

CANDIDATES

Angelina Smith

My name is Angelina Smith, I am running for a seat on the Yavapai-Apache Tribal Council and I would like to ask for your continued support as I am honored to be your voice amongst the leaders of our nation.

I am the daughter of Norman and Priscilla Smith; I am the proud granddaughter of the late Ernest and Bernice (Sine) Smith. I come from a long line of honorary tribal leaders, my Grandfather was a councilman and my father was a councilman as well as the Vice Chairman of our Nation.

I grew up in the era where leaders demonstrated what true leadership embodies. I watched and learned from our past leaders.

These leaders have instilled in me the com-

passion for their people and the continued growth of our Nation. They have lead the Nation to some of the biggest successes in our history I would like to help continue to build upon the legacy they built for the Yavapai-Apache people, success has no expiration as long as we work together to move forward and remain inspired from our past.

I have been in the casino industry and I understand what is happening with our biggest revenue making venue. I have grown up in an environment where businesses struggled and overcame all obstacles. I have seen the Nation when we were relying on only hope and our dreams became reality. Our Nation succeeded in a World Class

Industry "The Indian Gaming World".

I have witnessed an environment where businesses have struggled and overcame all obstacles. This has shown me that as a Nation we can overcome any obstacles as long as we remain determined, honest and always willing to educate ourselves and aim for success.

In April of 2015, I was elected as a Council person, as I embarked on this new journey to become a Tribal leader I was faced with people who believe in me and I humbly offered the promise, the promise to remain open and honest as well as always willing to listen to concerns, taking initiative and voicing issues amongst my fellow leaders and community for the bet-

terment of our Nation.

I knew a time where our Nation was relying solely on hope, and finally seeing our dreams unfold before us, in order to maintain our vision we must continuously work towards stability. We must have a plan for our future!

I realize that the economy and the way of life has changed and with that we need to move forward to keep up with ever changing society. The diversity is vast, the land and water are a good source of what we were given by our creator, and we must take care of them and never lose our source.

As a Council member I support and promote education, encourage our youth to be the best that they can be as a person. I have com-

passion and respect for our elders. They are our link to our history as indigenous people and most of all who we are today.

My plan includes seeking housing for all members, as well as employment for our people. I want to continue to encourage and support our Culture departments to grasp the attention of our youth as they are our future.

I offer openness, honesty, leadership with integrity, and the ability to work

diligently to improve the status of our Nation and our people. I want



to encourage a positive change, while preserving our past and embracing our future.

In September when you go to the polls to vote in the General Election, please vote... Angelina Smith for the Yavapai-Apache Tribal Council.

Billy A. Garner

"The biggest thing facing our people is how to get by with what we have. The #1 priority should be more economic development for our Nation that will provide more jobs for our members who can feed their families?"

Billy Garner has been living in Verde Valley for the past 57 years except for the time when he spent 4 years in the Marine Corp being stationed in the South Pacific and the Middle East. He is the son of Bert Garner and the late Mary Smith Garner of Camp Verde. Billy has 3 brothers and 1 sister and he has 4 of his own children and a grandson by a previous marriage and 2 step-children from his marriage to Victoria Bonnaha. They reside in Middle Verde.

Educational Background:

Graduate of Camp Verde High School and earned an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Occupational Studies from Universal

Technical Institute in Phoenix. This led him to a career in the field of diesel mechanics and shop management in subsequent years.

Professional Experiences:

Billy brings with him 16 years of direct employment with the Nation in various departments such as recreation coordinator, fleet manager and as director of the Nation's farm and ranch.

Tribal Government:

Finished a 1-year term for a vacated council membership and was re-elected in 2004 for a 3-year term. Billy has just now completed another 3-year term in a council position he began in 2014 with a total of 7 years on the Nation's tribal council.

Expert Knowledge of the Nation's landholdings:

Billy knows the Nation's lands very well due his experiences in working closely on the land acquisitions in the past. These lands

which are all paid off are located west of Sedona called the Johnson Ranch, the Pine Dale holdings east of Heber which holds 187 acres, the 7 square miles of land located in the pine forest country of north-west Yavapai county north of Prescott off of Williamson Valley Road, the Horse Camp lands behind the Cottonwood Airport composed of 46 acres and another 40+ acres behind the Clarkdale cement plant, the Cedar Ridge property in Rimrock, and Quail Heights in Clarkdale.

These lands can be used for land trades with the federal government that would expand the land base adjoining the present boundaries of the Nation.

Economic Feasibilities:

1. Continue to support the taxing structures of non-gaming businesses on the Nation's lands that will bring in more monies to pay for direct services in tribal government ser-

vices and to increase annual Christmas bonuses for members.

2. To explore possibilities of establishing a medical marijuana farm and hemp farm on the Nation's lands which will increase the annual income which will help pay for direct services for tribal members and increase Christmas Bonuses.

"This is the fastest money-making business there is now. I've been to many conferences on this subject and people [Indian tribes] who started the gaming way back are now getting into this new business. There is a lot of money to be made with medical marijuana. The money from this can be used to pay for housing, ASA, education, recreation, elder travel, social services and all the different departments"-Billy Garner, August 21, 2017.

3. Continue to pursue the Water Rights of the Nation.

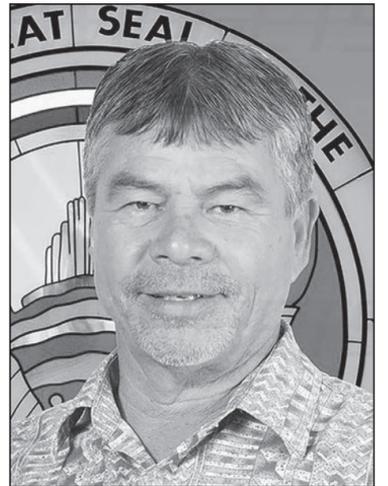
4. Establish a 100 million gallon waste

water sewer plant that will produce A+water that can be used for various non-human consumption such as irrigation, dust control and production of the cement plant. There is a demand for this since most homes located west of the I-17 and Verde River Bridge do not have access to sewer plants and are supported by septic tanks.

5. Develop land trade for the development of economic enterprise zone located on top of the hill directly north of the Chevron station in Middle Verde Road to build a shopping mall, a market place, a cost-friendly motel and a large parking area for buses and vehicles visiting the Montezuma Castle 2 miles north.

6. Continue with land trades to increase the land base of the Nation which will help economic development and more housing for members. After the development of new housing in the Clarkdale Quail Heights in the next few years, there will be no more land to build houses on.

7. Support tribal rights for tribal preference for employment on the Nation's lands. **Vote for Billy Garner on September 16, 2017!**



Raymond Trujillo

My name is Raymond Trujillo. I am Yavapai, Apache, and Laguna. I am 57 years old and a resident of Cottonwood, Arizona.

I was born in Prescott, Arizona, to the parents of Patricia and Herbert Trujillo. My grandmother is Daisy Quesada Russell and my grandfather is Henry Russell. I spent my early childhood living on the Clarkdale Reservation and my school years were spent in Prescott. I voluntarily joined the Marine Corp in 1977, where I served four years and was honorably discharged. I moved to West Texas where I worked in the oilfield for eight years. I returned to the Verde Valley in 1990, where I resided on the Middle Verde Reservation, until I moved off the reservation and pur-

chased my own home in Cottonwood with my wife of 25 years. I have two daughters, one that has graduated from Mingus Union High School and another that lives in New Mexico. I also volunteered at Verde Valley Medical Center for two and half years in the emergency department.

I owned an excavation and paving S corporation for 13 years until the great recession of this century. It was at this time in 2010 that I returned to college at the age of 50. I graduated from Yavapai College with an Associate Degree in 2013. I furthered my education at Northern Arizona University where I received my Bachelor's Degree in Applied Human Behavior and a minor in Business Entrepreneurship at the

end of June, 2015.

I participated in two Exodus runs, that allow me to experience the long journey our ancestors undertook to make our Yavapai-Apache Nation. The event was very taxing and grueling at my age. Back in 1875, there was no highways to run on or team vans to ride in, nor were there convenient restaurants to fill your appetite. Most important bottle water, Gatorade or refreshments were not a choice. Choices were few and far between, in comparison this isn't even close to the challenge the people faced. I encourage all members to participate in this event. This motivated me to want to be a servant of our nation.

In summary, my 57 years has given me great insight and knowledge, enabling

me to become a positive minded tribal council member. As a council member I believe knowledge of the everyday tribal events and affairs are very important. Why not? I am asking for your vote, if I am asking for your vote, then I should listen to you, the voter.

Why Should You Vote for Raymond Trujillo?

Here are several reasons why. First, I am a new candidate with a college degree in human behavior and business entrepreneurship. I am well versed in business plan writing and I understand how and what it will take to move the Yavapai-Apache Nation forward into the next decade. Second, my human behavior education will help me to understand many of the social issues that face our nation,

and how these problems can be resolved. I believe that change is needed in the tribal council in order for the nation to see success. Third, some of my positive character traits are compassion, integrity, honesty, responsibility, and resourcefulness. Fourth, I will work together with fellow council members to make a better YAN. A strong council is needed in order to move the nation into new and different business venues. This way we all prosper. Fifth, while I was at NAU, I wrote an organizational analysis on the YAN; this opened my eyes to our constitution and how



it serves our nation. I believe that many of our people don't understand when and how the constitution was written. "With change, our nation can move in a positive forward direction." That is why it is important for you to cast your ballot and vote for Raymond Trujillo!