

Jordan D. Kanuho, Vice-President 2020 NEWLY ELECTED PAWNEE NATION BUSINESS COUNCIL





MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



President Echo-Hawk

Introduction: This is my second report to the people in *Chaticks-si-Chaticks* since I assumed office on July 6, 2020. I will highlight major activities between September and November 10, 2020. At the outset, let me extend our prayers, sympathies, and wellwishes on behalf of the Business Council to all the mourners and sufferers touched by the Coronavirus Pandemic. This infectious disease is real; it is awful; it has taken one highly respected tribal member, and others are seriously ill. Much of this report will detail Tribal government efforts to combat the spread of infection and protect public health. I ask that all Pawnees and members of our community stay vigilant in protecting themselves and their loved ones from this highly contagious virus, and we all need to do our part to slow the spread now. Let us all resolve to double-down to protect the Nation.

To be sure, 2020 has been a tumultuous year. Political upheaval, disease, and natural disaster visited the Pawnee Nation, and similar problems were seen across the United States. At home, our Nation turned to unity and goodwill to persevere and meet these challenges. On the national level, the November 3 election brings new leaders to the White House who seeks to restore unity as well. Today we can hope for better days ahead.

1. **Restoration of Unity, Good Will, and Stability:** Vice-President Jordan Kanuho was inaugurated on September 5, 2020, to

make the new Business Council complete. nurses, He hit the ground running and brings a strong leadership dimension to the Council. Over numerous meetings, he has been deeply involved in governmental affairs. Unity, goodwill, and mutual respect among our elected tribal leaders have been fully restored. Good chemistry now guides the decision-making process of our hardworking Council. In the Judicial Branch, Chief Justice Greg Smith's term expired October 5, 2020, and we thank him for his service. To fill that vacancy, I had the great honor as a former member of the Court to swear-in the new Chief Justice, the honorable John Chapman-Young. With the passing of the baton, the Supreme Court remains in good hands with incoming Chief Justice Chapman-Young.

- 2. **Pandemic Protection**: Various PBC activities took place this Fall.
- (A) The Pawnee Public School Year opened August 20, 2020, with a set of strengthened public health measures in place for in-person and online students. The Pawnee Nation played a role in fashioning safe education opportunities throughout the community, including creating tribal online learning facilities for online students by Executive Director Muriel Robedeaux. We continue to monitor the safety of our students; and are working with federal and local jurisdictions to strengthen public health measures.
- (B) Over ten million dollars in federal Covid-19 relief funds were directed to a comprehensive, multi-pronged effort to combat the Pandemic. "All hands were on deck" to help PBC make those spending decisions throughout August and into November. All levels of the government worked long and hard. Special thanks go to Executive Office staff, Division Directors, and Finance staff, as well as tribal members who provided input in the Public Forum. The great workhorse in this effort was the Budget/Finance Committee, chaired by Treasurer Carol Chapman-Young. Her report is contained in this edition of Chaticks si Chaticks.
- (C) PBC created a Medical Advisory Committee composed of Pawnee doctors,

nurses, medical professionals, and community public health leaders to help PBC monitor tribal public health measures and the safe reopening of our economy, schools, and community. Dr. Charles Knife Chief chairs this committee.

- (D) The Pawnee Business Council declared an emergency during the recent ice storm that took place amid this Pandemic. It left tribal members without power, heat, and food for two days. Our public health leaders called in the Red Cross; PBC members, staff, and volunteers provided 400 meals, bedding, and shelter from the storm. I thank everyone who came to aid our people during the emergency.
- 3. Strategic Planning: We are engaged in comprehensive strategic planning because that will help us achieve our aspirations, take our Nation to the next level, and reach the Promised Land--where the hopes and dreams of our people can be realized. The PBC created a Planning Committee, chaired by Vice-President Kanuho, to oversee this process. We will finalize the Pawnee Nation's Strategic Plan before the end of the year. Component masterplans are being worked on for the Cultural Resource Division, IT department, and the Communications department; and in addition, the Agriculture Plan for the Pawnee Nation will be finalized this Fall. To coordinate planning, the Planning Committee includes Pawnee Nation College and TDC representatives so strategic college and economic development plans can be developed by those entities that are congruent with the overall Strategic Plan for the Pawnee Nation. Once the planning process is finalized, our Nation can march toward common goals. Along the way, PBC can monitor progress with clarity of vision. To gear-up for planning, PBC members attended a Tribal Enterprise Workshop on September 21-22, 2020, and Self-Governance Training for PL-638 contracting of IHS services on September 30, 2020. We are in a full-throttle planning mode at the current time. I am grateful for Vice-President Kanuho's leadership on key committees involved in this process and for all PBC members who are rowing together toward a shared vision for a "Promised Land" of our



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own making. This is the essence of true Self-Determination.

4. <u>Strengthening Government Infrastructure</u>:

- (A) One pillar of our government is work done by the Pawnee Nation committees, boards, and commissions. To strengthen this infrastructure, the PBC approved a revised Handbook to better govern those bodies—thanks to the leadership of Councilwomen Butler and Hare. We established some new committees, added duties to some existing committees, and consolidated others to streamline work and avoid duplication. More information on the new committee structure is provided in this edition of Chaticks is Chaticks including a list of new appointments.
- (B) We established a Human Resource Bank that is housed in the HR Office. The Bank is composed of talented Pawnees from across the Nation who can be tapped by PBC to render volunteer service to Pawnee Nation committees, boards, and commissions; or to serve on advisory committees for special projects undertaken by our government in the future. Each day, the Human Resource Bank continues to receive applications from tribal members, many of whom are leaders in their fields. It is gratifying to see volunteers rallying to the aid of their Nation.
- (C) Two new committees will fill gaps in our infrastructure. First, is the Intergovernmental Relations Committee chaired by Councilwoman Dawna Hare. It will provide advice to the President and PBC regarding external political affairs. Experienced Pawnee advocates versed in intergovernmental affairs can help inform our tribal-state relations, intertribal relations. and Federal Government affairs. Second, the Fundraising Advisory Committee is chaired by the President. Experienced fundraisers can help us create effective ways for the government to raise philanthropy dollars from foundations & donors to lift new projects off the ground and help meet revenue shortfalls during the economic downturn.

5. **Protecting Pawnee Sovereignty**: The Pawnee Nation faces many legal issues today. **See**, the Attorney General's report. Here I will briefly highlight one issue—the McGirt backlash problem that currently threatens Pawnee sovereignty. In the July 9 McGrit decision, the U.S. Supreme Court held that the original boundaries of the MCN have never been diminished: therefore, the Court ruled that the State of Oklahoma has no jurisdiction to prosecute crimes committed by Indians in MCN boundaries. A threat to the jurisdiction of all Native Nations in Oklahoma recently arose in the wake of the McGirt decision. On July 22, Governor Stitt asked EPA to grant Oklahoma authority to regulate environmental programs in Indian Country. This sweeping request seeks to restore the State's illegal pre-McGirt jurisdiction. Stitt's request was made pursuant to Sec. 10211 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2005 (SAFETEA). Sec. 10211 is a "midnight rider" tacked-on to SAFETEA by Senator Inhofe. It states essentially that: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law" EPA "shall" grant Oklahoma's request to administer certain environmental programs in areas of the State that are "Indian country."

This rider could never have been enacted in the light of day during the normal legislative process. Nevertheless, Trump's EPA quickly granted Oklahoma's request on October 1 without providing meaningful government-to-government consultation with the affected Indian Nations of Oklahoma, including the Pawnee Nation. In EPA's rush to grant the request, the agency wrote a letter informing Tribal Leaders on August 22 about Oklahoma's request. In response, the Pawnee Nation retained Earth Justice September 8; and immediately requested formal governmentto-government consultation. The Pawnee Nation asked EPA to grant adequate time to prepare for the consultation on complex issues, and we sought data from EPA needed to begin meaningful talks. But suddenly on September 18, EPA announced that "consultation is over;" and it quickly approved Oklahoma's request. The decision blind-sided BIA and the Native Nations: and it sidestepped EPA's federal Indian

trust responsibility. The decision concluded that Inhofe's midnight rider, coupled with the "plenary power" of Congress, abrogated all United States treaties with Oklahoma tribes--as well as the protections afforded by the NEPA, NHPA, and ESA. The decision amounts to the most sweeping treaty abrogation ever seen in modern times—and it was done by EPA with a stroke of the pen, without blinking an eye.

While we are assessing the impact of the EPA decision on tribal environmental laws and programs, the Pawnee Nation is working with other affected Native Nations to explore ways to address this perceived assault on tribal sovereignty. To help inform our strategy, PBC formed an Intergovernmental Relations Committee, chaired by councilwoman Hare, to render advice as the Pawnee Nation goes forward.

<u>Conclusion—Looking Ahead</u>: I want to share three closing thoughts about the days ahead.

First, I thank all Pawnees who voted on November 3. Both victors in the presidential race--President-elect Biden and Vice-President-elect Harris--thanked Indigenous Peoples for their support. We saw the highest number of votes in any presidential election in U.S. history. It is good Native Peoples are voting! Let us put our faith in our democracy and stay involved.

Second, the outlook for 2021 may see some bleak budgetary challenges for the Pawnee Nation if the downturn in our economy continues and the Pandemic drags on. We must put our minds together to navigate these challenges with unity, goodwill, and patience.

Third, no matter what the future holds, if we put our faith in the One Above and take the High Road to redress the problems we see, all will be well.

Thank you, President Echo-Hawk

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Nawa,

I hope that the Lord's grace, mercy, and peace find each and every one of you well. As this year comes to an end and we reflect on what this year brought, I hope that we as Pawnee people look forward with hope knowing that our present circumstances are beginning to look in a positive direction.

would be an understatement for most. This



year has brought pain and sickness to so many within our tribe. It has brought uncertainty stress like we've not seen in many years. We, as a tribe, have been through more elections in one year than we imagined possible. This year

has brought grief and sorrow due to this virus and many other tragedies that have come to many of our Pawnee people. But my prayer and hope for our people are that God would shed His grace on the Pawnee Nation and that the next year to come will be filled of His blessings, and we would turn to Him even more for guidance and direction.

As I reflect on my decision to run for the office of Vice President, I am reminded of two things.

First, how in every step of the way through the campaign since the very beginning, I would seek the Lord in prayer, and that remains the same as I serve as your Vice President. Secondly, I witnessed our tribe going through a difficult season, and it

> moved me to decide to run for this office. At the time that I'm writing this, I can say that in the past two months that I have been serving as your Vice President, I am more hopeful for our future than I have been in years. I can say that my optimism is due in part to witnessing firsthand how our staff at the Pawnee Nation has worked through the difficult year that we've been through and also seeing our Pawnee people show

To say that 2020 has been a difficult year resilience and endurance throughout all of this. I'm not going to lie. We still have challenges ahead, but the leadership, dedicated frontline staff, and our Pawnee people are more than able to persevere through the challenges that await.

> As I continue to serve you as your Vice President, I will do everything that I can to keep our Pawnee people's best interest at

heart. I may not be able to please everyone. Still, I hope that when I look back at all that I have accomplished and put in motion that benefits our people, I can be pleased that I did everything in my ability to do what's right for every one of you as a Pawnee Nation member. As we come to an end of this year and all that it has brought, may we look to the hope that December brings. The hope that in the middle of the night, when all was dark, a Child was born and Light has come into the world. May we continue to remember that though this year may have a cloud of darkness over it, we are blessed to know that God sent His Son into the world to save that which was lost. We have the Light to endure through anything.

May each and every one of you have a Merry Christmas and a blessed Happy New Year.



Jordan Kanuho

Vice President Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma





Pawnee Nation kicking off Native American Heritage Month with a Prayer Breakfast for the Pawnee Nation employees, sponsored by the Pawnee Business Council. Thank you to everyone for helping make this event a success, and a special thanks to Steven Moore for the cedar blessing and offering the prayer for the Pawnee Nation. May God continue to bless and watch over our Pawnee people.





MESSAGE FROM PAWNEE NATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings

The Pawnee Nation has been extremely busy with dealing with the COVID Pandemic. The tribal employees have been screened several times with the COVID test when exposed to someone who has tested positive for the COVID Virus. Every tribal building has had employees sent home due to exposure to the virus. The Buildings are sanitized before the employees can return to work.

All staff is required to have their temperatures taken before they can enter the tribal buildings, and several of the programs are helping the tribal membership via email or phone.

The Pawnee Nation's Emergency Operations Center is still operational. It will remain so until this COVID Pandemic no longer the threat that it has been. The Emergency Declaration enacted on March 24, 2020, is still in force "The Pawnee Business Council does hereby find and declare that conditions affecting public health, welfare, education, and employment have arisen with and throughout the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic". The Tribal **Emergency Response Committee continues** to meet weekly to receive and give updates on the status of the COVID virus and its effect on our tribal community.

The home delivery of meals to the tribal elders is ongoing. It will continue until the pandemic condition improves enough to allow our elders to gather at the Elderly Meals Program safely. The Elderly Meals program provides a drive-through pick-up service for the elders, and they can drive up to the facility. One of the elderly meals workers will bring a meal out to them in their vehicles.

The fall began with a new program funded under the BIA-CARES appropriation received by the Pawnee Nation. This program is for distance learning for the local tribal students whose families have decided to continue their schooling via distance learning at the Nation's Multi-Purpose center, which allows them to access the internet, adhere to social distancing, and with tutors available to assist them on an as-needed basis.

While dealing with the COVID Pandemic, the Pawnee Nation and the City of Pawnee was hit with an Ice Storm during the first week of November 2020. This storm impacted several tribal homes and households by either the lack of electricity or frozen tree limbs falling into their yards or on their homes. The Pawnee Nation worked with the Pawnee Indian Housing Authority in

providing two separate places for people to go to get warm or have a place to stay.

Several of the tribal workers and tribal council members provided meals on two evenings and fed over 400 people. The Tribal Employment Rights office also helped the tribal elders who needed to have tree limbs removed from their yards, which was greatly appreciated.

Please take care of yourself and your family during this pandemic and the holidays that are coming up. If you ever have a question or concern, please feel free to contact me at my email address: mrobedeaux@pawneenation.org.

Muriel Robedeaux Executive Director Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma



ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Review of pending legal issues

Chad Smith, Attorney General

November 9, 2020

The Pawnee Nation addresses several legal issues in its process of exercising sovereignty, self-governance, and nation building, as indicated below:

(1) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "Same as state".

In response to the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *McGirt*, the State of Oklahoma's Governor requested the EPA to withdraw authority from Oklahoma tribes to administer EPA programs on a "same as state" status. Legal memorandums were developed by the Earthjustice Law Firm and the Muskogee Creek Nation. Collaboration with other Oklahoma tribes continues to decide the best course to secure the Pawnee Nation's interest in protecting the environment.

(2) Earthquake litigation damages settlement.

The Pawnee Nation retained outside counsel, Scott Poynter, to seek damages from several oil and gas companies whose fracking caused earthquake damage to Pawnee property. (*Steadfast v. Eagle Road*) Settlement discussions are ongoing.

(3) Forced fee patent.

A Pawnee member seeks the Nation to be a "friend of court" (file briefs supporting the member's position) in litigation to protect "forced" allotments. Forced allotments occurred in the 1920's when the BIA decided that certain Pawnees were competent enough to make their own decisions, and forced them to take their land out of trust or restriction, thereby subjecting their allotments to state taxation.

(4) Impact of the McGirt decision on Pawnee Nation jurisdiction.

An in-depth study has been undertaken to determine what impact the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *McGirt* has on Pawnee jurisdiction.

(5) PN Brawley (Mehlburger) contract dispute.

The Pawnee Nation filed breach of contract claim in tribal court against an engineering firm in CIV 2018-008 (2017). This case is in the early stage of litigation.

(6) Magellan pipeline.

Magellan Oil Company has abandoned a pipeline that runs through several Pawnee allotments. President Echo Hawk has sent a letter to the BIA regarding the abandoned pipeline. Discussions with the BIA and Magellan regarding the removal of the pipeline will proceed.

(7) Tribal Court cases.

Pending in the Pawnee District Court are several criminal and child welfare cases that the Attorney General will cover because the tribal prosecutor has resigned.

PRESIDENT APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Agriculture Committee: To advise PBC and the Division of Agriculture on: (1) an Agriculture Plan for the Pawnee Nation: (2) self-sustaining agriculture initiatives proposed or undertaken by the Pawnee Nation; (3) funding initiatives to support the work, programs, and enterprises of the Division; and (4) such other matters as may be referred to the committee by the Division.

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Patricia McCray Kim Murie

Jordan Moore Frances Soxie

Randy Ledford

Morgan Littlesun

Aaron Prim

<u>Budget Committee:</u> To review all budgets and modifications.

Carol Chapman, Chair cc1100@pawneenation.org

Walter Echo-Hawk Jordan Kanuho Patricia McCrav Muriel Robedeaux William Perry Brian Kirk

George Gardipe

Education Committee: Scholarship disbursement is determined by the Pawnee Nation Education Committee appointed by the Pawnee Business Council President. Once the higher education application is completed and the applicant is determined to be eligible, the financial information is presented to the Education Committee for confidential review. The Education Committee will make final determinations on the amount to be awarded based on financial information and the funds that are available.

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Misty Nuttle

Zach Rice

Jaime Maltsberger

Patrick Morre Jr.

Michael Burgess

Aaron Adson Fancy Terer

Matt Reed

enrollment applications, relinquishments, and other enrollment issues from tribal members, and also makes recommendations for motion to the Nasharo

Enrollment Committee: Reviews

Patricia McCray, Chair pmccray@pawneenation.org

Dawna Hare Ann Collins Duane Pratt Joann Roberts Walthena Chapman Communications & IT Committee: To advise PBC, communications staff, and IT staff on: (1) strategic planning for

communications and IT; (2) the overall communication program, including plans, ideas, policies, goals, and initiatives to improve self-governance and tribal government communication with tribal members and the public; and (3) collaborating with IT and Executive Office staff to ensure that IT technology, infrastructure, and staff are effectively &

efficiently meeting the needs of the Pawnee Nation

Jordan Kanuho, Chair jk1106@pawneenation.org

Dawna Hare BC Echo-Hawk Megan Cunningham Bunky Echo-Hawk Lindsey Teter Michael Burgess

<u>Cultural Resources Committee:</u> Advisory for Cultural activities including repatriation and events and preserving Pawnee culture.

Jordan Kanuho, PBC Rep Larry Goodfox Ralph HAymond Jr. Frank Adson Steven Moore Warren Pratt Jr. Sonny Rouwalk Helen Norris

Ramona Horsechief Jamie Nelson



Fundraising Advisory Committee: Work with the President, Treasurer, Executive Director, and Division Directors to (1) identify potential donors and foundations for tribal programs; and (2) render advice & assistance in the Nation's efforts to raise money from the private and philanthropy sectors to support tribal government administration, activities, programs, and special projects.

Walter Echo-Hawk, Chair wechohawk@pawneenation.org

Gwen Shunatona Carly Hare John Echo-Hawk Lucille Echo-Hawk Crystal Echo-Hawk Clarence Benes Kevin Gover Sarah Echo-Hawk

Governing Committee: To review all Pawnee Nation governing documents (i.e., Constitution, Acts, Ordinances, etc.) and make suggestions for revisions before final approval by the Pawnee Business Council.

Cynthia Butler, Chair cb0081@pawneenation.org Patricia McCray, Co Chair Denise Miller Tim Jim Lisa Gover Victoria Lefthand Adrian Spottedhorsechief

Grievance Committee: Reviews any grievance of any regular fulltime employee who feels aggrieved by any act related to working conditions, conditions of employment, or Pawnee Nation policies, procedures, rules and/or regulations.

Brian Kirk Kyla Wichita Keith Lyons Jessica Leadingfox

<u>Human Resources Committee:</u> Develop policies that promote a uniformed system of personnel administration that provides maximum services to Pawnee Nation, provides recruitment and selection process. promotes a clear understanding of the rights, privileges and responsibilities with the Pawnee Nation employment

Charles Lone Chief, Chair clonechief@pawneenation.org Cynthia Butler, Co-Chair Kelton Kersey Christal Prill Suzy Knife Chief Jaime Maltsberber Tiffany Frietze

Land & Property Management Committee: Plan for development and protections of Pawnee Nation lands and

natural resources; provides oversight, care and maintenance of Pawnee Nation land, buildings and all property of any kind owned by the Pawnee Nation; and establishes rental policies and leases

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: (1)

work with the President and Executive Staff

policies, strategies, and goals to guide the

Pawnee Nation's external political affairs in

tribal/state relationships, intertribal affairs,

Federal Government and its agencies; (2) advise the PBC on the foregoing matters,

and on building an adequate government

infrastructure to carry on these external

members will be available to assist the

President in carrying out these plans,

political affairs; and (3) as needed,

policies, strategies and goals.

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Dawna Hare, Chair

Cynthia Butler

Carol Chapman

John Echo-Hawk

Lael Echo-Hawk

Chad Smith

Bruce Pratt

in formulating Pawnee Nation plans,

and the Nation's relationship with the

Dawna Hare, Chair dawnahare@pawneenation.org Charles Lone Chief Monty Matlock Reva Howell Ramona Horesechief Paul Echo-Hawk

Deb Echo-Hawk

Medical Advisory Committee: Provide **Princess Committee** medical advice to PBC regarding the Cynthia Butler, Chair efficacy of the tribal government's Covid-19 cb0081@pawneen Pandemic public safety measures,

Jamie Nelson reopening of the Pawnee Nation community Reva Howell Beverly Harjo Tonya Moore-Bravescout Vicky Leading Fox

Tiffany Frietze

Charles Knife Chief, Chair

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recommendations for improving those

and economy during the pandemic. This

committee will be staffed by a designated

TERC representative and Executive Office

measures, and to monitor the safe

Sarah Robedeaux Gene Evans Linda Cummings Cordelia Clapp Phyllis Yellowman Seneca Smith Bruce Pratt Abigaile Echo-Hawk Brian Kirk

Planning committee: Reviews and makes recommendations to strengthen applications for proposal submission. Serve as advisory for the Planning Division.

Jordan Kanuho, Chair jk1106@pawneenation.org Charles Lone Chief Misty Nuttle Adrian Spottedhorsechief Kelton Kersev Zach Rice Christal Prill Les Riding In Jeff Goodfox

Tribal Emergency Response Committee:

Authorized under Federal "Emergency Planning Community Right to Know Act" - a program to assure safe and effective planning and response for emergencies associated with chemicals. (40 CFR Parts 350-372) PBC initially established TERC in 2001 and reorganized in 2010 following restructuring. Assignment of Division Directors as Committee members. Pawnee Nation made TERC "multi-hazard" planning which includes pandemic planning and

Muriel Robedeaux, Chair mrobedeaux@pawneenation.org Walter Echo-Hawk Charles Knife Chief Monty Matlock Patrick Leading Fox Jon James Jeana Francis All Division Directors

PBC 2020 RESOLUTIONS

#20-66 – A Resolution to approve amendments to the Pawnee General Revenue and Taxation Act to Section 1002 (A) of Chapter Ten – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-67 – A Resolution to approve amendments to the Pawnee General Revenue and Taxation Act to Section 1002 (B) of Chapter Ten – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-68 – A Resolution to approve an addition to the Pawnee General Revenue and Taxation Act to Section 1014 of Chapter Ten – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-69 – A Resolution to approve amendments to the Pawnee General Revenue and Taxation Act to Section 903 (A) of Chapter Nine – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-70 - A Resolution to approve Pawnee Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of \$2,162,910.02 for; Pandemic Burial Assistance, TDC Business Interruptions & Supplies, Tribal Emergency Subsistence Assistance, Elders Emergency Food Assistance, Distance learning Cultural and Native Health classes, Employee Hazard Pay, Pawnee Nation College Distance Learning, COVID online reporting- Abilia MIP, Pandemic Handicap Health and Food Accessibility, Native Food Accessibility, Management and Compliance Consultant, Local Food Management and Planning, Remote learning, work communication, and command center, COVID Patient Recovery Assistance Program, College student distance learning. – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-71 – A Resolution to approve and authorize the consent for a grant of easement to Magellan Midstream Partners LP – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-72 – A Resolution to approve and authorize the consent for a grant of easement to Oklahoma Natural Gas – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-73 – A Resolution to authorize, approve, and support the submittal of a "Living Languages Grant Program" – Approved August 26, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-74 – A Resolution to recognize the results of the Pawnee Nation Run-Off Election – Approved September 8, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, one abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-75 – A Resolution to approve for banking purposes, the four officers of the Pawnee Business Council authorized to sign signature cards and documents – Approved September 8, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-76 – A Resolution to approve the revisions made to the TERO Ordinance – Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-77 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee
Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of
\$782,100 for; Pandemic local beef delivery system,
Information Technology network upgrade, Tribal
Member PPE Assistance Program, Fitness Center
change order fee to complete project on time –
Approved September 8, 2020 by a vote of six for,
none against, one abstaining and one not voting
(President Echo-Hawk).

#20-78 – A Resolution to approve the adoption and submittal of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal year 2021 – Approved September 8, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-79 – A Resolution to authorize and approve the contract or agreement with The Law Office of Earthjustice – Approved September 8, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-80 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee
Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount
of \$46,786.38 for; Public Health Environmental
Protection Equipment- Generator pump and pump
repair – Approved September 14, 2020 by a vote of
seven for, none against, none abstaining and one
not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-81 – A Resolution to approve seventy-six (76) eligible applicants to be added to the Pawnee Membership Roll– Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-82 – A Resolution to approve to note the date of death of eighteen (18) deceased members on the Membership Roll and remove them from the Annuity Roll – Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-83 – A Resolution to accept the Absolute Relinquishment of Margaret Cecilia Rouwalk

from the Pawnee Nation and she will be removed permanently from the Pawnee Nation Membership Roll – Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-84 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of \$307,340 for; Tax Commission Online Tag Renewal Program, and Food Assistance Program – Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-85 – A Resolution to approve the revisions of the Pawnee Nation Fiscal Policies and Procedures, "Appendix B: The Budget Process" – Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-86 – A Resolution to agree to submit a proposal to contract the Tribal Court Program from the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the stated multi-year basis- Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-87 – A Resolution to authorize, approve, and support the submittal of a "Language Preservation Project" contract proposal and application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs- Approved September 22, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-88 – A Resolution to approve the comprehensive Federal Grant Program Fund budget totaling \$4,968,050 and to also extend the approval timeline of the Tribal and Indirect Costs budgets to no later than October 30, 2020- Approved September 28, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-89 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee
Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of
\$1,125,000 for; PN COVID Storage and Distribution
Center, and Information Technology Network
Upgrade – Approved October 2, 2020 by a vote of
five for, none against, none abstaining and one not
voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-90— A Resolution to approve the land allocation for; Pawnee Nation COVID Storage & Distribution Center, Water Well House, IT Facility - Approved October 2, 2020 by a vote of five for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-91 – A Resolution to approve the revisions made to the Pawnee Nation Hemp Farming Act of 2019 - Approved October 13, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-92—A Resolution to adopt and enact the Tribal Court Pro Temp Justice Ordinance effective October 13, 2020 - Approved October 13, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-93 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of \$29,845 for; Native Advisors, LLC COVID Consultation Fee – Approved October 13, 2020 by a vote of six for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-94 – A Resolution to approve execution of a directional disclaimer on behalf of the Nation in favor of Mattie Osborne Fish - Approved October 13, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-95 – A Resolution to approve Pawnee Nation COVID Fund Allocation in the amount of \$28,945 for; Native Food Accessibility Facility Communications Upgrade, Pawnee Health & COVID Rehabilitation Center Communications Installation, COVID Storage and Distribution Technology Communication Installation, and BIA Restroom upgrades to address public health COVID needs. – Approved October 2, 2020 by a vote of five for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-96 – A Resolution to approve the Federal Grant Program Fund budget totaling \$753,805 and to also extend the approval timeline of the Tribal and Indirect Costs budgets to no later than November 16, 2020 - Approved October 29, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-97— A Resolution to authorize the submission of a Tribal Self-Governance application to the Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service for a Self-Governance Negotiation Cooperative Agreement- Approved October 29, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

#20-98 – A Resolution approve to the Declaration of a State of Emergency for the Pawnee Nation and has activated the Emergency Operations Center due to the winter weather disaster - Approved November 7, 2020 by a vote of seven for, none against, none abstaining and one not voting (President Echo-Hawk).

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August 14, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Walter Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm and Mrs. Patricia McCray gave the invocation. Seven Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with changes to add Resolution #20-65 for August 14, 2020, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes from July 20, 2020, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries
- 2. Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Quarterly Meeting Minutes from August 1, 2020 with additions, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to go into Executive Session, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

Discussion and/or Approval of Resolution #20-51, Interim Attorney General Agreement
 Discussion and/or Approval on Resolution #20-65 Scott Poynter disposition of Pawnee
 Nation Trust Account

COUNCIL ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 1. Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve Resolution #20-51, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries
- 2. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-65, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

Motion made by Patricia McCray to adjourn, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries to adjourn at 5:26 pm.

August 26, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Quarterly Meeting

President Walter Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm and Mr. Adrian Spottedhorsechief gave the invocation. Seven Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with corrections and additions for August 26, 2020, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes from August 14, 2020, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #20-59 COVID Fund Allocation, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries
- 2. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #20-66 Tax Revisions (1002A), seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries
- 3. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-67 Tax Revisions (1002B), seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries
- 4. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-68 Tax Addition (1014), seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries
- Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-69 Tax Revisions (903A), seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-70 COVID Fund Allocation with changes, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.
- 7. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #20-71 Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- 8. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-72 Oklahoma Natural Gas easement 812-ST 1021 (Chilocco), seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries
- 9. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-73 Living Languages Grant Submission, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries
- 10. Budget Recommendations
- a. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Indian Reservation Roads Budget Mod #1, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries
- b. Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve 3408 Center for Disease Control CARES Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries
- c. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve 3407 COVID-19 Tribal Public Health Capacity Budget Mod #1, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries
- d. Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve Native Indian Health Board COVID19 Budget, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.
- e. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Community Service Block Grant CARES Budget, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- f. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Oklahoma Department of Human Services Providing Safe and Stable Families, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- g. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Indian Community Development Block Grant 19 Public Safety Center Budget, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.

- h. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Indian Community Development Block Grant CARES '20 Budget, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve 4055 Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations 20 CARES Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries
- Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Native Connections Budget, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.

Motion made by Patricia McCray to adjourn, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries to adjourn at 6:42 pm.

September 8, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Walter Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm and Mr. Jordan Kanuho gave the invocation. Eight Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with addendums for September 8, 2020, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for August 26, 2020, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #20-74 Acceptance of Run Off Election Results with changes, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion ca
- 2. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-75 Signature Authority, seconded
- 3. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to table Resolution #20-76 TERO Act Revisions, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.
- Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-77 COVID Fund Allocation, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.
- 5. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-78 Pawnee Nation Tribal Transportation Improvement Program, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- 6. Budget Recommendations
- a. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve DHCS Budget Mod #3, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve PBC Budget Mod #12, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 7. Discussion on Medical Advisory Committee, Discussion only

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries. Motion made by Patricia McCray to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.

1. Discussion and/or Approval of Resolution #20-79 Earthjustice Retainer Agreement

COUNCIL ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve Resolution #20-70 Earthjustice Retainer Agreement with amendments, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.

Motion made by Patricia McCray to adjourn, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion caries to adjourn at 7:54 pm.

September 14, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Walter Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 12: 07 pm and Mrs. Dawna Hare gave the invocation. Eight Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Patsy McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda for September 14, 2020, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-80 COVID Fund Allocation, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve adjourn, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries to adjourn at 12:33 pm.

September 22, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

Vice-President Jordan Kanuho called the meeting to order at 5:43 pm and Mr. Charles Lone Chief gave the invocation. Seven Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve the Pawnee Business

Council Special Meeting Agenda with addendums for September 22, 2020, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for September 8, 2020, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.
- 2. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meet-

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ing Minutes for September 14, 2020, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #20-76 with revisions, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-81 Enrollment New Members, seconded by Patsy McCray, motion carries.
- 2. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-82 Deceased Enrollment, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- 3. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-83 Absolute Relinquishment, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- 4. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #20-84 COVID Fund Allocation, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- 5. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to Resolution #20-85 Fiscal Policies and Procedures Revisions, Budget Committee, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- 6. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-86 Tribal Court Grant Submission, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.
- 7. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #20-87 Language Preservation Project Grant Submission, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.
- 8. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve the Committee, Commission, and Boards Handbook Revisions, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.
- 9. Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve the new committees added into the Committee, Commission, and Boards Handbook, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to enter Executive Session, seconded by Patsy McCray, motion carries. Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

Discussion on Office of Inspector General

COUNCIL ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION Discussion only

Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to adjourn, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries to adjourn at 7:06 pm.

September 28, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 4:43pm and Mr. Jordan Kanuho gave the invocation. Seven Council members present, quorum established. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with additions for September 28, 2020, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

 Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-88 Approval of Comprehensive Federal Budgets, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to adjourn, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries to adjourn at 5:18 pm.

October 2, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

Vice-President Jordan Kanuho called the meeting to order at 1:12 pm and Mr. Charles Knife Chief gave the invocation. Six Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with additions for October 2, 2020, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approval Resolution #20-89 COVID Fund Allocation, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 2. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approval Pawnee Nation COVID-10 Flow Table with additions, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 3. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approval Resolution #20-90 Land Allocation, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.
- 4. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approval Thompson Construction, Inc. contract in the amount not to exceed 1,000,000.00 for the Pawnee Nation COVID Storage & Distribution Center, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to adjourn, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries to adjourn at 1:42 pm.

October 13, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm and Mrs. Cynthia Butler gave the invocation. Eight Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda with additions for October 13, 2020, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT: Update given on written report, new Supreme Court Justice, Pandemic Protection, Strategic Planning, strengthening Tribal Government infrastructure, and EPA.

PAWNEE NATION TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORA-TION REPORT: Update given on Finances, Gaming year over year, COVID Protection Measures, signage upgrades, Sports Bar, and position control report.

PAWNEE NATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT: Update given on CARES Funding Allocations Reports, Census, and staff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes with changes for September 22, 2020, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 2. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2020, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- 3. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for October 2, 2020, seconded by Carol Chapman, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the new committee appointments, seconded by Charles Lone Chief, motion carries.
- Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-91. PN Hemp Farming Act Revisions, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-92 Approval of Pro Temp Justice Ordinance, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 4. Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Resolution #20-94 David J. Burnett Land Allocation, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 5. Update on COVID Storage and Distribution Center

a. Oct 5th surveyed area

b. Building needed to be relocated

c. Environmental study not received by BIA

d. Waiting on THPO consultation

e. Oct 12th GEO Tech Report

f. Oct 19th Site and Dirt work begins

g. 4,000 sq ft building

6. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-93, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Cynthia Butler, motion carries.

- 1. Legal Briefing
- 2. Discussion of Oklahoma Senate race
- 3. Discussion and/or Action on Pawnee Nation Liquor Control Commission Conflict of Interest

COUNCIL ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION No action taken in Executive Session

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to adjourn, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries to adjourn at 10:10 pm.

October 29, 2020 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President Echo-Hawk called the meeting to order at 9:37 am and Mr. Jordan Kanuho gave the invocation. Eight Council members present, quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Agenda for October 29, 2020 with amendments, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve Amended Resolution #19-75 ATTG Contract Renewal, seconded by Dawna Hare, motion carries.
- 2. Motion made by Carol Chapman to approve Resolution #20-96 2021 Comprehensive Federal and Tribal Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief, motion carries.
- 3. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #20-97 IHS Negotiations, seconded by Jordan Kanuho, motion carries.
- 4. Oral update on Emergency Situation
- a. Locations have been open for those without power
- b. Nation fed over 200 people
- c. Updated on current power issues
- d. Update on Nations generators
- e. Update on need for Emergency Declaration for Ice Storm

Motion made by Carol Chapman to adjourn, seconded by Patricia McCray, motion carries to adjourn at 10:27 am.

Rock your Mocs November 15th-21st! Rockin' my mocs from home this year. It may be a strange year, but "rock your mocs" is a fun way to feel together (from a distance)! Anyone else rocking yours? #ROCKYOURMOCS



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UPDATE FROM PBC MEMBER SEAT #1, CYNTHIA BUTLER

Nawa. First I wanted to thank all of you who voted in this past election, electing me to fill the position of Council Seat #1. I am very excited to be able to serve on the Business Council and serve the people in this capacity.

As some may have watched on the past Council meetings on Vimeo, President Echo-Hawk has made his appointments to the PBC Committees. I am currently the Chair of the Pawnee Nation Princess Committee and the Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee. I also sit as Co-Chair on the Human Resources Committee and as a member of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee.

I wanted to take the time to give an update on what the Princess Committee and Governing Documents Committee are currently working on.

PN PRINCESS COMMITTEE:

The Princess Committee met in our first meeting on October 22nd and this Committee has six outstanding ladies who are working with the Pawnee Nation Princess. Miss. Haley Teter-Johnson has been representing the Pawnee Nation at several events in community since she has been appointed as Pawnee Nation Princess. The Committee has approved for the Princess to be represented on social media. We will be creating a Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat account for her to post her events and personal accomplishments. This will give you an all access pass on how she represents the Pawnee Nation. We are very proud of her representation so far and look forward to Native American Heritage Month and her participation. The Committee will also be talking about the creation of a mentoring program for young Princess' to be and a few more programs that will help support this program. We will be doing more fundraising to get prepared for the coronation of the PN Princess for 2021, so look for the flyers. We thank you all for your support of this Committee and the support shown for our Pawnee Nation Princess.

PN GOVERNING DOCUMENTS COMMITTEE:

The Governing Documents Committee met for our first meeting on October 26th. The Committee voted on a Resolution to be submitted to the Council for approval on the Codification of the General Laws of the Pawnee Nation. This Resolution will separate "Laws" from "Resolutions". We will be creating a new process on how we file our Governing Documents and make it easier for everyone to research our Governing Documents. Also to create a digital library online. The Committee will be reviewing recommended revisions for the PN Election Act and the PN Constitution, Article VII, Forfeiture, Recall, Removal at the next meeting. These documents will be presented to the people with a comment period in accordance with the PN Administrative Procedures Act. Once the revisions pass the Committee, we will post the suggested revisions on the Pawnee Nation website for Tribal Members to review and comment. Also providing oral comments in a virtual townhall meeting. Please look for more information on these upcoming events.

I hope to update you all on what these Committees are doing through the Chaticks Si Chaticks and on the Pawnee Nation website. If you would like to contact me, please email me at cb0081@pawneenation.org.



PAWNEE NATION OF OKLAHOMA

DHCS-TITLE VI Senior Nutritional Meals Program (918) 762-4042 Lunch is 11:30 am to 12:30 pm Thursday Breakfast 10 am Drinks and fruit served daily

December 2020

| MONDAY 11:30 | TUESDAY 11:30 | WEDNESDAY 11:30 | THURSDAY 10 am |
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| | Mac & Cheese | Red Bliss Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy | Bacon x 2 |
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| · | Hush Puppies | Bread & Butter | Blueberries & Cottage Cheese |
| | Small Salad | | Fruit & Juice |
| 7-Dec | 8-Dec | 9:Dec | L0-Doc |
| BBQ Chicken | Pork Chops w/ Gravy | Open Face Roast Beef Sandwich | Oatmeal w/ Maple & Brown Sugar |
| on Bun | Baby Bakers | w/ Gravy | Sausage & Egg |
| Blackeye Peas w/ Bacon Bits | Buttered & Herb Asparagus | Steak Fries | Toast-&-Butter |
| Roasted Corn w/ Bell Pepper | Bread & Butter | Italian Green Beans | Peaches & Cottage Cheese |
| Small Salad | Foed Bank | | Fruit & Juice |
| ,14-Dec | 15 Dec | 16-Dec | 17-Dec |
| Chicken Fried Steak | Chicken Alfredo | Sliced Ham | Waffles x 2 w/ Butter & Syrup |
| Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy | w/ Fettuccine Noodles | Corn Bread Stuffing | Canadian Bacon & Egg |
| Buttered Peas & Carrots | Herb Buttered Brussels Sprouts | Sweet Potato Casserole | Celery Sticks & Peanut Butter |
| Bread & Butter | Bread & Butter | Buttered Snow Peas | Yogurt & Granola |
| | Small Salad | Roll & Butter - Slice of Pie | Fruit & Juice |
| 21-Dec | 22 Dec | 23-Dec | 24-Dec |
| Ham & Corn Chower Soup | Chipotle Turkey Chili | Salisbury Steak | Closed |
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| 28-Dec | 29-Dec | 30-Dec | 31-Dec |
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| Scalloped Potatoes | Crackers & Cheese Cubes | Buttered Herb Succotash | 90095 |
| Green Beans w/ Bell Pepper | Grilled Cheese | Bread & Butter | |
| Small Salad | | | |

Non-elder meal is \$5, served after 12:10pm Transportation and meal requests are accepted until 8:30am

Deliveries are available for the ill



On November 7, 2020, Tyler Baze competed in Oklahoma City in the 2020 NPC Grand Prix in the Heavy Weight Bodybuilding Category. This competition was a great turnout, being the largest number of Bodybuilders that they have had in years. Tyler took 1st in Novice, 2nd in True Novice, and 3rd in Open.

Tyler is the son of Renee Matlock Brown and Michael Brown of Colorado Springs, Colorado. He is the grandson of Blanche Matlock Smith and Chuck Smith of Pawnee, Oklahoma, and Donnie and Margaret Ahhaitty of Tuttle, Oklahoma. His great grandparents are the late Chauncey (Pawnee Code Talker) Matlock and Adeline Cummings Matlock. His great great grandparents were Blanche and Stacey Matlock and Eva and Harry Cummings.

Tyler resides in Mustang with his fiance, Whitney Linder, and two children, Preslie and Ellie Baze. His fiance, Whitney, recently competed in the 2020 NANBF Cowboy Classic in Stillwater, Oklahoma, and earned second place in the Figure Open Category.

They are owners of a Powerlifting/Bodybuilding gym, called The Strength Factory in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Sky Seeing Ruth Leading Fox was sworn into the U.S. ARMY Reserves on 6/1/20.

She is a 2020 graduate from Sequoyah High School.

Her parents are **Pat and Vicky Leading Fox**. She left for Boot Camp on 10/26/20 and is at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.





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MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Pawnee Business Council Treasurer Report:



2020 has been a year to remember. Although, the pandemic has interrupted our daily lives we as a tribe have remained strong just as our Pawnee ancestors proved to be through times of hardship. Today, COVID-19 remains to create a cautious environment for our Pawnee. As our tribal offices, clinic, housing and business entities continue to provide essential services I want to recognize the work and commitment of our Pawnee Nation employees who have helped Pawnee people access services needed to respond to COVID-19. The safety and care of our people during this time is the number one priority as our Pawnee Business Council (PBC) makes spending decisions for the remaining CARE Act Covid-19 relief funds.

Accountability to the United States Treasury has been a top priority as the spending has happened. I want to let you know about the process PBC followed in making its spending decisions. First of all, the new Pawnee Business Council worked cooperatively as a team, with Tribal financial staff and Division Directors, to create a sound plan that ensures transparency for accurate spending and reporting to the Department of the Treasury. The PBC enlisted two leading experts to advise us on our financial decisions. Our treasury consultant Lacy Horn serves on the U.S. Treasury's Tribal Advisory Committee, which advises the Secretary on significant Native American matters. She is a Certified Public Accountant who served as Treasurer for the Cherokee Nation for eight years. Her technical assistance helped guide compliance with Department of Treasury rules and guidelines, as PBC made spending decisions in the best interest of the Nation. In addition, PBC relied on the Pawnee Nation Attorney General Chad Smith, who reviewed proposed expenditure decisions. As former Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation for twelve years and a former attorney in the U.S. Department of Treasury, his legal advice helped us make sound decisions. With the technical and legal assistance of this team, the PBC examined the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Pawnee Nation and its members to identify measures needed to address the deadly pandemic.

In that examination, we listened to Tribal directors to assess pandemic impacts on tribal programs and services; we met with the business arm of the tribe to determine impacts on the tribal economy; and President Echo-Hawk presided over a virtual COVID open forum sponsored by the PBC on August 8, 2020, to give all Pawnee members information about the process and afford them the opportunity to voice their opinions and suggestions for COVID spending. The PBC thanks tribal members for their comments and took their input into account when making decisions. Much thought and discussion went into the spending decisions, as our deliberations moved through the established budgetary process. Along the way, we followed applicable federal guidelines and regulations and considered the short window imposed by federal law for completing tribal Coronavirus measures. Final expenditures continue in this spending process and will be reported to the membership. Our final date for closure of this COVID funding is December 30, 2020.

During this pandemic, the COVID-19 funds made it possible to provide needed services during this pandemic. Decisions on where to spend the money allocated our Nation have been directed to the highest needs in this unprecedented emergency; the health, safety, and continuation of vital program services needed by our members.

I would like to thank the TERC (Tribal Emergency Response Team) staff who have met weekly during this pandemic keeping track of the policy of tribal programs and operations to ensure the safety of the Pawnee people living in and around our community to prevent and control the spread of COVID while

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MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

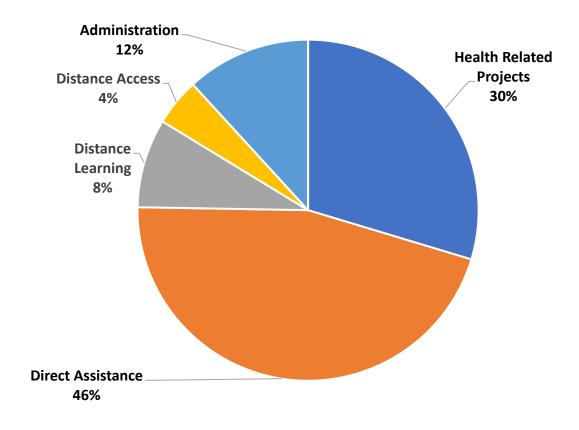
continuing the needed services of the large array of Pawnee programs. They have played a key role in keeping our government and our services safe and running during COVID.

The pandemic has not gone away and continues to affect our Pawnee Nation as well as the entire nation on a negative path. As a people we mourn for our loved ones who have passed on due to COVID and are thankful for those that survived the virus. Our newest, youngest tribal council member Jordan Kanuho contracted the virus and missed the ground-breaking of the COVID Storage and Distribution Center building. He recovered well and is commended for his leadership and hard work on this important food security program.

Again, I would like to thank the hard work and efforts of the Pawnee Nation employees, the Pawnee Housing Authority, and the Pawnee Health Clinic, during this pandemic which has changed the way we live. It has been hard to be isolated from our tribal way of life and all the good things associated with our culture. The pandemic will pass in time and 2020 will be remembered as the time that we are all in this together, as a tribe.

These expenditures and program services are listed here. The final wrap up to meet the end of the year deadline are in progress. If any tribal members should need to contact me about services, questions or concerns I can be reached at my e-mail of cc1100@pawneenation.org. My personal phone number is 918-456-6385.

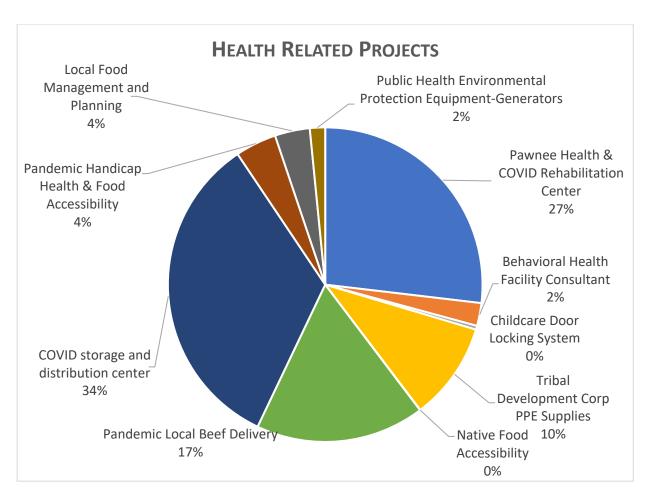
COVID Funding Allocations by Major Cost Categories



MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER



| Health Related Projects | 2,982,810 |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Direct Assistance | 4,587,878 |
| Distance Learning | 847,940 |
| Distance Access | 451,176 |
| Administration | 1,187,055 |



Health Related Projects Cost Category includes the following items:

Pawnee Health & COVID Rehabilitation Center; \$801,600

- + This 3,000 square foot center is designed to address concerns regarding the COVID Pandemic and the public health concerns, to assist in the prevention, preparation, and response to this virus. The design of this Center will assist the Pawnee Nation in keeping our community more protected from catching the virus as well as limiting the impact if they are infected.
- + This facility will be equipped with a cardio and weight room, bathroom showers, lockers and touchless faucets, a hand washing station outside of the restroom to

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encourage good hand hygiene. It will also have state of the art exercise equipment from free weights to rowing machines. The new facility is expected to have a soft opening in the middle of December with a Grand Opening after the new year.



Behavioral health Facility consultant; \$70,000

+ Covid-19 Projections and Effects on Mental Health and Addiction in Oklahoma illustrates how COVID-19 is impacting mental health and substance abuse in Oklahoma. We are already seeing a substantial increase in Oklahoma alone. We hired a consultant to assist us in exploring methodologies as well as funding opportunities to construct a Behavioral Health Facility for our community. We are unaware of the foreseeable future about a vaccine nor another "shutdown", our team is readily exploring options to have more services available to help individual's cope from this Pandemic.

Childcare Door Locking System; \$11,717

+ Distancing and protection of the children

★ Tribal Development Corporation PPE Supplies; \$300,000

+ Personal Protective Equipment Supplies for TDC employees and patrons of the businesses covered under TDC.

Native Food Accessibility; \$1,000

+ Equipment needed by the Native Food Program in order to process and store native foods.

Pandemic Local Beef Delivery; \$518,000

+ Procurement and processing local beef for distribution to the tribal community during the Pandemic.

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COVID Storage and Distribution Center; \$1,000,000

- + Pawnee Nation is designing and constructing a Storage and Distribution Center for PPE, Food, and other resources for our community. The concept of this center is to assist in the prevention, preparation, and response to COVID-19. In addition, its design and construction will provide a facility that will house the necessary resources such as food and PPE for tribal members to use during the Pandemic.
- This 4,000 square foot facility is designed to be a one-stop shop so tribal members can receive the protective equipment they need to protect themselves and family from the virus. It will be a distribution and storage for all COVID personal protective equipment and food to address the food insecurities during times of Pandemic. The COVID center will have a large commercial grade walk-in cooler and freezer to help preserve and store perishable food items. The building is expected to be complete on or before December 30, 2020. This facility will become part of the newly created Agricultural Department and Division to ensure the food security for the Pawnee People.

Pandemic Handicap, Health & Food Accessibility; \$126,500

+ These vehicles will provide the necessary travel needed by the tribal handicapped and elderly when they either need to go out and shop for their food and supplies or to have food and supplies delivered to them.

Local Food Management and Planning; \$107,207

+ This planning department will be developing a department and/or division that will be charged with the responsibility to develop an office that will provide a plan for the management of local foods either by growing, storing and distributing these items to the local tribal community.

Public Health Environmental Protection Equipment Generator; \$46,786

+ This project provides for a generator for environmental protection equipment that is providing environmental protection of the tribal people that are utilizing health facilities and programs that out location on the tribal reserve.

Native Food Accessibility Communications Upgrade; \$3,216

+ The facility that currently houses the Native Food Accessibility project needs to have their communications upgraded so that the people working here will have access to other programs without having to travel and maintain social distancing.

Pawnee Health & COVID Rehabilitation Center Communications Installation; \$9,419

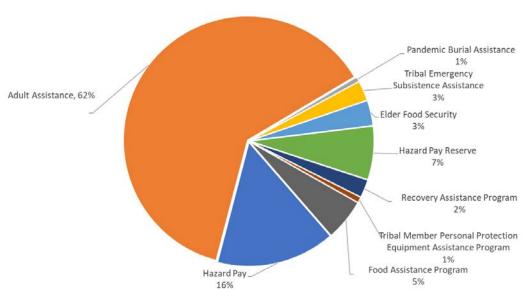
+ Accessibility to the newly enhanced communications infrastructure is needed for this facility so that the workers and clients will be able to access needed information for themselves or other clients.

COVID Storage and Distribution Center Communications Installation; \$9,310

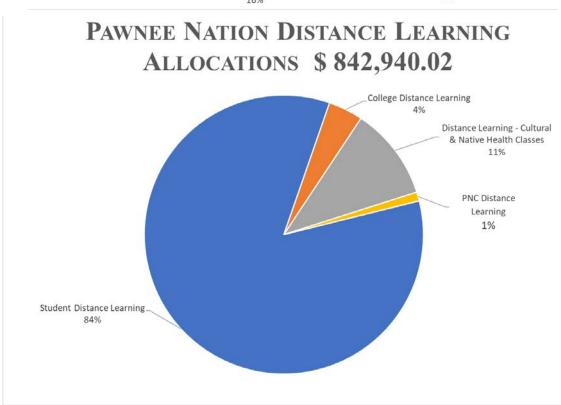
+ This storage and distribution center needs access the newly enhanced communications infrastructure in order to maintain social distancing with the remainder of the Pawnee Nation tribal entities and to also have access to

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PAWNEE NATION DIRECT ASSISTANCE ALLOCATIONS



\$4,587,878



Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Chapman, Treasurer

Pawnee Business Council



PAWNEE NATION OPERATIONS - AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Rickuhki (Skidi) / Reckuhki, SB/ Autumn/Fall Update

In August 2020, the Pawnee Nation Business Council passed a resolution at the administrative level to introduce a local food management and planning effort utilizing CARES Funding. This effort allows for the hire of Pawnee members to quarterback a Pawnee Nation Division of Agriculture and

aid in examining food security and food access issues in the current tribal structure.

The Operations Director, Jimmy Jestes, is overseeing the Pawnee Cattle Operation, with Lauren Ouimby serving as Cattle Operations Assistant Manager. Jimmy has 21 years of experience serving the Pawnee Nation and is integral to the perpetuation of the Pawnee Livestock and Rodeo industry in this region. Ms. Quimby has experience serving the Administrative Office and supports the business-minded

build-out of farm to table necessary to serve the Pawnee people during and after the times of the COVID-19 Pandemic. To truly serve the people- we must continue to build capacity of the people and the government.

Here are two short biographies of Pawnee



Left to Right: Jimmy Jestes, Lauren Quimby, Jessica Sunny Evans, and Electa Hare-RedCorn.

Women in Agriculture, followed by a spotlight of a Pawnee Agronomy Scholar. President Echo-Hawk has directed the project to support the formation and success of an Agriculture Committee, composed of cattle/livestock producers, ethnobotanists, agro-ecology professionals, and community

partners in agriculture education. To build a Culture of Health- we must all recognize we have a role to play in food sovereignty. We hope to highlight community voices in future articles. Until then- we are researching farm food and safety planning for future greenhouse produce markets, grant writing, and assisting with an inventory of Pani Rikisu, Pani Corn, and other crops to ensure Pawnee people have access to Pawnee seeds for future growing seasons.

ELECTA HARE-REDCORN, PARUS KITARI IRA U, SB PIRAHAWIRATA, LOCAL FOOD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT



I am the daughter of Charles and Dawna Hare and the granddaughter of the late Cecil and Joyce Riding In and Tee and Barbara Hare. I am a granddaughter of the Pawnee silversmith, Marlene Riding In Mameah. I hold a Master of Social Work in Community Revitalization, focus- children, youth, and families. I am currently a doctoral scholar attending the University of Arkansas and studied under the mentorship of Mrs. Janie Hipp, Chickasaw, for Ag Law and Policy cross-training in tribal governance and business entities, USDA and NRCS programs, and Indigenous Food and Agriculture Leadership under the first Native female dean of a Law School, Stacy Leeds, JD, Cherokee. The pair co-founded the Native Youth into Agriculture Summit at the University of Arkansas Law School, and they, along with Seed Preservation mentor Deb Echo-Hawk have introduced me to a greater understanding of agriculture business, law, health, and conservation practices. Most recently, I served the Intertribal Agriculture Council as the Eastern OK Region Technical Assistance Specialist. In this role, I learned about the numerous USDA programs and services and history/function of U.S. ag policy and aided youth in applying for Beginning Farmer and Rancher and Youth Ag Loans.

JESSICA SUNNY EVANS, SKIDI BAND, HORTICULTURALIST



I am the daughter of Tom and Arlene Evans, of Pawnee, and the granddaughter of Betty Evans of Abilene, TX. My great-grandparents were Stacy and Becky Howell of Pawnee. I attended Pawnee public schools through elementary education and returned to Pawnee to earn a BS in Horticulture at OSU. My studies were in sustainable agriculture, focusing on best practices to manage insect pests. I am passionate about growing plants for people to use in many ways, from food to fiber, to dyes, and beyond. I believe we are capable of introducing agricultural projects that are sustainable and can improve the land and waters of our Nation.



AG SPOTLIGHT: PAWNEE NATION SCHOLAR:

KAHHEETAH BARNOSKIE, KITKEHAKI BAND

GRANDPARENTS ARE VIRGIL AND LOLITA COOK, FAMILY DESCENDANTS OF JULIUS CEASAR.

Ms. Barnoskie is in her first year of study of local varieties of plants grown graduate school at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Kahheetah has served the Pawnee community as an intern for the Pawnee Seed Preservation Project, as an AmeriCorps Spirit of the Sun Volunteer, working specifically with food security issues at the Pawnee Nation Elder Meals Program. Working with the re-emerging varieties of Pawnee corn, she has learned and labored in amazement and respect for the agricultural bio-diversity of indigenous food sources. A major focus of her work is plant disease resistance and pest resistance. Kaheetah describes her studies at UNL as: I feel lucky to work in an underdeveloped area of ag plant breeding research titled: landrace studies. Landrace studies are the

in traditional practices. Landraces are a great genetic resource because of their adaptability and stress tolerance. They are also important to agricultural biodiversity and nutrition studies because they are more variable than the uniform crops grown by corporate/commodity farming today. Kahheetah looks forward to sharpening her toolbox as an ag scientist so she may continue to assist the Pawnee Seed Preservation Project into the futureand she also looks forward to being a source of support and understanding for other tribes looking to revive their landrace varieties of traditional foods. She is an important part of the future of Pawnee Food and Agricultural systems- and we hope to

call upon her talents as a scientific advisor to complement the work of the Pawnee Agriculture Committee. Congratulations on your academic scholarships, and we wish vou continued success as vou cultivate your craft.

If you have talents in agriculture, would like to visit more about Pawnee agriculture, or have a partnership idea, or need support in accessing USDA and Natural Resource Conservation Services for your own ag projects- feel free to call us at (918) 399-6999. We are currently housed in Building One, Pawnee Nation Campus. Ta tura tsiksu, With Much Respect, Pawnee Agriculture Team.





Thursday, October 22, 2020 FHWA 25-20 Contact: Neil Gaffney Tel.: (202) 366-0660



U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao Announces \$6.5 Million to Seven States and Pawnee Nation for Highway Innovations

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) today announced the latest recipients of federal funds to help enhance safety and rebuild infrastructure with cutting-edge innovations that can potentially be replicated nationwide. In this round of awards, Alabama, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, North Carolina, and the Pawnee Nation in Oklahoma will receive a combined \$6.5 million.

"These federal grants will advance innovative transportation solutions to improve safety and mobility on America's roadways," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

Since 2014, the "Accelerated Innovation Deployment" (AID) Demonstration Program has provided 110 grants, valued at more than \$80 million, to help federal land management agencies, local and tribal governments, metropolitan planning organizations, and state departments of transportation accelerate the use of innovations in transportation.

"These grants help state, local and tribal governments deliver projects sooner and more costeffectively for the traveling public," said Federal Highway Administrator Nicole R. Nason.

Previous recipients used their AID grants to fund more energy-efficient overhead highway lighting, installation of bridge-monitoring sensors, work zone safety technology and "intelligent compaction" technologies which can extend the useful life of pavement.

The AID Demonstration Program builds on the FHWA's efforts to collaborate with states and localities, federal land management agencies, and tribal governments to accelerate the adoption of innovations and reduce project delivery times.

| Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma | \$500,000 | The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma will invest AID Demonstration funds to employ the Construction |
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| - Chianoma | | Manager/General Contractor process, an EDC innovation that will help deliver several projects more |
| | | cost-effectively. |

The Pawnee Nation is grateful to be chosen as a recipient of these "Accelerated Innovation Deployment" (AID) funds and proud to be apart of new innovations supporting effective and efficient ways of delivering the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP). – Chris McCray, Pawnee Nation Transportation & Safety Manager.

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THE SUPREME COURT'S ANNUAL MEETING







The Supreme Court's Annual Meeting, October 5th, 2020. Newly appointed Chief Justice, Justice John Chapman-Young. John Chapman-Young has been serving on the court for some time as an Associate Justice and is a senior member of the court. John Chapman-Young was sworn-in as the new Chief Justice to replace his predecessor who retired from that position.

President Echo-Hawk was formerly an Associate Justice on the Court and did the honoring of swearing-in for this one-time ceremony.



Covid-19 brought us to the end of life as we knew it and thrust us into a completely new world. A world behind mask and full of fears of the unknown. Unfortunately, this time has also brought us an increase in domestic/intimate partner violence. The Ti-Hirasa Domestic Violence Program has had to take a step back and regroup, rethink, and begin again. Social Distancing has forced us to come up with new ways to reach our community.

With Social Distancing guidelines in mind, Ti Hirasa hosted a few smaller events during October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We started the month off on Thursday, October 1st with a Morning Break Drive-Thru event where we handed out individually wrapped donuts and sausage rolls and our new program t-shirts. On October 15th, we served a boxed Subway lunch along with our wonderful new Resilience water bottles. Lastly, on October 29th we held a Community Event at the Courthouse Gazebo. This is where we distributed our Social Distancing Safety Pack containing our beautiful Ti-Hirasa facemask. In all, over two hundred people were reached through our efforts.

We have devised a plan to begin having our monthly Brave Women Group meetings by offering two a month with four participants by reservation only allowed. These meeting are held the first and second Thursday of the month. We hope that soon we can all be together again and enjoy the strength that we all receive from each other.

We are a confidential support service that serves ALL of Pawnee County and the tribal jurisdiction. We offer services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. We have a 24-hour crisis line, provide victim support and assistance, provide transportation to shelters, assistance in protective orders and court advocacy.

Ti Hirasa Healing Center for Domestic & Sexual Violence. 24-Hour Crisis Line (918) 399-3310

Amy Kinzie, Coordinator Jennifer Moses, Advocate Dina Johnson, Prevention Specialist



Greetings from the CHR/HE Program!

We hope this publication finds everyone well. We have been busy these last few months with health-conscious events, health education and assistance regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic, as well as the typical CHR duties including but not limited to transportation and medication deliveries.

We celebrated Halloween by joining our annual Trunk-or-Treat with the Pawnee County Sheriff's Office Trunk- or-Treat. It was a fun-filled event with lots of treats including FREE hotdogs, chips, popcorn, and drinks! We were so excited to see such a great turnout.

We also hosted "Pink on Parade", inviting all Pawnee Nation employees to walk with us in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Employees received education regarding breast cancer and a goodie bag.

We are looking forward to the holidays and closing out this whirlwind year of 2020. With the cold weather approaching, it's safe to assume people will be confined to close quarters, with that we would like to encourage everyone to take any health precautions necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 as well as the cold and flu. We also encourage you to try your best to get/remain active, ideally at least thirty (30) minutes each day.

Wishing everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR! May good fortune greet you in 2021.





Hello everyone, my name is Evanne Pratt.

In 2017, I was crowned Pawnee Nation Princess. Little did I know it was going to be as amazing as it was. You will have the opportunity to go to places you've never been to. To meet incredible people. To show the younger generations, what being a princess is all about. But most importantly, you will have the opportunity to show the world what a proud Pawnee woman looks like.

In everything you do, do it with dignity and grace. The crown you wear isn't just a piece of metal. It's a symbol of strength, beauty, and resilience. When you put on the crown, you hold your head up high. When you put on the crown, you not only represent yourself and your family, you represent the Pawnee Nation.

Take a look around. What do you see? I see strong women. Michelle Obama once said, "The difference between a broken community and a thriving one is the presence of women who are valued." When I look around, I see powerful women. I see women that have put others first that have gone through hardships and continued to stand, that have gone out to do amazing things, but most importantly, I see women that have built this community. I see strong, resilient women.

What you see here is a sisterhood. Most of us have been princesses before. Some held one title, some have held multiple titles. We've sat on princess row, we've done our laps around arenas while shaking hands, we've taught others about what our title means to us, and we've all made our tribes and organizations proud.

In the upcoming year, you will do amazing things. You will go further than you have ever before. You will not only teach others, but you will learn too. This year, soak up everything. This year will go by fast, and before you know it, you'll be giving your crown up to the next princess. You might enter this with a ton of uncertainty like I did, but as long as you uphold the crown to the best of your abilities, there's one thing for certain, you will make the Pawnee Nation proud.

I think it's safe to say that on behalf of the past and present princesses, welcome to the sisterhood. Congratulations Haley!

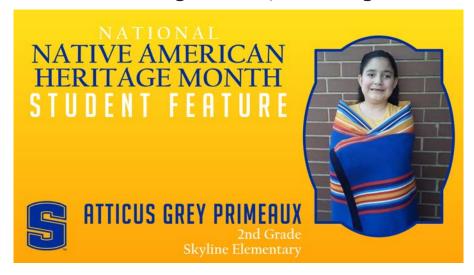
Thank you to the TERO WORKERS who helped distribute the 2020 Census T-shirts during the drive-thru event.



Kyle Horn
Jimmy Tiger
Nick Pratt
Zack Littlesun
Sheryl Gann-Hill



Stillwater Public Schools Indian Education featured a Pawnee student for Native American Heritage Month, second-grader Atticus Grey Primeaux.



"Nowah! Let me introduce myself. My name is Atticus Grey Primeaux, and I have made eight rotations around the sun. My parents are Anthony C. Primeaux and Marie Morningstar Eppler. My siblings are Lená Black, Orion Rae and Athena Primeaux, and my little brother is Pierce Primeaux. I am a descendant of the Pawnee, Osage, Ponca, Otoe, and Kiowa tribes. I currently live in the community of Stillwater, Oklahoma and am enrolled at Skyline Elementary - Go Cubs! I am very blessed to be Indigenous and take pride in learning cultural ways of my ancestors who had great knowledge and moral conviction. I enjoy Native American Church and participating in various cultural events. I love the cultural interactions and teachings from participating in numerous events that transpire throughout the year. My favorite is Native American Church and going to pray for

those who I love and care for. I make my personal world and those around me stronger by praying for good positive things to happen for our people and those who need encouragement and support. I carry good medicine within my being and want to share that love and healing everyday with those who I encounter. I gather strength and wisdom everyday and want to continue preparing myself to be a strong Indigenous individual who is constantly learning and applying teachings of both cultural and everyday lessons into my life. I have been blessed with a sound mind, big heart, and wonderful supporting family to make a change in the world I live in. I am honored to be a part of this community, to be able to participate in various cultural events, and to be Indigenous. Iriwe Turahe!



www.pawneenationhousing.org

The Travelers Club

Not just for travel anymore

The Pawnee Nation has a long history of organizing and supporting service clubs among its citizens. The War Mothers organization, the Pocahontas Club, the Service Club, and the Star Club are just a few.

So when a group of friends decided in 2011 that they would pool their resources and set off on a road trip, the Travelers Club was quick to spring to life. An initial trip to Branson cemented the idea among the group, and on the way back, everyone agreed that they should do this again.

After a round of fundraising and planning, the group headed off to Chicago on their second trip. They visited the Field Museum, with an opportunity to present an example of traditional dance, and had a chance to go to Wrigley Field to see the Chicago Cubs.

But all along, as the group was raising money for another trip, they began using some of that money for more charitable purposes, providing emergency assistance for rent or utility bills and purchasing hats and gloves and socks as a donation to the school for distribution to children.

In 2013 they also began feeding the families of deceased tribal members,

a traditional Pawnee way to show respect and honor. All of these activities continue to this day. In fact, community service has become the primary purpose of the Travelers over the years since its organization.

In 2014 the Travelers took a slightly different approach to service by beginning to honor tribal members for personal or professional achievements or for their efforts to benefit Pawnee Nation.

They started by recognizing seven women; Neva Moore, Edith Beardsley, and Regina Wilson for their outstanding service to Pawnee Nation and Rowena Salmon, Jean Grant,, Florence Goodfox and Mattie Fish for their service both to Pawnee Nation and, as veterans, for their honorable service to the United States.

This was followed the next year by recognizing six men, all military veterans, who had served Pawnee Nation and the United States with honor and commitment. These men were Charles Lone Chief, Glen McGuire, Gilbert Matthews, Robert Smith, Roy Taylor, and Francis Morris.

The last recognition hosted by the Travelers honored five tribal members with medical degrees. Those were Dr.

Linda Cummings, Dr. Gene Evans, Dr. Charles Knife Chief, Dr. Sarah Knife Chief, and Dr. Amanda Speicher.

With the passing of one of the original members of the group, Elizabeth Blackowl, the Travelers looked for an appropriate way to honor her memory and settled on a monetary award to a student seeking to advance their education. For the past five years, the Elizabeth Blackowl Education Award has been given to a deserving Pawnee student. Those include Martha Only a Chief, Autumn Only a Chief, Recia McCosar, Alexandria Harjo, and Rosetta Clark.

Membership in the club is informal but that membership currently includes Linda and Ronnie Jestes, Liana Teter, Patsy Cooper, Walli and Marvin Thurman, Chip Chapman, Rick Chapman, Marti Only a Chief, Wanda Kanuho, Jean and Dennis Grant, Sue Cotanny, Cordelia Clapp and two original members, Jo Only a Chief and Ann Collins. The recent passing of longtime member Florence Goodfox not only took away the oldest veteran in the club but also someone who could always be counted on to bake a pie or a cake or a chicken pot pie anytime food was needed.



Heston Echohawk

We're proud of you for all your hard work and congratulations on a perfect season! We love you!

From Mom, Ucca, Uppit, and MiMi



Charles Lone Chief represented the Pawnee Nation in accepting the grant at the Tulsa Ceremony.

"It is and has been an honor to serve. In several administrations over the years as a regular council member, as Vice-president under President Howell and President Gover, and of late Interim President and Interim Vice-president. I have always done my best to serve the Pawnee Nation faithfully and honorably with integrity. I have always believed that I would be held accountable to God and that is why it is vitally important to do the right thing according to his precepts." - Charles Lone Chief.

2020 AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors

41 Native American elders from 20 Oklahoma tribal nations were recognized, virtually, at the 12th annual AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors Friday, November 13, 2020. Each honoree was selected based on a lifetime of achievement, service and commitment to our nation, state, communities and Indian Country. Since 2009, AARP Oklahoma has honored 550 Native American elders from Oklahoma's 39 tribal nations.

Please visit www.aarp.org/ok to view the program, honorees pictures and biographies and virtual celebration.



Townsend was 2020 AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors. This recognition is one of AARP Oklahoma's most prestigious and visible awards, given to honor outstanding Native American Elders making a powerful difference in their communities and Indian Country. Jack Townsend, who is an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation, has made several positive impacts to our Nation as well as the Pawnee community.

Jack served (2) years in the U.S. Army from 1956-1958. He served with the 87th Infantry at Fort Ord in California and in Germany. Jack said it was a long (2) years, but he was glad he served because he saw things he never would have seen. At last year's Pawnee Bill Memorial Rodeo, he was awarded with a Quilt of Valor. He said that was the first time anyone had ever recognized him for his service.

nominated After Jack was discharged from that out along with the fact that Jack and selected as an honoree for the the military, he went to work for Indian Health Service on the Navajo Reservation for (11) years. He then transferred to the Pawnee Indian Hospital until his retirement in 1989. During his tenure for Indian Health Service, Jack worked as a Maintenance Mechanic. When asked why he chose to work for Indian Health Service, Jack said he was concerned about the health and welfare of Native people and wanted to help as best he could. After retirement, he worked for (3) years for the City of Pawnee in the Parks and Recreation Department.

> During his time in Pawnee, Jack has become accustomed and embraced Pawnee culture. For the last 40+ years, Jack has been helping the Goodfox family with the ceremonial Pawnee funeral feast. He was initially helping another Pawnee tribal member, but when Lawrence Goodfox, Sr. found

was Native American and a Veteran. he asked him to help his family. Since then, Jack cooked with Lawrence until he passed away and now, he assists his son, Larry Goodfox. Even at the age of 86 years of age, Jack continues to help the Pawnee Nation as well as the tribal members during their most time of need. He believes that tradition is important and wants to help continue to encourage tradition and culture to future generations.

Jack has a big heart and is always willing to help the Pawnee community as well as the Pawnee tribal community. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, AARP is unable to host an in-person event to celebrate this year's honorees. Instead, during November's Native American Heritage Month, Jack will personally receive a special celebration package in including his honoree medallion.

Edward Anthony Feathers ... August 11, 1969 - August 11, 2020

Mark Neal Left Hand ... April 5, 1962 - August 28, 2020

Lucinda E Horse Chief ... May 2, 1948 - September 1, 2020

Francis M Pratt ... June 25, 1934 - September 13, 2020

Darlene Ramos ... November 16, 1948 - September 17, 2020

Eva Mae Hill ... March 12, 1924 - September 22, 2020 Lynn D Eaves ... December 4, 1947 - September 28, 2020

Florence Mary Goodfox ... August 19, 1936 - October 2, 2020

Paula Fern Genereaux ... June 16, 1941 - October 22, 2020

Tommy Steven RoySherri Joan ... January 31, 1963 - October 27, 2020 Prairie Chief ... February 12, 1959 - October 29, 2020



Edward Anthony Feathers, Seti He Wahoo (Victory Calls For Him) Pawnee and Cherokee Nation

In Memory of

Anthony went on his journey to join our ancestors on August 2020 at the age of 51. He was living in Hollywood, California, when he

Born August 11, 1969, in Pawnee, OK Anthony was the grandson of Rush and Lou Roberts of Pawnee and Ezra and Minnie Feather of Jay, OK.

Anthony grew up in Pawnee and Jay, OK, and Thoreau, NM. He was an amazing artist who enjoyed dancing and painting. After graduating from Thoreau High School, he moved to Los Angeles with his uncle James Riding In, aunt-Ida, and their three children, Maylynn, Kevin, and William. They helped him get established with city life, where he worked as an usher for CBS and danced on Soul Train. Anthony worked on a news publication for the

American Indian gay community as part of his efforts to fight homophobia. Anthony had his art exhibited in various locations, including galleries in Los Angeles. Anthony found true happiness and unconditional love when he met his soul mate, Cristiano Burlachini. They were married on July 11, 2013. Anthony worked at Smith, Gambrell, & Russell, LLP in Los Angeles, CA where he had a reputation as an extraordinary professional, and his co-workers became his family away from home.

Anthony endured many hardships in his life. In spite of this, he was a sweet and loving gentleman, adding light and positive energy into the world. His artistic and creative mind was beautiful. He was free spirited and loved living life to the fullest. Even being far from his family, he took great pride in being a Guncle to his niece and nephews. In California, he was blessed to have friends that loved him and helped him when he needed it. He will be remembered as an extraordinarily kind and gentle soul.

He was proceeded in death by: mother- Irene Marie Jose, sister-Pamela "Bam" Feathers, uncle-Jerry Feathers, uncle-Darrel "Bunny" Feathers, grandparents- Rush and Lou Roberts and Ezra and Minnie Feather.

Anthony is survived by: husband, Cristiano Burlacchini of Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, parents-Harold "Dude" and Marilyn Feathers of Jay, OK, sisters: Paula Feathers and husband Conrad Valencia of Placitas, NM, Carla "Hoot" Feathers of Jay, OK, Leila Feathers and husband Bobby Turner of Gentry, AR, brother-James Hall-Zotigh of Redrock, OK, nephews-Darold Zunie-Feathers, Courage Chaus Valencia, Ezra Feathers, Feathers Valencia, Derius "D-Rex" Feathers, Ty Turner, and Devin Anthony Feathers, niece-Mya Feathers, as well as many cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends. Tata atisiks ta, Gvgeyui, Anthony.



Mark Neal Left Hand was born April 5, 1962, in Denver, Colorado. His parents were Samuel Phillip Lefthand and Clara Effie (Hardin) Lefthand. He spent his early childhood in California and Texas while his father was serving in the Air Force. The family returned to their hometown of Morrison, Oklahoma. He passed from this life on August 28, 2020, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, having reached the age of 58 years, 4 months, and 23 days. He had been residing in Perry, Oklahoma for several years. During his childhood, he played football and baseball, his father was his coach often. He passed that natural athleticism to his children. In 1988 he married Cindy and became stepfather to James and Rachael. Of this union, two

children were born; Micheal Phillip Lefthand and Gabrielle Marie children were born; Micheal Phillip Lefthand and Gabrielle Marie Lefthand. He married Paula in 1994, and of this union two daughters were born; Lexy Elise (Lefthand) Parker and Wisper Rae Lefthand. He developed quite an artistic talent throughout the years, selling many of his drawings as well as giving away many to special people who crossed his path. He drew special pictures for birthday and Christmas gifts to his children, which they cherish to this day. He enjoyed making people laugh and hearing stories about his family. He is survived by his sister, Phyllis Lefthand, Ponca City; his son Micheal, and daughters Gabby of Ponca City, Lexy, and Wisper of Stillwater. Grandchildren from Micheal; Hannah Marie Ward and

Laney Rain Lefthand. From Gabby: Brekkon Micheal Lefthand-Hutson, Memphis Samuel Lefthand, and Reign Onelia Lefthand-Hutson, Misnamins Jaimter Lethiandt, and regil Orlena Lethiand. Hits caseworker, Courtney, became special support to Mark this past year, he called her his niece. Mark was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents; Samuel and Emma Skye (Younge) Lefthand, brothers Samuel and Timothy Lefthand.

Graveside service will be held 10 am, Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at the Chaui cemetery, Pawnee, Oklahoma. A mourning feast will follow at the Roam Chief center in Pawnee, Oklahoma.



Lucinda Elaine Horsechief was born May 2, 1948, in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, to Vance and Faye Ola (Duncan) Horsechief. "Cindy" departed this life on September 1, 2020, in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 72 years. Her father was Pawnee, and her mother was Cherokee. She loved her Native American heritage.

Cindy had a good educational background. She earned her University. From this, she became a gifted gourmet cook. She taught Home Economics but eventually accepted the opportunity to work at Jones Academy in Hartshorne. Later, she earned her Master's Degree in Counseling from Northeastern, where she found Counseling was her true calling. She also earned a Master's Degree in Administration from Northeastern.

Cindy was an elementary School Counselor until retirement from

Tahlequah Public School System. She enjoyed reading, sewing, and watching old movies. Her favorite movie of all time was "The Claw" in black and white. She enjoyed watching game shows and the Andy Griffith Show. Cats were her favorite animals, including Casey, who was her Siamese cat that she had for 20 years.

Through the years, Cindy made an impression on many lives, including students, parents, teachers, and her family. Cindy was full of life and loved her family and friends. She will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Preceding her in death were her parents, nephew; Taylor Horsechief, niece; Marla Horsechief, niece; Jesica Phipps; brotherin-law; Gary Phipps, a half brother; Vance Horsechief, a half sister; Karen Horsechief and an aunt; Cherokee "Chuck" Watson.

She is survived by a loving family which includes her brothers;

Vance Olin Horsechief and wife Lela of Miami, and Darrell Horsechief of Tahlequah, her sister; Gene Phipps of Tahlequah, her uncle; Algar Horsechief and wife Geneva of Pawnee, her aunts; Neva Moore of Pawnee, and Susan Moore of Red Rock, her half-sister; Minnie Rice of Pawnee, great-nephew; Tristyn Phipps, and her nephew Jonathan Phipps who provided care for her over the past several weeks of her life, niece; Adrienne and Michael Bennett who were also of great help to her during this time. Cindy also leaves behind many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Lucinda was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints. She had a great love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It was her faith that sustained her during the trial of her deteriorating health. No longer in pain, Cindy is now with family and friends and is very happy.



Francis Murlin Pratt passed from this life on September 13, 2020, in Stillwater, OK at the age of 86 years. His funeral service will begin at 2:00 pm Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at Strode Funeral Home Chapel in Stillwater, with burial following at Elm Grove Cemetery. Father Michael Pratt will officiate. Chapel services were live streamed and viewed by visiting www.strodefn.com.

Born on June 25, 1934, to Andy A. and Ruth M. (Kent) Pratt in Perkins, he was raised there and graduated from Perkins High

School. He served his country in the U.S. Navy and married Mary Kay Thompson, February 23, 1954. He was proud of his Indian heritage and was the oldest living member of the Pawnee tribe. He enjoyed fishing, horse shoes, watching OSU games, and family events.

Preceding him in death are his wife Mary Kay; his parents; sons Gary, David, Scott, Tony; brothers Benny and Eddie; and sister Lillian.

Surviving him are his son Randy (Lana) Pratt of Garden City, Ks; daughters-in-law Mona Pratt, Fran Pratt, and Ann Stolfa; grandsons Jeff (Kari), Fr. Michael, Andrew (Angela), Eric(Elise), Zack and 6 Great Grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jeff Pratt, Andrew Pratt, Eric Pratt, Zach Pratt, Damean Murie, and Darin Bradstreet.



Eva Mae (Hand) Hill age 96, passed away Wednesday morning, September 22, 2020, at Heritage Acres Hardin, Montana. Pawnee Nation's oldest living matriarch has moved on to the other side camp reunited with her sweetheart Johnny.

"White Eagle Woman" a member of the Skidee Clan of the Pawnee Tribe was named after her grandfather Chief White Eagle, Pawnee Scout. Eva was born March 12, 1924, in Pawnee, Oklahoma, to Thomas and Rebecca (Littlesun) Hand. She lost her mother when she was only five years old, and Eva was then raised by her paternal she was only five years old, and Eva was then raised by her paternal grandmother Pawnee Medicine Woman, Maggie Hand Knifechief. She received her education at Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas. There she met her husband of 68 years, John Hill, Sr. both sharing a talent for singing. They were married on September 11, 1942, on the Haskell campus. Together they had ten children and lived throughout Indian Country following their careers and finally settling in their home on the Crow Reservation.

Eva loved to sing, and she sang for a Kansas City radio station and a Tulsa radio station when she was a little girl. In her later years, her Pawnee songs were a favorite as she blessed others with her voice at family get-togethers. If Eva wasn't singing, she was cooking and serving in various dietitian positions at Crow IHS Hospital, Heritage Acres, Big Horn County Nursing Home, and Crow Public School during her career. She was most active later in life as a teacher's aide at Crow Public School, taking courses to become a certified teacher in her 70s and was affectionately known to most children as their "Grandma" handing out quarters as she often did with her grandchildren. No one could slow Eva down. She enjoyed serving others and retired at least three different times in her career, finally retiring at age 84.

Eva is preceded in death by her husband John Hill Sr; baby daughter Cleora Beth; son Jeffrey James; sisters Ruth, Ruby, Molly, Christina, Cecelia, and Zela; brothers Les, Verlis, Alec, George and

Thomas, her adopted sister Joann Crooked Arm; grandchildren Lonnie, Dustin, and Baby Gonzales and great grandbaby Bellami. Survivors include her children; her daughters Shirley Seaboy, Thomasine (Joe) Troisi, Caroline Hill and Ethel (Daniel) Gonzales; her sons John (Ethel) Hill, Greg Hill, Patrick (Linda) Hill and Vernon (Debbie) Hill; her 30 grandchildren and her 75 greatgrandchildren, her adopted daughter Shana Lynn Ten Bear; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Eva's extended families include the Hand, Littlesun, Rice, Gover, Echohawk, Hawkins, Eppler, Bennett, Hill, Bends, Other Bull, Turns Plenty, House, Two Leggins, Medicine Horse, Cloud, Wall, He Does It, Iron, Crooked Arm, Plain Feather, Takes Enemy, Pretty on Top, Cummins, Plain Bull, Shane, and families. Our family is very large; if we have missed you, please accept our apology.

In Memory of



Lynn "Butch" D. Eaves December 4, 1947 - September 28, 2020



Florence Mary Goodfox (Sta-lawa-lectsste) also known as Honey, passed away with her family by her side on October 2, 2020 in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 84.

Florence was born at the Pawnee Indian Hospital on August 19, 1936 to Lawrence and Flora Lewis Goodfox. She along with her siblings were raised on the Goodfox homestead in Lela, Oklahoma.

Graduating from Pawnee High School in 1954, Florence joined the Army – WAC. After her basic training in Anniston, Alabama she was transferred to Ft. Benning, Georgia where she worked in the Personnel Record Department.

While in Ft. Benning she met Donald Goforth, they married in Pawnee and lived in Ohio where they raised their two daughter's, Diane and Denise. In 1981, after living 27 years in Ohio they moved to Stillwater, Oklahoma, then to Pawnee where they later divorced. Florence worked as a food service cook for the Stillwater School system for 25 years and retired at the age of 71.

Florence is survived by her daughter's, Diane Wichita and husband, Byron and Denise Anderson, both of Pawnee, six grandchildren, Derek Wichita of Wyoming, Lynette Tsotigh and husband, Chad and Andrea Wichita of Pawnee, Deanne Grant and husband, Joe

of Durango, Colorado, Eric Anderson of Oklahoma City and Chloe Anderson of Norman, Oklahoma, seven great-grandchildren, Ryan Macom and Blake Wichita of Grove, Oklahoma, Brynlee and Elonni Tsotigh and Adrian Anderson of Pawnee, Rashad Reece and Mikylah Reed of Norman, Oklahoma, sister, Wanda Kanuho and husband, Jimmy of Pawnee and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, siblings, Rena Rice, Lawrence Goodfox, Jr., Elvina Wilson, Betty Garcia, Walter Goodfox and Henrietta Pratt and several nieces and nephews.



Paula Fern Brown was born on June 16, 1941, in Pawnee, Oklahoma. She passed in Lansing MI Oct. 22, 2020. She is preceded in death with her parents, her Father Eddie Brown, and her Mother, Annie J. Little Eagle, daughter Keli Mathews, grandson Niehhi Skidi Hamlton

Paula graduated from Pawnee High School in 1959, and her associates at Haskell in 1961, she received her bachelors degree

in accounting. She was the Pawnee Princess from 1958-1960, her hobbies included golf, bowling, attending powwows, and reading to her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter Miriam Mathews Birdshead of Pawnee, OK, grandchildren Delta Yazzie, William Birdshead Jr, Beverly Birdshead, Mavis Pratt. Son William Mathews Jr. of Wyoming, Betty Mathews, grandchildren Leslie Mathews, William

Mathews III, Phillip Mathews, Grandchildren Robert Ankney, Nicole Ankney of Pawnee, OK. Julia Ankney of Michigan. Son Paul Bunting of Japan, Tamaka Bunting, grandchildren Juli Bunting, Noah Bunting, Lui Bunting, Luka Bunting, son Wayne Bunting of Alabama. Her sister Grace Tahkeal, Tony Tahkeal of Pawnee, OK. Tamara Ann, Tanya Tahkeal. Sister Frances Cady of Norman, OK. Great-grandchildren Niehhi Skidi II, Nehemiah, Bi-hi-ya, Trae, Levi, Destiny, Brody, Elena, Alexis, Adela, Plio, Leila.



Sherrie (Tyner) Prairie Chief passed away on Thursday, October 29, 2020. She passed at her home in Ignacio, CO, surrounded by family and friends. She was 61 years old. She was born in Shiprock, NM.

Tyner lived most of her life in Ignacio, CO., but attended school in other areas. She graduated from high school and entered the work world. She held many jobs but especially enjoyed carpentry work, which she did as a hobby until her passing. She worked as a dispatcher for the Southern Ute Police Department before making a career change to work with the Southern Ute Tribal Court System as a bailiff and then a court clerk. Her last position was as an Associate Prosecutor.

Tyner loved spending time with her best friend and companion

of 27 years, Venerita Valdez. She also loved spending time and talking for hours on the phone with her mom, Sharon Pinnecoose. She also spoke as often as she could with her son, Scott Prairie Chief. Her two nieces, Shiria (Shiri) Howell and Suzi Richards spent time visiting and creating loving memories with her. She adored her two grandsons, Joseph Howell and Aedeen Richards, who spend many nights with her. Her Uncle George Howell, Sr. loved joking and having long conversations with her about the Oklahoma Sooners.

She loved doing Native American arts and crafts, including helping dress her two grandsons for pow wows and other events. She loved watching the Oklahoma Sooners and Dallas Cowboy football teams.

She is survived by her best friend and companion, Venerita Valdez of Ignacio, son, Meonahan Scott Prairie Chief of California, mother, Sharon Pinnecoose and stepfather Barney Pinnecoose, both of Ignacio, brother, Jack Frost, Jr. of Ignacio, brother, Andrew Frost of Towaoc, sister, Jacqueline Frost of Ignacio, an uncle, George Howell, Sr. and aunt Pat Howell, both of Pawnee, OK, numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members and her dedicated medical and support team, Carole Valdez, Hailey Yesslith, Helene Peabody, Claressa Valdez, Dayna Esparza and Barbara Valdez, whom were by her side daily till her passing,

She is preceded in death by her grandmother, Thelma Stoneroad, two brothers, Delos Prairie Chief and William Frost, and two sisters, Andrea Richards and Suzette Frost.

IHS-COVID Vaccine Survey

Survey link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SLCDCDN

In the coming months, Pawnee Indian Health Center will begin offering the COVID-19 vaccine. Initially, we will focus on vaccinating at-risk patients ages 16 and up. Those at risk include individuals older than 65 years or having a medical condition including diabetes or ischemic heart disease or end stage renal disease or rheumatology.

The following populations are also encouraged to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine:

- Healthcare Professionals

- Tribal Essential Workers including Law Enforcement, Tribal Council, Fire, Transportation Food, Teachers, others per Tribal Leadership - Families of Healthcare Professionals and Essential Workers

If you meet any of these conditions, are you interested in receiving the vaccine?

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Pawnee Indian Health Center continues to provide daily COVID-19 testing and flu shots at our drive thru location. Our drive thru is open Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 10:30am. This service provides a convenient way to be tested or receive the annual flu shot, without having to make an appointment.

If patients cannot make it to the drive thru during these times and still need to be tested or get a flu shot, they may call **918-762-6639** to schedule a nursing appointment.

If individuals do not have an active chart with Pawnee Indian Health Center, they need to bring their CDIB, driver's license and health insurance information (if applicable), to create a chart.

Pawnee Indian Health Center provides timely updates on our social media page. Follow us on Facebook at "Pawnee Indian Health Service".



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

PO Box 470 Pawnee, OK 74058; Phone: 918-762-3621 ATTN: Adult COVID Assistance pawneeinformation@pawneenation.org cc: changeaddress@pawneenation.org

ADULT COVID ASSISTANCE

- THIS IS NOT A SECOND DISTRIBUTION
- Date, Name, Date of Birth and Signature are required for address changes and Adult COVID Application
- PLEASE do NOT forget to SIGN this statement located at the bottom of the page
- A copy will be sent to the Enrollment Department to update your mailing address
- Deadline to apply is DECEMBER 4, 2020

| *Date: | Roll #: |
|---------------------------|--|
| *Name: | Telephone # :() |
| *Date of Birth: | E-Mail: |
| Current Mailing Address: | ADULT COVID ASSISTANCE |
| City StateZip Code | learning, technology improvements, health care, |
| Current Physical Address: | By signing below, I agree to have my application sent to the Enrollment Department to ensure my address is up to date. |
| City StateZip Code | |
| • | Printed Name of Signature as shown on CDIB |

Checks will be mailed to the address listed on the application once they have completed the accounting process. This is not a second distribution.



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YOUTH COVID ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Deadline to apply December 4, 2020

Each application requires a notary to be considered complete Free notary services available at the Pawnee Nation

| APPLICANT INFORMATION One application per child AGES: 00-17 by June 1st | | |
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| Print Full Legal Name: | Telephone: | |
| | Alt Telephone: | |
| Mailing Address: | Tribal Roll #: | |
| City, State, Zip: | Date of Birth: | |
| | Age: | |
| Email Address: | Printed Parent/Legal Guardian Full Legal Name: | |
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| Parent Signature and Date | | |
| Notary Signature and Date | (Seal) | |
| Commission Expiration date of Notary Public | | |

All request must be sent to pawneeinformation@pawneenation.org or P.O. Box 470 Attn: Youth COVID Pawnee, OK 74058. <u>Any request not sent via the designated email or address will not be considered.</u>



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma College Distance Learning Assistance Program DEADLINE December 4, 2020 CHECKS MAILED AS THEY COMPLETE THE ACCOUTNING PROCESS

Qualifications:

- Enrolled Pawnee Tribal Member
- Must have High school diploma/GED
- Considered part-time and/or full-time student at respective school
- Must be completing graduate and/or undergraduate studies

In order to complete this application please following the steps below prior to the deadline:

Step 1 – Please fill out this form completely. Address listed is where assistance will be mailed Step 2 – Attach a copy of Fall 2020 class schedule as verification

Step 3- Submit the form and required supporting documents to the email or address below, any form not sent to designated email or address will not be considered.

Please submit this form by email or mail.

Email: pawneeinformation@pawneenation.org or
Mail to: Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
Attn: College COVID
P.O. Box 470 Pawnee, OK 74058

| Date: | Enrollment Number: |
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| Pawnee Nation Member: | |
| Date of Birth | Print Full Legal Name |
| Primary Email | |
| Phone number: | |
| Mailing Address: | |
| City, State, Zip: | |
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| Signature: | |

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Parent/Legal guardian if under 18 years of age

