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Men of Men



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Nawah Pawnee Tribal Members!



Nowah, Pawnee
Tribal Members!

We hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's Day with your sweethearts. The Valentine's Dance and hand game was postponed and rescheduled, due to the passing of several tribal members.

According to our tradition, the drum is silent out of respect of the families in mourning. Our thoughts, wishes and prayers go out to the families of lost loved ones for we don't know when the good Lord is going to call one of us home.

Our prayers go out to

all of those in mourning.

Construction has begun on the new Elders Center. It was a cold day but we broke ground and as you drive around the reserve you can see that work is being done. It will be a nice facility for the Elders to have their meals and participate in different activities and I know we are all looking forward to the completion of this project.

The Business Council has been working on the strategic plan and has a lot of good ideas planned for the Nation. We are looking into agriculture, and other business ventures, because we want to become a financially stable Nation where we won't have to depend on gaming. The Council is looking at different things and we hope to be able to present these ideas and move forward to make the Pawnee Nation a diversified business.

It's been hard with the budget cuts, with the sequestration. We have some good news though, I.H.S. (Indian Health Services) received an increase in the budget for 2014 by 300 million dollars but then the Congress told I.H.S. how the money would be allocated but they didn't appropriate additional monies to B.I.A. (Bureau of Indian Affairs). So Tribal leaders are still negotiating with the I.H.S. and B.I.A. and I've attended many different budget meetings with the B.I.A. and I.H.S. working on budget formulas and relations for 2015-2016. We are trying to get our funding back from what we lost from the last few years and I am hopeful that this will happen.

We have some new hires around the Tribal offices. In this *Chaticks si Chaticks* issue, you will see the different ones who have been hired to fill different positions. We wish them well and thank them for their willingness to serve our Pawnee People. A new Executive Director was hired for the tribe, her name is Lisa Gover. She comes from Albuquerque, N.M. and I know she will help steer us in good direction here at the Pawnee Nation.

I would like to make a request for our Veterans Dance coming up in November. I would like to ask the Veterans to get with all of the ones that received a Silver Medal of Honor at the Code Talkers Ceremony in Washington, D.C., along with the gold medal that was given to the Tribe, and put the medals on display for all of our Tribal members to view. This was a great honor for Congress and the U.S. Government to honor our Pawnee Code Talkers with the highest medal that can be given. It was long overdue this kind of recognition and I would like to display the achievements of those men who were honored.

It is at this time of year where things start to bloom and sprout. Mother Earth starts to produce all of her wonderful beauty in the flowers and trees, and everything starts to come alive. I want to wish everyone a prosperous Year.

In closing, let us remember in prayer, our service men and women, our elders, our youth, and the Pawnee Nation. For we belong to the greatest Nation on the face of this earth.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL

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Chaticks si Chaticks

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Pawnee Nation
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Suzy Knife Chief (L to
R), Jamie Jestes, Crystal
McNeill and Rosetta Clark
(eagle mascot) visit area
schools to promote
healthy lifestyles.
Article on Page 12.

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Spring 2014

CALENDAR

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.

Pawnee Business Council Meetings 2014

April 9 and 23; May 14 and 28; June 11 and 25. PBC Meetings are held at the Roam Chief Event Center. Prayer Breakfasts will be held April 9, May 14 and June 11 at 7:30 a.m. at 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. For more information, call (918) 762-4832.

Pawnee Tribal Court

Court will be held the first Wednesday of each month. For more information, call (918) 762-3649.

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.

Pawnee Indian Veterans' Homecoming

The Pawnee Indian Veterans' 68th Annual Homecoming Powwow will be held July 3 - 6 at Memorial Field. The Homecoming will honor military service men and women from the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy and the U.S. Coast Guard. For more information, visit www.pawneenation.org or visit the Pawnee Nation Facebook page.

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

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 Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation - (918) 762-4832
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Pawnee Nation Featured on "KUSH Team in the Morning"

By Toni Hill
 Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Business Council President Marshall Gover and Pawnee Chief Editor William Howell pose with KUSH host Molly Payne at KUSH Radio.

The lyrics and notes of the Pawnee Nation Flag and Prayer songs greet Pawnee Tribal members when they listen to the Pawnee Nation radio spots aired monthly on the "KUSH Team in the Morning" show.

These revered selections, performed by Tribal member Herb Adson, highlight each of the segments syndicated by KUSH Radio, (www.1600kush.com). The Pawnee

Nation features different programs and services on the "KUSH Team in the Morning" show hosted by Molly Payne.

Recent radio personalities include Pawnee Business Council President Marshall Gover and Pawnee Chief Editor William Howell. These American

veterans highlighted a recent honor welcomed by the Pawnee Nation.

On Nov. 20, 2013, the U.S. Government honored World War II veteran code talkers during a Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony held at the Emancipation Hall located in the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, District of Columbia, Wash.

Pawnee honorees included Frank

Davis, Brummett EchoHawk, Grant Gover, Phillip Gover, Enoch Jim, Chauncey Matlock, Harold Morgan, Floyd Rice and Henry Stoneroad, Sr.

These Native service men helped to defeat enemies of the United States by sending classified, coded transmissions in their native languages undetectable by opposing forces.

Other "KUSH Team in the Morning" guests included Nasharo Chief Warren "Jr" Pratt as he shared personal reflections of the heart regarding Pawnee Nation.

Tribal topics profiled encompassed the Pawnee Nation Community Health Representatives/Emergency Medical Services (CHR/EMS) and Health Education programs.

According to the Tribal website, www.pawneenation.org, the CHR/EMS/HE programs strive to provide quality outreach health care services and health promotion/disease prevention services to Native Americans.

The mission, to increase awareness and knowledge regarding various health issues while empowering

individuals to assume responsibility for personal health.

Substance Abuse Program (SAP) Coordinator Barbara Attocknie and SAP Counselor Mike Ortiz, where also highlighted on "KUSH Team in the Morning."

Attocknie and Ortiz discussed program services offered through the SAP and the PN Fitness Center.

Special guest Oklahoma State Trooper Antonio Porter, also shared his personal story of loss due to a sibling's choice to drive intoxicated.

The SAP offers alcohol and drug abuse outpatient counseling, weekly support groups, community education and prevention activities.

Support Group Meetings are also held on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the Substance Abuse Office.

For more information, visit www.pawneenation.org or contact the Pawnee Nation Communications Office at (918) 762-3621.

For more information on the SAP, visit Page 14 of this publication.

PAWNEE NATION TRIBAL COMMUNITY

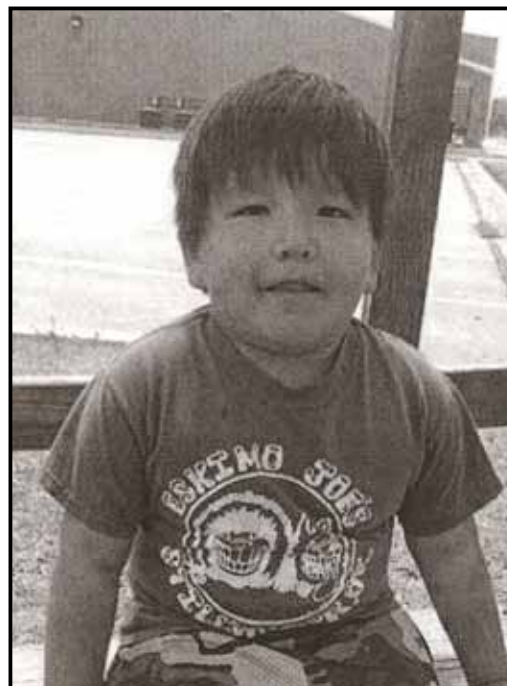
Happy Birthday!



Photo by Jodi Goodfox-Jones

Happy 1st Birthday Gavin Jones!
We love you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Kamden, Aiden and Ian

Happy Birthday!



Submitted Photo

Happy 5th Birthday Robert Joe Rice.
You have been a blessing to us all!
Love, Mom and Donnie. Editor's note: The photo quality was comprised in transition but placed due to importance.

Birth Announcement



Submitted Photo

Trenton was born Jan. 8, 2014, at 4:12 p.m., weighing 4 pounds. 14 oz. and was 17.3 inches long, to Ryan and Anne Fisher. Trenton's paternal grandparent is Kathy Salmon Daniels. Maternal grandparents are John and Kathleen Mowry. Paternal great-grandparents are Rowena Morris Salmon and the late James Edward Salmon.

Grandpa William Mathews Remembered Lost Yesterday

Submitted by Theda GoodFox Kresge
Contributing Writer

I was 5 years old when I started school. My birthday being in December, I would have had to wait until the following year for entry.

Perhaps the family, for reasons of their own, decided to foist me onto the country school, one and a half miles from my grandparents house; where my formal education began.

I remember Grandpa Mathews walking with me on the country road on some mornings. Carrying my green lunch pail and holding his hand, I chattered blithely with the innocence of ignorance. I so loved Grandpa Mathews and Grandma Nannie; they were my world.

When we came to the sharp corner where the dirt road stretched onward toward the wooden one-room schoolhouse, Grandpa Mathews

would stop, motioning me to go on. I did, turning frequently to wave and he would raise his arm to wave me on.

As I kept walking, I turned again to wave and he waved back. Soon I was not certain if he still stood at the corner. The hazy fall air and the thicket of Blackjack trees that lined the road cast dark shadows and I wasn't certain if he was still there. But, I trudged on to school.

I had accompanied my grandparents on their travels in the years before my academic entry. However, education put a stop to my traveling with them. When my grandparents prepared to leave on out- of- town trips, they would ask what I wanted them to bring me.

My reply was always, "A

book!" I loved reading, especially the fairy tales. They always brought me a book and I devoured the stories; especially the fairy tales. I remember others; Hans Brinker and the Silver Skates, Black Beauty.

I was in the second grade, when everything changed; never to be the same again.

It was November; the drone of students was as usual. Suddenly an adult relative was at the schoolhouse. She talked to the teacher, then I was told to get my coat and leave with the relative. I remember the relative said, "Grandpa's gone. Now, Grandma is sad, so be good to her."

Grandpa Mathews was buried in the South Cemetery. I had not cried, even at the funeral parlor, when relatives and others were sorrowing.

When we were at the cemetery, my Uncle Stacy was with me while the others were milling around the coffin. Uncle Stacy spoke,

"Grandpa's gone. You're never going to see him anymore."

Then the tears came; my heart was broken.

Life changed. Forever. Not just for me, but for all the family.

I believe the reader will understand when I share this. In my life there have been times when I have been in a crisis or a situation that seemed unbearable and I have cried out to my grandparents, my ancestors. And always, a path opens.

Today, I give thanks to the Creator for my grandfather William Mathews and my grandmother Nannie. They gave me a strong foundation. I am grateful.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAM AND SERVICES

Facilities Support the Employees of Pawnee Nation

By Louise Stevens
Administration Assistant



Photo by Louise Stevens

Jason Campos (L to R) and Helen Pickering enjoy a break.

The Pawnee Nation Property and Maintenance Department is responsible for maintaining all buildings and grounds on the Pawnee Nation reserve.

The Community Building, Roamchief building, Roundhouse, and Wellness Center are all facilities that may be rented out through our department.

Facility rental is based on a first come first serve basis, No rentals are taken over the phone.

Our department is also responsible for housekeeping of the Pawnee Nation Tribal Buildings. Jason Campos, Helen Horsechief,

and Jarred Kanuho are our housekeepers.

The gentlemen responsible for maintaining and repairing our Tribal buildings are Robert Pratt, and Ron Cooper, while Faron Thompson and Bob Johnson are the men responsible for cleaning and maintaining our grounds and groundskeeping.

Jimmy Jestes is the Division Director, and Louise Stevens is the administrative assistant/utilities clerk. If you have any questions about renting a facility please call 918/762-2273.



Photo by Louise Stevens

Ron Cooper (L to R) and Robbie Pratt enjoy serving the Pawnee Nation.

Human Resources Essential in Employee Relations

By Shelby Exum
Human Resources Manager

The Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources is responsible for all aspects of personnel management.

This scope of work includes, but is not limited to, advertising vacant positions, recruiting highly qualified and skilled applicants, managing employee relations and administering benefit plans.

Additional duties include developing and de-

veloping policies and procedures, maintaining personnel and payroll records, monitoring compliance with applicable federal, state, and tribal laws, establishing wage and compensation rates, and providing relevant training.

For more information or to view current career options, visit www.pawneenation.org.



Submitted Photo

PAWNEE NATION COLLEGE

Jessica Leading Fox Selected as the PNC Princess

Submitted by Vicky LaClair Leading Fox



Submitted Photo

Jessica is an enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and is also descended from the Ponca Tribe and Mississippi Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

Parents are Pat and Vicky LeClair Leading Fox. She has two sisters, Sky Seeing Ruth and Isabelle Bayhulle Leading Fox in the home and two other siblings, Junior and Skidi Leading Fox.

Her paternal grandparents are Chester and Myrtle Pratt Leading Fox. Her great-grandparents are John and Lizzy Sky Seeing Leading Fox and Adam and Hazel White Pratt. Her maternal grandparents are Douglas LeClair, Julia Bayhulle, and adopted grandfather, Dennis Belindo. Her great-grandparents are Edwin and Elsie Bayhulle and Pascale and Thankful LeClair.

Jessica is into her second semester at Pawnee Nation College.

She is majoring in American Indian Studies. Her interests include museum studies and early childhood development.

Aside from her full time schedule at PNC, she works part time for Pawnee Nation Education Department.

Her previous titles include: 2012/13 Standing Bear Princess, 2011 Pawnee Nation Princess, and 2010/11 Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Princess.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Pawnee Nation Education Department Offers Summer Programs

Submitted by Suzy Knife Chief
Youth Services Coordinator



Photo by Toni Hill

Summer workers Anna Pratt and Krystal LeadingFox enjoy spending time with Kimbre, Hudson, Ellie, Cody, Talli, Buggy and Aaliyska (not listed in order) during the 2013 Summer Youth Work Experience Program. Photo reprinted from the *Chaticks si Chaticks* Summer 2013 issue with permission.

Pawnee Nation Education Division's Youth Services Department is now accepting applications for Summer Youth Work Experience Program. The program is for ages 14 – 21 that may be eligible for work experience services. The program targets youth who have little or no work experience. Youth are required to complete an application, provide required documentation, attend a formal interview, and then are scheduled a work site throughout Pawnee Nation and the community. Application deadline is on Friday, May 9, 2014. Download the application from our website at www.pawneenation.org.

Pawnee Nation Education Division's Youth Services Department will hold a Cultural and Language

Camp in June. No date or time as been set. Look for more information about the camp as it comes near on Pawnee Nation's Facebook, www.pawneenation.org. An application must be completed and will be available May 1, 2014.

Pawnee Nation Education Division's Youth Service Department will have a Summer Reading Program for 1st and 2nd grades only starting in July, after Pawnee Indian Veteran's Homecoming. More details will be in our next *Chaticks si Chaticks* in June. Applications will need to be completed and will be available June 1, 2014.

For more information; contact Youth Services Coordinator Suzy Knife Chief, at (918) 762-3227.

Thank you Pawnee Nation

Submitted by Pawnee Nation Foster Children Christmas Committee

The Pawnee Nation Foster Children Christmas Committee would like to say thank you to the following organizations and individuals for giving a helping hand in our 2013 Christmas party for our Pawnee foster care children; the Pawnee Business Council (PBC), the SAP (Substance Abuse Program), the Pawnee

Nation Law Enforcement Staff, the Diabetes Program, White's Foodliner, the Pawnee Nation Employees Club, the Pawnee Nation College Student Government Association, Jarred Kanuho, Adrian Spotted-horsechief, Marshall Gover, Bruce Pratt and Ron and Linda Wells.

The committee and the foster

children greatly appreciate everyone who was involved.

All of the children had a great time; there were many laughs and smiles shared!

Thank you to our PBC for the Valentines for our Pawnee Nation foster care children. The children loved the small gifts and enjoyed the candy.

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."

-- Charles Dickens

Foster Care Parents and CASA Volunteers Needed

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.

Another great way to get in-

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.

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.

Chaticks si Chaticks

The deadline for the Summer 2014 *Chaticks si Chaticks* is May 30, 2014. This issue will cover events and news for the months of April, May and June 2014.

The *Chaticks si Chaticks*, is mailed to enrolled members of the Pawnee Nation, one per household or address, free of charge. In the interest of "Going Green," a fee of \$2 per copy will be charged for newsletters mailed to non-tribal members. Copies may be printed off the website, www.pawneenation.org for free.

The *Chaticks si Chaticks* is distributed to Tribal Members, state-wide media sources, multiple businesses and various organizations. Advertising potential is further increased due to the placement of each issue on the Pawnee Nation website. For rates, visit www.pawneenation.org, select the "News" page option and click the "Media" tab and then the "Advertising Rates" link located in the lower part of the page.

For more information, call (918) 762-3621 or e-mail requests to communications@pawneenation.org.

For address changes, please contact the Enrollment Department at (918) 762-3624.

PAWNEE NATION EMPLOYEES



Photo by Toni Hill

Learning Center Childcare Teacher **Jodi Sparks** hold Andy Pratt.



Photo by Toni Hill

Fitness Center Attendant **Damon Roughface** demonstrates proper usage of the Fitness Center equipment.



Photo by Toni Hill

Accountant **Nancy Moore** pauses for a quick photo.



Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Nation Learning Center Director **Christa Pratt** oversees the safety of the children and staff of the Learning Center.



Photo by Toni Hill

Accountant **James Rice** searches for documents. **Wesley Twins** also joined Pawnee Nation as the Finance Division Director (photo not available).



Photo by Toni Hill

Education and Training Specialist **Elisha Pratt** enjoys his role as part of the Education Division.



Photo by Toni Hill

Childcare Teacher **Sarah Sparks** captures a brief moment of rest.



Photo by Toni Hill

Fitness Center Attendant **Zachary Martinez** tries out the weights.



Photo by Toni Hill

Childcare Teacher **Samantha Roughface** holds Rylee Sands, daughter of Elise Peters and Nathan Sands and granddaughter of Enrollment Manager Carrie Peters.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Pawnee and City Firefighter Teams Work Together

Submitted by Toni Hill
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Nation's Fire Department responds to a HAZMAT incident that occurred within the City of Pawnee on Feb. 19.

Although a major mission of the Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department involves preservation of life and property from the detrimental effects of fires and medical emergencies, members also respond to HAZMAT concerns.

The fire and rescue team focuses on rapid response to emergencies in addition to providing appropriate intervention and community education.

As requested, the Pawnee Nation team works in unity with the City of Pawnee. This teamwork was profited during a fuel spill on Feb. 19

when a semi-truck had an accident on U.S. Highway 18.

The Pawnee Nation HAZMAT and Fire Department staff responded to assist with containment of the spill. The City of Pawnee crews worked in tandem to secure the area and provide assistance to the driver of the semi-truck.

Pawnee Nation's HAZMAT team focused on the containment of potential dangerous substances as depicted in the photo above.

The Pawnee Nation HAZMAT Team responds to spills, leaks, discharge and other instances where hazardous chemicals including sol-

id, liquid and gas are present.

The Pawnee Nation Fire Department responds to incidences that occur with Pawnee Nation jurisdiction as a priority.

In the interest of honoring Mutual Aid agreements, staff does respond to incidents involving wildland fires, car wrecks and HAZMAT situations within the surrounding communities.

Response is provided as needed and may involve up to three or more calls per week depending on need.

The favor is returned by the City of Pawnee and other municipalities.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) defines mutual aid agreements and assistance agreements as understandings between different agencies, organizations, and jurisdictions that expedite emergency response times and provide support after an emergency.

Resources shared include personnel, equipment, materials and other associated services.

The HAZMAT team consists of Pawnee Nation Chief Ranger/Firefighter Monty Matlock, Ranger Kelly Kersey, Emergency Services Coordinator Gerald Woommavovah, Environmental Specialist Darrel Banning and Transportation Assistant Manager Rhonda James along with volunteer firefighter Rusty Helm.

Pawnee Nation Transportation Manager Chris McCray also assists.

Prevent Poisoning

Poison Control Centers' national help line number
1-800-222-1222

- Program the number into your phone's "address book" or speed dial feature.
- Read the product label first and follow the directions to the letter.
- Never transfer pesticides and other household chemical products to other containers, particularly those that may be mistaken for food or a beverage.
- Don't use empty pesticide containers to store anything else. No matter how well you wash the container, it could still contain residues of the pesticide and could harm someone.
- Seal products after each use and store up and out of a children's reach.
- Use products with tamper-resistant bait stations to protect children and pets from exposure to mouse and rat poison.
- Remove children, pets and toys before applying pesticides (inside or outside the home). Read label directions to determine when children and pets can re-enter the area that has been treated.

Information reprinted courtesy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, www.poison-prevention.org.

BIA FIRE

BIA Wildland firefighters respond to fire related incidents on tribal lands and within the United States based on the geographical region assigned. Situations encountered include wild land fires and natural disaster relief.

A BIA Fire Scout Basic Academy is scheduled for May 6, 2014. All events will take place at Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue, 301 Agency Rd., Pawnee, Okla.

For more information, call (918) 762-3655.

Visit www.nifc.gov/medical_standards/Links/index.html to download forms.

PAWNEE NATION ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT CHANGE OF ADDRESS AUTHORIZATION

Date: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name: _____

Current Address: _____

Enrollment Number: _____

Signature of enrolled member or guardian

Mail to: Pawnee Nation Enrollment Department
P.O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058

PAWNEE NATION TITLE VI

“They lived in Earth lodge towns in the Spring”

Submitted by Deb Echo-Hawk
Title VI Coordinator



Photo by Deb Echo-Hawk

Corn, a staple in Native American culture that offers more than nourishment.

Ten years goes by quickly ... From November 2003 through 2013 our Pawnee ancestral seeds returned to Nebraska land where all seeds were eventually replenished. We had as many as 18 gardens across Nebraska [Kudos to Ronnie O’Brien] and as many as five gar-

dens in Oklahoma [Kudos to Pawnee Seed Preservation Project/Nasharo]. The nutritional value of our seeds is high -- seeds that sustained the Pawnee for hundreds of years. “They lived in Earth lodge towns in the Spring & Fall for agricultural purposes. In the spring they’d plant 10 varieties of corn, 8 varieties of beans, 7 varieties of squash & pumpkin, & there’d also be melons, tobacco, & sunflowers & in the fall they’d harvest it. Just to give perspective of how important their food was is my tribe’s word for mother & corn are the same, it’s Atira. It’s ironic because when you drive through the old homelands of Nebraska all you see is corn ...” –

Excerpt - 2013 Kearney Summer Internship Maintaining Homeland Ties Report by Intern Michael Knifechief.

Mr. Knifechief worked the 2012 and 2013 seasons as his college schedule permitted on the Kearney, Neb.’s Great Platt River Archway Museum grounds where the 2010 MHA Nation Builders and 14 Pawnee interns built a 65 feet in diameter Earth Lodge next to our ancestral garden. Here Knifechief, like the five Pawnee interns before him, assisted in planting and cultivating our traditional Garden of Corn and Pawnee Bush Beans using the hill method. Knifechief transplanted Arikara Sun Flowers used as fencing around the garden. All season he conducted tours of the Earth Lodge and worked tirelessly in the gardens.

The 2014 gardens will be in Oklahoma and Nebraska. There is a keen interest by our Executive Director Lisa Gover, the Pawnee

EARTH DAY

April 22 - “Plant a seed, grow a healthy future”

JOIN THE CYCLE OF PAWNEE GARDENING

April 18 - Blessing at 1 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Building

April 22 - Seed Disbursement at the Multi-Purpose Building ((Pictures of garden spots and CDIB cards required for ancestral seeds))

Nation College and the Nasharo to do community gardens. Call (918) 762-3621 to volunteer, attend planning meetings or to obtain information.

Our seed cycle: In the spring we host a blessing of all the seeds. After the ground is prepared, we distribute the seeds. In the fall we harvest the crops and in the winter months seed keepers store away the seeds.

Now it is time for the Akitaru to keep the old ways new.

PAWNEE NATION TRIBAL MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

Crafting Ancient Tradition

Pawnee craftsman John Knifechief keeps his tribe’s warrior traditions alive



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By Tara Malone
Oklahoma Magazine
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While riding his motorcycle on a rainy day, Knifechief was hit head-on by a driver who swerved into his lane. The accident took a grim toll. Knifechief’s foot had to be reattached by surgeons, and he spent almost eight months in the care of his brother, Charles. Unable to work to this day, the single dad says he turned to his past to secure his and his then-5-year-old son’s futures.

“My dad was a farmer in Pawnee, Oklahoma, and when he would plow the fields, I would pick up the arrowheads and flint and watch him make bows and arrows,” the full-blood member of the Pawnee Tribe says.

“When the accident happened, I went back to my dad’s old teachings. That’s how I pay the bills and raise my son.”

In addition to bows and arrows, Knifechief creates other traditional Pawnee tools and weapons. Using such materials as deer buckhorn, wild turkey feathers, deer and calf sinew and flint collected from around the region, the artist knows the history and tradition behind each handmade object.

“When the young men of the tribe first became warriors, they would use these to hunt,” he says of his four-foot-long buffalo arrows. In addition to the arrows and bows, he also makes such tools as buffalo knives and spears, hide scrapers, tomahawks and war clubs and shields.

Knifechief says there are many personally rewarding aspects of

his work, including teaching the craft to others, including his son.

“I’m the only one left in my tribe to carry on the handmade tradition of bows and arrows,” he says. “I get to honor my father...I think this is a dying art, and I’m happy and honored to carry on the tradition of bow- and arrow-making.”

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John Knifechief has embraced traditions of his ancestors by crafting traditional native tools.

Pawnee Night at the Tulsa Oilers

By **Toni Hill**, Communications Manager
 Contributions by **Lindsey Teter**, Tribal Development Corporation



Photo by Toni Hill

The Pawnee dancers that performed under the leadership of Warren “Jr” Pratt at Pawnee Nation Night held at the Tulsa Oilers. (Left to Right) Taylor Pratt, Jessica Leading Fox, Caleb Tiger, Jr Pratt, Anna Pratt, Jack Jim, Jarred Kanuho, Jordan Kanuho and Wynter Stewart. Kids in front are Cora Pratt and Adam Pratt.



Photo by Toni Hill

Oilers General Manager Taylor Hall holds the StoneWolf Casino Cup to be presented to the winning team by the StoneWolf Casino.

“Pawnee Nation Night” at the Tulsa Oilers offered many exciting components including an on-ice battle between two competitive teams that heated up the ice.

The event, sponsored by the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (PTDC) and StoneWolf Casino, was held Friday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m., in the BOK Center located in Tulsa.

The Tulsa Oilers and the Wichita Thunder, two of the original six franchises in the Central Hockey League, have the longest-running rivalry in CHL history.

The Oilers and Thunder announced that the winner of their 2013-14 regular season series will be awarded the StoneWolf Casino Cup presented by StoneWolf Casino, a business venture of the Pawnee Nation.

Pawnee Nation Tribal members along with employees received free admission and hockey punks embossed with the StoneWolf emblem and the Pawnee Nation Seal.

A slideshow highlighting the Pawnee Nation and Pawnee dancing led by Warren “Jr” Pratt, preceded the game. Images of the StoneWolf brand and the Pawnee Nation Seal highlighted the screens throughout the game.

Pawnee Business Council President Marshall Gover, Vice

President Bruce Pratt and Council Seat 4 Representative Liana

Chapman Teter performed the “puck drop” that signified the start of the electrifying match between two meritorious teams determined to out-match the other.

“Our rivalry with Wichita has produced some of the best hockey in the CHL for the past two decades and we are looking forward to another closely contested series this season,” said Oilers General Manager, Taylor Hall.

“Thanks to our partnership with StoneWolf Casino, we’ve created even more incentive for these two teams and another source of bragging rights for our fan bases.”

Although the Wichita Thunder team won the match-up 3-2, the warrior spirit of the Tulsa Oilers held until the last whistle blew.

The Wichita Thunder team members were presented with the StoneWolf Casino Cup at INTRUST Bank Arena in Wichita following the fourteenth and final meeting of the season between the Oilers and Thunder.



Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Dancers perform a War Dance. During the production, Warren “Jr.” Pratt educated spectators of Pawnee customs and culture.



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Pawnee Business Council President Marshall Gover, Vice President Bruce Pratt and Council Seat 4 Representative Liana Chapman Teter performed the “puck drop.”

Tribal Safety Workshop Educates Participants

By Chris McCray
Transportation Tech II



Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Nation Transportation Manager Chris McCray (L to R), Pawnee Nation Transportation Assistant Manager Rhonda James, Local Government Specialist Karla Sisco and Tribal Technical Assistance Program Southern Plains Manager Jim Self present information on safety during the Pawnee Nation Tribal Safety Workshop held Feb. 26.



Photo by Toni Hill

Oklahoma Highway Patrol Trooper Antonio Porter, Pawnee Nation Ranger Monty Matlock, Pawnee Nation Asst. Police Chief Gene Howell and Highway Patrol Lt. Gabe Leach at the Pawnee Nation Tribal Safety Workshop.

On Dec. 5 and 6 the Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety (PNDOTS) conducted a Road Safety Audit (RSA) Training and Field Visit in Pawnee, Okla. as a first step in developing the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Safety Management Plan. This RSA will be used to better engineer the identified areas using low-cost, high impact techniques.

The PNDOTS goal is to promote livability and sustainability while also creating a safe environment for all modes of transportation. RSA's have proven to be an effective tool for improving the safety of all roadway users. This formal safety evaluation, conducted by an independent and multidisciplinary team of stakeholders, identifies potential road safety issues and opportunities for improvement.

On Feb. 26, 2014 the Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety (PNDOTS) conducted a Tribal Safety Workshop. The purpose of this workshop was to gather information and ideas from local, county, state and tribal officials as well as other stakeholders, to create a Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Safety Management Plan.

The Pawnee Nation received Tribal Transportation Program

Safety Funds (TTPSF) in the amount of \$12,500, from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), to create a Tribal Transportation Safety Management Plan.

A Tribal Transportation Safety Management Plan is used to identify issues and areas of concern that need to have some type of safety intervention(s). The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Safety Management Plan encompasses the traditional boundaries of the Pawnee Nation, including all incorporated and unincorporated cities, towns

and villages within the boundary.

The workshop brought together stakeholders who could address the 4 E's of Safety: Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Response/Management. The stakeholders identified and discussed safety issue(s)/concern(s), safety approaches for each issue(s)/concern(s), integration with other safety plans, identify implementation steps, and identification of responsible parties/“Champions.”

The next step will be to com-

pile a “Draft” Plan for review by the stakeholders. A second workshop will then be convened to review and adjust the plan and to approve a Final Plan.

The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Safety Management Plan will be a useful tool, used to coordinate safety interventions within the Long Range Plans of the tribe and will contribute to the continuing efforts of providing, greater, livability and sustainability for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, its members and the surrounding area.



Photo by TERO Employee Garon Cozad-Tawkoity

The Transportation Department consisting of (L to R) Transportation Technician/ HEO I J.T. Jestes, Transportation Technician Foreman Darrell Flowers, Transportation and Safety Assistant Manager Rhonda James and Transportation & Safety Manager Chris McCray, serves the Pawnee Nation.

PAWNEE NATION DIABETES PROGRAM

EAP Encourages Healthy and Active Lifestyles

By Crystal McNeill
Diabetes Program Coordinator



Photo by Jaelyn Jestes

Ms. McFarland's 1st Grade class poses with the eagle mascot.

The Eagle Adventure Program (EAP) is a program designed to present and demonstrate the importance of nutrition, physical activity, and the prevention of Type 2 diabetes to students of grades 1-3.

The EAP was originally developed by the Chickasaw Nation Get Fresh! and Nutrition Programs. In the effort to educate students on such topics in a positive, interacting and fun approach, the Chickasaw Nation was searching for another tribal program to accept the challenge of being trained and independently implementing this program within their service area.

Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program was completely on board following a three -day EA workshop in 2012.

Following a year of training and prepping, the Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program in collaboration with Suzy KnifeChief, Youth Services coordinator, has begun implementation of the EAP.

We are currently educating 165 students within Pawnee Elementary Schools for the spring semester (Jan. 14 – March 27, 2014).

This making Pawnee Nation the first tribe in Oklahoma to successfully adopt and independently execute Eagle Adventure.

We kicked off the year with the Eagle Adventure Play which was held Jan. 23, 2014. Grades 1-5 were attendance and Bruce Pratt, vice president Pawnee Business Council represented the Pawnee Nation as our guest speaker.

Throughout the program, each student received a set of four Eagle Adventure Books, recipes, "NestWork" (Mr. Eagle's version of homework), and various tools and materials to take home for the entire family to enjoy.

During presentations, healthy snacks were provided and class room activities demonstrated by educators and students.

All materials are issued to each student in their own EA folder. At the end of the program,



Photo by Jaelyn Jestes

Pawnee Tribal members from the Pawnee Schools 1st grade class pose with the mascot.

each student received a secret gift for participating. (Due to this article being printed before the program ends, the name of gift will not be mentioned.)

I would like to take this time to thank all the teachers and staff at Pawnee Elementary School for allowing and supporting us to come into their classrooms and present our materials. They have been very welcoming and always willing to lend a hand.

Thank You!



Photo by Jaelyn Jestes

Mrs. Bales 1st Grade Class show appreciation for the visit.



Photo by Jaelyn Jestes

Mr. Barrick's 3rd Grade class learns valuable information about living healthy.

PAWNEE NATION ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

The Pawnee Nation Enrollment Department requests information from the Pawnee Nation Tribal Members listed below. Individuals with any information are asked to call Carrie Peters, Enrollment manager, or Karen Haymond, Enrollment administrative assistant, at (918) 762-3624. If the person listed is a minor, contact will need to be made by a parent or legal guardian.

Kitty Madelon Aspen All
 Sophia Monique Barreras
 Vivica Faye Barreras
 Brenda Sue Barrone
 Charles Anthony Battiest
 Wanda Timlyn Battiest
 Michael James Beets
 Grant Echohawk Burgess
 Alice Lena Cole
 Victoria Florine Collins
 Heathe Torry Champagne
 John Kelly Caudle
 Monica Rachael Carranza
 Louis Aaron Caesar
 Judy Kay Dement
 Tobin Rae Echo Hawk
 Kathryn Ellen Ellis

Bruce Allen Fields
 Christopher O'Neal Furr
 McKayla Maria Gonzalez
 Darrell James Gardipe
 Janis Giblon
 Larry Allen Gibson
 Robert Gene Gilmore
 Vernon Lee Hall
 Hannah Jeanne Hassell
 Jeffrey Michael Hassell
 Todd Andrew Hassell
 Jo Esta Hartwick
 John Hickey Jr.
 Cynthia Lou Hopkins
 Roberta Stout Hutson
 James Daryl Johnston
 Robyn Leigh Keune

Kiddickey Della Kirkland
 Lauren Laventure
 Isabelle M Long
 Laura Roseann Munoz
 Rosemary A Munoz
 Roger Michael Munoz
 Elizabeth Dawn Moses
 Camille Christine Mora
 Cecelia Rae McHugh
 Linda Ann Morrison
 Christopher Kelly Olsen
 Cody Kyle Olsen
 Tiffany Sue Pappan
 Diane Marie Pappan
 Carl J Partridge
 Vincent Keith Partridge
 Alexis Mayo Romeros

Mvhayv Marie Ramirez
 Leslie Elizabeth Reed
 Cecil Rice
 Richard Edward Roberts
 Jennifer Leigh Rowe
 Ralph Buster Scott
 Michelle Susanne Scully
 Franklin A Smith
 Mary E Smith
 Joshua Pangelinan Stein
 John Steely Scully
 James Jett Scully
 Boe Joseph Toahty
 Johnnie Darwin Villines
 Connie Jo Wooldridge

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

#13-96 – A Resolution to approve a request for a no-cost modification/extension until June 30, 2014 for the Pari Elders Project – Approved Dec. 18, 2013 by a vote seven for, zero against, zero abstaining, zero absent and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-97 – A resolution to approve the grant of limited waiver of sovereign immunity between the Vogles and the PTDC limited to those parties only, for this Contract only and only against the assets and funds of the PTDC – RECINDED Jan. 8, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.Nuttle) and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-98 – A resolution to approve that all Federal and State Grant Program budgets are approved to continue at the 2013 approved spending level with a Quarterly Cost Revenue no later than Feb. 1, 2014 pending the approval of the FY 2014 Budgets – Approved Dec. 18, 2013 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero

abstaining, zero absent and one not voting (President Gover).

#13-58 – A resolution to approve the negotiated lease with Mark Liegerot of Chilicco Lease property totaling 823.56 acres for the period of five years – Approved Jan. 8, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.Nuttle) and one not voting (President Gover).

#14-01 – A resolution to confirm the appointment of the Honorable Jon Douthitt to serve as Chief Judge of the Pawnee Nation District Court for a six year term to expire Jan. 8, 2020 – Approved Jan. 8, 2014 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining, zero absent and one not voting (President Gover).

#14-02 – A resolution to approve the grant of limited waiver of sovereign immunity between the Vogles and the PTDC limited to those parties only, for this Contract only and only against the assets and funds of the PTDC – Approved Jan. 8, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero ab-

staining, one absent (M.Nuttle) and one not voting (President Gover).

#14-03 - A resolution to approve that all Federal and State Grant Program budgets are approved to continue at the 2013 approved spending level with a Quarterly Cost Revenue no later than March 31, 2014 pending the approval of the FY 2014 Budgets – Approved Feb. 1, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (R.Tilden) and one not voting (President Gover).

#14-04 – A resolution for Tribal disbursement in the amount not to exceed \$22,000.00 from the Proceeds of Labor Account for the Pawnee Tribal Museum Budget – Approved Feb. 12, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (President Gover), and one not voting (Vice-President Pratt).

#14-05 – A resolution to approve the submission of a NAGPRA grant proposal to the Nation Park Service for a 10-month grant – Approved Feb. 24, 2014 by a vote of six for,

zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.Nuttle) and one not voting (President Gover).

#14-06 – A resolution to authorize the following staff under the Aid to Tribal Government Program to execute the Indian Preference Form (BIA-4432) namely Marshall R. Gover, President of the Pawnee Business Council; Lisa Gover, Executive Director; Carrie Peters, Enrollment Director; or Phammie N. Littlesun, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council to certify and sign said document – Approved Feb. 24, 2014 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.Nuttle) and one not voting (President Gover).

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SUSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

Pawnee Nation SAP Offers Healthy Steps

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(L to R), SAP Counselor Mike Ortiz, Oklahoma State Trooper Antonio Porter and SAP Coordinator and Counselor Barbara Attocknie share a mission of promoting drug and substance free lives. For more information, please review the article entitled *Pawnee Nation Featured on "KUSH Team in the Morning"* located on Page 3 of this publication.

The Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program (SAP) provides prevention and counseling services and community and substance abuse among the eli-

gible Indian population within the service area of Pawnee. The service unit area for the Substance Abuse program is a thirty- five mile radius of Pawnee.

The Indian population served is approximately 3,600 Native Americans representing the Pawnee, Ponca, Otoe-Missouria, Osage, Kaw and Tonkawa Tribes. The community based prevention service includes the identification of persons at risk for developing problems related to substance abuse issues.

Direct services provided to individuals and/or groups include outpatient counseling for adult clients, referral to primary residential programs and outreach and aftercare treatment services.

The SAP emphasizes improved self-image, value and attitude clarification, decision-making and recognition of the physical and emotional effects of alcohol and substance abuse and constructive processes for dealing with stress.

For more information, please review the article entitled *Pawnee Nation Featured on "KUSH Team in the Morning"* located on Page 3 of this publication.

SERVICES

Alcohol and drug abuse outpatient counseling

Help for families in crisis

Referrals to inpatient treatment centers

Medical and non-medical detoxification

Individual counseling for adult clients

Weekly support groups

Community education

Prevention activities

Fitness Center

Support Group Meeting
Wednesday evenings at
7 p.m. at the Substance
Abuse Office

SAP (918) 762 - 2153

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Smoking Proven To Cause Health Hazards

Press Release: For immediate release

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OKLAHOMANS AND PREVENTABLE DEATHS

Smoking is Oklahoma's number one cause of preventable death, killing an estimated 6,000 Oklahomans each year—more than alcohol, auto accidents, AIDS, suicides, murders and illegal drugs combined.

"Cigarette smokers die younger than nonsmokers". In fact, smoking

decreases a person's life expectancy by 10-12 years. Smokers between the ages of 35 and 70 have death rates three times higher than those who have never smoked.

While the odds for those trying crack or alcohol and becoming addicts are 1 in 6 and 1 in 10 respectively, they're 9 in 10 for cigarette smokers," reports the Chief of Clinical Pharmacology, National Institute on Drug Abuse.

Smoking is a major risk factor for each of Oklahoma's four most deadly heart diseases, cancer,

chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and stroke.

For every person who dies from smoking, another 20 are suffering with at least one serious smoking-caused disease.

The vast majority of smokers in Oklahoma became addicted as young people. If current trends continues, estimated 87,000 Oklahoma youth aged 0-17 alive today will ultimately die early from smoking.

Approximately 6200 Oklahomans die each year from tobacco related causes. 700 of which are

caused by exposure and second hand smoke alone.

For more information about quitting tobacco, contact Oklahoma Tobacco Help-line 1800 Quit Now. This is a valuable tool to assist people who want to quit commercial tobacco. Participants are eligible to receive free one-on-one coaching by phone from a Quit Coach, free material to assist you between calls. Participants may be eligible for free nicotine patches, gum or lozenges, or may be referred to their insurance provider for cessation medications.

OBITUARIES

ROBERT "BOB" PERRY

March 7, 1940 - Feb. 13, 2014



Photo courtesy of the Poteets Funeral Home

Robert Elmer Perry was born on March 7, 1940 in Carnegie, Okla. to Cecil Aubrey Perry and Doris Leone Hedgecock Perry. He passed from this life on Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014 in Enid, Okla. having reached the age of 73 years, 11 months, and six days.

He attended Pawnee Public Schools and graduated with the Class of 1958. He was also a graduate of OU and OSU. He served in

the U.S. Army and served 12 months in Vietnam. He had numerous military awards including the combat infantry badge. Bob obtained the rank of major before his retirement.

He enjoyed coaching young kids basketball while in San

Antonio, and enjoyed getting up early to take his daughters to swim practice and meets. He enjoyed watching his son, Jason, block an important field goal at a football game, and thoroughly enjoyed playing Santa Claus for his kids and grandkids, as well as for other kids in the community. It was important to him to be involved with the VFW Services for fellow service

men, as well as personally helping those in need. He was very close to his grandchildren and enjoyed attending their sporting events as well as being their "Uppit." He also enjoyed watching all sports, as well as fishing, camping, and traveling.

He enjoyed unique food and concoctions, used his blue duct taped cane, wore a flower pot hat, and red socks. He especially loved teasing one and all!

Bob was a member of the VFW Troop 796, Disabled Veterans, American Legion Chapter 26, Ascension Episcopal Church, Democratic Party, and Delta Upsilon. Bob is survived by: Best Friend and longtime companion: Beverly Davis, Stillwater, Okla. and children; Jason K. Perry, Oklahoma City, Okla., Pamela R. Bishop and her husband, Joe, Spanish Fort, Ala., Shannon L. Balenti and her husband, Troy, Enid, Okla., Brian D. Davis, and his wife, Dawney, Tulsa, Okla. and Staci R. Cundiff and her husband, Jerry, Ripley, Okla.

Grandchildren are Rebecca H. Perry, Pawnee, Okla., Janson T.

Bishop, Spanish Fort, Ala., Sean M. Balenti, Enid, Okla., Cade P. Balenti, Enid, Okla., Luke A. Balenti, Enid, Okla., Tyler F. Davis, Tulsa, Okla., Emma K. Davis, Tulsa, Okla., Shelbi L. Cundiff, Stillwater, Okla., Joshua D. Cundiff, Ripley, Okla., and Harli K. Cundiff, Ripley, Okla.

Perry is also survived by brothers William J. Perry and his wife, Sheila, Pawnee, Okla. plus a number of other relatives, and many friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Doris Perry. Interment was held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2014 at Highland Cemetery, Pawnee, and Services held at 2 p.m., at the Ascension Episcopal Church, Pawnee, Okla. with Father Ken Armstrong. Donations may be made to the Pawnee Community VFW Flag Fund, P. O. Box 506, Pawnee, OK 74058.

Mr. Perry also served as the personnel director for Pawnee Nation in the late 1990s.

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The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace. -- Psalms 29:11

AMELIA MIRA EPPLER

Aug. 27, 1928 - Jan. 14, 2014



Photo courtesy of the Poteets Funeral Home

Amelia Mira Eppler, 85, of Pawnee, Okla. passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2014. She was born on Aug. 27, 1928 in Pawnee, Okla. to Joseph Albert Eppler II and

Myra Lone Chief Eppler. Her favorite things to do were to read and write. Whenever you saw her at the house, she would always be reading some random book she found lying around. She liked to take off for long walks, and would walk all the way to the campgrounds and see if her grandkids were there during Pawnee Pow-wow. She enjoyed watching football, and her favorite college team is the OU Sooners. Anything that involved OU, no matter what sport, she would be watching it. She

would watch football all day long, and give the scores of the game to whoever walked in the door. Her favorite pro team was the New York Giants, and her favorite television shows were Lawrence Welk Show, Bonanza and MASH. If you ever drove by Illinois Street on Saturday evening, there was a chance that you heard the Lawrence Welk Show blasting. When she watched her show, she wanted everyone to know it. She would never eat frybread, but always enjoyed a good meat pie, and would always refer to frybread as grease bread. Pepsi and floats were her favorite drinks. Halloween was one of her favorite times of the year, because of the

scary outfits that the trick or treaters would wear.

She was baptized at the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church in 2011 on Easter Sunday. Amelia is survived by her grandkids, nieces, nephews, and one brother, Joseph Albert Eppler III of Severy, Kan. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph Albert Eppler II and Myra Lone Chief Eppler, her son, Cy Eppler, and her two brothers, Val Charles Eppler and Teddy Manuel Eppler. A Memorial Service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014 at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, Pawnee, Okla.

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OBITUARIES

SHERMAN HERBERT "COCHISE" WILDE JR.

March 13, 1958 - Feb. 13, 2014



Photo courtesy of the Johnson Funeral Home

Graveside Services for Sherman Herbert "Cochise" Wilde, Jr., 55, of Tulsa, were held Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014 at the Fort Gibson National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Okla.

Dr. Curtis Linton officiated. Casket Bearers were Seth Lang, Tommy Bratton, Trae Wilde, Rick Wilde, Clint Lang, and David Teague. Honorary Casket Bearers were Phillip Knapp, Cliff Lang, Joe Echohawk, Joe Harris, Justin Harkey, and Ben Scott. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Johnson Funeral Home, Sperry.

Cochise was born March 13, 1958 in Claremore, Okla., to Sherman Herbert, Sr. and Lucille Marie (Wilson) Wilde. He passed away Feb. 13, 2014 in Tulsa, Okla.

Cochise was an A-1 professional and a jack of all trades. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was a diesel mechanic with the 4th National Engineering Building Maintenance Unit. He enjoyed golfing, fishing, and hunting, and loved spending time with his family and grandchildren. In his younger days, Cochise was a Boy Scout Leader. He ran in several marathons and was a Golden Glove boxer. Cochise was an avid animal lover, and he especially loved his horses, his cat, and his dogs, Gunner and Louie.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy Wilde of Tulsa; children, Trae Wilde of Tulsa, Seth Lang of Sperry, Misty Belcoff of Texas, Mandy Ketchum of Las Vegas, NV, and Timmisa Wells of Skiatook; grandchildren, Ryan, Mady, Aubre, Devin, Bailey, Jacob, Bryce, Michael, Hunter, Deacon, Blake, Braden, Shoshanna, Kree, Torrance, Aden, Kyler, and Jamissa; father, Sherman Wilde, Sr.; sisters, Joyce Spencer, and Delores Harkey; nieces, Tonya, Christina, Ranee, and Valerie; nephews, Justin H., Shawn, Cliff, Derek, and Justin G; special friends, Blood Indian Brother, Tommy Bratton, and David Teague; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lucille Wilde; sister, Sharon Wilde; and daughter, Sheran Hart Wilde.

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*The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace.
-- Psalms 29:11*

EDWARD H. MOSES

March 12, 1948 - Feb. 9, 2014



Photo courtesy of the Hunsaker Wooten Funeral Home

Edward H Moses, resident of Pawhuska, passed away Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014 at the Pawhuska Hospital. He was 65 years of age.

Edward was born March 12, 1948 in Oklahoma City, the son of Frank Leader Moses and Vivian Mae (Osage) Moses.

He attended the Fairfax Schools and graduated high school at St. Gregory's in Shawnee, Okla. He was attending the Catholic University in St. Louis when he was drafted by the U.S. Army to serve in Vietnam. Eddie was a photographer, owning his own business. He was a member and past commander of the American Legion Post 198 in Pawhuska. He had lived in Pawhuska the past 15 years.

He is survived by his children; Hallie Freeman of Springfield, Miss., Becky Beech of Manford, Okla. and Michael Osage Moses of Tulsa, Okla., the son of Helen Moses; seven grandchildren; Corey Allen Scott Moses, Jacob Daniel Moses, Kaizer Aeryn Coachman, Jayden Osage Moses, Joshua Michael Moses, Emily Marie Beech and Jonathon Carter Deherrera; last surviving aunt, Corean Leland; a special friend, Wilda Schwartz and numerous other extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Edward Scott Moses; two brothers, Andrew Knuckles and Clifford Kemohah, Jr.; one granddaughter, Mariah Beech.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014 at the Grayhorse Tribal Chapel, located southeast of Fairfax. John RedEagle presided over the services. Burial followed

in the A.J. Powell Cemetery at Hominy, Okla. Services were under the direction of the Hunsaker-Wooten Funeral Home in Fairfax.

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OBITUARIES

PRENTISS PAHDOCONY March 5, 1945 - March 2, 2014

Prentiss Pahdocony passed away March 2, 2014 in Lawton, Okla.

He was known to family and friends as Jake and resided in Anadarko, Okla. He was born at Ft. Sill Indian Hospital on March 5, 1945 to John and Doris Pahdocony, he was a member of the Comanche/Pawnee Tribes. Jake attended school at Stony Point and Elgin, graduating from Apache High School where he participated in football, track, baseball and basketball. He then went to Haskell University in Lawrence, Kan. to study electronics.

Jake served four years in the U.S. Air Force, receiving a honorable discharge after seeing part of the world. He worked in Oklahoma City for TG&Y and later served as associate pastor for a Methodist church in Anadarko areas, bowling in perfect 300 game in Anadarko on Dec. 21, 1999. He was kind and caring brother who loved visiting with family and friends and recalling days gone by. He was loved by all and his stories and humor will be missed.

Jake is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Clifford Pahdocony and Leslie Pahdocony, and sister Cecilia Thomas.

He is survived by two brothers: William Pahdocony (Virginia-wife) of Oklahoma City and Paul Pahdocony of Anadarko and extended family and many friends.

A Memorial service with Military honors was held Saturday, March 8, 2014 at 2 p.m. at the Comanche Nation Funeral Home in Lawton, Okla.

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***The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace.
-- Psalms 29:11***

WILLIAM (BILL) MITCHELL SMITH SR. Oct. 17, 1945 - Feb 22, 2014

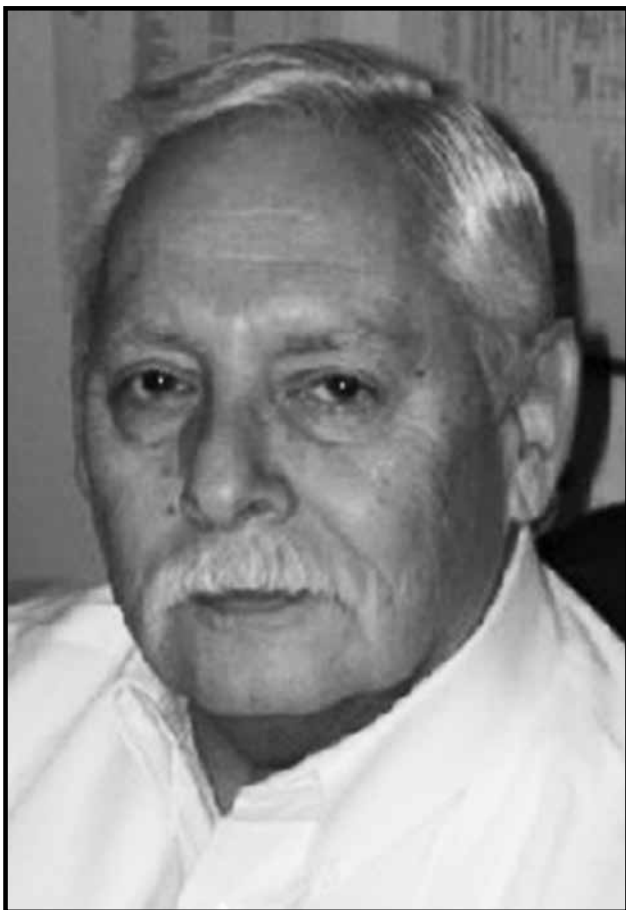


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William Mitchell Smith was born Oct. 17, 1945 in Berkley, Calif.

He was reared in Oklahoma City, Okla. by his parents, J.B. and Gladys Smith.

He received his education in Oklahoma City. Upon graduating from high school, he joined the U.S. Air Force, where he received his college education from Oklahoma State University.

Bill received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Air Force and pursued a career in law enforcement with the Midwest City Police in Midwest City, Okla. where he later retired.

Bill was also a member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

On Nov. 14, 1983, he united in holy matrimony with the love of his life, Serena Wintz. Together they raised five children; Bill, Steele, K.W., Gary and Kristie. His son, Steele and his parents preceded him in death.

Bill leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Serena Smith; children, William Mitchell Smith, II, K.W. Smith, Gary Smith and Kristie Burda; two brothers; David Jones and Dana Andrews and one sister Judy Rickard, a host of grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Isaiah 40:31-"But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint."

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PAWNEE NATION BURIAL POLICY

PURPOSE

This policy is to provide guidelines to the Pawnee Nation in providing financial assistance, services and facilities for our tribal families that have incurred a death.

ELIGIBILITY

Enrolled members of Pawnee Nation.

a) Infants under the age of one year that qualify for Pawnee tribal enrollment (at least 1/8 Pawnee blood quantum), or are eligible for enrollment, but have not been enrolled or received burial assistance from another Tribe.

b) Infants over the age of one year of age that have not been enrolled are not eligible for assistance unless an enrollment for the infant's enrollment has been filed with Pawnee Tribal Enrollment Office.

AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE

The Pawnee Business shall set the amount for burial assistance in the annual budgeting process. The amount of burial will be established in the annual tribal operating budget.

The maximum amount of assistance available for 2013 and 2014 is:

a) \$4,500 payable to the funeral home for burial; and

b) \$500 is payable to the person that financially responsible for the burial to be used for immediate needs; and

c) Any costs exceeding these amounts will be the responsibility

of the person financially responsible for burial costs; and

d) Any funds not expended will be retained in the burial fund.

CHECK DISBURSEMENT

Checks will be issued to the funeral home (not to exceed \$4,500) and person that is financially responsible for the burial costs, normally the next of kin, i.e. spouse, parent, adult, child, etc. (\$500). Checks are high priority and issued in an expedient manner, usually within 24 hours.

Records shall be maintained in Finance that includes payee, address, check number, date issued, and signature line if check is picked up.

NOTIFICATION OF DEATH

The Pawnee Nation is normally notified by the family of the death.

Verification is to be provided with the funeral home, law enforcement, written statement from relative.

Upon notification and verification of death, Executive Office verifies tribal enrollment with Enrollment Office. Enrollment Offices provides date of birth and enrollment number.

Address of payee is required.

Deaths not reported within a year will not be eligible for payment.

TRIBAL FLAGS

Pawnee Tribal Flag will be lowered for tribal members after notification and verification is made.

Pawnee Indian Veteran's Flag will be lowered for Paw-

nee Indian Veterans upon notification and verification is made.

Flags will be lowered in compliance with the existing policy for four days.

In the event of a burial being delayed over four days due to services being held out of the Pawnee area, cremation and a memorial service held later, or similar situation, flags will be raised on the fifth day.

Pawnee Business Council President can have the tribal flags lowered for extenuating circumstances.

The U.S. Flag will be lowered for a congressional honor or by Presidential Proclamation.

BUILDING USE

Tribal buildings (Roam Chief Event Center, Roundhouse, and Community Building) shall be made available for tribal members for viewing, wakes, services, feasts, and dinners at no cost.

No deposit is required. The Tribal Operations staff is responsible for the upkeep and cleaning of buildings. In event of a large crowd, the Multi-Purpose Building and or the Wellness Center may be used. In accordance with Policy Rental, funerals have priority and other events may be cancelled or moved.

Non-enrolled members may be granted building use at a reduced rate (actual cost of the building usage). The total cost schedule associated with the burial including the use of the building and labor costs will be updated annually. Payable when building is reserved.

CEMETERIES

Pawnee Tribal cemeteries are available for tribal members' burial. Tribal Operations staff will prepare the grave site, cover it and maintain it.

Non-tribal members may be buried in the cemeteries next to an enrolled spouse, parent, child, or other enrolled family member for a minimal fee. Tribal operations shall assess a charge for the grave preparation services and the cost of the plot.

DISPUTES

Tribe will handle disputes on an individual basis.

Cancelled checks will be kept on file, and upon request copies will be furnished to any tribal members disputing they received a check or that the check was issued to the wrong person.

If the payee misrepresents being next of kin or the person of record responsible for the burial cost and is not, the case will be forwarded to Law Enforcement.

Pawnee Nation District Court shall be the court of jurisdiction. If the court rules payee should not have received the payment, the payee is responsible for costs involved in the prosecution.

Disclaimer: The Burial Policy is printed, with minor revisions, as stated in the Pawnee Nation Policies.

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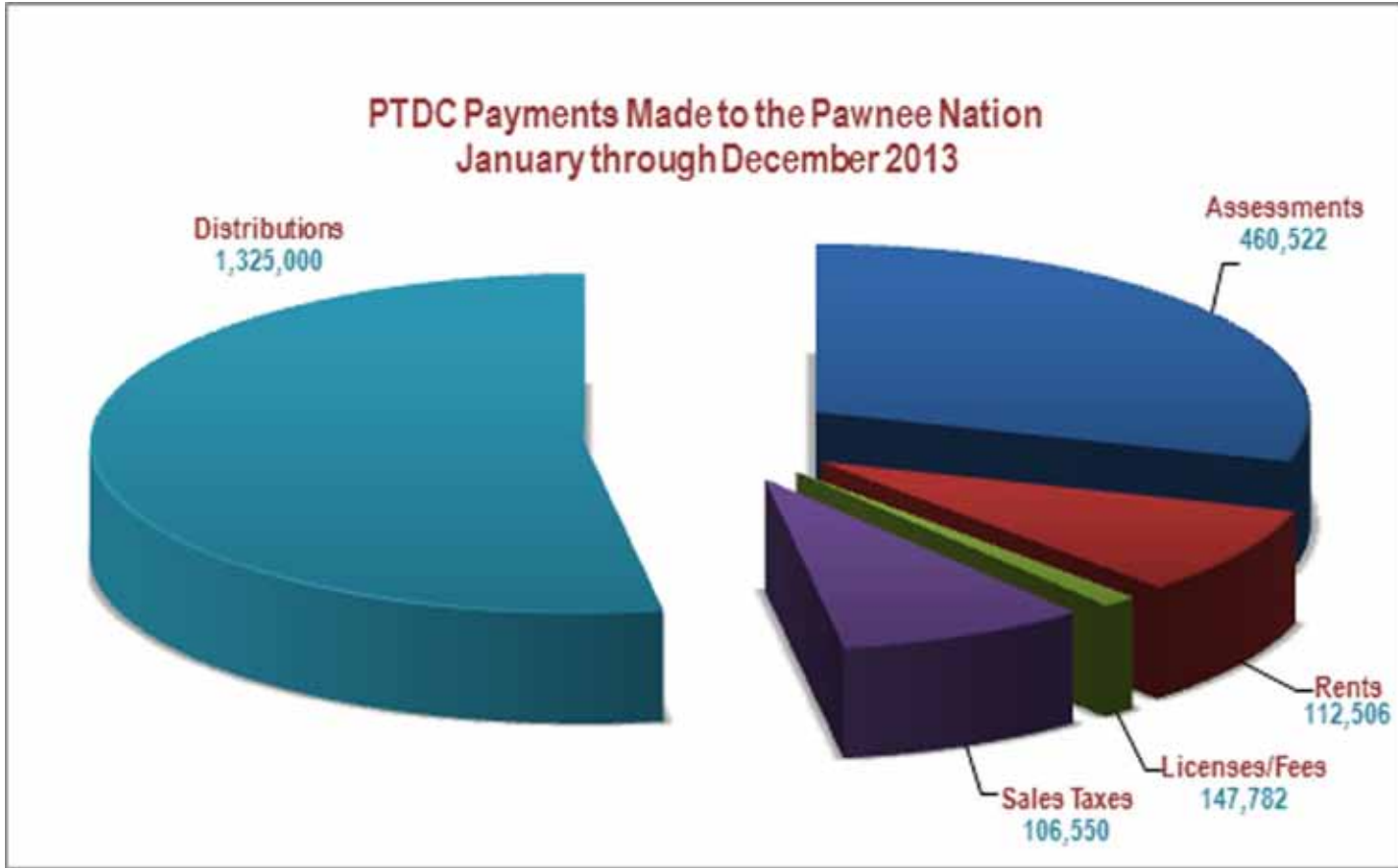
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TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Tribal Development Corporation Records High Returns

By Laura Melton
Tribal Development Corporation



From January 2013 through December 2013 the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (TDC) has sent \$2,152,360 in revenue to the Pawnee Nation treasury. TDC

realized a 2013 goal by doubling the revenue share sent to the Nation while also achieving one of its purposes for existence, to provide revenues to the Tribe.

The above chart shows the revenue breakdown.

As the corporation sends revenue to the Nation, TDC is also able to meet its payroll, pay its bills and

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Thank you to all of our wonderful customers for helping make 2013 a successful year.

TDC has meetings once a month at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room on the second floor of the Health and Community Services Building; tribal members and the community are welcome to attend.

TDC would like to take this opportunity to restate that it has a 'No Donation' policy. On March 20, 2012 the Board of Directors of the Tribal Development Corporation adopted by unanimous vote a 'No Donation' policy.

The Board has a responsibility to generate revenue for the tribe and does not place itself in a position to donate funds that belong to the Pawnee Nation government.

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For a complete list and prices, visit www.pawneenation.org and select the Pawnee Nation merchandiselinklistedunderQuickLinks.

For more information, contact the Pawnee Nation Tax Office at P.O. Box 438, Pawnee, OK, 74058, (918) 762-3624.



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Pawnee Nation offers many items including the Pawnee Flag (left) T-shirts and ball caps (top right). Also available are license plates, ash trays and patches (bottom right).



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