The Pawnee Business Council members would like to wish everyone a blessed Christmas and a safe New Year.

The Pawnee Nation says farewell to another proud Pawnee Veteran, St. Elmo Wilde (1943-2012)
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Nawa,
We are winding down to another successful year for the Pawnee Nation and for all of our Pawnee people. I look forward to seeing what next year has in store for the Nation.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Kearney Archway Museum for the unveiling of the Pawnee Scouts Exhibit and the honoring the Union Pacific Railroad that gave the Scouts. The statues were modeled by Junior Pratt and Morgan Littlesun and a third supporter.

It’s too bad that our Pawnee Nation College team’s vehicle broke down causing members to miss the ceremonies but they had a successful trip up north.

Now, at this time of the year our veterans have served the United States and are still serving. I would also like to recognize our national heroes who are willing to sacrifice so much for our freedoms. I am reminded of a story I once read about a teacher who removed the desks from the classroom and asked the kids to tell her why they deserved to sit a desk.

Finally, at the end of the day when no one had the right answer, the teacher opened the classroom door and 27 U.S. Veterans, all in uniform, carried the desks back into the room.

The teacher used this as a reminder that the right to earn an education was paid for by men and women all of who were willing to pay a personal price for that freedom and right. Let us all remember this important lesson.

The Veterans Day Dance was cancelled and I know we don’t have any control when Atius takes someone home. We pay our respects to the veterans and send warm sympathy to the families.

This is the time of the year when we look forward to Christmas and the handgames that following week. We wish the Veterans Organization the best at the Christmas Day Dance and the New Year’s handgame and the other handgames that will be put on by other organizations.

Let us remember the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and the reason for this time of the year. Many churches and plays will be going on and I hope that you will be able to enjoy them with your families.

My wish is that each of you will have a prosperous New Year and the meaning of Christmas will shine bright in your hearts.

Congratulations to the Pawnee artists who had artwork that was purchased by the Chicago Field Museum.

The bridge to the Greatest Nation on earth will finally be completed. I would like to commend the Transportation Department for the tremendous job they have done on this project. We look forward to the dedication ceremony on December 13.

Remember to pray for our Elders, our sick and those who are in service overseas during the holidays. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone!

Pawnee Business Council News
Treasurer Roy Taylor Resigns
Pawnee Nation Business Council Treasurer, Roy Taylor, has resigned his elected position due to health and transportation reasons. His letter of resignation was received Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012. In accordance with the Pawnee Nation Constitution, Secretary Linda Jestes will perform the duties of the Treasurer. A special election is not required, and the unfinished term will be filled in the upcoming general elections in May.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL

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Charles “Buddy” Lone Chief

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Linda Jestes

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Designed and produced by Pawnee Nation Communications Manager Toni Hill

Cover Photo: St. Elmo Wilde taken at the Flood Anniversary Parade in October 2009. Wilde passed away on Nov. 26, 2012 and was a member of the Pawnee Tribe. Wilde was committed to serving both Pawnee Nation and the Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization.

Cover photo by Muriel Robedeaux.

“Message From The President” Photo Caption: President Marshall Gover standing in front of the Pawnee Flag. Photo by Toni Hill.
Education
Free General Educational Development (GED) classes have resumed. For more information, call the Pawnee Nation College at (918) 762-3363.

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

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

Pawnee Business Council Meetings
Dec. 12 & 26. PBC Meetings held in the Roam Chief Building. Prayer Breakfast held Dec. 12 beginning at 7:30 a.m. For more information, call (918) 762-3621.

Tribal Development Corporation
PTDC meetings held Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Corporate Office Conference Room located on the second floor of the Health and Community Services building. Community members welcome.

Pawnee Tribal Court
Dec. 5 - Civil, Dec. 14 - Criminal
For details, call (918) 762-3649.

Dec. 15 - Wildland Refresher Course. For more information, call (918) 762-3655.

Dec. 20 - “Bykes for Tykes” at 6 p.m. in the Roam Chief Event Center. For details, call (918) 399-9041.

Dec. 25, Dec. 31 - Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization Fall raffles. For details, visit pawneeindianveterans.org.

Jan. 8 - Pawnee Nation College spring semester 2013 begins. For details, call (918) 762-3343.

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

Pawnee Nation Hosts New Bridge Dedication
By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The new entry way to the bridge opens additional travel routes to and from the Pawnee Nation complex.

The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma celebrates the opening of the bridge that will link the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma complex and the Indian Health Services center to U.S. 64 East. The dedication ceremony commences Thursday, Dec. 13, at 1:30 p.m. at the site.

The bridge project had triggered discussion for more than a decade due to a need for additional access to the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma headquarters. Based on research conducted by Pawnee Business Council members, more than 2,700 commuters use the existing pathways.

Prior to the construction of this structure, the only routes to the Tribal complex utilized the green bridge located on East Harrison Street. Although effective, travelers could experience delays and limited passage due to railroad usage in close proximity.

The new bridge will provide new paths to and from the Pawnee Nation offices, the Pawnee Nation College, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Pawnee Indian Health Services center, which provides medical services for those living within the multicounty region. Other entities benefited include Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement, the Pawnee Nation District Court and many other Tribal offices and programs.

Future expansion ideas include the development of hiking trails and safe bike routes within the area. “We would like to thank the citizens of Pawnee for their support,” said Jim McCormick, Pawnee Nation project manager. “It is our hope that this development helps to ease the traffic burdens on existing venues of travel without having any negative effects on business revenue.”
PBC Members Honored by the Native American Marine Corps

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The ceremony was held on Nov. 10, 2012 in the Woogie Watchetaker Hall at the Comanche Nation Complex located in Lawton, Okla. Tilden, who holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Haskell Indian Nations University, served as a Tank Commander for the U.S. Marine Corps during his three tours of duty in Vietnam. Upon receiving an honorable discharge, Tilden worked for Hilti Industries for more than 18 years prior to his employment as a Counselor/Investigator GS/12 for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Pawnees Honored By Dream Keepers

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

The Pawnee Business Council is the supreme governing body of the Pawnee Tribe of Oklahoma. Business Council members include: (Left to Right) Marshall Gover, President; Karla Knife Chief, Council Seat 2; Charles “Buddy” Lone Chief, Vice-President; Linda Jeste, Secretary; Carol Nuttle, Council Seat 4; Richard Tilden, Council Seat 1; Roy “Weeks” Taylor, Treasurer and James Fields, Council Seat 3.

The Native American Marine Corps Veterans Birthday Celebration honored two Pawnee Nation Business Council (PBC) members; Richard Tilden, who served in Vietnam, and Roy Taylor for his efforts in Korea.

Haskell Indian Nations University, where Taylor received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, is located in the Learning Center Building on the Comanche Nation Complex located in Lawton, Okla. Tilden, who holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Haskell Indian Nations University, served as a Tank Commander for the U.S. Marine Corps during his three tours of duty in Vietnam. Upon receiving an honorable discharge, Tilden worked for Hilti Industries for more than 18 years prior to his employment as a Counselor/Investigator GS/12 for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

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The 2012 recipients

- Richard Tilden - Roberta Gardipe American Indian Veterans Award
- Jimmy and Eunice Wildcat - Kenneth Anquoe Lifetime Achievement Award
- Cara Cowan-Watts - Charles Chibitty Family Community Award
- James Ryals - Lewis B. Ketchem Excellence in Business Award
- Curtis Zunigha - Will Anquoe Humanitarian Award
- Raymond Rogers - Rennard Strickland Education Leadership Award
- Justin Giles - Moseclyne Larkin Cultural Achievement Award
- Patty Beaston - Dr. Ralph Dru Career and Professional Award
- Teresa Runnels - Perry Aunko Indigenous Language Preservation Award
- Nancie Warrior Longacre - Jim Thorpe Sports Excellence Award
- Charles Diebold - Red Eagle Sacred Circle of Spirituality Award

according to a press release issued Nov. 1, 2012, The Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission recognized 12 local and former Tulsa residents for their contributions to the local community.

The Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission sponsored the event to coordinate with National Native American Heritage Month. This gesture commemorates and exalts the accomplishments of the peoples who first inhabited the United States.

“On behalf of the Pawnee Business Council, we are very proud of Richard and our Tribal members for their dedication to the people of this community and to the Pawnee Tribe,” said PBC President Marshall Gover. “Each of these individuals demonstrate the personal pride and actions that makes the Pawnee the Greatest Nation on Earth.”

For more information about Dream Keepers, call (918) 704-2200 or e-mail at gtaiaainfo@gmail.com.
Executive Office

Submitted by Dawna Hare
Executive Director

The Executive Office, in its capacity of overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Pawnee Nation, serves as a point of contact for tribal members, funding agencies and the public in general. The executive director serves as ex-officio on all committees, serves as the liaison between the Council and the employees and plays an important role in promoting organizational change and coordination of services.

The Executive Office staff oversees and directs all aspects of the Pawnee Nation’s administration, provides administrative and clerical support to the Pawnee Business Council, processes mail for the tribal government and coordinates phone communications for Building 64.

Vi Will, administrative assistant, excels in recording minutes, preparing resolutions, conducting research, scheduling, screening visitors and making travel arrangements while also performing other high level administrative functions.

Cynthia Butler, executive assistant, works at a very high level to provide support to the Council, the Governing Documents Committee, the Executive Office, various administrative offices, tribal programs and staff.

Tamera Hawkins, a temporary employee, continues to provide excellent support as receptionist.

Pawnee Nation Child Care Program

Submitted by Ted Moore
Director

Mission Statement: The mission of the Pawnee Nation Child Care Program is to provide a safe, nurturing and educational environment for all the children served.

Increasing the availability, affordability and quality of child care services is a major goal of the Child Care Program.

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center, a tribally operated, DHS licensed child care facility, is located at the Family Development Center on Morris Road.

Services: Child care services are provided for infants 8-weeks to four-year olds. The After School Child Care Program provides services for children attending Pawnee Head Start up to the second grade.

Upon completion of an application, full-time care is also available during school holidays and summer breaks.

Current enrollment includes fifty-three children, with space available for all ages.

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center provides services for children attending Pawnee and programs that reside in Pawnee or Payne County.

Program Funding: Funding is provided by the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) and the PN Child Care Center.

Staff: Liana Chapman Teter, Childcare Program coordinator;

Mee-Kai Clark PN Learning Center director; Melissa Williams 4-year old teacher/assistant director; Crystal Helvy, teacher for the 3-year old teacher; Pat Hungerford 2-year old class; Kathy Griesel, teacher for the Wobbler class; Debra Merriman, teacher for the Wobbler class; Tammy Tubbs, teacher for the infant class; Alexandria Chino, part-time teacher; Shelby Turner, part-time teacher and Jasha Lyons, substitute teacher.

Contact: Pawnee Nation Learning Center - Phone: (918)762-3014.

PAWNEE NATION ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

The following listed people have undeclared addresses in the Enrollment Department, if you know any of these individuals please have them contact the Enrollment office at (918) 762-3624 to update their address.

Aken, Cynthia Lee
Aspen All, Kitty Madelon
Baldwin Jr, Paul Richard
Barrone, Brenda Sue
Battiest, Charles Anthony
Battiest, Wanda Timlyn
Bayhly, Batiste Arthur
Bayhly, Carol L
Bayhly, James Alan
Beets, Jamie Michelle
Beets, Michael James
Blas, Alexander Philip
Brown, Genevieve Marie
Bryan, Michael David
Bunting, Paul Nile
Burgess, Grant Echohawk
Byram, Frances Arlene
Byrom, Rebecca Leann
Caeasar, Louis Aaron
Campbell, Dana Sue
Carranza, Monica Rachael
Caudle, John Kelly
Champagne, Heather Torry
Cockrell, Jamie Renae
Cole, Alice Lena
Collins, Melvin Phillip
Collins, Victoria Florine
Cotanny, Eric Waylon
Dement, Judy Kay
Drywater, Allen Dean
Eaves, Glenn G
Echo Hawk Jr, Earl Roland
Echo Hawk, Lauren Taylor
Hawk, Morgan Breann
Ellis, Kathyl Lynn
Fields, Bruce Allen
Fields, Mika Alexis
Furr, Kenneth O’Neal
Gardipe, Darrell James
Giblon, Janis
Gibson, Larry Allen
Gilmore, Robert Gene
Gonzalez, McKayla Maria
Gover, Billy Kevin
Gover, Samantha Jean
Hall, Vernon Lee
Hartwick, Jo Esta
Hassell, Hannah Jeanne
Hassell, Jeffrey Michael
Hassell, Todd Andrew
Hawkins, Jacob James
Hewett, Micah Rene
Hickey Jr, John
Hill, Jennifer Erin
Hopi, Cynthia Lou
Horse Clan, Elijah Paul
Hutson, Roberta Stout
Jackson, Naomi Joyce
Johnston, James Daryl
Keeling, Anna Louise
Keeling, Eddy Jeffery
Keidel, Renae Mae
Keune, Robyn Leigh
Kirkland, Kiddiecky Della
Laventure, Lauren
Lewis, Jason Doyle
Long, Isabelle M
Long, Luke Randall
Long, Sarah Michele
Lunsford, Donald Ray
Maytubby, Candice Marline
McHugh, Cecelia Rae
Mena, Gore, Linda Christine
Moreno, Laressa
Morris, Mandy Michelle
Morrison, Linda Ann
Moses, Elizabeth Dawn
Mulder, Arthur Jay
Munoz, Laura Roseann
Munoz, Roger Michael
Munoz, Rosemary A
Murie Jr, James
New Rider, Pamela
New Rider, Sean Ashley
Nopah, Gordon L
Norman, Dianne Marie
Nuttall, Krystal Marie
Olsen, Christopher Kelly
Olsen, Cody Kyle
Osborne, Lament Edward
Pahdenoey, Clifford
Pappan, Diane Marie
Pappan, Tiffany Sue
Partridge, Carl J
Partridge, Vincent Keith
Ramirez, Mhgyae Marie
Reed, Robert Fisher
Rice, Cecil
Roberts, Kenneth M
Roberts, Richard Edward
Roberts, Terrence Russell
Romeros, Alexis Mayo
Rowe, Jennifer Leigh
Sanchez, Nancy Ann
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Scott, Ralph Buster
Scully, James Jett
Scully, John Steely
Scully, Michelle Susanne
Smith, Aaron Charles
Smith, Franklin A
Smith, Mary E
Speicher, Amanda Wenedona
Stein, Joshua Pangelinan
Stewart, Mark Jay
Stoneroad, James C
Stoter, Clara Etta
Tabor, Daryl George
Templeton, David Lee
Toahly, Boe Joseph
Villines, Joanne Darwin
Ward, Patricia S
Whitman, Christina Marie
Wingo, Stanton John
Womack, Brett Allen
Woodridge, Connie Jo
Yandell, John David

Photo by: Toni Hill
Old Cemeteries Never Die

By Gordon Adams
Preservation Officer

PHASE 1: Equipment Removal

On June 21, 2012, I arrived at the Pitahawirata cemetery at about 8:30 a.m. As agreed, I found a crane truck, along with Marvin Smith, Lessee waiting on the narrow dirt road outside the cemetery entrance. We quickly deduced the truck was too long to negotiate the turn into the driveway without cutting away vegetation.

Smith had a small chain saw with him, so we all cut and carried enough small underbrush for the truck/trailer to burn, and the work began.

In order to prevent soil contamination, the tank/truck emptied rainwater and other fluids from the fiberglass tank and left. At about 10 a.m. it began to rain. A five man crew disassembled the heater/treater and water tank connections in the rain, and then loaded both units onto a flatbed trailer.

The head was to be extended so high, that there was a concern that it might attract lightning. The oil pump was loaded, along with connection piping, valves, regulators, etc., and carried off the property with the other equipment in one day.

On June 22, Kivett Plugging began pulling 3,940 foot of pipe out of the ground. Working on the hottest day of the year, Kivett plugged the hole on June 26 as local temperatures spiked at 113 degrees. The equipment was finally gone from our cemetery after 31 years and Phase 1 was complete.

While monitoring the work, I had plenty of time to consider the travesty committed here. I still do not know who approved a lease which permitted oil field equipment to be erected in the center of the Pitahawirata cemetery. The very existence of one of our cemeteries was well on its way to passing from the collective memory of the Pawnee people in only 31 years.

The reader will have to wait until the next issue to find out what happened during Phase 2 since negotiations with Heritage Petroleum are still in progress at press time. However, there is a great deal of work yet to be done. In the meantime, you can help me bring this project to a conclusion.

The Office of Historic Preservation needs your help to Survey the Pitahawirata cemetery site. I urge anyone with any information about the cemetery, such as first-hand knowledge on who is buried there, to contact my office so we can get together and talk.

I also need help finding other information. I would like to hear from anyone who knows of any burials on allotted lands. I am also interested in any other kind of information, stories, or experiences on these lands. We are located at 657 Harrison Street, Pawnee, Okla.

I can be reached by telephone at (918) 762.3227, or e-mail at gadams@pawneeation.org.

This article was funded in part by a grant from the National Park Service.

The article is the conclusion of the segment printed in the October/November 2012 issue of the Chaticks si Chaticks.

Nations unite against domestic violence

By Lenzy Krehbiel-Burton
Native American Times

PONCA CITY, Okla. – For a few hours Friday, Standing Bear Park was awash in purple.

In honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Kaw Nation, Otoe-Missouria Tribe, Osage Nation, Pawnee Nation, Ponca Tribe and Tonkawa Tribe co-sponsored an awareness walk at the park on Ponca City’s south side.

“We wanted to get together and do something,” said Dawn Roe with the Tonkawa Tribe’s domestic violence program. “Ponca City’s domestic violence office hosts ‘Walk a Mile in Her Shoes.’ We wanted to do something similar, but make it more traditional so more men, tribal leaders and victims could get involved.”

Ponca City is within the jurisdictional areas of the Osage Nation and the Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma. The other four co-host tribes are all headquartered within 40 miles of the Kay County community.

More than 100 attendees lapped the park Friday afternoon. As a drum circle played a prayer song near the entrance to the Standing Bear Museum and Cultural Center, walkers released purple helium-filled balloons in honor of domestic violence victims.


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World AIDS Day

Submitted by Tiffany Frietze
CHR Program Coordinator

World AIDS Day, observed December 1 each year, is dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection. This year’s theme is “Working Together for an AIDS-Free Generation”.

What is HIV? HIV stands for human immunodeficiency virus. This is the virus that causes AIDS. HIV is different from most other viruses because it attacks the immune system. The immune system gives our bodies the ability to fight infections. HIV finds and destroys a type of white blood cell (T cells or CD4 cells) that the immune system must have to fight diseases.

What is AIDS? AIDS stands for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. AIDS is the final stage of HIV infection. It can take years for a person infected with HIV, even without treatment, to reach this stage. Having AIDS means that the virus has weakened the immune system to the point at which the body has a difficult time fighting infections. When someone has one or more of these infections and a low number of T cells, he or she has AIDS.

How is HIV transmitted? The most common ways that HIV is transmitted from one person to another are: having sexual intercourse with an HIV-infected person; sharing needles with an HIV-infected individual; or from HIV-infected women to their babies before or during birth, or through breast feeding.

How does HIV cause AIDS? HIV destroys a certain kind of blood cell (CD4+ T cells) which is crucial to the normal function of the human immune system. Studies of thousands of people have revealed that most people infected with HIV carry the virus for years before enough damage is done to the immune system for AIDS to develop. Reducing the amount of virus in the body with anti-retroviral therapies can dramatically slow the destruction of a person’s immune system.

How do I know if I have HIV? The only way to know if you are infected is to be tested for HIV infection. You cannot rely on symptoms to know whether or not you are infected. Many people who are infected with HIV do not have any symptoms at all for 10 years or more.

What could I do to prevent the spread of HIV? The following are ways you can take action in response to HIV/AIDS:

1. Get tested. Free testing is available at local health departments & IHS facilities.
2. Practice safer methods to prevent HIV—abstinence, condoms, monogamy
3. Decide not to engage in high risk behaviors—unprotected sex, sharing needles


Run To Defeat Diabetes

Submitted by Crystal McNeill
Program Coordinator

The Oklahoma Run to Defeat Diabetes Foundation, Inc. hosted the 3rd Annual Oklahoma Run to Defeat Diabetes on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Gaylord Family – Oklahoma Memorial Stadium in Norman, Oklahoma. The events of the day were a 1 mile fun run/walk, 5k and 10k.

The Oklahoma Run to Defeat Diabetes Foundation, Inc. supports programs through the Harold Hamm Diabetes Center, established by the University of Oklahoma with the goal of promoting the well-being of all people with, or at high risk of, diabetes in Oklahoma, regardless of ethnic background or financial status. Specific goals of the Harold Hamm Oklahoma Diabetes Center are to educate those affected by diabetes, prevent the development of diabetes, provide the best diabetes care, and pursue research to cure and prevent the disease. The Harold Hamm Diabetes Center will use funds raised from the race to establish outreach programs for under served communities across our state.

The Oklahoma Run to Defeat Diabetes Foundation specifically supports the Native Youth Preventing Diabetes (NYPD) camps. NYPD provides a diabetes prevention education program designed to provide Native American children the necessary steps to prevent diabetes and metabolic syndrome. Through summer camps and various programs, NYPD is changing lifestyles and providing long-term health benefits.

The Pawnee Nation Special Diabetes Program would like to thank the seven individuals who braved the teeth chattering cold to participate in the 10K (6.2 miles) on behalf of the Pawnee Nation, Beverly Miner, Aaron and Crystal McNeill, Katie Fewell, Lynette Wichita, Tiffany Frietze, Adrianne EchoHawk and Adrianne’s son, Raamiyah (Ray) Braddy, participated in the 5K (3.1 miles).
Pawnee Nation Celebrates Opening of Law Enforcement Center
By Toni Hill, Communications Manager
By David Kanuho, Chief of Police

Many members of the community and surrounding tribes attended the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Law Enforcement Center grand opening held Oct. 19.

The Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement Center is located at 1200 Heritage Circle in Pawnee, Okla.

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

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

The Pawnee Nation Police Department provides law and order within the Pawnee Nation jurisdictional boundaries. This includes the Pawnee and Payne counties in addition to the Pawnee land located at Chilocco in Kay county.

Officers are directed to respond to all calls and provide professional service to members of the Pawnee Nation.

Officers also investigate all crimes committed within the Tribe’s jurisdiction, make arrests when necessary and ensure the safety of all persons residing within the boundaries while securing the property located on the Reservation.

Firefighters Learn Wrangling Techniques
By Gerald Woommavovah
Emergency Services Coordinator

The mission of the Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department involves the protection of life and property from the adverse effects of fires, medical emergencies or exposure to dangerous conditions through fire suppression, rescue, disaster preparedness, fire prevention and community education.

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

The current staff includes Fire Chief Pat Leading Fox and firefighters Jon James, Frank James, Monty Matlock, Kelly Kersey, Josh Daniel and Gerald Woommavovah.

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

John Sanders, Richard Sanders, Jon James, Rhonda James and Jason North participated in a Firefighter 1 class held Oct. 13 – Nov. 18.

Next steps include the completion of a Live Burn course sponsored through Oklahoma State University and final accreditation.

For more information, contact the Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue Department (non-emergency) at (918) 762-3655.

For emergency response, dial 911.
Jim McCormick Elected As County Commissioner

Submitted by Toni Hill, Communications Manager

Congratulations to Jim McCormick, elected as County Commissioner representing District 2. McCormick will begin his term January 2013.

During his three and half years of service as the Pawnee Nation Project Manager, McCormick was involved in the planning and construction of the Skedeec Bridge Project and the entrance bridge and paving project which will link the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma complex and the Indian Health Services center to U.S. 64 East (article on page 3).

“It has been a pleasure to work with everyone at the Pawnee Nation during this time, and the time has allowed me to become much more acquainted with the area needs and the people of the community, which encouraged me to seek a governmental role,” McCormick said. “My commitment as commissioner is to continue the effort to enhance the County and Tribal transportation system, which is an important component of our local economic development, as well as a critical part of emergency management throughout the County.”

As commissioner, McCormick will network with other legislators to create appropriate and substantial management practices derived from strategic planning and citizen input to accomplish goals without adding a tax burden to citizens.

McCormick’s previous experiences include more than 35 years of construction business, with more than 10 years of ownership combined with a decade of expertise within the Vocational Technical System. The Commissioner also spent more than 10 years working with Oklahoma Manufacturers state wide.

“My professional experience has provided me with the confidence that I can be an asset in this new position,” McCormick said. “My family is my greatest joy, having been married to my wife Rena for almost 52 years. We have four children and nine grandchildren. I am proud of them and thankful to the District 2 voters who have afforded me this opportunity.”

Human Resources Manager Welcomes New Arrival.

Pawnee Nation Human Resources Manager Shelby Exum and her husband Tim welcomed Simeon Issac into their family on Oct. 25, 2012. Simeon, who weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces, has two older brothers, Easton (pictured) and Terren.

Pawnee Nation Title VI Assistant Cook Beatrice Realrider won second place recently at the Pawhuska National Indian Taco Contest. This was her first year to participate. Realrider won $750 for her efforts. Congratulations!

Pawnee Nation Assistant Cook Wins The Dough

Red Fork Festival Honors Pawnee Culture

Pawnee Nation served as a sponsor for the Red Fork Native American Film Festival facilitated by Tulsa Community College (TCC) held Oct. 19 - 20 at the TCC West Campus. The festival featured Pawnee artists Charles Chapman and Sonny Howell.

Chapman’s unique self-taught style, infused in Pawnee culture, earned a place for his paintings and illustrations in settings as diverse as the White House and the cover of Paint Horse Journal.

Inspired by the Pawnee artists of his hometown including T.C. Cannon of Gracemont, Okla., Howell creates on canvas the myths, exploits and stories including the belief of the stars and the Creation Story of the Pawnee Tribe.
Red Ribbon Week Highlights The Importance of Healthy, Drug-Free Living

Submitted by Toni Hill, Executive Director

The Pawnee community recently completed the annual Red Ribbon Week held Oct. 22 -26.

The Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program (SAP) participated with the intent of expanding the framework in a unified effort against the drug problem that confronts the Pawnee and surrounding communities.

SAP members participated in this year’s Red Ribbon Week in various ways. First, was the placement of banners around the Pawnee Tribal Reserve followed by the annual grade school walk held on Oct. 25 with the employees and community members walk held the following day.

This activity was well represented by Tribal employees, families and the Health Division employees. The goal of the SAP is to turn this downward trend around and to focus on rebuilding the way of life back to a positive and progressive state of existence. Preventive measures are absolutely essential to sustain the longevity of this battle.

“We realize that the weather and other work concerns affect some people’s ability to participate,” said Mike Ortiz, SAP counselor. “Still, we hope that the support shown towards our children will have a positive impact on how they react and respond to challenges that will face them in the years ahead.”

“We would like to thank Dawna Hare, Charley Hare, Linda Jistes, Tiffany Frietze, Crystal McNeil, Jaime Jistes and the high school students that were willing to brave the high winds and cool temperatures to make for a successful turnout,” said “We are also very grateful for others who have also demonstrated their dedication.”

Settlement Oversight Committee

Submitted by Dawna Hare, Executive Director

The Settlement Oversight Committee established by the Pawnee Business Council (PBC) on September 8, 2012, comprised of three members of the Pawnee Business Council and three members of the Nasharo Council has been appointed. Roy Taylor (Chairman), Carol Nuttle, and Karla Knife Chief are the PBC representatives and Francis Morris (Pitahawirata Band), Warren “Junior” Pratt (Skidi Band), and Ralph Haymond (Kitkekahki Band) are the Nasharo representatives.

The Committee held its first meeting October 6th and discussed a plan to move forward to make recommendations on the allocation of $2 million into programs and services. Priorities discussed education (including youth), elders, and burial. The Committee discussed including the priorities identified in the Community Planning Session conducted at Roam Chief in December 2011. Ideas that included culture and language were also discussed. Skidi Chief, Jr. Pratt, recommended the bands discuss ideas in the next band meetings.

The committee will develop recommendations to the Pawnee Business Council for approval. To date, no funds have been expended.

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL THIRD QUARTER 2012 RESOLUTIONS

#12-52 – A Resolution to Approve an Agreement and Lease with PNE Wind Company for a wind farm at Chilocco. – Approved – September 26, 2012 by a vote of five for, two against (Lone Chief and Taylor), and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-53 – A Resolution to Renew the Tribal Court 638 Grant. – Approved – September 26, 2012 by a vote of seven for, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-54 – A Resolution to NCAI Membership – Approved – October 10, 2012 by a vote of seven for, and one not voting (President Gover).

#12-55 – A Resolution to Appoint a Teller to the Election Commission – Chris McCray is Approved November 11, 2012 by a vote of three for, one against (Tilden), three absent (Jistes, Taylor and Fields) and one not voting (President Gover).

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COMMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

Neill Bayhylle Receives 2012 AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors

By Toni Hill
Communications Manager

Neill Bayhylle, former director of Education for the Pawnee Nation, receives highest honor from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Bayhylle is the recipient of the 2012 AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors. He was presented with a medallion by AARP national board member Joan Ruff during a banquet held in Oklahoma City, Okla. on Oct. 4.

“We chose Mr. Bayhylle because of his proven leadership skills based on honesty, integrity and a positive approach to challenges,” said Marshell Sourjohn, associate State director of Community Outreach for AARP. “Neill is especially strong in his commitment to working with youth and teaching them values that will successfully carry them through life as productive citizens.”

Sourjohn further explained that AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors annually recognizes 50 outstanding tribal elders who have made a positive impact in their tribe, community, state or country and whose work is grounded and like-minded in AARP’s mission “to enhance the quality of life for all as we age.”

Honorees are sought, nominated by tribal governments or individuals and selected from each Oklahoma 39 federal recognized tribal nations.

Bayhylle, 69, is a member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and was born at the Pawnee Indian Hospital.

After spending his youth in Cushing, Okla. and graduating from Oklahoma State University, Bayhylle served the Pawnee Tribe by working with the youth using the Golden Rule, “Treat others how you want to be treated” as a foundation.

“I have dedicated my life helping others and helping them to meet their life goals,” Bayhylle said. “I really want to help people realize their full potential.”

Bayhylle and his wife, Judi, have put this mission in practice through the ownership of The Apropos School, and also serve as motivational speakers. Bayhylle is the father of two sons, Elliott and Brian, and the step-father of two daughters, Kimberly and Tami.

“I was raised in a home that was financially challenged, but full of love,” Bayhylle said. “I learned early in life to be accountable for my words and actions and to distinguish right from wrong. That is my desire now, to help our youth understand how to make right choices so that they can accomplish all that they would desire.”

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Suzanne Knife Chief for being selected for the position of Youth Services Coordinator. Knife Chief, employed with Pawnee Nation since November 2006, started serving in the REACH US program advocating for policy development. Shortly thereafter, Knife Chief moved to coordinator for HP/DP Healthy Nation after successfully securing a grant. This three-year project (2009-2012) included an emphasis on the importance of physical activity, healthy nutrition and tobacco education. Knife Chief began her new position as Youth Services Coordinator in October 2012.

Best Wishes!

Jessica Leading Fox was crowned on Friday, Sept. 28, 2012 as the Standing Bear Princess for 2012-2013. Jessica is 18 years old and a freshman at Northern Oklahoma College located in Tonkawa, Okla. Jessica is also on the Pawnee Roll and is also of the Choc-taw and Ponca descent. Her father, Patrick Leading Fox, Sr., serves as Head Chief of the Nasharau Council. Placing the crown is Summer Dawn Moore, the outgoing 2011-2012 princess.

Thank You!

The 81st American Indian Exposition was a once in a lifetime experience. Although I did not win the Exposition Princess title, I enjoyed the entire week of meeting new people and representing the Pawnee Nation.

I sincerely thank all the people who supported me through prayer, words of encouragement and financially for this opportunity. A special thank you goes to Mr. Tom Morgan and his wife for selecting me as princess. I am also grateful for my dad and my Aunt Donna Howell for enduring the long week with me.

My reign as the 2012 Pawnee Nation Princess will soon be coming to an end so I hope I kept everybody proud of me while exemplifying our tribe. May God bless each and every one of you. – Autumn Only A Chief
CONDOLENCES

ST. ELMO WILDE
July 24, 1943--Nov. 26, 2012

He passed from this life on Monday, Nov. 26, 2012 in Tulsa, Okla., having reached the age of 69 years, four months and two days.

He was a lifetime resident of Pawnee, attended Pawnee Public Schools, and graduated with the Class of 1961.

He joined the Oklahoma Army National Guard in June 1962, receiving his honorable discharge in September 1967.

He married Julia C. Boney, and was a member of the Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization.

St. Elmo served as a Petahawirata Band chief on the Nasha-horo Council of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. He also served as president of the Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization and represented the Pawnee Nation as a member of the Color Guard. In the Veterans organization, St. Elmo besides serving as president, served in many other capacities, including Flag Man and Arena Director. He was well known throughout Indian country as an Arena Director, a position he currently held for the Pawnee Vets.

St. Elmo was known for his artistic talents. Much of his work can be seen throughout the community of Pawnee.

Over the years, he did touch up work of the World's Largest Cartoon, the Dick Tracy mural, and painted the sign on Grammy's Grill and the Pawnee Nation logo on the floor of the Wellness Center gymnasium. He also designed the colorful vests for the Pawnee Indian Veterans.

St. Elmo is survived by his son, James E. Wilde, Oklahoma City, Okla. two daughters, Danelle M. Johnson, Moore, Okla.; Robin R. Wilde-Stafford, Oklahoma City, Okla.; three sisters, Carmen McKinnie, Cushing, Okla.; Helena Sue Case, Pawnee, Okla.; Lucy Henry Norris, Stillwater, Okla.; brother, Frank Henry, Muskogee, Okla.; 10 grandchildren, plus a number of other relatives and many friends.

St. Elmo was preceded in death by his parents, Cleve and Priscilla Wilde, and his brother, James Leroy Jim.

Services were held at noon, Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012 at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, Pawnee, Okla.

Interment was at the South Indian Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla., under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

DONNA ROCHELLE ATKINS
March 27, 1932—Oct. 10, 2012

Donna Rochelle Atkins was born on March 27, 1932 in Pawnee Okla. to William Atkins, Jr. and Belinda Box Atkins.

She passed from this life on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012 at her home in Red Rock Okla. having reached the age of 80 years, six months and 12 days.

She was a member of the Otoe Baptist Church.

Donna is survived by her brothers, Jim Atkins and his wife, Frieda, Stillwater; Wilson Atkins, Red Rock; Virgil Atkins, Red Rock; sisters, Blondie Atkins, Red Rock; Lilie Atkins Hance, Red Rock; Jackie Deere, Oklahoma City; Mickie Oulds, Ponca City; Gwen Shunatona, Pawnee; nieces, Georgia Hoffman, Red Rock; Melva Hoffman, Red Rock; Linda Camp, Ponca City; Della Perez, Tulsa; Frankie Carson, Pawnee; nephews, Darrell Carson, Red Rock; Rusty Atkins and wife, Dee, Stillwater; Harvey Atkins, Jr. and wife, Sylvia, Ponca City; George Carson, Tulsa; Joe Carson, Tryon; Amos Hinton, Marland, Okla.; great nieces and nephews “grandchildren,” Kimberly Grace Atkins, Ponca City; Timothy Alex Atkins, Ponca City; Harvey Atkins III, Ponca City; Callie Nicholas Atkins, Stillwater; special “Little Friend” – (Yorkie), Squeeks, plus a number of other relatives and many friends.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, William and Belinda Atkins, three sisters, Norma Lucille Atkins, Gussie Imogene Atkins, and Claudia Gayle “KiKi” Atkins; and two brothers, Billy Atkins and Harvey Duane Atkins, Sr.

Services were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012 at Poteet Funeral Chapel, Pawnee, Okla. with Jimmy Kenner, Otoe Baptist Church, and Otoe Native American Church officiating. Interment was at Otoe-Missouria Cemetery, Red Rock, Okla., under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

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GARETH MALCOLM JIM  
**Nov. 28, 1954—Oct. 13, 2012**

Gareth Malcolm Jim, 57, passed away peacefully with his family by his side at an Oklahoma City hospital on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012. A member of the Petahawirata Band of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, he was born to Clifford and Jennie Jim in Edmond, Okla., on Nov. 28, 1954. He is survived by his sons, Laertes Jim and Michael Jim, both of Yukon, Okla.; brothers, Phillip Lawrence Jim of Yukon; Daniel Jim of Edmond, Okla.; four grandchildren, Dayton, Kalie, Blake, and Maven of Yukon, plus several cousins, nephews and friends. Gareth was preceded in death by his parents, Clifford and Jennie Jim; sister, Lynetta Mills; uncle Franklin Jim and aunt Jennie Jim, of Pawnee; grandparents, Phillip and Ella Jim of Pawnee, Okla. A memorial will be held at Trinity Baptist Church, Yukon, 620 North Cemetery Road, on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2012, at 2 p.m.

WILLIAM LEVI LEFTHAND  
**Feb. 6, 1943—Oct. 9, 2012**

William Levi Lefthand was born on Feb. 6, 1943 in Pawnee, Okla. to Samuel Lefthand and Emma Young Lefthand, and was raised by his Aunt Nettie and Uncle Sam Young. He passed from this life on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012 in Okmulgee, Okla. having reached the age of 69 years, eight months and three days.

He moved to Okmulgee approximately 25 years ago, and enjoyed Indian beadwork, collecting eagles, buffalos, and wolves and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

William is survived by his spouse, Georganna Cunningham, Okmulgee, Okla.; stepson, John Cunningham and his wife, Melissa, Okmulgee, Okla.; grandchildren, Kitty, Jason, Stephanie, Ashley, Kingsly, DeAnna, Kattie and CJ; brothers, Phillip Lefthand, Red Rock, Okla.; Ted Lefthand, Tulsa, Okla., plus a number of other relatives and many friends.

William was preceded in death by his parents, William Levi Lefthand, Red Rock, Okla.; Aunt Nettie and Uncle Sam Young; and two brothers, Francis and Sherman Lefthand.

Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12, 2012 at the Chautauqua Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla., under the direction of Petteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

TAYLOR DUNCAN HORSECHIEF  
**March 24, 1993 – Nov. 10, 2012**

Taylor D. HorseChief of Deshler, Neb., the son of Darrell HorseChief and Tami (Bell) HorseChief was born March 24, 1993 at Tahlequah, Okla. He departed this life Nov. 10, 2012 in Deshler, Neb. at 2 p.m.

He was baptized April 12, 2000 by Pastor Fhar and grandfather Max Bell and grandmother Joyce Schmidt, confirmed April 1, 2007 by mother Faye HorseChief, and sister Haylee HorseChief.

He attended Deshler and brother Skylar HorseChief burial will be at St. Peter Lutheran School with the class of Tahlequah, Okla., sisters; Kelly Brady Firley, Thomas Vonderfecht, 2011. He enjoyed playing Braden and husband Terry, Adri– Nathan Peoples Jr., Hayden Bohr basketball and doing flips enne HorseChief of Tahlequah, ling, Sean Jones, and Steaven Sedteasing the cheerleaders. In Beth Foreman and husband David lachek. Condolences may be left at the summer he liked playing all of Tahlequah, Okla., and Shelby www.krollfh.com , Deshler Memorial, www.krollfh.com/ 81” Ex- Nov. 16, 2012 at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Deshler, Neb. at 2 p.m.

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LANCE ALLEN SOUTHERN

Lance Allen Southern was born Aug. 24, 2012 in Stillwater, Okla. to Natasha Allene Moore and Jason Allen Southern. He passed from this life on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012 in Glencoe, Okla. having reached the age of two months and 24 days.

Lance is survived by his parents, Natasha Moore and Jason Southern, Glencoe, Okla.; brothers and sisters, Kylena Kay Moore, Glencoe, Okla.; Courtni Stanford, Sapulpa, Okla.; Allee Joe Southern, Glencoe, Okla.; Brett Moore, Glencoe, Okla.; culinary grandparents, Sharon and Terry Southern, Pawnee, Okla.; maternal grandparents, Marty Driscoll Sr., Pawnee, Okla.; Neva and George Pratt, Allen and Stella Moore; Ronnie Moore; Nancy Moore; Steve Moore; Darrell Moore Sr., all of Pawnee, Okla.; Lance Montgomery, Perry, Okla.; Rick Driscoll, Pawnee, Okla.; Tina Hatfield, Skedee, Okla.; Ronnie and Patsy Cooper, Pawnee, Okla.; George Cooper, Hobart, Okla.; Lee and Vi Wills, Pawnee, Okla.; Steven and Vickie Cooper, Calif.; Delbert and Tiana Switch, Shawnee, Okla.; paternal great grandmother, Deloris Southern, Pawnee, Okla.; maternal great grandparents, Neva Horsechief Moore, Pawnee, Okla.; Susan Moore, Red Rock, Okla.; Algar Horsechief, Yale, Okla.; Dave Driscoll, Tulsa, Okla.; aunts and uncles, Joe Southern and his wife, Aubree and their children, Bixby, Okla.; Marty Driscoll Jr. and his wife, Jess Washhines, Washington; Casey Lynn Driscoll, Tulsa, Okla.; Aurobea D. Driscoll, Pawnee, Okla.; Franklin B. Driscoll, Stillwater, Okla.; Kaylynn Cox, Fairfax, Okla.; Devin Moore, Pawnee, Okla.; Larry and Rhonda Reamy, Pawnee, Okla.; great aunts and uncles, John and Marion Lytle, Stroud, Okla.; Georgia and James Beaver, Cushing, Okla.; Ivan and Frances Lytle, Shawnee, Okla.; Linda and Charles Dotson, Prattsville, Okla.; Sheryl and Eddie Adams, Pawnee, Okla.; Dennis and Jody Southern, Pawnee, Okla.; Carol Southern, Pawnee, Okla.; plus a number of other relatives, and many friends.

Lance was preceded in death by his grandparents, Michael Moore Sr., Denise K. Moore, Melvin Lee Moore; and great grandparents, Mattie and Sherman Lytle; Sam Southern; Thurman Frank Moore; great aunts, Ramona Cavett and Irene Venable, and great uncle, Perry Southern.

Services are pending with Po-teet Funeral Home, Pawnee, Okla.

LUCILLE BERNICE (Kauley) CHAPMAN
Feb. 29, 1924—Oct. 31, 2012

Lucille Bernice (Kauley) Chapman was born on Feb. 29, 1924, in Pawnee, Okla. to Gilbert Joseph Kauley and Anna (Walker) Kauley. She passed away on Oct. 31, 2012, at the age of 88 years at her home in Tahlequah, Okla.

Bernice, Stu-Du-Dah-Wah (Girl Who Has Good Ways), was raised by her Kiowa family in Anadarko, Okla. as a young child and then attended Pawnee Indian Boarding School and Haskell College in Lawrence, Kan. She lovingly cared for and raised her family with Tommy Chapman in Pawnee, Okla. Upon her husband Tommy’s passing she moved to Tahlequah, Okla. and lived the remaining years of her life. She deeply cherished her relationships with her grandchildren and great grandchildren who adored her.

She was an active member of the Elm Tree Baptist Church in Tahlequah, Okla. and while living in Pawnee was an active member of the Pawnee Indian Baptist Church. She was married to Thomas Chapman, Jr., former Pawnee Business Council president, in 1947 and from this union there survives the children, Carol Chapman Young and husband Nathan Young III; Tommy Dale Chapman and wife Karen Chapman; and Gary Chapman, all of Tahlequah, Okla. Residing in Lawrence, Kan. are two daughters, Linda Martinez Howell Miller, and LaFern Martinez Robledo. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren, Henry Chapman, Nathan H. Young IV, John Chapman Young, Shawn LeAnn Soulsby, Michelle T. Young, Brett A. Chapman, Renee M. Chapman, Lindsey D. Chapman, Chris Howell, Cora Howell Carey, LaShane Miller, David Miller, Robert Miller and two great grands, Eric Young, Stoney Lee Barnoskie II, and four great granddaughters Olivia Ruth Young, Audrey Grace Chapman, Asia Chapman and Olivia Chapman. She also leaves behind numerous cherished sisters and brothers-in-law, Charlie Chapman, Linda Chapman Jester, Lloyd Chapman, Millie Chapman Deatherage, Alice Chapman Woods, Wanda Chapman and Leta Mae Chapman and numerous cherished nieces and nephews, and relatives from the StoneRoad and Eaves families. She also leaves her numerous friends from the Pawnee and Kiowa tribes from Pawnee, Tahlequah, Lawton, and Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012, 10:00 a.m., in the Roan Chief Event Center, Pawnee, Okla. Officiating were Brother Duane Pratt, Pawnee Indian Baptist Church and Brother DJ McCarter, Elm Tree Baptist, Tahlequah, Okla. Eulogies were delivered by John Chapman Young and Dr. Everett Rhodes. Interment was at the South Indian Cemetery, Pawnee, Okla.

In honor of Thomas Chapman’s service to Pawnee Nation, the Pawnee Nation flags were lowered.

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The PTDC Board of Directors, CEO and corporate staff continue to bring about positive changes in the structure of the corporation and businesses it operates. All employees of PTDC are an important factor in sustaining the corporation and PTDC is currently updating its Employee Handbook and Human Resources Policies and Procedures in an effort to develop an on-going environment of awareness of the procedures that assist each department in performing its responsibilities in a safe and well-designed manner. Currently PTDC employs 127 people; 47 percent of Native American descent and 27 percent of the total represents the Pawnee Nation. Furthermore, PTDC employees now receive a comprehensive employment orientation which includes customer service training.

For information on PTDC job opportunities contact Human Resources Director Misty Conover or Human Resources Coordinator Clay Raun at (918) 762-4832 Ext. 10.

The PTDC Board of Directors meet on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m., the meetings are held on the second floor of the Health and Community Services building.

The Pawnee Nation Tax Office offers the Pawnee Nation Pendleton blankets designed to resemble the Pawnee Nation Flag. The total cost of the blanket, including tax, is $324. Lay-a-way is available with a 25 percent down payment and the remainder of the cost payable within 90 days in the form of a monthly payment of 25 percent of the balance due.

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

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