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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Nawa!

I hope that this finds Atius smiling down on all of our Pawnee Tribal members. A lot has happened and is about to happen in the next couple of months.

The Elders are on their way to Albuquerque for the NICOA (National Indian Council of Aging) Conference. We hope that they all have a safe and enjoyable trip. On Sept. 22, the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) held a rededication of the White Eagle monument in Fullerton, Neb.

A couple of weeks ago I attended a repatriation in Denver, Colo., for the Mountain Utes.

Although there was no burial ceremony, we did the best we could do for them. An eagle flew over and made everyone feel better about the efforts that were made. When you have remains to repatriate we try to do our best for our ancestors and relatives to take care of them the best way we know how.

The Pawnee's have led the way in repatriation and we are very proud of those remains and artifacts that we have already got back from museums. A big thank you goes out to Francis Morris, the repatriation committee, Gordon Adams and the rest who have played a part. One day we hope to receive the regalia of White Fox and we are working diligently on that.

Six years ago I was the honoree at the Native American Marine Corps Veterans Birthday Celebration and this year two of our Council members will hold that honor, Richard Tilden, who has served in Vietnam and Roy Taylor for his service in Korea.

The ceremony will take place on Nov. 10, 2012 at the Comanche Nation Complex in Lawton, Okla. We are proud of all of our service men and women. The Pawnees have served since the Pawnee Scouts to the present time and have shown their loyalty to the United States for many years.

The Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization has plans for some fundraisers that are coming up. Let's do our best to show our support for them as they work hard to carry on our traditions.

I have heard what the people have said in wanting the treasurer to be more transparent in getting the financial report to the people and we have been working on getting this out.

I would like to urge the Pawnee Business Council and the Nasharo Council to be diligent with their task at hand. Keep them in your prayers as they make the decisions on where to appropriate funds.

We hope and trust that everyone had an enjoyable Labor Day.

Football season has started for the high school, the Pawnee Black Bears. Join me in prayers that Atius will shine on them, keep them safe and that we will win state.

If you haven't made it out to the StoneWolf Casino for Bar-B-Q at the new Howler's Famous Bar-B-Q it is recommended.

We were sad to hear of the passing of Indian lawyer Jess Green and our condolences go out to his family.

Let us all continue to work together in being the greatest Nation on this earth, for we are Pawnee.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL

President:
Marshall Gover

Vice President:
Charles "Buddy" Lone Chief

Secretary:
Linda Jestes

Treasurer:
Roy Taylor

Council Seat 1:
Richard Tilden

Council Seat 2:
Karla Knife Chief

Council Seat 3:
Jimmy Fields

Council Seat 4:
Carol L Nuttle

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Designed and produced by Pawnee Nation Communications Manager
Toni Hill

Cover Photo:

Pawnee Nation Fire & Rescue Department firefighters (Back L to R) Josh Daniel, Pawnee Nation (PN) environmentalist scientist; Kelly Kersey, PN ranger and Frank James, PN firefighter. (Middle L to R) Monty Matlock, division director for the PN Division of Natural Resources and Safety and Gerald Woommavovah, Emergency Service coordinator. (Front)

Jon James, PN firefighter.

Photo by Toni Hill.

"Message From The President" Photo Caption: President Marshall Gover standing in front of the Pawnee Flag. Photo by Toni Hill.

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Education

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

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 details, call (918) 762-2153.

Diabetes Program

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

Pawnee Business Council Meetings

Oct. 24 and Nov. 14 & 28 Pawnee Business Council Meetings held in the Roam Chief Building. Prayer Breakfast held Nov. 14 beginning at 7:30 a.m. 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 welcome.

Veterans Day Dance: Nov. 12 at the Roundhouse.

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

Pawnee Nation College
www.pawneenationcollege.org,
(918)762-3343

Oct. 25: PNC Oklahoma Native Leadership Initiative (ONLI) Student Day.

Oct. 26: PNC Oklahoma Native Arts Media Festival.

Nov. 15 - 18: Bravehearts Basketball, Cultural Exchange & Leadership Conference.

Pawnee Business Council Members Honored at the Native American Marine Corps Veterans Celebration

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“We are proud of all of our service men and women,” said PBC President Marshall Gover. “The Pawnees have served since the Pawnee Scouts to the present time and have shown their loyalty to the United States for many years.”

For more information, contact the Communications Office at (918) 762-3621 Ext. 25.

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 Web site, www.pawneenation.org for free. For more information, call (918) 762-3621 or e-mail requests to communications@pawneenation.org. For advertising rates, please visit www.pawneenation.org.

PBC And The Nasharo Council Define Terms of Nez Perce vs. Salazar Fund

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The Pawnee Business Council (PBC) met with the Nasharo Council on Sept. 8 in executive session to seek resolution regarding the tribal trust funds that Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma received from the Nez Perce vs. Salazar case.

The PBC voted to distribute \$2 million per capita payments to enrolled Tribal members (approximately \$600 per person) and \$2 million towards programs and services.

The Native American Rights Fund (NARF) attor-

neys that secured the settlement will be paid out of the balance.

A Settlement Oversight Committee comprised of three (3) Nasharo Chiefs and three (3) PBC members will decide how the \$2 million earmarked for programs and services will be applied.

A financial report will be published quarterly in the *Chaticks si Chaticks*.

A joint meeting held on Aug. 25 at the Roam Chief Event Center allowed Tribal members to express ideas and concerns regarding the

allotment of the monies gained from this historical litigation that has spanned more than 100 years between federally-recognized tribes and the United States.

During the Aug. 25 meeting, many Tribal members petitioned the PBC and Nasharo Council regarding per capita payments.

Other attendees suggested supporting other business endeavors that could generate a long-term income for the Pawnee Tribe.

Based on the comments received from Tribal mem-

bers, the PBC identified the following for possible funding from the tribal trust fund lawsuit: issuing per capita payments to members, increasing educational opportunities, offering increased elders’ assistance and increasing the burial fund.

The Pawnee Nation was one of the 41 tribes to receive a portion of the \$1.023 billion compensation. The lawsuit was originally filed by eleven tribes, including Pawnee Nation, on Dec. 28, 2006.

Legal restraints pre-

vented disclosure of these funds until the records were officially unsealed enabling the PBC to disseminate the information.

Per capita checks were mailed to Tribal members with known addresses on Oct. 4, 2012.

For more information and media inquiries, please contact the Pawnee Nation Communications Office at (918) 762-3621 Ext. 25 or at (918) 399-1344 or visit www.pawneenation.org.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Office of Historic Preservation

Submitted by Gordon Adams
Preservation Officer



Photo by Paigelyn Moore/Summer Worker

Items found in Building 64, which served as the girl's dormitory, during the refurbishing process. The preservation of these glimpses of the Pawnee Heritage falls under the Office of Historic Preservation.

The Mission of the Office of Historic Preservation is to promote the preservation and restoration of the Pawnee people's cultural heritage.

The services offered encompass Survey and Inventory Tribal properties, the nomination of places to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), conduct

and Consultations, author Tribal Historic Preservation Plan for Pawnee Tribal properties and providing technical assistance, public outreach, and educational functions pertaining to Tribal Historic Preservation.

The department is funded by two National Park Service grants each providing approximately \$57,000 biennially; and, money derived from \$106 "Research Service Fees," which annual amount is yet unknown.

The staff consists of Gordon F. Adams, MPA director, Office of Historic Preservation and the

Tribal Historic Preservation officer (THPO).

Contact: Office of Historic Preservation - (918) 762-3227.



Photo by Paigelyn Moore/Summer Worker

A ceremonial drum sporting the face of Native American pride.

Pawnee Nation Title VI Program

Submitted by Debra Echo-Hawk
Title VI Elderly Meals Coordinator

Name of Department: Title VI

Department mission/services offered: The purpose of the Title VI Part-A Senior Nutritional Meals/Supportive Services and Title VI Part-C Caregiver Outreach Program is to promote the delivery of supportive and nutritional services for Native American Elders that are comparable to services provided under the Title III of the Older Americans Act.

Eligibility guidelines: The Title VI Program serves the elderly that meet the age requirements of 60 years of age or older; is a caregiver of an eligible elder; spouse of tribal member or volunteer.

A congregate meal is served during the week at the Multi-Purpose Building in the Elder Dining Room (11:30 am lunch Monday-Thursday and 10 a.m. breakfast on Fridays) located at 808 Morris Road.

Dine with the elders at 12:15 p.m. for \$7 per plate. We are closed the

first Friday of each month to clean and decorate. Our hearty nutritional meals are prepared on site with great pride.

Also, Title VI provides delivery of a home bound meal for elders who reside within the Pawnee service area and who have met the criteria of the home bound meal application and health need verification provided by Indian Health Services Community Health Nurses.

The required services for the Title VI Program include the following.

- o Part A Indian Program,
- o Nutrition Services,
- o Supportive Services,
- o Part C Native American Caregiver Support Program,
- o Information to caregivers about available services and
- o Assistance to caregivers in gaming access to the services.

Also available is individual counseling, organization of support groups, and caregiver training to assist the caregivers in the areas of

health, nutrition, and financial literacy, and in making decisions and solving problems relating to their care giving roles.

Respite care to enable caregivers of frail elders to be temporarily and intermittently relieved from their care giving responsibilities is also an option.

Also possible is supplemental services, on a limited basis, to caregivers of frail elders to complement the care provided by caregivers.

The Native American Family Caregiver Support Program can serve two types of unpaid family caregivers.

1. Family caregiver: An adult family member, or another individual, who is an unpaid informal provider of in-home and community care to an older individual or to an individual with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder with neurological and organic brain dysfunction.

2. Grandparent or older individual who is a relative caregiver:

A grandparent or step grandparent of a child, or a relative of a child by blood, marriage, or adoption, who is 60 years of age or older and lives with a child or who is the primary caregiver of the child because the biological or adoptive parents are unable or unwilling to serve as the primary caregiver of the child or who has a legal relationship to the child, as such legal custody or guardianship, or is raising the child informally.

Department funding: See page 26.

Staff: Title VI Elderly Meals Coordinator Debra Echo-Hawk, deb.echohawk@pawneenation.org; Title VI Head Cook Ramona Horsechief; Title VI Assistant Cook Beatrice Realrider and Title VI Van Driver Richard Roubedeaux.

Contact: Title VI Program - (918) 762-4042.

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Pawnee Nation Human Resources

Submitted by **Shelby Exum**
Human Resources Manager

The Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources staff consists of Human Resources Manager Shelby Exum and Payroll Specialist Lozana Eppler.

The 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, administering benefit plans, developing and deploying policies and procedures, maintaining personnel records, monitoring compliance with applicable federal, state, and tribal laws, establishing wage and compensation rates, payroll, and providing relevant training.

Current funding for the Office

of Human Resources stems from the Indirect Cost pool.

RECRUITMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the Pawnee Nation to promote hiring the best qualified candidates, in order to provide the highest quality services to the people of the Pawnee Nation.

It is additionally the policy of the Pawnee Nation to promote employment opportunities for qualified Pawnee Tribal Members and other qualified Native Americans.

Recruitment for vacant positions is administered by the Office of Human Resources.

Vacant positions are advertised through local media and on the tribal website. The Office of Human Resources is located in Building 64

at 881 Little Dee Drive on the tribal reserve. Mailing address is P.O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK, 74058.

APPLICATION

All individuals applying for employment must apply online at <http://www.pawneenation.org/employment>. Your online application must be received by 5 p.m. on the position's closing date.

When applying online, please attach copies of the following:

- Resume (if applicable)
- Letters of Recommendation
- CDIB and/or membership card (if claiming Indian Preference)
- DD Form 214 (if claiming Veteran's Preference)
- Driver's License

- High School Diploma/GED/ Transcript (if applicable)
- College Diploma/Transcript
- Training Certificates
- Special Certifications or Professional Licenses

EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Upon successful completion of the 90 Day Introductory Period, full-time, regular status Pawnee Nation employees are eligible to receive life insurance, dental insurance, and 401k retirement benefits. We do not provide health insurance at this time.

For questions, please contact Shelby Exum via e-mail shelbye@pawneenation.org or by telephone 918-762-3621 ext. 52.

Pawnee Nation Communications

Submitted by **Toni Hill**
Communications Manager

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation Communications Office

Department mission/services offered: The Communications Office oversees all aspects of Pawnee Nation communications.

The Communications Office publishes the *Chaticks si Chaticks* (the official publication of the Pawnee Nation), maintains regular

articulation of news events and issues from the Pawnee Nation to area press to establish and maintain a positive, timely and professional media process for news from the Pawnee Nation.

The Communications Manager also develops and maintains a consistent stream of news from the Pawnee Nation and updates the official website while establishing and maintaining a professional relationship with area news outlets to ensure publication of Pawnee Nation

news and events.

The Communications Office's mandate encompasses the transfer and sharing of news and events between the Pawnee Nation Office of Communications, the Pawnee Nation community and the programs and departments that service the Pawnee Nation.

The Communications Office also fosters relationships with entities within the City of Pawnee, surrounding tribes and adjoining communities to promote Pawnee Nation

and serve the Pawnee Tribe.

Department funding: The Communications Office is funded through an Aid to Tribal Government contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Indirect Cost funds.

Staff: Communications Manager Toni Hill.

Contact: Communications Office - (918) 762-3621 Ext. 25.

Pawnee Nation Enrollment Department

Submitted by **Carrie Peters**
Enrollment Manager

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation Enrollment Office

Department mission/services offered: Enrollment is responsible for all aspects of tribal membership. This office maintains up-to-date tribal enrollment records, processes applications for tribal enrollment, processes relinquishments of tribal enrollment, issues Certificate of De-

gree of Indian Blood (CDIB) cards, issues Verification of Indian Preference (BIA Form 4432) forms, processes the annual annuity disbursement, and facilitates tribal elections by providing a listing of eligible voters to the Election Commission.

Eligibility guidelines: Individuals will be enrolled in accordance with the Enrollment Statute and the Con-

stitution of the Pawnee Nation. Any individual who applies for membership must possess by proof at least 1/8 degree of Pawnee Indian Blood, maintaining eligibility descent pursuant based on the official 1937 Base Roll. A person is not eligible for membership if they are enrolled as a member of another tribe.

Department funding: The Enroll-

ment Office is funded through an Aid to Tribal Government contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Staff: Enrollment Manager Carrie Peters, Administrative Assistant Karen Haymond.

Contact: Enrollment Office - (918) 762-3624.

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Pawnee Nation Police Division

Submitted by David Kanuho
Pawnee Nation Police Chief



Photo by Toni Hill

The Pawnee Nation Police Department continues to provide law and order within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation which includes the counties of Pawnee, Payne and Kay. (L to R) Officer Bob Horn, Officer Pat LeadingFox, Officer B.J. Novotny, Administrative Assistant/Dispatcher Roberta Ahdunko, Assistant Chief Gene Howell and Chief David Kanuho.

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation Police Department

Department mission/services offered: The Pawnee Nation Police Department provides law and order within the Pawnee Nation jurisdictional boundaries. This includes the counties of Pawnee and Payne and also includes the Pawnee land located at Chilocco in Kay county. Officers are directed to respond to all calls whether how minor or major and provide professional service to members of the Pawnee Nation.

Daily and nightly patrols are conducted on rural and local tribal

homes and officers are responsible for providing for the safety and protection to persons living and visiting within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation.

Officers investigate all crimes committed within the tribe's jurisdiction and make arrest when necessary.

Routine building checks are performed nightly to assure all building within the Pawnee Reserve area are secured after hours.

Department funding: The police department is funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The annual

amount for both this year and 2013 is \$370,126.

Staff: The officers of the Pawnee Nation Police Department are Chief of Police David Kanuho, Assistant Chief of Police Gene Howell, Officer Bob Horn, Officer Pat LeadingFox and Officer B. J. Novotny. The Administrative Assistant /Dispatcher for the department is Roberta Ahdunko.

Newly hired officers who have no formal police training must complete the sixteen week Indian Police Academy held in Artesia, NM.

Current years of formal police

Pawnee Police Department Directory

Monday – Friday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(918) 762-3013

After hours/Weekend
Contact Officer Directly

Chief David Kanuho
(918) 285-6552

Asst. Chief Gene Howell
(918) 285-6553

Officer Bob Horn
(918) 285-6067

Officer Pat LeadingFox
(918) 285-6068

Dispatcher R. Ahdunko
(918) 399-2448

If a Tribal Officer is not immediately available, please contact the City of Pawnee Police Department (918) 762-3166 or dial 911 for emergency calls.

service for the Pawnee Nation are as follows. Chief Kanuho – 16 years, Asst. Chief Howell – 15 years, Officer Horn – 12 years, Officer LeadingFox – 9 years and Officer Novotny, who recently resigned after 6 years.

Pawnee Nation Child Care Program Accepting Applications

Submitted by Marilyn Feathers
Learning Center Coordinator

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center is accepting applications at this time. We are an OKDHS Licensed Child Care Center.

We provide quality child care for children from two months old to children 8 years old. We provide

a nurturing, safe, and healthy environment with developmentally appropriate daily activities along with breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack.

If you are interested in learning more about our program, please call

(918) 762-3014.

The Pawnee Nation Child Care Assistance Program will assist income eligible Native American families living in Pawnee County and Northern Payne County, which includes the town of Yale, with child

care fees for the Pawnee Nation Learning Center while they work or attend school.

If you are interested in learning more about our program, please call (918) 762-6495.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Pawnee Nation District Court

Submitted by Suzanne Kanuho
Pawnee Nation Court Clerk

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation District Court

Department mission/services offered: The Tribal Courts are a separate branch of the Pawnee Nation Government as outlined in the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; to provide for the establishment of a Law and Order and Judicial system to "protect peace, safety, health and welfare of the members of the Pawnee Tribe.

The Pawnee Nation District Court implements court services for the judicial needs and administration of justice regarding criminal, civil and juvenile matters, for the members of the Pawnee Nation and other individuals that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. The Pawnee Nation District Court presides over these matters rendering final orders or judgments.

The Supreme Court hears appeals resulting from all final orders or judgments rendered by the District Court. The decisions of the Supreme Court are final and binding.

Eligibility guidelines: The Territorial Jurisdiction of the Courts extends to all territory described as Indian Country over which the Pawnee Nation has authority; including tribal or individual, trust, non-trust and restricted land, and including all waters, mineral and wildlife.

The Courts have general civil jurisdiction over all civil actions arising under the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the Tribe including the tribal common law, and over all general civil claims that arise within the tribal jurisdiction.

Personal jurisdiction exists over

all defendants served anywhere in cases arising within the territorial jurisdiction of the Tribe and all persons consenting to such jurisdiction.

Department funding: The Tribal Court is funded by and through a P.L. 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Tribal Court also receives modest supplemental funds from the Tribe to offset the contractual services of judicial staff. Annual allocation for the Tribal Court and BIA are 45,870.49 and \$60,942.00 respectfully.

District Court Staff: Chief Judge Charles H. Tripp is responsible to the people of the Pawnee Nation in administering the law and order code and carries out, faithfully and impartially, the duties of his office to the best of his ability and cooperates, promotes and protects the best interest of the members of the Pawnee Nation.

Tripp oversees the court system and makes recommendations for additions, deletions, and modifications for the court system; as well as creating and maintaining rules of the District Court. Tripp presides over civil matters. Tripp's contractual term is six (6) years.

Associate Judge for the District Court Dianne Barker Harrold in the absence of Tripp, Harrold performs all of the duties of the chief judge. Harrold also presides over all cases of which Tripp must recuse himself from due to a conflict that may render him disqualified to hear a case. Harrold presides over civil, criminal and juvenile matters. Harrold's contractual term is six (6) years.

Prosecutor for the District Court Geoffrey StandingBear is primarily responsible for the prosecution of all criminal, civil and child welfare

cases arising within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation. StandingBear also serves as the attorney general for the Pawnee Nation. StandingBear's contractual term is three (3) years.

Public Defender for the Pawnee Nation Danny Lyon represents indigent individuals in criminal matters and also serves as guardian ad litem in custody and guardianship matters. Lyon is available to tribal members on scheduled court days and by telephone during regular business hours on all other days to answer all legal questions. Lyon's contractual term is three (3) years.

Court Clerk for the District Court and Supreme Court Suzie Kanuho is responsible for the administration of the Tribal Court Program as well as fiscal responsibilities. Kanuho also serves as the librarian of the law library; collects all fines, fees and costs; issues summons and subpoenas; performs the duties of court reporter by accurately recording all proceedings and hearings of the courts and accurately transcribes recorded proceedings and hearings upon order of the court; keeps and maintains judges calendars and dockets; performs clerical duties for justices, judges, and tribal attorneys; enters and maintains case flow in court software; supervises the deputy court clerk.

Deputy Court Clerk for the District Court and Supreme Court Brandi Leading Fox is under the direct supervision of the court clerk and is responsible for the preparation and maintenance of all case files; which includes preparing case files for hearings; prepares and transmits all case related documents and hearing notices; prepares cases for closure; performs office related duties and performs the duties of the court clerk in her absence.

The Supreme Court is comprised of one (1) chief justice and four (4) associate justices. All justices serve eight (8) year terms. The Supreme Court is responsible for creating and maintaining rules of the Court and regulating conduct in the Supreme and District Courts to provide for the orderly and efficient administration of justice.

The Supreme Court also hears appeals from the District Court and enters all appropriate orders and judgments. The Supreme Court supervises the actions of the District Court and all Clerks and Officers of the Court.

The Supreme Court meets annually to dispose of any business brought before them and hears all docketed appeals. The Supreme Court meets as needed to render decisions in appellate cases as quickly as possible.

Supreme Court Staff: Chief Justice Bob Buchanan, Associate Justice Terry Mason Moore, Associate Justice Marsha Harlan and -Supreme Court Clerk Suzie Kanuho.

Other Officers of the Court: Court Appointed Special Advocates are sworn officers of the court and are appointed to juvenile cases to serve as Guardian Ad Litem for the children of the cases.

The Chief of Police for the Pawnee Nation and his officers are also sworn officers of the court. The Chief of Police serves as bailiff for the District Court and has the authority to adjourn court in the absence of the Judge.

Contact: Pawnee Tribal Court - (918) 762-3649.

FEDERAL COURT UPDATE

U.S. Attorney Clinton Johnson announced that Frances L. Roughface, 47, was sentenced on Sept. 26, 2012, to three years of probation after she pleaded guilty to a federal theft charge.

Roughface has been ordered to serve the first six months of probation under house arrest, and to pay \$26,226 in restitution. Roughface pleaded guilty in federal court in June, admitting that she embezzled

money from the tribe's Child Care Center and the Pawnee Nation's Indian Child Welfare program. Roughface led the tribe to believe

Editor's note: The above announcement is an insert from a De-

partment of Justice News Release issued Sept. 29, 2012 at 14:52 and published in the TRIBAL JUSTICE NEWS Sept. 28, 2012.

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Pawnee Nation Education Division

Submitted by Ted Moore

Education Department Director



Photo by Plus Spottedhorse chief

(L to R) Robyn Horsechief, Ted Moore, Gordn Adams and Whitney Nuttle. Rosetta Clark not pictured.

Name of Department: Education Division

Mission Statement: "The Dreams of Yesterday are the Hope of Today and the Reality of Tomorrow" are words with which our clients can identify as they become active in our program. Chosen by our youth in the Summer 2004 Program, this quote is from Robert Goddard, a great scientist who was often called the father of modern rocketry.

This is yet another example of how our youth's unique thinking can make their dreams come true for a better tomorrow for our people.

Continuing our mission, our program will administer and maintain a system that works for the Native American population in our area and which involves education, training, on-the-job training, work experience and job placement.

These Policies & Procedures were put together to ensure consistent practice and management in serving our clients, as well as to serve as a guide in working with any participants who wish to apply for any of our services.

Youth Services: Basic school supplies are available for K through 12th grade students within the service area at the beginning of the school year. Students must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.

After school classes will be provided for elementary students up to 5th grade. After school classes will be announced soon.

Summer Enrichment Camps: These camps are provided for a variety of age categories with emphasis placed on financial literacy and related development, youth leadership, life skills, Pawnee culture and language, college preparation, substance abuse prevention, and team work activities. Announcements are provided prior to the summer months.

Work Experience Services: This component consists of work experience and on-the-job training programs for adults 18 years and older.

Work experiences include subsidized as well as unsubsidized employment. Work sites range from clerical, construction, fire fighting, maintenance, art apprenticeships, health and many others.

Applicants must meet program eligibility and income guidelines and reside in Pawnee and Payne counties, complete an application and provide required documentation.

Once accepted, a formal interview and acknowledgment of a work site agreement.

Applications accepted anytime.

Youth Work Experience: Native

American youth between the ages of 14 and 21 may be eligible for Youth Work Experience Services. Youth must meet program eligibility and income guidelines and reside in Pawnee and Payne Counties, complete an application and provide required documentation, attend a formal interview if accepted, and sign a work site agreement (a parent/guardian approval signature is required for youth under 18 years).

Applications for Youth Work Experience Services are taken early in the summer months and at the end of the school year.

Higher Education Scholarships: Pawnee Nation Scholarships are available to students who are enrolled members of the Pawnee Nation. Applicants must be enrollment in an accredited college or university, having a financial need based on an official college financial needs analysis and commit to a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Scholarships may be awarded to graduate students based on the availability of funds.

Applications from veterans receiving educational compensation under the G.I. Bill will also be considered. Accredited on-line coursework is acceptable.

Applicants are encouraged to apply for other financial aid and scholarships. Deadlines for the Pawnee Nation scholarship applications are July 6 and Dec. 6 per annually basis.

Direct Employment Assistance: This component is designed to assist eligible Native Americans who have obtained employment, but who still require monetary assistance with initial expenses, such as travel, meals and specialized attire during the job search process or until the applicant receives his or her first paycheck.

Other Services: A Computer Learning Center Lab and Library is available to all program participants, tribal employees, and tribal

members. The Education Program works closely with the vocational rehabilitation program of the Iowa Tribe and the Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services to assist clients in obtaining their goal of self-sufficiency through education and/or employment.

Students are assisted with short-term classroom training classes and General Educational Development/job skills instruction when available. Basic classroom supplies may be provided specifically for the course/s.

Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO): The TERO program maintains a job skills database, which includes a list of tribal members and non-tribal members, specific job skills, licenses, and educational degrees.

A list of Native American owned businesses is also available. This list is provided to employers conducting business with the Pawnee Nation.

Department funding: Funding for the Education and Training Department is currently \$315,000 per annual basis. Funding for TERO is self generated with Tribal appropriation of \$95,000.

Staff: Education Division Director Ted Moore, M.Ed., Intake Specialist Whitney Nuttle, Administrative Assistant Rosetta Clark, Receptionist Robyn Horsechief and Preservation Officer Gordon Adams.

The Education and Training services are a Public Law 102-477 program.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Education - (918) 762-3227.

Editor's Note: The Childcare Program will be profiled in the December 2012 issue of the *Chaticks si Chaticks*.

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Health and Community Services

Submitted by Angela Thompson
Health and Community Services Director

Name of Department: Community Health Representatives (CHR) and Health Education (HE) Program

Department mission/services offered: The purpose of the PN CHR Program is to be an advocate and facilitator for individuals and families to gain access to comprehensive health care services as well as provide opportunities to enhance the quality of life for the people we serve.

The purpose of the PN HE Program is to establish health education components within the tribal health department. The program also strives to promote awareness, guidance & counseling, and prevention of disease and/or disability.

The direct assistance programs offered are Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LI-HEAP), Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) and the Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance Program.

Eligibility guidelines: The target population for the CHR and HE Programs is Native Americans residing in Pawnee County and the city limits of Stillwater in Payne County.

LIHEAP provides assistance to low-income Native American households in meeting their immediate home energy needs. LIHEAP monies can be used to pay for elec-

tricity, gas, or propane bills. The maximum amount of assistance is \$100 in a calendar year. Clients must reside in Pawnee County, but do not have to be members of the Pawnee Nation.

CSBG provides assistance to low-income Native American households with housing and/or utility deposits (no bills) and medical expenses (eyewear, dentures, and medications). The maximum amount of assistance is \$100 in a calendar year. Clients must reside in Pawnee County, but do not have to be members of the Pawnee Nation.

The Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance Programs provides financial assistance to be utilized for the health and welfare of Pawnee Tribal Elderly and Handicap members, in particular, current unpaid utility bills, medical expenses, etc. All applicants must be a member of the Pawnee Nation, but do not have to reside in Pawnee County. Since all the programs are income-based, applicants must meet poverty guidelines set forth by Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). Household incomes must not exceed over 150 percent of poverty level. The maximum amount of assistance for each program is \$400 per a calendar year (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31). All assistance checks are paid directly to the designated vendor(s).

Elder applicants must be at least 55 years old at the time of the ap-

Name of Department: Indian Child Welfare

Department mission/services offered: The purpose of the Indian Child Welfare Program (ICW) is to prevent the break-up of Indian families by providing prevention and crisis intervention services. The ICW Program provides parenting classes, crisis assistance funds for needs like

utilities and rent, and referrals to other programs and services, based on client needs. The ICW program also works with families when children have been removed from the home, either through State court or Tribal court.

Eligibility guidelines: To receive crisis assistance funds, families must have at least one child in the

Name of Department: Prevention Department – REACH US Program

Department mission/services offered: The purpose of the REACH US Program is to implement regional and national activities that will fo-

cus on prevention of cardiovascular disease and diabetes through capacity building, infrastructure development, and best practices modeling that will lead to tribal competencies for implementing environmental and policy changes which focus on

plication.

Handicap applicant must be at (18) years old at the time of the application. In addition, applicant must provide proof of such condition- doctor's notes will not be accepted. Emergency applicants must be at (18) years old at the time of the application and be in a crisis state of need. A crisis can be defined as a decisive or critical moment in regards to a client's health and/or life. The following constitutes as a crisis: loss of clothes and/or shelter due to natural disasters, becoming disabled due to illness or accident, and life-threatening sickness to immediate family members.

Department funding: The CHR & HE Programs are funded through the Indian Health Services; LI-

ed through the BIA at \$66,806 annually and Promoting Safe and Stable Families program. Parenting classes are open to anyone. ICW can intervene on child welfare cases when the child is an enrolled Pawnee tribal member or is eligible for enrollment.

Department funding: ICW is fund-

risk factors of cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

Department funding: REACH US is funded through a contract from the Oklahoma State Department of Health.



Photo by Toni Hill

Facing the picture going up on left side: Sharon Swartz (CHR), Chelsie Baldwin (VAW), Barbara Attocknie (SAP), Deb Echo-Hawk (Title VI), Charles Chapman (Fitness Center); Mid Top Center Richard Robedeaux; Right Side going down: Tiffany Frietze (CHR), M. Angela Thompson (DHCS Director), Bea Realrider (Title VI), Crystal McNeill (SDPI), Kari Little (ICW) middle staff sitting down on stairs top to bottom: Suzy KnifeChief (CHR), Ramona Horsechief (Title VI)

HEAP & CSBG Programs are funded through the Department of Health & Human Services; and the Elders/Handicap/Emergency Assistance Programs are funded through the Pawnee Nation.

Staff: Coordinator Tiffany Frietze, Administrative Assistant/Driver Suzy Knife Chief, CHR Generalist Sharon Swartz and CHR Generalist, Zack Martinez.

Contact: Health and Community Services - (918) 762-3873.

Staff: Kari Little, ICW Program Coordinator.

Contact: Indian Child Welfare - (918) 762-3358.

Staff: M. Angela Thompson, Program Coordinator; Administrative Assistant, Vacant.

Contact: M. Angela Thompson - (918) 762-3873.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Pawnee Nation Natural Resources and Safety Division

Submitted by Kelly Kersey

Ranger and Environmental Specialist



Photo by Toni Hill

Ranger Kelly Kersey (left) and Ranger Monty Matlock wear many hats to protect Pawnee Nation's resources.

Name of Department: Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety

Department mission/services offered: The Pawnee Nation Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety (DECS) was established in 1997 by the Pawnee Nation Environmental Regulatory Act (Title 10, Law and Order Code) which was re-codified as the Pawnee Nation Natural Resource Protection Act (Title 12, Law and Order Code)

in 2010. The DECS is a Department within the Pawnee Nation Division of Natural Resources and Safety.

The DECS provides a comprehensive multimedia natural resource management service providing for the protection of air, land, water, fish and wildlife, timber, oil and gas, along with other natural resources belonging to or otherwise within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation. Two DECS staff members are certified law enforcement officers and serve as law enforcement conservation officers (Rangers) for the Pawnee Nation. The Rangers primary mission is to enforce the natural resource laws of the Pawnee Nation.

Services provided by the DECS are funded primarily from both the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Pawnee Nation. The DECS does receive funding from its federal partners to support extensive (and expensive) investigations.

Other federal and state agencies such as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Geological Service, Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Oklahoma Conservation Commission, and many Tribal governments provide technical assistance to the DECS staff members.

Additional services provided by the DECS include food inspections, building code enforcement (including energy code, electrical codes, fuel codes, plumbing codes, and mechanical codes), underground storage tank inspections, Hazmat response, and the facilitation of outdoor education of environmental conservation classes.

Department funding: The DECS is currently acquiring funding from four sources:

- EPA FY11-12 General Assistance Program for \$120,000. Spending is approximately \$30,000 per quarter.
- EPA FY11-12 106 Water Pollution Control for \$120,000 plus 5% Tribal match (in kind). Spending is approximately \$30,000 per quarter

federal.

- EPA FY11-12 Non Point Source Pollution for \$30,000 plus Tribal in-kind.
- Tribal funding of approximately \$17,000. (As needed)
- Departmental Action (out of court settlements). Funds limited to education and enforcement.

Staff: Division Director, Chief Ranger Monty Matlock oversees and manages all aspects of the Department, including responding to complaints, managing field investigations, as well as administering various programs and services. Environmental Specialist/Ranger Kelly Kersey responds to complaints and discoveries, preforms investigations and files reports as well as overseeing Clean Water Act section 319 nonpoint source pollutions initiatives. Environmental Scientist Josh Daniel performs water quality monitoring, responds to civil complaints and discoveries, and performs civil inspections and investigations, and prepares facility reports.

Matlock, Kersey and Daniel also serve as firefighters and respond to hazardous materials incidents.

Contact: DECS - (918) 762-3655.

Pawnee Nation Department Of Emergency Management

Submitted by Gerald Woommavovah

Assistant Emergency Manager

Name of Department: Department of Emergency Management (DEM)

Department mission/services offered: Our mission is to set a standard of excellence in providing progressive and professional planning, and cooperative and efficient service to the citizens of Oklahoma County, before, during and after a

major emergency or disaster.

Department funding: The Department of Emergency Management is currently unfunded. However, DECS has continued to maintain the Emergency Management mandate, resulting in the opportunity to acquire financial assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the State Office of Emergency Management. Addi-

tional funding is supplied from the Pawnee Nation Department of Fire and Rescue's Emergency Services budget at \$50,575 annually.

Staff: Emergency Manager Monty Matlock and Assistant Emergency Manager Gerald Woommavovah.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Fire Department (non-emergency) (918) 762-3655. Emergency - 911.



Photo by Toni Hill

Assistant Emergency Manager Gerald Woommavovah serves Pawnee Nation.

Pawnee Nation Department Of Fire And Rescue

Submitted By Gerald Woommavovah

Assistant Emergency Manager

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department

Department mission/services offered: It is the mission of the Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department to protect life and property from the adverse effects of fires, medical emergencies or exposure to

dangerous conditions through fire suppression, rescue, disaster preparedness, fire prevention and community education. The fire and rescue team focuses on rapid response to emergencies in addition to providing appropriate intervention and community education.

The Pawnee Fire and Rescue Department is committed to providing Tribal members the highest quality of service possible, characterized by

responsiveness, integrity and professionalism. Members continually strive for quality improvement.

Eligibility guidelines: All firefighters are required to complete and maintain Firefighter 1, Medical 1st Responder (or EMT-Basic) National Registry Certification and required National Incident Management (NIMS) training. Collectively there is approximately six weeks initial

training required.

Staff: Fire Chief: Pat Leading Fox. Firefighters: Jon James, Frank James, Monty Matlock, Kelly Kersey, Josh Daniel and Gerald Woommavovah.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department (non-emergency) (918) 762-3655. Emergency - 911.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Health and Community Services

Submitted By Angela Thompson
Health and Community Services Director

Name of Department: Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

Department mission/services offered: The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) program is administered at the Federal level by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

FDPIR is administered locally by either Indian Tribal Organizations (ITOs) or an agency of a state government.

The program provides USDA foods to low-income households who reside in approved areas in Oklahoma.

The Food Distribution Programs is an alternative to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

USDA purchases and ships FDPIR foods to the Food Distribution Programs based on their orders from a list of available foods.

The programs store and distribute the food, determine applicant eligibility, and provide nutrition education to our participants.

Eligibility guidelines: Low-income Native American and non-Native American households that reside on a reservation and households living in approved areas near a reservation or in Oklahoma that includes at least one person, who is a member of a Federally-recognized tribe, are eligible to participate in FDPIR.

The program requires a Certificate Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) card and a proof of residency. A proof of residency is a complete utility bill (electric, gas, or propane), or a rent receipt with current name and address on it. The program serves all of Pawnee County and the northern part of Payne County.

Households are certified based on income and resource standards set by the Federal government, and must be recertified at least every 12 months.

Elderly and disabled households may be certified for up to 24 months. For income verification, a check stub or earning statement which shows gross pay for the last 30 days is required.

For self-employment, the household needs to provide a copy

of the last year income tax. All household members 18 years and older with no income must provide unemployment verification.

A Collateral Form, which our program provides, can be used. Social security numbers of all household members are also needed. Households may not participate in FDPIR and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in the same month.

Department funding: The Food Distribution Program is funded by the USDA in which 75 percent is Federal and 25 percent is Tribal Match. The total budget for the program is \$267,599, in which \$200,699 (75 percent) is Federal and \$66,900 (25 percent) is Tribal Match.

Staff: Program Coordinator Florissa Kanuho – Responsibilities include planning, directing, and coordinating the activities of the program to insure all contract objectives are met.

Kanuho also submits the required reports, monitors the overall FDPIR operations, assists with nutrition education and submits budgets

to finance and funding agencies. Kanuho has been with the program for 21 years and with the Pawnee Nation for 26 years.

Certification Worker Donna Howell - Howell certifies the participants, helps with administrative duties, makes calls to other programs and helps with nutrition education. Howell has the most important position because she makes sure a household is eligible for the program.

Warehouseman I Keith Lyons – Lyons is responsible for the warehouse area of the program, by ordering food, taking the food off the trucks, giving out the food, and the food inventory. Lyons will be with the program and Pawnee Nation for 29 years in October.

Warehouseman II Tamra Tahkeal – Tahkeal takes care of the fresh produce, helps with the monthly food shipment, gives out the food to our participants, keeps the warehouse clean and makes the calls to participants to remind them to pick up their food.

Contact: FDPIR - (918) 762-2541.

Name of Department: Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program

Department mission/services offered: Our Mission Statement “To treat chemical dependency and abuse and to provide prevention activities through strategies that meet the needs of Native American people and their families.” The Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program has been in existence for over twenty years. The funding derives from Indian Health Services and it is a grant which is awarded annu-

ally. The grant provides the following three positions; coordinator, counselor and recreation assistant.

The program provides the following services; individual counseling, support group, alcohol education, case management, prevention activities, transportation to in-patient facilities, physical health via Fitness Center and meth/suicide prevention.

Department Funding: \$214,889 annually.

Eligibility guidelines: Must have a Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) card and be at least 18 years of age.

Staff: Certified Alcohol Drug Counselor/Program Coordinator Barbara Attocknie who oversees the program making sure program goals are met and for submitting renewal of the program to be funded the next year. Counselor Mike Ortiz, who holds a Bachelor of Arts in Social Science with an education emphasis. Ortiz is primarily

responsible for individual counseling, intakes, group, assessments and prevention activities.

Recreation Assistant Chip Chapman, opens the Fitness Center, takes applications from new members and assists with prevention activities through out the year.

Recreation Assistant Josh Tillman, is responsible for taking application and keeping the fitness center clean and for introducing members to the machines.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program - (918) 762-2153.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Violence Against Women (VAW) Program

Submitted By Chelsie Baldwin

VAW Program Coordinator

Name of Department: Violence Against Women Program (VAW)

Department mission: VAW takes a holistic approach to ending violence in our community. The goals of our new grant are to prevent incidents of domestic or dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; increase survivor safety and offender accountability; and to provide shelter, supportive services, and access to community based services for survivors.

The activities will improve our current OVW-funded grant project by enhancing our criminal justice system, increasing victim assistance, providing more cultural activities, raising awareness to a new level, and consulting with an Investigative officer, and established outside agencies.

The activities contained in this proposal do

not duplicate our current OVW-funded grant project.

They will, however, be enhanced through this project by providing new trainings, and having a center that will journey through a healing process that will begin to recognize, identify, and change the generational trauma patterns that exist in our Native American families; we propose traditional, long term support for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Continued comprehensive planning will develop and enhance governmental strategies to increase the safety of Indian women. The goals of the project will address prevention, victim services, and criminal justice intervention while incorporating cultural and traditional practices.

Eligibility guidelines: The healing center will be dedicated to serve the native people living within Pawnee Nation service area. However

we are a non-discriminant program so we will not turn away anyone that qualifies; we plan to serve all women and young girls.

Department funding: We are funded by the Department of Justice through the Office of Violence Against Women at an annual rate of \$300,000.

Staff: The center will employ a division director to manage and oversee staff; project coordinator to oversee the advocate, provide direct assistance, outreach, and act as the CCR team coordinator; victim advocate to provide victim services, outreach, and supervise the safe exchange center; and an administrative assistant to provide clerical support. Currently, the staff consists of Division Director M. Angela Thompson and Program Coordinator and Advocate Chelsie Baldwin.

Contact: VAW - (918) 762-3873.

Why Do People Stay in Abusive Relationships?

By Chelsie Baldwin

VAW Program Coordinator

People who have never been abused often wonder why a person wouldn't just leave. Below are some reasons why many stay.

Fear: Your friend may be afraid of what will happen if they decide to leave the relationship. If your friend has been threatened by their partner, family or friends, they may not feel safe leaving.

Believing Abuse is Normal: If your friend doesn't know what a healthy relationship looks like, perhaps from growing up in an environment where abuse was common, they may not recognize that their relationship is unhealthy.

Low Self-esteem: If your friend's partner constantly puts them down and blames them for the abuse, it can be easy for your friend to believe those statements and think that the abuse is their fault.

Love: Your friend may stay in an abusive relationship hoping that their abuser will change.

Social/Peer Pressure: If the abuser is popular, it can be

hard for a person to tell their friends for fear that no one will believe them or that everyone will take the abuser's side.

Cultural/Religious Reasons: Traditional gender roles can make it difficult for young women to admit to being sexually active and for young men to admit to being abused.

Pregnancy/Parenting: Your friend may feel pressure to raise their children with both parents together, even if that means staying in an abusive relationship. Also, the abusive partner may threaten to take or harm the children if your friend leaves.

Puppy-love Phenomena: Adults often don't believe that teens really experience love. So if something goes wrong in the relationship, your friend may feel like they have no adults to turn to or that no one will take them seriously.

Distrust of Police: Many people do not feel that the police can or will help them, so they don't report the abuse.

Language Barriers/Immigration Status: If your friend is undocumented, they may fear that reporting the abuse

will affect their immigration status. Also, if their first language isn't English, it can be difficult to express the depth of their situation to others.

Lack of Money/Nowhere To Go: Your friend may have become financially dependent on their abusive partner.

If you have friends or family members who are in unhealthy or abusive relationships, the most important thing you can do is be supportive and listen to them. Please don't judge!

Resources: loveisrespect.org or 1-866-331-9474; National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE; National Human Trafficking Resource Center at 1-888-373-7888; Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network at 1-800-656-HOPE and the Child Protection and Custody Hotline at 1-800-52-PEACE.

For more information about the VAW Program, call (918) 762-3873.

Editor's Note: Due to space limitations, the entire article submitted was not printed. Please contact the VAW program for a complete list.

INDIAN

By Patsy Cooper

You see us now...you seen us then...
It's not about land or money...it's what's within,
They took it then; but that's the truth...
What do we do to keep the couth?
Drinkers, pow-wows and mother earth...
All these were here at our birth,
The blood runs through you & me you know...
We're all the same though it doesn't show,
Creator...sobriety...education is what we should
pursue... If we'll just do what they wanted us to,
Two worlds of people with the same dreams...
Sometimes the hatred makes me want to scream,
The mother earth is kind and true...
Just like...you know who,
If we could only get along...
We'd all be singing to a different song,
A song of love, respect & ultimate truth...
That's what He wants for us it's true,
It's in the book of life you know...
Deep within somehow I feel that they don't know,
Know the heartaches, pain and suffering then and
now sometimes...
It still goes on and on and it's a sin,
So we'll just live on and keep being Indian...
Because that's who we are within,
But can or will we seek to understand?
Understand that someday...we'll all be hand in
hand!

Patsy Cooper's poem entitled *Him* was featured in *The International Who's Who in Poetry* publication copyrighted in 2007 by the International Library of Poetry.

President Gover Presents Pawnee Culture To TCC Students

By **Toni Hill**
Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

(L to R) PBC President Marshall Gover, TCC President Tom McKeon, Ph.D. and author Kenny A. Franks at the *Pawnee Pride: A History Of Pawnee County* book dedication held at the College.

On Oct. 2, 2012, Pawnee Nation Business Council President Marshall Gover presented Tulsa Community College (TCC) and TCC President Tom McKeon, Ph.D. copies of the book, *Pawnee Pride: A History Of Pawnee County*.

Editions, signed by Gover, will be placed in each of the four TCC libraries in an effort to broaden awareness of Native American culture.

The ceremony, held at the TCC West Campus, was hosted by Steven Woods,

associate professor of Native American Studies, and Belinda McGee, assistant professor of Child Development. Pawnee Nation Communications Manager Toni Hill, Woods and McGee coordinated the event. The Pawnee Nation Flag Song indicated the beginning of the dedication.

Pawnee Pride: A History Of Pawnee County was composed by Dr. Kenny A. Franks and Dr. Paul F. Lambert and published for the Oklahoma Heritage Association by Western Heritage Books. Franks,

who is an adjunct professor at TCC, was present during the dedication.

Franks and Lambert have jointly written more than 30 books and share national and regional accolades. The authors also join the ranks as the Nation's foremost authorities on the American petroleum industry.

Pawnee Nation will also serve as a sponsor for the upcoming Red Fork Native American Film Festival facilitated by TCC. The event will be held Oct. 19 - 20 at the TCC West Campus located at 7505 West 41st Street, Tulsa, Okla.

The festival will feature Pawnee artists Charles Chapman and Sonny Howell.

Chapman's unique self-taught style, infused in Pawnee culture, earned a place for his paintings and illustrations in settings as diverse as the White House, the cover of *Paint Horse Journal* and Lynn Moroney's children's book, *The Boy Who Loved Bears*.

Inspired by the Pawnee artists of his hometown including T.C. Cannon of Gracemont, Okla., Howell creates on canvas the myths, exploits and stories including the belief of the stars and the Creation Story of the Pawnee Tribe.

Chapman and Howell's paintings are also displayed at the Pawnee Nation Museum located in Pawnee, Okla.

For more information, contact the Pawnee Nation Communications Office at (918) 762-3621 Ext. 25.

Pendleton Blankets Reflect Pawnee Pride

The Pawnee Nation Tax Office offers the Pawnee Nation Pendleton blankets designed to resemble the Pawnee Nation Flag. The total cost of the blanket, including tax, is \$324.

Lay-a-way is available with a 25 percent down payment and the remainder of the cost payable within 90 days in the form of a monthly payment of 25 percent of the balance due.

An additional shipping cost of up to \$18 will be applied to the final payment. A charge of \$25 will be incurred in the event of a lay-a-way cancellation.

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

Great Christmas gifts!



Photo by Toni Hill

PAWNEE NATION HAPPENINGS

Bridge To The Great Pawnee Nation, Entry Project, Underway

By **Jim McCormick**, Project Manager
By **Cecil Riding In**, Transportation Director



Photo by Rhonda James/ Pawnee Nation Transportation Department

The bridge will link county road 0470 (road south of the Roundhouse) west across the new bridge and tie into U.S. 64.

Since the last release of the *Chaticks si Chaticks* the Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety (PN DOTs) has been busy with continued work on the Law Enforcement Center and the 6102B Project encompassing the Entry Project, U.S. 64 To Tribal Headquarters.

When the Pawnee Nation grant writers wrote the ICDBG (Indian Community Development Block Grant Program) grant stipulations were included requiring the Law Enforcement Center or the Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation (PN DOTs) to provide \$96,000 of in-kind services to leverage the project.

PN DOTs personnel has been working on leveling the dirt pile behind the new Law Enforcement Center and constructing the parking lot and sidewalks by leveling the location. Other components involved substructure stabilization, curb formation and gutter and concrete driveway creation. PN DOTs' total contribution to the New Law Enforcement Center tops out at \$141,000 including a \$61,000 cash payment. The recent purchase of a

2005 International 5900 to haul construction materials and other general purposes increased productivity.

The Entry Project Phase B has been bid out and McGuire Brothers of Tulsa, Oklahoma was awarded the contract in the amount of \$807,348.36. The scope of the contract includes the development of curb and gutter, sidewalks, drainage and concrete surfacing.

The completion of the project will link county road 0470 (road south of the Roundhouse) west across the new bridge and tie into U.S. 64 and is expected

to open for traffic before the end of the year. The contractor is mobilizing this week and will begin construction activities during the next few days. Some utility work will be addressed, with mild

relocations, as required.

"We would like to thank the citizens of Pawnee for their support," said Jim McCormick, project manager.

"This development could ease traffic burdens on existing venues of travel without having any known negative effects on business revenue. We would like to remind the community that the use of the bridge and roadway is restricted until official notification."

New Entry Project 6102 (Phase B) Time line (2012)

April 13 – Pawnee Business Council (PBC) contract approval for Mehlburger Brawley

May 8 - Preliminary plans

May 16 - Advertise Public Hearing

May 22 - Pre-meeting with representatives from Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Pawnee City and Pawnee Nation (PN)

June 19 – Public Hearing

June 25 – Plan approval

June 26 – Bid advertise

July 19 - (10 a.m.) Fire Station pre-bid

July 26 - (10 a.m.) PN Fire Station bid opening

August 8 - PBC approval

August 30 – Prior to this date notice to proceed

November 13 - Project projected completion date



Photo by Rhonda James/ Pawnee Nation Transportation Department

A different view of the Entry Project Bridge.

Pawnee Nation Expansion Enters Final Stages

By Muriel Robedeaux, ICDBG Coordinator
 By Toni Hill, Communications Manager



Photo courtesy of the ICDBG Office

A view of the new Law Enforcement Center which offers many amenities including training areas and a conference room that doubles as a safe area during inclement weather to accommodate more than 150 people.



Photo courtesy of the ICDBG Office

Construction has begun and should conclude on the Pawnee Nation's Standpipe by the end of October. Areas of maintenance include updating the Standpipe to meet federal guidelines. The scope of repair also entails repainting the exterior of the Standpipe along with the wolf-head and the name on the tower.

The Grand Opening of the Law Enforcement Center will be held Friday, Oct. 19, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. at 1201 Heritage Circle located on the Pawnee Tribal Reserve in Pawnee, Okla.

The Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement Center, designed by Anishinabe Design of Norman, Okla., celebrates completion.

Minor details are in process including ensuring efficiency of all the mechanical systems. The interior and exterior painting was sub-contracted out to Horsechief Painting, a Pawnee Indian Owned and Operated business.

This new facility contains 3,321 SF, which includes the safe area/conference room, lobby and reception area, break room, seven offices and two storage areas. A computer server room and a rest room/locker/shower area complete the model.

All current tribal law enforcement officers will have their own offices and an additional two offices have been set aside for new law enforcement programs such as a juvenile prevention program.

"We are looking forward to having our own building and the space to develop critical areas of need, such as an evidence room and a training area for not only Pawnee Nation police officers but also for the surrounding Tribal Police Departments," said David Kanuho, chief of the Pawnee Nation Tribal Police Department.

The interior computer cabling was also done through the Pawnee Nation TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Organi-

zation).

The new emergency generator was recently started up with members of the property department and law enforcement personnel present for training provided by the servicing company.

The Grand Opening of the new facility will be held Oct. 19, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at 1201 Heritage Circle located on the Pawnee Tribal Reserve.

Editor's note: Photos taken in part by Muriel Robedeaux and Jon James.



Photo courtesy of the ICDBG Office

The driveways and parking areas are in placed and ready for usage.



Photo courtesy of the ICDBG Office

The new Law Enforcement Center's lobby area offers spacious waiting areas and kitchen components.

PAWNEE NATION HAPPENINGS

Pawnee Nation Firefighters Assist Preservation Efforts

Design By Toni Hill, Communications Manager



Photo by Rhonda James



Photo by Rhonda James

(Left) Pawnee Nation's brush truck (on the left) gets a water refill from the fire engine. (Right) Firefighters Jon James and Gerald Woommavovah (driver) en route to Mashum to help relief efforts. Within the past few months, PN firefighters have responded to calls in the Glencoe, Masham, Meramac, Jennings, Yale and Morrison communities.

PN Firefighters Maintain Skills



Photo by Kelly Kersey



Photo by Toni Hill

Josh Daniel, Pawnee Nation environmental scientist, examines burned hay located in close proximity to a destroyed residence (background) in Mashum.



Photo by Kelly Kersey

(Top) Firefighters practice extinguishing a petroleum fire. (Bottom) Monty Matlock (left) and Josh Daniel (right) observe.



Photo by Toni Hill

Firefighters work to contain and extinguish the blaze.

Pawnee Nation Fire Department recently attended training entitled, "Flammable Liquids and Gas Transportation Emergencies" held at Oklahoma State University. Topics included Storage and Usage of Fuels, Coordinated Fire Attacks and Strategies for Various Fires and Dry Chemical Agents and Applications. Firefighters trained using props that simulated fires from pooled flammable liquids, low and elevated pressurized valve leaks and split pipes. This type of hands-on training ensures that PN firefighters remain skilled and prepared to protect Pawnee Nation and the surrounding communities.

PAWNEE NATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Special Diabetes Program for Indians

Submitted By Crystal McNeill,
Program Coordinator

Name of Department: Special Diabetes Program for Indians

Department mission/services offered: Diabetic Supplies: meter, strips, lancets, blood pressure monitor, etc., \$150 towards eye wear (once per calendar year), \$300 towards therapeutic footwear (once per calendar year), \$700 towards denture repair (once per calendar year), assist with diabetic medica-

tions, not on formulary at Indian Health Service Clinic (2 medications per month) and Nike N7 Shoe incentive program.

Eligibility guidelines: Certification of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB), Diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus from a primary care physician, copies of Medicare/Medicaid and/or any private insurance cards, proof of residence, Confidentiality and Release of Information form, list of current

medications and laboratory results from the past year – prior to date seeking admission.

Department funding: For program medical, educational and outreach supplies \$54,441 was allotted to complete any program events, activities and educational opportunities for FY 2011-12.

Staff: Program Coordinator Crystal McNeill is responsible for

administering and accomplishing the goals and objectives identified in the grant; as well as monitoring the program's financial status.

Administrative Assistant Jaime Jestes provides clerical and administrative services to support in the implementation of goals and objectives of the diabetes program.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Special Diabetes Program for Indians - 762-4045.

CHILDCARE WISDOM SHARED

Parenting Tips For Days Filled With Challenge

By Kari Little
Indian Child Welfare Director



Photo by Paigelyn Moore/Summer Worker

Remembering that child rearing is like Child's play can sometimes ease the challenges that parents face.

Some days, being a parent is easy and fun and effortless.

Your kids are well behaved, you have unlimited patience, and things flow smoothly. Other days, being a parent is completely ex-

hausting and you think you might go crazy.

If you need some help to keep your home as peaceful as possible, try some of these tips.

Don't Yell

Decide not to yell for a

day. When you start yelling, they start yelling, and things go downhill quickly. If you choose to keep your voice calm, you will start feeling calm and will be better able to diffuse any potential breakdowns. This is hard, but it is worth it.

Focus on the Child

Spend some time focused just on your child. Families are always going in a million different directions, especially when school starts.

Both kids and parents can get worn out from the daily routine. Try taking 15 minutes to spend just with your kids, without the TV or cell phones around. Play with them, talk to them, and give them your undivided attention. Positive attention goes a long way with kids, and will help you feel more

connected.

Set clear expectations

How many arguments have you had with your kids, and their response is, "I didn't know you wanted me to do that?"

Even if something seems obvious or logical to you, it may not be to your child. Be clear about what you expect them to do, and write it down or provide reminders if needed.

Say "Yes"

Sometimes it feels like all you do as a parent is say "no" to the millions of requests your kids make, and it becomes a kind of reflex answer no matter what they are asking. The next time they make a request, stop and consider it. If it is reasonable and will not cause problems for anyone, why

not say yes? They will feel like you listened and you all may end up doing something fun that will be a great memory.

Don't Skimp On Love

Remember that you can't spoil your kids with love. It just isn't possible.

Knowing that their parents love them makes kids feel safe and secure. If you aren't a hugs and kisses kind of parent, write your child a note or doing something special for them.

We all know how nice it is to know that someone cares about you.

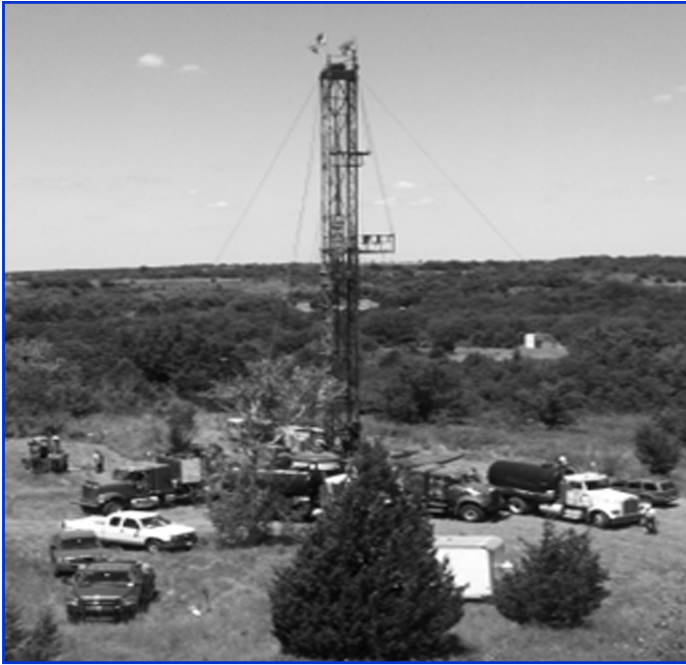
If you are interested in learning more about parenting, contact ICW at (918) 762-3873 x3 for information on upcoming parenting classes.

The Promoting Safe and Stable Families program still has funds available to assist families in crisis. We can assist with utility or housing deposits, utility bills, or other areas, depending on the needs of the family. Families must have children living in the home to be eligible. Please contact Indian Child Welfare (ICW) for an application. The ICW office is located in the HCS building, or can be reached by phone at (918) 762-3873 Ext. 3.

OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Old Cemeteries Never Die

By Gordon Adams
Preservation Officer



The crane used in the excavation process.

In 2007, I moved to Pawnee from Phoenix, Ariz. to accept a position at the Pawnee Nation College as director of Institutional Advancement. After attending several funerals, I noticed only the Skidi, Chaui, and Kitkehahki cemeteries were being used. As time went on, I began to wonder why no burials were made at the Pitahawirata cemetery. I knew that for hundreds of years each band established their own cemeteries near their towns everywhere they went.

Like the stars each band repre-

sents, Skidi cemeteries were always located north of their towns, just as Skidi towns were always located north of the other bands; Chaui cemeteries were always located similarly in the west of their towns, just as their towns were always located west of the other bands; Kitkahahki cemeteries were always south of their towns, just as

their towns were always located south of the other bands. Similarly, Pitahawirata cemeteries were always east. At the bottom of my list of things to do, I casually asked around to find out where.

To my surprise, few Pawnees I asked even knew there was supposed to be a fourth cemetery, and of those who knew there was supposed to be four cemeteries, the Pawnees I asked did not know where it was. The College consumed most of my time and the mystery cemetery soon faded from my thoughts.

In 2011, I was appointed Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) and took over the duties of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO).

One of those duties is to “Survey” and “Inventory” all tribally owned lands to ascertain whether any qualify for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). “Survey” means finding out everything about the properties, and “Inventory” means placing all that information into a database. As THPO it is now my duty to locate the mystery cemetery. I began my search with a literature review which eventually led me to a 1968 Congressional Act.

On Oct. 2, 1968, the 90th Congress of the United States enacted Public Law 90-546. P.L. 90-546 gave back to the Pawnee people the land which is today the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Reservation, and placed it into Trust status. This legislation also returned four 10-acre cemetery sites to the Pawnee Nation and placing them in Trust as well. Their locations were also listed. One of these 10-acre sites is the Pitahawirata cemetery.

The property could not be seen from the dirt road leading to it because of the thick under-brush and trees. After driving past it a couple

of times, I noticed a spot which might have been a road into the property.

Looking closer, I saw a badly eroded trail and began nosing my 4-wheel drive truck into the underbrush. I soon emerged in a clearing to find an oil-rig and two rusting silos dead in the middle of our cemetery.

In addition to the abandoned equipment, it also appeared that bulldozer work had excavated earth to a depth of 20 feet in some areas, presenting the possibility of grave disturbances. I soon found that mineral rights to the property had been leased out in 1981 to a succession of oil companies and finally ending up in the hands of Heritage Petroleum, Stillwater, Okla.

On June 18, 2012, I met with BIA, BLM and Heritage representatives to settle on a plan to remove the oil field equipment. The plan agreed to by all included the following activities conducted in two phases: Phase 1: Equipment removal, and, Phase 2: Restoring the property to its original condition. Heritage Petroleum also agreed to relinquish their lease since it had become unprofitable to maintain.

The next issue of the *Chaticks si Chaticks* will contain the conclusion of this article.

HOLIDAY REMINDERS

Halloween Is Coming - A Guide On Maintaining A Healthy “Trick or Treat”!

By Crystal McNeill
Diabetes Coordinator

Halloween is coming and you know that means – Yes! The massive amounts of bite-sized candies!

If you are living with Diabetes, this specific holiday may require a little more planning before taking part in any upcoming festivities. Here are some tips to help with blood sugar spikes when enjoying a

few Halloween treats:

- Wait a few days before Halloween to purchase any candy. Also, buy the kind you do not like to help reduce the temptation of snacking while handing out goodies to the kids.
- Eat a filling, healthy meal before taking kids trick or treating.

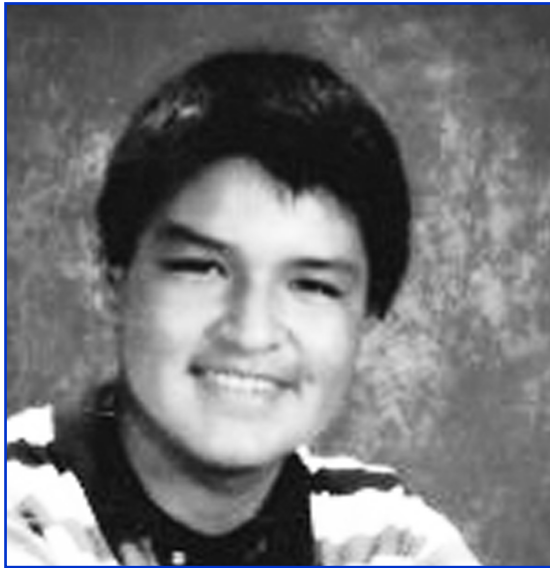
This will help with not over indulging on sweets.

- Chew sweet sugarless gum. By doing this, you will not have room in your mouth for candy and it will also curb sweet cravings without adding extra calories and carbohydrates.
- Keep track on how much you

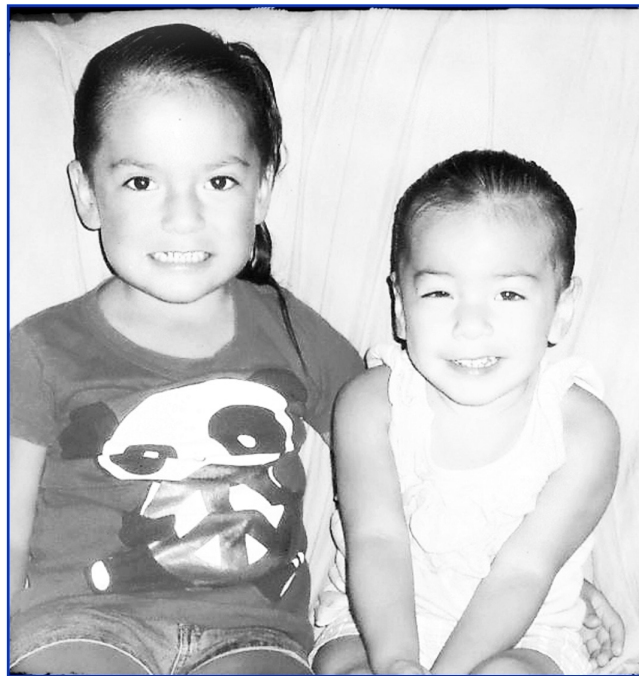
eat by keeping the wrappers. Keeping count of the number of wrappers will hopefully remind you not to eat too many!

If you have any questions regarding controlling Diabetes through Halloween, feel free to contact the Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program for assistance at 918-762-4045.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

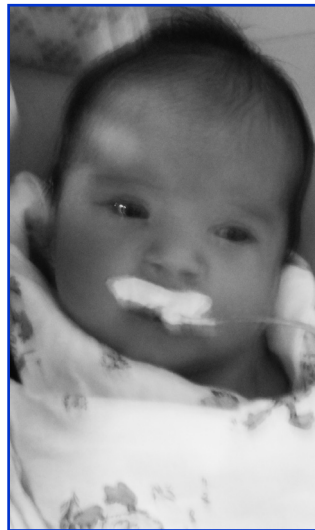


Oct. 13th 2012 Happy Birthday Joshua Big Bear Hand, We Love you!!! Mom, Arthur, Jamie and Caleb!!!!



Happy Birthday to Orion Rae Primeaux! On November 22nd she will celebrate her 4th birthday. - Love Mom, Dad, Athena Marie, & Atticus Grey

Happy Birthday to Athena Marie Primeaux! On October 7th she will celebrate her 2nd birthday. - Love Mom, Dad, Orion Rae, & Atticus Grey



Orion Rae and Athena Marie would like to announce the arrival of their new baby sister Atticus Grey Primeaux! She was born on September 1st. and weighed 9lbs.8oz. Parents are Anthony Primeaux and Marie MorningStar Epler. Grandparents are Mike and Rose Primeaux, and Bob and Gerri Horn.

CONGRATULATIONS

Ted Moore was selected as the Pawnee Nation Education Director effective Sept. 4, 2012. Previously Moore served as a grant writer for the Nation.

“I am very proud to become the Education Director for the Pawnee Nation and look forward to improving our education, training and related services for our children, families and community,” Moore said.

The education office is located at the Cultural Learning Center at 657 Harrison Street, entrance in the back. For more information bout services, call (918) 762-3227.



9/13/2012 Health Fair Walk

TRIBAL ELDERS set a good pace today at a healthy lifestyles walk preceding the Otoe-Missouria Health Fair held at the tribe’s Red Rock campus. Pictured are Elizabeth Blackowl, left, Richard Roubedeaux, Phyllis Soxie, Darrell Moore and Herb Rice. Hundreds of participants turned out for the event which featured information and referrals from a variety of health service providers and a Women Who Win workshop.

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Pawnee Nation College

PNC would like to welcome new staff members Ronald James, Recruiter/Admissions Assistant and Tahlee Redcorn, full-time faculty member.

PNC’S Student Government Association student officials for the 2012-2013 academic year are President Jaime Rowe, Vice President and PNC Princess Alexandria Chino, Treasurer Crystal McClure, Secretary Danny Donaldson, Historian Rheanna Wilde and Sargent at Arms Frankie Briendine.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

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

July 16, 2012 PBC Meeting:

All Council members were present and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare and TDC CEO Roger Smith provided reports.

The minutes of the June 20 and June 28, 2012 PBC meetings were approved.

Old Business:

1. The Indian Housing Plan was reviewed and approved for submission.
2. The Transportation Dept. requested to purchase an extended warranty on the backhoe that was purchased a year ago – approved.

New Business (with Added items):

1. Transportation requested approval of bids for concrete, rock and iron for the Law Enforcement parking lot project - withdrawn.
2. A request for approval of Museum by-laws and budget were tabled.
3. The Communications Dept. proposed a sign project with the City of Pawnee – approved to pursue.
4. Revisions to the TDC Articles of Incorporation were approved and TDC was requested to submit a budget for 2012.
5. Revisions to the TERO Ordinance were tabled and a scoping meeting to review the changes with the TERO Commission and Council was discussed.
6. Resolution 12-34 – Code of Conduct was approved for the ICD-BG project.
7. Council conducted interviews of the top three A & E firms for the 2012 ICDBG project (Elderly Meals). ONE Architecture is selected.
8. Discussion was held regarding the Governing Documents Commission guidelines. Item was tabled.
9. Discussion was held regarding the Social Problems Commission guidelines. Item was tabled.

10. William Howell reported on the Wichita Visitation that will start July 25, 2012. Mr. Howell provided protocol for the event as a reminder to everyone.

Executive Session:

Discussion was held with the TDC Chairman.

After Executive Session, no votes were taken regarding the items discussed, but the Council scheduled the Executive Director evaluation for July 23 at 10 a.m.

July 23, 2012 PBC Meeting:

All Council members were present for this one-item agenda meeting.

Executive Session:

1. Executive Director Performance Evaluation was conducted.

July 25, 2012, PBC Meeting:

Seven Council members were present (Richard Tilden was excused) and provided reports on their meetings and Committees since the last Council meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare gave an overview of activities at the Administration level.

Old Business:

1. Resolution 12-33 for approval of the TERO Ordinance was tabled. A scoping meeting regarding the TERO ordinance was scheduled for July 31, 2012.
2. Transportation returned with their request for Rock, Concrete and Iron for the Law Enforcement Parking Lot. The total bid approved for this project is \$34,470.20.
3. The guidelines for the Governing Documents Commission were tabled.
4. The Social Issues Commission was changed to the Social Issues Committee.

New Business:

1. The Transportation Department asked for approval to purchase a Truck Tractor for \$33,500. Approved.
2. Pius Horse Chief gave an update on the new officers of the Pawnee Indian Veteran's organization and plans for future events and

fund raising.

3. A Proclamation declaring July as National Minority Mental Health Awareness month for the Pawnee Nation was requested and approved.

4. Resolution 12-35 was approved for the forgiveness of a \$25,000 loan given to the Pawnee Nation College several years ago.

5. The revisions to the fiscal policies were tabled.

6. Budget Committee recommendations – added item. Council reviewed the agenda items from the Budget meeting the previous day. No action was taken except for the forgiveness of the college loan in item #4.

Aug. 1, 2012, Joint PBC/TDC Meeting

The Council members were present for a Joint Meeting between the PBC and TDC Board of Directors. The only item on the agenda was Review the changes to the TDC Articles of Incorporation and Open Forum.

Aug. 4, 2012, PBC Quarterly Meeting

All Council members were present. Executive Director provided an overview of the Quarterly Report and each Division Director provided information regarding the programs under their Divisions.

Aug. 8, 2012, PBC Meeting

Seven Council members were present. Richard Tilden was excused. Council provided reports on their meetings, commissions and committees since the last PBC meeting. Executive Director Dawna Hare provided a report. TDC Board Member Laura Melton provided a brief report on TDC activities.

The minutes of the July 25, 2012 PBC meeting were approved.

Old Business:

1. Resolution 12-33, Revisions to the TERO Ordinance was tabled.

New Business:

1. The Transportation Department requested to change the ven-

dor for the Law Enforcement Project Parking lot because TERO had withdrawn their bid. The item was tabled.

2. The Transportation Department requested that the bid of McGuire Brothers be approved for the new access road project – approved.

3. Resolution 12-36 – Open-Outdoor Burning Ban and Permit was approved. The Burn Ban is for 30 days.

4. The Pawnee Nation College requested Council consider an annual allocation. The request was tabled so it can go before the Budget Committee and additional information can be reviewed.

5. Resolution 12-37 to appoint Stephen Bird as Chairman of the Election Commission – approved.

6. Resolutions 12-38 and 12-39 were approved to appoint Cynthia Butler and Tamera Hawkins to the Environmental Regulatory Commission.

Aug. 22, 2012, PBC Meeting

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

The minutes of the Aug. 4, 2012 Quarterly meeting and August 8, 2012 PBC meeting were approved.

Old Business:

1. Resolution 12-33, Revisions to the TERO Ordinance was approved with changes.

2. The Transportation Dept. requested Council approve the Jess Ross Construction Company to pour the concrete for the Law Enforcement Project Parking lot. Approved with contingencies.

New Business:

1. Resolution 12-40 requesting a Special Wildlife Harvest Permit was approved.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING NOTES CONT.

Deer meat will be provided to Pawnee Nation elders.

2. Resolution 12-48 for the Liquor Control Commission was tabled. PBC requested the Governing Documents Committee review the Act, confirm with legal opinion and bring a revised resolution back to Council.

3. Resolution 12-49 – Revisions to the Gaming Ordinance – tabled until a scoping meeting can be scheduled.

4. A request for a forensic audit of TDC and to request a different auditing firm was denied.

Executive Session:

1. Interview and selection of Education Division Director.

After coming out of Executive Session, Pat Moore, Jr. is selected. If Mr. Pat Moore does not accept the position, it will be offered to Ted Moore, Jr.

Aug. 25, 2012, PBC/Nasharo Joint Meeting and for Public Comment

Seven Council members were present. Jim Fields was excused. Seven Nasharo members were present. Stephen Jake was excused. Each member of the two Councils and the tribal members were allowed to present their ideas for use of the Nez Perce Settlement funds. The Joint Council will meet to discuss the final decision on Sept. 8, 2012.

Sept. 8, 2012, PBC/Nasharo Joint Meeting

Seven Council members were present. Jim Fields was excused. The two Councils met to discuss the results of the public meeting in Executive Session. When they came out of Executive Session, they voted to give \$2 million to the tribal members, \$2 million for services and programs and the remainder as payment to NARF.

THIRD QUARTER 2012 RESOLUTIONS

#12-26 – A Resolution for Absolute Relinquishment – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-32 – A Resolution to Revise the TDC Articles of Incorporation – Approved July 16, 2012 by a vote of six for, one against (Lone Chief), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-33 – A Resolution to Revise the TERO Ordinance – Approved Aug. 22, 2012 by a vote of seven for, none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-34 – A Resolution to submit the Tribes Code of Conduct for the ICDBG – Approved July 16, 2012 by a vote of seven for, none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-35 – A Resolution to Forgive a \$25,000 Loan made to the Pawnee Nation College – Approved July 25, 2012 by a vote of six for, one excused (Tilden), none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-36 – A Resolution for the Pawnee Nation to Ban Open Outdoor Burning for 30 days with a permit for cultural activities – Approved August 8, 2012 by a vote of six

for, one excused (Tilden), none against, and one not voting (Vice-President Lone Chief).

#12-37 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Election Commission – Stephen Bird is appointed as Chairman - Approved Aug. 8, 2012 by a vote of five for, one excused (Tilden), one against (Taylor), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-38 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Environmental Regulatory Commission – Cynthia Butler is appointed - Approved Aug. 8, 2012 by a vote of six for, one excused (Tilden), none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-39 – A Resolution for Appointment to the Environmental Regulatory Commission – Tamera Hawkins is appointed – Approved Aug. 8, 2012 by a vote of six for, one excused (Tilden), none against, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-40 – A Resolution for a Special Wildlife Harvest Permit – Approved - Aug. 22, 2012 by a vote of six for, one excused (Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-41 – A Resolution for Enrollment adding 48 members – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-42 – A Resolution for Enrollment documenting 16 deceased members – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-43 – A Resolution for – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-44 – A Resolution for Enrollment - Conditional Relinquishment – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-45 – A Resolution for Enrollment – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-46 – A Resolution for Enrollment – Conditional Relinquishment – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012

by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-47 – A Resolution to Draw-down Proceeds of Labor \$12,787.00 – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of five for, two absent (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-48 – A Resolution for Liquor Control Regulations – Tabled – Aug. 22, 2012 by a vote of six for, one absent (Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-49 – A Resolution for Revisions to the Gaming Ordinance – Tabled – Aug. 22, 2012 by a vote of six for, one absent (Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-50 – A Resolution for a 30 day Extension of the Open-Outdoor Burning Ban – Tabled – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of six for, one absent (Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-51 – A Resolution to Appoint a Gaming Commissioner – Stephen Bird is re-appointed to a 3-year term. – Approved – Sept. 12, 2012 by a vote of three for, two excused (Jestes, Fields), and one not voting (President Gover).

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

Indian Health Center Staff Member Echo Hawk Receives Director's Award

By **Joyce G. Oberly**, PIHC Performance Improvement Officer
By **Toni Hill**, Pawnee Nation Communications Manager



Photo by Toni Hill

Adrienne Echo Hawk recives congrtulations from PIHC Chief Pharamist Dr. Kaileen Skidgel.

Adrienne Echo Hawk, Pawnee Pharmacy Technician, recently received the Director's Award. Echo Hawk has worked for Pawnee Indian Health Center (PIHC) for four years and oversees Point of Sale (POS) collections. Before Echo-Hawk started at the PIHC, the pharmacy third-party collections were \$754,000 for FY 2008.

Due to her efforts in POS and consistently seeking avenues for reimbursement, the PIHC had a significantly increased revenue for the PIHC Service Unit, which includes Pawnee and Pawhuska Indian Health Centers. In 2011, Echo Hawk collected close to \$1.25 million and increased payables for more than \$495,000. For the quarter ending in January 2012, Echo Hawk gathered \$494,173. Echo Hawk is on track to

collect more revenue this year than last, approximating \$1.9 million. Her abilities allow the PIHC to improve the quality of care and increased access to needed medications and services.

"I feel that my experience with the private sector in pharmacy support and claims has been a great part of my success," Echo Hawk said. "I am very honored by this recognition and excited that the additional funds can be used to support increased serves and medicines, often those that are too expensive for many, to our clients."

Echo Hawk also serves as a consultant for other clinics to help them accomplish the agency mission and director's initiative. Echo Hawk also serves on the National Point of Sale Technical Advisory Group. She advises POS billers and technicians from as far as Yakima Health Center in Washington to local clinics in Oklahoma at Claremore, Pawhuska and Clinton.

Pawnee Indian Health Clinic Offers An Anticoagulation Clinic

By **Joyce G. Oberly**
PIHC Performance Improvement Officer

Effective June 1, 2012, the Pawnee Indian Health Center (PIHC) pharmacy began offering a new service, the Pharmacy Anticoagulation Clinic (ACC). Lt. Grant McElwee serves as the clinic manager.

McElwee and PIHC Chief Pharmacist Dr. Kaileen Skidgel attended the National Indian Health Services Anticoagulation Training Program at the Claremore Indian Hospital and are credentialed Anticoagulation Clinical Pharmacy Specialists (CPS). Together, they will manage anticoagulation therapy in patients enrolled in the Pharmacy ACC.

The goal of this new service is to increase patient satisfaction by improving client care and access to services. An additional focus of this clinic is to provide greater patient education in hopes that the anticoagulation patients may be

better equipped to take greater responsibility for their care. This collaboration between the medical clinic and pharmacy will help to decrease the workload of prescribers and expand the clinical role of the pharmacist.

The initial step of patient participation in the Pharmacy ACC is to have the prescriber submit a consult/referral. Once referred to the Pharmacy ACC, patients are followed entirely in the pharmacy for management of their anticoagulation. International Normalized Ratio testing will be performed by utilizing a finger stick and point of care meter that will produce a result in about one minute. After the result is obtained, the pharmacist will make any adjustment in Warfarin dose per the ACC Policies & Procedures and then reschedule the patient for follow-up.



Photo by Toni Hill

Waleeska Riding In receives a finger stick for demonstration purposes.

Pawnee Pharmacy Central Mail Out Program

By **Joyce G. Oberly**
PIHC Performance Improvement Officer

On Sept. 28, 2010 Indian Health Service (I.H.S.) Director, Dr. Yvette Roubideaux testified before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs of the U.S. Congress.

During her testimony, Roubideaux responded to the need for reform within our agency. She cited the need to "Improve the Quality of and Access to Care."

The Pawnee Service Unit (PSU) is dedicated to addressing all areas of I.H.S. reform and continually

improving the way we do business. As such the Service Unit clinics in Pawnee and Pawhuska successfully implemented the pharmacy mail out program. Improving customer service was the impetus in mailing out prescriptions.

With the previous system, patients faced a multitude of problems in obtaining their medication including severe weather conditions, coordinating travel to and from the clinic as well as the economics of

increased fuel costs.

The most important factor was ensuring patient safety and medication compliance. At the Pawnee Indian Health Center (PIHC), PIHC Chief Pharmacist Dr. Kaileen Skidgel developed a plan to address the problems in a cost effective manner. Skidgel also created policy and established the procedure for the mail out program.

The PSU initiated the mail out program Sept. 30, 2010 and cur-

rently maintains 210 participants in Pawnee and 65 participants in Pawhuska.

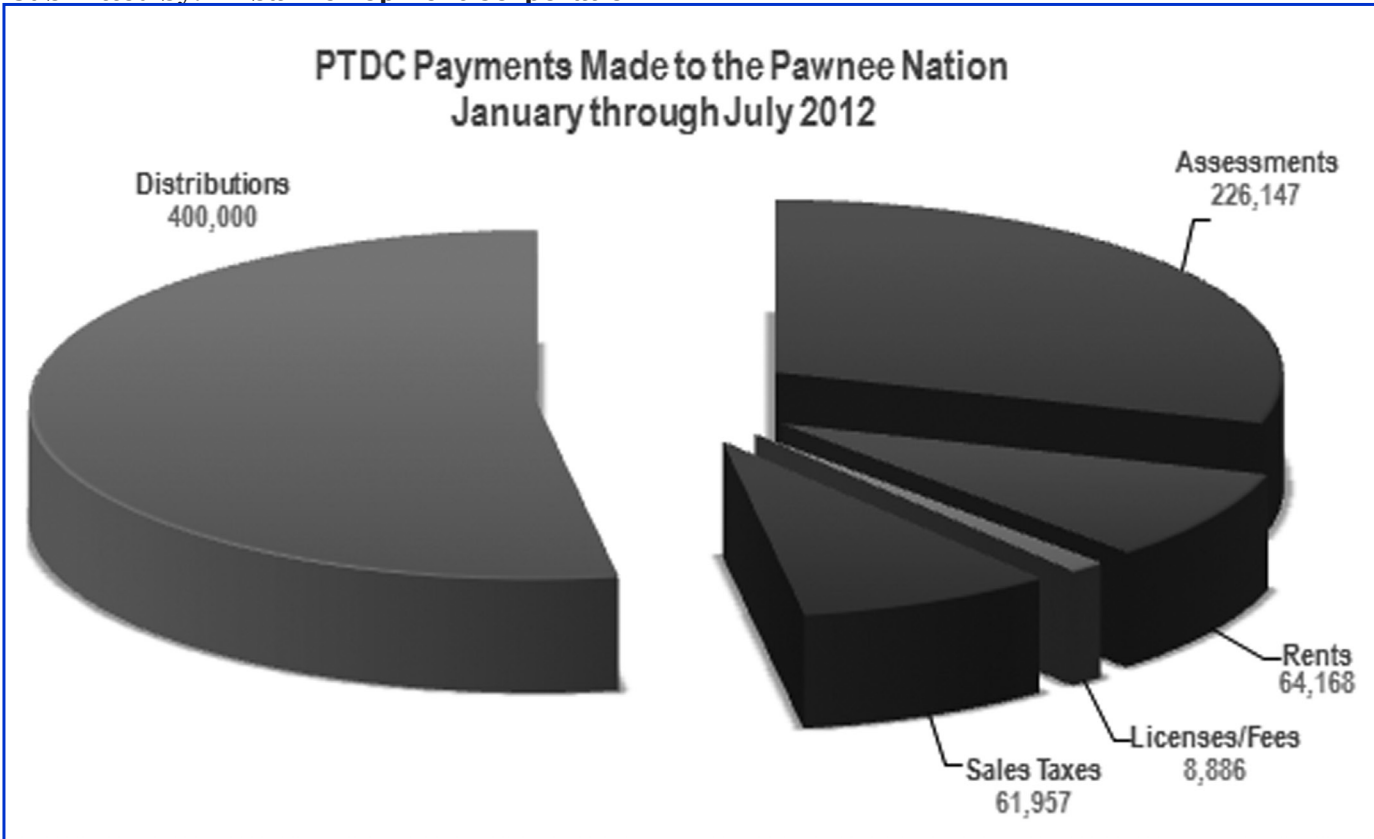
The PSU acknowledges the hard work put forth in this effort by clinic pharmacy teams. Much appreciation goes to Skidgel, LT Casey Edinger, Adrienne Echo Hawk, Ann Price, Waleeska Riding In and Tracy Patton.

For more information, contact the PIHC at (918) 762-2517.

TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Tribal Development Corporation Supports Pawnee Nation

Submitted by: Tribal Development Corporation



to the Pawnee Nation government. Since the money does belong to the tribe, the proper level to approach for donations is the elected tribal officials.

The PTDC Board of Directors has made a commitment to execute its combined potential to become a valuable asset for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma’s government, its tribal members and the community of the City of Pawnee.

Under new corporate leadership, PTDC employs a staff of professionals from diverse backgrounds who share the same vision of creating more success for PTDC; the Board and the corporate office both have been working aggressively to achieve that vision which also includes researching other economic opportunities to further increase the Corporations’ resources.

As the PTDC focuses on its purpose to send funds to the Pawnee Nation government, another point of its existence centers on providing employment to tribal members and other members of the community.

It should be noted that the businesses of PTDC are regulated by the National Indian Gaming Commission and the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission whom each have established rules and regulations by which PTDC must abide.

The PTDC holds its meetings on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the corporate office conference room located on the second floor of the Health and Community Services building, aka the old IHS hospital.

The dates are listed on the Pawnee Nation calendar or you can call (918) 762-4832, Ext. 11 for exact dates of the monthly meetings. PTDC invites all tribal and community members to attend its meetings.

The above chart shows the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporations’ (PTDC) payments made to the Pawnee Nation’s government from January through July 2012; a total so far of \$761,158 for the year and \$179,214 more in comparison to July 2011.

Other financial payments are made to the Pawnee Nation via PTDC’s vendors and those vendors make payments directly to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission.

Furthermore, remaining monthly profits generated by PTDC is reinvested into the Corporation for payroll, debt reduction and capital improvements.

Also, the PTDC Board of Directors on March 20, 2012 adopted by unanimous vote a ‘No Donation’ policy.

The Board felt that their job is to send profits to the Pawnee Nation and not place itself in a position to donate funds that belong

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The following listed people have undeliverable addresses in the Enrollment Department, if you know any of these individuals please have them contact the Enrollment office at (918) 762-3624 to update their address. Some on this list may have recently updated their address. If so, please disregard this notice. If a person listed has passed on please accept our condolences and please contact the Enrollment Department at (918) 762-3624. Thank you.

Adams, Jess Thomas	Fields, Michael Wayne	Kiser, Benjamin Noah	Partridge, Carl J	Smith, Aaron Charles
Aguilar, Dax Miguel	Fields, Mika Alexis	Kiser, Cody Rae Lynn	Partridge, Robbin Jonas	Smith, Chad Eric
Baldwin Jr, Paul Richard	Fields, Raymond Lawrence	Kiser, Jessica Keegan	Partridge, Vincent Keith	Smith, David Anthony
Barreras, Sophia Monique	Fields, Scott Tilden	Kiser, Ryan Kenzie	Paulman, Jonathan Turner	Smith, Frances R
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Battiest, Charles Anthony	Furr, Christopher O'neal	Knife Chief, Steven Clarence	Pena, Michael James	Smith, Kenneth Whittington
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ROBERT JAMES LITTLESUN**Oct. 16, 1932--Aug. 17, 2012**

Robert James LittleSun was born on Oct. 16, 1932 in Pawnee, Okla. to James LittleSun and Lucy Morgan LittleSun. He passed from this life on Friday, Aug. 17, 2012 in Cushing Regional Hospital, Cushing, Okla. having reached the age of 79 years, 10 months and one day.

He was a full blood Pawnee, a member of the Kitkehahki Band, and was affiliated with the Baptist Church and the Native American Church. He married Zella Hand on June 29, 1973, and she preceded him in death on April 7, 2001.

He served in the U.S. Army as PFC E3 stationed at Camp Chaffee and Fort Bliss Texas from 1953 to 1955. He was an avid champion bass fisherman in military circuits, and national tournaments.

He retired as director of the drug and alcohol program for United Community Action Program, after serving 35 years, and contributed 20 years with the Pawnee Bill Memorial Rodeo. He also ran the Federation Youth Boxing Program for 12 years in Pawnee, Okla.

Robert is survived by his daughters, Denise Miller, Pawnee, Okla.; Betty Van Hoesen and

her husband Mike, Ponca City, Okla.; stepchildren, Leslie Rice, Pawnee, Okla.; John Eppler, Pawnee, Okla.; Tom Eppler, Alaska; brother, James LittleSun, Edmond, Okla.; grandchildren, Marlin Miller, Harley Miller, Joe Chapman, Stephen Wright, Tyler GoodBear, Cheyenne GoodBear, Myra Eppler, Ted Rice, Jacob Rice, and Emily Cairns, plus a number of other relatives, and many friends.

Besides his wife, Zella, he was preceded in death by his daughters, Debbie Wright, and Tammy Cairns; grandsons, Zachary Rice and Ben Josef Miller; parents, James and Lucy LittleSun; four brothers, George, Thomas Lee, Morgan Sr., and William "Bill" LittleSun; and two sisters, Elaine SpottedBear and Colleen Hendricks.

Services were held at 10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 20, 2012 at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, Pawnee, Okla., with Rev. Wendall Martin and Morgan LittleSun Jr. officiating.

Interment was in the Veterans Section of Highland Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla., under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

"Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort." 2 Corinthians 1:3

Obituaries

Foster Care Provides Love And Hope

By Kari Little

Indian Child Welfare Director

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

Foster parents are asked to do a very difficult job; to make a child a part of their family without knowing how long this child will be with them. Although it is not an easy job, it comes with a sense of joy and ac-

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

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

side the home. All kinds of homes are needed for all kinds of children. Another great way to get involved and help kids is through the Pawnee Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program.

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

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

For more information about the Pawnee CASA Program, contact Helen Norris at (918) 762-3776. For more information about becoming a foster parent, contact Kari Little at (918) 762-3873 ext. 3.

Health and Community Services Offers Funding Sources

Submitted By Angela Thompson
Health and Community Services Director

The adjoining table reveals the funding budgeted for Title VI program and the Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP) which fall under the Division of Health and Community Services (DHCS).

For more information, contact DHCS Director Angela Thompson (918) 762-3873.

TRIBAL FUNDING	Dec-11	CY 2012	PY 4/1/12 - 3/31/13
Title VI Part A	\$ 37,175.00	\$ 80,725.00	\$ 59,720.00 \$ 177,620
Title VI Part C	\$ 4,878.00	\$ 19,022.00	\$ 30,420.00 \$ 54,320
DHCS		\$ 26,168.00	\$ 26,168
Totals	\$ 42,053.00	\$ 125,915.00	\$ 90,140.00 \$ 258,108.00
FEDERAL FUNDING	PY 4/1/11-3/31/12	PY 4/1/12-3/31/13	
Title VI Part A	\$ 83,390	\$ 81,940	\$ 165,330
Title VI Part C	\$ 20,120	\$ 20,040	\$ 40,160
NSIP	\$ 10,532	\$ 12,522	\$ 23,054
Totals	\$ 114,042	\$ 114,502	\$ 228,544.00

Tribal Buildings Available For Rental To Accommodate Community

Tribal Buildings offer many amenities favorable for community and personal gatherings. Locations for rent include the Roundhouse

(pictured), Community Building, Camp Grounds, Multi-Purpose building, Wellness Center and the Roam Chief Event Center.

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 arrangements, call (918) 762-2273.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Commissioners

Pawnee Nation is seeking candidates for the positions of commissioner for both the Gaming Commission, Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Board of Commissioners and the Election Commission for Chairman and Teller.

Three positions on the Housing Authority Boards is also vacant. Qualified persons for the above

posting may submit a letter and resume to President Marshall R. Governor, Pawnee Business Council, P. O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK, 74058. For more information, call (918) 762-3621.

Supreme Court Justices

The Pawnee Nation is also accepting applications for two Supreme Court Justices.

Minimum qualifications: Be either: 1. Enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation, 2. The parent, child, or spouse of an enrolled member, 3. Actually domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation, 4. An attorney, or 5. A lay advocate who has regularly practiced before the court as a member of the Bar of the Court for a period of seven (7) years, 6. An Indian

graduate of an American Bar Association approve law school, or a paralegal program approved by the Supreme Court.

Visit www.pawneenation.org for applications and additional details.

Send applications to Linda Jestes, Pawnee Business Council Secretary, P.O. Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058. Applications accepted until positions are filled.

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Signature of enrolled member or guardian

MAIL TO: P.O. BOX 470, PAWNEE, OK 74058

PAWNEE NATION BUILDING DIRECTORY

Building #64:
(918) 762-3621

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

Building #68:
(918) 762-3378

- Gaming Commission

Pawnee Nation College

- Albin Leadingfox Building: (918) 762-3393 or (918) 762-3383
- Staff Quarters Building: (918) 762-3343
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Pawnee Nation Housing:
(918) 762-3454

Tribal Operations:
(918) 762-2273

- Reserve Maintenance
- Building Rentals

I.H.S Housekeeping:
(918) 762-3605

Building #1:
(918) 762-3624

- Tax Office
- Enrollment Office

Pawnee Tribal Court:
(918) 762-3649

Wellness Center/ Multi-Purpose Building

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

Roam Chief Building:
(918) 762-2541

- Food Distribution

Fire Station

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

Cultural Learning Center (Berry Building):
(918) 762-3227

- Education & Training
- Repatriation
- THPO

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

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

Family Development Center

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

Substance Abuse Building:
(918) 762-2153

- Substance Abuse Program
- Healthy Nations Program

Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation:
(918) 762-4832

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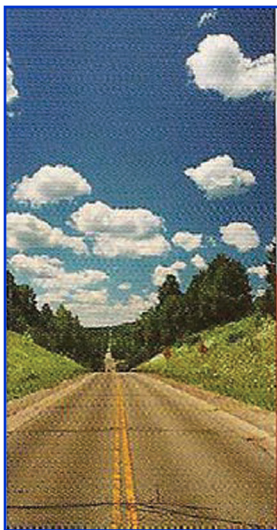
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