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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



NOWA!

Happy New Year Everyone!

In the week between Christmas and the New Year holiday, the Pawnee Business Council challenged the Nasharo Council to a Handgame. Although the Business Council lost, everyone had a lot of fun and fellowship. We want to thank everyone who came out to join us.

Herb Adson and his family had a Handgame as well and everyone enjoyed the company and games. Many of our tribal members reminisced on when our tribe would have a Handgame every night of that week during years past and how they would like to see that come back. Taking initiative from the stories told Lilly Cummings will be sponsoring a Handgame where the women challenge the men and Herb Adson and family have said they will have a Handgame as well. We hope that the PBC and Nasharo Council will do the same and we are looking forward to it.

Many of our young adults and children started back to school and we have enjoyed

attending some of the back to school dinners and meetings. It is always good to see our young Pawnee People continuing with their education, they are and will be our future leaders of this Nation.

It's always a good sign when we get to see our Pawnee People come home during the holidays, especially those serving in the armed forces. We had a Marine home for the holidays, and it was really good to see him. Please remember in prayer all our service men and women.

Let's not forget Valentine's Day. It's a day to celebrate those we love! I hope everyone got their sweetie a big chocolate heart and flowers.

The Pawnee Nation has a lot going on this year. There was the ground breaking for the new Law Enforcement Center and it is moving right along. Also the start of the refurbishment to the Roundhouse will soon begin and we are looking forward to that. Many plans are underway and we will keep everyone posted on everything coming up.

I know in the past year we had many folks who have lost loved ones, not just our own Pawnee People but our Pawnee community as well. It is always hard to lose a loved one and my heart goes out to those who are in mourning. Continue to pray for our people and community for with our prayers, words of encouragement and compassion, we can find strength to live another day.

This year will be busy and we look forward to the challenges that are ahead. We are a strong Nation for the tests and struggles we have faced, but we have overcome with strength and prayer and we will continue to overcome the obstacles which are put in our path with perseverance and the help of our people for we are the greatest Nation on the face of the earth.

Photo Caption: President Marshall Gover. Photo by Jamie Nelson

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Front Row: Kim Adams (BUI),
Marshall Gover, Cheryl Lockstone
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Second Row: Steven Wright (BUI),
David Kanuho, Barrett Williamson
(Anishinabe Design), Justin Gallas
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Designed by Toni Hill

Special thanks to Muriel Robedaux.

February/March 2012**Education**

Free General Educational Development (GED) classes are ongoing until May. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 - 8 p.m. in the Cultural Learning Center. For more information, contact Chris Hill, Youth Service coordinator at (918)762-3227.

Pawnee Nation College

Classes are offered for eight-week courses starting in March. For more information, contact Marcy or Staci at (918) 762-3343. Visit www.pawneenationcollege for more information about PNC.

Health

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

Title VI Senior Program

Every Wednesday and Friday the Diabetes Program provides blood sugar and blood pressure checks from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Every other Wednesday from noon to 1:30 p.m., Elder's Bingo will be held at the Title VI Dining Room.

Every other Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. the elders will host a raffle/auction at the Title VI Dining Room. For more information, please contact the Title VI Senior Program at (918) 762-4042.

General:

The Pawnee Business Council meeting will be held Feb. 8 and 22 at the Roam Chief. For more information, call (918) 762-3621.

Feb. 6 - March 12 - REACH US will host a six-week Tobacco Cessation Course on Mondays at 6 p.m. in the Health and Community Service Building Conference Room.

Feb. 11 - The Office of Historic Preservation will host a meeting focused on developing a Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan. (See article on page 7.) Meeting held at 1 p.m. at the Pawnee Nation Cultural Learning Center, 657 Harrison. For more information, contact Gordan Adams at (918) 762-3621.

March 30 - Estate Planning Services at Roam Chief. See back cover for details.

The Pawnee Nation will be closed Feb. 20, 2012 in observation of President's Day.

Visit www.pawneenation.org for additional events.

Tax Preparation Assistance Offered

Pawnee Nation will serve as a sponsor in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) volunteer tax return preparation programs. Several Pawnee Nation employees committed to providing this service to the Pawnee Nation and the Pawnee Community.

Services will be offered Feb. 6, 2012 through April 16, 2012. Hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Walk-in clients will be served on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays and appointments taken Tuesday and Thursdays. No services will be offered on holidays or weekends.

For more information, contact HCS Division Director/VITA Site Coordinator M. Angela Thompson at (918) 399-5156 or (918) 762-3873.

Help Clear The Air

By Whitney Nuttle
REACH US Assistant

There are new and exciting opportunities coming through the Pawnee Nation REACH US Program.

Beginning Feb. 6, 2012 through March 12, 2012, REACH US will host a six-week Tobacco Cessation Course. The class will meet every Monday at 6 p.m. in the Health and Community Service Building Conference Room.

Also, the Pawnee Nation REACH US will host two M-Power Workshops, presented by the Osage Nation, on Wednesday, Feb. 22 and Wednesday, Feb. 29 at 10 a.m. in the Health and Community Services Building Conference Room. The Feb. 22 workshop facilitators will discuss Second and Third Hand Smoke and the Feb. 29 workshop presenters will focus on Smoke Free Homes.

For more information, contact Whitney Nuttle at (918)762-3873, option #5 or Suzy Knife Chief at (918) 762-2153.

2012 American Indian Festival Of Words

The 2012 American Indian Festival of Words will be held during the month of March. Sponsors include the Tulsa City - County Library and Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. On March 20, President Marshall Gover will present the "History of the Pawnee Nation Warrior" at the Peggy V. Helmerick Library located at 5131 E 91 St, Tulsa, from 2 - 3 p.m. Members from the U.S. Army Bravo/Pawnee Company will accompany Gover. For more information, contact Communications Manager Toni Hill at (918) 399-1344 or visit www.pawneenation.org.

The Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement Center Ground-Breaking Held

by **Toni Hill**
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

Members of Pawnee Nation Business Council, Law Enforcement and Anishinabe Design mark the building site. (L to R) George Horn, Chief David Kanuho, Gene Howell, Steve Wright, Pat LeadingFox, President Marshall Gover, Cheryl Lockstone, Richard Tilden and Linda Jestes.

The Pawnee Nation held a Ground-Breaking Ceremony for the new Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement Center on Friday, Dec. 16, 2011 at 2 p.m. The event occurred at the new site, the corner of Click Field Road, Round House Road and Heritage Circle Drive.

This new facility is funded by U.S. Housing and Urban Development under the FY 2010 - Indian Community Development Block Grant. Pawnee Nation’s Transportation Department contributed additional funding for the development of access entrances and parking areas. Construction should commence this winter.

“This facility will not only benefit the Pawnee Nation, but the city of Pawnee, the County, and the federal government as well,” said Marshall Gover, president of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. “The Pawnee Tribe will be on the forefront of helping with the economic development of the City of Pawnee.”

This new facility was designed by Anishinabe Design of Norman, Okla. with construction provided by Builder’s Unlimited of Tulsa, Okla. Amenities include seven offices, a reception area and a conference room that doubles as a safe area during inclement weather to accommodate more than 150 people.

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Pawnee translation by Warren Pratt Jr.

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Word Translations from above article

- Ceremony - <ahisee
- Round House – Aka <a du tau
- Winter – Pitseekut
- Law Enforcement – Ee ku taku
- Construction- We tih ka <ooko
- Weather – Ka hoo <a <u’

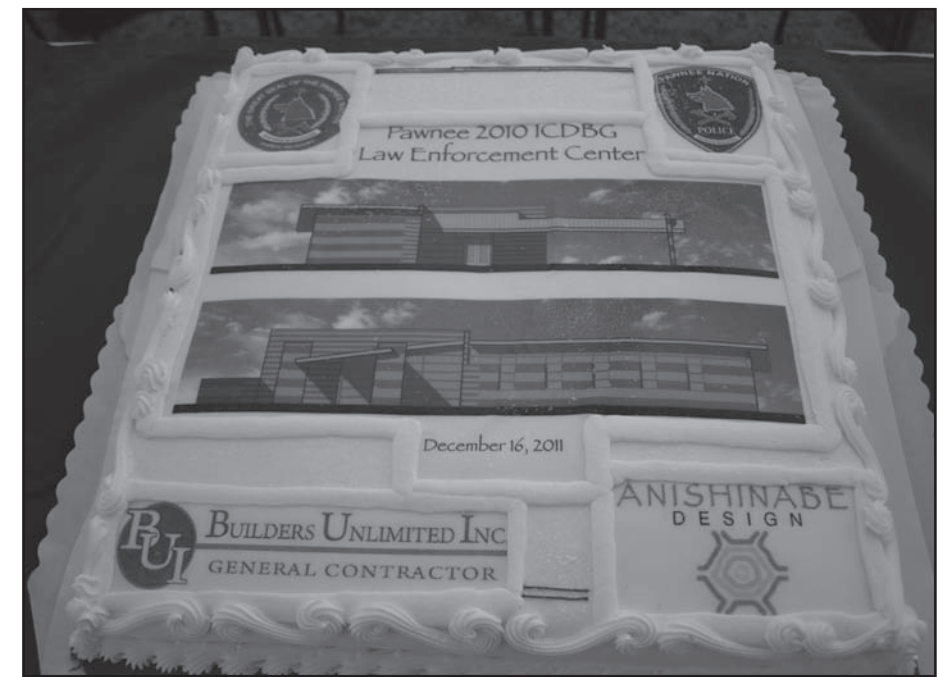


Photo by Toni Hill

The cake decorated with the new building design.



Photo by Toni Hill

Law enforcement officers and members of council during the ceremony. (L to R) Gene Howell, George Horn, Chief David Kanuho, Pat LeadingFox, President Marshall Gover, Richard Tilden, Linda Jestes and Roy Taylor.

Weight Loss Challenge Inspires Healthier Lifestyles And Competition

By Suzy Knife Chief

HP/DP Healthy Nation Coordinator



Weight Loss challenge contenders, (l to r) Brian Seigle, Freda Tippeconnie, Wilma Seigle, Lisa Goodday, Shelby Exum and Louise Stevens, gear up for a stimulating competition.

The Pawnee Nation's Wellness and Health Promotion Program (WHPP) Advisory Board formed the Weight Loss Challenge, which kicked

off on Jan. 9 and ends March 12.

A healthy, complimentary lunch was catered by Subway in conjunction with the initial weigh-in and registration. Forty-seven teams engaged in the challenge, 94 members overall.

All participants are in teams of two and paid an entry fee of \$10 per person. First-place winners will receive the consolidated entry fee that amounts to \$940, in addition to, \$1 paid if members miss a weigh in and/or \$1 for every pound gained at each weigh in. Second and third place winners will receive a six month membership and three month membership (respectively) to the Pawnee Nation Fitness Center.

Photo by Toni Hill

The challenge is based on weight loss percentage. The WHPP Advisory Board voted for this portion of the challenge to provide a healthier method towards weight loss due to each participant's unique body shape, size, height and weight.



Photo by Toni Hill

Contestants Donald and Rheadon Poteet join another competitor by participating in a mandatory weigh in at the Pawnee Nation Fitness Center.

The percentage of weight lost can be calculated by dividing the total amount of weight lost using the beginning weight of the individual and multiplying by 100.

Good luck to all competitors!

For more information, please contact the HPDP Healthy Nations Program at (918) 762-2153.

Congratulations To President Gover

Congratulations to President of the Pawnee Business Council Marshall Gover for his recent appointment to the Direct Service Tribes (DST) Advisory Committee as a representative for the Indian Health Service (IHS) Oklahoma Area. The DST Advisory Committee (DSTAC) is consultive committee to the IHS Director that offers leadership in the areas of advocacy and policy interpretation for tribes that utilize IHS services.

Carol Nuttle Selected To Serve

Carol Nuttle, Pawnee Nation Business Council Seat 4 representative, was selected to service on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Self-Governance Tribal Federal Workgroup (SGTFW). This agency aids the HHS in creating agendas focused on increasing Tribal Self-Governance. With the assistance of Tribal representatives, the SGTFW seeks the assistance of HHS programs in determining how studies may encourage legislation in the event that the HHS may not have demonstration authority.

Human Resources Application Procedures Change

In an effort to become paperless and more efficient, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma's office of Human Resources will now require applicants to apply online at www.pawneenation.org. Applicants will be able to access a link to our online application. A valid email address is required in order to apply for any vacancies.

For more information, contact Shelby Exum, Human Resource specialist at (918) 762-3621 x52 or via email at hrrspecialist@pawneenation.org.

NEWS FROM HUMAN RESOURCES

**PAWNEE
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welcomes

Roberta Ahdunko was selected as Dispatcher/Administrative Assistant for the Law Enforcement department on Jan. 23, 2012.

Jessie Britt was selected as Lead Teacher (3&4 year olds) for the Learning Center on Jan. 10, 2012.

Tammy Tubbs was selected as Lead Teacher (Infant) for the Learning Center on Jan. 10, 2012.

Louise Stevens was selected as Receptionist/Assistant on Nov. 14, 2011.

Construction Update For The U.S. 64 Entrance To Tribal Complex

By **Toni Hill**
Communications Manager



Cranes larger than the men who control them are used to lay the concrete beams. Picture taken Jan. 11, 2012.

Phase One of the construction of a bridge over Black Bear Creek by Oklahoma Bridge Contractors from Edmond, Okla. is now under way. This segment will involve the creation of the bridge leading to Phase Two, pavement construction. This structure will eventually link the Administrative Complex and the Indian Health Services Center to U.S. 64 East.

This project had sparked discus-

sion for more than a decade due to a need for additional access to the Pawnee Nation headquarters that includes Indian Health Services, Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement and Pawnee Nation District Court, Pawnee Nation College and many other tribal offices and programs.

Currently, the only routes to the Tribal complex utilize the green bridge located on East Harrison Street that turns into Agency road and Morris road is often blocked due to railroad usage.

Brawley Engineering Inc. designed the new entry following specifications required by the Federal Highway Administration to ensure established federal standards. One area of focus included ensuring that the project allowed for proper water disbursement to avoid flooding.

“This project was not designed to compromise existing business revenue for Pawnee,” said Cecil Riding In, Pawnee Nation transportation director. “However, based on the number of commuters that currently use the existing pathways, more than 2,700 cars daily, the Pawnee Nation felt that another option was necessary to ensure safe and unrestricted travel.”

Project completion for Phase One is targeted for April 2012. Very little inconvenience is expected regarding day-to-day operation although travel within the work area is prohibited due to the use of heavy equipment for clearing and dirt work.

“We would like to thank the citizens of Pawnee for their support,” said Jim R. McCormick, project

manager. “This development could also ease traffic burdens on existing venues of travel without having any known negative effects on business revenue.”

The project is starting to look like a bridge. The bridge work is going according to plan, and the Contractor is finished with the abutments, columns, beams, and upstream rip rap. The bridge deck is being formed and the reinforcing steel for the deck and sidewalk is being placed. This will take a couple of days and concrete will be placed just as soon as the weather allows concrete placement. Other minor construction activities such as metal rails and approach slab curbing will follow the deck work, along with some cleanup, while the concrete is being allowed to properly cure, and tests completed. With continued good weather, this bridge work phase will be complete by the end of February, and then the second phase will begin.

Any concerns regarding the construction should be directed to the Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety at (918) 762-3655.

Editor’s note: Article updates provided by Pawnee Nation Transportation Director Cecil Riding In.



Concrete beams form the foundation of the bridge. Picture taken Jan. 11, 2012.



The newly constructed bridge will allow for greater access.

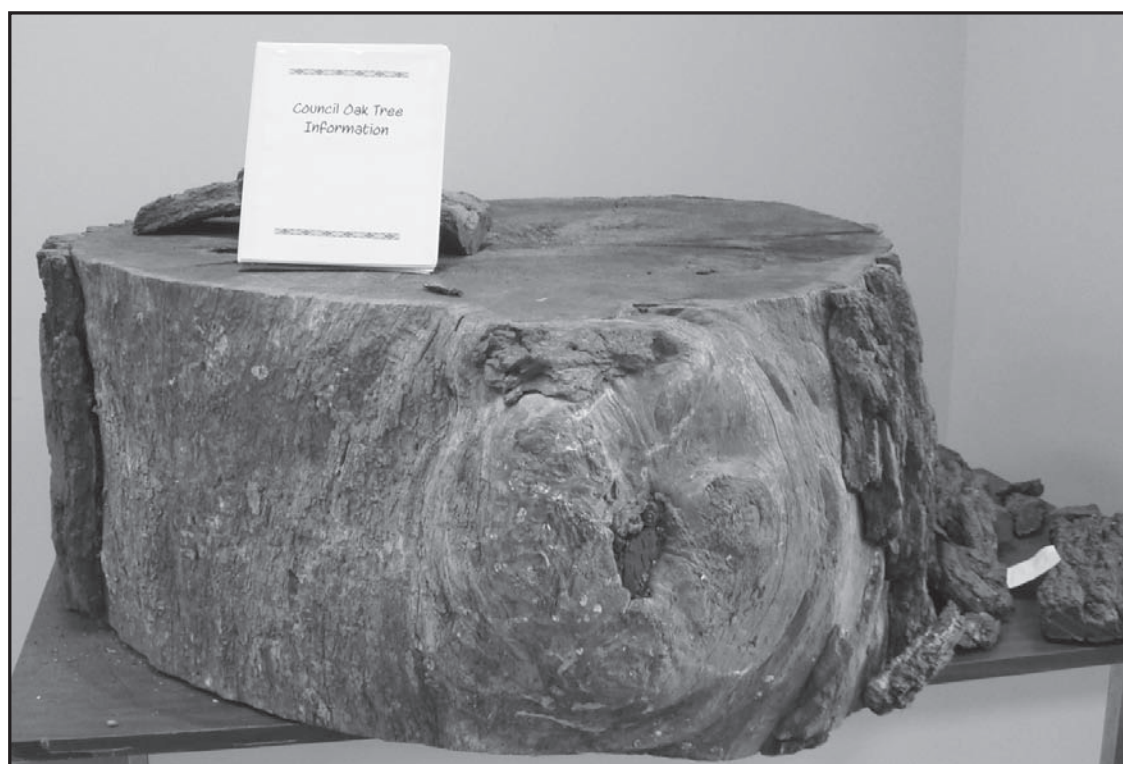
Photo by Cecil Riding In

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Office of Historic Preservation Safeguards Pawnee Heritage and Culture

By Gordon Adams
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer



Pawnee's Council Oak from Nebraska Homeland.

In 2011, the Pawnee Nation Office of Historic Preservation assumed responsibility for the activities of five programs on Pawnee Tribal lands which the State of Oklahoma previously administered.

The fact that the State of Oklahoma released partial jurisdiction on the Pawnee land and the Pawnee Nation assumed that responsibility firmly established the Pawnee People one step closer to true sovereignty.

This article will describe the five areas of responsibility (bolded) the Pawnee People now administer through the Office of Historic Preservation.

The National Register of Historic Places (Register). The Register is the national catalogue of archeological and historic properties, the places and things which influenced the Tribe to become the People we are today.

The Register is also the foundation for all Tribal and State Historic Preservation programs.

Two important advantages attach to listing on the Register. First is the protection a place or thing enjoys

against destruction or other adverse effects, and, second is its eligibility for funding to help provide that protection.

Section 106 Review and Compliance. Section 106 Review and Compliance (106 Review) is the largest, most complex part and the most interesting part of historic preservation work.

Very simply stated, 106 Review requires any agency using federal funds, or requiring federal permits or licensing that proposes a significant ground disturbance in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota, Colorado, Texas or New Mexico to submit a request for 106 Review to the Pawnee Nation Office of Historic Preservation.

The 106 Review process is the teeth of Tribal historic preservation. Federal funding, permits or licenses are issued to agencies only upon completion of the 106 Review process which flows from the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA).

NHPA provides the legislation that ensures all negotiations regard-

ing mitigation, avoidance or any other kind of adverse effect agreement between Tribes and federal agencies are conducted in a government-to-government manner just as the United States would negotiate with any other sovereign nation.

Survey and Inventory (Survey). The Survey is the "very thorough investigation of the relevant facts" mentioned above.

The content of the information collected is called the Survey, and determines whether a place or thing qualifies for Register listing. The Survey includes maps, photographs, geology, history, GPS location, information on local flora and fauna and any other information available. After the Survey is complete, the information is placed in our database and constitutes the inventory.

Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan (the Plan). The Plan covers our reservation, our trust and restricted lands, any archeological, architectural, historic, or sacred sites, as well as historic districts and landscapes anywhere and establishes the goals and objectives for furthering Pawnee historic preserva-

tion efforts over the coming years.

Public Outreach, Education, and Technical Assistance. This service is offered to academic, corporate, civic, governmental or community groups in matters of historic preservation.

Increasing public and inter-governmental awareness and education of the Pawnee heritage and potential threats is a powerful tribal historic preservation tool.

Use of media to distribute information about tribal historic preservation issues and methods is important.

Providing college lectures, classes, workshops and public and special presentations for groups upon request is an excellent way to distribute tribal historic preservation information. Tribal historic Preservation Officers also provide technical assistance on specific tribal historic preservation topics upon request.

For more information, contact Gordon Adams at (918) 762-3227.

Ted Moore, Tribal planning director, developed the plan for the Tribal Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan to be funded through the U.S. Department of Interior National Park Service.



Ceramics, more than 1000 years old, were used by members of the Pawnee Tribe.

Photo by Gordon Adams

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PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

Disclaimer: Please understand that the following are only a brief synopsis of topics and actions taken by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC). The PBC minutes range from seven or more pages. Due to space limitation, it is not possible to print the entire sets of minutes in the newsletter.

Nov. 22, 2011, PBC Meeting:

Seven Council members were present. Linda Jestes was excused. Due to deaths in the tribe, the Council will shorten the agenda. There were no Committee Reports, no Executive Director or TDC reports.

Under Old Business:

1. Interview and selection of the A&E Firm for the 2011 ICDBG Project. The Council interviewed three firms for this project which is slated to be for the Roundhouse renovation and water system upgrade. The three firms interviewed were Robert "Buzz" Johnson, One Architecture and Anishinabe. Anishinabe was selected.

Under New Business:

1. The Title VI Program has identified a funding shortfall due to a reduction in the amount the grant was funded. They have requested an additional \$42,053 be provided to finish out the year. They will need additional funds for 2012 as well, but this action is for 2011 only. Approved.

2. The Council had approved (by telephone and e-mail) Roofing bids to repair several roofs damaged by hail. The insurance payment has been received and the work needed to commence. Council voted unanimously to ratify the vote taken by phone and e-mail.

3. Dr. Joseph Bohanon visited with the Council about the needs and vision of the Pawnee Nation

College.

4. Resolution 11-85 was approved for the drawdown of the 2012 Annuity Funds.

5. Muriel Robedeaux reported to Council regarding the progress made meeting with the Elders on the design and concept of the proposed Elder's Center. This information will be used to submit the grant proposal.

Executive Session.

After Executive Session: The Council approved the Suitability Determination for Gaming Commissioner Stephen Bird. His application will be forwarded to the NIGC.

Dec. 14, 2011, PBC Meeting:

All Council members were present. Council members, the Executive Director, and the TDC General Manager provided reports on their activities since the previous PBC meeting.

The minutes of the Nov. 9, 2011 and Nov. 22, 2011 PBC meeting were approved.

Under Old Business:

1. Theumba Lieb gave a short report on the Youth Football Field and was requested to bring back a business plan and other pertinent information. The request to use tribal reserve land for the youth football program will be tabled until this information is received.

Under New Business:

1. Resolution 11-86, Change of Agriculture Lease was tabled for additional information.

2. Council approved the purchase of taser's for the Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement officers.

3. The Council approved a revision to the fiscal policies – travel

policy only.

4. Council approved a Government-to-Government Agreement between the City of Pawnee and the Transportation Department to provide mutually beneficial services to both areas.

5. The Council approved a plan to reduce costs and select options for the Title VI Program shortfall. These options include raising the eligible age to 60 and over, eliminating take out meals except for home-bound patients, adding one to two soup and sandwich days and raising the cost for non-eligible participants to \$7.

6. The Council approved a request to separate the budgets for the Elder's Assistance, Handicap Assistance and Emergency Assistance and impose new requirements on each type of assistance.

7. The Council approved a request from President Gover to challenge the Nasharo Council to a Handgame.

8. The Council approved the 2012 Holiday Schedule.

9. The Council tabled the 2012 budget approval and will pass continuing resolutions at the next PBC meeting.

10. The Council approved the purchase of chairs for events at various buildings.

11. The Council discussed the Affordable Health Care, the possible repeal and the affects on Indian Country. Council agreed to inform Congress to hold Indian Country harmless and continue the approval of the Indian Health Care Act that was contained in the Affordable Health Care legislation in the event of repeal.

12. Dr. Bohanon requested that the Pawnee Nation consider forgiving a \$25,000 loan given to the Pawnee Nation College a few years ago. This will be discussed during the budget call process.

Dec. 28, 2011, PBC Meeting:

All Council members were present. All Council provided reports on the meetings, conferences and training they attended since the last meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare and TDC General Manager Roger Foster also provided reports to Council.

The minutes of the Dec. 14, 2011 PBC meeting were tabled.

Under Old Business:

1. The Council approved Resolution 11-86 – Change of Lessee on the Agriculture lease at the Tribal Reserve.

Under New Business:

1. Council approved Resolution 11-87 – Enrollment for 23 applicants.

2. Council approved Resolution 11-88 – Enrollment - Document Deceased members

3. Council approved Resolutions 11-89 through 11-109 - Enrollment for 20 Conditional Relinquishments.

4. Council approved Resolution 11-110, 11-111 and 11-112 for the submission of the 2012 ICDBG Grant Proposal.

5. Council approved a request to purchase thermal imaging devices for Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement officers.

6. Council approved the purchase of a "Gator" vehicle for the Property Department

7. Council was presented with a Letter of Intent for a business deal regarding payday loans. It was tabled to get the opinion of the PN Attorney General.

8. Resolution 11-113 and Resolution 11-114 for the appointment to the TDC Board were both tabled.

Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program Receives National Recognition

By Crystal Underwood
Diabetes Coordinator



(L to R) Jaime Jestes, Diabetes Program administrative assistant. Crystal Underwood, Diabetes Program coordinator.

Photo by Angela Thompson

This acknowledgment comes after a successful year of blood glucose screenings within the community.

Although the number of participants has steadily improved over the year, the Diabetes Program staff continues working to improve diabetes awareness throughout the community.

Listed below are a few screenings that took place during 2011:

1. Twice a week a PN SDPI representative provided blood glucose and blood pressure screenings at the Title VI Building from 11 a.m.– noon. The screenings are open to the public (diabetics and non-diabetics). Participants were informed of their results, educated on how to improve glucose levels and overall nutrition.

2. For the first time, the Pawnee Public School Board approved and allowed PN SDPI to provide voluntary blood glucose screenings at the 2011 Pawnee Middle School/High School Health Fair. As a result, 14 students and six teachers

were screened.

3. To recognize national health observances throughout the year, the PN SDPI collaborated with the Pawnee Nation Community Health Representatives, PN Wellness and Health Promotion Program (WHPP) Committee and the Indian Health Services Community Health Department.

The goal was to promote personal health and wellness. Also provided were prevention tips, diabetes awareness and blood pressure and blood glucose screenings.

4. Each year the PN SDPI sponsors 10-15 native youth (ages: 8-12) to attend the Native Youth Preventing Diabetes (NYPD) Summer Camp. In 2011, eight native youth were sponsored to attend.

The Diabetes Program staff would like to thank all participants and organizations for helping and encouraging others to become aware of the health concerns happening in our community.

For more information, please contact the Diabetes Program at (918) 762-4045.

FOURTH QUARTER 2011 RESOLUTIONS

#11-85 – Table Creek Treaty - Approved - This resolution is to drawdown the 2012 Annuity. Vote of six for, one absent, and one not voting. Nov. 22, 2011.

#11-86– Assignment of Agriculture Lease - Approved - This resolution is to approve the assignment of the agriculture lease formerly held by Tony Gordon to Billy Bledsoe. Vote of six for, one abstaining, and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-87 – Enrollment - Approved This resolution is to add 36 applicants for enrollment to the Pawnee Nation rolls. Vote of seven for and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-88 – Enrollment - Approved - This resolution is to document 12 Pawnee Nation members have passed away. Vote of seven for and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-89 through 11-109 – Enrollment - Approved - These resolutions are (twenty) requests for Conditional Relinquishments. All were approved by a vote of seven for and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-110 – 2012 ICDBG Project - Approved - This resolution is to submit the grant for the Pawnee Tribal Elder Center – Eligibility to submit. Vote of six for and one abstaining and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-111 – 2012 ICDBG Project - Approved - This resolution is to submit the grant for the Pawnee Tribal Elder Center – Operations/Maintenance Plan. Vote of six for and one abstaining and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-112 – 2012 ICDBG Project - Approved - This resolution is to submit the grant for the Pawnee Tribal Elder Center – Leveraging. Vote of six for and one abstaining and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-113 – Appointment to TDC Board of Directors - Tabled Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-114 – Appointment to TDC Board of Directors - Tabled Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-115 – Drawdown Funds from the P.L. Account - Approved - This resolution is to drawdown funds in the amount of \$106,727 to support the Title VI Part A and C (Elderly Meals and Caregiver Support) Programs. Vote: Seven for, and one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-116 – Continuing Resolution for Federal and State Grant Programs - Approved - This resolution is to continue the 2011 budgets through March 31, 2012 or until the 2012 budgets are approved. Vote seven for, none against, one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

#11-116 – Continuing Resolution for Tribal Operating and Indirect Cost Budget - Approved - This resolution is to continue the 2011 budgets through March 31, 2012 or until the 2012 budgets are approved. Vote seven for, none against, one not voting. Dec. 28, 2011.

John KnifeChief: Pawnee arrow maker

By Karen Shade

Native American Times

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John KnifeChief examines an arrow he's just completed from his kitchen table in Chouteau, Okla.

flexible bow; they knew to gather the straight dogwood shoots in spring on river banks and cemeteries to make arrow shafts. They learned to knap points for hunting from flint, jasper and black obsidian.

As a teen, KnifeChief was drawn to art and often sold his paintings, sketches, arrows and bows to help the family with "diapers and milk." As Gala became older, the boys kicked in by cutting firewood for sale and picking pecans for market. With the death of his father in 1983 of Rocky Mountain tick fever, KnifeChief found himself changed, even avoiding powwows and dances – activities Gala had loved. They just weren't a part of his life anymore.

Years passed before KnifeChief made another arrow. By that time, he had two sons of his own and was a Pawnee Fire Scout. Through the Scouts he joined the ranks of volunteer Wildland Firefighters battling blazes throughout the country. On 9/11, firefighters streamed into lower Manhattan to rescue people trapped in the fallen Twin Towers of the World Trade Center. KnifeChief knew some of the firefighters who died in that effort from wildland fires. To the fallen, he made 40 traditional spears but in American patriot's colors and gave most of them to the New York City Fire Department to remember those lost to the attacks. Spears, he said, are symbolically thrust in the ground to mark the beginning and end of a war. The NYFD planted one of the spears at Ground Zero. He kept six of the spears, some of which are on a wall in his home in Chouteau. He moved there to be near his brother.

Being among firefighters means family, he said.

"It's just like having a regular brother and sister, you get a stronger bond, I think, whenever you put your lives on the line. People are different. They look at things different," he said.

His own career as a firefighter came to end soon afterward. Being hit by a driver on his motorcycle wasn't the only thing, however, that would change his life again.

About four and half years ago, KnifeChief was driving his motorcycle near Tahlequah. He recalls quite a bit considering the damage. It was dark, and a teen with his learner's permit approached him from the opposite direction before swerving into KnifeChief's lane. He remembers flipping through the air and that his helmet flew off.

"When that person hit me, I was laying there, and it was like that out of body experience you always hear on TV," he said.

His third son, Charles, was only an infant at the time. He thought about him, his father and many other things. He also thought about what it meant to appreciate life. Afterward, he made some changes to himself.

"I wasn't a bad guy or anything, but I watch

what I say and I don't ... I do my best not to hurt anybody's feelings if I say something wrong. It's rough being a single parent," he said.

KnifeChief has full custody of Charles, who plays alone but for a languid black kitten because there just aren't any children his age where they live. KnifeChief never expected to be raising a child on his own.

"I'm 46, and he's five. I didn't want any more kids, but I was (sent) to a wildland fire in Atlanta, Ga., and came home and he's what happened," he said. "I wanted to take it easy, but my whole life changed when he came into my life for the better."

He speaks to Charles in Pawnee, but around strangers, he's bashful to say much, yet happy.

"It's just been me and him for the last five years, KnifeChief said. "... Since I can't work, and he's only in kindergarten, this is what I do -- make my arrows and bows and go around different places and demonstrate how to make bows and arrows and things. Pays the bills."

While Charles is at school, KnifeChief spends hours at the dinette set with holes half-bore at the edge, a casualty of the trade. He cures the dogwood shafts with flames from a cigarette lighter to set them straight. The smoky burn marks that blacken the length resemble small, smudgy fingerprints and are his signature. The arrows, along with the spears and much larger, sturdier buffalo arrows, are built for use, not showcase, but the buffalo hunts Pawnee ancestors subsisted on are a thing of the past; and KnifeChief knows that most people who buy his work intend it for a shelf. There is little practical use for his buffalo knives carved from elk or deer antlers today.

"I'm honored that I am one of the few people who are still continue this dying art," he said.

He enjoys teaching his tribe's craft to school and youth groups.

From the family land in Pawnee to wherever his little truck takes him, KnifeChief and his small, cheerful helper are becoming recognized on the road. They will drive to a town, park the truck and walk to different businesses selling the arrows. What his buyers do not realize is that they are fulfilling two needs: rent payment and tradition. KnifeChief separates them as ideals, but understands how they merge to his family's benefit. He's not in for the money, but his son's welfare depends on it.

"Chaticks-si-chaticks." That certificate of authenticity he sends home with everything he makes doesn't interpret this old Pawnee saying, although it's prominent on both his letterhead and in life.

"It means, 'men of men' or 'people of people,'" he said.

In other words, everyone is connected and worth knowing. With every work, KnifeChief makes his introduction.

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TERO Provides Housing And Job Training For Native Americans

By Richard Tilden and Dan Fields

Pawnee Business Council Seat 1 Representative and TERO Compliance Officer



Photo by Toni Hill

A Pete Moore III, Dusty Eanes, Devyn Echo Hawk, Sonny (Arthur) Fields and Ron Cooper pose in the newly refurbished bedroom that they created. See additional pictures on page 13.

The purpose of the Pawnee Nation, Tribal Employment Rights Act is to ensure fair employment opportunities for Indians, by creating employment and training options for members of the Pawnee Nation and other Native Americans.

The Pawnee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) also aids in the prevention of discrimination against Indians regarding hiring practices within the territorial jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma as defined by section 03 (t).

In October 2011, the Pawnee Nation TERO Program kicked off its Residential Remodel and Repair Program, (RRRP).

The Pawnee Nation Housing Authority provided TERO with the project house. TERO enrolled six young men in this training program with Sonny (Arthur) Fields as the instructor. Skills gained include sheet rocking, hanging, mud and taping, texturing, painting and flooring. Several additional projects are in the wings waiting.

The Housing Authority of the Pawnee Tribe recently celebrated the completion of the home renovation. Modifications were unveiled during an open house held Monday, Jan. 23, at 124 Mose Yellowhorse Drive.

The RRRP is designed to improve the living conditions of Tribal members while training young men in construction type techniques that will help them establish successful careers.

“One of the main objectives of TERO involves providing training and assistance to unemployed Tribal members,” said Dan Fields, TERO compliance officer. “The RRRP is one way TERO accomplishes that objective and supports the entire Pawnee Tribe.”

TERO workers have the knowledge, skills, and ability to handle most home owners’ responsibilities, no matter the size, large or small. The purchase of a tractor and saw has been approved for the program. Approval is pending for the investment of a tow-vehicle which will be used to haul the tractor to the job sites.

For more information or to inquire about services or the newly implemented Red Cedar Cutting program, contact the TERO office at (918) 762-3227.

Anyone Notice The Helicopter?

By Gerald Woommavovah

Emergency Services Coordinator

On Dec. 15, 2011, Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue hosted a Landing Zone class for firefighters, Emergency Management Services (EMS) technicians and law enforcement officers.

The class was sponsored by EagleMed and held at the Pawnee Nation Fire Department.

Emergency helicopter operations are a critically coordinated team effort involving emergency medical, fire, police and civilian professionals. Helicopter crews require assistance when selecting suitable landing zones, warning pilots of any potential hazards and securing landing zones during flight operations.

This course discussed some of the issues involved in selecting and preparing an emergency helicopter landing zone and with assisting the pilot in making a safe approach, landing and departure. The course also covered procedures needed to allow fire, police and EMS workers to provide quality care to the public.

Objectives of this training focused on developing an understanding of what needs to be done when someone is in desperate need to be transported to a hospital in a short amount of time. Training topics included Selecting a Landing Zone, Touchdown Area, Helicopter Landing Zone Preparation, Landing At Night, Dealing with Wires in the Vicinity of the Landing Zone, Wind Direction at the Landing Zone, Personnel Safety, Landing Zone Coordinator and Security, Landing Zone Communications, After the Helicopter Lands, Assisting the Crew, Lift-Off and Departure and Information You May Need to Provide When Calling EMS.

Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue would like to thank EagleMed for facilitating this event and all of the local departments for attending. Departments that attended include Pawnee Nation Fire, Pawnee Nation Police, Pawnee Nation Rangers, City of Pawnee Fire, Maramec Fire, Blackburn Fire, Terlton Fire and Basin Fire Departments. Pawnee Nation takes a high priority in quality training to provide safety.



Photo by Monty Matlock

Josh Daniel, environmental scientist, poses beside the helicopter crucial to aiding emergency situations.

Photos by Trent Hill

Handgames Promote Community And Teamwork



(Above) Lead singer Herb Adson leads the musical accompaniment as Tribal members participate in a War Dance.

Laughter, fellowship and good-natured competition topped the agenda during the Pawnee Business Council vs. Nasharo challenge Handgames held Dec. 28 in the Roam Chief.

The fun-filled evening began with a traditional meal followed by the first round of Handgames. Round Dances and War Dances were intermingled with breaks filled with a variety of amusing activities.



(Top Center) Chris Hill tries to hold onto an orange. (Top Right) President Marshall Gover and Carol Nuttle pass a Lifesaver with the aid of toothpicks.



(Below) Jamie Nelson (r) attempts to pass an orange after receiving it from Aaron Adson.



Pawnee Nation said "goodbye" to Lance Howell (left) and Robbie Hamilton (right) with sad hearts and wishes for prosperous futures. Both men served in the Information Technology department and will be greatly missed by Pawnee Nation employees.

(Right) President Marshall Gover (l) tries to guess which hand in which Warren Pratt, Jr. has hidden a bead.



The Community Planning meeting held Dec. 15 served as the first step in determining goals for the next three to five years and resulted with information essential in the development of Pawnee Nation's Long Range Strategic Plan.

For more information, contact Ted Moore, tribal planner division director, at (918) 762-3621 or visit www.pawneenation.org.



Carol Nuttle outlines the proposed agenda of the meeting.

Open House Held For TERO Project Home Renovation



(Top Left) (Top) President Gover (right) stands with TERO RRRP members, (left to right) Dusty Eanes, Dan Fields, Pete Moore III and Ron Cooper. (Top Right L to R) Pete Moore III, Dusty Eanes, Dan Fields, Ron Cooper and Dewy Echo Hawk stand in the kitchen they remodeled as part of the TERO RRRP Project. . Complete story on page 11.



(Left) Michael Knifechief, a sophomore music major at Fort Lewis College, practices his turns during a recent snowboarding outing with the Native American Center at Durango Mountain Resort. Photo reprinted with permission of The Durango Herald, <http://www.durangoherald.com/article/20111218/NEWS01/712189907/We-need-our-culture>.

Photo by Steve Lewis/Durango Herald

Pa<ee Pakoo<oo Program Receives Native American Attire And Crafts



The students at the Pa<ee Pakoo<oo Program show off their new apparel and dolls. Complete story on page 17. Children in all pictures include the following. Quinnlen Spears, Kimberly Ellis, Kinley Thompson, Cora Pratt, Miki Shaw, Teagen Shaw, Milee Merrick, Aiden Jones, Jacob Brent Goad, Nehemiah Pratt, Khaden Nuttle, Jose Hector Ramirez, Caleb Andrews-Nuttle and Kota Chavez.



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PAWNEE NATION HAPPENINGS

Personal Thoughts

“Are You For Real?”

Submitted Anonymously



Submitted photo

Cliques that possess a negative foundation can result in less honorable acts of violence, such as painting symbols of allegiance on property.

Friends are easy to come by but good friends are hard to find. We tend to group together based on things we have in common and become like a little family.

Qualities that we must look for in our friends are trust, understanding, empathy, honesty, comfort to be ourselves, enjoyment of one another and also the desire to seek what is best for each other.

The questions I pose today are: Are your friends really worthwhile? Do they have your best interest in mind? Fact is, we must question others' values when they disagree with our own.

Remember high school and the cliques that ranged from the cowboys, to the jocks and to the skaters? While most of us would like to think that we have out grown those, many have not.

Even as adults, we tend to gravitate towards people that share common interests and points of view and form friends accordingly. Some groups are flexible and respectful, others are much more regulated. This type of classified

group is called a clique.

According to Wikipedia.com, a clique is described as a group of two to 12, “persons who interact with each other more regularly and in-

tensely than others in the same setting” such as work, school or after hours.

For instance, a certain group may try to build a reputation based on power using intimidation, disrespect and sometimes even violence.

Although people may think it is better “to belong”, many times people in these groups or cliques end up dealing with many pressures and rules. True friends would not be so controlling!

Cliques give people who like to influence others a chance to be in charge, for good or bad. For those who feel more comfortable following, cliques offer a place where rules are clearly defined.

It is usually clear to members what they need to do to be accepted. Sometimes that means sacrificing freedoms and following the leader's desires rather than doing what a person may feel is right. In severe cases, group members may try to intimidate others to remove any threats and to retain power.

Gangs may also be considered

as cliques.

According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, “Some 33,000 violent street gangs are criminally active in the United States today; all use violence to control neighborhoods and boost their illegal money-making activities. Actions can include robbery, drug and gun trafficking, fraud, extortion and prostitution rings.” If you are reading this thinking, “We have gangs in Pawnee?”

Yes, we do!

Unfortunately, gangs and cliques are becoming more savvy and may use computers and social networking sites to commit crimes such as harassment and the recruitment of members. Other acts include making threatening and immature comments regarding posted photos on a media site.

A person standing within the group can also be threatened or intimidated by members. Most of the followers cling to the leader not out of true friendship but because they want to keep their position in the group. But even the leader can lose their power, especially when they abuse their power.

It can take a lot of courage to leave a group and decide to remain on the outside, but you must think for yourself.

Realize what ultimate consequence and price you may pay, hurting others or looking like a chump.

Make sure your friends are true. Ask yourself questions like “Do I share his

or her values?”, “Do I truly believe in what I'm doing?”, “Have my friends turned me into someone I don't like?”, “Do people look at me different because of my group?”

As a child, my dad used to tell me that I was who I chose to hang out with. This advice turns out to be very true. Even if a person does not mimic his or her friends' actions, reputations are still shared.

Do not let your friends pressure you into giving up things that you love. Find a group of friends that share common goals.

Have goals for yourself. There are endless possibilities out there in the world. Scholarships, trade schools, college, all of which can be accomplished at any age!

Be unique and know that inside a clique or gang member may be insecure. Allow this truth to limit the power of these influences.

Those who hurt and act out to others are actually just hurting people themselves.

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Take a chance and come check it out!

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Health & Wellness

Start The New Year Off Right, Strive For A New You!

By Jaime Jestes

Diabetes Administrative Assitant

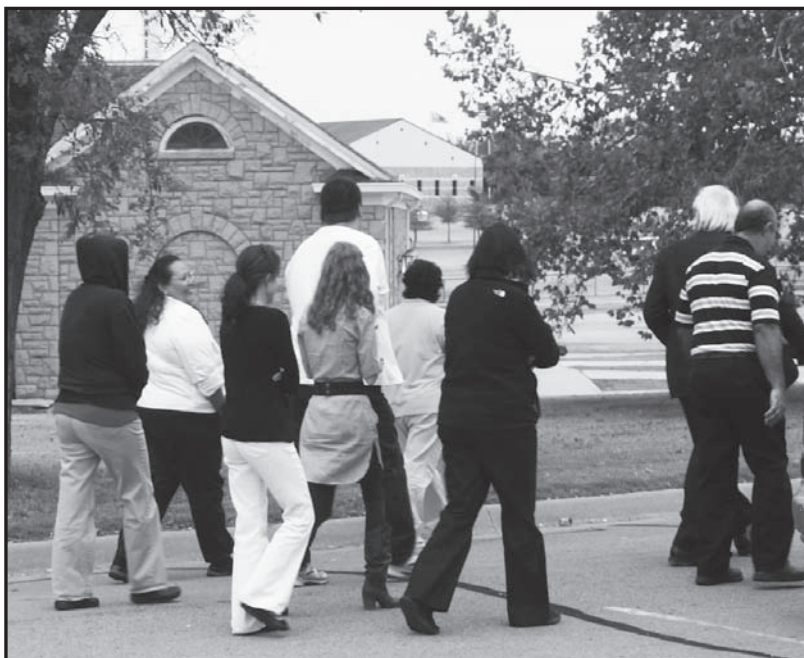


Photo by Rebecca LittleSun

Taking walks provides a multitude of benefit.

First off, Happy New Year from the staff of the Diabetes Program!

As we begin the new year, now is the perfect opportunity to engage in a “fresh” start to better your health, not only physically, but mentally and emotionally as well.

The diabetes pandemic is one that we must be aware of, especially since Native Americans have a higher risk of getting the disease. There are more and more children being diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes as a result of diets consisting of excess amounts of sugar and unhealthy fats, as well as little physical activity. As adults, it is important for us to educate our children about diabetes and encourage healthy eating as well as plenty of physical activity.

If you are a person with diabetes, these steps can help you take control and better manage the disease.

Physical benefits do not stand alone when taking measures to prevent diabetes. Mental and emotional benefits are also possible outcomes. According to the American Diabetes Association, people with diabetes are at greater risk for depression, anger and denial.

The Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program has a challenge for you... make this year the best yet! Focus not only on diabetes prevention, but most importantly making a healthy lifestyle change.

We are creatures of habit, meaning healthy changes are made for a short while, but we surrender to unhealthy ways and “fall off the wagon.” There are many support

systems out there; find what is right for you and stick with it! Join us as we promote healthier lifestyles and take a stand on diabetes throughout the Native American Community!

According to the Mayo Clinic, by practicing these steps you will decrease your chance of getting diabetes: Become more physically active, eat more fiber, eat more whole grains, lose extra weight, skip fad diets and make healthier choices.

For more information, please contact the Diabetes Program at (918) 762-4045.

Sources: www.mayoclinic.com/health/diabetes-prevention/DA00127, www.diabetes.org/living-with-diabetes/complications/mental-health.

Dear Tribal Members:

By Carol Nuttle

Pawnee Business Council Seat 4 Representative

Foremost, please accept sincere prayers and wishes for a healthy new year filled with much joy for you and your loved ones from my family: grandchildren, John Michael, Dennis, and Alexis; daughter Angela and our sweet new puppy, Hu Pit Rit (she looks like she has a star burst on her face).

Thank you to those who took part in our community planning session at the Roam Chief Building on Dec. 15. We shared an extremely delicious dinner prepared by the Veteran Cooks. Special thanks to irarit Mr. Jr. Pratt who agreed to facilitate the youth group and also to Marilyn Feathers who helped facilitate the elder group, better known as “the wise ones.” Consider going to the Pawnee Nation’s Web site and filling out the community survey, it should only take about five minutes of your time.

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God Bless each of you and your families as we move into another year. I look forward to working with you as we seek to make a better life for our Tribe.



Photo by Patsy Cooper (Pawnee) Pani Paint Horse Images

Carol Nuttle's grandchildren (Top L to R) Alexis, John Michael and Dennis. (Bottom L to R) Carol's daughter Angela, nephew Isalah, family puppy Hu Pit Rit (she looks like she has a star burst on her face) and Carol Nuttle.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

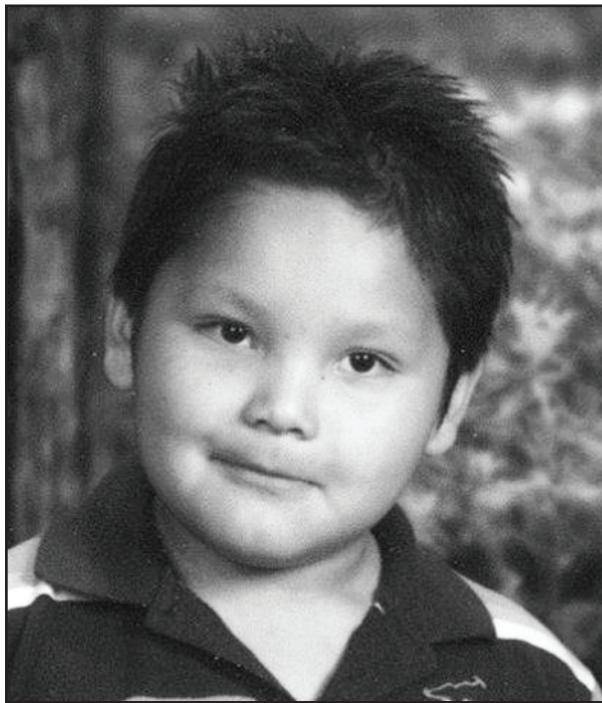


Photo by Toni Hill

Jaci Gover (left) celebrates her birthday with sister-in-law Amber Martin and granddaughters Faith Doty and Patience Clevenger.



Submitted photo



Submitted photo

Happy Birthday Little Man,
We love you!
Mom and Dad
Aiden George Cozad turns 7 years on
Feb. 9, 2012.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you." Isaiah 43:4

Happy Birthday
Aven King
Love,
Mom and Dad
(Top Right)



Submitted photo

Charlie Ray Whiteshield was born Nov. 20, 2011 at 2:55 p.m. weighing 7 lbs and 14 oz, and 20 inches long. Parents Jamie Suneagle-George and Raymond Whiteshield are from Kansas, Mo. Maternal grandparents are Charles and Roxanne George of Ogden, Kan. and Sarah Lee Suneagle of Manhattan, Kan. Paternal grandparents are Debbie Emhoolah and Raymond Nelson Whiteshield both of Denver, Colo. Maternal great-grandparents are Beatrice Suneagle of Pawnee, Okla. and the late James Archie Suneagle, David George of Tulsa, Okla. and Berdina George of Shawnee, Okla. Maternal great-great-grandparents are Lloyd and Betty George of Tulsa, Okla. Velma Smith of Pawnee, Okla. the late Charles Smith, and the late William Taft and Rachel Crowchief-Eaves.



Photo by Dr. Sarah Knife Chief

Dr. Sarah Knife Chief, Osteopathic surgeon, serves in the U.S. Army and is currently stationed at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. Knife Chief was promoted to Major this past October. Knife Chief is the daughter of Dr. Charles and Kimberly Knife Chief of Claremore, Okla. She is the granddaughter of the late John and Lois Knife Chief.

Pawnee Nation Child Care Program Celebrates New Opportunities

By Marilyn Feathers
Learning Center Coordinator



Shelby Helvy, Marli Reynolds, Mali Brown, Beau Buchanan, Kaden Teter, Keiton Thompson, Alexis Garoutte, Windi Keepers and Deacon Britt enjoy the festivities of the season.

The Pawnee Nation Child Care Program is off to a great start for the 2012 school year! The Pa<ee Pakoo<oo Program has acquired new classroom supplies and materials that reflect the culture of the Pawnee Nation. Thanks to the creative, skillful hands of Pawnee Tribe members Lisa Pahsetopah and Monie Horsechief, the classrooms now

have beautiful curtains with the Pawnee Star and appliqué, eight banners with symbols and Pawnee translations, aprons for boys and girls, shawls, camp dresses, fur caps, vests, drum sticks and baby dolls dressed in Pawnee regalia. Our Pa<ee Pakoo<oo children are experiencing Pawnee culture through play and lessons focused on the meaning of the articles, including the significance to the Pawnee people.

We would be very honored to accept donations of a cultural significance that could be shared with our children to strengthen Pawnee culture instruction. Stories, pictures, artifacts or impressionable childhood items would be welcomed.

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center children invited parents to a Thanksgiving Dinner with all the traditional food items served. There was plenty of food and a good time was had by all. The children also presented our Elders with a fruit basket for Thanksgiving. The Elders were very appreciative of this gesture.

The children are also enjoying watching the building expansion go through all the

phases of construction. They are looking forward to the completion so everyone can have more room to grow!

The After School Program is at the former Pa<ee Pakoo<ee site. It is nice to have a space for our older children to enjoy and work on homework as needed. The children have learned to play our Handgame under the direction of Mee-Kai Clark.

The Pawnee Nation Child Care Assistance Program (PNCCA) is also accepting applications for child care subsidy. This program provides child care assistance to Native American families who are income eligible, working or attending school and residing within the program service area.

The program service area consists of Pawnee County and northern Payne County which includes Yale, Okla. Child care assistance is provided to children 8 years old and under who are attending the Pawnee Nation Learning Center or the Pawnee Nation After School Program.

For more information or to donate items, contact Marilyn Feathers at (918) 762-6495.

Editor's note: Please see additional photographs on page 13.

PNC Welcomes President Joseph Bohanon, Ph.D.

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The values of the Pawnee Nation College (PNC) remain stable although the face of leadership has changed. PNC President Dr. Joseph Bohanon, who joined the staff in August 2011, lifts the standard of higher education within the Pawnee community.

A member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Bohanon plans to combine the secular world of education with the historic Native American tradition by offering courses that focus on Native American heritage along with basic courses needed to set a firm foundation for many disciplines. PNC also offers an American Indians studies program and various outreach opportunities to engage with culture.

Bohanon received his doctorate in Higher Education Administration from the University of Southern MS and a master's degree in Social Work Administration and Community Planning and his undergraduate in Social Work from the University of Texas.

Previous employment includes serving as

the Assistant Professor/Division Chair and Assistant Professor/Director for Bacone College located in Muskogee, Okla.

Courses developed for Bacone College by Bohanon include Special Studies in AIS: Southeastern Tribal Nations Studies and American Indian Contemporary Affairs.

Classes offered at PNC focused on the Native American heritage include "Introduction to Sovereignty and Tribal Government," "American Indian Mythologies," and "Pawnee Language."

Bohanon's professional goals include the accreditation of PNC and fund-raising activities to promote additional opportunities for higher education to a wider geographical area. He plans to achieve these ideals through the employment of qualified professionals with the necessary credentials and experience. Routine instructor evaluations to ensure a connection to the students will also be implemented.

"I have hired a person to focus on the fund-



raising aspect to generate additional funds for the college which will enable PNC to offer additional student services," Bohanon said. "I also have initiated procedures to ensure a successful outcome for our students."

"I have always worked hard but felt that I could offer so much more to not only my two teenage daughters and son, but to others as well if I continued my own education. I try to instill the same love of learning to not only my family, but to my students as well."

The Title VI Implements Improved Procedures

Submitted by Sidra Atsye
Program Director



Photo by Toni Hill

L to R. Nancye Spraker-Johnson, Fern Eaglechief, Carol L. Nuttle, Patience Clevenger (infant) and Jaci Gover spend time together at Title VI.

On Dec. 14, 2011, the Pawnee Nation Business Council (PBC) approved revisions to be implemented to ensure the Title VI Senior Program continues program operations and operates within the constraints of the approved financial budget.

The Nation was awarded funds from the Administration on Aging

(AOA) for a three-year project (April 01, 2011 through March 31, 2014).

The funding received by AOA is based on the number of enrolled Pawnee Nation Tribal members

that are 60 years old or older. Therefore, in an effort to address funding constraints the following changes were approved by the PBC and implemented Jan. 1, 2012.

1. Eligibility Requirements

Change: You must be a Native American Elder 60 years old

or above with a valid Certificate Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) card. This eligibility requirement is the same for both the congregate meals and the home bound delivered meals.

Reason: According to our grant requirements by the AOA, the monies that we receive for funding is based on the number of Pawnee Tribal enrolled elders that fall in this age group.

2. Non-Elder Requirements

Change (1): A non-elder consist of any individual 59 years old or younger.

Change(2): Non-elder meal donations will increase from \$5 to \$7 for any individuals 10 - 59 years of age.

Still Effective: The 24-hour call-in policy is strictly enforced for non-elder meals.

Reason (1): The Title VI Senior Program receives funding by the AOA based on the number of Pawnee Tribal Elders 60 years old and above.

Reason(2): A food cost analysis report was figured based on how much food was spent in preparing and cooking meals for the program

and the original amount of \$5 was not covering the cost per plate.

3. Carry-Out Meals

Change: Carry-out containers will be provided for our home bound delivery clients only.

Reason: This new policy will reduce costs and allow Title VI to stay within the constraints of the program budget and provide a congregate meal.

4. Soup and Sandwich Days

Change: Soup and sandwiches will be served once a week, four times a month including days the kitchen closes for monthly cleaning and food inventory.

Reason: This change will help establish a cost effective menu.

5. Program Activities

Change: There will be two program activities scheduled per month. A minimum of 10 elders will be required to participate before transportation will be provided. **Reason:** This will reduce fuel costs.

For more information, contact the Title VI Senior Program office at (918) 762- 4042. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Words Of Farewell

By Sidra Atsye
Program Director



Photo by Toni Hill

Sidra examines a gift from a colleague during her farewell party.

Throughout the past seven years, I have enjoyed serving as the Title VI Senior Program Director for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, but with much consideration, thought and prayer I have decided to continue my education to obtain a Masters Degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management as well as perfecting my skills in the Culinary Arts. At this time, I would like to say thank you to the Pawnee Nation for allowing me to work with a well-esteemed organization and to take care of our Native American elders in order to make sure their needs were met. To all the Pawnee Nation programs that the Title VI program was involved with, thank you for coordinating your time and services in assisting our elders.

I appreciate my staff from the past to the present for working with me, as a TEAM, in making sure our elders were provided a good, healthy and delicious meal daily and working diligently to improve the program to the best of their abilities.

Most of all, I would like to say, "Thank You!" to the elders of the program. Without all of you, this program would not exist. You allowed me to get to know you and provided that trust in taking care of you. No matter whether it was on the clock or off the clock, I tried to do my best for you. Of course, I will miss the program activities such as our monthly shopping trips, cultural dinners and food shows that we all enjoyed attending and it was good to see our tribal elders, smiling, laughing and having a good time. It was in those moments which lead me to understand the phrase, "walk by faith" and I have done so, since day one and thanked the Lord everyday for letting me be of service to you. I wish the Pawnee Nation every success in all future endeavors.

God Bless!

The Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance Programs Implement Change

Submitted by Tiffany Frietze
CHR Director

On Dec. 14, the Pawnee Business Council approved revisions for the Pawnee Nation Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance Programs effective Jan. 1, 2012.

Elders Program: Previously, there were different assistance amounts specific to age. Now, the amount of assistance for all applicants 55 years of age and older cannot exceed \$400.

Handicap Program: Previously, this program was open to individuals under 55 years of age. Now, applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the time of the application.

Emergency Program: Previously, this program was open to all ages. Now, applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the time of application. A crisis is defined as a decisive or critical moment in regards to a client's health and/or life. Examples include loss of clothes and/or shelter due to a natural disaster, becoming disabled due to illness or accident or a life-threatening sickness to self or an immediate family member.

In order to maintain consistency, all Pawnee Nation direct assistance programs are now income-based. Applicants must meet poverty guidelines set forth by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Household incomes must not exceed over 150 percent of poverty level.

Applicants must spend their revenue during the calendar year (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31). Unused funds may not be carried over to the next year. All assistance checks are paid directly to the designated vendor(s), not to individuals resulting in no reimbursements.

Household expenses do not include property tax or home insurance. Acceptable utilities include electric, natural gas, propane and water only. Utility bill(s) must be in the tribal member's and/or relative's name that resides in the

home. Assistance is provided for applicant's current residence only.

The following must be submitted to determine eligibility.

a. Completed Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance application,

b. Invoice, bill or statement,

c. Pawnee Nation Certificate Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) or Tribal Membership Identification Card,

d. Proof of income - prior 30 days income verification.

In addition, the Community Health Representatives (CHR) Program received funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Program. These programs are funded by the DHHS and are available to low-income Native Americans residing in Pawnee County. The maximum amount of assistance per program is \$100.

LIHEAP provides assistance to households for unpaid electricity, gas or propane bills. CSBG provides assistance to households with housing and/or utility deposits and medical expenses.

Below are new funding agency requirements for both programs.

Applicants must provide documentation for all household members. Documentation can include a CDIB or Tribal Membership card, Driver's License

or Social Security card.

Recipients may not receive benefits from PN LIHEAP if services have been received from DHS LIHEAP or another tribal LIHEAP Program. One-time assistance will be available per household per fiscal year.

The following must be submitted to determine eligibility.

a. Completed LIHEAP or CSBG application,

b. Invoice, bill or statement from vendor,

c. CDIB or Tribal Membership Identification card for all household members. If not, Driver's License or Social Security card,

d. Proof of Income--prior 30 days income verification.

For more information including application procedures, contact the CHR office at (918) 762-4641, or visit at 400 Agency Road.

WANTED

Wildland Fire Scouts

Work Capacity Test & Basic Training

Where: Pawnee Nation Fire Station, 301 Agency Rd., Pawnee OK

When: May 4-7, 2012 9:00am – 5:00pm

May 4, 2012: Pac Test and mandatory drug test.

Dress appropriately and bring Identification.

Documents that Establish Identity

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. ID card issued by federal, state, or local government agencies or entities, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address 3. School ID card with a photograph 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Voter's registration card 5. U.S. military card or draft record 6. Military dependent's ID card 7. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner card 8. Native American tribal document 9. Driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority 10. School record or report card 11. Clinic, doctor, or hospital record 12. Day-care or nursery school record
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May 5-7, 2012: Classroom training.

Note If you are 45 years old or above a physical examination is required prior to the beginning of class.

Please contact: Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue: Rhonda James
301 Agency Road, Pawnee OK 74058
Phone: 918-762-3655

Training is paid upon successful completion



Submitted photo

JAMES EDGAR HORSECHIEF**June 21, 1965—Nov. 15, 2011**

James Edgar Horsechief was born on June 21, 1965 in Cushing, Okla. to Algar Horsechief and Geneva Rogers Horsechief. He passed from this life on Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011 in Golden, Colo. having reached the age of 46 years, 4 months and 24 days.

He moved to Kirtland, NM from Yale, Okla. in June of 1988, and on March 5, 1997 he married Eva Horsechief in Aztec, NM.

Edgar is survived by his wife, Eva Horsechief; son, Algar Horsechief II; daughter, Aryana Horsechief; mother and father, Algar and Geneva Horsechief; two grandchildren, Xavier Yown and Adryana Rose; brothers and sisters, Alexander Horsechief, Mary Shaw, William Spotted Horsechief, Shannon Horsechief; aunts, Neva Moore, Susan Moore; nieces and nephews, Sara Horsechief, Dallas Horsechief, Lyshan Horsechief, Rehbekka Horsechief, plus a number of other relatives and many friends.

Services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2011 at Poteet Funeral Chapel, Pawnee, Okla. with Rev. Mike Clark officiating. Interment was at the North Indian Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla., under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

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DAISY SARAH CHAPMAN-IRON-MILLER**April 19, 1926—Nov. 29, 2011**

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Daisy Sarah Chapman was born on April 19, 1926 in Pawnee, Okla., as the eldest child to Henry Chapman, full-blood Pawnee, and his wife, Lonie Tatum. Daisy passed from this life to the next on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011, having reached the age of 85 years, 7 months and 10 days.

She was a member of the Kitkehahki Band of the Pawnee Nation and a member of the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church. Having lived in Pawnee most of her life, Daisy attended Pawnee Indian School, Olive Hill School (west of town), and the old Castle School. At the age of

sakes, granddaughters Daisy Stevenson, Samantha Daisy Roughface and little Daisy McIntosh.

Daisy's greatest legacy is having a very loving/giving personality and she also had a great work ethic. She was always busy, had a frugal nature, loved to sew, dance and iron like crazy when listening to Country and Western. She enjoyed flowers, traveling and her many friends and family. She loved her Pawnee Black Bears and attending all the games. She enjoyed all her special friends at IHS, particularly Dr. Sanders and Dr. Gumbs.

She retired after working at Munsingwear for 18 years, Vance's Restaurant, the Pawnee Tribe, IHS, Pawnee Municipal Hospital and Linda's Day Care.

She is survived by her children: Cheryl Iron (Realrider) Hunter, of Pawnee; T. Edward Iron and wife, Ruth, of Tulsa; Robert Dewayne Iron and wife, Jennifer of Ft. Collins, Colorado; Janice Iron Fields of Collinsville; Kenneth Miller, Jr. of Tulsa; Kimberly Miller Roughface and husband KC, of Morrison; Kristen Miller Stevenson and husband, David of Florissant, Missouri; brothers, Lloyd Chapman and wife, Rita of Glencoe; Charles W. Chapman of Pawnee; sisters, Wanda Chapman and husband, Raymond of Yale; Alice Wood of Stillwater; Millie Chapman of Pawnee; Linda Jestes and husband, Ronnie of Pawnee; 22 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren, 10 great-great grandchildren, 19 nieces, 14 nephews, plus a host of other relatives and friends.

Besides her husband, Kenneth, she was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Lonie; four brothers, Basil, Thomas, Earl, and Robert; three grandsons, Brennan, KC Jr., and Thomas Roughface; nephews, Ricky Lee and Tyke Chapman; nieces, Lisa Gail Chapman, Marissa Campbell and children.

Services were held Friday, Dec. 2, 2011, at 1 p.m., in the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Center, with Mrs. Lois Wilson officiating. Interment was at the South Indian Cemetery under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home.

15, she and many other Indian students left from the Pawnee area to attend Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kan.

While at Haskell, she fell in love with Ted Iron, a full-blood Crow Indian from Montana, and married him on Aug. 19, 1943 in Connecticut. Four children were born to this union: Cheryl, Eddie, Bobby and Jan. After divorcing Ted in 1956, Daisy took their children to Montana to see their many relatives and friends. Ted was killed in a car accident on Sept. 3, 1963. Daisy's very special Pawnee friend, Eva Hand, also married a Crow Indian, John Hill, and she still lives in Montana.

On March 24, 1962, Daisy met and married a young Sac and Fox gentleman, Kenneth Miller. Two children were born to this union: Kenneth, Jr., Kimberly and adopted daughter, Kristan. Kenneth predeceased her on Jan. 4, 1993 in Oklahoma City.

Two grandchildren that she kept and had a tremendous influence on their lives were Kristan Miller and Dustin Eaves. She had several name-

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ELIZABETH MAE MORRIS
 May 6, 1924—Nov. 17, 2011



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Elizabeth Mae Morris, 87, passed away after her bout with cancer on Nov. 17, 2011 in Redding, Calif. with family at her bedside. Mae was born May 6, 1924 to Thomas J. and Angeline (Pratt) Wamego in Twin Mounds, Okla.

She married Allen K. Morris, Feb. 1, 1946 in Columbus, Kans. She was a Pastor's wife, employed with the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. They pastored churches in Ada, Okla.; Shawnee, Okla.; Enid, Okla.; Lawrence, Kan.; Wichita, Kan.; Bell Gardens, Calif.; Hoopa, Calif.; Oakland, Calif.; and San Francisco, Calif.

She is survived by brother Perry and wife, Betty of Orlando, Fla.; sons, Zack Morris and wife, Victoria of Mcloud, Okla.; Tim Morris and wife, Peggy of Redding, Calif.; grandchildren, Tali Quick, Wiyanna Hicks, Gabriel Morris, Aarin Morris and Ian Morris and 9 great-grandchildren and numerous relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, brother, Michael Wamego, and adopted brother Joe Snake and sister, Lavina Wichita.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will be a Wake Service set for Friday, Dec. 9, 7:00 p.m., and a Memorial Service set for Saturday, Dec. 10, 11 a.m. at the Roam Chief Event Center in Pawnee, Okla.; with Pastor Jr. Pratt presiding.

God comforts His people according to Isaiah 49: 13 where it states, "For the Lord hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted."

Thank You Christmas Angels

By Kari Little
 Indian Child Welfare Director

I would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the employees who helped out with the ICW Angel Tree! We were able to provide gifts to 23 kids this Christmas. Your generous gifts made a big difference to these families!

If you loved the feeling of helping others, you may be looking for other ways to get involved with kids in the community. Indian Child Welfare (ICW) is always in need of foster parents, for both short-term and long-term situations. If you are hesitant because you think foster parents need to be perfect, check out the ad campaign of AdoptUSKids at www.adoptuskids.com. Their message is, "You Don't Have to Be Perfect to Be a Perfect Parent." Though this is aimed at potential adoptive parents, the message is the same for foster parents. If you have the time and love to devote to a child, you may have what it takes to be a wonderful foster parent.

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 Kari Little at (918) 762-3873 ext. 3.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Gaming Commission Commissioner Needed

The Pawnee Nation is seeking one seat (1) to serve on the Gaming Commission pursuant with Article Three of the Pawnee Nation Gaming Ordinance. The selected individual shall be appointed by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC), by resolution, and will serve as commissioner for the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission. Primary responsibilities include regulatory matters concerning the gaming facilities located within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation, it will include but not limited to licensing, minimum internal controls, regulatory issues concerning state, federal and tribal laws and regulations, conducting hearings on regulatory issues.

The candidate will be required to maintain a Pawnee Nation Gaming Commissioner License issued by the Pawnee Nation Business Council and serve for a term of three years.

Commissioners Needed For Environmental Regulatory Commission

Pawnee Nation is seeking two seats of Citizens Pawnee Nation who are interested in serving as Environmental Regulatory Commissioners pursuant with Chapter One, Section 102 of the Pawnee Nation Natural Resource Protection Act (Title 12, Pawnee Nation Law and Order Code). Selected individuals will be appointed by the President of the Pawnee Nation and will serve as commissioner for the Pawnee Nation Environmental Regulatory Commission (ERC). The ERC shares responsibility with the Pawnee Nation Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety for planning and managing the natural resources and other services within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation.

Primary responsibilities include regulatory functions requiring administrative review, authorizations, and/or enforcement (administrative/civil) as specified by the Natural Resource Protection Act. Additional responsibilities include assisting the director in developing and implementing regulations as authorized which are deemed necessary to carry out, implement and enforce the goals, purposes and provisions of the act.

The TDC, Election And Utility Authority Commissions And The Enrollment Committees Have Openings

Qualified persons for the above postings may submit a letter and resume to President Marshall R. Gover, Pawnee Business Council, P. O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK , 74058. Application process will remain open until positions are filled.

New Sign Enhances Communications



Photo by Stephen Jake

Pawnee Nation implementation a new venue for communication through the installment of digital sign created to enhance notifications. The device was provided by Claude Neon Federal with funds from the ANA (Administration for native

Americans) Grant. The sign is located across from the Pawnee Nation Fire Station.

Supervisor Training Allows For Personal And Professional Assessment And Growth



Suzanne Spears leads group discussion during training.

Pawnee Nation and Pawnee Nation College (PNC) employees attended Supervisory Skills: leading Though Functions of Management training on Jan. 13, 2012. The session was led by Suzanne Spears, instructor for Oklahoma State University and sponsored by PNC. Topics covered included Personality Style Assessment, Communications: Whole Messages and Creative Problem Solving.

Photo by Toni Hill

Pawnee Nation Food Distribution Serves Community

Submitted by: Florissa Kanuho
Food Distribution Coordinantor

The Food Distribution Program is helping our participants achieve good nutrition by providing over 90 food items. Our canned vegetables and beans are low sodium. The canned fruit are in light syrup and we provide some food items that are low fat. Our evaporated milk will be changing to evaporated skim milk, which is a rich source of calcium and Vitamin D. We also provide fresh produce and frozen meats.

If you would like more information on how to apply for the program, you can call (918) 762-2541. You can also come by the Food Distribution office which is located at the Roam Chief Building.

Tribal Buildings Available For Rental To Accomodate Community

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 complementary 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.

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. Tribal Operations personnel shall not be allowed to reserve a facility no more than 30 days prior to an event.

It is the policy of the Pawnee Nation to give precedence in the event of a Tribal death. The Roam Chief shall be made available for the funeral service and feast. However, the family will be notified that the Pawnee Nation program(s) retain the option to conduct Tribal business if necessary.

In event the family does not wish to use the Roam Chief, then the Tribal Roundhouse shall be offered. The Pawnee Nation shall not waive cleaning, security or key deposits for any Tribal facility. The Tribal Operations office is located at 361 Clinic Road in the metal building next to the old IHS clinic. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding Tribal holidays.

For special arrangements, call (918)258-0548.

Advertisers And Feedback Solicited

The Pawnee Tribal Newsletter, Chaticks si Chaticks, is published every other month. The newsletter is mailed to enrolled members of the Pawnee Nation, one per household or address. If no one in your household is receiving the newsletter, or more than one is being sent, please contact the Communications Office.

For more infomraiton, contact the Communications Office at (918) 762-3621 ext. 25 or via e-mail at www.communications@pawneenation.org. Correspondence may also be mailed to P.O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058.

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A letter to the editor is meant to express your opinion or point of view.

Length: Letters on issues of public concern should be 300 words or less.

Guest Opinions: Articles submitted by readers as guest opinions will be printed as such at the discretion of the editor.

Thanks: Letters of thanks must be generic and limited to events of public interest. Lists of participants or sponsors will not be published.

Limits: We reserve the right to limit letter writers to one published letter every other newsletter.

Send letters to communications@pawneenation.org or PO Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058. They must be signed and should include your full address, e-mail address and a phone number for verification of authorship.

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Free Estate Planning Offered

The Oklahoma City University School of Law is offering estate planning services under the supervision of a licensed attorney and clinical law professor. - Any American Indian who is a resident of the State of Oklahoma is eligible, although preference is given to those who own Indian land.

Representatives will be in Pawnee, Okla. at the Roam Chief Center on March 30. Other dates include March 2 in Concho, Okla.; March 9 at the Iowa Tribe located in Perkins, Okla.; March 16 in Anadarko, Okla. and April 13 in Oklahoma City, Okla.

For more information, contact Lori Harless, program coordinator of the American Indian Wills Clinic at (405) 208-5017.

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Building #64:

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

Building #68:

(918) 762-3378

- Gaming Commission

Pawnee Nation College

- **Albin Leadingfox Building:**
(918) 762-3393,3363
- **Staff Quarters Building:**
(918) 762-3343

Pawnee Pakoo Building:

(918) 762-2106

- **School Readiness Program**

Pawnee Nation Housing:

(918) 762-3454

Tribal Operations:

(918) 762-2273

- Reserve Maintenance
- Building Rentals

I.H.S Housekeeping:

(918) 762-3605

Building #1:

(918) 762-3624

- Tax Office
- Enrollment Office

Pawnee Tribal Court:

(918) 762-3649

Wellness Center/ Multi-Purpose Building

- Title VI (Elderly Meals):
(918) 762-4042
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- Early Learning Center and care given 0-2 yrs: (918) 762-2489

Roam Chief Building:

(918) 762-2541

- Food Distribution

Fire Station

- Pawnee Police Dept.: (918) 762-3013

- Division of Natural Resource & Safety/Transportation: (918) 762-3655

- o Environment

- o Transportation: (918) 762-3655

Cultural Learning Center (Berry Building):

(918) 762-3227

- Education & Training
- Repatriation
- THPO

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

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

Family Development Center

- Fitness Center: (918) 762-3000
- Learning Center: (918) 762-3007

Substance Abuse Building:

(918) 762-2153

- Substance Abuse Program
- Healthy Nations Program

Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation: (918) 762-4832