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Bago Bits...



We've followed Pilar throughout her college basketball career at St. Mary's College, but it's all over, Pilar graduated at ceremonies held last week. Congratulations Pilar!

8th Grade Academy Class visits the beautiful Northwest



Students of the Winnebago Public School last week visited the beautiful state of Washington. The students visited many landmarks and around Seattle. They are pictured here at the Tillicum Village Landmark & Historical Place at Port Orchard, WA. The students visited many tribal sites and made their way through a snow storm, rain and sunshine, all in one day.



Hope everyone had a good memorializing all their loved this past weekend. The Boys at the Facilities Department sure did a good job at preparing the grounds for the Holiday.

Winnebago Educare holds Headstart Graduation Ceremonies



Kenny Blackhawk was the Winner of the Wild Life & Parks "Biggest Mushroom" contest held for the first this year. Including the stem Kenny's mushroom measured a whopping 10.5 inches.



These cute little 4 years olds graduated this week from the Winnebago Headstart Program, also known as Eduare Winnebago. Each class wore different colored caps & gowns that were chosen by each class. Ceremonies were held at the Winnebago Public Schools due to the number of graduates. Each graduate received gifts from area businesses and from funds raised by their supportive parents.



The Thunder Way housing development is expanding east on that property, these two units snuck up within the past few weeks.

Ho-Chunk Inc.'s Lance Morgan named "Superhero" Economic Development Professional of the Year

Travois recognized housing and economic development professionals in Indian Country



KANSAS CITY, Mo. – May 19, 2017 – Lance Morgan, president and CEO of Ho-Chunk, Inc. was named

Economic Development Professional of the Year at the 17th Annual Travois Affordable Housing & Economic Development Conference. Four outstanding industry professionals and an American Indian tribe were recognized at a Superhero Awards luncheon on April 5 in Austin, Texas.

Ho-Chunk Inc. (HCI), the award-winning economic development corporation owned by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, was founded in 1994 by Lance Morgan. The organization has grown to over 1,000 employees with operations in 16 states and nine foreign countries.

Recently, HCI partnered with Chickasaw Nation Community Development Endeavor and used New Markets Tax Credits to continue investing in Ho-Chunk Village, its vibrant, walkable, new urbanist community. Ho-Chunk Villages includes affordable housing that was developed through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program.

"We are fortunate to have Lance's advice and assistance as a member of our advisory board," said Phil Glynn, president of Travois. "He continues to break new ground in economic and community development and Ho-Chunk Inc.'s success inspires fascinating work across Indian Country."

Morgan was unable to attend the event but later said: "I am honored to be named a Superhero in economic development by Travois," said Morgan. "At Ho-Chunk Inc., our agenda is clear; we are committed to developing

and operating successful businesses and providing job opportunities for tribal members. We desire to improve the lives of our tribal members. With successful economic development, we achieve this by directly providing jobs, and by indirectly providing homes, educational opportunities and a wide variety of community-based initiatives."

2017 Superhero Awards winners:

Housing Professional of the Year: Floyd Tortalita, executive director for Pueblo of Acoma Housing Authority; Acoma Pueblo, NM

Economic Development Professional of the Year: Ho-Chunk Inc. and Lance Morgan, president and CEO of Ho-Chunk Inc.; Winnebago, NE

Pillar Professional of the Year: Danny Chatter, maintenance superintendent for Yavapai-Apache Nation

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Anyone recognize this guy? If you have a good guess you could win a small prize from the WIN office.



Mainstreet HoChunk Village is looking very nice, not too much space left in the 40 acre project. Still room for some tribal member to get into that Subway, McDonalds or Taco Bell franchise.



American Broadband winners of Chromebooks from the Senior Citizens Center. News from American Broadband inside this issue.

Indianz.com... President Trump confirms Indian Country's fears with budget request

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

President Donald Trump is confirming Indian Country's worst fears by seeking drastic cuts in education, health, housing and other key programs.

As expected, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service are among the many losers in Trump's fiscal year 2018 budget. Details released on Tuesday show both agencies being reduced to levels not seen in nearly a decade, essentially setting the clock back on gains seen during the Obama era.

But even though tribes and key law-

makers knew the cuts were coming, the new president still managed to pull out some surprises as he departed the Middle East for the Vatican on his first foreign excursion. He proposed the outright elimination of a grant program that tribes nationwide have used to improve housing and economic development opportunities in their communities.

"President Trump's budget proposal for programs affecting Indian Country is extremely troubling because of its disregard for the federal government's responsibilities and its troubling lack of understanding of the challenges facing

tribal communities," Sen. Tom Udall (D-New Mexico), the vice chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, said in a press release. "I'm concerned that it would violate the federal government's trust and treaty obligations to provide even basic health, education, public safety and other core services to American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians."

Even Republicans expressed concerns, although in a different fashion. They quickly pointed out that Congress

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Around Winnebago

TESTIMONY OF VICTORIA KITCHEYAN, COUNCILWOMAN WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA



MAY 16, 2017

Good Afternoon Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

My name is Victoria Kitcheyan. I am a member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska where I currently serve as the Treasurer of the Tribal Council.

I would like to begin by thanking the Members of this Subcommittee, its staff, and our Congressman Jeff Fortenberry and his staff, for your on-going support for our efforts to address the continuing health care crisis at the Omaha Winnebago Hospital. A crisis that led our hospital to become the only federally operated health care facility in the United States to lose its Medicare/Medicaid Provider Certification over poor and inadequate patient care.

Mr. Chairman, as you know, CMS revoked our Indian Health Service (IHS) hospital's certification almost two-years ago, and with it the hospital's ability to bill Medicare and Medicaid for services provided. I wished that I could come here today and tell you that our CMS certification has been restored, but I cannot. When I started writing this testimony, last Friday May 5th, the IHS was telling our Tribal Council that it was planning on requesting recertification at the end of this month. However, as of today, May 9th, that effort has been delayed yet again. Apparently, the latest news is that the IHS has now become concerned by some of the findings that it received in the recent CMS review of its Rosebud and Pine Ridge facilities. It has therefore decided to conduct yet another internal review of the progress at Winnebago before resubmitting its recertification package to CMS. While this appears to be logical, I have frankly grown tired of receiving and giving this Subcommittee new target dates for this important recertification submittal.

While the IHS is telling our Congressional delegation that it is making progress, my Tribe still has a number of major concerns. For example, as of today, we still have 51 staff vacancies out of a total of 202 positions, giving us a staff vacancy rate of 25.2%. Ad-

ditionally, our Service Unit has now suffered a net total loss of more than \$4 million in third party income, as a direct result of our hospital's delay in obtaining CMS recertification. This \$4 million net loss is after accounting for the IHS carry over amount that were reallocated to our Service Unit to deal with the absence of CMS reimbursements.

That is not to say that some improvements have not been made. We now have a new CEO who my Tribal Council genuinely believes is working very hard to make improvements. Nevertheless, while this Gentleman works very well with our Tribal

Council, we have quickly come to understand that he is not the person who controls the funding for our Service Unit. So, in short, to say that things are where they should be after two years would be an exaggeration.

Mr. Chairman, our hospital's lack of full staffing and its \$4 million loss in third party billing has clearly limited the quality of care provided to our people. I only wished that I could tell you where the extra funding that this Subcommittee has provided for recertification work at our hospital has been used, but I honestly cannot. Please believe me when I tell you that this is not a result of my Tribal Council's failure to ask. The Winnebago Tribe knows that our Service Unit has received some of those dollars, and we greatly appreciate that help, but when we ask for a full accounting of where those monies were expended, the answers that we receive were vague at best. So, in short, while we are regularly assured that the recertification of the Omaha Winnebago Hospital is a top priority of the IHS Central Office, our experience at the local level suggests that this message is not being passed down to the Great Plains Regional Office.

For all of these reasons, we would like to request your assistance in obtaining a direct, clearly identified portion of the additional FY 2017 funding that this Subcommittee just appropriated to IHS to address CMS certification issues. Our Omaha Winnebago Hospital is at a critical junction in the recertification process, and our Service Unit is burning through the carry over dollars that were provided to it every day that this recertification is delayed. In fact, every time our CEO attempts to fill one of the critical vacancies that the CMS has identified as a prerequisite to recertification, our Great Plains Regional Office's Finance Department stops him from doing so because it is, by their account, "not in the budget." How can our Service Unit ever expect to obtain recertification when our CEO has to jump through hoops just to hire for a mandatory position?

The federal hiring freeze has also created some serious delays in our recertification process. While the IHS is

telling the Tribes that the hiring freeze no long applies to our Service Unit, no one seems to have made that clear to the Great Plains Regional Office. How can we be expected to recruit when we cannot even tell an applicant whether a given job is or is not available today? Our hospital's on-going budget is based upon recertification by no later than Oct 1, 2017. If that does not happen, it cannot continue to perform at the unacceptably low level that it is operating now. That is very scary.

Additionally, while we know this Subcommittee has never failed to pass its Appropriations Bill out of full Committee on time- every time, and it has never failed to fight hard to get those annual funding bills passed, the Congress' failure to appropriate full year funding in a timely manner has made addressing our local problems all the more difficult. Planning is hard enough under one Continuing Resolution, but making the kind of improvements that we need to make under multiple Continuing Resolutions has been beyond difficult.

I am here today because I am genuinely worried. Given our highly volatile situation, any cuts in FY 2018 IHS funding, which may be proposed by the new Administration, can very easily destroy what we are working so hard to achieve. So thank you for everything that you are doing to protect the health of our people. You are true heroes!

Rumors of future cuts in HHS and IHS funding are already affecting our recruitment efforts. It is hard enough to get a highly qualified medical expert to accept a job in Winnebago, Nebraska, at a salary which is below that being paid in surrounding urban areas, but when you add to this the possibility of salary freezes, layoffs of support staff, and limits on medical procurements, it becomes almost impossible. So please, remind your colleagues that, as our five unnecessary deaths have shown, the decisions that you make here in Washington do, in fact, impact people's lives.

Before closing, I would also like to take this opportunity to speak again about the problems that the Winnebago Tribe has experienced in its efforts to assume control over the operation of our hospital under a future P.L. 93-638 compact. As you can imagine, assuming control of something as technically demanding as a hospital requires a great deal of planning and a skill set that my Tribal Council simply does not have. The Winnebago Tribe wants to take over our IHS facility as soon as possible, but we simply cannot afford to hire the hospital management and planning expertise that is required to accomplish that goal on the tiny planning grant that the IHS has offered. For this reason, we again ask for your help. Mr. Chairman, my Tribe wants to do this correctly, and we simply will not attempt to assume control of this facility unless we feel confident that we are prepared to run it in a professional manner. The risk is just too great.

Finally, I would be remiss if I failed to speak briefly about the problems that the Great Plains Tribes are having in addressing the IHS funding and reorganization issues at the Great Plains Regional level. I have been honored to serve on the advisory committee on Great Plains reorganization for just over 11 months, and I can honestly state that

it has been one of the most frustrating experiences of my career. This is because no one in the IHS system wants to give the Great Plains Tribes the budget and staffing information that we need in order to make informed decisions and recommendations. Allow me to explain.

- We travel for hours to attend an IHS sponsored meeting where we expect to receive regional budget and spending information. When we arrive, we are provided with nothing but a useless PowerPoint talking about the overall national IHS budget process.

- We ask the Regional Office to explain how national IHS appropriations are divided into funding for given service units, and when we do, we seem to know more about this process than the IHS employees that we are meeting with.

- Even simple questions never get answered. For example, just over a month ago, we learned for the first time, from the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe- not from the IHS- that monies had been taken from the Sisseton Service Unit's budget and "reallocated." Yet, when we asked where those monies had been sent, the IHS personnel in our meeting could not give us a straight answer. This has led us to demand an accounting of all funds reallocated from one Great Plains Service Unit to another, including the amount reallocated and the purpose for the reallocation, but no information has been provided to date.

- We also asked for documents that show the current and historic IHS budget allocations to the various Service Units, but get no usable information.

- We ask for a detailed accounting of where the additional funds that this Subcommittee has provided for Great Plains CSC issues have been used, but the answers that we receive are confusing and uninformative.

- We ask for information on how P.L. 93-638 contract and compact decisions are made and how monies are allocated under those circumstances and no one is willing to answer those questions.

So, in short, we are getting the "run around" and that is wrong, especially in cases like ours where CMS certification is at stake.

Mr. Chairman, we understand that appropriations and authorizing committees serve different roles and have different authorities, but we also understand the power of the purse. Thus, we are respectfully calling upon you to do everything in your power to provide some true oversight over what is going on with funding in the Great Plains Region which is, by CMS's own reports, in crisis.

The Winnebago Tribe knows how hard this Subcommittee has fought to preserve the IHS budget during these tight fiscal times, and we appreciate those efforts very much. It is my sincere hope that you can use my testimony to show your colleagues that their decisions about Indian Health Care Funding have consequences, and that the wrong decisions can lead to very real harm. Thank you for this opportunity to address you today. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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Pow-Wow Committee
One (1) Vacancy—One (1) Year Term

General Qualifications:

Committee membership may consist of any person the Tribal Council deems appropriate. Applicants must meet the *Particular Requirements* according to the Committee or Board Bylaws to be approved.

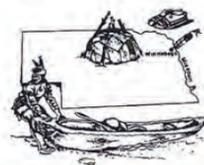
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Committee members shall be enrolled Winnebago Tribal Members. Must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. Must be knowledgeable of the Winnebago culture, traditions, and customs, and must have a genuine interest in protecting and preserving the Winnebago Way of life.

If you are interested in applying for the Committee, please stop at the receptionist desk located in the front lobby and pick up a Committee application or apply online at:
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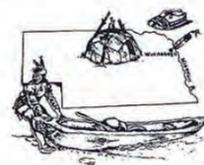
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In My Opinion

Thoughts from College... by Lance Morgan



Someone suggested I write about my experiences in college because we have so many young people heading off to college this fall. I liked the idea because I have attended several graduation parties recently, but often I don't know the graduate well enough to offer more than just a few encouraging words and a little cash for the cause.

Going off to college is an exciting time, but it can also be a solitary exercise fraught with opportunities to succeed or quit. Everyone is wishing you well and you are excited to experience something new. It is also the first time from home and often the first time you have to compete at a higher level. There is a lot of self-doubt and concern about fitting into such a different environment. Some people slide right into it and push through and adapt and succeed and some simply start to slide and end up back home fairly quickly with a diminished sense of self that can hold back a young person for years.

Personally, I started at the University of Nebraska, at Lincoln (UNL). I had turned down an appointment to the naval academy because I wanted to be like the movie Top Gun and fly jets, but apparently if you have bad vision they don't let you fly \$20 million supersonic heavily armed jets.

I didn't have much money so I only applied to one school and that school was Harvard—talk about naïve and cocky! However, I was missing a few things from my application and instead of getting the big envelope of acceptance I got the little letter saying they removed my name from consideration. Ouch! I joined the army reserves a few weeks later and applied to UNL. Nebraska took 1/2 off tuition for members of the military and I got a pell grant, some tribal education dollars and the G.I. Bill. It was just enough to get me through. I distinctly remember being in boot camp at a base in southern Missouri and being exhausted after a 15 mile fully loaded hike and thinking this is a long way from the Ivy League.

I loved UNL and had a great time, but what I remember about both UNL

and Harvard was the amount of time it took to be successful. You need to put in the time studying if you want to do well. I was a guy who crammed hard before a test and would be up late into the night trying to memorize information. No one can make you put in that time. You have to be self-motivated.

I remember walking home late one night during finals in law school. It was December and very cold and I was so tired, but I knew if I kept plugging away it would be worth it. I didn't want to return to the life I knew before. I always had enough to eat and a roof over my head, but basically my family didn't have a lot extra. I was determined to have more and I figured the only real path was going to be education, so I just kept pushing.

The second thing I remember was the sense of accomplishment after finishing each semester. I had 7 total years of college and after each of the 14 semesters I would have that little walk to my dorm or apartment after my last final. I walked slow and soaked up that little feeling of accomplishment. It was my solitary moment where I knew the hard work paid off.

To finish the story, when I applied to law school I was a little bit less cocky and applied to six law schools, one of which was Harvard, which saw the light this time and let me in! Getting that big envelope instead of the little one denying me was one of the most memorable moments of my life. Unfortunately, no one was around at the time and it was before social media so I jumped up and down along in my apartment.

Going to Harvard was a shock to my system. I had never been in such an intensely intellectual environment. I wasn't sure I was smart enough and it took me about a year to adapt to the level of competition, but once I realized I belonged and could do the work, it turned out great. But this leads me to my one bit of advice for graduates who go off to college.

If you go to college, expect a bump in competition. Often the students who came to UNL from Winnebago or tribal colleges struggled their first semester. I was the leader of the native student organization and I would tell them to expect some frustration, but if you can get through the first semester or first year, then you will adapt to the level of competition and then your chances of finishing are much greater. It is so easy to give up and go home or tell yourself you will go back, but that rarely happens. Life gets in the way, so tough it out. Face your self-doubt and push back using your natural intelligence and hard work. Trust me I know that the hard work will eventually pay off and it will positively impact you for the rest of your life. Good Luck Class of 2017!

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Pastor Ricky Jacob

"Who is this 'Jesus'?"

*He's enduringly strong.
He's entirely sincere.
He's eternally steadfast.
He's immortally graceful.
He's imperially powerful.
He's impartially merciful.
He's God's Son.
He's a sinner's Savior.
He's the centerpiece of civilization.
He's stands alone in Himself.
He's unparalleled.
He's unprecedented.
He's supreme.
He's preeminent.
He's the loftiest idea in literature.
He's the highest idea in philosophy.
He's the fundamental truth in theology.
He's the miracle of the age.
He's the only One able to supply all of our needs simultaneously.
He's supplies strength for the weak.
He's available for the tempted and the tried.*

*He sympathizes and He saves.
He guards and He guides.
He heals the sick, He cleans the lepers.
He forgives sinners,
He discharges debtors,
He delivers captives,
He defends the feeble,
He blesses the young,
He serves the unfortunate,
He regards the aged,
He rewards the diligent,
He beautifies the meek.*

Do you know Him?

He always has been, and He always will be. I'm talking about He [who] had no predecessor and He [who] had no successor. There was nobody before Him and there will be nobody after Him. You can't impeach Him, and He's not going to resign. We try to get prestige and honor and glory to ourselves, but the glory is all His. Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, and ever, and ever, and ever. How long

is that? And ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and when you get through with all of the forevers, then 'Amen.'

"Oh, I wish I could describe Him to you."

These are the words of Dr. S. M. Lockridge from his sermon entitled: "He's my King!"

Our Bible verse for the coming school year at Jesus Our Savior Lutheran preschool has Jesus informing us of who He is. One of his students heard and recorded Jesus as saying, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." [St. John 14:6 NIV]

It is impossible to reduce knowing Jesus to mere words. Note what He said, "I am the way." He did not say that he is one of several ways. He is the one and only way back to our Creator. There is no other way and it is not up to me or to you in assisting him in any way.

Jesus also went on to say, "I am . . . the truth." Again Jesus only speaks the truth. His words and promises are true. There is no reason to doubt any word of Jesus.

Finally Jesus completed this statement with, "I am . . . the life." Jesus is the risen and ascended Son of God. Jesus lives. The place that he longs to live is with you. The time he longs to live with you is now and forever.

Through the Word of God, just who Jesus is has been revealed. Again it is impossible to reduce knowing Jesus in mere words. However, faith in Jesus as Lord, as Savior, or as Dr. Lockridge entitled his sermon as King, assures one of a way to His heavenly Father. This is truth - Aho - Amen! Celebrate trusting in Jesus as your Savior now and forevermore.



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In Loving Memory... Trent D. Erb Wak Ce Xi Mani Ga

June 6, 1965—May 20, 2017
Funeral Services
Tuesday, May 23, 2017
Whirling Thunder Wellness Center
Winnebago, Nebraska

In Charge:
Robert Armell, Sr.

Honorary Pallbearers
Brian Morgan-Anthony Erb- Joshua Erb
Mark Blackhawk-Luke Merrick-Alan Wolfe
Daniel Earth-O.C. Earth

Pallbearers
Frank Smith-Hank Rice
Darren Payer-Anthony Earth
Lane Veseley-John Smith

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Orchard, Nebraska

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Winnebago, Nebraska



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Ho-Chunk Inc.'s Lance Morgan named "Superhero"

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Tribal Housing; Camp Verde, AZ
 Haven Professional of the Year: Jean Defoe, finance manager for Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority; Bayfield, WI

Project Team of the Year: Red Lake Reservation Housing Authority; Red Lake, MN

About the Low Income Housing Tax Credit The Low Income Housing Tax Credit program was developed by Congress in 1986 and is included in Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. It was created to encourage private investment in the construction or rehabilitation of housing for low-income families. Over the last 30 years, virtually all affordable rental housing in the United States has been built or rehabilitated with the support of the federal LIHTC program. The LIHTC is an extraordinary partnership among state and local governments, for-profit and nonprofit builders, and private investors and lenders that has enabled the rehabilitation and construction of 40,000 properties, and the financing structure ensures that rents remain affordable to low-income families. These properties have provided more than 3 million rental homes for the most vulnerable members of our society - struggling working families, seniors, veterans, people with disabilities, and the formerly homeless. These high-quality and well-maintained homes have strengthened thousands of urban, suburban, and rural communities. Harvard University's Joint Center on Housing Studies, which has exhaustively studied the housing credit, has concluded that it is "widely regarded as the most successful affordable housing production and preservation program in the nation's history."

About New Markets Tax Credit Program The New Markets Tax Credit was enacted in 2000 in an effort to stimulate private investment and economic growth in low income urban neighborhoods and rural communities that lack access to the patient capital needed to support and grow businesses, create jobs, and sustain healthy local economies. The NMTC is a 39 percent federal tax credit, taken over seven years, on investments made in economically distressed communities. Today due to NMTC, more than \$75 billion is hard at work in underserved communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico

About Travois Travois is a mission-driven, family-owned consulting firm focused exclusively on promoting housing and economic development for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian communities. Since 1995, Travois has brought investor equity to 200 projects through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program and New Markets Tax Credit program, making an impact of more than \$1 billion across Indian Country. These private investor funds have helped build or rehabilitate more than 5,100 homes and have helped finance critical economic development projects, including infrastructure, health care, community centers, education facilities and job incubators. Travois family of companies also offers architectural design and construction monitoring services, environmental assessments, consulting on green energy leadership, asset management and compliance services, investment impact models, and comprehensive training to clients in 21 states, from Hawaii and Alaska to Maine and California.

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-- not the president -- has the final say over funding levels for the BIA, the IHS and other federal agencies.

"As the appropriations process moves forward, I will work to provide our agencies with the resources necessary to fulfill their missions while also finding efficiencies to ensure taxpayer dollars are being used judiciously," Rep. Ken Calvert (R-California), a key member of the House Appropriations Committee, said in a statement. Calvert chairs the House Appropriation Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, which is responsible for writing the bill that funds the vast majority of tribal programs. Just last week, he presided over a series of sessions in Washington, D.C., where nearly 80 Indian Country leaders called on Congress to fulfill the federal government's trust and treaty responsibilities.

"The federal government has a fiduciary trust responsibility under the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 to provide adequate resources to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe," Lisa White Pipe, a council member for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, told Calvert's subcommittee last Wednesday.

According to Trump's Cabinet, the 2018 request fulfills those kinds of responsibilities, just not at the levels tribes want. Secretary Ryan Zinke, the new leader of the Department of the Interior, was upbeat even as his agency took at 10.9 percent hit in the budget.

"We fully support and fund our trust responsibility with a focus on self-governance, self-determination and sovereignty," Zinke said during a conference call with reporters.

The Department of Health and Human Services is slated for an even larger cut of 16.9 percent. Secretary Tom Price linked the reduction in funds to Republican efforts to overhaul the nation's health care system, which impacts revenues at the IHS.

"More money isn't the answer; replacing a broken system is," Price said in a statement.

Over at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the proposal calls for the complete elimination of \$60 million in funds for the Indian Community Development Block Grant Program, which benefits a wide variety of projects. The much larger Community Development Block Grant is also on the chopping block. "This budget reflects this administration's commitment to fiscal responsibility while continuing HUD's core support of our most vulnerable households," Secretary Ben Carson said in a press release. "We will work very closely with Congress to support the critical work of our agency as we vigorously pursue new approaches to help work-eligible households achieve self-sufficiency."

Typically, the House Appropriations Committee starts working on funding bills in June. The goal is for Congress to enact the bills into law before the start of a new fiscal year on October 1.

Due to partisan disputes over budget priorities, that's rarely happened in recent years. Instead, Congress has resorted to "omnibus" bills that have included only modest gains for Indian

Country programs.

Still, the proposal released by Trump fails to match even those levels. A summary of the request, in comparison to fiscal year 2017, follows.

Bureau of Indian Affairs

- \$2.083 billion for most Indian programs, a reduction of \$181 million.
- \$241.1 million for contract support costs, a reduction of \$34.5 million.
- \$143.2 million for construction, a reduction of \$50.3 million
- When land claims, water settlements and other payments are added, the BIA's budget request rises to \$2.48 billion, or \$303.2 million less than the 2017 level

"President Trump's Fiscal Year 2018 budget request for Indian Affairs strongly reflects his proposed investments in education, energy development, and infrastructure which focus on enhancing tribal prosperity through tribal, rather than federal efforts," Michael Black, the "acting" Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, said in a press release. "We will achieve that by refocusing our resources into those programs that are most effective in supporting tribal self-determination."

Indian Health Service

- \$4.898 billion overall, a reduction of \$55 million.
- Modest increases for clinical services, preventive health and contract support costs
- Increases offset by \$59 million construction, maintenance, medical equipment and sanitation facilities.
- \$150 million for the Special Diabetes Program for Indians, which Congress has yet to renew.
- The budget, however, promises that the cut in infrastructure is a "one-time" occurrence.

"The Secretary is cognizant of the budget constraints, but protects medical services, holding the budget even with FY 2016, proposing one time reductions on parts of infrastructure projects and management activities in the facilities appropriation account," a justification document reads.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

- \$600 million for the Native American Housing Block Grant Program, a reduction of \$50 million.
- \$0 for the Indian Housing Loan Guarantee program, also known as Section 184, due to carry over funds from prior fiscal years.
- \$0 for the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant due to carryover funds from prior years.
- \$0 for the Community Development Block Grant and for the Indian Community Development Block Grant, a reduction of \$3 billion. Earlier this month, President Trump released a signing statement that questioned the legality of funding for Indian housing programs.

Department of the Interior Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Documents:

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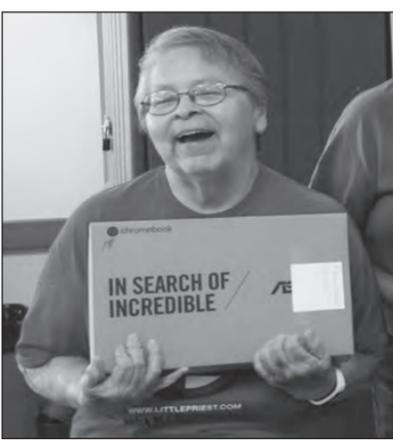
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Community News

WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COUNCIL

PRIMARY & REGULAR ELECTION SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 5th, 2017 & OCTOBER 3rd, 2017

June 12 th , 2017 <i>Special Tribal Council Meeting</i>	Monday	Update & Approve Eligible Voters List Nominate Election Board
June 12 th , 2017	Monday	Post Eligible Voters List – Five (5) Days to Challenge
June 19 th , 2017	Monday	Deadline for Challenges to Eligible Voters List
June 26 th , 2017 <i>Special Tribal Council Meeting</i>	Monday	Challenges to Eligible Voters List Approved Election Board Officially Appointed
June 30 th , 2017	Friday	Post Final Eligible Voters List & Tribal Election Code
July 3 rd , 2017	Monday	First Day of Notice of Intent
August 7 th , 2017	Monday	Last Day for Notice of Intent
August 8 th , 2017	Tuesday	List of Candidates Posted
August 9 th , 2017	Wednesday	Send Ballots to Automated Election Services– Primary
August 25 th , 2017	Friday	Deadline for Absentee Ballot Requests
August 28 th , 2017	Monday	Absentee Ballots Mailed Out - Primary
September 5 th , 2017	Tuesday	PRIMARY ELECTION
September 6 th , 2017	Wednesday	Post Top Six (6) Candidates
September 6 th , 2017 <i>Special Tribal Council Meeting</i>	Wednesday	Approve Enrollment & Adoption Requests
September 7 th , 2017	Thursday	Send Ballots to Automated Election Services– Regular
September 22 nd , 2017	Friday	Deadline for Absentee Ballot Requests
September 25 th , 2017	Monday	Absentee Ballots Mailed Out – Regular
October 3 rd , 2017	Tuesday	REGULAR ELECTION
October 4 th , 2017	Wednesday	Notification of Newly Elected Members Oath of Office
		Re-Organizational Meeting of New Tribal Council Members

Tribal Council Approval: 04/19/2017

SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM

Types of Assistance

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- General Assistance (GA)
- Childcare Development (CCDF)
- Employment & Training (E & T)
- Emergency Assistance
- Senior Heating



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Make a chore chart or wheel & get the gang to pitch in & help out every day to keep mom, dad, gaga & choka's blood pressure healthy. There are simple everyday tasks that even young children can perform, from picking up toys, to gathering soiled laundry & getting it into the hamper. Older kids can prepare simple, healthy snacks for their young siblings, take out garbage, scrape, rinse & stack dirty dishes, etc.

This will give your children a sense of responsibility and pride in their home & family. Simple rewards like family game or movie night, a trip to the park & ice cream for all...maybe a sleep over with friends. It doesn't need

to cost a lot to get the whole family involved in supporting the household.

Also with the warmer weather upon us, Resident Services will be touring your neighborhoods with our friendly "Door Knocker" notices reminding our tenants of lawn upkeep, inoperable vehicles, vehicles parked on lawns, etc.

Lastly, please make sure to check your mail regularly as Annual House-keeping Inspection letters are sent out every week along with other important WHDC notices.

As always the Winnebago Housing & Development Commission staff are here to assist you with your housing questions. Please feel free to call Dawn Snake @ (402) 878-2241 for any questions regarding Resident Services & I will be glad to assist you. Our office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Our after hours On-Call Emergency number is (402) 922-3099.

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New Deadline!!! for Winnebago Newspaper June 9

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV17-083
In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
LISA PAYER,
In Re:
S. H. (DOB 05-26-2016)
TO: JENNIFER DREW, Mother
UNKNOWN, Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV17-083 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 8TH day of AUGUST, 2017 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ17-023

The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
C. S. III (DOB 9-04-2016)

To: CHARLES SEWELL II, Father
You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-023 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 6TH day of JUNE, 2017 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ17-032
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
J. K. (DOB 4-8-2015)
To: STORMY KNUDSEN, Mother
CODY CHILSON, Putative
Father and ALL OTHER POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-032 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 29TH day of AUGUST, 2017 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV17-051
In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:

MARK CLEVELAND

vs.

DANA FAYE PARKER

To: DANA FAYE PARKER,

You are hereby notified that a Custody petition has been filed and a Trial concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV17-051 has been scheduled will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 22ND day of JUNE, 2017 at the hour of 9:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ17-010
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
M. T. JR. (DOB 7-22-2009)
To: MICHAEL THOMAS SR., Father

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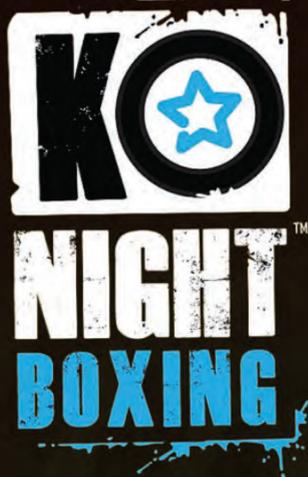
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