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#### Message from the President



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Season's Greetings, here's hoping this newsletter finds you well and in a good way.

As this year's end approaches the Pawnee Nation conducts business all the while looking for the best opportunities to move forward. Good things happened for us and I am confident great things are coming in the future.

The StoneWolf Casino expansion has begun and we look forward to a bigger and better facility to enhance the gaming, eating, and travel plaza experience in which all of our people can enjoy. It will have additional electronic games, card table games, and an expanded Howler's restaurant. The new and improved StoneWolf site is expected to be completed by late Spring 2017.

Despite the 5.8 earthquake which hit our community during the Labor Day weekend causing significant damage to our campus, our insurance folks have enabled us to start scheduling repairs to our campus Administration Bldg., Albin Leadingfox Bldg., Building 1 (Tax Office), and the downtown Cultural Learning Center. There were other buildings damaged, but those were the most significant, therefore we will be moving temporarily to other buildings as each phase of the damage is repaired. Please be mindful

of that as you come onto our campus, we may have moved elsewhere temporarily.

Earthquakes continue, which has prompted the Pawnee Nation to file a lawsuit against the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Land Management to challenge federal oil and gas approvals on Pawnee lands. There is further information in this Newsletter and on our website: www.pawneenation.org. Please take the time to look at those informative articles and to contact the Administration Office with any inquires.

We pause during the holiday season to remember those who have passed on. One notable was the first Pawnee female elected to the Pawnee Business Council, Edith Beardsley, who passed on at the age of 97. We cherish the memories of those we have lost and in looking ahead to welcome all our new Pawnees born to carry on our good ways.

I hope this Holiday Season is a blessed time for you all and may Attius continue to shower His blessings upon the Pawnee Nation.

God bless,

W. Bruce Pratt



#### Pawnee Nation Enrollment Office

**IMPORTANT:** The Enrollment Department is trying to contact the Pawnee Nation Tribal Members listed below, if you know any of these individuals please have them contact the **Enrollment office** at **918-762-3621** to speak with **Enrollment Manager**, **Carrie Peters** *Ext.* **136** or **Enrollment Administrative**, **Assistant Karen Haymond** *Ext.* **137**. Some listed may be children, please ask their parent/legal guardian to contact us. Anyone that is age 18 and over will need to contact us on their own behalf.

Kitty Madelon Aspen All Sophia Monique Barreras Vivica Faye Barreras Brenda Sue Barrone Charles Anthony Battiest Wanda Timlyn Battiest Alice Lena Cole Victoria Florine Collins Monica Rachael Carranza Louis Aaron Caesar Judy Kay Dement Tobin Rae Echo-Hawk Kathryn Ellen Ellis Bruce Allen Fields Christopher O'Neal Furr McKayla Maria Gonzalez Darrell James Gardipe Janis Giblon Larry Allen Gibson Billy Kevin Gover Vernon Lee Hall Jo Esta Hartwick John Hickey Jr. Cynthia Lou Hopkins Roberta Stout Hutson
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Rosemary A Munoz
Elizabeth Dawn Patty Moses
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Cecelia Rae McHugh
Linda Ann Morrison
Christopher Kelly Olsen
Cody Kyle Olsen
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### PAWNEE NATION OF OKLAHOMA FILES SUIT TO PROTECT TRIBAL LANDS AND WATER FROM ILLEGAL OIL AND GAS DRILLING.

Contact: Andrew Knife Chief, Executive Director, Pawnee Nation, 918-762-3621

November 18, 2016: The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, and tribal member Walter Echo-Hawk, filed suit against the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to challenge federal oil and gas approvals on Pawnee lands. The lawsuit seeks to set aside numerous oil and gas leases and drilling permits approved in recent years that violate both federal and tribal law.

BLM and BIA issued the oil and gas approvals without consulting with the Nation or complying with tribal natural resource protection laws, including a 2015 Pawnee moratorium on new oil and gas approvals. The agencies also ignored the impacts of the drilling they were approving on the adjacent Cimarron River and its contribution to the wave of induced earthquakes that have rocked Oklahoma in recent years.

"Today the Pawnee Nation has taken the first steps towards asserting our right to protect our natural resources so that future generations will have full enjoyment of them. Since the very beginning we have only asked that our trustees provide us with adequate notice, recognize our legal authority to assert our constitutional rights as a sovereign nation, and help ensure that irresponsible actors are held accountable for their actions on our lands." Andrew Knife Chief, Executive Director Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma, alleges that BIA and BLM violated the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the federal government's

duties as trustee to the Pawnee Nation and its members, as well as other statutes. In addition to BLM and BIA, Secretary of Interior Sally Jewell is named as a defendant. The Pawnee Nation and Mr. Echo-Hawk are represented by the public interest law firm Earthjustice.

The lawsuit follows a moratorium on leasing and hydraulic fracturing approvals adopted in October 2015 by the Pawnee Nation. Recognizing the new and different risks posed by modern hydraulic fracturing operations, the Pawnee called for a time out on leasing and permit approvals until the Nation, BIA and BLM can jointly develop a policy to address earthquakes and other concerns. BIA and BLM have not honored the moratorium, however. "It bothers us that the Pawnee Nation has asked for a moratorium on the Fracturing process conducted on our lands and have largely been ignored, we have stated that 'we aren't against oil and gas production' but we are certainly against methods which hurt our land base, minerals and water. The earthquakes are a great motivator, for us to move to protect our land, resources and people." W. Bruce Pratt, President, Pawnee Nation.

The risks driving the Pawnee moratorium include potential water pollution, harm to tribal water rights, and the threat of earthquakes from disposal of fracturing waste water. Despite these issues, BIA and BLM have approved drilling operations along the Cimarron River without consulting with the Nation.

The Nation's fears were realized in early September 2016, when the largest earthquake in Oklahoma history (magnitude 5.8) struck the Pawnee area. The quake damaged many of the Nation's administrative buildings as well as Mr. Echo-Hawk's house, and caused structural damage to numerous other homes and buildings. The lawsuit charges that under NEPA, the federal agencies must analyze the threat of earthquakes and disclose that information to the public before approving oil and gas development that requires hydraulic fracturing.

"Unfortunately the risks have become too great, the needs too urgent, and the time too short for us to act. What we are asking for is a reasoned approach to solving the earthquake issues that affect the entire State of Oklahoma and we are hopeful that our taking this step will begin that process." Andrew Knife Chief, Executive Director Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Echo-Hawk is a tribal member who joined the lawsuit as a landowner affected by federal oil and gas development of Indian lands. "This lawsuit seeks to make federal agencies accountable to federal and tribal law when developing Indian resources," he said, "and that includes accountability from man-made earthquakes caused by that activity." The plaintiffs hope the public interests of all Oklahomans will be served by making the federal government respond to the earthquake crisis that confronts the entire state, rather than ignoring this growing public safety concern.

#### Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation and the Pawnee Nation



Pani Star Designs, is a screen printing shop that has both a retail storefront, custom designs, and can print in bulk orders of Apparel.

On November 28th, a Ribbon Cutting event was held at **Pani Star Designs** to kick off Grand Opening festivities for the retail business. Visit our store located at 530 5<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Pawnee.

Throughout the month of December all customers will receive a 10% discount and new customers will receive an additional 10% discount.

You are welcome to call **Pani Star Designs** at **918-762-5030** for inquiries.

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#### Pawnee/Osage Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) train community volunteers to speak for abused and neglected children in the courts. We are the only CASA Project in the nation that serves children in two state courts, Pawnee and Osage County District Courts and two tribal courts, Pawnee Nation Tribal Court and the Osage Nation Trial Court.

CASA have served a total of 393 children on 25 cases with 71 advocates on 190 cases. These children (197 females and 196 males) age ranges: 161 were age's newborn to age 5; 142 children ages 6-11; 45 children ages 12-15; 31 children ages 16-17; and 14 youth who were 18 years of age. Of the 393 children

served, 13 were African American, 203 were White, and 177 were Native American.

The volunteers helped to close 340 deprived children's cases. These case closures included adoptions, guardianships, long term foster care, and children reunited with their families.

These volunteers have donated over 18,290 case hours and drove 254,377 non-reimbursable miles advocating for the children on their cases.

More volunteers are needed. We have many, many children without a **CASA**. Please

call **918-762-3776** if you can donate a few hours a month. To qualify you must be age 21 or older, and able to a pass criminal background check. You will receive 40 hours of free training and become an officer of the court. You do not have to be an attorney or have a law background. **CASA's** are every day community tribal and non-tribal people that care about children.

Please call **Helen Norris** or **Kristin Donnelly** at **918-762-3776** or email **helen@pawneeosagecasa.org**.

The children need you!



#### **Department of Transportation and Safety**



Chris McCray, Tribal Safety Champion of the Year 2016.

# Jeremiah L. Butler Certificate of Completion Roads Scholar

(L to R) LTAP Director Douglas Wright and Transportation Tech Jeremiah Butler.

#### Chris McCray, Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Transportation Manager selected as the 2016 Safety Champ of the Year

The Southern Plains Tribal Technical Assistance Center (TTAP) and the Southern Plains Transportation Center co-hosted the 3rd Annual Tribal Safety Champions Workshop on Wednesday, November 16, 2016. The objective of the workshop was to prevent crashes and reduce the number of transportation related injuries and fatalities, while highlighting the work of area Safety Champions who are striving toward those efforts every day.

Mr. Chris McCray was selected out of 44 tribes in four states: Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas, as the Tribal Safety Champion of the Year. Mr. McCray was lauded as an advocate for safety for the Pawnee Nation and surrounding communities both in the field of transportation and emergency services. For the past 16 years he has demonstrated his commitment to maintain and improve transportation for all modes of transportation with a focus on quality of life, health and property. He also has volunteered with the City of Pawnee Fire Department & EMS for 13 years, were he currently serves as Assistant Fire Chief/Instructor/EMT. Through his years of service Mr. McCray has partnered and formed relationships with different Federal, State, Tribal and Local agencies to place emphasis on human life and safety, culture and community on and off the clock.

#### Roads Scholar Completion Award

Jeremiah Butler Pawnee Nation
Transportation Tech recently earned a
Roads Scholar Program award offered
through the Local Technical Assistance
Program (LTAP), an outreach
program of the College of Engineering,
Architecture and Technology at
Oklahoma State University.

"This certification provides me with a sense of personal accomplishment and completion of a goal I have had since being employed with the Pawnee Nation," Butler said. "I have gained valuable knowledge and resources from the classes and the opportunity to network with others in the field." Butler was honored during the Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma (ACCO) winter conference held November 9, 2016.



# Food Distribution Program

The Food Distribution
Program now has
clementines, frozen
cranberries, and ham
that are available. The
clementines come in
3 lb. bags; the frozen
cranberries come in 1 lb.
bags; and the ham is
3 lbs. These three items
are only available during
the holiday season.

Two new food items for December are: Cherry Apple Juice and Salmon Fillets. The Salmon Fillets are frozen and come in 1 lb. package with 4 - 4oz fillets in each package.

If you would like to see if you are eligible for the program, please call the Food Distribution Office at 918-762-2541 or come by the office located on the south side of the Roam Chief Building.

810 Morris Road Pawnee, OK 74058





## Happy Holidays from the Community Health Representatives (CHR) Program!

We would like to take this time to share a few updates and reminders with our clientele:

#### **Transports:**

The CHR Program is not transporting on Fridays after 12:00 pm. The program staff uses this time for planning, staffing, and making home visits.

#### **Funding:**

LIHEAP and CSBG funds for 2017 have been awarded and the program is accepting applications at this time. Please apply in person at the CHR Office or if you are unable to apply in person, please call 918-762-3873, option 1 and we will be happy to either mail or get an application to you.

#### **Update Files:**

With a New Year right around the corner, it is time for information updates. We are asking our clientele to please stop by or call the office to update your information, such as address and telephone number.

#### **Home Visits:**

If you or someone you know could benefit from routine home visits, please contact the CHR Program and we will be happy to assist.

#### What is Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) funds used for?

LIHEAP and CSBG are federally-funded programs that help low-income Native American households with their home energy bills, housing expenses, rental/ utility deposits, amenities for suitable living, prescription, and medical assistance.

#### Are you eligible for LIHEAP and CSBG Assistance?

Applicant must be Native American as verified by a Certified Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) or Tribal Membership card. Please provide CDIB or Tribal Membership card for all members residing at the residence. If CDIB or Tribal Membership card is not applicable, please provide Driver License or Social Security card.

Applicant must reside in Pawnee County as verified by Proof of Residence (current utility bill).

Applicant must meet poverty guidelines set forth by Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) or qualify using the benefits point system.

#### Be Safe in Your Home

You can face safety risks if you are unable to pay your home energy bills. Some people resort to unsafe methods to keep their homes warm or cool. These include the use of fireplaces, stoves, improperly vented portable heaters, barbecue grills, or overloading electrical circuits. These methods are not only fire hazards, but also create the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning.

(Information provided by the Office of Community Services, an Office of the Administration for Children and Families).

Please call the CHR Program if you have any questions about eligibility or would like more information on any of the programs we provide. The CHR Program can be reached at 918-762-3873, option 1 or send an email to Jaime Jestes, CHR Coordinator at jaimej@pawneenation.org.

#### Indian Child Welfare (ICW)



As of November 1, the *Indian Child Welfare* (ICW) Program moved to a new location. We are located at the new Resource Center at 1202 Heritage Circle; staff can be reached at 918-762-3621, ext. 175 for the *Coordinator* and ext. 143 for the *Administrative Assistant*.

As a result of funding requirements, new applications, guidelines, and procedures have been implemented for the **ICW** Assistance Programs (i.e. Promoting Safe & Stable Families and Child Welfare Services). The changes include those who are

applying for assistance must have an open case with Pawnee Nation ICW which includes an open assessment, investigation, prevention case, foster care case (state or tribal), guardianship case, adoption case, etc. Application can be picked up at the **ICW** office.

The ICW Program is also seeking foster parents. Applications to become an approved foster home can be picked up at the ICW Office. Benefits of being a foster parent includes providing a safe environment for children and ensuring their connection to their culture and community.

Lastly, the **ICW** staff will be attending Positive Indian Parenting Training in December, and as a result, will start offering parenting classes at the beginning of the new year.

#### Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program (SAP)

On October 24, 2016, the Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program held the annual Red Ribbon Walk with the Pawnee Public School System. This is to bring awareness to our community that we are against drug abuse. (HUGS NOT DRUGS.)



The Pawnee Nation **SAP** was awarded the Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative-Gen I grant for \$300,000 for four (4) years. This grant will provide two new job positions for the Prevention Department. This is a tribal, city, and community collaboration which will focus on the youth and young adults as well as their families. In addition to providing prevention activities, MSPI staff will be having cultural activities to meet grant goals and objectives.

On November 13, some of the Pawnee Nation *Division of Health and Community Services* (DHCS) programs (*Diabetes*, *Substance Abuse Program* (SAP), *Community Health Representatives* (CHR), and *Pawnee Pride*) participated in the NB3FIT activity which was held at the Ponca Tribe. This was collaboration with Ponca Tribe, Otoe Missouria Tribe, and Tonkawa Tribe. The event started with a run from the Otoe Missouria Tribal Camp grounds and finished at the Ponca Tribal Wellness Track. There was a (5) person relay

team who ran down Hwy. 177 N carrying a tribal relay stick having each tribe's name on it. The two men who represented Pawnee Nation were Elder Randy Moore and young man Cody Leading Fox. Once the run was completed, the activities for the youth as well as the adults started which included Tai Chi, Punt-Pass-Kick, Obstacle Course, Disc Golf, and a 3K. Lunch was provided and activities continued through the afternoon.

The focus on the event was to promote wellness and being alcohol and drug free. The planning committee plans to have this every year rotating the event with the participating tribes.

In November, **SAP** sponsored a Thanksgiving and sobriety birthday dinner for clients and group participants. For the month of December, SAP will be having a dinner for clients and group participants plus incentives for their continued sobriety!

The Substance Abuse Program (SAP) also has a wellness component part of the program, Pawnee Nation Fitness Center.

#### PAWNEE NATION FITNESS CENTER

804 Morris Road Pawnee, OK 74058 Hours are Mondays-Fridays 6:00 am to 9:00 pm and Saturdays 8:00 am to 1:00 pm.

#### SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

311 Maintenance Road, Pawnee OK 74058

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 am -5:00 pm.

Wednesdays 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Group meetings are 7:00-8:00 pm.

Staff is on call 7/24 office number **918-762-2143** 

SAP Coordinator/Counselor Barbara Attocknie, ICADC 918-285-0086

SAP Counselor Mike Ortiz, BA ADCIT 918-399-5324



#### November was Diabetes Awareness Month.



The Diabetes Program had several activities for the employees to enjoy while raising awareness. On November 14, in honor of World Diabetes Day, the program hosted a Poker Run/Walk for the employees and community members and handed out shirts; the designed for the shirts was created by Nathan McCray, who is a Pawnee Tribal member. The walking route was the Little



Dee in front of Building 64. Each time around, participants were handed a card. Participants had to walk a minimum of (5) laps in order to have a full hand. They could walk more and be able to exchange cards for a new one.



The winners were Brodie Clark who won a George Foreman Grill and Harrison Perry won the Nutri Ninja Pro blender. On November 30, the Diabetes Program hosted an Employees Luncheon with Guest Speaker Dr. Gene Evans, Pawnee Tribal member and Veteran.

After a prayer by President Pratt, balloons were released in honor of those who had lost their lives to diabetes and its complications.

The Diabetes Program is located in the Health & Community Services Center; 400 Agency Road, Pawnee, OK 74058. Rooms 101 and 103, and can be reached at **918-762-3873**, *option 4* or via email Suzy Knife Chief, Diabetes Coordinator at **sknifechief@pawneenation.**org or Benjamin Stewart, Pawnee Pride Assistant at **bstewart@pawneenation.org**.



Dr. Gene Evans.



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Every Monday

6:00-7:00 p.m.

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806 Morris Rd. • Pawnee, Oklahoma



Sponsored by the Pawnee Pride Program
For more information, contact Dana Beard
Email: dbeard@pawneenation.org

#### Pawnee Cultural Resource Division (CDR)



(L to R) Zac Rice and Taylor Moore.

On September 13th **Cultural Resources Division** (**CRD**) began the long awaited Pawnee Language Classes. These classes are taught by two young educated Pawnees, Zac Rice and Taylor Moore. Both these young men are recent graduates receiving their Master's Degree

in Linguistics. The first class was attended by over 70 students and have averaged around 45 since then. They have formed their own curriculum and written language, with help of Douglas Parks South Band and Skiri Dictionary. The classes are held every Tuesday at 6:30 pm at our museum 657 Harrison Street downtown Pawnee.

Following each hour of language class, **CRD** has been presenting one hour of cultural classes, This has also been very informative, and well attend. We will be taking a Christmas break after December 13th class and resume on January 10, 2017. These classes are open to the public.

**CRD** applied for and received a grant to hire a *Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act* (NAGPRA) Project Specialist. *Maggie Rice* was hired for this importortant vital position. She started work on December 12, 2016. Her duties will include working with *Tribal Historic Preservation Officer* (THPO) *John Michael Knife Chief* creating a data base for CRD.

**CRD** has the museum under our division and we recently were approved a museum board and bylaws. New Museum Board Members include Chairman: *Tom Evans*, Vice Chairman: *Matt Reed*, Treasurer: *Maggie Rice*, Secretary: *Walthena Lawrence*. Other board members are *Ron Rice Sr.*, *Patsy Cooper*, and *Gwen Shunatona*.

**Cultural Resource Division** staff includes *Marti Onlyachief*, *John Michael Knife Chief*, *Maggie Rice*, and *Herb Adson*. We are located at 657 Harrison Street, Pawnee Oklahoma, downtown Pawnee.



#### **Rock Your Mocs 2016**

The Divison of Health and Community Services (**DHCS**) had a "Rock Your Mocs" event on November 15, 2016. Participants met at the DHCS Building (400 Agency Road, Pawnee Oklahoma) and Rocked their Mocs by walking to the Roundhouse Building.

#### What is Rock Your Mocs?

Rock Your Mocs is a worldwide Native American & Indigenous Peoples movement held annually during November, which is also National Native American Heritage Month in the USA. All are invited to participate by wearing moccasins wherever you may be in the world and wherever your day takes you!



#### **Obituaries**



#### Edith M. (Roberts) Beardsley

Edith was born in Skedee, Oklahoma, March 4, 1919 to Henry Ellis and Rose Denomie Roberts. She entered into rest on November 27, 2016 in Pawnee, living an impressive 97 years only to succumb to a brief illness. Edith lived and raised a family in Navajo Nation, New Mexico and upon the death of her husband, returned to Pawnee. She had a home built,

raised a teen aged son, cared for her parents and her beloved Aunt Lena. She was a resident of the Pawnee community up until her demise. Edith left a legacy of community service and dedication to her Catholic religion; a proud parishioner of St. John, The Evangelist, Catholic Church of Pawnee.

Having served as Tribal Council Member in the late 1970's, the first woman voted into office by her Pawnee tribesmen, an unprecedented accomplishment. She expressed gratitude and pride. Edith was a granddaughter descendant of Chief Rush Roberts. Her last years, she enjoyed her hard earned home, to be living in that home, attending Mass when able and an occasional trip to a casino. She loved road trips to visit her sister, family and friends of New Mexico and of course living and traveling with her devoted companion, Lucy, her dog she raised from a puppy.

Edith loved her family, her friends, her Pawnee affiliation and devotion to God. Edith was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Rose; aunts, Vivian Archambault and Lena Tafoya. She had three brothers, Vandevoort James, Henry Ellis, Jr., and a nonsurviving newborn boy. She survived the loss of her first born son, Donald Dean Rouwalk and her husband, Raymond Beardsley; sons, Norman Charles and Clinton Rush. She was also preceded by two grandchildren, Jonathan and Morning Star Beardsley. She is survived by a sister, Florence Mae Alexander, 103 years old, Los Lunas, New Mexico; daughters, Margaret Rose Becenti, Tohatchi, New Mexico; Mary Catherine, Gaithersburg, Maryland; and sons, Gordon Eli, Bosque Farms, New Mexico; and Daniel Andrew, Pawnee. She also leaves a host of grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, distant relatives and dear friends. The Rosary took place at the Poteet Chapel on Wednesday, November 30, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services held on Thursday, December 1, 2016, 10:00 a.m., at St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church in Pawnee, under direction of Poteet Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

#### James "Jamie" Vernon Andrews

1970-2016

James (Jamie) Vernon Andrews passed away September 16, 2016 after a long



illness. The son of George and Josephine Andrews, he was born September 05, 1963 in Harbor City, California. The family left their home in Torrance, California and moved to Boise in 1970 and into a great neighborhood for children. The boys played games, dug tunnels, built rabbit hutches and a small golf course. Too many rabbits for the rabbit farm and that adventure was terminated. James and

his brother with their father, a National Weather Service forecaster, set up the West Boise Official Weather Reporting Station. Each morning the boys ran outside to the small station to record the temperature, rainfall or snow and reported the information to the National Weather Service which sent data to all involved parties. James loved working in the yard. He put in a sprinkling system when he was thirteen. The system was still working when the family left the home thirty years later. This experiment was the beginning of his working in the landscape and sprinkler business.

Early childhood memories included several backpack trips into the Sawtooths with Dad and his brother and the Samoyed dog Sammy. He loved skiing, water skiing, fishing and camping with the family. He found a three foot long tree floating down the backyard ditch and planted the tree. It grew into a monstrous Cottonwood perfect for climbing amd a place for swings when the grandchildren arrived.

He loved to hear stories about his niece Karlie, and nephew Michael Andrews, their interests and accomplishments.

He graduated from Capital High School in 1981, later attended Boise State. He married Diane Barnhill in 1984, they later divorced.

He is survived by his parents, George and Josephine Andrews, his sister-in-law Julene (Steve) Andrews, nephew and niece, Michael of San Diego and Karlie of Phoenix, uncle Jim Andrews (Gail) of Los Angeles and aunt Janice Frey of Northampton Penn. He is also survived by his significant other of fifteen years, Lilia Laurent.

He was preceded in death by his beloved brother and friend Steve Andrews. They were both 53 years old when they died. He is pain free now. May you rest in peace our dearest son, Jamie.

#### **Charles Howlingcrane, III**

Born in Pawnee, Oklahoma August 12, 1961. Charlie was preceded in death by his parents, Charles "Mac" and Rena (Murie) Howlingcrane, Maxine White, sister of Blackwell, OK, and Marquita Bible, sister of Tulsa, OK. He is survived by Gareth Howlingcrane, brother of Avon, MA and Russell Howlingcrane, brother of China Grove, NC. He has many nieces and nephews that he loved. He enjoyed the outdoors, socializing and helping people in need. The family would like to express their appreciation and gratitude for all the thoughts, prayers, time and donations that have been given on behalf of our brother Charles Howlingcrane.

#### Pawnee Business Council Resolutions

Pawnee Business Council Resolutions and Meeting Minutes can be viewed at www.pawneenation.org under the Government page.

- #16-85 A Resolution to appoint Tom Evans to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board - <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-86 A Resolution to appoint Matt Reed to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board - <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-87 A Resolution to appoint Gwen Shunatona to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-88 A Resolution to appoint Meghan Rice to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-89 A Resolution to appoint Patsy Cooper to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-97 A Resolution to appoint Ron Rice, Sr. to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-98 A Resolution to appoint Walthena Lawrence to serve on the Pawnee Nation Museum Board <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, one abstaining (L.Teter), one absent (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- **#16-99** A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual's "Chapter 3, Section E. Selection Method and Criteria" <u>Approved</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of four

- for, one against (P.Littlesun), two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-100 A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual's "Chapter 8, Section A. General Leave Policy" <u>Approval</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of four for, one against (P.Littlesun), two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-101 A Resolution approve the revision of Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual's "Chapter 8, Section E. Administrative Leave Policy" Approval September 29, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-102 A Resolution approve the revision of Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual's "Chapter 10, Section A. General Policy" <u>Approval</u> September 29, 2016 by a vote of four for, one against (P.Littlesun), two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-103 A Resolution approve the revision of Pawnee Nation's Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual's "Chapter 13, Section B. Grievance Procedure Steps" TABLED September 29, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-104 A Resolution approve payment of \$2,000 to be paid to the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas (UINOKT) for membership dues, and naming W. Bruce Pratt as Delegate and Dawna Hare as the Alternate Delegate Approved September 29, 2016 by a vote of three for (D.Wildcat, D.Hare, A.Spottedhorsechief), two against (M.A.Thompson, P.Littlesun), zero abstaining, two absent (L.Teter, S.Adson) and on not voting (President Pratt).

- #16-105 A Resolution to approve the revisions to the Pawnee Nation Member Protection Act <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-106 A Resolution to approve revisions to the Pawnee Nation Liquor Control Act <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-107 A Resolution to appoint Cecelia Hawkins to the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as the Chair <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-108 A Resolution to appoint Margaret Twins to the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as the Clerk <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-109 A Resolution to appoint Jamie Nelson to the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as Teller <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-110 A Resolution to approve the revisions to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Ordinance and further submit revisions to the Nation Indian Gaming Commission for final approval <u>Approved</u> October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).
- #16-111 A Resolution approve the revisions of Pawnee Nation 477 Program Handbook "Te-Tu-Koo" Resources for the Pawnee Nation Education Division Approved October 20, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (D.Hare) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#### Pawnee Business Council Meeting Minutes

Pawnee Business Council Resolutions and Meeting Minutes can be viewed at www.pawneenation.org under the Government page.

#### <u>September 13, 2016 PBC Meeting</u> Minutes:

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 9:12 am. Seven Council members present, one excused (L. Teter). Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting agenda for September 13, 2016 with additions, seconded by M. Angela Thompson, Motion Carries. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for August 10, 2016, seconded by Dawna Hare, Motion Carries. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for August 25, 2016, seconded by Sammye Adson, Motion Carries. The following reports were given: President, PBC Committee and Travel, PTDC, Executive Director and Attorney General.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to remove the fingerprint contract from the agenda, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table the Museum By-Laws, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the Contract Amendment for extension of the Pawnee Nation District Court Prosecutor Position, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table Resolution #16-81 for appointment to the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court Chief Justice until the next Council meeting, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 3. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution

- #16-82 and appoints Earl D. Lawson as the Pawnee District Court Prosecutor, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- 4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-83 and appoints Chris McCray to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-84 and appoints Stephen Bird to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- 6. Approval of Resolution 16-85, Pawnee Nation Museum Board
- 7. Approval of Resolution 16-86, Pawnee Nation Museum Board
- 8. Approval of Resolution 16-87, Pawnee Nation Museum Board
- 9. Approval of Resolution 16-88, Pawnee Nation Museum Board
- 10. Approval of Resolution 16-89, Pawnee Nation Museum Board

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table Resolutions 16-85 through 16-89 until the next Council Meeting, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

- 11. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution 16-90, Human Resource Policy and Procedures, Compensatory Time Policy revisions, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 12. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-91, Human Resource Policy and Procedures, Holiday Leave Policy revision, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- 13. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-92, Human Resource Policy and Procedures, Outside Employment Policy revision, seconded

- by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 14. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-93 for the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Fee to Trust Application, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- 15. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-94, for the approval of the 2017 Pawnee Nation Comprehensive Budgets, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- 16. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-95 for the 477 Renewal, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 17. Budget Committee Recommendations:
- a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the NAGPRA Grant Budget, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #2 for IHS Housekeeping, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #1 for CSBG, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #2 for LIHEAP, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- e. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the expense in the amount of \$25,475.95 that is budgeted in the Information Technology Budget, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- f. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Finance Audit payment in the amount of \$22,000 that

is in the Finance Budget, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

18. Motion made by Darrell Wildcat to approve Resolution #16-96 for the UML Lease for the Chilocco campus, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

Motions made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to adjourn at 12:40 pm. Motion Carries.

#### <u>September 29, 2016 PBC Meeting</u> Minutes:

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm. Seven Council members present, one excused (Sammye Adson). Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve the agenda for September 29, 2016 with changes, seconded by Darrell Wildcat, Motion Carries. The following reports were given: President, PBC Committee and Travel, Executive Director and Attorney General.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve Resolution #16-29 Museum By-Laws, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-85 to appoint Tom Evans to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
- 3. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-86 to appoint Matt Reed to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- 4. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-87 to appoint Gwen Shunatona to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
- 5. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-88 to appoint Meghan Rice to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board,

seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

- 6. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-89 to appoint Patsy Cooper to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- 7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to Table Resolution #16-81 for appointment to the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court Justice, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-97 to appoint Ron Rice Sr. to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-98 to appoint Walthena Lawrence to the Pawnee Nation Museum Board, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the amendment of the agenda to add item e. in Budget Committee Recommendations, Approval of JOM Request of \$300 donation, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

- 3. Budget Committee Recommendations:
- a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #1 for the Food Distribution Federal Budget, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #1 for the Pawnee Pride Program, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the expenditure of \$29,992.39 for the Food Distribution Program purchase of a generator, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.

Motion Carries.

- d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Architect/Engineering Contract and expenditures for the ICDBG Program related to the Aquatic Health Center, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- e. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve JOM Committee Request of \$300, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
- 4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-99 for revision to the Selection Method and Criteria Policy, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-100 for revision to the General Leave Policy Revision, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
- 6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-101 for revisions to the Administrative Leave Policy, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-102 for revision to the Performance Evaluations Policy, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 8. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table and send back to the Human Resource Committee, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- 9. Mr. Daniel Meyer with the Natural Resource Conservation Services and USDA Program did an introduction the Council.
- 10. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #16-104 for United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas for Delegates and Membership, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 11. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the amendment to Resolution #16-93 for the Tribal Development Corporation Fee to Trust application, seconded by Dawna

Hare. Motion Carries.

12. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #8 for the moving of monies into the subscription and membership line item, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief, seconded by M. Angela Thompson to adjourn at 8:52 pm. Motion Carries.

#### October 20, 2016 PBC Meeting Minutes:

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 9:12 am. Eight Council members were present. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Meeting Agenda for October 20, 2016 with additions, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter, Motion Carries. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council Meeting Minutes for September 13, 2016 with corrections, seconded by Darrell Wildcat, Motion Carries. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for September 29, 2016 with corrections, seconded by Phammie Littlesun, Motion Carries. The following reports were given: President, PBC Committee and Travel, TDC, Pawnee Nation College, Executive Director and Attorney General. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council travel requests, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief, Motion Carries.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table Resolution #16-81 to appoint to the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court as Supreme Court Justice until after the ruling comes down on the law suit in the Supreme Court, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to remove item #2 for the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Policy revisions from the Agenda, seconded by

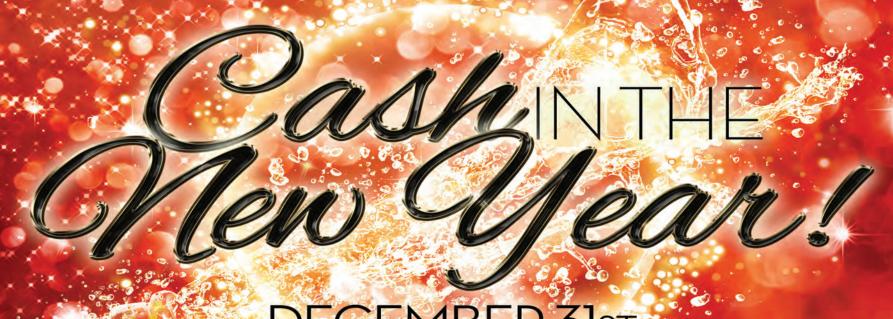
Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-105 for revisions to the Member Protection Act, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-106 for revisions to the Pawnee Nation Liquor Control Act with changes, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 3. Budget Committee Recommendations:
- a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2016 Southern Plains Tribal Health Board Tribal Contribution in the amount of \$1,147 to be paid, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #9, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Burial Assistance Budget Modification #1 to add carryover funds to the 2016 budget, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Health Education Budget Modification #2 for carryover in the amount of \$17,070.60, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
- e. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Community Health Representatives (CHR) Budget Modification #2 for carryover in the of \$16,392.00, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- f. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the payment for the Bledsoe Invoice in the amount of \$12,000.00, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

- g. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to waive the payback for the elders who were not able to attend the NICOA trip in the amount of \$2,683.20, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
- h. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the budget for the Pawnee Nation Employees Club in the amount of \$2,750, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
- 4. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-107 to appoint Cecelia Hawkins to serve on the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as Chair, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- 5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-108 to appoint Margaret Twins to serve on the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as Clerk, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-109 to appoint Jamie Nelson to serve on the Pawnee Nation Election Commission as Teller, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
- 7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-110 for revisions to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Ordinance, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- 8. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Projected Budget for the Tribal Development Corporation, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
- 9. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-111 for revisions to the Education Divisions 477 Handbook, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to adjourn at 2:17 pm. Motion Carries.



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