Message from the President

Nowa,

How time flies. It was one year ago this month that the Pawnee Nation experienced the 5.7 magnitude earthquake. We suffered damage in almost all of our buildings. It has been a long process, but I am pleased to share with you that we are starting the repairs of our buildings on the Reserve. There will be some inconvenience as we move offices around but the needed repairs will fix our buildings and help us to provide services.

The Nation has been extremely busy these past few months. We have been in the midst of elections and by the time you receive this we should have our last councilman elected. Please continue to pray for each of us as we try to move ahead. The Stonewolf expansion is almost completed and looks great. We are hoping for more use in the facility, and that will help us to do more in our services. Kuruks LLC, our own building company, has been involved in the construction of the facility. The PBC has approved the Campground Project which will replace the arbor, update the bathrooms, replace the electrical and build a walking track. We are still in discussion over the swimming pool and need your input on whether to build this or not.

Our Culture Resource Division has been busy these past few months. They have been involved in the Pawnee language class and continue to meet. We have had a dance in our homelands, Nebraska, as we had the eclipse events with many Pawnee’s giving speeches and leading out. Many journeyed north for this rare occurrence of the eclipse. We had tribal members work in Nebraska to grow our traditional corn and will have that corn shipped to Pawnee for use. It’s good to have our ways practiced, and Herb Adson and the staff continue to lead out in a good way.

Our Homecoming has come and gone but many memories were shared once again. It’s always a blessing to see one another and to witness our people dancing, eating and having a great time. We even look at the storms and thank Attius for his goodness to us. Thank you Pawnee Indian Vets for a great Homecoming. Thanks also to the Pawnee Nation staff for all the activities.

We are in the midst of preparation for a visit from the HHS Secretary, Tom Price. He is one of the President’s Cabinet members, and it’s a great honor for him to visit us. I invited him while in D.C. this past spring and told him I wanted to be the first one from a Tribal Nation to ask him. I told him that the Pawnees were a small Tribe but had always had a big voice in Tribal matters. We are also a Direct Service Tribe (get our medical service directly from the government) and have a great facility here in Pawnee. He visits on September 19, and we are looking for great things from this historic visit.

My hope is always that things are well for you. We continue to do our best at the Pawnee Nation to meet the needs of our people. Stop by or call and share with us how we are doing. Your voice is important to us. Our Creator’s richest blessings to you and all your family. Once again, every good thing comes from above, and we give thanks for that to Attius.

Thank you,

W. Bruce Pratt

Message from the Executive Director

Dear Tribal Community,

It has been an outstanding couple of months here at the Pawnee Nation, and I have a lot to update you all on since I last had the opportunity to write to you. First off, I would like to express my unbounding pride in the staff and employees here at the Pawnee Nation. Every day I am amazed by their ability to overcome great challenges and address those challenges in a respectful and professional manner. To our employees: Thank you!

Since the last time I had written to you, the Nation was entering into the part of the summer that we all love here in Pawnee: Homecoming. I would like to say that this year’s event was an outstanding event and heck even the weather was great: not too hot not too cold! To the officers, staff, and volunteers of the Pawnee Indian Veterans, I want to thank you for, once again, putting on a most memorable celebration.

The staff here at the nation has also been extremely busy this summer hosting multiple activities and events. For instance, towards the end of summer, the staff at DHCS put on a summer camp for our youth that was extremely well attended and enjoyed by all. The staff is also preparing the campus for an exciting visit by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Tom Price, M.D. We look forward to this opportunity to highlight the Pawnee Nation’s unique cultural identity. Another event put on by the staff here at the nation was the total eclipse celebration in Dannebrog, Nebraska. The Cultural Resources Division led the way by singing, dancing, and celebrating the event at a park in Dannebrog where the descendants of white oaks planted by our ancestors still thrive today. At the event we also we treated to a presentation, on the Pawnee in Nebraska, given by the nation’s tribal historic preservation officer, Matt Reed. Overall, it was a great weekend, and I am so pleased with our staff’s ability to be the ambassadors we need.

Finally, the nation is beginning to start our building repairs. Yes, I know that it has taken some time, but nobody was prepared for the earthquake that hit us in 2016. These repairs will cause some of our services to be delayed, but we will try our hardest to minimize the impact felt. I thank you all in advance for your patience in this matter. As always, I truly wish all of you well, and I know that the nation will continue to thrive with God’s blessings. Take care, and I look forward to what the future has in store for the people of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Respectfully,

Andrew Knife Chief
Pawnee Nation Business Council President W. Bruce Pratt spoke to representatives from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) during a Department of Interior Listening Session in Tulsa, Oklahoma on June 27, 2017. The BIA has been seeking input from tribal leaders and other tribal representatives on the Bureau’s upcoming reorganization plan.

President Pratt stated: “I will say here that the Pawnee Nation does not agree with these cuts to the BIA budget. Now, you can reorganize all you want, but don’t cut...We are severely underfunded”.

He added, “We are so underfunded in everything. We, as tribal leaders have stated that and restated that. And the President’s proposed budgets for 2018... - - they’re going to have some terrible consequences to the Tribal Nations”.

President Pratt also reminded the BIA representatives that tribal consultation has to be “Real dialogue.” It is supposed to be done in good faith between two parties and tribes deserves a “seat at the table” when discussing “our future” instead of transcribing statements and taking those recordings back to Washington, D.C. President Pratt’s statements were received with much applause from the attendees.

Executive Order 13781 issued on March 13, 2017, is a comprehensive plan for reorganizing the executive branch of the government. The head of each agency is to submit to the director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a plan to reorganize. The Department of the Interior’s plan is due by September 9, 2017; the plan will be published soon after that date in the Federal Register and the public will be invited to make comments on the plan. After the comment period, at least 180 days, OMB submits all the plans to the President.
Pawnee Business Council Resolutions

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

#17-39 - A Resolution to approve the amendment to Chapter One, Section 103 of the General Revenue and Taxation Act, as amended April 25, 2007, by #07-20 - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-40 - A Resolution to approve the amendment to Chapter Nine, Section 903 (A) of the General Revenue and Taxation Act, as amended April 25, 2007 by Resolution #07-20 - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-41 - A Resolution to approve the addition of Section 1013 to Chapter Ten of the General Revenue and Taxation Act, as amended April 25, 2007, by Resolution #07-20 - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-42 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the Family Violence Prevention/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services grant to the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) an agency of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-43 - A Resolution to approve the adoption and submittal of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Improvement Program for the fiscal year 2018 - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-44 - A Resolution to approve and support the submission of “Pari Kahike” project proposal to the Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans for the category of Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD) - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-45 - A Resolution to approve and authorize the three (3) yearlong project and budget that has been prepared for inclusion of the Pawnee Nation’s grant proposal to the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) for “Pari Kahike” under the category of “Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD) and that the required 20% match has been met in this budget - Approved July 12, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-46 - A Resolution to initiate the necessary action to have the special appropriation funds transferred from the U. S. Treasury Department to the Pawnee Nation’s Annuity Holding Account to the Pawnee Nation Account at the First National Bank of Pawnee - Approved August 9, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-47 - A Resolution to accept the results of the Special Election and formally requests, due to not one candidate receiving fifty-one percent of the vote, that the Pawnee Nation Election Commission to commence holding a Run-Off Election of the two candidates with the highest votes, in accordance with the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Constitution to fill PBC Seat #3 - Approved August 9, 2017, by a vote of five for, zero against, one abstaining (S.Adson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-48 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the Empowered Communities for a Healthier Nation Initiative to the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health - Approved August 9, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-49 - A Resolution to approve and support the proposed submittal for an “Economic Development Feasibility Study Funding” in the amount of $73,000.00, an opportunity provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Native American Business Development. This proposal will help develop a food system for a commercial market that will allow for economic opportunity and growth with the use of professional consultants - Approved August 9, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-50 - A Resolution to approve the appoint of Supreme Court Justice - TABLED August 9, 2017.

#17-51 - A Resolution to approve that all Tribal, Federal and State Grant Program Fund budgets included in the Pawnee Nation 2018 Comprehensive Budget be approved in the total amount of $10,748,313 - Approved August 9, 2017, by a vote of six for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-52 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the grant application to the National Park Service for a FY17 Historic Preservation Fund - Approved August 24, 2017, by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.A.Thompson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-53 - A Resolution to approve the submission of the Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative grant to Indian Health Service - Approved August 24, 2017, by a vote of five for, zero against, zero abstaining, one absent (M.A.Thompson) and one not voting (President Pratt).
Pawnee Business Council Resolutions

#17-54 - A Resolution to approve the allocation from the Salazar Settlement Funds, in the amount of $128,758.23 for the ICDBG Pawnee Nation Ceremonial Campgrounds and Nature Fit Trail project - Approved August 24, 2017 by a vote of four for, one against (S.Adson), zero abstaining, one absent (M.A.Thompson) and one not voting (President Pratt).

#17-55 - A Resolution to approve the request for Tribal disbursement in the amount not to exceed $226,923.77 from the Proceeds of Labor Account for the ICDBG Pawnee Nation Ceremonial Campgrounds and Nature Fit Trail Project and the funds for the 2017 Comprehensive Budget - Approved August 24, 2017 by a vote for five for, zero against, zero abstaining and one not voting (President Pratt).

Pawnee Business Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm, invocation was given by Sammye Adson. Seven Pawnee Business Council members were present with one absence (Ellis Horsechief).

Motion was made by M. Angela Thompson to remove Discussion on Call-in Voting, PBC and Discussion and/or Action on Payment to the Pawnee Nation College (Tribal Funds) out of Executive Session to New Business, Item 11 and 12 and to add Item 13 Discussion on Travel Request, second by Dawna Hare.

Motion was made by M. Angela Thompson to remove Discussion on Call-in Voting, PBC and Discussion and/or Action on Payment to the Pawnee Nation College (Tribal Funds) out of Executive Session to New Business, Item 11 and 12 and to add Item 13 Discussion on Travel Request, second by Dawna Hare.

Motion made by Dawn Hare to remove from Tabled Items, Resolution #17-26, Cultural Leave Policy Revision, Resolution #17-27, Grievance Procedure Steps Policy Revision and Resolution #17-29, Employee Handbook, seconded by M. Angela Thompson.

Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting agenda for May 25, 2017 with changes, seconded by Dawna Hare.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to table the PBC Meeting minutes for April 24, 2017, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.

Reports were given by President Pratt, PBC Committee and Travel, Pawnee Nation College President, Pawnee Nation Executive Director and Pawnee Nation Attorney General.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table the ICDBG Swimming Pool Project until the next meeting so the new PBC members have an opportunity to review all the documentation, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-32 for approval of Election Results and signature authority, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-33 for the declaration of a vacancy in PBC Seat #3 and call for a special election for the vacant seat, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-34 for signature authority to BIA-4432 form for Indian Preference, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

4. Motion made by Dawna Hare to re-advertise for the position of the Supreme Court Justice, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

5. Ms. Adson presented on the Pawnee Nation Princess contest, she will re-advertise and make plans at a later date.

6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-36 for new applicants to be added to the membership roll, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

7. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-37 for deceased members to be removed from the annuity roll, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

8. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-37 for a Conditional Relinquishment, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

9. Budget Committee Recommendations:

   a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Budget Modification #1 for the CHR program, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

10. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Cross Timbers as the Safe Routes to School Construction Manager, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.


12. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to table the Discussion and/or Action on Payment to Pawnee Nation College (Tribal Funds), seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.
13. Discussion on Travel Request, No action taken by the Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to go into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

Motion made M. Angela Thompson to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

1. Discussion on PBC Complaint
Ms. Sammye Adson will apologize via email and will copy the Business Council.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-27 TERO Commission appointing Suzanne Knife Chief, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-29 TERO Commission appointing Donna Mulder, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

5. Motion made by Sammye Adson to table the Indian Housing Plan for 2018, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

6. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by M Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Seed Preservation Project Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #3, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Election Commission Budget Modification #2, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

7. Approval of Pawnee Seed Preservation Professional Service Contract, No action required.

June 3, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Quarterly/Special Meeting Minutes
President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 9:10 am and M. Angela Thompson gave the invocation. Six Council members present, one excused (D.Hare).

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the PBC Meeting agenda for June 3, 2017 with additions, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for May 25, 2017 with addendums, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the Travel Request for Council, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Pawnee Nation Executive Director gave a brief summary of the Divisions Quarterly Reports.

2. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-26 TERO Commission appointing Christal Windholz, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-26 TERO Commission appointing Christal Windholz, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-29 TERO Commission appointing Donna Mulder, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

5. Motion made by Sammye Adson to table the Indian Housing Plan for 2018, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

6. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by M Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Seed Preservation Project Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #3, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Election Commission Budget Modification #2, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

7. Approval of Pawnee Seed Preservation Professional Service Contract, No action required.

June 26, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting
President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm and the invocation was given by Ms. Patricia McCray. Seven PBC members present.

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to remove Payment to the Pawnee Nation College (Tribal Funds) from the Pawnee Business Council Agenda, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the Indian Housing Plan for 2018, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Motion made by Sammye Adson to deny the approval of the smartboard donation for the Pawnee Language Class at the Public School, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.
   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Pawnee Pride Budget Modification #2, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.
   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2017 Communications (Tribal) Budget Modification #1, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

2. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council travel requests, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the Indian Housing Plan for 2018, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.
July 12, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 9:09 am and the invocation was given by Vice President Wildcat. Seven members were present.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting agenda for July 12, 2017 with changes, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the Pawnee Business Council Quarterly meeting minutes for June 3, 2017, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for June 26, 2017 with changes, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

Reports were given by President Pratt, PBC Committee and Travel, Pawnee Nation College President, Pawnee Nation Executive Director and Pawnee Nation Attorney General.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council travel requests, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-39 for revisions to the Tax Act, Section 103 Seal, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

2. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #17-40 for revisions to the Tax Act, Section 903 A. Payment, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

3. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-41 for an addition to the Tax Act, adding Section 1013 Bill of Sale Only or Lost Title, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

4. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-42 for the grant submission for Family Violence Prevention & Services Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

5. Budget Committee Recommendations:

   a. Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the request from the Title VI Indian Education Program for School Supplies and approve $5,000.00 to come out of the Charitable Donations Program to be administered out of the Education Division, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Property Management Budget Modification #1 removing $6,100.00, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

   c. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Liquor Control Commission Budget Modification #1 to add $6,100.00, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-43 for the FY 2018 Pawnee Nation Tribal Transportation Improvement Program, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

7. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the FY 2017-18 Interlocal Agreement with the City of Pawnee, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

8. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the 2017-18 Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Maramec, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

9. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-44 for the ANA I-LEAD grant submission, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

10. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-45 for the I-LEAD grant submission financials, seconded by Sammye Adson. Motion Carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to go into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to come out of Executive Session, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

PBC Action Taken after Executive Session

1. This request is within the policy and will move forward with payment

2. Moving forward with the Housing Authority Commissioners

3. Will continue with the role of the Attorney General position

The PBC will continue to analyze the pros and cons of bringing the Housing Authority under the Tribe.

Motion made by Sammye Adson, seconded by Darrell Wildcat to adjourn. Motion carries to adjourn at 9:02 pm.

August 5, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Quarterly/Special Meeting

Secretary Patricia McCray called the meeting to order at 9:06 am and Mrs. Dawna Hare gave the invocation. Four PBC members were present, three absent (President Pratt, Vice President...
Wildcat and Charles Knife Chief). No Quorum Established.

Meeting dismissed at 9:37 am.

August 9, 2017 Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

President W. Bruce Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm and the invocation was given by Mr. Andrew Knife Chief. Seven Council members were present.

Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting agenda for August 9, 2017, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the 2017 ICDBG Campground Project Budget, seconded by Darrell Wildcat. Motion Carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Sammye Adson to accept the Pawnee Nation Second Quarter Reports, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

2. Discussion and/or Action Regarding PBC Meeting Schedule - Suggestion and consensus of the Council is to change meetings to the second Tuesday of the month and fourth Thursday of the month starting at 6 pm.

3. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #17-46 for the Table Creek Treaty, Annuity drawdown, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

4. Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #17-47 to accept the Election Results, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

5. Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #17-48 for the Empowered Communities for Healthier Nation grant submission, seconded by M. Angela Thompson. Motion Carries.

6. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-49 for the Native American Business Development proposal for “Economic Development Feasibility Study Funding” with amendments, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

7. The Council will take the top three voted on applicants and conduct a second round of interviews. Top three are Susan Arkeketa, Kyle Haskins and Bob Buchanan.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table Resolution #17-50 for appointment to the Supreme Court Justice, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

8. Budget Committee Recommendations:

   a. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #17-51 for the Pawnee Nation 2018 comprehensive budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief. Motion Carries.

   b. Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Property Management budget modification #2 to pay the overpayment of the contract support costs in the amount of $5,078.00, seconded by Dawna Hare. Motion Carries.

9. Andrew Knife Chief and Don Mason presented the proposed Pawnee Nation Oil and Gas Statute to the Council for comment and recommendations.

10. Roger Smith presented to the PBC on the MMA event and working with Ticket Storm and the discussions to have an event at the Nation.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson, seconded by Dawna Hare to adjourn. Motion carries to adjourn at 7:16 pm.
On May 10th, 2017 the Pawnee Nation Education Division in collaboration with the Pawnee JOM Parent Committee and Pawnee Title VI Indian Education hosted a Senior Reception to recognize our Native American seniors. During this reception, twelve students were presented graduation stoles with their tribal seals and an eagle feather, three of the students present where Pawnee enrolled tribal members Aaron Lieb, Cameron Powell, and Alyssa Howell. Jaden Gardipee was unable to attend the event but was presented her graduation stole and feather before graduation. On behalf of the Education Division, we would like to congratulate our Pawnee seniors as well as all our Native American seniors!
Pawnee Pride

Pawnee Pride Opens New 3 Mile Exercise Circuit Route on the Reserve

The Pawnee Pride Program recently opened a new three-mile exercise circuit route on the Pawnee Nation Reserve in August 2017. The route takes the user on a scenic route of the reserve which begins and ends at the DHCS Building (old Indian Clinic) located at 400 Agency Road, Pawnee Oklahoma. At every quarter of a mile throughout the route, there are exercise stations that users can stop and perform to help with strength and flexibility. The route map will be posted at the beginning of the course.

This type of circuit is ideal for users of all endurance levels, allowing flexibility to start and stop on your own and go as far as one feels comfortable. The reserve serves as a safe exercise area for community members due to excellent sidewalks, good lighting, and minimal traffic in the evenings and early mornings. DHCS staff encourages all community members and Pawnee Nation staff to utilize the free exercise opportunities, such as this course, as frequent as possible. It is our goal to establish and promote healthy opportunities for the Pawnee community. We look forward to good health today and in our future! Ketchi Too Padoo (Let us be Active).
On Sunday, August 20th, 2017, members of the Pawnee Nation celebrated the Total Solar Eclipse in Dannebrog Nebraska. Pawnee tribal members bring culture and history to Dannebrog’s Solar Eclipse celebration.
THE ICW PROGRAM IS SEEKING FOSTER PARENTS. Benefits of being a foster parent include providing a safe environment for children and ensuring their connection to their culture and community. For more information on becoming a foster parent, please contact the Pawnee Nation ICW Program at (918) 762-3621 ext. 143 or ext. 175.

Stay updated with #PawneeNation on Facebook, Youtube, Instagram, Snapchat, and Twitter.

www.pawneenation.org
Pawnee Nation SAP/MSPI Programs had a busy and exciting quarter. We hosted several events including our annual Prevention Day Walk and Horseshoe Tournament during the Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Powwow.

The Prevention Day Walk kicked off on Thursday, June 29. There were (415) participants, both tribal members and non-tribal members. Participants walked a marked course from the Roam Chief Building heading south around the Pawnee Nation Fitness Center and back. Every participant received special Prevention Day apparel, a healthy snack, and bottled water. Additionally, drawings were done for youth and adult participants.

August brought on our Summer Camp! With the combined efforts of the Divisions of Education and Health & Community Services, we were able to host an average of (56) youth, ages varying from 5-16. The youth enjoyed several activities throughout the weeklong camp including soccer clinics, baseball clinics, team building activities, S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education, and cultural presentations; not to mention our fun filled water day on Friday! Each youth received a customized certificate, apparel, and incentive upon the completion of the Summer Camp.

We are excited to start preparing for the next quarter’s events and activities. Our goal within SAP/MSPI is to continue to bring educational events to our community.

We look forward to advocating for drug and alcohol free lifestyles, while also promoting anti-bullying initiatives. Be sure to join us on September 12 at 881 Little Dee Drive as we host a Suicide Awareness walk at 10am. We will also be hosting two motivational speakers this coming fall at Pawnee High School. Look for our announcements for Ben “Chalk Guy” Glenn on September 27 for a community event as well. In October, we will host Fabian Ramirez as a part of our collaborations with the Pawnee Public School district for Red Ribbon Week. Our Red Ribbon walk is scheduled for October 23, with the grade school kids. Come on out and join us.

If you or someone you know are in a crisis, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. FREE, 24-hour hotline, at 1-800-273-8255
NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY AND CUT-OFF DATE FOR THE TABLE CREEK TREATY OF 1857 ANNUITY PAYMENT

Enrolled members of the Pawnee Nation that are enrolled prior to October 1, 2017 and living on October 1, 2017 shall be eligible for the annuity payment. You may contact Carrie Peters, Enrollment Manager or Nila Whiteshirt-Sears, Enrollment Specialist at 918-762-3873 opt. #7 to request a change of address form to update your mailing address.
The Diabetes Program sponsored the Hawk Chief 5K run/walk on July during the Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Powwow. There were a total of (253) who participated in the 5K this year. The results are as follows:

Overall female and male winner: Ida Oesteraas, 21:25.8 and Kyle VanDeventer, 18:10.9

17 and under Males: 1st place Kyle VanDeventer, 2nd Place Derek Bible 20:46.2, and 3rd place Feathers Valencia 22:15.1

17 and under Females: 1st place Bailey Alford 25:50.3, 2nd place Anias Bible 25:50.6, 3rd place Natalie VanDeventer 27:39.2


18-54 Females: 1st place Ida Oesteraas, 2nd place Autumn Only A Chief 23:19.5, and 3rd place Tiffany Stevens 24:05.01

55 and over Males: 1st place Randy Moore 20:50.4, 2nd place Kenneth Holmes 23:44.2, and 3rd place Roger Smith 26:39.0

55 and over Females: 1st place Tina Baker 29:36.2, 2nd place Nanny Sewell 34:00.9, and 3rd place Anita Townsend 35:58.6

The Diabetes Program has a registered nurse scheduled to provide foot care exams for diabetic clients on a quarterly basis. The next one is October 12 starting at 9 am with a maximum of (12) clients to be seen. If there are any clients needing an exam, please call the Diabetes Program and ask for Ben Stewart at 918-762-3873 x4 to be placed on the list.

CHR and Health Education Update

Greetings from the CHR and Health Education Program! We have had an eventful and successful summer with hosting the annual Pawnee Nation Health Fair and helping with the Hawk Chief 5K! We also have a couple of new staff members that have come aboard this summer.

The annual health fair is hosted by the CHR/HE Program with help from other programs throughout DHCS. There were around 400 participants and vendors in attendance this year. This event is always an exciting and great way to open the annual Homecoming festivities. Program staff would like to say thank you to all programs, vendors, and participants for another successful health fair!

The annual Hawk Chief 5K is hosted by the Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program with help from other DHCS programs. Each year the participant number continues to increase and this year showed no difference. There were a total of 253 participants and we are excited to see how this event will continue to grow! CHR/HE staff helped specifically with the set-up, tear-down, timing and registration for the event.

The CHR/HE Program is excited to welcome the following new staff members:

Kyla Wichita is the new CHR/HE Administrative Assistant. Kyla is a Pawnee tribal member and has worked for the Pawnee Nation since February 2017, previously serving as the tribal receptionist before transferring to the CHR Program.

Euclid DeLaune is the new CHR Generalist. He is a member of the Kiowa Tribe. Euclid has previously served in the Navy and was employed in law enforcement before starting his career with the Pawnee Nation.

If you see these new staff members in passing, say hello and welcome! They are excited to serve you!

As the summer comes to a close, we want to remind tribal and community members to continue practicing heat safety, drink plenty of water, and move your bodies! There are plenty of wellness opportunities out there - find the one that best suits you! For any health related questions, please contact our program at 918-762-3873, ext. 1 or email the program coordinator at jaimej@pawneenation.org.
Kenneth Roberts
December 4, 1932 - June 14, 2017

Kenneth Roberts of Pawnee, Oklahoma, passed away on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 84 years.

Kenneth was born December 4, 1932, in Pawnee, Oklahoma. He was the son of Rush, Jr. and Sally Spotted Horsechief. He grew up in Pawnee attending the Pawnee Indian School. He also attended school at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas and Arlington University in Arlington, Texas. Kenneth served his country in the United States Army. He later moved to Oakland, California. During his time in California, Kenneth worked as a machinist at Hughes Aircraft. Kenneth also resided in Los Angeles and San Diego before he returned to Pawnee in 2012.

Kenneth enjoyed being outdoors and always enjoyed being at the beach or sitting at the pier. He also loved the times he attended the tribal pow wows. Kenneth was a Hereditary Chief of the Kitkehahki and the Skidi Bands. Kenneth enjoyed spending time at the public libraries.

Survivors are his daughter Tamara Twins of the home; sisters Joann Spotted Horsechief Roberts of Pawnee; and his son Steve, Wynema Matthews of Tahlequah, Oklahoma and her daughters Vera and Selena; granddaughters Margaret Twins of the home, Vanessa VanDeventer of Stillwater, Oklahoma, Sasha Morgan of Pawnee, Oklahoma; grandsons Ethan Twins of Stillwater, Oklahoma; great grandsons Collin VanDeventer, Sebastian Twins-De Lodge, Hendrix VanDeventer; great granddaughters Layla VanDeventer, Piper Morgan and a host of other relative and friends that will mourn his passing. In addition to his parents, Kenneth was preceded in death by his mother Stella Knifechief; brother Joseph Roberts; daughter Juanita De Lodge; son Battiest Robedeaux, Jr. and a grandson Kenneth Adachi.

Services began at 2:00 PM Monday at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center with Warren Pratt, Jr. officiating. Prayer service was held the following Saturday and Sunday evenings. Burial followed in the South Indian Cemetery in Pawnee, Oklahoma. Friends may share a memory with the family at the Roam Chief Event Center or online at www.poteetfuneralhome.com.

Following the burial, a potluck dinner was served at the Roam Chief Event Center.

William Patrick Craven
October 17, 1959 - June 18, 2017

He was the son Effie Alice Blaine Craven and the Grandson of Garland Blaine.

James Charlie Pratt
September 25, 1960 - June 20, 2017

James Charles Pratt, better known to his friends and family as Charlie of Pawnee, Oklahoma, passed away on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the age of 56 years. Leaving behind of the home his wife Sharlene Arnold Tsosie and his little buddy Smoke.

Charlie was born September 25, 1960, in Pawnee, Oklahoma. He was the son of Willard Louis, Sr. and Ophelia Manona Pratt. Charlie grew up and attended school in Marland, Oklahoma. Following the completion of his education Charlie attended OSU Okmulgee Tech learning the trade of auto body repair and paint. In the 1980’s Charlie gained employment at Oklahoma State University. During this time, Charlie was Married to Brenda J Rowe and to that union there are three children Jamie, Jessie and Terry. Charlie was the head painter at the OSU Student Union when he retired in 2015, due to health reasons.

Charlie loved to fish, cook, golf, going to the casino and riding his lawn mower everywhere. He also enjoyed sitting down with a good book which was usually written by Louis Lamoure or Tony Hillerman. Charlie always enjoyed going to work and just being at home. He loved stopping and talking to everyone. He never met a stranger, if he did they were soon a friend. Telling people stories was also something Charlie enjoyed doing. Charlie was a self-taught mechanic and was always tinkering on something that needed to be fixed. Most of all Charlie will be missed by many of his family and friends.

Survivors are his; father Willard Pratt, Sr. of Pawnee, Oklahoma; four children Joseph Pratt and his wife Carolee of Red Rock, Oklahoma, Jamie M. Rowe of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Jessie L. Peterman and her husband Mark of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Terry H. Pratt and his wife Natalie of Sand Springs, Oklahoma; nine siblings Ladonna L. Pratt Palmer of Pawnee, Oklahoma; Robert R. Pratt Sr. of Pawnee, Oklahoma; Willard L. Pratt, Jr. of Pawnee, Oklahoma, George H. Pratt of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Thomas D. Pratt of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Emmett J. Pratt of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Esther N. Pratt Mitchell of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Louis F. Pratt of Pawnee, Oklahoma, Lisa G. Pratt of Pawnee, Oklahoma; ten grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. Charlie was preceded in death by his mother, maternal grandparents James C. and Emma (Primeaux) Clark, paternal grandparents Harry Pratt and Adam and Nora (Tilden) Pratt as well as numerous aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM Friday at Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Building with Lewis Bernard speaking. Prayer services was held Thursday, June 22, 2017 at 7 pm at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Building. The Burial is at the North Indian Cemetery in Pawnee, Oklahoma under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home and Cremation Services. Friends may share a memory online at www.poteetfuneralhome.com.
Andrew Franklin Cockrell
October 7, 1992 - July 22, 2017

Andrew Franklin Cockrell, a resident of Sapulpa, passed from this life on Saturday, July 22, 2017, in Sapulpa at the age of 24. He was born on October 7, 1992, in Sapulpa to Albert F. Cockrell and Mabel Lea Ann Partridge Cockrell.

Andrew grew up in Sapulpa, attending Sapulpa Public Schools and he graduated from Sapulpa High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society. He later attended college at Northeastern Oklahoma State University in Tahlequah. He was also an Eagle Scout. Andrew loved working with computers and playing chess. Andrew was a loving son and brother, and he will be missed by the many people who knew and loved him.

He is preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Phyllis Partridge. Andrew is survived by his parents, Al and Lea Ann Cockrell of Sapulpa; two brothers, Michael Anthony Whitehead of Holdenville and Alexander Glen Cockrell of Quantico, Virginia; by his best friend and companion, Jennifer Nigh of Sapulpa; by his maternal grandfather, Carl Partridge of Sapulpa; and his paternal grandparents, Glen and June Cockrell of Tulsa; by numerous cousins, aunts, uncles and other extended family, as well as many good friends.

A funeral service for Andrew was held at 10:00 am on Thursday, July 27, 2017, at Integrity Chapel in Henryetta with Rev. Bill Oldham officiating. Interment followed immediately at New Sonora Cemetery in Henryetta under the direction of Integrity Funeral Service of Henryetta.

Jeanne Lou McLendon
January 4, 1932 - August 6, 2017

Jeanne L. Gonzales McLendon was born January 4, 1932, in Pawnee, Oklahoma to Irene Knifechief Gonzales and Manuel Gonzales. She passed from this life on Sunday, August 6, 2017, in Edmond, Oklahoma, having reached the age of 85 years, seven months and two days.

She attended Pawnee Indian Boarding School and graduated from Haskell Indian School. As she raised her children, she lived in Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, California, Arizona, Florida, and Georgia. She was happy to be able to move back to Pawnee in 2014 with two of her sons. There, she was able to reconnect with her twin sister and other family members. She was an exceptional Mom and Grand-Mom. She was a kind and gentle woman who worked hard to take care of all of us. She was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters, Rhoda Cline, Louise Norris, Emma Hayward, brothers, Howard Gonzales and Alberto Gonzales, husband Henry L. McLendon, and son Dirk B. McLendon. She is survived by her twin sister Joanne (Junior) Rankin, brother-in-law, Tom Cline, sister-in-law Joann Barnes, sons, Edmund A. McLendon, Henry L. (Debbie) McLendon III, Blade L. McLendon, Lance V. McLendon, daughter, Susan G. (Chip) Walton, grandchildren, Charrissa (James) Van Valkenberg, Ashley Edinger, Erin (Luke) Hart, Samantha (Sean) McNutt, Henry Alan McLendon, Matthew Walton and great grandchildren, Trey and Olivia Edinger, Madeline Hart, Valsa, Violet, Vaeda and Vincent Van Valkenberg, and Lorelei and Liam McNutt. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

The Prayer Service was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2017, at 6:30pm, at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center. The Funeral Service was held on Thursday, August 10, 2017, at 10:00 am, at the Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center, with ... officiating. Interment at the North Indian Cemetery, Pawnee Oklahoma, under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home in Pawnee, Oklahoma.
Pictured left to right are: Evander Holyfield and Matthew Bellendir

Big John McCarthy

Pictured left to right are: Mickey Ward and Matthew Bellendir

Association of Boxing Commissions Annual Conference
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 a free meal 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 Pawnee Nation Title VI staff is thankful that the Pawnee Pride Program invested in setting up a sustainable project having an Elder Garden and working with the Pawnee Seed Preservation Project. Although late in the 2017 season, we managed to harvest vegetables for the elder salad bar and have planted a fall garden. Next year, we are bound to have an earlier start on the growing season for Grandparents and their Grandchildren to have some garden time. Overall, it is well to mention that the Pawnees have great respect for Seed Sovereignty by using the seeds of our ancestors and the “Kitchen Sink Seeds” recovered by our cooking staff.

Title VI meals serve meals at the Elder Center Monday - Thursday 11:30 - 12:30. Employees and family members are welcome to purchase either a salad for $4.50 or full meal $7.00 after 12:15. Contact Deb Echo-Hawk at 918.762.3621 message number for more information about meals or activities.
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