Winnebago Indian News

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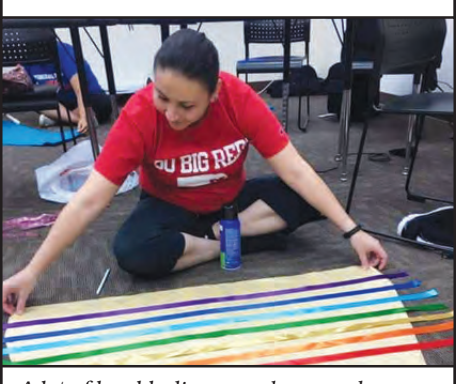
Bago Bits...

Even though the Huskers have had a tough start this season many Winnebago Husker fans have braved the weather to support The Big Red. Here's Tanya, her Squeeze, Johnny and their Popz Elmer enjoying a WIN.

The WVFD sharing their shiny Red Fire Engine with elementary WPS students last week during a rare nice day.



A lot of local ladies were busy making themselves skirts for the big Round Dance recently.

Winnebago representatives at last week's National Indian Education Association Convention held in Hartford, Connecticut.

Daga Frank LaMere at it for us with U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders.

Congratulations Tyrese Gorrin, 1,000 yards rushing for this season.

The Boys & Girls Club hosted a "Healthy Cooking for Kids" class the past few Mondays, here they are with some delicious Pumpkin Pie.

New Harvest Celebration Princesses, at the recent Fall Harvest Celebration hosted by the CDC Tribal Practices for Wellnes Partners.

Round Dance to Stop Domestic Violence

The Winnebago Domestic Violence Intervention Program hosted the first Round Dance of the season last week to bring attention to Domestic Violence on the Winnebago Rezervation. Pictured here are; l to r: Angie Walker, Joann Thomas, Lorene Thomas and Program Director-Dorcee Kearnes. The "Roundy" started at 5 with a dinner sponsored by the Winnebago Health Department followed by registration and the opening of the Round Dance at 6 pm. A few contests were held, 3 man hand drum & a Couples contest. The Round Dance was a hit with every set of singers filling the Whirling Thunder arena. Even the Winnebago Indians Boys Basketball team was in attendance to dance and fulfill a few duties.

Kitcheyan Named to 40 under 40 Class

The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development has announced Victoria Kitcheyan of the Winnebago Tribe among its 2018 class of "Native American 40 Under 40" award recipients.

Kitcheyan is a Councilmember at the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Her leadership has been especially critical this past year as the Tribe successfully assumed management of the former Indian Health Service Hospital.

Nominated by members of their communities, this prestigious award is bestowed to individuals under the age of 40 who have demonstrated leadership, initiative, and dedication and have made significant contributions in business and their community. The National Center is celebrating the 10th anniversary of these awards.

Award winners will be honored at the River Spirit Casino Resort in Tulsa, Okla. on October 29 and 30. The event – "Impacting Generations: Honoring a Decade of Exceptional Service and Leadership" – will be held in conjunction with the National Center's next Native Edge Institute (NEI), a one-day training session focused specifically on procurement.

Leaders recognized have backgrounds including business, academia, healthcare, tribal government, politics, non-profits, journalism, the law, finance and marketing.

On behalf of the Winnebago Tribe, we'd like to say congratulations, Tori!

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Ponca Tribe sets November 1 opening for long-awaited casino

The Ponca Tribe will open its Prairie Flower Casino in Carter Lake, Iowa, on November 1, 2018. Photo: Prairie Flower Casino

Monday, October 29, 2018

The Ponca Tribe is opening its long-awaited gaming facility in Iowa on Thursday, November 1.

The Prairie Flower Casino is located in Carter Lake, Iowa. The 9,500-square-foot features 200 Class II electronic machines and a snack bar and will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week

The facility is named in memory of Prairie Flower, who was a daughter of famed Chief Standing Bear. She died on the Ponca Trail of Tears in 1877, when the federal government forced the tribe out of Nebraska.

We continue to make progress as we move closer to opening. The parking lot is starting to take shape today!

Standing Bear and his band were allowed to stay in Nebraska after he won a landmark court ruling on behalf of all Native Americans. But less a century later, the federal government terminated its relationship with his descendants and dissolved their lands.

The tribe was eventually restored to recognition in 1990 and is able to acquire lands in Nebraska and Iowa to rebuild its home base. The site in Carter Lake is part of that restoration effort.

Despite the expected opening, the states of Iowa and Nebraska, along with the city of Council Bluffs in Iowa, are suing the federal government in hopes of derailing the casino. They claim the tribe does not qualify to have its lands restored under the provisions of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

The Trump administration filed an answer to the complaint on April 27, rejecting the claims made in the original complaint, which was filed solely city of Council Bluffs. The two states were allowed to intervened later on.

There has been no significant movement in the case as the opening date has approached. The federal magistrate assigned to the matter even rejected an attempt by Nebraska to expedite some motions but said there was no reason to do so. Briefing otherwise doesn't close until December 7 -- long after the casino will be operation.

The tribe is not a party to the litigation but has filed an Downloadamicus, or friend of the court, brief. The tribe is calling on the judge to reject the opponents' claims.

"The Ponca Tribe has deep historic ties to land in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota, where it lived peace-

...Con't. on page 7

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NOVEMBER 11TH, 2018

-HEAD STAFF-

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
JAMES SNOW
CRAIG CLEVELAND JR.

ARENA DIRECTOR
SILAS CLEVELAND SR.

HEAD MAN DANCER
SKYLAR SNOWBALL

HEAD WOMAN DANCER
CASSIE KITCHEYAN

HEAD SINGERS
OSCAR CHARLES EARTH SR.
LES PAINTER SR.

Sr. Veteran's Princess
Martha Warner

Jr. Veteran's Princess
Eliana Smith

-Agenda-

11:00 A.M.- REGISTRATION OPENS
12:00 P.M.- Community Meal
Sposored by Women's Auxiliary Lamere/Greencrow/Rice Post 363
1:00 P.M.- REGISTRATION CLOSES
1:00 P.M.- Grand Entry
1:30 P.M.- afternoon dancing with veteran songs/ honor songs family songs/ clan songs/ Specials special contests/ Special dances
6:30ish- P.M.- retire
We strongly encourage family and community participation
Schedule subject to change

Special Invitation To the Winnebago Veteran's Association & Lamere/Greencrow/Rice Post 363 and All Veterans Of all Nations to participate in grand entry to receive honorarium

Special Honoring for Jack Lamere & Family and Velma Alverez & Family

*Inviting All Winnebago/Hochunk Nation singers to help sing at the center drum
(DRESS CODE ENFORCED- NO SHORTS OF ANY KIND, NO TSHIRTS, NO BACKWARDS BALL CAPS)
Center Drum Only

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

WINNEBAGO, NE

WHIRLING THUNDER WELLNESS CENTER GYMNASIUM

PAINTER GRAPHIX

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WARRIORS

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November 13, 2018

Women's Basketball starts at 5:30 PM
Men's Basketball starts at 7:00 PM

Our Recruiter will be giving out free hot dogs!

The first 25 fans will receive the new Warrior bear claw!

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WINTER GATHERING

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018
9:00AM-4:00PM
(SET UP TIME 8:00 - 9:00AM)

Whirling Thunder Wellness Gym

Bingo Food Crafts Door Prizes!
...And More!

Last 2 Bingo Game Proceeds donated to EDUCARE

VENDOR FEE
- $25/per table plus 1 door prize
- Additional $10 per extra table/per vendor

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Tables are available as FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

Winnebago Housing & Development Commission
P.O. Box 671, Winnebago, NE 68071
(402) 878-2241

Ho-Chunk Community Development Corporation

VENDOR REGISTRATION

FEE: 25.00/per table + 1 door prize. Additional $10 per extra table space. (Money Orders ONLY payable to : HCCDC) *Cash or personal checks* WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
Vendor Name _____ Telephone: _____
Vendor Type *(please check one)*
☐ Arts/Crafts/Jewelry ☐ Food ☐ Informational ☐ Other: *(please indicate purpose below)* _____
Please turn registration in to HCCDC (Woodland Trails Bldg.) OR Winnebago Housing & Dev. Comm.
1ST 30 VENDORS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED

RE-ELECT ROBIN CHRISTIANSEN

THURSTON COUNTY TREASURER

- THURSTON COUNTY RESIDENT FOR 36 YEARS
- TREASURER'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE FOR 32 YEARS
- EDUCATED BY NACO WITH CONTINUED EDUCATION CLASSES AND CERTIFIED THROUGH NACT FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS
- STRIVES FOR ACCURACY

PLEASE VOTE November 6th!

Thank you!

PAID BY ROBIN CHRISTIANSEN

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Wednesday Night = Pizza Night

1-topping pizzas from 5-7pm!
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The Winnebago Tribe Says

Get out the NATIVE VOTE

Come make your vote count on
November 6th, 2018

Winnebago Fire Hall at 103 S. Bluff St.
Polls Open at 8am - 8pm

Winnebago News

Thoughts on a Good Idea…

By Lance Morgan

I didn't write a column the last edition because I was traveling, but I wanted to share my thoughts on the swearing-in ceremony for our new council members and the yearly reorganization where they select the Tribal Officers. It was really weird to watch. It was like watching a movie that you hadn't seen before but had already figured out the ending.

There were no speeches given. No one stated their qualifications or advocated for the people they nominated. It was all done in what seemed like the fastest way possible and by secret ballot. The ballots hardly needed to be secret. The outcome was obviously pre-ordained. There was clearly a 5 to 4 split on the council because I believe all the officers, but one was selected by that margin.

There must have been a private meeting before the public one because no one barely said a word. I suppose that is politics to some extent, but it struck me as a very bad way to select our top leaders. The officer's also make about $20,000 more than the other council members, so it is a kind of unspoken thing that if you vote for me then I will vote for you and we all essentially give ourselves a raise. I don't begrudge someone getting paid I suppose, but it struck me as an unusual way to get a job, and will likely create some awkward obligations going forward.

I have written a few times that we should change how we elect the tribal council. I won't go into detail again, but I think we should directly elect our officers. I would like to vote on our Chairperson, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

As I have stated before, the other 5 tribal council members could just work their normal job and get paid by the meeting, which would save about $400,000 per year. I have noticed a few other people writing in the W.I.N. and on Facebook with similar ideas, so maybe the time has come. A perfect example was set by newly elected Mel Frenchman who said he wouldn't take the pay and then left the council meeting because he said he had some trim work to do on a house!

I haven't done a top ten list in over a year because I have been crabby, but I am back.

Top Ten List of Where Not to Take a Woman on a First Date on the Rez!

10. Tribal Council Meeting
9. Bingo at WinnaVegas, unless you are sure she is into it.
8. Teasers and/or Mavericks
7. Your work potluck lunch, especially if you ask her to make something for you.
6. Chilling in your car watching Netflix in your neighbor's driveway so you can use their Wi-Fi.
5. There will be no luck for you if you take her to the Lucky 77 Casino.
4. Don't go anyplace you have to use the Tribal Transport Bus to get to.
3. Anyplace you might be tempted to try and pay with EBT.
2. Your mom's basement.
1. Your kid's birthday party at your ex's house.

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JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH

Pastor Ricky Jacob

"The Unholy Trinity - Part 2"

About a month ago I wrote an article regarding the Unholy Trinity that was based on a book by Michael Lockwood. You will recall that the Unholy Trinity is 'Me, Myself, and I.'

Now I would like to focus our attention on this quote by Lockwood: 'What a burden it is to have to secure my earthly wellbeing by the strength of my own arm!' In other words, 'I've got this.'

In Luther's explanation to the first commandment: 'You shall have no gods before Me' he writes: "We should fear, love and trust in God above all things." One of the ways we break this command of God is to place ourselves above our Creator.

'There are two main ways we turn ourselves into idols in relation to our Creator. First, we can love ourselves above everything else, so that we seek our own wellbeing above all, and use everything including God to serve ourselves. In other words, it is all about me and my happiness. My own desire to be served and to have my desires and wants met come at the expense of others.

I might even be tempted to tell God that unless I get my way I will not talk to Him (pray) or accept His gracious invitation to come to His house (church); or to thank Him (praise); or to trust in Him (faith).

Second, we can trust in ourselves above everything else, so that we rely on our own ability to secure the good things of life instead of trusting in the Lord to provide' (43-44). In our prideful ways we are tempted to think that we can do things all by ourselves, thank you very much. We often take credit for who we are or what we can do or the skills or talents. The 'my, myself and I' syndrome cuts out the One who has blessed us with these gifts.

Luther's call to trust in our heavenly Father as the source of every good gift--not only when it comes to our salvation, but also in our earthly lives--is a radical challenge to our modern [Promethean] age, with its idolization of human power.

I end with the quote of Lockwood that I began and then add his Gospel quote as well: 'What a burden it is to have to secure my earthly wellbeing by the strength of my own arm! How liberating to know that God the Father will provide for me, and to trust in his power in his power.'

Or put another way: 'I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.' [Luther's explanation to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed].

Note well who does the all of the verbs. Answer: 'God, and God alone!'

"Thank the entire Student Body…"

It is with a happy heart and a pure appreciation that I am writing this letter today. Leyten Savon Kearnes, first born son of Cain Kearnes and Trina Solomon was crowned 2018 Winnebago Homecoming King Wednesday evening 10/03/18. Leyten has been a student of Winnebago Public his entire Elementary, Junior High and High School career.

At the age of 6 Leyten was diagnosed with Autism and unbeknownst to him, that definition never stopped him from trying to be a bright and effervescent face within the halls at his school. Depending on the event and scenario Leyten would greet anyone with a "HI", a handshake or a hug. He's always been the biggest supporter of his younger brother Lourde and Sister Lakaylah as well as the numerous relatives he has watched at the games he has attended. You knew how proud he is of his siblings when you could hear him saying, "That's MY Brother", or "That's MY Sister." One proud Winnebago Indians Student, Fan and now KING to the entire school where he not only gives his all but enjoys being a part of.

So, on behalf of his Father Cain, Brother Lourde, and Sisters, Lakaylah, Loyal-Lee, Lovely and I, his mother Trina, we'd like to thank the entire Student body of Winnebago Public School, it's staff and all those Leyten encounters daily. It was a moment none of us will ever soon forget. A true testament to the values our young people must see that our son not only deserved this one moment to shine but to let the entire community know how truly special Leyten is to everyone.

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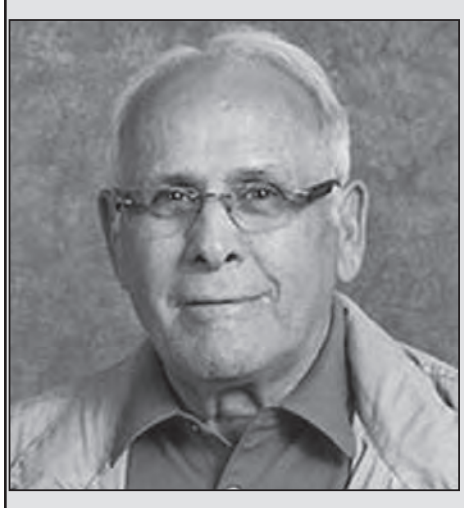
When Good People Do Nothing



As I write this article I am mindful of the fact that I am one-ninth part of this council, its subject matter and where we go from here. At first I didn't want to put this article in the WIN news because I don't like to air our laundry to the public, but our tribal members living off the reservation have every right to know what this tribal council is doing in their best or worst interest.

Last Friday the tribal council held an organizational review of all the programs it oversees and made appointments to the various committees and boards. When it came to the HCI board, there were three (3) council members interested in being a board member. Since there were three, the process required a nomination procedure just like we do when electing officers to the council. This did not happen according to Robert's Rules of Order and our by-laws. Instead, Coly immediately made a motion to appoint Roland Warner to the board, seconded by Jim. This did not allow Tori Kitcheyan or Mel Frenchman the opportunity to even be considered. Jim, Coly and Roland voted yes, I voted no (only because we were not doing things according to order), I don't know how Louie, Tori or Mel voted. The table arrangement was such that one end of the table could not hear the other end. No excuse for what happened.

One only needs to look back about ten or eleven months ago when the council illegally dissolved the land management board and returned all we had going back to the BIA. Simply because we ignored the constitution we're supposed to live by. We, to this day, have not seen the legal opinion regarding this matter. Vince and Tori have continued to ask to see the report. If it were a good report, you would think it would be made available to all the members.

If we can't work together for the betterment of our people, we will just be another "has been" tribe. Our casino is in need of repairs, we need to pay off a capital improvement loan, which will eliminate large monthly interest payments, increase our borrowing power and help us maintain a good credit rating for future ventures. None of this will get done if we can't work together. It takes all nine votes to make any financial decisions to drawdown from our investment portfolio. In other words, if we continue to be at odds with one another, we will get nowhere.

I continually hear that we (the Winnebago Tribe) is in debt. For heaven sake, who isn't? If you're buying a car, sending your child to college, purchasing a home, if you're paying bills, you're in debt. That's not a big problem. It's when you're not a good steward of our resources that the problem sets in. We have WinnaVegas and HCI – both have taken a hit this year and need some relief from their obligations to the tribal operations. In the meantime, we have a healthy investment portfolio we can lean on. Makes no sense to strong arm our cash cows when we have other resources to turn to! I know one thing, if the council members were paid by the hour instead of salary, the tribe would save over ½ million dollars.I would go one step further and say the officers receive wages and the rest (5) receive stipends saving even more. Managing our own farming operations is another huge option, organic farming is another and the list goes on.

I close by saying, "bad dealings make for bad feelings and even worse healing" especially when good people do nothing.

Submitted by
Kenny Mallory

Tribal Employee Spotlight…

Monique Williams is a Public Health Associate with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention who has been assigned to work with the Winnebago Health Department. She is originally from Talladega, Alabama. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Emergency Management from Jacksonville State University and is currently working to earn a Master's in Public Health at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She has also worked for several years as a Licensed Practical Nurse. Monique's mission with the Winnebago Health Department is to assist with the health department's accreditation team.

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Tribal Council Minutes

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
September 10, 2018

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Frank White
Curtis St. Cyr
Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Vincent Bass
Kenneth Mallory
Isaac Smith (in 9:47 a.m.)
Victoria Kitcheyan
OTHERS PRESENT:
Ron Nohr
Joy Johnson
Garan Coons
Lisa Whitewing
Tonia Keller
Lonnie Whitebeaver
Ruby Bellenger
Gloria Eagle
Benny Eagle
Tiffani Warner
Marvin Horn
Angeline Lovejoy
Alexiss Hood
Lori Morris
Melinda Walking Eagle
Wyatt Merrick
Elden Morris
Cody John
Wayne Baker

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Curtis St. Cyr offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA: Roland Warner motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of 911 services, Ron Nohr, and housing. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

ACTION ITEM: CORRECTION OF MOTION 8-23-18, NCAI MEMBERSHIP DUES AMOUNT.

Vincent Bass motioned to make the correction to the motion on 8-23-18 NCAI Membership dues amount corrected to show the amount of $6,500.00. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

8-23-18 MID-MONTHLY TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the August 23, 2018 Mid-Monthly Meeting minutes with correction. Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

8-24-18 TREASURER'S REPORT MEETING MINUTES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the August 24, 2018 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

(Roland out)

RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES:

ADOPT RESOLUTION #18-135: HEAD START FIVE YEAR GRANT APPLICATION

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-135: Head Start Five Year Grant Application. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION: NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS MEMBERSHIP 2018-2019

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to adopt resolution #18-136: National Congress of American Indians membership 2018-2019. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

WIC COPIER: CONTRACT APPROVAL

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the WIC Copier Contract. James Snow seconded. VOTE: (4) yes, CB, JS, VK, KM (3) no, CS, RW, VB (0) abstain Motion carried.

CEO POSITION: Information only, no action taken.

(Roland in)

GENOA INDIAN SCHOOL DIGITAL RECONCILIATION, SEPT. 28, 2018 @ GENOA, NE

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve travel for Tribal representatives to attend the Genoa Indian School Digital Reconciliation on September 28, 2018 @ Genoa, NE. James Snow seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

911 SERVICES: Information only, no action taken.

(Isaac in)

RON NOHR: FOOD DISTRIBUTION BUILDING:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to amend the Food Distribution Improvement with details attached. (Office Renovation, Training Kitchen to Lonnie Whitebeaver at $96,500.00 and Loading Dock to HCI at $35,000.00). Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes, CS, RW, JS, KM, IS (0) no (3) abstain, CB, VB, VK Motion carried.

(Curtis out at 10:17 a.m.)

RON NOHR: NEW BUILDING REMODEL:

James Snow motioned to approve the recommendation from Ron Nohr for HCI to do the Neola E. Walker Building remodel. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

MIKALE HARLAN; REQUEST TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL:

Roland Warner motioned to go into Executive Session at 10:42 a.m. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

(Isaac out)

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to come out of Executive Session at 11:38 a.m.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

(Kenneth out at 12:30 p.m.)

HOUSING EVICTIONS: WHDC

Vincent Bass motioned to review Winnebago Housing Authority Meth Policy to address the eviction requirements in a fair manner to fit each situation with a temporary moratorium in place until this policy has been reviewed. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (4) yes, CB, RW, VB, IS (2) no, JS, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

James Snow motioned to adjourn at 1:31 p.m. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
MONTHLY LAND MEETING
September 14, 2018

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Frank White
Curtis St. Cyr
Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Kenneth Mallory
OTHERS PRESENT:
Nilah Soloman
Crystal Ross
Monica Flores
Bill DeCora
Tony Woods
Cece Earth
Ireta Blackbird
Pat Madson
TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Vincent Bass (leave)
Victoria Kitcheyan (Health mtg. & Training)
Isaac Smith (planning mtg.)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

Coly Brown motioned to approve the agenda. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Rescind Resolution for L. Thomas: No action taken.

Status of the Land Management Position: Discussion, No action taken.

Status of Agreement with the Tribe – need an extension – will need a resolution: No action taken.

Status of the FY 2018 638 funds the Tribe received for the Land Management: Discussion, No action taken.

Michelle Walker & Gloria Bassette would like to put a trailer on a piece of Tribal Ground: Discussion, No action taken.

William Bass and Antonio Bass was signed but never approved, and they want 2 acres, directly behind Greg and Janet Bass: Discussion, no action taken.

Taxes on Tribal Fee Lands: Discussion, no action taken.

ADJOURN:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to adjourn at 9:38 a.m. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
MID-MONTHLY TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
September 17, 2018

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Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Victoria Kitcheyan
Kenneth Mallory
Isaac Smith (in @ 5:10 p.m.)
OTHERS PRESENT:
Sheila Corbine
Joy Johnson
Barb Eagle
Desire Kitcheyan
Bill DeCora
Shelly Bear
Thelma Whitewater
Crystal Ross
Kristen Ross
Josh Chamberlain
Roger Whitebeaver
Ilona Maney
Tiffani Warner
Gloria Eagle
Ruby Bellanger
Keith Chamberlain
TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Joe Snow
Misty Jefferson

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Vincent Bass (Sick Leave)
Cece Earth
Claudine Cohen
Oyate Means
Rita Redhorn
Kelly Snow
Deej Redhorn
Ramona Baker
Sandra Redhorn
Bob Armell, Sr.
Winona Armell
Edith Cassidy
Tonia Keller
Millie Whitewater
Dulcie Green
Sharon Frenchman
Jaylen Scott
Sharon Redhorn-Chamberlain

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Victoria Kitcheyan offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE THE AGENDA:

James Snow motioned to approve the agenda. Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Roland Warner motioned to suspend the rules to hear Thelma Whitewater.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

READING OF THE MINTUES:

SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the September 10, 2018 Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes. James Snow seconded. VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

(Isaac in at 5:10 p.m.)

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION: FY'2019-PROTECTING TRIBAL AIR QUALITY ON THE WINNEBAGO RESERVATION

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to adopt resolution #18-137: FY'2019 Protecting Tribal Air Quality on the Winnebago Reservation. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 MEETING WITH U.S. ATTORNEY

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve travel to the September 18, 2018 meeting with the U.S. Attorney in Omaha, NE. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

IS- POLICE REVIEW BOARD; UPDATE

Discussion, no action.

VK-TRAVEL REQUEST

James Snow motioned to approve the travel request for Victoria Kitcheyan to the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development as a recipient of "Native American 40 Under 40" award. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

THELMA WHITEWATER – BRIAN CHAMBERLAIN COMPLAINT

Discussion, no action

ADJOURN:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to adjourn. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(1) no, RW (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
CEO REPORT MEETING
September 19 & 20, 2018

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Frank White
Curtis St. Cyr
Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Isaac Smith
Kenneth Mallory (in @3:01pm)
OTHERS PRESENT:
Sharon Frenchman
Esther Mercer
Lisa Chamberlain
Claudine Cohen
Lilly Snow
Maria Scott
Lewis St. Cyr
Corey Holiday
Tara Hernandez
Tina Lewis
Joy Johnson
Randy Teboe
Les Painter
Thelma Whitewater
Misti Jefferson
Herman Brown
Cece Earth
Ireta Blackbird
Garan Coons
TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan (travel NIHB)
Vincent Bass (leave)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 2:41 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE THE AGENDA:

Isaac Smith motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of Early Release of Minor Trust Funds and Executive Session for item 5, A. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

ENROLLMENT:

NEW APPLICANTS

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to approve new applicants. Isaac Smith seconded.

Motion withdrawn. (No resolution attached to packet)

[Kenneth in at 3:01 p.m.]

HO-CHUNK RENAISSANCE:

AOP & BUDGET PRESENTATION: Program update, no action taken.

CULTURAL PRESERVATION:

FCC UPDATE & DISCUSSION: Update, no action taken.

[Isaac out]

COMMITTEES:

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY:

Curtis St. Cry motioned to advertise for 30 days. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Isaac in]

TRIBAL HOUSING-MEMBER REMOVAL & VACANCY:

James Snow motioned to remove Candace Godfrey from Tribal Housing Committee and advertise for 30 days. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

EHR POLICY AMENDMENTS APPROVAL:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve new guidelines/amendments for the EHR Policy. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL APPROVAL:

Schedule on Thursday Sept. 27, 2018.

James Snow motioned to go into Executive Session at 3:44 p.m. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Isaac Smith motioned to come out of Executive Session at 4:41 p.m. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

RECESS MEETING:

Chairman White recessed the meeting until 10:00 a.m. on September 20, 2018.

CEO REPORT MEETING
Reconvened, September 20, 2018

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Frank White (out @ 11:08 a.m.)
Curtis St. Cyr
Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Kenneth Mallory
Isaac Smith
OTHERS PRESENT:
Sharon Frenchman
Esther Mercer
Benny Eagle
Ron Nohr
TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Vincent Bass (leave)
Victoria Kitcheyan (NIHB-travel)

RECONVENE: Chairman White reconvened the CEO Report meeting at 10:07 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: James Snow offered the Opening prayer.

Roland Warner motioned to go into Executive Session.

Motion failed, no second.

HUMAN RESOURCES (CONTINUTED)

DOT DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY FOR TRIBAL TRANSIT PROGRAM APPROVAL: No action taken.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT TRAVEL POLICY APPROVAL:

Kenneth Mallory to approve Travel Policy. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

PROGRAM UPDATES: No action taken.

TRIBAL ENROLLMENT APPLICANTS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION:

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to adopt resolution #18-139: Tribal Enrollment Applicants [A3438, A3439, A3440, A3441, & A3444]. Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Frank out at 11:08 a.m., Vice-Chairman St. Cyr assumes Chair]

[Roland out]

TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTION:

ELECTION BOARD SESIGNATION & ALTERNATE APPOINTMENT:

Isaac Smith motioned to accept the Election Board resignation letter from Esther Mercer. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (3) yes(0) no (1) abstain, JS

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JOB ANNOUNCMENT

Posting Date: August 29, 2018 Closing Date: When Filled
Position: Human Resources Manager FLSA Status: Full-time, Salaried, Eempt
Reports To: President Work Schedule: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Salary: Dependent on qualifications and experience

Position Summary:
The Human Resource Manager is responsible for the implementation and management of the human resource department at Little Priest Tribal College (LPTC). Functions include staffing, employee onboarding, training and development, employee relations, employee benefits, compliance, risk management, bi-weekly payroll, and employee compensation and classification.

Essential Job Duties and Responsibilities:
· Demonstrates ethical and professional leadership
·Plan, direct, and coordinate the human resources department for the organization
· Carry out strategies, policies, and procedures that successfully support achieving the organization's vision, mission, and objectives.
·Produce an Annual Operation Plan and Strategic Plan for the human resources department.
·Set departmental goals and objectives within the context of the human resources Annual Operating Plan.
· Produce an annual S.W. O.T. analysis.
· Prepare and manage the human resources departmental budget.
· Provide human resource guidance, knowledge, feedback and input to Directors, Supervisors and Managers.
· Develop, recommend and implement human resources policies and procedures; maintain and update the Employee Policies and Procedures Manual.
·Develop and manage the employee performance management processes, including annual performance reviews, professional development, and ensure job descriptions are accurate and up to date.
· Work with department heads to develop and coordinate organization internships.
· Meet performance goals established by the President.
· Attend required company and departmental meetings.
· Ensure compliance with tribal, state and federal employment laws.
· Direct and manage the staffing process for all departments; update management on progress of hiring qualified department members.
·Direct and manage the orientation process for new employees to Little Priest.
· Maintain human resource records and keep policies and procedures updated, current and posted on the Little Priest portal.
· Process bi-weekly payroll and ensure employee information is current regarding salary, wages, benefit deductions, date of hire, position, and time-off accruals.
·Complete monthly report for the Board of Trustees.
· Process monthly vendor invoices for life insurance, long-term disability, and supplemental insurances elected by employees.
· Manage the benefits open enrollment process for Little Priest employees.
·The omission of specific duties and responsibilities does not exclude them from the position if they are related and need to be performed by the position.

Qualifications:
· Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources Management or related field. Master's Degree in human resources or business is preferred.
· Human resource certification is a plus.
· At least two years of experience in human resources in one of the functional areas of job responsibilities; knowledge of current theory and practice in the field of human resources, especially as it relates to higher education, tribal colleges and universities, and other tribally chartered organizations.
· Excellent customer service, speaking and communication skills.
· Proficient use of Microsoft Office products (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
· Self-starter with ability to work with little or no direct supervision.
· Prior experience supervising employees.
· Good driving record in order to meet tribal insurance guidelines.
· Some travel may be required.

Skills and Knowledge:
· Effective leadership, management and team building skills are required.
· Effective interpersonal, communication, leadership, management, planning and problem solving skills.
· Computer literacy with Microsoft Office applications and ability to learn other College programs.
· Knowledgeable of human resources compliance, current HR issues and trends.
· Knowledgeable of tribal sovereignty and tribal law.

Abilities:
· Ability to communicate clearly
·Ability to effectively discuss issues, listen, and negotiate with others.
· Ability to lead, make effective decisions, collaborate, and coordinate with others in a positive, productive and professional manner.
· Ability to manage limited organizational resources and budgets.
· Ability to manage projects from the conceptual stage through completion.
· Ability to meet deadlines with minimal supervision is required.
· Ability to operate computers, office management and payroll software is required.
· Ability to drive College vehicle

Physical Requirements:
·Normal to light office work which include the ability to lift up to 20 lbs.
· Required to walk, stand, and sit for extended periods of time and use hands to operate computer keyboard, phone, and various office equipment.

Benefits:
· The College offers a comprehensive benefit package which includes:
· Medical, dental, vision
· Life insurance paid by the College
· Long-term disability paid by the College
· Generous vacation and personal time-off
· Paid holidays
· 401(k) retirement savings plan

Applicants can submit a cover letter, resume, college transcripts and three letters of references to Human Resources Manager, P.O. Box 270, Winnebago, NE 68071

Applicants may also go to http://www.littlepriest.edu/faculty-staff/human-resources.html and complete the on-line application and attach a resume. Transcripts and three letters of reference are also required when submitting an application.

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Notice of Abandonment/Consent Hearing
Case No. CV18-171
In the Matter of the
Adoption of:
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TO: DAVID WARNER, Potential Father
OTHER POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that an Adoption Petition has been filed and an Abandonment/Consent Hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-171 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 8th day of NOVEMBER, 2018 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV16-125

In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:
SHONNA ALDRICH
vs.
ANTHONY MENDOZA

To: ANTHONY MENDOZA,

You are hereby notified that a Custody petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV16-125 has been scheduled will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 17TH day of DECEMBER, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

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Motion carried.

[Roland in]

SWEARING IN CEREMONY, OCTOBER 3, 2018 @ 10:00 AM, WTWP GYM:

Information only, no action taken.

TRIBAL COUNCIL ORIENTATION: No action taken.

SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 12, 2018, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

LOCATION

AGENDA ITEMS

EARLY RELEASE MINOR TRUST FUNDS REQUEST:

Roland Warner motioned to release Minor Trust Fund to assist student with school, and waive age requirement. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Isaac Smith motioned to adjourn at 11:34 a.m. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Vice-Chairman St. Cyr adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA GENERAL COUNSEL MEETING September 19, 2018

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Frank White
Curtis St. Cyr
Coly Brown
Roland Warner
James Snow
Vincent Bass
Kenneth Mallory
Isaac Smith

OTHERS PRESENT:
Sheila Corbine
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Les Painter

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan (NIHB @ OK)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Isaac Smith offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

Add 1. HUD Discretionary funding, 2. Brian Chamberlain eligibility, 3. Voters eligibility.

Isaac Smith motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(1) no, KM (1) abstain, JS Motion carried.

MISSOURI RIVER FLOOD CASE UPDATE: Update, no action.

SPORTS BETTING: Update, no action.

LAND TRANSFER BILL UPDATE: Update, no action.

NCAI ANNUAL CONVENTION IN OCTOBER: Update, no action.

ERNIE SANCHEZ CONTRACT AMENDMENT: Update, no action.

METH MEETING FOLLOW UP FROM AUGUST 22, 2018:

Cruising Ordinance

Disorderly House

Roland Warner motioned to authorize General Counsel to draft Cruising Ordinance and a Disorderly House Ordinance. Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (4) yes(2) no, CS, VB (1) abstain, KM Motion carried.

Meth Code-For Rental Housing on Reservation

Speed Camera Ordinance

TRIBAL COUNCIL DRUG TESTING POLICY:

Action Item: Resolution Approving Policy

Roland Warner motioned to pass Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council Mandatory Drug and Alcohol Test Policy and Procedures for Tribal Council Disciplinary Process (hair sample drug test). Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(2) no, VB, KM (0) abstain Motion carried.

Roland Warner motioned to adopt resolution #18-138: Adopting Mandatory Drug and Alcohol Testing for Tribal Council Members. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(2) no, VB, KM (0) abstain Motion carried.

HUD DISCRETIONARY FUNDING: Update, no action.

BRIAN CHAMBERLAIN ELIGIBILITY:

Vincent Bass motioned to adjourn. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (2) yes, VB, KM (5) no (0) abstain Motion failed.

Roland Warner motioned to have a new primary election as a result of skewed election. (Chairman calls for a second three times) No second.

Motion dies.

James Snow motioned to approve the 2018 Eligible Voters List that was presented June 25, 2018. (Chairman calls for a second three times) No second.

Motion dies.

ADJOURN:

James Snow motioned to adjourn at 2:08 p.m. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (3) yes, CB, JS, KM (3) no, CS, RW, IS (0) abstain

Chairman votes yes to break the tie.

FINAL VOTE: (4) yes (3) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourns the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

Student of the Month

Hi my name is Aaliyah Clay, I am from a small town called Wichita Falls, TX but graduated high school in Arlington TX. I am the oldest out of five children, I have two younger sisters and brothers back home. I play college basketball and have been playing basketball since third grade. When I was in junior high I also played football, volleyball, basketball, and ran track. Sports have played a big role in my life and I thank god for giving me the gift to do what I love the most and that is furthering my ability to play basketball at the next level. I also want to thank my head coach at Little Priest Tribal College for recruiting me and bringing me out to Nebraska, if it wasn't for him I wouldn't be experiencing the culture and differences I am experiencing now. I have learned so much at LPTC that I will forever cherish and teach others throughout my life, not only about my college experience so far but about the culture and life of the Winnebago people. Last but not least I want to thank my instructors and the faculty for nominating me to be student of the month. I am truly thankful and will continue to push hard in class and on the court! Thank you all so much!

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November 12th

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ably until the tribe's forcible removal by the federal government in 1877," the brief states.

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Winnebago story deserves to be told, celebrated

By Jim Rixner

As I thought about a subject for this column, I came to the conclusion I wanted to share a "good news" story that needs to be told. That story is the truly remarkable success of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and the tremendous economic and social impact the tribe has on the Siouxland region and continues to have as we move toward the end of 2018.

I am prompted to write about this as a result of my recent selection to the board of directors of the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System, which includes the Twelve Clan Unity hospital. The Twelve Clan Unity hospital is now owned and operated by the Winnebago Tribe since July 1 of this year. Multiple positive changes already have occurred at the hospital as the planned-for full federal recertification of the hospital (lost under Indian Health Service management) moves forward. Highly qualified staff members already have been hired and health care for the Winnebago people and other Native American people is improving on a daily basis.

However, that is just one of many developments that have been occurring in Winnebago over the recent years that have created a dynamic powerhouse of economic development in Siouxland. In order to fully appreciate the nature and extent of this significant contribution to our area, I wish to provide three categories that are the most impressive.

-- First, employment: the current number of people employed as a result of the Winnebago Tribe's vision and energy can best be understood when broken down among the tribe's four principal employers in the tri-state area. These are the Winnebago Tribe, the WinnaVegas Casino, Little Priest College and Ho-Chunk Inc. The Winnebago Tribe employs 526 people in programs ranging from the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System to the Human Service Department to Educare for preschoolers, along with many more programs. These jobs are located primarily on the Winnebago Reservation. Second, there is the WinnaVegas casino at Sloan which employs 375 people. Third, there is the Little Priest Tribal College in Winnebago that employs 50 people. And finally, there is Ho-Chunk Inc. that employs 250 individuals in the tri-state region including HCi Construction, Blue Earth marketing, and the Ho-Chunk headquarters office at Winnebago. The total employment number is approximately 1,201, easily making the Winnebago Tribe one of the top eight employers in our area.

-- Second, there are investments made by the tribe. Ho-Chunk Inc. alone has invested millions in the development of housing and commercial property in Winnebago, which includes the Ho-Chunk Village and wonderful, modern housing for the people of Winnebago. The Winnebago Tribe also has put millions into the expansion of WinnaVegas Casino. And just recently, the tribe has obtained a million-dollar grant to build a new Halfway House in Winnebago. Additionally, Ho-Chunk Inc. has invested millions in Sioux City and South Sioux City. These investments include Ho-Chunk Center, Virginia Square and Flatwater Crossing.

--- And finally, consider the financial impact of these employment figures and investments in Siouxland. People working translates into the buying of goods and services that provides a huge contribution to our local businesses. Furthermore, think about all the supplies and services that are purchased for all of these business entities. Everything from office supplies to heavy equipment and gas for vehicles are necessary for business to function. I certainly am not an expert in economic development, but it is abundantly clear that every dollar invested in this region by Winnebago tribal entities is multiplied in more jobs and more opportunities for everyone in the tri-state area.

People working, families thriving and communities being developed with infrastructure that is both residential and commercial - the Winnebago Tribe is truly one of the economic engines that power Siouxland.

The bold and creative leaders of the Winnebago Tribe have laid the foundation of this success over many generations. In the words of Reuben Snake Jr., one of those great leaders: "Working together nothing can prevent us from achieving our dreams and visions to once again be self-sufficient and economically self-reliant."

How ironic that a people forced out of their communities in the 19th century and compelled to be moved across Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota has arrived at this level of social and economic development that is admired and celebrated across the United States. I think you will agree that this is a story of "good news" that needs to be told, remembered and honored by all of us.

God bless the Winnebago people.

Jim Rixner is the retired executive director of the Siouxland Mental Health Center, is the current board chairman of the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System and is a former member of the City Council. He and his wife, Bernadette, are the parents of three adult sons and the grandparents of seven.

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The Youth Crisis Intervention Center and the Defending Childhood Initiative invites everyone working with youth, to attend our two day training, "Caring for Children Who Have Experienced Trauma." This includes parents, foster parents, guardians, daycare providers etc. This workshop will help children to develop healthy attachments, coping skills, and to be able to recognize and develop their strengths. In addition, this workshop will also help further educate parents, guardians, care takers, etc. on developing the skills needed to respond appropriately to behavioral and emotional challenges of children. For more information and registration please contact Julya Starr at the Youth Crisis Intervention Center 402-878-2046 and via email julya.starr@winnebagotribe.com

Date & Time
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Day 2: Thursday December 13th @ 9:00AM – 12:00PM

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