Pawnee Business Council adopted Resolution #16-75
Supporting Standing Rock Sioux Tribe’s Objection
of the Dakota Access Pipeline Construction.
Duane Pratt was recognized at the 8th Annual AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors event.

Former President Marshall Gover receives Carole Anne Heart Spirit Award

2016 DSTAC RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION AWARD RECIPIENTS
Carole Anne Heart Spirit Award

Recognizes an individual who exemplifies traits in memory of the late Carole Anne Heart—leadership and advocacy, sense of humor and wit, energy and compassion, and commitment to improve Indian health and education for all Native peoples.

During President Gover’s impressive career, he has fought on the front lines of Direct Service Tribes (DST), tribal public health issues and veteran’s affairs issues. President Gover is a Marine combat Vietnam Veteran who served two tours in Vietnam. During his tenure, he worked with IHS officials on the HHS Secretary’s Technical Advisory Committee.

He has also served as Vice President, Councilman and Former-President of the Pawnee Nation. He has served as a Pawnee Service Unit Health Board member, Southern Plains Tribal Health Board member, Direct Service Tribe Advisory Committee member, and a member of various national committees. He has been a small business owner, a master silversmith, and artist—with work displayed in the Chicago Field Museum.

He is a two-time drum keeper for the Pawnee Indian Veteran’s Organization and a lifetime Tail Dancer for the Skidi War Dance.
Message from the President

Dear tribal members,

As many of you are well aware, on September 3rd, 2016 the Pawnee Nation recently experienced a 5.8 magnitude earthquake that shook the foundations of our campus for nearly a minute. The episode was sudden, violent, and serves as a wake-up call for our government, our people and especially me. The moment the quake was over I knew that the Nation would have to take immediate action and I am proud to say that we did.

First things first; every day I thank our Heavenly Father that no one was seriously hurt or injured and that no one lost their life. Houses can be fixed, roads repaired, and buildings restored but life is the most precious thing we have. So thank the Lord for his many blessings.

The Tribal Emergency Response Committee (TERC) activated and began to implement the tribe’s emergency response. Without any hesitation (or prompting by supervisors) the personnel assigned to the TERC began arriving on scene to begin our survey of the damage suffered during the earthquake. I want to personally thank the staff involved for their quick response and hard work during this time. We contacted those tribal elders that live alone to ensure their safety and well-being while at the same time contacting the City of Pawnee to let them know we were willing to help if needed.

The Pawnee Nation President declared a Tribal Emergency after the survey was complete and we counted seven (7) of our buildings to have damage that ranged from moderate to significant. We, as a government, felt it was necessary to postpone our coming back to work until we knew if our buildings were safe to occupy or not. I want to apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused to our tribal members but I want to assure all that we are now up to operating at full capacity. Although we have had to move some folks around and make adjustments, we are back and ready to serve our tribal citizens.

As of now, we are in a holding pattern as we develop a plan to renovate the buildings that were damaged and collect the resources we need to make renovations possible. When we start the repair work the game of musical chairs will begin anew so services may be interrupted. I promise to keep these interruptions to a minimum and to expedite the process as quickly as I can so that we may resume our jobs duties here at the Nation.

Where do we go from here? Simple, we change our mindset here in Pawnee. Earthquakes are the new reality and we must stay vigilant and prepared. We need to educate ourselves and our citizens so that we may all have a better understanding of what we need to do in an earthquake; a process we have already begun here in the government. We do not need to fear the earthquakes, fear will lead to inaction; no, we need to be prepared. Prepare your homes. Do the little things necessary so that when another one hits (and it will) you and your loved ones will know what to do and where to report and inquire about resources.

Be safe out there and know that our blessed Heavenly Father will continue to bless and guide us through any tribulation we may experience in the future, as he has done for us since the beginning of time.

Respectfully,

Andrew Knife Chief

Message from the Executive Director

Nowa,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and Attius, our Creator, is blessing you and your family.

We have had a busy past quarter here at the Pawnee Nation. First and foremost we experienced the 5.8 earthquake which did some damage to our campus. I called for a State of Emergency which activates help from our state and federal partners. There are reports of damage to Indian homes in the Pawnee area. We are currently assessing the damage and getting with our insurance people, FEMA and other state and federal agencies that will assist us.

I am proud to report that our Tribal Emergency Response Committee (TERC) worked very well in this emergency. Our TERC employees worked through the Labor Day Holiday and assisted all the insurance, engineers, TV crews and others who came to inspect the damage. There will be a lot to inspect the damage. There will be a lot of work to repair the damage but we are committed to getting back to full service in our damaged buildings for our citizens.

In this past quarter we have had the groundbreaking for the expansion at the Stonewolf Casino. We look forward to what this expansion will bring to this community and our people. We had Homecoming during the 4th of July holiday and it is always good to see all our relatives and friends who come home during this time. The Tribe hosted many activities which were well attended by all. We had the annual Wichita Visitation here in Pawnee and also visited with the Arikaras in North Dakota. The plans are to start an annual or biannual visit with them.

Our Council continues to meet in Strategic Planning looking toward the future and setting goals for the Nation. Our Council passed a mission and vision statement for the PBC. We are looking at our Constitution and seeing if there are changes that need to be brought before the people to do business better. I believe good changes will be coming forth from these meetings.

Our Nation hosted a Teachers Luncheon with the Pawnee Public Schools where we showcased our programs and taught a Cultural Sensitivity lesson. There were around a 100 who attended. It’s a good way to be good partners with the school.

We are always saddened by the Pawnees who have gone on to be with our Lord. We are thankful that we still have our Mourners Ceremony to help us during this time. Our prayers are still with the families in mourning.

In closing, our Council passed a Resolution and a letter of support for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe’s protest against the North Dakota Pipeline. We have sent supplies to the protest and many of our Pawnees have made the journey there to show their support. Pray for our people who are there and all who are showing their support in North Dakota. We must pray for a good and peaceful solution to this crisis.

May Attius continue to bless the Pawnee Nation.

Thank you,

W. Bruce Pratt
The Supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation is the Pawnee Business Council which consists of eight (8) members. The Pawnee Business Council exercises all the inherent, statutory, and treaty powers of the Pawnee Nation by the enactment of legislation, the transaction of business, and by otherwise speaking or acting on all matters which the Pawnee Nation is empowered to act. All members of the Pawnee Business Council are elected to a four-year term of office and serve until their successors are installed in office.

The Nasharo Council, also known as the “Chiefs Council” consists of eight (8) members, each serving four-year terms. Each band shall have two (2) representatives on the Nasharo Council selected by the members of the tribal bands, Chaui, Kitkehahki, Pitahawirata and Skidi.

The Nasharo Council shall have the right to review all acts of the Pawnee Business Council regarding the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma membership and Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma claims or rights growing out of treaties between the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and the United States according to provision listed in the Pawnee Nation Constitution.
Pawnee Business Council Resolutions

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

#16-51 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 8, Section A. General Leave Policy” which shall replace the version dated September 11, 2015 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-52 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 8, Section P. General Health Benefit Policy” which shall replace the version dated June 26, 2013 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-53 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 15, Section B. Content of Files” which shall replace the version dated September 11, 2015 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-54 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 6, Section E. Temporary Employment Status” which shall replace the version dated November 3, 2008 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-55 - A Resolution to approve the funding of $25,000 for the Pawnee Nation Title VI Elders Program Trip to NICOA - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-56 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 7, Section F. Flex Time” which shall replace the version dated November 3, 2008 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-57 - A Resolution to hereby understand the need for culturally respectful research to address violence against Indian and proclaims its support for the National Institute of Justice’s efforts, working through its contracted researchers to implement the violence against Indian women (VAIW) National Baseline Study (NSB) - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-58 - A Resolution to bestow Special Honor and Recognition to tribal member Glen McGuire and names him the Pawnee Nation’s “Poet Emeritus” for his contribution and works as a tribal member - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-59 - A Resolution to approve the appropriations from the Salazar Settlement funds as listed, in the total amount of $25,000 for the Pawnee Nation Title VI Elders Program Trip to NICOA - Approved June 23, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (S. Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-60 - A Resolution to approve the Pawnee Nation Title VI Program to participate in the National Resource Centers on Native Ageing’s “Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders”. Moreover, the Pawnee Nation will receive a summary from the assessment, along with a national report from all the needs assessment - Approved July 13, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-61 - A Resolution to approve the submission to apply for an award of funds from the Keepseagle cy pres fund, the Native American Agriculture Fast Track Fund - Approved July 13, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-62 - A Resolution to authorize the TERO Director and TERO Commission to review, negotiate, revise, and execute all terms and conditions of the proposed $6,394.00 contract with the BIA under the P.L. 93-638 - Approved July 13, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-63 - A Resolution to adopt the Pawnee Business Council’s Mission Statement as it follows: “Through faith, trust, and guidance of Tirawahat, we shall provide effective and exemplary leadership to promote, protect and enrich the lives of the members of the Pawnee Nation by exercising our inherent sovereign rights, while maintaining traditional and cultural customs and respect of the Pawnee People.” - Approved July 28, 2016 by a vote of three for (P. Littlesun; S. Adson; D. Hare), two against (D. Wildcat; M. A. Thompson), zero abstaining, two absent (A. Spottedhorsechief; L. Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).
#16-64 - A Resolution to adopt the Pawnee Business Council’s Vision Statement as it follows: “The Pawnee Nation with abounding pride in our cultural and traditional heritage will promote our social, economic and political advancement to secure the common welfare and well-being of our nation and its members through transparency, trust, leadership, and sovereignty.” - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of three for (P.Littlesun; S.Adson; D.Hare), two against (D.Wildcat; M.A.Thompson), zero abstaining, two absent (A.Spottedhorsechief; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-65 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative (MSPI), Purpose Area Four (4): Generation Indigenous Initiative Support Program to Indian Health Services (IHS), an agency which is part of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and further approves, adopts and readopts all items as set forth above. In addition the following designees, including the Pawnee Business Council President and Vice-President and Executive Director are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute the contract and any amendments thereof during the period of the grant - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (A.Spottedhorsechief; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-66 - A Resolution to appoint Ann Collins to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission effective July 28, 2016, whose term of office will expire July 28, 2019 - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (A.Spottedhorsechief) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-67 - A Resolution to appoint Beverly Zotigh to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission effective July 28, 2016, whose term of office will expire July 28, 2019 - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (A.Spottedhorsechief) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-68 - A Resolution to appoint Martha Only A Chief to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission effective July 28, 2016, whose term of office will expire July 28, 2019 - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (A.Spottedhorsechief) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-69 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the P.L. 93-638 contract application proposal to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Water Resources Management, Planning and Pre-development funding - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (A.Spottedhorsechief) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-70 - A Resolution to approve the appropriations from the Salazar Settlement Funds as listed, in the total amount of $70,750 for the Pawnee Nation ICDBG Program Pawnee Nation Resource Complex - **Approved** July 28, 2016 by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (A.Spottedhorsechief) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-71 - A Resolution to approve the adoption and submittal of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, Long Range Transportation Plan, 2017-2036 to Office of Federal Land Highways and Bureau of Indian Affairs - **Approved** August 10, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (S.Adson; President Pratt) and one not voting (Vice-President Wildcat).

#16-72 - A Resolution to approve the adoption and submittal of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal year 2017 - **Approved** August 10, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (S.Adson; President Pratt) and one not voting (Vice-President Wildcat).

#16-73 - A Resolution to approve Tribal Membership to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-74 - A Resolution to approve the said change in service for Pawnee tribal members to go directly to Amerind Risk Management Corporation for services - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-75 - A Resolution in support the efforts of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in opposing the issuance of permits, construction, and location of the Dakota Access Pipeline - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-76 - A Resolution to approve the amendment to Chapter Ten (10), Section 1012 of the General Revenue and Taxation Act, as amended April 25, 2007 by Resolution #07-20, to read as follows: Section 1012. Veterans Tags - All Veterans, with the exception of dishonorable discharged Veterans, shall be entitled to annually register a limit of two (2) motor vehicles at the special rate. All other Veterans vehicles will be registered at the regular rate. Proper proof of military service will be required - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-77 - A Resolution to approve twenty-five (25) eligible applicants to be added to the Pawnee Membership Roll - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-78 - A Resolution to approve to note the date of death of one (1) deceased member on the Membership Roll and remove them from the Annuity Roll - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-79 - A Resolution to accept the Conditional Relinquishment of Connor Marques Sleeper from the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and he will be removed from the Pawnee Nation Membership Roll on condition upon being accepted for membership with the Otoe Missouria Tribe - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of
seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-80 - A Resolution to accept the Conditional Relinquishment of Robin Wilde Stafford from the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and she will be removed from the Pawnee Nation Membership Roll on condition upon being accepted with the Minnesota Bois Forte Tribe - **Approved** August 25, 2016 by a vote of seven for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-81 - A Resolution to appoint a member to the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court Justice was Tabled September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-82 - A Resolution to confirm the appointment of the Honorable Earl D. Lawson to serve as Prosecutor of the Pawnee Nation District Court for a period of three (3) years as per Pawnee Law and Order Code, Chapter One, Section 2. Term will expire September 13, 2019 - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-83 - A Resolution to appoint Chris McCray to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission as a member whose inception begins September 13, 2016 and whose term shall expire September 13, 2019 - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-84 - A Resolution to appoint Stephen Bird to the Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission as a member whose inception begins September 13, 2016 and whose term shall expire September 13, 2019 - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-85 through #16-89 - Resolutions to appoint members of the Pawnee Nation Museum Board were Tabled September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-90 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 5, Section G. Compensatory Time” which shall replace the version dated November 3, 2008 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-91 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 8, Section B. Holiday Leave” which shall replace the version dated November 3, 2008 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-92 - A Resolution to approve the revision of Pawnee Nation’s Office of Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual’s “Chapter 9, Section K. Outside Employment” which shall replace the version dated November 3, 2008 and become effective on the date of approval by the Pawnee Business Council - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-93 - A Resolution to authorize and approve the President of the Pawnee Business Council, or his designee, to request approval of the trust acquisition of the StoneWolf Expansion Site by the United States for the use and benefit of the Pawnee Nation for economic development, including gaming; and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effect this trust acquisition - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-94 - A Resolution to approve that all Tribal, Federal and State Grant Program Fund budgets included in the Pawnee Nation 2017 Comprehensive Budget be approved in the total amount of $12,252,359 - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-95 - A Resolution to authorize the submission of a three-year plan to consolidate employment, training, and related programs through the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (USDOIBIA), and hereby authorizes the Pawnee Business Council President or Executive Director to negotiate and execute the grant and any amendments thereof during the period of the plan - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of four for, one against (M.A.Thompson), zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#16-96 - A Resolution to approves the BUSINESS LEASE for the CHILOCCO INDIAN AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL CAMPUS with OSU - University Multispectral Laboratories, LLC, effective January 1, 2014 as outlined in the full lease (that will be attached to this resolution) and permission is granted for W. Bruce Pratt to sign the lease on behalf on the Pawnee Nation - **Approved** September 13, 2016 by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, two absent (D.Hare; L.Chapman-Teter) and one not voting (President Pratt).
By TIM STANLEY | TULSA WORLD

After a battle, it wasn’t always easy to tell the wounded from the dead.
But thankfully, in Glen McGuire’s case, someone was paying close attention.
Just as McGuire was about to be stacked among the slain for burial, a fellow soldier saw a sign of life: one of his fingers twitched.
So instead, McGuire was moved in with the wounded.
However, while very much alive, he was far from all right.
A regimental musician who doubled as a stretcher-bearer, McGuire had been caught up in the thick of the fighting on the Pacific island of Los Negros.
While there, a line had been crossed somewhere deep inside him. Triggered possibly by the stress and the horrors he’d seen, McGuire lost his grip on his sanity.
Brought back among the wounded at Los Negros, he went into a mental free-fall that would mean not only the end of the war for him, but a long, terrifying period of intensive treatment.
McGuire — who, as a poet, would later put these experiences into words — refused to give defeat the final word, though.
Although he would continue to battle the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder, McGuire has lived fully and well, enjoying a rewarding career as an educator.
Late in life, he even took up, of all things, running marathons. It was as though McGuire had one final exclamation point to put on his triumph over trauma.

PAWNEE PROUD

At 96, McGuire has long since retired from all that.
He ran his last marathon in 2001 at age 84.
Now a resident of Saint Simeon’s retirement community in Tulsa, McGuire sat for a recent interview with the Tulsa World.
A half-Pawnee Indian and proud member of the Pawnee Nation, McGuire grew up in Pawnee, Oklahoma, where he and his younger sister were raised by their grandparents on their father’s side.
McGuire’s ties to the Pawnee tribe run deep. His grandfather on his mother’s side was a Pawnee chief.

McGuire graduated from Haskell in 1939.
Although he knew the proud warrior tradition of the Pawnees, he admits that wasn’t what he was thinking about when he volunteered for the Army.
“I was adventurous,” he said.
Assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division and sent to Fort Bliss, Texas, McGuire, like other cavalry troops, was trained on horseback.
At the time, the Army wanted cavalry units prepared to fend off any potential invasions from the south through Mexico.
But with the war in the Pacific heating up, that plan changed and the 1st Cavalry Division was sent there instead.
For McGuire, the plan would change even more dramatically.

Among his papers, he still has the yellowed handwritten letter requesting he be reassigned to the 1st Cavalry’s 5th Cavalry Regiment Band.
“This young man will be of more value to the service as a musician,” it reads in part, written by the regimental band leader.
McGuire couldn’t have agreed more. He was glad when the transfer was approved.
“We had a band director who was also a composer,” said McGuire, who played the trumpet, tuba and sousaphone.
“We played marches — Sousa marches.”
The band’s primary role was to bolster troop morale, but the musicians took on other duties as needed.
In combat zones, those duties included assisting medics in the field and serving as stretcher-bearers.
And it wasn’t only the wounded who would need bearing.
“Everybody that was killed,” McGuire said, “had to be brought in from the front.”

MUSICIANS AT WAR

The musician’s introduction to this grim task came in February 1944, when the 1st Cavalry Division was dispatched to help capture the Japanese-held Admiralty Islands north of New Guinea.
The campaign was to start with the chain’s third-largest island, Los Negros, and go from there.
When the invasion began on Feb. 29, McGuire’s 5th Cavalry Regiment was in the thick of the action.
Three days in, it came to a head for the 5th when it had to face down, together with a unit of Navy Seabees, a furious nighttime assault.
The 5th withstood everything thrown at it. By dawn, when it was over, more than 750 Japanese troops were dead, compared to only 61 Americans.

The 5th Cavalry received a Presidential Unit
CHOOSING TO LIVE
Initially mistaken for dead after one battle — before an alert medic saw his finger twitching — McGuire was brought back for medical examination.

It was just the beginning of the horrors to come.

Ultimately, with his sanity unravelling, he had to be sedated and restrained by straitjacket.

Returning first to New Guinea and then to the U.S., it was a harrowing time for McGuire that he remembers only in fragments.

Back in the States, he underwent shock treatments.

In a twist verging on the cinematic, he actually escaped briefly, jumping from a train en route from San Diego to a veterans treatment facility in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was quickly apprehended.

But the real jumping-off point was yet to come: Sometime later, McGuire found himself, knife in hand, determined to take his own life.

What stopped him he later recalled in one of his poems: “Suddenly, in one overwhelming moment, I chose to live,” he wrote.

He’s been choosing to live every day since.

After recovering sufficiently, McGuire began to put his life back together. He attended the University of Tulsa and then Phillips University in Enid. He earned a bachelor’s in music, embarking on what would be a successful career in education, teaching both music and English.

It included serving as band director at his alma mater, Haskell Indian School and eventually teaching for several years at Sherman Indian High School in Riverside, California.

Music has been a constant in his life. At one time, he was bandleader for his own group, traveling and performing.

He also found a creative outlet in poetry. A book of his poems, titled “Spider Spins Between Two Worlds,” was published. McGuire won awards for it, and gave poetry readings around the country.

This July, he was recognized by the Pawnee Nation as its poet laureate emeritus.

RUNNING TO THE FINISH
The marathons came later on, after McGuire had retired and moved back to Tulsa in the early 1990s.

Taking up running in his mid-70s seemed like a worthy challenge.

“I just wanted to be an all-around athletic person,” explained McGuire, who also became a tournament-winning senior tennis player.

His first marathon was the Los Angeles Marathon in 1996. He was 76 at the time, and placed first in his age group.

In between marathons, he participated in other events, including several Tulsa Runs and the Oklahoma Senior Olympics, where he continued regularly to finish tops in his age group.

Because there wasn’t much information for marathon runners his age, he developed his own training regimen. He became a regular on Tulsa’s River Parks trail along Riverside Drive, his favorite spot to work out.

He ran his last marathon, the Chicago Marathon, in 2001.

“I just got tired of it,” he said of his decision to retire at age 84.

As good as McGuire was on his feet, he knows there’s no running away from the war. He still has nightmares after all these years.

But when he’s awake he tries not to think about it, he said.

“It makes me unhappy.”

Instead he chooses to think about the future.

His big goal now?

“I want to live to be 100,” he said.

The Pawnee Nation has been awarded $800,000.00 to provide improvements to the Ceremonial Campground and Nature Fit Trail project

September 12, 2016: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made an announcement that they have awarded 56.5 million thru the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program.

This grant funding will assist 77 American Indian Communities nationwide with community development and housing activities, 16 of those grant awards will be used in Oklahoma.

On September 13, 2016, the Pawnee Nation received notification that their FY-16 Grant Proposal submittal was one of the seventy-seven projects funded by HUD.

The Pawnee Nation has been awarded $800,000.00 to provide improvements to the Ceremonial Campground and Nature Fit Trail project. The improvement will consist of a new restroom/shower facility, dance arbor, electrical updates throughout the camping area along with a new walking trail which will be located just east of the camping area, approximately a mile in length with exercise stations along the route.

Along with contributions from tribal funds, the PN Department of Transportation and Pawnee Pride programs will assist in the project by providing leverage items for the project.
CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO A SAFE HOME

THE ISSUE
The rights of our most vulnerable children are being lost in the shuffle of a strained system.

BACKGROUND
In our society the basic needs and rights of children are entrusted to their families, but when the family—for whatever reason—is unable to meet those obligations, our most vulnerable children are placed in the foster care and child welfare system.

That system is full of compassionate lawyers, judges, social workers and foster families, but according to recent statistics each year more than 748,000 children are placed in foster care nationally—8,110 in our state alone. This intense need can strain the system to the point where they are simply unable to protect the rights of each child.

So the little girl who has already suffered in an abusive home, enters the foster care system which places her in three or four different homes in just a few months. Or the two siblings who lost their mother to incarceration are split up and living on different sides of the same county.

This isn’t just a problem it is nothing short of a violation of their basis human rights, in a country where we aren’t supposed to have to fear such things.

SOLUTION
In 1977 a family court judge created an innovative new program called Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children. CASA is a national nonprofit organization which trains and supports volunteers to speak out and act as advocates for the best interest of abused and neglected children. They are trained to work within the child welfare and family court systems and are appointed by judges to individual cases. With the help of a CASA volunteer, a child is half as likely to languish in the foster care system and is much more likely to find a safe and permanent home.

In fact, the CASA program has been so effective that it now has more than 70,000 volunteers serving almost 1,000 programs in every court system (including 12 tribal courts) in the United States. It is an outstanding reflection of the kind of change that’s possible when the public, private, and nonprofit sectors join forces.

CALL-TO-ACTION
CASA can only reach 35% of the children in need each year. That means almost 500,000 children (approximately 200 in Pawnee County, Pawnee Nation, Osage County, and Osage Nation have no one advocating for their rights.

The CASA program is committed to making sure that every child in need has access to a CASA volunteer. The Pawnee/Osage CASA organization is holding information events and training to recruit more volunteers to speak for the children in our courts and offer community members an opportunity to help in the fight against child abuse.

CONTACT
Please contact Pawnee/Osage CASA at 918-762-3776, or send an email to helen@pawneeosagecasa.org.

2015 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT
for the Pawnee Nation Water System is available on the website.

www.pawneenation.org
Nowah Ahkitadau!!

The Budget Committee and I have worked diligently to finalize the Nation’s 2017 Comprehensive Budget. The Budget Committee consists of the following positions and individuals; Executive Director Andrew Knife Chief; Administrative Affairs Division Director, Muriel Robeddeaux; Finance Division Director, William “Harrison” Perry; Planning Division Director, Brian Kirk; Grants and Contracts Specialist, Laura Melton and myself PBC Treasurer and Budget Committee Chair, M. Angela Thompson.

The Pawnee Business Council serve as Ex-Officio members and are invited and welcomed to all budget committee meetings. Each position and individual who serves on the committee are valuable each bring a skill set that is imperative to the budget process. I want to thank each of them for their dedication and time to this process; I am happy to report that this year’s budget call went much smoother than last years. The procedures that we have established as a committee from the beginning of budget review through approval has proven to be efficient and expedient in order to meet the deadlines established by Pawnee Nation Policy. I cannot thank each of them enough and all employees for their excellent work in this year’s budget process.

In accordance with the Nation’s Fiscal Policy and Procedures; the Budget Process provides a minimum timeline of 6 months prior to the Nation’s Fiscal Year as the time to call for budgets. The Official Budget Call was issued on April 11, 2016. Mandatory budget training was conducted as part of this year’s budget call during the month of April. Budgets were due by Division Directors on May 13, 2016 for initial review by the budget committee. Budget hearings began on June 8, 2016, budget hearings consist of the Division Director and Program Coordinator/Manager meeting with the Budget Committee to present their budget proposal for approval.

The Division Director and Coordinator identify and justify any increases or decreases that affect their program operations. They are responsive to questions by the budget committee members in order to adequately justify their proposed budget. If adjustments are requested or required, the Division Director and Program Coordinator are to make the adjustments and resubmit to the budget committee.

The Budget Committee reviews the resubmitted budget and accepts the budget to be incorporated into the Nation’s Comprehensive Budget. Once all Program budgets are reviewed and approved including the Indirect Cost Budget and the General Fund budget; Ms. Robeddeaux creates spreadsheets that track each budget. These spreadsheets identify all revenue and all expenditures included in the Nation’s Comprehensive Budget.
From these spreadsheets the budget committee is able to ascertain where budget cuts need to be made in order to reduce the identified shortfall. At the onset of this budget period the identified shortfall was over $1.0M based on the budgets submitted. The budget committee began reviewing all the identified revenue and began reviewing the budgets submitted with major increases and after timeless hours of carefully reviewing each budget, we whittled at the shortfall and reduced it to manageable amount of approximately $350,698. This was a major accomplishment since last years identified shortfall was approximately $600,000. Once the shortfall was at a manageable amount the entire Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma 2017 Comprehensive Budget was approved for recommendation to the Pawnee Business Council for approval by the budget committee. Our goal is to have a balanced budget next year.

The following is a list of approximate total revenue in the amount of $2,506,147 as of August 2016 that we utilize for government operations, maintenance and special projects. Please note that a portion of these funds may fund the general fund budget.

### Pawnee Nation 2017 Comprehensive Budget

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| General Fund Subtotal:                     | 4,869,545      |

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| BIA Tribal Court                            | 2,141,996      |
| Law Enforcement                             | 72,746         |
| 477                                         | 558,169        |
| Tribal Historic Preservation Office          | 355,902        |
| NAAGPRA Grant                               | 53,724         |
| NAGPRA Grant                                | 89,370         |

| GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES:                   | $12,252,359     |

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve that all Tribal, Federal and State Grant Program Fund budgets included in the Pawnee Nation 2017 Comprehensive Budget be approved in the total amount of $12,252,359.

### CERTIFICATION

I, Phannnie Littleton, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 13th day of September 2016 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members of whom six were present, two absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, and one not voting.

Signed this 13th day of September 2016

PHANNIE LITTLETON, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council

W. BRUCE PRATT, President
Pawnee Nation Business Council
Salazar Funds - $460,933.00
Proceeds of Labor Funds - $186,580.52
Ramah Funds (Expected) - $1,123,258.08
THPO - Section 106 Funds - $735,376.34
$2,506,147.44

We have utilized funds from these sources for Higher Education subsidies; K-12 School Clothing Allowance; Elders Trip; Program Requests for additional allocations for tribal citizen benefits such Code Talkers Events, Warrior Exhibits etc. The Council is currently researching and looking into the following projects: Agricultural projects, Aquatic Center Project, Bison Project and other special projects that will benefit the Pawnee Nation and its citizens.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions related to the above information. Please review the resolution below approving the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma 2017 Comprehensive Budget. The resolution identifies the projected operating revenue that funds the 2017 Comprehensive Budget as well as the projected expenditure by fund budget. Also the 2017 Tribal Comprehensive Budget Summary document provides a comparison from the approved 2016 budgets to the 2017 budgets. I can be reached via email at athompson@pawneeation.org.

Tatachikstehu!!

- M. Angela Thompson, Treasurer Pawnee Nation Business Council
The Hawk Chief Run

The Hawk Chief Run was held during the Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming on Saturday, July 2, 2016. This year’s Hawk Chief 5K Run had 225 walkers and runners participants. The race started at Memorial Stadium, meandered through the Pawnee Nation Reserve and the City of Pawnee, and finished back at the stadium. Below are the winners:

**Overall female winner**- Jasha Lyons Echo Hawk with a time of 24:18.6.

**Overall male winner**- Eli Downs with a time of 20:21.2.

**Male 17 and Under:**
1st- Cody Leading Fox, 20:28.4
2nd- Feathers Valencia, 22:52.3
3rd- Adam Pratt, 27:30.4

**Female 17 and Under:**
1st- Leah Brown, 30:32.8
2nd- Tea Tahchawwickah, 30:33.0
3rd- Sky Seeing Leading Fox, 31:05.9

**Male 18-35:**
1st- Eli Downs, 20:21.2
2nd- Charlie Edwards, 22:17.1
3rd- Russell Harjo, 23:59.2

**Female 18-35:**
1st- Jasha Lyons Echo Hawk, 24:18.6
2nd- Mee-Kai Clark, 27:01.7
3rd- Jamie Suneagle, 27:21.5

**Male 36 and over:**
1st- Randy Moore, 22:11.2
2nd- Alan Chapman, 22:24.4
3rd- Bear George, 22:44.6

**Female 36 and over:**
1st- Jeanie Seidel, 25:38.9
2nd- Sunny Downs, 26:50.7
3rd- Tammy Hixon, 26:58.9

**Male 55 and over:**
1st- Wes Wildcat, 36:50.1
2nd- Brett Collins, 38:10.7
3rd- Dr. Charles Knife Chief, 39:18.2

**Female 55 and over:**
1st- Aileen Burgess, 54:32.2
2nd- Brenda Rolland, 1:00:20.3
3rd- Karen Flora, 1:00:20.3

Because of such a huge turn out with elders competing, there will be a “Golden Age” category added for next year competition.

The Hawk Chief Run was a collaborative effort by the following Tribal Programs:

- Diabetes
- Pawnee Pride
- CHR/Health Education

A big thank you to all the volunteers for a successful 5K which was comprised of Pawnee Public School, Division of Health and Community Services, Pawnee Police Department, Pawnee Nation Law Enforcement, Pawnee Indian Veterans, Pawnee Bill Memorial Rodeo, and Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation.

**Pawnee Nation Supreme Court**

On July 21, 2016, Gregory D. Smith, a Justice on the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court, completed The National Judicial College’s Tribal Court Judges Certification. The National Judicial College is a part of the University of Nevada at Reno. The Tribal Court Judge Certification takes about four years to complete and is taught by nationally recognized experts in judicial training, experience and qualifications such as Oklahoma Supreme Court Chief Justice John Reif.

Justice Smith said “It is an honor to serve on the Pawnee Nation Supreme Court under the leadership of Chief Justice Bob Buchanan. It speaks well of the people of Oklahoma that the top judicial training center in the United States turns to Oklahoma’s own Chief Justice John Reif to lead the way in training tribal appellate judges across North America. I appreciate the training offered by The National Judicial College and the time scholars such as Chief Justice Reif donate, free of charge, to improve tribal justice in the Pawnee Nation and elsewhere throughout Native America’s tribal court justice system.”
2016 Historic Re-Union Arikara Relatives

On Friday September 23rd, 2016 a group of about 50 Arikara Relatives traveled from Ft. Berthold Reservation in North Dakota, to Pawnee, Oklahoma arriving in the afternoon. That evening our weekend agenda started at Roam Chief with a meal and handgame. Thomasine Neff’s handgame sticks were used. This was a fun evening, with a large attendance.

On Saturday, the morning began with William Howell Family cooking breakfast for our visitors and anyone else who wished to attend. After Breakfast, both tribes remained in Roam Chief Building where we shared our tobacco with them. A new pipe was made by Pawnee Tribal Citizen Aaron Prim especially for this historical occasion. Our Cultural Resource Division (CRD) Committee opened up this tobacco ceremony to all Pawnee/Arikara who wanted to attend and witness this new ceremony. After this was completed, everyone went over to our campgrounds where a meal and Skidi Man Dance took place, under the leadership of Pat Leadingfox and Jr. Pratt.

After the Skidi Man Dance, we gave our Ree Relatives free time to do as they please. Some of our folks hosted/escorted our visitors to supper, Standing Bear Pow Wow, casinos, etc.

Sunday Morning began with our Pawnee Business Council (PBC) providing breakfast to our guests. After breakfast, there were some good words, stories, and gift giving between both tribes.

The Cultural Resource Division Committee sponsored the noon meal (cooked by Cynthia Butler and crew) and a war dance followed at the roundhouse. This was well attended and CRD Committee allowed our guests have an equal part of the afternoon activities. Towards the end of the dance our committee chairman Matt Reed (Chau Chief) proposed to “Astarahi Akitaru” a plan to continue this Re-Union on an annual basis. Also proposed was using September as the month to be used annually, and asked them to consider Nebraska as the meeting place as that is where we split centuries ago.

The day ended with a prayer song, handshakes, hugs, picture taking, etc. Our CRD Committee hopes all were blessed and satisfied with the weekend. We want to thank Mr. Leading Fox and Mr. Pratt. Mrs. Neff, all the cooks, families, and Pawnee Nation Citizens who offered prayers before, during, and after this historic re-union.

Respectfully,
- Herb Adson
Director - Pawnee Cultural Resource Division

The officers and staff members of the Pawnee Indian Veterans were feted to a noon dinner, hosted by Darrell Wildcat, President of the Pawnee Indian Veterans and Walter (Bunky) Echohawk, Jr., Drumkeeper.

Walter Echohawk opened up his home Saturday, September 10, 2016, to the following officers:

Vice-President Roy Taylor; Secretary/Treasurer Pearly Cramer; Flagman Grant Hawkins; and Spokesman Marshall Gover.

Staff members invited were: Head singer Herb Adson; Head cook Roberta Ahdunko, along with Stella Moore, Tiffany Frietze, and Lilly Harms. Men cooks are Steve Moore, Stevie Moore, and Taylor Moore. Also invited was the Master of Ceremonies David Echohawk; Arena Directors Jesse Robedeaux, and Francis Soxie; Whipman Eddy Eppler; Tail dancers Beaushee Wildcat and George (Cricket) Shields, Jr.; Waterboys Corbin Soxie and Lesharo Wildcat. And also invited were Veterans Chiefs; William Howell, Pitahaurata, Jimmy Horn, Chaui, Byron Wichita, Kitkahahki, and Andrew KnifeChief, Skidi.

Kathy Daniels, President of the Pawnee War Mothers was an invited guest. As well as Morgan LittleSun, Kitkahahki Band Chief of the Nasharo Council.

Toward the end of the meal, guests were invited to convey their thoughts. All expressed humbleness and honor by being asked to fill these positions, which are held for a two - year term.

Everyone had an enjoyable and informative afternoon dinner.
Pawnee Business Council adopted Resolution #16-75
Supporting Standing Rock Sioux Tribe’s Objection of the
Dakota Access Pipeline Construction. Read the Letter of Support.

August 24, 2016

Nowa,

Atius Tirawa created the first Pawnee, a girl, many years ago on land that is today contained within
the boundaries of the United States of America. Our ancestors protected the resources they had so
that future generations would have access to the clean water, plentiful game, and varieties of crops
necessary to support a thriving community. The Pawnee Business Council is the rightful heir and
owner of the responsibilities passed down from generation to generation. Because of that, the
Pawnee Business Council states the following:

The Pawnee Business Council has adopted Resolution #16-75 Objecting to the Construction of the
Dakota Access Pipeline and Support of Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
is currently fighting to keep a pipeline from going through their homelands. The U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers approved a pipeline across the Missouri River that would impact the tribe’s main source of
water.

The Pawnee Nation, having reviewed the materials related to the Dakota Access Pipeline believes
that the federal government has failed in its responsibilities to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and
community by failing to clearly identify the impact of the proposed pipeline, to clearly and publicly
engage in government-to-government consultations with the tribe, and by failing to address the
concerns raised by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

The many peaceful demonstrations, ceremonies and events call attention to this issue by tribes from
across the continent and reflect the growing concerns that our communities are not as valuable as
others. These demonstrators are exercising their fundamental right to voice their concerns and the
Pawnee Nation supports them.

The Pawnee Nation will stand firm on their resolution to support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe as
they fight the construction of this pipeline. Recently our Nanharo (Chiefs) Council has sent two of
our Chiefs to the demonstration to reinforce our position stated in this letter. May Atius Tirawa bless
them and keep them safe.

The Nation urges the Secretary of the Interior, Sally Jewell and the Assistant Secretary, Indian
Affairs, Lawrence Roberts, to take any and all steps necessary to protect the environment and water
resources of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and community. The Pawnee Business Council is also
requesting they review this series of actions and direct that issuance of permits and any construction
be halted until such time as the government-to-government consultation process can be fully
implemented not only as to the processes but the inherent spirit of recognizing the sovereignty of the
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.
PROTECT THE WATER OF LIFE

PAWNEE NATION Supports THE STANDING ROCK SIOUX NODAPL
My Name is Benjamin Stewart and I recently accepted the job position as the Pawnee Pride Assistant in August 2016. I was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy in October 2015, after serving 5 years as a Navy Corpsman.

Pawnee Pride's overall goal is to improve the health and wellness of not only Pawnee Nation employees, but also the Pawnee community. In order to not only meet but exceed program goals, weekly physical activity events are provided such as Zumba on Mondays starting at 6:00 pm and Boot Camp, advanced and beginners, that take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 pm. All classes are held at the Pawnee Nation Gymnasium. More importantly, they are FREE for anyone that would like to attend. Pawnee Pride also organizes themed fun runs and walks for the community and the Pawnee Nation throughout the year. In collaboration with Pawnee and Payne County OSU Extension Offices, nutrition classes are held on a quarterly basis. Lastly, tobacco prevention and/or quitting materials are available from program staff.

Pawnee Pride is located in the old IHS Building, Rooms 123 and 124 and can be reached at 918-762-3873 option 5.

The Education Department would like to congratulate Martha Only A Chief for being selected as an Outstanding Participant for the P.L. 102-477 at this year’s 35th Annual National Indian and Native American Employment/Public Law 102-477 Training Conference (NINAETA) in Reno, Nevada. Martha has a very busy schedule as a mother, grandmother, full time employee, and full time student. She is an employee of the Pawnee Nation and works in the Cultural Resources Department as an Administrative Assistant. During her employment with the Pawnee Nation she has developed a Section 106 data base that is used to collect fees on projects that happen on Pawnee Tribal land.

Martha recently received her Associates of Art in American Indian Studies and is currently pursuing her Bachelor’s Degree at Bacone College. The staff at the Education Division are beyond proud of all the accomplishments that Martha has strived to achieve, good job!!
Safe Routes to School

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) PROGRAM

On January 12, 2016 the Pawnee Nation received notice that the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program had been funded in the amount of $220,000. This program is administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Safety. Funding is available for infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that benefit elementary and middle school children in grades K-8.

The purpose of the SRTS Program is (1) to enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school; (2) to make bicycling and walking to school a safer and more appealing transportation alternative, thereby encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle from an early age; and (3) to facilitate the planning, development, and implementation of projects and activities that will improve safety and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of schools.

The construction component of the project will add and/or replace sidewalks, ramps, curbs, walls, crosswalks, and signage around all three Pawnee Public School facilities so that students will have a safer access to school buildings. The Transportation Department is in charge of this component.

The education component was led by the Division of Health and Community Services. DHCS provided an 8 week instruction for Pawnee Public Schools elementary students. The effort was to increase awareness and provide sound education on the importance of safe routes to school, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, and to also promote physical education. Forty seven (47) students completed the instruction and were eligible to receive bicycles.

On July 17, 2016 a Bike Rodeo was held for the students to receive their bicycles. The Bike Rodeo was led by OSU Officer Shawn Gibson as he set up a course with different stations to ensure bike safety. A catered lunch from Howlers was provided for the students and their families. Bikes were assembled by District Bicycles from Stillwater. Students were also given helmets, bike locks, and shoe reflectors.

Pawnee Nation Playground

Pawnee Nation’s Pawnee Pride and Health Education Programs in collaboration with the Department of Transportation, Division of Property Management, Diabetes Program, Pawnee Nation Housing Authority, and local business and individuals worked together to establish a community playground on the tribal reserve. Installation was proved by Rex Playground and the TERO Program. It is located east of the Pawnee Nation Roundhouse on the Tribal reserve and is available for use.

The playground will benefit children and families within the Pawnee Community. There has been a huge need for a family friendly playground in the Pawnee Community. With the rise in obesity and diabetes along with sedentary lifestyle has become the norm in our society; this playground will aid in disease prevention. “With little family-friendly resources throughout the community, having a well-rounded park and playground will provide opportunity for family unity” says Dana Beard and Jaime Jestes, Playground Project Coordinators. Both have envisioned and created this perfect opportunity to develop and implement the playground. With their hard work and perseverance, it has come to light!

A Grand Opening was held on Wednesday, September 8, 2016 at 4 pm and was open to the community.

Health Fair = Success!

The annual Pawnee Nation Health Fair, was held on June 30, 2016 this year, and was a great success thanks to the help of tribal programs, organizations, and most importantly, the participants. The number of participants and vendors continues to grow from year to year. This year, there were a total of 400 participants and around 37 vendors.

The Health Fair began with the Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program’s Wellness Walk and then the Pawnee Nation Gym opened up with vendors not just from the local community, but from across the state. Some of the vendor spotlights this year were a car seat check, Zumba, and activities for the children which included a bounce house. Participants had the opportunity to gain a world of health education and useful resources during this time. Many vendors provided door prize items, in addition to the CHR/HE Program, providing duffel bags to each participant who signed in. This was an open community event.

The hosting organization, the CHR/HE Program, would like to give a giant THANK YOU to the vendors, participants, Pawnee Nation Health Education and Diabetes Programs for catering the lunch, Pawnee Pride for the advertisement, and Pawnee Nation Tribal Member, Jr. Pratt, for emceeing this event.

The staff of the CHR/Health Education Programs enjoys working to provide wellness and health promotion opportunities for the Pawnee community. As always, we welcome new ideas on how to serve you better.

Feel free to stop by the office located at 400 Agency Road (old IHS Clinic) or contact the Program Coordinator at 918-762-3873, option 1.
The Title VI Elder Meals Program staff wants to convey information about the need for volunteers; upcoming Title VI application for the next three years; and highlight our services.

Our all Pawnee staff consists of the following: Coordinator Deb Echo-Hawk, Cook Danielle Wheatley, Assistant Cook Jerry Riley, and our newest Outreach Specialist Sunni Red Fawn GoodBear. Highlight: Sunni worked with the Cheyenne & Arapaho Elder Care Program as the Outreach Case Worker for the Clinton Office. There she conducted Health and Home Hazard Awareness; set up group health exercise programs; coordinated hospital stays and visits; and provided resources for low-income elder households. She has numerous heartfelt stories of elders appreciating the care and visits in times of their need during hospital stays and recovery. Sunni has already organized home visits and looks forward to coordinating social activities, Helping Hands (Elder Helping Elders) and volunteer appreciation events.

*Title VI Application:* It’s a process, in doing so we have a professional service the National Resource Center on Native Aging that collaborates and provides technical assistance on the health and social needs of tribal communities to assist in our conducting a needs assessment, “Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders” which is a requirement of our Administration of Aging grant application. Please enroll or update your file for the Elder count. Our Elders have 130 (anonymous) surveys to fill out and send in for the Resource Center to provide us with a summary from the assessment, along with a national report from all of the nationwide needs assessment. In our next application, we will ask for Medicare and Medicaid information so Title VI may bill for transportation, meal delivery, home chores, and other Elder services. National Programs will utilize this to offset program expenses. To enroll in the Medicare/Medicaid Program, please schedule an appointment with Gertie or Alyssa at the Pawnee Indian Center at (918) 762-2517.

Services vary in the Title VI Program and you may want to consult our Pawnee Nation website for program descriptions and eligibility, but each day staff looks forward in working with the elders and providing Nutrition, Health Education, and Care Giver information.

Visit our Facebook: Pawnee Nation Elders for on-going updates and photos. www.facebook.com/PawneeNationElders

The Advisory Board sponsored the bowlers and a few women (Iris Pohocsucut, Gwen Shunatona and Ann Collins) crashed the afternoon outing to cheer on (or tease) the men folk.

The Advisory Board wants to convey a BIG thank you to everyone who bought a slice of cake, pie, or raffle ticket. All of the funds raised are in the Pawnee Nation Elders’ banking account for future adventure for the Title VI elders.

The Elders Center recently hosted its first Corn Drying session. Thanks to THPO Officer John Michael Knife Chief for making the trip to Nebraska to pick up the Eagle Corn and to Wal-Mart for discounting 230 ears of Peaches and Cream Corn. The ladies got to record corn songs to learn and also got a hands-on experience in drying the corn to place on drying racks that Jerry Riley and Deb Echo-Hawk constructed with help from Summer Youth Worker, Corbin Soxie. Hopefully in the fall the tribe will have this corn soup served for the people.

Title VI Application Program

Food Distribution Program

The Food Distribution Program will be receiving two new food items as well as one returning food item on our September 13 food shipment. The two new food items are the Whole Wheat Tortillas and Shredded Wheat Cereal. The 8” Whole Wheat Tortillas will come in a 1 lb. package and will be stored frozen. When frozen, the tortilla will have a shelf life of 6 months, and if it is kept at room temperature, the shelf life decreases to only a few weeks. The tortillas will be added to the Crackers category. The other new food item is the Shredded Wheat Cereal, which will be added to the Cereals category, and will replace the Corn-Rice Biscuits Cereal.

The returning item is the Canned Tuna. This food product has not been available to the program for many years. The tuna will come in a 12 oz. can and will be added to the Meat category and will be replacing the Canned Salmon.

If you would like to see if you are eligible for the program, you can call the Food Distribution office at 918-762-2541 or come by the office located on the south side of the Roam Chief Building (Corner of Beck and Morris Road).

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**
Office Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

**DISTRIBUTION HOURS:**
9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Monday - Thursday)
9:00 am to 4:00 pm (Fridays)
Closed: 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch

*Closed on the last day of the month for Reports and Inventory.

*Closed on the second Tuesday of the month for Monthly Food Shipment.
June 04, 2016 Pawnee Business Council Quarterly Meeting Minutes:

PVice President Darrell J. Wildcat called the meeting to order at 9:15 am. Seven Council members were present, one excused (W. Bruce Pratt). Meeting agenda was approved with additions by a motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. PBC Meeting minutes for May 18, 2016 were approved by Liana Chapman Teter. PBC Meeting minutes were approved with additions by a motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Sammye Adson.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-46 for the ICDBG Grant submission for citizen participation, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-46 for the ICDBG Grant Submission, Project Maintenance Cost, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-46 for the ICDBG Grant Submission, Project Maintenance Cost, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
4. Budget Committee Recommendations
   a. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the purchase of $11,454.41 for the Safe Routes to School, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the $300 donation request for Tribal Member, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve Pawnee Nation College payment for the annual evaluator in the amount of $5,750, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-49 to lease Tract 2000 to Billy Bledsoe, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Fails.
6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve GSA BIA Building Lease, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-50 for the Education Division ANA Grant Submission, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
8. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, due to lack of notice, according to the ordinance and Act of the Tax Commission for the recent increase in tag rates are invalid because the Tax Commission did not notify tribal members according to the Act, the previous rates will go into effect immediately as well as reimbursements that will be determined by the Tax Director and reimbursement checks will be made to those tribal members who have paid at the increased rates, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Dawna Hare to adjourn at 12:37 pm. Motion Carries.

June 23, 2016 PBC Meeting Minutes:

President, W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm. Seven Council members were present, one excused (Sammye Adson). The Following Reports were given: President, PBC Committee and Travel, Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Executive Director and Attorney General. Motion was made by Liana Chapman Teter, seconded by Darrell Wildcat to approve the PBC Agenda with additions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-58 in recognition of Glen McGuire, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-51 for HR Policy and Procedures, General Leave Policy revision, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-52, HR Policy and Procedures, General Health Benefits Policy revision with the change and adding “calendar day” language, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-53, HR Policy and Procedures, Contents of Files Policy revision with the change of Resolution #16-52 to Resolution #16-53, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-54, HR Policy and Procedure, Temporary Employment Policy revision, Seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-55, HR Policy and Procedure, Flex Time Policy revision, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-56, HR Policy and Procedure, Leave Sharing Policy Revision, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
8. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-57 Nation base Line Study (VAW) with change of “Nation” to “National”, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
9. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation request of $300, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
e. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

f. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300 for OSU NASA 2016 Fall Powwow, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

g. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #1 Nasharo Council Budget ($6,000), seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

h. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Budget Modification Title VI-A (increase of $5,720), seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

i. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Budget Modification for VI-C (increase of $4,220), seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

j. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve budget modification for Title VI-NSIP (increase of $1,833), seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

k. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification PBC Budget (decrease of $6,000), seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

l. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve purchase of school supplies for Title VII in the amount of $6,900, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

m. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

n. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

o. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Tribal Member Donation Request of $300 for the Indian Exposition Princess, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

p. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-59 Salazar Payment (Elders NICOA Trip) up to $25,000 for NICOA elders trip and that all participants have to participate and participation to be determined by the advisory board and for any reason the elder not be able to attend the trip that the airfare ticket be reimbursed to the tribe, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

q. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Executive Director to draft a letter for to the Pawnee Nation College NACTEP Grant decision and present it to President Pratt, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

10. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to raise stipends straight across the board for a flat fee of $100 from this point forward with no mileage, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

11. Property Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Employee Club Firecracker Stand fee waiver, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to raise the PBC Travel throughout the Pawnee Nation College, Executive Director and Attorney General. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the PBC Agenda for July 13, 2016 with additions, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Quarterly Meeting Minutes for June 4, 2016 seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Meeting Minutes for June 23, 2016 with corrections, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the PBC travel requests, seconded by Sammye Adson.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. PNE Wind presentation by Andy Zalay and Kenny Wheeler on the Wind Project at Chilocco.

2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-60 for the Title VI Survey Participation, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the payment of Attorney fees and forthcoming work for all seat of the Pawnee Business Council, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

4. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve the donation of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Communications Department Budget Modification #2, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the changes to the

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion about the Pawnee Nation College - Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to TABLE discussion on the Pawnee Nation College for the next meeting, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to
Planning Division Director job description, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
7. Update on Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization given by William Howell.
8. Discussion on Wichita Visitation by William Howell.
9. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-62 for the submission for the Keepseagle funding, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
10. Andrew Knife Chief updated the Council on the agreement for the Bison Project.
11. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-63 for the TERO Department BIA Project, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
12. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to authorize President Pratt to send a letter to the BIA to initiate the process of purchasing the land at StoneWolf, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

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Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to go into Executive Session, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

1. Discussion and Recommendation on Planning Division Director. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to hire Bryan Kirk as the new Planning Division Director, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Sammye Adson to adjourn at 5:33 pm. Motion Carries.

July 28, 2016 Meeting Minutes:

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm. Seven Council Members present, one excused (Adrian Spottedhorsechief). Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Agenda for July 28, 2016 with additions, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve all Council Travel, seconded by Dawna Hare.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve Resolution #16-63 for the Pawnee Business Council Mission Statement for Strategic Planning, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
2. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #16-64 for the Pawnee Business Council Vision Statement for Strategic Planning, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-65 for the Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative grant submission, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-66 to appoint Ann Collins to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-67 to appoint Beverly Zotigh to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-68 to appoint Martha Only A Chief to the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
7. Budget Committee

Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   e. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request of $300 for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   f. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Budget Modification #2 for PSSF, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   g. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Budget Modification #2 for ICW, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   h. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the MIP renewal in the amount of $7,039 for the Finance Department, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   i. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Public Schools Luncheon on August 17th, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.
   j. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve $6,914 donation for the Pawnee Public School Afterschool Tutoring, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
   k. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   l. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the donation request for Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.
   m. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2016 Liquor Control Commission Budget, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
   n. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #5 for the Pawnee Business Council, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   o. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #6 for the Pawnee Business Council, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
   p. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-70 for Salazar drawdown in the amount of $70,750 for the ICDBG Leverage funds for the Pawnee Nation Resource Center Project, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   q. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2016 Cultural Resource Fund budget, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
8. Motion made by M. Angela...
Thompson to approve the amendment to Resolution #15-92 for the Gaming Ordinance revisions, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

9. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #16-69 for the Water Resources Management Proposal, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Dawna Hare to adjourn at 6:58 pm. Motion Carries.

**August 06, 2016 PBC Quarterly Meeting Minutes:**

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 9:16 am. Eight Council members were present. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the PBC Quarterly meeting agenda for August 6, 2016, seconded by Darrell J. Wildcat.

Executive Director, Andrew Knife Chief answered all questions on regarding quarterly reports for Division, Committees, Commissions and Boards. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter to adjourn at 10:36 am. Motion Carries.

**August 10, 2016 PBC Meeting Minutes:**

Vice President, Darrell J. Wildcat called the meeting to order at 9:13 am. Seven Council members present, one excused (W. Bruce Pratt). The following Reports were given: PBC President, PBC Members Committee and Travel, Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation, Pawnee Nation College and Executive Director. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the Pawnee Business Council Agenda for August 10, 2016 with additions, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Meeting Minutes for July 13, 2016 seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Meeting Minutes for July 28, 2016 seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the Pawnee Business Council Quarterly Meeting Minutes for August 6, 2016 with corrections, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #16-71 for the Long Range Transportation Plan seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
2. Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve Resolution #16-72 for the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Interlocal Agreement with Pawnee County, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Interlocal Agreement with the City of Pawnee, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
5. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Maramec, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Ralston, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
7. Motion made by Liana Chapman Teter to approve the 2017 Interlocal Agreement with the City of Yale, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
8. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Engineering Contract between the Oklahoma Department of Transportation and the Pawnee Nation for the Safe Routes to School Grant, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
9. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Nation Entrance Sign, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.
10. Motion made by Sammye Adson to table the Fingerprint Contract until the next PBC meeting for legal review and to provide additional information, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
11. Budget Committee

**Recommendations:**

a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the $300.00 donation request from Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the $300.00 donation request from Tribal Member, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the correction to be made to the Pawnee Business Council Members Stipends, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

d. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the purchase of the inflatables in the amount of $5,462.39 for the Health Education Program, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

e. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the payment for Health Education and Pawnee Pride in the amount of $10,750 for installation of the playground, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

f. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the funds for Transportation in the amount of $6,450 for the 20% match for the Safe Routes to School Grant, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

g. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Credit Card for Administrative Affairs Division, under the Pawnee Nation name to be used for Procurement and purchasing, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

h. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the $300 donation request from Tribal Member. Motion Carries.

i. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Professional Service Contract for Zach Rice and to include approval of payment, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

j. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Professional Service Contract for Taylor Moore and to include approval of payment, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

12. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table the 2017 Comprehensive Budget presentation until the August 25th meeting, seconded by
NEW BUSINESS:
1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to enroll the following to the Cultural Resource Committee: Marshall Gover, William Howell, Matt Reed, Warren Pratt Jr., Adrian Spottedhorsechief, Larry Goodfox, Walter EchoHawk, Ralph Raymond Jr., Frank Adson and Steven Moore. Motion Carries.

2. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #16-73 for membership and payment of dues in the amount of $5,500, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-74 for a revised Memorandum of Understanding with the Amerind Risk Management Corporation, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

4. Consensus is to go with the current applicants and interview for the PN Supreme Court Justice and Prosecutor Positions and put on the next PBC Meeting agenda.

5. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the StandingBear ad for the 2016 Powwow Booklet in the amount of $120.00, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the StandingBear tribal contribution of $500 and purchase a Pendleton Blanket from the Native American Church, Pawnee Chapter in the amount of $100.00, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the payment of $2,360 for the OEH/IHS Scattered Home Project OK 16-U41, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.
   d. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #7, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
   e. Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve Resolution #16-75 in support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.
   f. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #16-76 for the Revision to the Pawnee Nation Tax Act, Section 1012, Veterans Tags, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter. Motion Carries.

6. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-77 for new applicants for enrollment, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.

7. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-78 for deceased members, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

8. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-79 for a Conditional Relinquishment, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

9. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve Resolution #16-80 for a Conditional Relinquishment, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

10. Motion made by Sammye Adson to go into Executive Session, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to go into Executive Session, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion made by Dawna Hare to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief. Motion Carries.

1. Discussion on Gaming Commission - Motion made by Sammye Adson to terminate the appointment of Jeff Harjo on the Gaming Commission, due to conflict of interest, seconded by Phammie Littlesun. Motion Carries.


Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief, seconded by Sammye Adson to adjourn at 1:41 pm. Motion Carries.
Pawnee Cultural Resource Division (CRD)

Cultural Resource Division started our long awaited

**Pawnee Language Classes** began Tuesday, September 13, 2016
located at Pawnee Museum 657 Harrison Street, Pawnee, Oklahoma 74058.

Join us every **TUESDAY** evening from **6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**.
The Language class begins at **6:30 PM**, followed by one hour of Pawnee Cultural Class, starting at **7:30 PM**.
The language classes are taught by Pawnees Zac Rice and Taylor Moore.
These two young men are recent OU graduates obtaining their Master’s Degree in Linguistics.
All classes are **FREE** and open to the community and welcomes audience clarification, stories, and Q & A participation.
Call our office 918-762-3227 if you have any questions.

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**CAN ANYONE IDENTIFY THESE MEN?**

The Pawnee Nation Cultural Resources Division has recently received a photo sent from a man by the name of Geoff, a friend of Eva & Lois of Sweden.

Geoff writes, “Isn’t it great? Older than anything they had at the Smithsonian—this is one of the earliest images we have of Native Americans... One of the dating criteria is the iron stands they are leaning against to stay still for the long exposure—the cast-iron bases of which are visible between their feet. These are only seen on the earliest Carte De visit images. The dating is early 1860s—probably not as late as 1865. The man to the left in the picture is either a chief or a medicine man according to my sources concerning the eagle-wing fan.

It would be so cool if we could confirm him from other pictures and/or get a name... The Pawnee are welcome to use it for their own purposes and I have said the same to the Smithsonian.”

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John Micheal Knife Chief • Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Cultural Resources Division • 918-762-2180

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(CRD) Cultural Resourse Division COMMITTEE MEMBERS - 2016

William Howell, Marshall Gover, Walter “Bunky” Echo Hawk, Larry Goodfox, Ralph Haymond Jr., Frank Adson, Steven Moore, Matt Reed, Jr. Pratt, Adrian Spottedhorsechief
James Ross Toahty  
July 31, 1948 - March 19, 2016  

James “Jim” R. Toahty passed away Saturday (March 19, 2016) surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 31, 1948 at Pawnee Indian Hospital to Ralph Weeks Toahty and Juanita Michell Toahty. He was a devoted father to son Ralf W. Toahty III and daughter Tobie Lynn Toahty. He loved his family, including his brothers David Toahty and Roe Toahty; his sisters Terrye Toahty and Gennie Cline; and his many nephews, nieces, uncles, aunts and cousins.  

James is the grandson of Libby Weeks Taylor and great grandson of Ralph Weeks and great, great grandson of White Eagle. US Marine Corps Veteran, wounded in Vietnam. He achieved the rank of Lance Corporal. He received the Purple Heart Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Rifle Marksman Badge. He was also a member of the Pawnee Indian Veterans Club. He graduated from Midwest City High School where he was a Bomber football player, class of 1966. He earned a degree from the University of Oklahoma in Special Education and from Oscar Rose Junior College for Broadcasting and Journalism. He was a disc jockey known as Tobey James and producer at numerous radio stations including K TOK Sports Talk. He was a talented DJ at the So Fine Club and had his own fan club. Also, he worked along side his father at their carpet store where he opened an accredited trade school.  

He was a member of the Pawnee tribe. He enjoyed attending and gourd dancing at Indian dances and powwows at Indian Hills and various places but especially loved the Pawnee Veteran’s Day dance. He is preceded in death by his twin brother Gerald Toahty, father Ralph Weeks Toahty, brother Ralph Weeks Toahty, Jr., brother Joseph Toahty and grandmother Libby Weeks Taylor. Condolences may be shared with the family at pfeftfuneralhome.com.

Dennis “D.J.” Michael Sindone Jr.  
November 24, 1982 - August 11, 2016  

Dennis Michael Sindone Jr. (33 years old) went to his heavenly home on August 11th, 2016. Dennis attended Haskell Indian Nations University in Kansas and moved his artistic talents to change the mascot image. Dennis always had the “Big Dream” that all his Native American people wouldn’t be divided over petty differences. His enjoyment and love was to “Thunder Up” and “Boomer Sooner.” In his working life he was a wildland fire fighter, he also worked in Pompano Beach, Florida - Pomona, New York, San Antonio, Texas, Concho, Oklahoma and Perkins, Oklahoma. Dennis often spoke of the highlight of his life was being danced into the Pow Wow circle by three (3) Comanche Code Talkers of WW II, the late Roderick Red Elk, the late Charles Chibitty, and the late Forrest Kassanavoid who spoke over his life and adorned his head with the Eagle Feather of Life.  

He was preceded in death by his great grandmother Lillie Carson Morgan, greatgrandfather Chester Leading Fox, Uncle Michael Kaulaity, and his Grandmother Lucille Sindone. He is survived by His Mother Lillie Kaulaity Nelson, Father Dennis Sindone, Sr, and Father William Nelson, Sr. grandmother Yyonne Leading Fox, and greatgrandfathers; Herschel Kaulaity of Tahlequah, and Robert Sindone Sr. of Pompano Beach, Fl., Aunts; Mary Jo Kaulaity of Odanah, Wisconsin, Jill Kaulaity of Ashland, Wisconsin, Savannah Stein of San Antonio, Texas, Krystal Sindone of Pomona, New York, Ray Norberto of Lawton, Oklahoma, Rhianna Nelson of Walters, Oklahoma, Sallie Nelson of Walters, Oklahoma, and Marie Nelson of Lawton, Oklahoma, Alisha Marcos, Mia Gabay, and Luccia Lamb.  

The Prayer services were held at 7:00 P.M. on a Sunday at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, Funeral Services were held Monday at 11:00 A.M., August 15, 2016. Officiating was held by Rev. Warren Pratt Jr., the Interment took place at the Pawnee Indian North Cemetery. A Traditional Pawnee Feast was served after the interment.  

Friends can leave a memory for the family at www.poteetfuneralhome.com.

Joseph George Ward Jr.  
May 29th, 1974 - August 22nd, 2016  

A native of Buncombe county and a current resident of Durham, N.C., unexpectedly passed away at his home on Monday August 22nd, 2016. He is survived by his parents George Ward Sr. and JoAnn Leading-Fox Ward, along with numerous Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and extended family. He graduated from North Buncombe High School and was a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. At the time of his passing, he was employed at Duke University in IT Management.  

As an enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, he was proud of his Native American heritage. In respect to him, the tribal flag of the Pawnee on the reservation will be flown at half-mast for four days. In addition to his “birth family”, George was blessed with a wide and extensive circle of friends who valued and appreciated their friendship. His “Carolina brothers” will honor him by serving as his pallbearers at his interment.  

The funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 27th, 2016 in the Robbie Capps Memorial Chapel of Blue Ridge Funeral Service with Rev. Daniel (Danny) Jenkins officiating. Burial followed at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery. The ‘Going Home’ song of the Pawnee Nation was sung by one of his cousins. The family received friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday was at the funeral home.  

Online condolences can be sent to: www.blueridgefuneralservice.org

Tobias Isaiah Horsechief Howard  
April 7th, 2016 - April 7th, 2016  

Funeral services were held for Tobias Isaiah Horsechief Howard.  

Wake services were held on a Friday. Evening stay at the Roam Chief Bldg. @ 7:30 pm. Funeral services @ 2.p.m that Saturday at the Roam Chief. Burial at the South Indian Cemetery. Services were held under the direction of Rev. Jordan Kanuho.  

This is the baby of Stacee Horsechief and Charles Howard. This is the daughter of Lorrie Horsechief. This is the niece of Ellis Horsechief, Mark Horsechief, Lisa Horsechief Eaves, Kathy Horsechief, Ellis Horsechief, and Sr. Family.  

God bless!  
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Am I in a Healthy Relationship?

By Chelsie Baldwin

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT ARE TRUE.

☐ Your partner puts you down?
☐ Your partner lashes out or yells at you?
☐ Your partner slaps, pushes, hits, or kicks you.
☐ Your partner threatens to hurt you.
☐ Your partner uses physical force on you.
☐ Your partner uses force, intimidation, bribery, threats or guilt to make you to have sex when you don’t want to or say no.
☐ Your partner won’t use protection during sex.
☐ Your partner forces you to do things you are not comfortable doing.
☐ Your partner uses drugs or alcohol and/or forces you to use it.
☐ Your partner harasses or stalks you.
☐ Your partner threatens to hurt him/herself if you break up.
☐ Your partner uses your cell phone to harass, stalk or spy on you.
☐ Your partner calls you names or makes degrading comments about you.
☐ Your partner often criticizes the way you look.
☐ Your partner takes and/or controls your money.
☐ Your partner is possessive or jealous of you interacting with others, even friends and family.
☐ Your partner won’t let you go places without them.
☐ Your partner hurts you in any way, then tells you how sorry they are and begs forgiveness. This happens over and over.
☐ Your partner blames others for his/her problems.
☐ Your partner isolates you from your friends and family.
☐ You constantly apologize to your friends and family for your partner’s behavior.
☐ You often make up excuses for your partner’s behavior.
☐ You are afraid to talk to your partner when you have a problem.
☐ You are scared to say “no” to your partner.
☐ Your partner makes you feel guilty for saying “no” to things they have told you to do.

IF ONE OR MORE BOX HAS BEEN CHECKED:

All of these statements are real warning signs of unhealthy and abusive relationships, none of the behaviors listed are right or okay and many are illegal. Even answering yes to JUST ONE of the behaviors listed is a red flag for dating violence and unhealthy behavior.

You can always call the Pawnee Nation Ti Hirasa Domestic Violence Program Advocates who can talk you through issues that are happening with your partner, help you find ways to leave if you choose, and help you find resources to live a healthy empowered life.

Call Ti-Hiras Domestic Violence Program at 918-399-3310.
Ti-Hirasa Domestic Violence Program is a confidential support service to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking. We serve all of Pawnee County regardless of age, economic status or race. We prioritize Native American women and members of the Nation. Our mission is to provide prevention and awareness and increase victim safety and offender accountability.

The program provides many services including education, cultural healing, safety planning, transportation to shelter or relevant appointments, court advocacy, women’s and children’s group, anonymous phone or text consultation and much more. We also have community events and training, volunteer opportunities, legal assistance and emergency victim assistance provided to women. Our three main areas of focus are criminal justice intervention, victim services and prevention.

Our crisis hotline number is 918-399-3310 for any questions or help.
The Elder Center is seeking Volunteers to assist in the serving of the lunch meals. If you could use your lunch hour to help serve a few times a month to assist in giving back to the Tribal Elders, one needs to fill out complete the Volunteer Agreement Form and return to Human Resources. Any and all assistance would be appreciated, and can be used as often or little as you are available. Volunteers that assist during their lunch hour can enjoy the meal free of charge following the Elder serving time. Volunteers may work with the Outreach Specialist to conduct home chores, visits, or assist in the Coordinator in the Elder Garden.
The Enrollment and the Tax Office moved and are at new locations.

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Enrollment Office has moved to the Community Services (DHCS) Building or as some know it as the “Old IHS Clinic”.

The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Enrollment Office
400 Agency Road - Room 121, and Room 117
Pawnee, Oklahoma 74058
Enrollment Office - 918-762-3621
ext. 137 or ext. 136

The Pawnee Nation Tax Department is now located at
Pawnee Nation Multipurpose Building
808 Morris Road, Pawnee Oklahoma 74058.
Tax Office - 918-762-3624

Pawnee Nation Resource Complex

Pawnee Nation Flag
The miniature stars and stripes of the blue field symbolize America. The Plains Indian tribes called the Pawnee “Wolves” because of their cunning and courage. Thus, the emblem of the wolf was created and retained the double meaning of “Chaticks si Chaticks” or Men of Men.

Crossed on the blue field is a peace pipe and tomahawk; the peace pipe standing for peace and the tomahawk for war.

Below are Nine arrowheads emblematic of the wars in which the Pawnees fought in the service of their country; the Indian wars, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The flag means Pawnee Indians, in peace and war, are always courageous and loyal to America.

The flag staff is an old time Pawnee lance with a genuine flint spearhead.

The staff has bead work mounted on buckskin opposite the blue field. The many colors in the bead work symbolize our various ceremonies and our old people who have gone on before us.

The four prime eagle feathers attached at the top of the flag represent the four Pawnee bands: Chaui, Pitahawirata, Skidi and Kitkehahki.

A sprig of cedar should be attached to the staff during Homecoming, Armistice Day, Christmas and on occasions of state. We use cedar in sacred ceremonies and in prayer. It is a token of prayer and a token of peace.

Like the flag of the United States, the Pawnee Indian Flag should never be desecrated and it should never touch the ground.

Designed by Brummett EchoHawk.

PAWNEE, OK. 9/12/16

The Pawnee Nation invited Tribal members and the community to the Pawnee Nation Resource Complex Grand Opening and Dedication Ceremony on Monday, September 19, 2016. This event was held at 11:00 a.m. at 1202 Heritage Circle, in Pawnee, Oklahoma.

The Pawnee Nation Resource Complex is located directly east of the PN Law Enforcement Center. The new facility will house the Indian Child Welfare offices and the Tribal Employment Rights Office. It will also house a Resource Library.

This project is funded in part by U.S. housing and Urban Development thru the FY2014 Indian Community Block Grant. The Pawnee nation Department of Transportation provided the parking, entrances and the final grading around the facility, PN Property Management Division and PN’s department of Information and Technology.

The Pawnee Nation Resource Complex was designed by Anishinabe Design of Norman, OK with construction provided by Builder’s Unlimited Inc. also of Tulsa, OK.

COMMUNITY WALK!

COMMUNITY BICYCLE RIDES!

WHEN: BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2016
LOCATON: FRONT OF DHCS BUILDING
TIME: 6PM TO 7PM
WALKS WILL BE HELD THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
BIKE RIDES WILL BE HELD THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS CONTACT: (918) 762-3873 exts. 1, 4, or 5
PAWNEE LANGUAGE CLASS
SCHEDULE 2016
Every Tuesday • 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Pawnee Language Program
FREE! Language Classes
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

One Hour Cultural Class after each Language Class
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2016
1ST
8th
15th
22nd
29th

DECEMBER 2016
6th
13th

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November “Beginning Singing Classes 12 years and older”

For more information contact • Herb Adson at 918-762-3227