

CANDIDATES

David Kwail

I am David Kwail, the son of Harvey "Gold Maker" Kwail, a Yavapai who was born in old San Carlos which has been covered by a lake and at the age of 9, he walked back to the Verde Valley with his parents and sibling in the early 1920's. My mother, a Tonto Apache, was born at the Yager Canyon on the south slope of

Mingus Mountain where her father worked on the road construction going to Prescott.

I worked for the Yavapai-Apache Nation as the Community Health Representative Director for 21 years. I have been elected 5 times as the Chairman and 2 times as Vice Chairman and many times as a council member. I have appre-

ciated the voters who have placed me into the positions.

I am running as a candidate because the Tribal Government needs a leader who knows how the government is to generate. I have work experience; knowledge of Tribal Law; Tribal court Systems; Health Services; I have always advocated for Higher Education;

Fairness in the courts; Fairness in Social Services. I know there is two sides to every concern and I like hearing both sides before I comment.

I ask for your support in voting for me this coming election. I do have the voice to debate issues and concerns in the many problems the Nation has.



Roberta Pavatea

Greetings to the Eligible Voters of the Yavapai-Apache Nation. There are 1,721 eligible voters in this Nation. YOU have the POWER to make the right choice!

My name is Roberta Pavatea. I'm one of the 11 candidates running for tribal council. A little history of myself. I come from the Smith family, my grandparents were Tom and Lily Smith and I'm the oldest daughter of Rebecca Smith. I have two sons Adrian and Donald FallsDown and two grand-daughters Alysia and Malayshia Falls Down.

I'm your sister, auntie, cousin, grandma, great grandmother and second mom to a whole tribe.

I'm running for YOU and to make a difference. If elected I'll not afraid of challenge and I don't give up especially if it's for the right person. I have the experience, knowledge and professional qualities of a good leader.

If elected I will uphold the Preamble of our Constitution with honor and respect to: promote the common welfare of our Nation * protect our people, land and natural resources

now and in the future *acquire additional lands for the benefit of the Nation*protect our native heritage including religion, customs and language*preserve, secure and exercise all inherent sovereign rights and power of an Indian Nation.

To bests of my ability if elected I will enforce all legislative powers under Article V, Powers of the Tribal Council. I will represent the Nation in all



matters that concern the health and welfare of the people*manage all tribal economic affairs and regulate the use of tribal funds thru its budge*enact laws, ordinances and resolutions and strongly advocate to change those that are not in the best

interest of our Nation*strengthen the Nation's sovereignty*take action on all matters necessary and proper through the powers

and duties provided under the Constitution.

Currently, we have a council with no direction, no leadership because they lack the experience and knowledge of tribal government. The Yavapai-Apache people should expect more from their public servants (tribal council). My vision and hope is to see a better future for our children and grandchildren.

On September 15, 2018 the voters of this Nation will be electing 3 new tribal council members into office. I seek your support and vote in this upcoming

Rachel Hood

Immediately after earning a Bachelor's degree in 2007, Rachel Hood has actively used her education within the Yavapai-Apache Reservation to better help Indigenous initiatives within her community. Before being elected on Tribal Council, Rachel Hood proudly worked as the Executive Director of Distant Drum RV Resort and held a seat on the Business Board of Directors for the Yavapai-Apache Nation, successfully overseeing three businesses in the Verde Valley. Using her business training, she modified the resort's Business Model and transformed it to become one of the most suc-

cessful RV Resorts in the industry. As a result of her educational and working experience, Rachel Hood firmly believes that tribes need to exercise self-governance and self-determination to strengthen indigenous sovereign powers.

Rachel Hood's record shows someone who cares about giving back to the community through commitment and hard work. She understands the need for transparency within the community and community involvement in order to make better laws for our government. As one of the nine current leaders of the Yavapai-Apache Nation Council,

Rachel is not afraid to speak at community meetings and will not hide behind her desk. She will continue to utilize her business background to achieve long-term economic growth goals for the Nation and an advocate for higher education.

Rachel's other professional positions have included Marketing Specialist for the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development



and Administration Assistant for the Public Relations office at the Nation. Rachel uses her Procurement Specialist experience to assist Native American Business to better seek federal, state, and local government contracts. She also

helped coordinate and manage the Reservation Economic Summit (RES) for the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development. She

attended the Native American Business Conference, along with Tribal Dignitaries, to communicate with and learn from American Business Owners and Leadership.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from the University of Washington. To better prepare for the future of Indigenous government, Rachel Hood continues to educate herself at the University of Arizona. If you believe in a commitment to goals that achieve more transparency for our Nation and better economic growth for our community--Vote Hood! www.vote4hood.com

Lottie Sylvia Wilson

I've lived in Clarkdale all of my life and attended Clarkdale schools and Mingus Union High. I did receive my GED therefore I feel that I can represent the tribe in many ways. I think it's possible and I've seen some progress along the way and yet, sometimes, we are just idle and not doing some of the things.

I feel that I can do some things advocating which I've always done for the Nation, for the people. I look at preference for tribal members. I've seen housing come up and I've seen a lot of ways that we can make progress, make us grow into a Nation where we can provide for

our people.

I also believe that serving on the council would be for our Nation's people.

The way we are, what we're doing now, how we train our children and what is the biggest problem that we have here, all that we don't look at.

It is possible to change them but sometimes we don't like changes.

Sometimes we think that it's going to happen.



And it will happen and therefore I feel that I have the ability to serve on the council so I still have that background proving the commitment.

I want to thank you for always being here and at some of the meetings. My major concern is to be for the Nation's people as we all live here and have to go through whatever it is that we go through all the issues, the major problems

and the minor problems that we have here.

I've lived here forever, living out at Rim Rock and doing things for relatives and being a supportive person. Sometimes, I think we forget who we are.

I have worked for the Nation in the TGO department for several years and currently working with the company that is cleaning up some of the soil around homes in Clarkdale community.

Thank you for your vote.

Henry Smith

To My Fellow Tribal Members:

I am Henry Smith and I am an enrolled member of the Yavapai-Apache Nation. I am the son of Norman and Priscilla Smith, and the grandson of the late Ernest and Bernice Smith. This is who I am and what I represent:

Servant to the creator
Father
Husband
High School Softball Coach
Entrepreneur

I am running for council because I am the younger generation, who works to provide for his family. I raise my family on the Middle Verde Reservation and I believe there is no better time then now to further the work of our previous tribal councils and develop a stronger and sus-

tainable future for our people.

I believe it is time for our council to have a leader with a proven track record of being a community leader with integrity and who leads not just by example but also leads and represents every member of the nation. As a candidate, my focus is to develop a diversified tribal economy, create employment opportunities and jobs for our people and to provide solid leadership on the council. Diversifying our tribal economy is critical for our nation. Since 1995, we have relied primarily on our gaming



enterprise, Cliff Castle Casino. We need to work hard on developing alternative forms of revenue.

Our past leaders have worked together and battled through all challenges that we as Yavapai-Apache's faced to provide a future that we can all enjoy. It is time to add new business and opportunities so we can continue to grow and prosper. Our culture should be on the top of the priority list. If we can build a bigger and stronger economy we can financially support more programs throughout our nation. Such

as, elderly programs, youth development, education and programs for middle age members that help with issues related to the many issues we face in our communities.

I am honored to be a candidate for the Yavapai-Apache Nation, and I am confident that our people want a leader who leads by example, with respect and integrity. I lead not by malice or any other negative reason, I lead because that is what I am on this earth to do. I want to encourage each of you to make your voice heard and I ask for your vote and the opportunity to be your council member the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Lucinda Nahee

My name is Lucinda Nahee. My descendancy originates from the 1934 official census. My grandparents were James Johnson and Effie Sine Johnson. My mother was Winona Johnson Nahee and my father, who is still living, is Marcus Nahee.

Before I was elected for a first term to serve on the Yavapai-Apache Tribal Council, I had just completed a Bachelor of Science in Health Administration/Management. My background in the health field was a key factor in the decision by the Phoenix Area IHS Director to select me to represent the Phoenix Area on the Tribal Leaders Diabetes

Committee (TLDC), which is an advisory board to the IHS Director. The Phoenix Area consists of 36 tribes. The funding reauthorization of the Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) was a major accomplishment as all TLDC members from various tribes throughout the country were unwavering in their advocacy efforts. The Yavapai-Apache Nation's Diabetes Program is entirely funded by the SDPI. Despite the ongoing opposition efforts on Capitol Hill to disregard their obligations to the Native



Americans, we will not give up!

So, what's my platform? The foremost obstacle to transparency is the justification of the separation of powers in our own Constitution. The Constitution has been scrutinized many times over by tribal councils, attorney generals, and others, finding ways to use their interpretations for some benefit. Constitutional changes must be supported. In addition, your tribal council

leaders must learn to work together, not against each other. The only way that can be accomplished is by tribal council members to completely eliminate personal agendas and make decisions based on what is best for the entire Yavapai-Apache Nation.

As an elected Tribal Leader, I am responsible and accountable to ensure that the Constitution Committee is provided every opportunity to accomplish their task. Along with the existing Tribal Council, our support is ongoing. Despite