee Nation Flag Song and the Pawnee Nation Prayer Song, both of which will be implemented in each show.

Future discussion topics may incorporate Pawnee history, Pawnee Nation programs, the Nasharo Council and Pawnee Nation College updates.

"It has been a dream of mine that we



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(L to R) Molly Payne from KUSH Radio poses with PBC President Marshall Gover and Pawnee Nation Election Commission Chairman Stephen Bird.

have a radio station to promote our programs, our people and all the different things that the Pawnee Nation does," Gover said. "We are excited to be given this opportunity to expand our outreach."

For more information, contact the Pawnee Nation Communications Office at (918) 762-3621.

For program updates, visit www.pawneenation.org.

PAWNEE NATION CULTURE

AMERICAN INDIAN EXPOSITION

Hope Harjo Represents Pawnee Nation at the American Indian Exposition

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

(Back Row) L to R - Tom Morgan, Tulsa Powwow Club Princess Erica Moore, Pawnee Nation (PN) Business Council (PBC) Member Richard Tilden, Indian Veterans Princess Judiki Moses and former PBC member Roy Taylor. (Front Row) L to R - Pawnee Nation Exposition Princess 2013 Hope Harjo and Pawnee Nation Exposition Princess 2012 Autumn Only A Chief.

The American Indian Exposition will be held Oct. 8 – 11, 2013, at the Grady County Fairgrounds located in Chickasha, Okla.

Tom Morgan, Pawnee Nation director, American Indian Exposition of Oklahoma, began facilitating this event in 2008. Currently, more than 14 tribes throughout Oklahoma, including the Pawnee Tribe, participate in the celebration.

“The purpose of a state-wide exposition includes the display of Native American arts and crafts to help educate, promote and preserve the culture and heritage of Native Americans,” Morgan said. “The atmosphere is conducive to this culture and tribal members honor individual Tribes by donning appropriate regalia.”

Festivities during the Exposition include the selection of the Miss American Indian Exposition Princess.

Candidates will engage in a talent contest and a fashion show highlighting each contestant’s traditional tribal dress.

Educational profiles and the presentation of names and greetings in each participant’s native language will conclude the competition.

In December 2012, Hope Harjo was selected to represent Pawnee Nation during 2013. Former princesses include Autumn Only A Chief (2012), Jessica Leading Fox (2011), Raven Morgan (2010) and Melanie Cotanny (2009).

Princesses must possess a strong moral standard, an engaging personality, exceptional poise and a servant’s heart. During the Exposition, the honored empress will lead her respective Tribe in parades that will mark the beginning and conclusion of the festivities.

During the year, the reigning royalty will represent her Tribe while visiting nursing homes, schools, day care centers and engaging in other appropriate venues of service.

For more information about the Exposition, contact Morgan at (405) 826-8189.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES CENTER

Veterans Administration and Indian Health Service Announce National Reimbursement Agreement

By LCDR Joyce Oberly
Performance Improvement Officer



Photo by Joyce Oberly

Pictured left to right: Vickie Rogers Business Office Manager Muskogee VHA, Mary Culley, Regional Rep., VA Office of Tribal Government Relations, Travis Scott, CEO, Pawnee Service Unit, James R. Floyd, Director, Muskogee VHA Medical Center, Marshal Gover, President, Pawnee Nation, Kathryn Monet, Senior Legislative Assistant, Victoria Lee Legislative Assistant for the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and Aakash Bhatt, Congressional Relations Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

A joint national agreement by the Veterans Administration and the Indian Health Services aims at increasing Native Veterans’ access to quality health care services closer to home.

According to Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, “American Indian and Alaska Native Vet-

erans benefit from this agreement, which provides increased options for health care services”. As a result of the agreement, the VA is now able to reimburse I.H.S. for direct care services provided to eligible AI/AN Veterans.

VA copayments do not apply to direct care services provided by I.H.S. to eligible AI/AN Veterans under this agreement. The agreement between the two agencies marks an important partnering achievement for VA and I.H.S. and is consistent with the Administration’s goal to increase access to care for Veterans.

The two agencies have worked diligently to create an equitable agreement to ensure access to quality health care for our Native Veterans, particularly those living in rural

areas. A special aspect of the Agreement directly affects our Service Unit. Nationwide, 10 clinics were chosen to pilot test the reimbursement agreement and Pawnee Indian Health Center was selected as one of the pilot clinics.

On Feb. 22, members of the Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee, a Congressional Relations Officer, Pawnee Tribal leadership, leaders from the Veterans Administration (VA) and the Oklahoma Area Indian Health Service (I.H.S.) convened at Pawnee Indian Health Center to discuss the National VA/I.H.S.

Reimbursement Agreement. Pawnee Service Unit, CEO, Travis Scott and President Marshal Gover facilitated the meeting and provided a facility tour to all in attendance.

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.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Adrian Spottedhorsechief

Council Seat 3 Candidate



CULTURE. ACCOUNTABILITY. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Nawa! Chicktitkurus Puri? Tut Puri! Hello, how are you? I am good!

My name is Adrian Spottedhorsechief and I am announcing my candidacy for the Pawnee Business Council, Seat #3. I am a loyal and proud member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. My Pawnee name is Asawakirirareasaru (Spottedhorsechief). I am the son of the late Debra Moore and the grandson of the late Levi and Cody Spottedhorsechief, who raised and then later adopted me. Representing the Kitkehahki Band, I served as Band Chief for two terms, being the second youngest to assume this position of leadership, the first being my Great-Great Grandfather. I speak, read, and write the Pawnee language as well as participate, assist and conduct all tribal-cultural ceremonies relevant to Pawnee.

I have lived in and around Pawnee for 30 years, graduating from Yale High School then completing a certificate in Offset Printing and Graphic Design from Central Vo-Tech and then later attended school at OSU/Okmulgee and Northern Oklahoma College. I currently work

for the Pawnee Nation, Social Services/Health Division, as a CHR Planner. I recently moved back to Pawnee to restore the home my Grandparents left for me and also to be close to our Culture, that which sustains my lifeblood. My choice to run for the Pawnee Business Council is not a recent decision, and I am very confident that I will help lead the Pawnee Nation into the direction of success in preservation of culture, accountability to Pawnee Nation members with governmental matters of concern as well as sustainable economic ventures on and off the Pawnee Reserve.

Preserving Culture:

The Pawnee Nation is rich in culture and history; we have maintained some ceremonies within our tribe that we still conduct and hold dear. The Kitkehaki Dance, Asakipiriru (Young Dog Dance), Kuskarharu (Visitation), Skidi Dance, Native American Church, hand games, naming ceremonies, and the Mourners feast. We must continue to practice, share, learn, and protect these ceremonies.

*I am advocating the need for a Young Men's Warrior Society, to teach young boys about Pawnee culture, language, how to hunt, fish, camp, help and assist with ceremonies as well as teaching them the meaning and understanding of each aspect.

*I am also advocating the need for a Young Women's Society, to teach young women about culture, language, cooking, and gardening, as well as assisting with ceremonies and teaching them the meaning and understanding of each aspect. This society would be similar to the one our sister tribe, the Wichitas have. The role of the Pawnee woman is an integral part of our community and ceremonies.

Language is NOT separate from culture. We must also strive to

serve our language. The utmost importance being that we must consistently use our language, every day, all the time. Every day we do not use it, we lose it. Language should and can be offered in daycares, Pre-K (early learning), elementary, Jr. and Sr. high, at Pawnee Nation College as well as having adult community classes in the evening. Language preservation involves EVERYONE and affects EVERYONE. There is no compensation for loss of language. This is the reality and there are no options.

Accountability through Transparency :-

Responsibility, communication and transparency concerning governmental affairs should be a priority for the Pawnee Nation Business Council when dealing with: The Nasharo Council "Chief's Council", tribal members, and Pawnee Nation Employees.

*I am advocating for reaffirming the power of the Nasharo Council "Chief's Council". The Nasharo Council existed as a cultural and economic "checks and balances" when dealing with the Pawnee Business Council and Tribal Development Council, on matters concerning Pawnee Nation constituents. We need to revisit the check and balances that the Nasharo Council provided for the Pawnee Nation; the people.

*I am advocating the need for better rapport with Pawnee Nation employees, the very people who are the engine of this nation. There is an obvious need to legitimize the rights' of our employees and this is of the utmost importance.

Sustainable Economic Development:

The Pawnee Nation is NOT limited in our entrepreneurial creativity. Meaning: Economic Development on and off the Pawnee Reserve is possible! There is just as much opportunity for the Pawnee Nation to have a cattle ranch, solar and wind

technology, hotels and BIG tourism as much as any other successful nation.

These ventures will create JOBS for our people and will bring in the necessary REVENUE that is lacking to the community for development or improvements. With our unique sovereign status, which affords us the opportunity to prosper in an already competitive market, we can create a sustainable community! Sustainable Economic Development is KEY!

Locally: Screen printing shop, motel, indoor swimming pool, bowling alley, coffee shops, restaurants, mobile food service, and a concert hall or amphitheater,

*I will advocate for the purchase of cattle so that our community will have fresh beef (butcher shop).

*I will advocate for a community garden which will yield fresh produce for our community (outdoor market).

Surrounding Area: Own or partner with businesses in Stillwater, Tulsa, and Oklahoma City.

*I will advocate for the purchase of land for expansion of casino with hotel at travel plaza, along with including opportunities for small business owners.

*I will advocate for consideration of additional casinos to be constructed in: Chilocco, Yale and Lake Keystone.

Most Precious Resources: Our Pawnee Nation people are our most precious resource. Nothing that I mentioned is mutually exclusive; we do not stand alone on our own but work together. Everything we are and do is imprinted with our past as we head into the future. I live by the words and ways of my Ancestors existing in the present, caring for our Elder's, setting examples for my peers and nurturing a future for our children born and unborn – they are the future of our Nation. Tatachikstahu! Thank you!

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PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Jimmy Whiteshirt

Council Seat 3 Candidate



Nawah!

I am Jimmy Whiteshirt a proud member of the Pawnee, Otoe, and Arapaho tribes. I am Chaui Band of the Pawnee Nation. My parents are the late John and Maxine Peters Whiteshirt. My paternal Grandparents are the late Earl and Lura Whiteshirt. Maternal Grandparents are the late James and Minnie Peters. My parents taught me to work hard and to be responsible and honest. They also instilled in me a sense of pride in my culture.

My background has always been in law enforcement. During that time I was actively involved with local politics and various tribal and city bureaucracies. From this I gained much knowledge and as a result consider my involvement an additional education that I will use as a Councilman for the Pawnee People.

If I am elected as a member of the Pawnee Business Council, I am going to help ensure that the decisions made by the Pawnee Business Council will always be in the best interests of the Tribe. I pledge to be objective and fair, loyal and avoid conflicts of interests. I will follow all applicable laws, rules and regulations and I place communication to be very important in providing as much information as possible to the tribe because it adds trust and understanding between a tribe and its leadership

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Tulsa Police Department PATROL DIVISION

- Highly energetic and motivated
 - Maintained one of the highest ratings in all categories in annual performances
 - Assigned as a Field Training Officer to train new police officers
- SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION
- Conducted vice, narcotics and organized crime investigations
 - Networked with County, State, and Federal agencies in undercover narcotics and weapons investigations
 - Achieved and maintained one of the highest arrest and conviction rates within the narcotics division

DETECTIVE DIVISION

- Investigated burglary crimes
- Assisted in the prosecution of those crimes
- Drafted numerous property search warrants and arrest warrants
- Trained new detectives

STREET CRIMES UNIT

- Conducted vice, narcotics, and weapons investigations
- Conducted search and seizure training for field officers
- Involved in over 500 drug-related search warrants and arrests in a two year period

FOOT PATROL

- Conducted gang-related investigations within government housing apartment complexes
- Executed numerous search warrants for drug and weapons recovery and arrest warrants
- Elected to train younger officers to sharpen their skills and to excel as police officers
- Maintained one of the highest arrest and conviction rates and maintained one of the highest ratings in all categories in annual performances within the Foot Patrol Unit

MILITARY HISTORY

1972-1976

- United States Air Force Security Forces
- Rank upon Discharge, E-4, Sergeant
- Discharge, Honorable
- Vietnam Era Veteran
- Security clearance, Secret

MILITARY COMMENDATIONS

- The Presidential Unit ribbon
- The Air Force Outstanding Unit ribbon
- The Air Force Combat Readiness Medal
- The National Defense Service Medal
- The Air Force Longevity Service ribbon
- The Small Arms Expert Marksmanship ribbon
- The Air Force Beret, a symbol of achievement and recognition in a special forces unit

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

- Completed Basic training at Lackland Air Force base, San Antonio, Texas
 - Attended Security Forces training at Lackland Air Force base
 - Attended Non-commissioned Officer (NCO) leadership training school, Lackland Air Force base
 - Completed Combat and Terrorist training at Camp Bullis, Texas
- SPECIALIZED ADVANCED MILITARY EXPERIENCE
- Provided defense for Base entry control, aircraft, weapons, weapons systems, command centers, personnel, and other priority resources established by the Base Commander
 - Extensive experience in managing and supervising the protection of multi-million dollar government facilities
 - Provided armed security for The North American Aerospace Defense Command Center (NORAD), a bi-national command involving the United States and Canada which provides warning of missile and air attacks on both nations
 - Provided armed security for all types of U.S. aircraft including the Top Secret, U-2 Spy plane, a covert aircraft
 - Provided armed security for aircraft on stand-by status to intercept Russian aircraft entering U.S. air space
 - Armed security supervisor of aircraft munitions storage facility which housed rockets, bombs, missiles and aircraft ammunition
 - Trained in the use of hand grenades, small arms, M-16 machine guns, M-60 machine guns, grenade launchers, hand-to-hand

combat and bayonet tactics, ambush techniques and high explosive booby traps

- Learned to secure terrain inside and outside military installations to defend personnel, equipment and resources from hostile forces

- Supervisor of a 13 member combat team and performed with other combat team members to operate in various field environments including long distance combat patrols to conduct reconnaissance and the elimination of enemy positions
- Supervisor of SAT, a security alert team consisting of two or more security force members who form the initial reinforcing element responding to security alarms, emergencies, irregularities or terrorist activities

PROFESSIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFILIATIONS

- Tulsa Indian Theatre company, actor and vocalist
- Tulsa Indian Heritage center
- Tulsa Indian Club, Life Time Board member
- Board of Trustees I Indian Health Care and Resources Center of Tulsa, Inc.
- Tulsa International Alliance
- Served on the Tulsa Police Department Multi-cultural Recruiting Task Force.
- Tulsa Red Castle gun club
- The National Rifle Association
- Association of Oklahoma Narcotics Enforcers Inc,
- National Native American Law Enforcement Association
- Tulsa Police Fraternal Order of Police Lodge # 93
- Board of Trustees I Pawnee Gaming Corporation

It is my greatest desire to serve the people of the Pawnee Nation, I have the experience, knowledge, dedication and time to devote to the needs of the people of our great Nation. With your vote I assure you I will support economic development and see to it that there is no favoritism extended to any particular group of individuals. I have a willingness to work with everyone and will never ever tell anyone a half truth.

I respectfully ask for your vote on Saturday, May 4, 2013. Thank you so much for your time.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Dear Brother

By Chelsie Baldwin

Violence Against Women Manager

This article is just about life. How precious, and short-lived, and complex it all really is. People say “life is a journey on earth” but a journey to where exactly? Others say that life has no purpose—it just “is”...wow, that’s just so “deep!”

Both of these ideas are interesting thoughts but there is one central theme in almost all theories of life and that is love. Love is the one powerful force that brings real meaning to our everyday lives. Of course I’m not talking about romantic love, although that is pretty powerful stuff. The love I mean is the fire that burns inside us all, the inner warmth. It’s the voice that says “celebrate life, be creative.”

The passion and understanding that some things in life are worth dying for but there is so much more worth living for. Greet each moment the same way you greet your favorite person on the planet! Embrace opportunities. Express yourself in a way that makes you feel glad you exist! Not in anger, worry, jealousy, hate, zombified, or bitter! Find this love, for this love leads us to help others simply because it feels good to contribute to those around us.

Ask yourself this: Why exactly am I here? What is it that I truly love? People who don’t ask these questions go through life wondering why it isn’t a lot more fun. These people start to feel lost, mundane, boring, etc.

But the truth is, were so focused on what we’re doing that we lose sight of where were going. So what exactly are you actually doing? There are so many distractions, deadlines, and priorities. Day and night blur into one as we get older. We get caught up in fears and desires that push us into a race that we can never win.

So we rush, rush, rush to get to an ideal place in life...and then what? It’s just like when you drive to the Dollar Store to get dish soap, get inside, and can’t remember what

you came for.

So many, including myself, start off dreaming about a wonderful life that is to be wild and free- but that’s actually a long way from where we actually end up. I think sadly we discover towards the end that we can’t start all over again. There is no re-do button. And let me tell you, there are some awfully bad feelings in this world.

Like guilt, embarrassment, anxiety, depression, and anger. But of all the awful feelings that make you feel sick to your stomach, nothing feels half as bad as knowing you had a chance to do what you love, and you didn’t take it. So what is your life’s passion? What were you put on this earth to do? The answer to these questions will unlock the great mystery. And I have some hints.

No one is going to tell you what it is. You must discover it for yourself. It’s also highly unlikely that one day you will be bathed in bright light and your life purpose will be laid out in divine vision, although I also don’t think it is out of the realm of possibilities; if that happens to you-LUCKY!!!

The best way is to spend some quality time alone, asking yourself tough questions. It’s about being honest, with yourself. You may not lie to others, but do you lie to yourself? It is about getting to the essence of what really matters. Never mind who moved your crap-- ask yourself why you were looking for crap in the first place!

If you ask yourself the big questions and listen carefully to your heart, you will eventually hear your call. A little voice- call it your conscience, your inner self, the Holy Spirit, or your ancestors- it will always tell you the truth if you are prepared to hear it. At first you may only become aware of how your life has been stuck in a rut (join the club with the rest of the world). Then you may realize what you really

want, but you just can’t quite make it happen. Pretty soon though, it will hit you right between the eyes. I’ve been hit and am trying to stay focused; we are all at different places; and that is ok! So when you know, or even suspect you know, what you should be doing with your life, then DO it! Take a wild leap into space if you have to. Hit the ground running because you don’t have a second to lose!

In spite of our feelings of invincibility and immortality, your existence is far more fragile than you might think.

Place your hand over your chest and feel your heart beat. That is actually your life clock ticking, counting down the moments you have left. One day it will stop and that is 100 percent guaranteed. Do you her me??

Go after your dreams with energy and passion, or you may as well watch them go down the toilet. If you waste your time sitting on the fence, you will end up going nowhere. It takes courage and commitment to live your dreams. Everyone is born with potential greatness and blessed with numerous opportunities.

But sadly, too many people are too lazy, too concerned about what others think, or too afraid to change. Do what makes you truly happy and do it as best as you can. Feel great at what you do. And keep in mind, mistakes are part of life. So don’t waste time kicking yourself for the past.

Let go of the past; the past is a scorpion! Move forward. Don’t stall or stress. You will always know the answer in your heart if you listen; if you are open. And as I am learning in life, rather than be discouraged, remember that rejection and resilience are guaranteed when you are doing something worthwhile. It’s a sign that you are doing something special.

When you set out to live your

dreams, lots of people try to hold you back, including yourself. You may be surrounded by people who secretly want you to fail or achieve less so it is important to understand that following your path is rewarding but it is definitely not easy. You may hear negative words around you, and when you listen to those things you may begin to doubt yourself and where you are going but wait!

Keep moving forward. Whatever happens-hold on! Everybody struggles at times. It would be incredibly draining to live through the day doing something that you don’t really enjoy or care about. At least if you follow your dream, you will exhaust yourself doing what you love most.

When you get the most out of your life, it will transform everything about you. You will inspire others to go after their dreams—and that is how you change the world brother. Cut out the things that need to go; stop with the immature stuff; get in tune with your spiritual and mental being; pray; read; take care of yourself. Everything will fall into place with help, so reach out when you need it. You can’t fail if you’ve tried.

We all have filters, so we mostly see only what we want to see. When you finally open your eyes, you may be shocked at the warped way you have been viewing the world to suit your own plans. With those filters removed, you can take a closer look into yourself and ask questions about the universe, and your place in it. Investigate the meaning of life! It is all laid out simple; “if you seek, you will find. If you knock, He will answer” Jump in and be the person you were created to be. A winner; a soul-winner; a life saver; someone who creates change; someone who takes care of others; and that person could easily be YOU! May peace, love, and happiness be with you. God bless.

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.

Jan. 9, 2013 PBC Meeting:

Five 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.

The minutes of the Oct. 10, 2012 PBC meeting were approved. The minutes of the Nov. 14, 2012 PBC meeting were tabled and the minutes of Dec. 12, 2013 minutes were approved with corrections.

Old Business:

1. Approval of Museum By-Laws - tabled.
2. Approve Revised Law and Order Codes – Chapters from Criminal Procedure and Criminal Offenses were approved.
3. Council approved the 2013 Grant Budgets and extends the approval date for Tribal Operating and IDC Budgets until Feb. 20, 2013.
4. Burial Assistance Policy was tabled until the Settlement Oversight Committee makes a recommendation.

New Business (with Added items):

1. Approval of TDC Policies – Section 3, Section 5 and Section 8 were tabled and a scoping meeting will be held after Council on January 30th.
2. Water Issues at Stone-Wolf – TDC and DNRS apprised Council of the water situation at StoneWolf and proposed drilling a well. This will be researched and the feasibility reported back to Council.
3. Resolution 12-67 for

DNRS codes Title XI and 12-68 for DNRS Codes Title XII

4. Changes to Election Ordinance were approved.
5. Transportation requested approval to pay final pay app for Access Rd. Budget exceeded by \$6,333. Approved.
6. Requests for donation – two students asked for donations. The Budget Committee recommended and the Council approved.
7. Request to make purchases from ANA grant for laptops, telephones and a radio tower were tabled.
8. A new mileage rate was approved at \$.56.5 cents per mile effective 1-9-13.
9. A request to approve the GMP for the Roundhouse Project was tabled.
10. There was no action taken on the PN College External Evaluator because all the contracts and papers were in order.
11. Walter Echo-Hawk talked to Council about the Language Program and the upcoming meeting and re-affirmation of the Treaty with the Yankton Sioux.
12. Gordon Adams further discussed the plans for the ceremony and trip to South Dakota for the re-affirmation of the Treaty with the Yankton Sioux.
13. Toni Hill with the Communications Department discussed the website, the sign project, a radio program opportunity and took pictures of Council for the State Supreme Court publication.
14. Revisions to the HR policy regarding recruitment and the Grievance Committee were approved and the Educational Leave policy was tabled. Council requested a survey be completed and the information from the survey be presented with recommendations.
15. Appointments to the Grievance Committee were made for 2013. Those appointed were Kelly Kersey, Delphine Nelson,

Michael Ortiz and Chelsie Baldwin is the Alternate. There will no longer be a Community Representative on the Committee.

Jan. 14, 2013 PBC Meeting:

A special meeting was called because a grant that is due needed a Council Resolution. Five Council members were present. No reports were heard at this meeting.

New Business:

1. Resolution 13-01 to submit the Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services Grant – Approved.
2. The Domestic Abuse Act, Chapter 7 was approved.

Jan. 30, 2013 PBC Meeting:

Six 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 and TDC CEO Roger Smith provided a report. Division Directors Ted Moore and Angela Thompson also provided reports as both are leaving the Pawnee Nation in a few days for other employment.

Old Business:

1. Approval of TDC Policies. Policies for PTO and 3.1 for Employee Categories were approved.
2. The Council approved the LLC Code presented by AG Standing Bear.
3. The 2013 Tribal Operating and IDC Budgets were tabled until Feb. 20, 2013.
4. A report was provided by the Finance Director about the decision not to hire a CPA.
5. The GMP for the Roundhouse project as well as additional funds were approved.
6. Toni Hill provided an update on the radio program oppor-

tunity.

7. The ANA Grant purchases for laptops, radio tower and telephone systems were tabled with a request to take it to the Budget Committee.

New Business:

3. The Council requested the position of Public Defender be advertised as the current contract will be up in February.
4. The Council reviewed and approved the submission of the 2011-12 Annual Performance Report on the Indian Housing Plan.
5. Resolution 13-02 was tabled regarding the International Treaty to Protect the Sacred from Tar Sands Project.
6. The Council approved the leases for the Harmon Denture Clinic for one year, the Mike Godbersen lease of the Day Property and the TDC Corporate office lease.
7. A fee waiver was approved for the Pawnee Indian Veteran's to use the gym on Feb. 17. A fee waiver request for the Pawnee Nation College dance and basketball game was tabled.
8. Resolutions 13-03, 13-04 and 13-05 for Appointments to the TERO Commission were approved. Lyle Fields, Granthum Stevens and Jim Thompson were appointed.
9. Resolutions 13-06 and 13-07 for Appointments to the Election Commission were approved. Catherine Keeling was appointed as Clerk and Tamera Hawkins was appointed as Alternate.
10. President Gover recommended changes to Committees. Jim Fields has requested to be taken off all committees due to his health and changes need to be made due to the resignation of the Treasurer.

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11. An added item was a request from Dennis Knife Chief to use the Pawnee Nation Seal on his boxer trunks. Approved.

12. The Budget for the Election Commission was presented and approved.

Feb. 22, 2013 PBC Meeting:

Six 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 was excused and in her absence Division Director Ranger

Matlock and TDC CEO Roger Smith provided reports.

Old Business:

1. Resolution 13-02 for the International Treaty to Protect the Sacred from Tar Sands Projects is tabled.

2. The 2013 Tribal Operations and IDC Budgets totaling \$2,738,014 minus TERO and THPO were approved.

3. Regarding the Purchases from the ANA Grant, the EOC laptops and the telephone system was approved. The radio towers were eliminated and IT servers were substituted and approved.

4. Council approved a fee

waiver for the Pawnee Nation College Basketball team to use the gym.

New Business:

1. Council approved two items from the Settlement Oversight Committee recommendations. They approved \$317,000 leveraging for the Roundhouse Project and \$236,667 for the Elder's Center project.

2. The Budget Committee recommended the purchase of a Projector System to be installed at Roam Chief and the Council approved the total of \$9,906.37.

3. Resolution 13-08 to submit the NAGPRA grant was approved.

4. Selection of the 2013 ICD-BG Project. Council selected Student Housing as the next project.

During the discussion, Council approved to develop a water resources plan to develop, implement and research an ANA Enhancement Grant.

5. Council approved the outline for the first radio program.

6. Council reviewed the BIA Budget priorities, made suggestions and the report was submitted by Laura Melton.

7. Resolutions 13-09, 13-10 and 13-11 were approved for three Conditional Relinquishments.

8. Resolution 13-12 and 13-13 were tabled for appointments to the TDC Board.

9. Resolution 13-14 for an appointment to the Election Commission in the Clerk position was approved and Margaret DeLodge was selected. This resolution rescinds

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL FOURTH QUARTER 2012 RESOLUTIONS

#13-01 – A resolution to Submit the Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services Grant – Approved February 14, 2013. Vote was four for, one vacancy, two absent (Fields, Nuttle), and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-02 – A Resolution to International Treaty to Protect the Sacred from Tar Sands Projects – Tabled January 30, 2013.

#13-03 – A Resolution to Appoint a TERO Commissioner - Lyle Fields is Appointed January 30, 2013 by a vote of four for (Lone Chief, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-04 – A Resolution to Appoint a TERO Commissioner - Granthum Stevens is Appointed January 30, 2013 by a vote of four for (Lone Chief, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-05 – A Resolution to Appoint a TERO Commissioner - Jim Thompson is Appointed January 30, 2013 by a vote of four for (Lone Chief, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-06 – A Resolution to Appoint an Election Commissioner - Catherine Keeling is Appointed as Clerk January 30, 2013 by a vote of four for (Lone Chief, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-07 – A Resolution to Appoint an Election Commissioner - Tamera Hawkins is Appointed as Alternate January 30, 2013 by a vote of four for (Lone Chief, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-08 – A Resolution to submit the NAGPRA Grant – Approved February 22, 2013 by a vote of four for (Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief).

#13-09 – A Resolution for Enrollment – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved February 22, 2013 by a vote of four for (Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief).

#13-10 – A Resolution for Enrollment – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved February 22, 2013 by a vote of four for (Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief).

#13-11 – A Resolution for Enrollment – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved February 22, 2013 by a vote of four for (Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief).

#13-12 – A Resolution to Appoint a TDC Board Member – Tabled February 22, 2013.

#13-13 – A Resolution to Appoint a TDC Board Member – Tabled February 22, 2013.

#13-14 – A Resolution to Appoint an Election Commissioner – Clerk – Margaret Delodge is appointed February 22, 2013 by a vote of four for (Jestes, Tilden, Knife Chief and Nuttle) none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief). This resolution rescinds Resolution 13-06.

CONDOLANCES

BERTHA ELIZABETH SMITH HARDER

Sept. 16, 1934--Feb. 6, 2013

Bertha Elizabeth Smith Harder was born Sept. 16, 1934, in Pawnee, Okla. to Andy Krow Smith and May Pratt Smith. She passed from this life on Feb. 6, 2013, having reached the age of 78 years, 4 months, and 22 days after a lengthy illness. Bertha was currently residing in Conway, Ark. with her daughter, Marcia, her husband, Kirk Kelley and their family.

Bertha graduated from Pawnee Indian Boarding School at 15 and in 1952, graduated from Chilocco Indian School. "Bert", as she was known to her parents, family and close friends, graduated as a registered nurse from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Ponca City, Okla.

Bertha worked for a short time at the Pawnee Municipal Hospital, Pawnee, Okla., and then went on to the Claremore Indian Hospital, Claremore, Okla. before being transferred to the Indian Hospital in New Orleans, La. She later returned to the Claremore Indian Hospital where she eventually retired after many years of service.

She enjoyed visiting with her grandchildren, the children of oldest daughter, Marcia Kelley, and

would drive to Arkansas to visit them whenever the opportunity arose. She enjoyed seeing all of her grandchildren participate in sports, especially baseball which is a major part of the Kelley family. As well, she spent time with daughter Margaret, visiting with her when she lived in Dallas and Santa Fe. Bertha enjoyed a memorable trip with her to New York City for shopping, The Regis and Kathie Lee Show and two Broadway plays.

Another memorable trip was to the Southwest where Bertha went to Albuquerque, the Santa Fe Indian Market, Painted Desert, Meteor Crater and the Grand Canyon. She also went to Second Mesa, Arizona, where she visited with her brother Hiram's family and watched the Hopi Snake Dance.

She enjoyed sewing all her life, and made clothes for her daughters and later her grandchildren. She could not only sew, but also used a serger with professional skill. She enjoyed being involved in several organizations later in life in Claremore and competing in the Rogers County Fair where she won many ribbons of all colors.

In the last few years, Bertha was a devoted sibling to her late sister Geraldine Howell and late brother Hiram Smith and spent many weekends visiting them in Pawnee. One of her pastimes was going to the casino and bingo with Geraldine. She also liked a good political discussion, and one of her many opponents was her niece Irene's husband, KD Edwards. Bertha also attended the Chilocco Reunions.

Bertha married William F. "Bill" Harder and he preceded her in death on April 28, 1987. Bill's job took them many places during their lifetime, to Apple Valley, Cali.; Meridian, Miss. and Homestead, Fla. just to name a few. On returning to Oklahoma, they made their home in Claremore, Okla. and their daughters attended Oologah Public Schools.

Bertha is survived by her daughters, Marcia Lee (Kirk) Kelley, Conway, Ark. and Margaret Lee Harder, Dallas, Texas. One brother survives, Robert L. Smith, Tulsa, Okla. Bertha had seven grandchildren: Katherine (Mrs. James) Hensel, Kristen, Kraig, Kendra, Kourtney, Kade and Kyle.

She is also survived by many relatives on the Harder side of the family, along with her longtime friends who have been there for her over the past months and years. She cherished the friends she had made at the Claremore Indian Hospital and these friendships continued long after she was retired.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William F. Harder, her grandmother, Bertha Black-Eagle Pratt Shooter; parents, Andy Krow and May Pratt Smith; sister, Geraldine L. Howell, brothers, Andy Smith Jr., Hiram R. Smith, Harry F. Smith; and sister, Marcella Lyons.

A celebration of Bertha's life was held on Monday, Feb. 18, 2013, at 3 p.m., at Mark Griffith Memorial Funeral Home Westside Chapel, Tulsa, Okla., 4424 South 33rd West Avenue. FR. Richard Bradley officiated. It was Bertha's wish was to be cremated and her ashes will be buried in Claremore next to her husband Bill during a private ceremony at a later date to be set by the family.

In remembrance of Bertha, please make a donation to the charity of your choice.

Pawnee Nation also expresses condolences to the families of Alice Jake and Gordon Nopah.

Obituaries were not available at the time of the *Chaticks si Chaticks* printing.

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 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 outside the home.

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.

OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Treaties and Old Friends are Forever

By Gordon Adams

Historic Preservation Officer



Photo by Gordon Adams

The Pawnees' most sacred site, Pahaku which is located in Fulton, Neb. This location is currently often referred to as "Lovers' Leap" by locals.

On Jan. 23, 1863, representatives of the Pawnee Nation and the Yankton Sioux Tribe signed a Treaty into existence. This little known, but seminal legal document entitled "Treaty Between the Pawnee Nation and the Yankton Sioux Tribe" ("Treaty") recently sprang onto the Federal Indian Law stage. The Treaty was executed by six signatories in behalf of the Pawnee people and six for the Yankton people. Both groups of delegates, interpreters, and other entourage travelled to the Ponca Reserve in Niobrara, Dakota Territory for this unique, innovative, and historic ceremony. This Treaty of peace between the Pawnee and Yankton must have been considered insignificant because it is not even listed in Kapplar and is difficult to find elsewhere. However, the document did not go unnoticed in the Dakota Territory. In 1915, Hon. George W. Kingsbury wrote of the Treaty in his History of Dakota Territory:

It was the first treaty between Indians that was reduced to written terms that we have record of... [it was] A treaty for the establishment of peace and restoration of friendship, made and concluded in grand council at the peace village on the Ponca Reservation in the Territory of Dakota.

The Peace Treaty was important enough, however, to induce Pawnee delegates, led by Crooked Hand, to travel the 130 miles in January between Genoa and Niobrara. At the same time, a delegation of Yankton Sioux led by Struck by the Ree left their reserve near present day North

Dakota headed for the Ponca reserve. Both parties struggled through frigid weather to reach the Ponca Reserve. Crooked Hand's journey may have been a little more difficult because he was still recovering from wounds received in a battle with an overwhelming force of Brulé Sioux only four months earlier.

It was the middle of the Civil War and most U.S. troops were in the East fighting, and the Indians were doing as they pleased. In order to get the tribes to quit fighting one another, the U.S. government persuaded them to make Peace Treaties. The Pawnee/Sioux Treaty was the first one. This Treaty has been good for 150 years on Jan. 23, 2013.

In June, 2012, the Yankton Sioux Tribe reached out to the Pawnee Nation through the Office of Historic Preservation. The Yankton General Council empowered Ms. Faith Spotted Eagle to deal with all things related to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and all things related to the Keystone XL Pipeline. Ms. Spotted Eagle's course of action was to enlarge the power group opposed to the pipeline. That meant allying with other tribes and organizations with similar sentiments regarding the pipeline. Knowing that the Pawnee people were also dealing with the pipeline, Ms. Spotted Eagle contacted Mr. Adams, Pawnee THPO and presented her idea. Ms. Spotted Eagle's idea was two-fold. First, to ceremonially renew or confirm the friendship that had existed between the people of the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the people of the Pawnee Nation for nearly 150 years. And, second, to form an alliance between the Sioux and the Pawnees in order to better fight the Keystone XL pipeline.

When I heard the word, "alliance," I immediately thought to myself, "Treaty." I am a huge proponent of treaties in the context of true Tribal sovereignty. I believe that we, as In-

dian Nations, need to make treaties as often as possible in order to strengthen what sovereignty we possess. This is the way I look at Tribal sovereignty: By virtue of a vague reference to Indians in the U.S. Constitution's Commerce Clause, the federal government reserves the right to regulate commerce and make treaties with sovereign foreign nations, and "Indian nations." Under federal Indian law, here lies the root of our sovereignty. Only sovereigns can make treaties with other sovereigns. Follow this syllogism: The federal government only makes treaties with sovereigns, the federal government makes treaties with Indian nations, therefore, Indian nations are sovereigns. So I figure that if we make treaties with other Indian nations, we are exercising our sovereign right to make treaties, just as with any other sovereign nation in the world.

The pipeline's proposed route bisects the Sioux and Pawnee ancestral homeland. The Pawnees have Sacred sites in the pathway of the construction and intend to protect them from desecration. With the assistance the Sioux are able to provide, and many others as well, a good chance of causing that multi-billion dollar operation from just barging their way through our ancestral territory seems to be a possibility.

Over the next few weeks, Ms. Spotted Eagle and I worked closely at investigating every idea we could brainstorm. At the same time, Faith and I arranged for the leaders of the Sioux and Pawnee Nations to plan a ceremonial reaffirmation of the 150 year-old treaty, and in a separate event, agree to ally their tribes in a consolidated and unified front against pipeline construction. Over the next couple of months, many other organizations showed interest in wanting to join the struggle. These organizations included "Blockaders," farmers, ranchers, Green People, and other tribal nations.

As time grew shorter, the logistics of bringing the member organizations together for the event became more urgent. Seven (7) Pawnees attended the ceremony. President Marshall Gover; Councilman Richard Tilden; Executive Director Dawna Hare and Husband Charles (Yankton); Attorney Walter EchoHawk; Historic Preservation Officer; Gordon Adams, William Howell and Steven Moore. It is interesting to note that partisanship functions at high levels in Pawnee culture, and is evidenced by our Executive Director's choice in Charles as her spouse.

All ceremonies were concluded by noon. For the rest of the day and the following day, organizations presented various strategies ranging from

throwing their own bodies down in front of trucks and bulldozers (Blockaders), to actively taking up arms, to legal remedies. Not surprisingly, this story caught the attention and imagination of many, and several Canadian tribes are wanting into the alliance between the Sioux and the Pawnee.

On the afternoon of Jan. 25, 2013 the three day event concluded with the making of a formal Treaty between with Yankton Sioux and the Pawnee Nation to mutually assist one another in their resistance to construction of the Keystone XL pipeline. One hundred and thirty one Indian Nations also signed in support.

The ironic part is that the Pawnee and the Sioux were mortal enemies for hundreds of years prior to 1863. In addition to the Yankton Sioux, the other 6 bands of the Sioux Nation now wish to join forces, along with other Canadian Tribes, as well as the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska. Great thanks must also be expressed to "4 Worlds," a private organization who donated \$15,000 to pay for hotel rooms and meals for those attending the ceremonies. Special thanks should also go to Jon Ramer and Phil Lane, Jr.

There is one last cosmic coincidence I must speak of before closing. I mentioned earlier that my great-great-grand father Crooked Hand made his mark first on the Treaty. It turns out that the first signature for the Sioux was applied by One Strikes the Ree, Faith Spotted Eagle's great-great-grandfather.

On Jan. 23, 2013 I participated in one of the most profound, satisfying, and ironic experiences of my life. I stood witness to the outcome of a grand social experiment my great-great-grandfather, Crooked Hand, and five other Pawnee dignitaries initiated on Jan. 23, 1863, precisely 150 years earlier. How many people can say that?

As I stood there among hundreds of Sioux people, the Pawnee's mortal enemy in 1863, I wondered what Crooked Hand thought as he scratched his mark on the Peace Treaty. I know he was not afraid to stand unarmed among so many of his Siouxan enemies, because it was well known that he had killed over 100 men in single, hand-to-hand combat and wore a greatcoat festooned with 71 human scalps, mostly Sioux, that drug on the ground as he walked as testament. Was he thinking of me?

Exactly one hundred and fifty years after the signing of the original Treaty, the Pawnee and Yankton Sioux people still stand as allies, and are united against the travesty that TransCanada proposes with the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline. Aho!

SETTLEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

PBC Disburses Funds based on Settlement Oversight Committee Recommendations

By Dawna Hare
Executive Director

Recently there have been inquiries concerning the allocations of funds awarded to the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma from the Nez Perce vs. Salazar settlement.

Of the \$4,442,000 settlement amount, the Nation distributed a \$2 million per capita payment to 3,247 tribal members, with an additional \$400,000 dollar payment to the Nation's representation, the Native American Rights Fund of Boulder, Colo.

In response to a request from the Office of the Inspector General, the Nation provided the following list of Pawnee Business Council (PBC) approved distribution of fund from the remainder of the settlement funds.

ICDBG Project – Roundhouse Renovations - \$317,000

ICDBG Project – Elder's Center, \$236,667

Burial Assistance - \$240,000 for two years – 2013 and 2014, UP TO \$4,500 per burial, paid to the funeral vendor and \$500 for the family.

School Age Children – all enrolled tribal members K-12 - \$250,000 - \$250 for school clothes, school supplies, school fees, athletic equipment, etc. provided by a \$125 voucher for fall semester and upon providing receipts will be eligible for \$125 for spring semester.

Parent Teachers Organization - School Books - \$4,250 for text books for the Pawnee Public Schools

Title VI Elderly Meals - \$81,900

to supplement for the program shortfall for 2013-14. CASA - \$20,000 total/\$10,000 each program/\$5,000 per year

From the Reserve Fund:

The purchase two lawn mowers for Property - \$17,998 Indiana University Language Study - \$25,000 for 18 months

The repair and replacement of the pump for Water Well #1 - \$8,085 College scholarships - \$50,000

ICDBG Project – Roundhouse Renovations – Change Order - \$6,440 Graduate studies - \$20,000

The list below includes appropriation recommendations from the Committee currently being considered but not yet approved.

Pawnee Nation College - \$100,000

Pawnee Language and History Class - \$20,000/\$5,000 per year

Title VII Indian Education and

Pawnee Cultural extracurricular activities - \$20,000

Nasharo Council - \$10,000
Nebraska lands (repairs, taxes, etc.) - \$20,000

The balance will be placed in Reserve Account. All disbursements of funds will be reported to tribal members in *Chaticks si Chaticks* Newsletter.

Pawnee Nation College

Pawnee Nation College Introduces New Leadership

By Dr. James Riding In
PNC Board of Trustees

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. This goal is achieved through challenging academic or training programs that prepare them to matriculate to four-year institutions or to enter the workforce, as stated on the Pawnee Nation College website, www.pawneenationcollege.org.

A significant development occurred on March 16th, when the College's Board of Trustees selected Gwen Shunatona as the Interim President, effective April 1. A hometown girl with a reputation for being an innovator and

visionary, and deeply concerned about Pawnee people, language, and culture, President Shunatona's appointment has generated widespread support.

George Howell, the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees and a past President of the Pawnee Nation, stated, "Gwen brings knowledge and experience to the position. I look forward to her taking the helm of the College. There is great confidence in her abilities by those who know and have worked with her. The Trustees made an excellent selection."

Pawnee Nation President Marshall Gover echoed this sentiment, declaring, "Members of the Pawnee Business Council are greatly pleased by the appointment of such a qualified and top caliber administrator. Gwen always participates in Pawnee cultural and community events. I'm confident she has the capacity to lead the College to a better future, one in which students will receive a top-notch education that

adequately prepares them to work in Indian government and the private sectors."

Addressing the Pawnee Business Council on March 27, Shunatona expressed her philosophy about leadership from a Pawnee cultural perspective and laid out her vision of the College's future.

Shunatona said, "Encourage the people.' You know that's what our old ones and our chiefs have always told us. On my best days, I try to live by that mandate, to encourage the people. You know, that for those of us who have been given many opportunities, it is incumbent upon us to give back to our community."

Shunatona wants the college to provide job training programs in partnership with surrounding technical institutions while developing new academics and further developing American Indian Studies.

For more information, contact PNC at (918) 762-3343.

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Deadline	Issue/Distribution
April 17, 2013	Summer 2013 June, July and August
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PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Candidate Listing 2013 Regular Election

Vice President

Kenneth L. Murie Jr.
Pete Moore Jr.
John J. Only A Chief
Bruce Pratt
Carol L. Nuttle

Secretary

Phammie N. Littlesun
Ellis Horsechief Jr.

Council Seat 3

Jimmy WhiteShirt
Adrian Spottedhorsechief

Council Seat 4

Lillie RealRider Cummings
Liana Chapman Teter

2013 Special Election

Treasurer

Lisa Fields – Pahsetopah
Misty M. Nuttle
Linda K. Chapman Jestes

Note: Filling the 2011 - 2015
unexpired term.

Candidates profiles listed on pages 4 - 12.
For more information on the PBC Elections, visit www.pawneenation.org.

PAWNEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION PO BOX 600

2013 ELECTION: SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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 Margaret DeLodge; Sargent-at-Arms Cynthia Butler and Alternate Tamera Hawkins.

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Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Provides A Financial Update

Submitted by the Tribal Development Corporation



Photo by Toni Hill

(L to R) Muriel Robedeaux poses as TDC CEO Roger Smith hands PBC President Marshall Gover a check for \$150,000, the largest contribution to the Pawnee Nation from TDC to date. Robedeaux has coordinated several development projects for Pawnee Nation including the Roundhouse renovation. TDC has provided additional funding for the Roundhouse project.

The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (PTDC) presented a very strong 2012 as it showed an increase in profit share, developed significant vendor relationships and invested discerningly in its greatest asset, its employees.

The year also contained moments of contention but PTDC demonstrated that staying focused on a solid performance it could deliver and maintain financial stability.

As we move into 2013, the Corporation will continue to be

committed in providing great customer service, expanding its holdings and achieving financial success.

This new year will bring many welcomed improvements and changes, not just in gaming but in retail as well as beyond the current operations.

Look for changes coming soon.

The TDC holds monthly meetings on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the Corporate office conference room, second floor of the Health and Community Services building. Community welcome.

StoneWolf Casino News

Submitted by Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation



The latest analysis of the Oklahoma gaming industry showed the market went down for some Oklahoma sites, but gaming at StoneWolf Casino

the highest sales to date. The increased success at StoneWolf Casino is the result of offering a variety of

games to the customers, improving the floor layout design, increasing the marketing mix, providing employee customer service training and giving the restaurant a make-over. The result of this combination has been astounding. But more importantly the shared vision of success from the employees in the corporate office, at Howler's Restaurant and StoneWolf have all contributed to the upward trend in growth at StoneWolf Casino.

For the month of April, StoneWolf is having a vehicle give-away promotion titled "Pick Your Ride". Customers will have the opportunity to win a Chevy Silverado, a Chevy Camaro or \$15,000 in cash.

Entries can be earned at the casino for the drawing which will be held on April 27, 2013 at 7 p.m.

StoneWolf appreciates your patronage and for more information on the promotion or the casino please call (918) 454-7777.

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