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RAISING AWARENESS WITH THE WINNEBAGO ALCOHOL PROGRAM

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WINNEBAGO, NE – The American Indian Resource Center and Chee-Woy-Na-Zhee Halfway House recognizes the negative affects alcoholism and drug abuse has on the health & well-being of the individual, their families, and the overall stability of the Native American population.

The AIHRC's mission is to lower the rate of substance abuse among the Native American Population by providing a comprehensive range of established professional outpatient treatment services, halfway house services and youth substance abuse prevention services. The Winnebago Alcohol Program is the Winnebago tribe's resource center for community members who are seeking services.

This week the WIN met with them to discuss some the services they provide, as well as the effects of alcohol/substance abuse in the community. The goal is to shed light and raise awareness to the programs that are offered,



Chee-Woy-Na-Zhee Halfway House recognizes the negative affects alcoholism and drug abuse has on the health & well-being of the individual, and their families. Pictured from left to right, Crystal Snowball (Program Director), Kirsten Maruffo, Nate Big Fire, Cheryl Miller, and Scott Aldrich.

BAGO BITS

By: Tyler Snake



WCHS hosted a special guest! That guest was Congressman Adrian Smith, a member of the US House, representing Nebraska's 3rd Congressional District. Congressman Smith was able to stop by and see what WCHS was all about!

(L to R) Brian Chamberlain - Tribal Council Vice Chairman, Congressman Adrian Smith, & Sharon Frenchman - WCHS Chief Administrative Officer and pictured front and center is Tribal Council Member Louis Larose



August 17th The Winnebago Tribe's Human Resources Department hosted the Annual Staff Appreciation event! We want to thank the HR team, Tribal Council & Facilities for making this event happen! Activities like bingo, volleyball, smoochball, raffles & Tug-o-war filled the afternoon. Robles Taqueria showed up and showed out!!! Overall it was a great day spent for the WTN staff!



August 19th and 26th The Ho-Chunk Village Farmers Market held their weekly event! Once again local vendors gathered at the Village Market to sell their goods and crafts! Stop down every Friday from 11am to 2pm-ish! Recently the vendors have been leaving early due to the slow-down of shoppers, so please community members check out the variety of talent and shop local every Friday till October 28th!!! #SupportLocalBusinesses

and how the counsellor's utilize spirituality and culture as a practice in recovery.

Crystal Snowball (Cexji Hinukga "Buffalo Woman" – Buffalo clan) is the daughter of Chris Snow jr, and Lois Cleveland. She is the maternal granddaughter of Eunice Ricehill & Albert Cleveland, and the paternal granddaughter of Chris Snow Sr. & Lillian Brown. She is currently the Director of the Alcohol Program in Winnebago, NE.

Recently the Chee-Woy-Na-Zhee Halfway House received a very beautiful upgrade, and have 24 hour service. Also hosting different group classes. Snowball shared, "we have a variety of different programs. We have outpatient treatment. Every day we have outpatient treatment and relapse prevention three, 3:00 to 4:00, they have group. And then Scott and I do group with the residents upstairs. We have a ten-

bed facility so we can have five female, five male." She also shared that residents have the option to live in the facility for up to one year.

Many tribal nations struggle with the issue of alcohol/addiction. The struggle of addiction can be overbearing in living an active and healthy lifestyle. The Winnebago Alcohol Program utilizes the sacred circle as a practice in overcoming addiction.

Scott Aldrich Sr. (Cho Nage Hunka "First Chief" – Bear clan war bundle) is the son of Carol Snow & Charles Aldrich sr. He is the grandson of Ed & Esther Payer.

He expresses he has training in the red road and said "it's identifying your strengths with spirituality and traditional grounded. Because without that, then we don't have an edge because on the outside, we're trying to exist in a European society, in Western thinking. It's difficult for us, but once we start connecting back to our traditional way."

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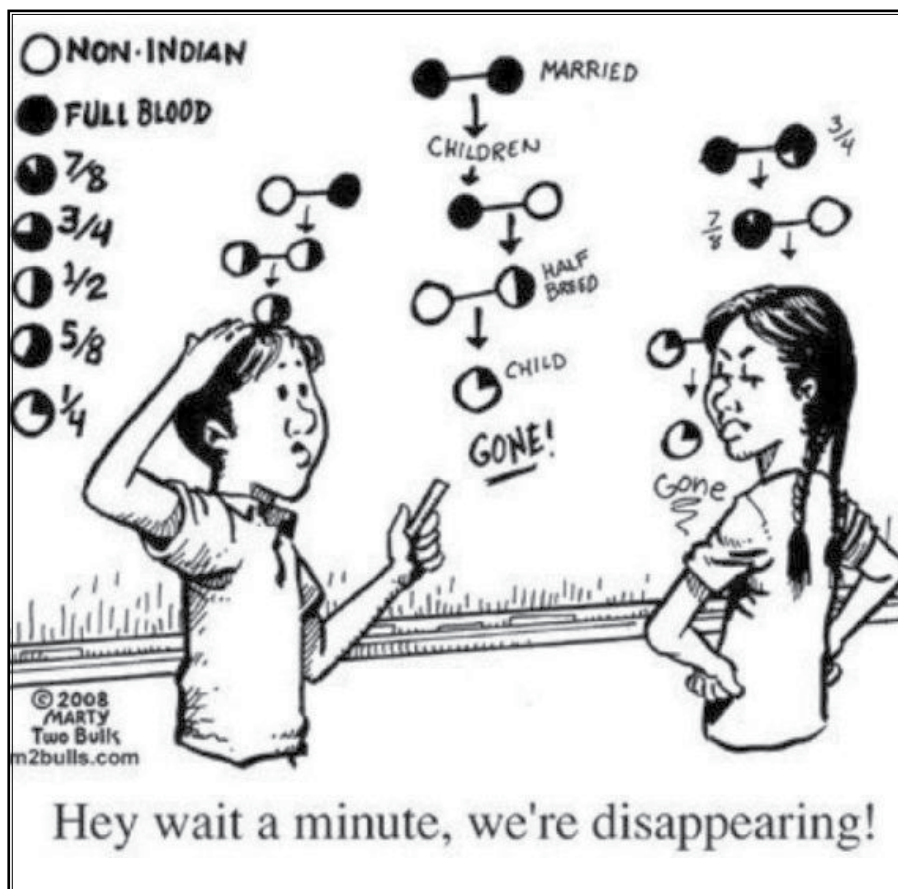
BLOOD QUANTUM & ENROLLMENT TOPIC IN THE COMMUNITY

Pt. 1

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WINNEBAGO, NE – What makes you "indian"? What makes you Native American? What makes you Indigenous? What makes you Ho-Chunk? What makes you Winnebago? Is it defined by you residing on the Winnebago reservation, living amongst your family and your people? Is it defined by practicing and speaking your traditional language? Today it is defined by that plastic card with an image of your face on the front, along with an enrollment number, when you flip it over you read government seal. Native American's are the only people in the United States of America who must prove that they belong to that specific race of people. The amount of "Indian" blood you have is what qualifies you to be enrolled into a specific tribe. But what happens when you have children outside of your tribe, or race. Those numbers go down, and the amount of enrolled tribal members diminish. With the result of colonialism and government attempts to wipe out Indigenous tribes, blood quantum has been adopted into our way of life. This week, the WIN wishes to shed light on an issue that could cause negative affects for our future generations. Giving a voice to Winnebago tribal members on reservation, off-reservation, and descendants of. This is the first part of a two-part series.

Cassie Kitcheyan (Ho minka – Bear clan) is the daughter of Desiree and Vincent



Hey wait a minute, we're disappearing!

Kitcheyan, and an enrolled tribal member of the Winnebago tribe, and an active member in the community. Also teaching Native American studies courses at Little Priest Tribal College, such as Federal Indian Law, Contemporary Issues, and others.

Many of the times the issue of blood quantum is a topic of discussion. Kitcheyan shared, "I talk about it in all my classes, and it gets, it gets pretty intense. Then for all the

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COMMUNITY

ST. AUGUSTINE'S INDIAN MISSION'S NEW BUILDING

WINNEBAGO, NE - The St. Augustine's Indian Mission have been having additional space added to the original school building. School has been in session at the school, teachers and staff geared up for Back to School Night, on Monday, August 15th.

Sister Parish, St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Andover, Kansas donated backpacks and school supplies. Kim and Greg Anderson coordinated donations from St. Vincent de Paul parishioners, had done this for the St. Augustine's students for the last 8 years.

Amber Gamble, is the Assistant Principal of the school. She shared, "We are looking forward to starting school again and getting back into the swing of things! Parents, teachers and students

are all ready to get back into a routine! We will be starting the school year in our current building and hopefully moving to the new building around November! Everyone is excited and ready for this new change!

Ready for a safe and happy 2022-23 School Year!"

The WIN wishes the students a great upcoming school year.



CONGRATULATIONS TO WHIRLING THUNDER WELLNESS CENTER!



WINNEBAGO, NE - Ho-Chunk, Inc. employees helped raise a record \$95,000 through the Ho-Chunk Way Employee Donations Program for this community priority.

A recent check presentation with Ho-Chunk, Inc. employees and Whirling Thunder staff celebrated the milestone at the Land of Wellness athletic complex in Winnebago.

"We are grateful to present this check on behalf of our employees across the company because it is a direct and lasting investment in the Winnebago community's health," said Angel Derochie, Ho-Chunk, Inc.'s Chief Financial Officer.

The mission of the Whirling Thunder Wellness Program is to fight diabetes by empowering individuals and families to live a healthy life with balance through prevention programs and clinical services.

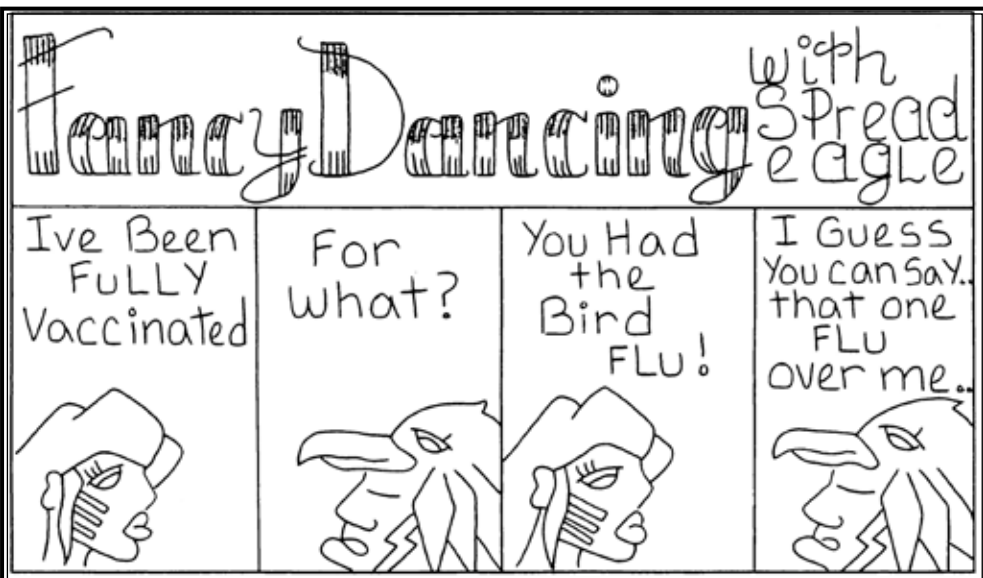
The total donation was split between two check presentations, with the first check having been

presented earlier this year. "The vision we have is for this money to go back to the community with improvements and additions here at the Land of Wellness," said Eugene Decora, Activities Coordinator for Whirling Thunder Wellness Center.

The Ho-Chunk Way Employee Donations Program builds on the mission of Ho-Chunk, Inc. to improve lives in the Winnebago community.

Since the program began in 2017, over \$335,000 has been raised for Winnebago organizations, including employee donations, donations from the public and matching funds from Ho-Chunk, Inc.

Previous Ho-Chunk Way recipients include the Winnebago Youth Shelter, Ho-Chunk Renaissance, the Winnebago Boys & Girls Club and the Winnebago Senior Center. Community entities and programs are invited to apply each year, and the annual recipient is chosen by an employee committee.



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ALCOHOL PROGRAM

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Cheryl Miller (Omaha tribe) is a licensed alcohol/drug counsellor and has been in her position for 2 years. But has been in the community off and on for 5 years. She shared “my belief is working with our relatives and utilizing our culture. I kind of blend that AA philosophy with our culture to try to help them identify and compare. We talk about the 12 steps. We talk about our beliefs and our culture. I kind of add to the fray in a sense when we talk about utilizing our ways, because when we're in our culture, everybody knows, yeah, you should be clear mind.” Utilizing the circle as way for comfort and healing. She finishes to say “I believe that our prayers carry them through, help them along, and always encourage the relatives in them circles.”

It hurts seeing our families, our people struggling with a substance that was forced upon our indigenous communities. From the very first signing of treaties, to current day struggles with addiction. But we love and care for one another. Snowball shared “we have good people. All of our people are worth saving. A lot of times they're real smart, they're real brilliant, their minds are still good, and they have a lot to offer our people. But the things that get in their way is the alcohol/drugs, and they need treatment. They need services, whether it's dual, mental health, and substance abuse. Because there's things that they didn't deal with. So that's why they're suffering. Then they numb themselves with drugs and alcohol.”

Many who struggle with addiction haven't been taught healthy coping mechanisms, some may even have grown up in households where they didn't talk about their issues. So rather than expressing their emotions, they used substances to cope. The Alcohol Program offers services to help individuals cope in a healthier way. Snowball shared “we have the services, just talking in these talking circles, you can talk about your feelings and release that. Being able to

speaking about your hurts, so you don't choose alcohol.”

Has treatment and recovery worked in the Winnebago community? Aldrich shared “I did my own research on treatment modalities, they said 78% are unsuccessful. Then you start it starts winding down to that 15%. That's who we work with. So, if we work with those 15%, then change that whole paradigm. We need to change those rules to fit what works in Winnebago. Because sometimes State and the court things don't work.” He finishes off to say, “It's a battle not against alcohol/drugs. It's a battle of choice. Once you start understanding that, like, I can reach my potential, sometimes they don't see it. They see the barriers in front of them. All we do is just pull 'em to the side and there's a real clear path right there. And that's what literally what we do every day.”

Outpatient treatment includes individual counseling, client education, group therapy, treatment placement, youth counseling, youth/family counseling, youth prevention activities, and opioid abuse outreach activities. At the Chee-Woy-Na-Zhee Halfway House residents are able to partake in individual counseling,

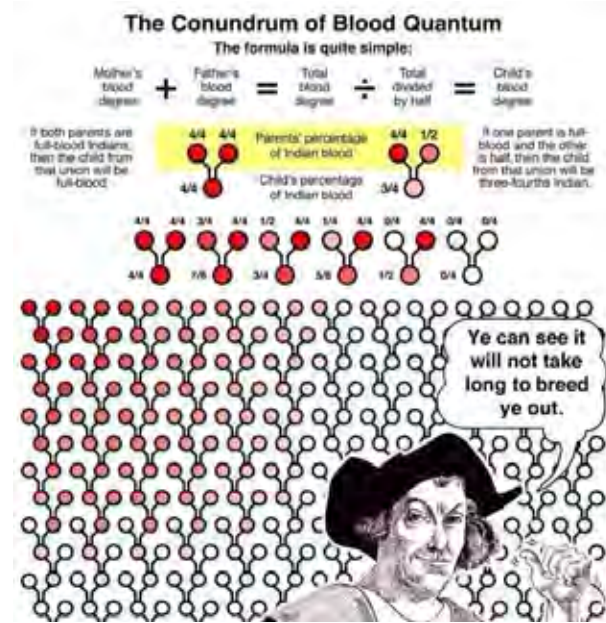
social/recreational activities, support groups, relapse/recovery groups, health/education groups, and vocational and/or employment referrals.

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non-natives that take it, they can't believe this stuffs true. One time I talked about it in a staff meeting, I said when is another time that you were assigned a number? When you have an ID, or you have a number that identifies you by the government, when was that? And they're like the Holocaust. When you put it in that perspective in those terms, and we still do this today, you really have a card? And I'm like, Yeah, you have an ID.”

But what happens what you don't have enough “blood” to get enrolled into a tribe? Many of the times tribal members may choose to have children outside of the community, or in some cases tribal members move off the reservation and their only ties to their community are family who still live on the reservation. Some cases may be left out of control for descendants who may have been taken from their families or lost due to the negligence of the Indian Child Welfare Act. Many of these tribal members may choose to return home only to be treated as if they didn't belong to that community.

John Snowball (Haheki wiriko “Travels at Night” – Bear clan) is an enrolled member of the Winnebago tribe. He is the son of Tom Snowball and Darleen Lasley (Meskwaki), and grandson of Edward Snowball, the great grandson of Grace Drum of the Omaha tribe. Snowball expressed “a lot of people are advocating for this, like it's a social problem and it could be. But for a social problem, there needs to be a few things. It needs for the whole community to say this is a problem we need to do something about. But at this point, I'm thinking the majority of the people are looking at it like a personal problem, but they're not seeing it down the road where it really is going to be a major problem, where it's going to be affecting the whole community.”

A benefit to being enrolled as a part of a tribe, are the rights received for those tribal members. In expressing the concerns of these rights, Snowball adds “I think the elephant in

the room that nobody wants to talk about, is resources. Because people say it will open the floodgates. That means there's gonna be a lot of travelers come in and say, hey, what about what about my kids clothing budget? Is my kid not going to get a clothing voucher now because all these other kids are enrolled?”

But where did that mentality come from? A sense of entitlement, that the tribe owes something to their tribal members. Snowball expressed “that's one of the things that nobody talks about when we talk about enrollment, blood quantum. People want to keep it closed because that's the mentality. That we have and it's not even ours. It was put upon us, and we got used to. We took it as our own. We used to be a people who could take care of ourselves, didn't ask for nothing. We could take care of ourselves, but we got removed. Now, the federal government says we're going to put you on the reservation. Don't worry about food. We're going to feed you. Don't worry about education. We're going to educate you. Don't worry about teaching your kids your ways. We'll teach them our ways. So, they took away everything and said, here, we're going to give you everything you need. So, we got used to that.”

Quentin Hinman is an enrolled Winnebago tribal member who lives off the reservation. He is considered “mixed-blood” with Omaha and Cayuga. Hinman shared “I come from a really small family, and we were raised away from the reservation.” I guess kind of our experiences, there's been a lot of lateral oppression, and that kind of stems from the colonial mindset or constructs of quantum.” Regarding his family history, he shared “12 years ago now. My dad passed away and that cut a lot of connection to the culture and identity that that me and my sister had. But since then, the number of Hinman's that are in the Winnebago tribe has dwindled quite a bit. So, we're not recognized. But we also didn't have a lot of connection to our family because my grandma moved to Omaha, and it was important to my dad that my sister and I had as much connection to our culture as we possibly could.” He also shared that he is just under a quarter of Winnebago, and that his daughter is considered 24.37% Winnebago.

Making it not enough for her to be enrolled into the tribe. He adds on to say “But she tries her best to kind of stay connected to culture. She can introduce herself in the language.” Hinman currently is a resident of Omaha, NE and works with at-risk youth. He said “we kind of talk about the needs of our kids and we talk about the needs of identity, and how we can kind of fill some of the intergenerational trauma. That's one of the things that we focus on here. The healing from connection, and the healing from the sense of belonging.”

Jamie Typetaner (Hataza pi winga “Good Light Woman” – Bear clan) is a descendant of the Winnebago tribe, who lives off the reservation. She is the daughter of Judy Palomino who was an enrolled member of the Winnebago tribe, and her father was non-native. She comes from the Earth, Lewis, and Whitewater family line. Regarding the issue of blood quantum and enrollment she doesn't have all the same rights as enrolled tribal members.

Regarding blood quantum Typetaner said, “it's a really complex issue. I've been trying to follow this, but as a non-enrolled member, I cannot watch all of the meetings. I cannot watch the enrollment meetings, and to me, these are important. Every single one of the general meetings that I can touch, I will watch. Because the things that happen at that table affect the people that I love and care about. These are my relatives and my family members.”

As a descendant of the Winnebago tribe, Typetaner has made it a point to learn her family lineage. In her research she shared, “Iona Maney. She talks about these people all the time. So what I did is, I took sticky notes and I wrote all of these names down in my hallway. I have, a huge map of all of these people. Seriously, it's like a hundred little sticky notes.” She shared that her research began during the Covid-19 pandemic and began with phone conversations.

Given her experience with tracing her own bloodline, she has expressed her interest in helping develop the same system for others who are struggling with the same issue. She adds “I can't tell you how appreciative I am that you're talking about this to me, as a descendant because I don't have a voice. I love my family member so much. When my Kunu graduates from high school, I'm going to move over there. Like my heart tells me I need to come home and be responsible to my tribe and help move it forward and help keep our traditions. Help record our things.”

This is only a beginning discussion of the issue of blood quantum. Next issue the WIN will learn from more tribal members about how the issue has effected them, and how combining different approaches to look at a new approach for enrollment.



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HIDING IN PLAIN SIGHT: YOUTH MENTAL ILLNESS

The Storm

Episode 1: The Storm is a first-person look at America's youth mental health crisis.

To register email: donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com



The Storm, the first two-hour episode of Hiding in Plain Sight, focuses on more than twenty young people who provide an intimate look at what it's like to experience the symptoms of mental illness, from depression to addiction to suicide ideation. The film includes insights from families, providers, and advocates and explores the impact of childhood trauma, stigma, and social media.

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Poison Hemlock

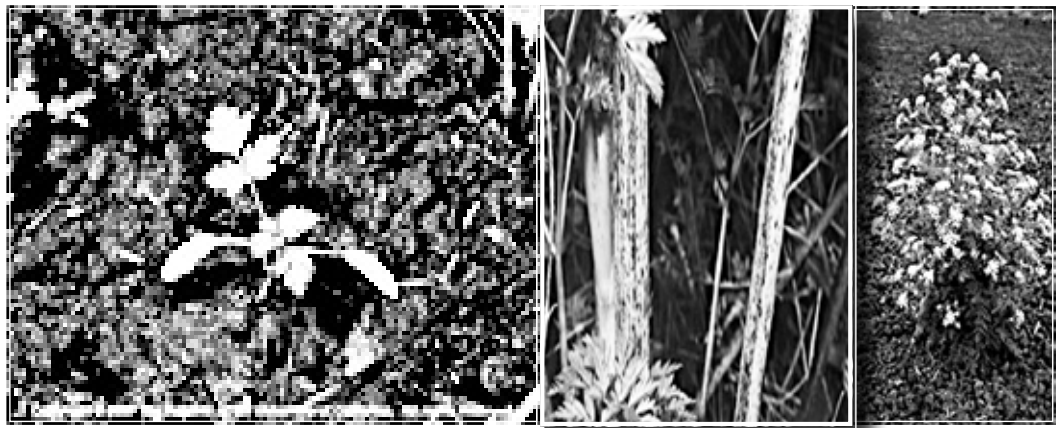
Poison Hemlock was introduced to this area during the recent floods, this plant has been found in community pastures and residential yards. Poison hemlock is commonly found in areas such as roadsides, ditch, fence lines, fields and grazing areas, and stream and creek banks.

Poison Hemlock blooms from spring until summer; in the second year, the plant has small white flowers on the end of the stalks. The plant will die after it sets the seeds; this is what keeps this plant multiplying in clusters each year. Seeds are dropped at the beginning of July until the end of February.

Poison hemlock is toxic to both humans and livestock, and it will affect the central nervous system and reproductive systems. This plant is highly toxic, therefore bare hand removal is not recommended. A workgroup consisting of the Office of Environmental Health & Safety, Wildlife and Parks, Little Priest Extension office and WTN Physical Resource is recommending that individuals seek further professional assistance before removing.

For further assistance or questions, please call

- Wildlife and Parks office, 402-878-2362
- Environmental Health & Safety Office, 402-878-3588
- Little Priest Tribal College Extension Program, 402-878-2380
- WTN Physical Resource, 402-878-2272



****Holiday closure for Monday, September 5th - Labor Day****

WCHS will be closed on Monday, September 5th, 2022. The Emergency Department, Inpatient Unit, and Essential Services will remain operational. We will re-open for business on Tuesday, September 6th, 2022.

PSA!!!!

There is a new location for the used tire deposit. It is North on BIA 3 past the HoChunk Center. There is a sign visible. Please do not dispose at Facilities in Winnebago.

Regina Scott Memorial Scholarship

HoChunk Renaissance is pleased to announce our 2022-2023 Regina I. Scott memorial scholarship recipients:

- Caden Cleveland is a member of the Winnebago Tribe and is studying at Wayne State College. He is the son of Craig Cleveland Sr. and Deeann Acoya- Cleveland. He is a recent graduate of Little Priest Tribal College and is majoring in Sports broadcasting.
- Rachel Scott is a member of the Chickasaw Nation and is studying at the University of Oklahoma. She is majoring to be a Pediatric Physician's Assistant. She was active in show choir, cheerleading, tennis, golf, basketball, and student council.

The committee, which consists of HoChunk Renaissance staff members and Regina I. Scott family members, could not decide between the two highly qualified applicants and decided to honor the two applicants - up to \$1,000.00 per academic year. The scholarship is hosted by the HoChunk Renaissance program and fully funded by the Scott & Armendariz families. This opportunity was created to financially assist students who are pursuing their higher studies at a four-year educational facility. Congratulations Scholars!

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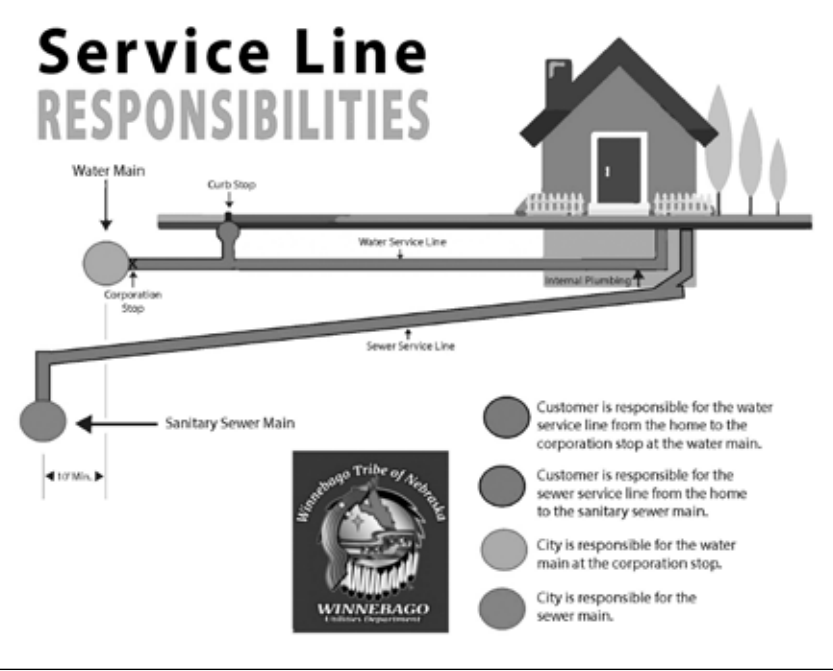
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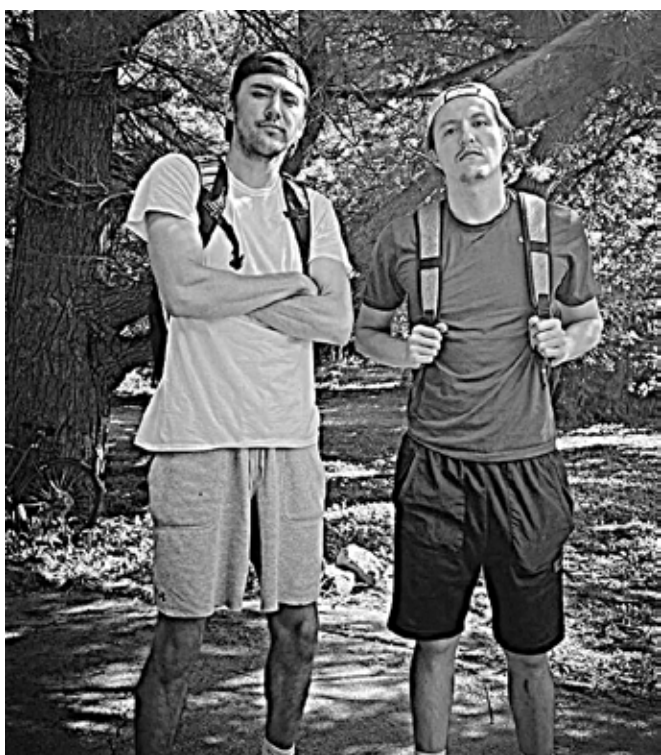
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In the 19th century overhunting and a deliberate policy of extermination brought the bison to near extinction. Miraculously, thanks to decades of hard work by tribal and state governments there are around 200,000 bison in the United States. What many people don't know is that other animals besides bison were threatened by overhunting and habitat loss after the arrival of euro-americans. One of these animals was a type of rüdge (pigeon) known as the Passenger Pigeon. The Passenger Pigeon was native to the Tribe's ancestral homelands

of Wisconsin prior to the arrival of Europeans in America, some even believe that there was at one point as many as 5 billion Passenger Pigeons in America! In the 1800's their numbers began to dramatically decline due to overhunting. Because of their tendency to group together, it was often easy for hunters to net large numbers of the pigeons at once. By the 1890's bills were introduced by state governments to try and protect the pigeons but it was too little, too late. Unlike the bison there would be no recovery with the last know pigeon dying in the 1910's. Although some have suggested that it might be possible to bring back the Passenger Pigeon through cloning, the tragedy of the Passenger Pigeon should teach us how fragile the ecosystem is, and how important it is for all of us to be careful with the land and animals we share our world with.

WINGETT BOYS BACK IN ACTION AT PERU STATE COLLEGE



The Winnebago community can all remember the class C-2 state championship in 2015. The basketball season was full of highlights and left many community members, and others in the state of Nebraska many memories.

This coming basketball season, at Peru State College in Peru, NE have recently signed local basketball athletes Mathew and David Wingett. The Winnebago community will see the Wingett boys back in action as they hit the hardwood. This week the WIN had the opportunity to conduct an interview with the two brothers and dynamic duo, to see what we have to look forward to this upcoming season.

Mathew Wingett (Mato Luzaha, “Fast Bear” – Snake clan), and David Wingett (snake clan) are the sons of Darla LaPointe & David Wingett sr., and the grandson of Mary Greeves & Daryl LaPointe Sr. and Ruth Wingett & Doug Wingett. Currently Mathew is majoring in business management, and David is majoring in Management. David shared, “I am majoring in Management which is a general management degree where I learn and experience how to manage a group, team, company, and organization. Along with the different aspects such as the financials, behaviors, ethics, and the marketing side.”

Many college students recently headed back to their campus’s and are starting out their first semester for this school year. The first week students generally meet their instructors and review their class syllabus, then the next couple of weeks it is time to start buckling down and focusing on their studies. For Mathew her shared, “the first few weeks have been great, still getting comfortable with the way thing work and remembering names but it’s been great.” David added, “I love the college vibe, so it’s been good to me, and great weather always helps. Being at a smaller school you see a lot of the same faces every day and it’s been great learning new people.”

It’s been a long time coming, and I’m sure

a lot of “hardcore” Winnebago basketball fans are looking forward to the upcoming basketball season. So how did the brother/dynamic duo end up at Peru State College? Mathew shared “I have known the Head Coach here at Peru State since I graduated high school in 2015. At the time he was the assistant coach at Midland University. Last winter I came to Peru to watch some of our own former Winnebago Indians play for the Women’s team at Peru State, while there I ran into the men’s basketball coach and that’s where the process of me returning to school started. A few months later he reached out and asked if I would be interested in playing college basketball again, being the basketball junkie that I am I couldn’t resist the opportunity”. David added “When I entered the transfer portal in March, my focus was going somewhere I can finish my degree in two semesters but also my mental health and going to a different place that I’m familiar with. At first, I didn’t think much of Peru State because I was getting a lot of calls from colleges all over the country. As the process went on it got more clear talking to Coach Ludwig that he just wanted me to be myself no matter where I go and showed that he cared about more than basketball. To add to that I guess it helped that my brother was already going to attend Peru!” We will be excited to see them back in blue, white, and black.

When it comes to being a college student, there will always be hurdles to overcome when pursuing a higher education. Student’s will have to manage their time precisely, prioritize their studies, and make time to focus on their mental health. When it comes to student-athletes, there will be more obstacles. From early practices to late night study sessions. Mathew shared “The biggest hurdle has to be valuing your time. If you’re doing something that isn’t going toward improving your chance of success, you’re wasting your time. Another big hurdle is consistency, having the ability to get up every day with the same level of focus and enthusiasm. It’s easy for somebody to get up and be motivated for a day or even a week. But can you do it every single day for months, or years on end, without losing focus? I am excited to make progress toward finishing my degree after not being in school for the last few years. I’m also really excited to start making progress with this team. They are already extremely talented and I’m looking forward to a very successful year for the Bobcats.”

David went on to add “As everybody knows, college isn’t for everybody and it’s not easy by any means. Student athletes face a lot of adversity and hurdles that’s not seen by many. Student always comes before anything else and its always priority number one to take care of your responsibilities as one. To go with that student athletes got workouts, practice,

lift, conditioning, and other team events that they must attend. Great communication skills are something you will learn as a student athlete’s, because there is so much going on every day that it’s required to communicate with professors, coaches, trainers, and teammates. I am looking forward to another year getting educated and meeting new professors, students, and teammates. We have a good chance to win a lot of games this season and it’s exciting to go through the preseason process.” David also added, “One thing I think is starting to get talked about more is mental health, although it should be a more discussed topic. It’s so dangerous because most of the time it’s something we can’t or don’t see and discussing our mental health at least helps us understand ourselves more. This is my fifth year of being a college student athlete and it’d seem to be easy to handle by now but every day I still look to my family, friends, teammates, and coaches for help and guidance. Remember, on our best and even on our worst days, just slow down and ALWAYS ENJOY THE RIDE!”

The WIN had to ask, “what does it feel like to be playing on the same team with your brother again, at a higher level?” Mathew said “It’s a dream come true. We both had our opportunities to play college basketball at different colleges. David at Memphis and South Dakota State, and myself Northeast Community College. Both of us have had successful careers up to this point and it is very exciting to have the opportunity to continue that with success on the same team.” In addition to that David shared “It’s an awesome feeling and even though we just got through the first week it’s something we can look back on the rest of our lives and have these memories. At the same time if you know my brother and I, it’s an amazing atmosphere when we are competing at a high level.” We couldn’t agree more.

David shared some encouraging words to any student who is attending college, “college isn’t just about getting your degree, it’s about meeting new people and networking while growing up and becoming an educated adult. Don’t be shy to join different groups on your campus, it’s amazing learning about people from different backgrounds and cultures. Having a group of friends can help you in many ways like studying, growing, and even just hanging out on days there is nothing to do. Also, it’s so important to stay connected with your family and friends back home, when you’re missing someone just give them a call and let them know or see how they are doing.”

The WIN wishes the Wingett boys, GOOD LUCK with the Peru State College Bobcats in all sports, and your classes.

If you would like to highlight your college student, please reach out to the WIN.

QUESTION OF THE ISSUE: what is your favorite quote?



Garan
Communications
Manager

Not much of a quote guy but I would have to say YOLO (you only live once), but it should actually say YOLOITL. Which means "You Only Live Once In This Lifetime" because we all journey on to the spirit world next.



Bethani
Communications
Office Manager

My favorite quote changes a lot but currently, I fixated on this one: “Two things make life easier – having a good relationship with your intuition & not being afraid of change...”



Tyler
WIN
Office Circulation Manager

“Life is what happens what your busy making other plans”
– John Lennon



Christina
Web Master

“Be an encourager. The world has plenty of critics already.”
~Dave Willis



Jordana
WIN
Editor

“Nothing changes unless someone is made to feel uncomfortable”
–Frank LaMere

I believe true growth comes when an individual puts themselves outside their comfort zone.

EDITORIALS

ENCOURAGEMENT

Written by: Pastor Ricky Jacobs

Everybody needs encouragement, especially those who have experienced trauma. Where in the world should one, who has endured trauma, go in order to find encouragement? Or where should the one assisting someone, who is overwhelmed with suffering, go in order to be strong as well?

The answer lies with one's Creator and His tenderness and compassion. God's compassion encourages one to reach out to others with the love of God.

Please reflect with me on the words of the apostle Paul to the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi: 'If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of

you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others' [Philippians 2:1-4 (NIV84)].

There are many approaches to tending to and caring for the needs of those who have experienced trauma. One underlying principle is the need of being united together in serving those precious individuals who are hurting. Selfish ambition and vain conceit can lead you to do things your way. With these selfish motivations one does not have the best interests of others in mind.

Now I am not writing this to say that one should be united for unity sake, for this often leads to denying one's convictions; going against one's conscious; and ultimately standing in opposition to the love and compassion of God.

In approaching the

challenge ahead - you need to begin with the source of love. God is love. God's love moves one to have compassion for others. God's love moves one to not only care for one's own interests and needs, but also for the needs and interests of others.

Paul urges caregivers: 'in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.' These words are worth repeating.

Please pray with me: Dear God of love and compassion, forgive us for the times that we care less for the needs of others, and allow our pride to consider ourselves better than others. Fill us overflowing with Your love so that we can be tender and compassionate to others as you have been so compassionate and tender to us. In the name of Jesus who humbled himself, considering us better than himself. Amen!

SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PT. 19

YOUTH CRISIS INTERVENTION CENTER (YCIC)

TWO-SPIRITED PEOPLE

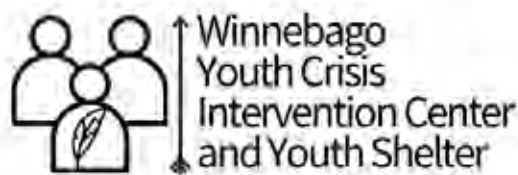
Suicide rates among two-spirited, gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered First Nations are not known, but the rates of related risk factors in these groups indicate that the suicide risk is greater than among heterosexual First Nations. Homophobia, isolation and rejection increase the risk of suicide. An individual's risk can be decreased if he/she is connected to his/her culture and traditions

in a way that recognizes the impacts of colonization. First Nations communities can support two-spirited people by providing safe spaces that include and respect them, by standing up for them, and by speaking out about the discrimination they experience. The term two-spirit is used in this resource because it reflects the importance of First Nations culture as well as sex and gender orientation and diversity. However, it is important to respect that individuals may prefer to identify with other terms to reflect their sexual orientation, sex and gender identity, experiences, or preferences.

Historically, many First Nations cultures supported and honored two-spirited people; these individuals served important community functions and held positions of high regard and prestige (NAFC, 2008). Traditional social norms typically valued the inclusion and respect of two-spirited people or an understanding of their

unique contributions to the family and community (Balsa Huang, Fieland, Simoni, & Walters, 2004). In pre-contact indigenous societies, two-spirited people often held sacred or ceremonial roles such as counseling, healing, being pipe carriers or being visionaries (Lang, 1997, as cited in Alaers, 2010; Walters et al., 2006). Following contact with Europeans, many of these values were lost through the effects of colonization, residential schools, and Christian practices and beliefs that aimed to erase this rich culture, but today they are being reclaimed with language and cultural revitalization (NAFC, 2008; Walters et al., 2006). Some communities were able to retain their traditions and have quietly continued to protect both the two-spirited members of their community and their sacred ways (A. McLeod, personal communication, March 31, 2011; Walters, 1997).

If you know of anyone struggling with suicidal thoughts, please contact The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), or the Winnebago Behavioral Health 1-402-878-2911 or After Hours Crisis # 1-712-259-3263.

**LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3**

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV22-109
The People of the Winnebago Tribe

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
Oyate Contreras
In Re:
T.M. (Born 02/2016)
Shauni Miller, Mother

TO: Shauni Miller, Mother
All Possible Fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV22-109 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the **12th day of September, 2022 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.**
Dated this 8th day of August, 2022.

LEGAL NOTICE: 1/3

Notice of Service

In the Matter of : MOBILE HOME LOCATED AT TRAILER LOT 7, MCKEE SUB-DIVISION IN THE NW ¼ SW ¼ OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WINNEBAGO, NEBRASKA, THURSTON COUNTY; CHAD RAVE, AND ANY OTHER POTENTIAL HEIRS

To: CHAD RAVE AND ANY POTENTIAL HEIRS

Pursuant to the Winnebago Tribal Code this notice shall serve as service of process upon three consecutive postings in the Winnebago Indian News. This is the first of three consecutive postings.

You are hereby notified that a petition for eminent domain has been filed regarding the above referenced property.

LEGAL NOTICE: 1/3

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV19-022

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
Anna & Michael Murray
In Re:
G. R. (Born 11/2016)
Selena Hahn, Mother
Ricardo Ramirez, FATHER

To: Ricardo Ramirez and All Possible Fathers.
Selena Hahn, Mother

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV19-022 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 12th day of OCTOBER, 2022 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

Dated this 26TH day of August, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE: 1/3

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ22-024
The People of the Winnebago Tribe

In the Interest of:
S.H. (Born 08/2008)

To: Jasmine Harden, Mother

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ22-024 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 11th day of October, 2022 at the hour of 1:30 P.M.

Dated this 30th day of August, 2022

ALL LEGAL NOTICES ARE POSTED ON BEHALF OF:

**LEGAL NOTICE: 1/3**

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ22-024B
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
S.H. (Born 07/2014)

To: Wakaja Harden, Father

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ22-024B has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 11th day of October, 2022 at the hour of 1:30 P.M.

Dated this 30th day of August, 2022.

LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV22-079
The People of the Winnebago Tribe

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
DORCEE KEARNES

In Re:
Z.P. (Born 11/2003)
X.C. (Born 10/2005)
SISKA PARKER, Mother

To: SISKA PARKER, MOTHER

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV22-079 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 12TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2022 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.
Dated this 15TH day of AUGUST, 2022.

LEGAL NOTICE: 1/3

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ22-024A
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
S.H. (Born 08/2008)

To: Gregory Walker, Father

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ22-024 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 11th day of October, 2022 at the hour of 1:30 P.M.

Dated this 30th day of August, 2022.



WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COURT

228 Industrial Rd,
Winnebago, NE 68071
(402) 878-2570

ALL LEGAL NOTICES ARE SIGNED BY:
Tribal Court Judge



TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

CONTINUED FROM LAST ISSUE:

ADJOURN:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to adjourn at 11:56 a.m. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

Vice-Chairman Chamberlain adjourned the meeting

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
Land Meeting, Enrollment Update &
Physical Resources Report
July 11, 2022**

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan
Coly Brown
Louis LaRose
Lorelei DeCora
Isaac Smith
Rona Stealer

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT

Brian Chamberlain
Kenneth Mallory (on Travel)
Aric Armell (on leave)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ireta Frazier
Fannie LaTray
Autumn Nieman
Misty Jefferson
Teresa Littlegeorge
Desiree Kitcheyan
Tiffany Armell-Buchanan
Esther Mercer
Danae Vargas
Cecelia Earth
Kellie Snow
Brandon Stout
Daphne Evans

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairwoman Kitcheyan called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Lorelei DeCora offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

additions: Conx Box behind PP, and Homeless Shelters

Coly Brown motioned to approve the agenda. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

RESOLUTION: FY2023 Community Garden Orchard Project

Louis LaRose motioned to adopt resolution #22-131: FY2023 Community Garden Orchard Project.

Coly Brown seconded.

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

LAND MANAGEMENT:

1. HOMESITE RESOLUTION

a. Audreianna Levering

Isaac Smith motioned to adopt resolution #22-132: Ref. Cancellation of Home Site Lease, Audreianna Levering. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

HOMESITE RESOLUTION:

a. Pernell and Jordann Blackfish

Rona Stealer motioned to adopt resolution #22-133: Homesite Lease – Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska – Pernell & Jordann Blackfish. Lorelei DeCora seconded.

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

LAND EXCHANGE

a. Teddy Frenchman

Coly Brown motioned to adopt resolution #22-134: Ref: Teddy Frenchman – Land Exchange. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

b. Kenneth Mallory
Coly Brown motioned to adopt resolution #22-135: Ref: Kenneth Mallory – Land Exchange.

Motion failed for lack of a second.
Discussion followed: request to pull up another file regarding waiving fee for land exchange.

LAND SALE'S

a. Craig Neff

Coly Brown motioned to adopt resolution #22-135: Authorizing Request for and Approving Withdrawal Tribal Appropriated Funds and Approving Land Purchase from – Craig Neff (\$34,367.91). Rona Stealer seconded.

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

b. Land Sale
Rona Stealer motioned to table Land Sale 4 B due to funding. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

*Land Sale will be brought back with the new fiscal year.

ENROLLMENT:

Committee update by Daphne Evans.

Isaac Smith motioned to include Hochunk Nation Blood in our Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska blood calculations. Coly Brown seconded.

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

*Enrollment to research access to Hochunk Nation Baseroll.

Lorelei DeCora motioned to authorize Enrollment and Legal to research on the original baseroll that includes the Hochunk nation from the BIA. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

*Executive Session next month for the Alex Mallory Issue.

*Adoption Ballot approve on September 7, 2022

1. RESOLUTION: Tribal Enrollment Applicants

Isaac Smith motioned to adopt resolution #22-136: Tribal Enrollment Applicants [A3916, A3917, A3985, A3986, A3966, A3956, A3964, A3200, A3976, A3968, A3901, A3983, AS3981, A3982, A3984, A3911, A3910]. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Enrollment Codes & Policies – Provided to the Council.

RECESS: 10:10 a.m.

RECONVENE: 10:20 a.m.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES:

Monthly Report presented by Ireta Frazier.

[Isaac Smith out]

Coly Brown motioned to accept the Physical Resources Report. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

[Isaac Smith in]

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

1. CONX BOX

Louis LaRose motioned to support moving the Conx Box for Fire Department training purposes. Coly Brown seconded.

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

2. HOMELESS SHELTERS

*Discussion. Esther will add to the CEO Report on the Homeless Shelter.

ADJOURN:

Coly Brown motioned to adjourn at 12:08 p.m. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

Chairwoman Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
CEO REPORT MEETING
July 13, 2022**

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Isaac Smith
Louis LaRose

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan (travel NIHB)
Aric Armell (leave)
Kenneth Mallory (travel Region VII mtg)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Esther Mercer
Joy Johnson
Brandon Stout
Tyresha Wolfe
Sarah Snake
Cecelia Earth
Alan Post
Jennifer Berridge

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER:

Rona Stealer offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

Isaac Smith motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

1. CEO REPORT

Lorelei DeCora motioned to schedule a Tribal Council meeting as soon as possible with the WHS on COVID Status. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Employee Appreciation dates August 16, 2022 and August 17, 2022.

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the May and June CEO Report. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

2. CAO REPORT –

Lynelle Blackhawk is on travel. Isaac Smith motioned to approve the CAO Report as submitted. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

1. COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW BOARD

Coly Brown motioned to appoint Roberto Gorrin, Sr. to the Community Police Review Board. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Rona Stealer motioned to re-advertise 1 vacancy for the Community Police Review Board until filled. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

2. WINNEBAGO GAMING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Coly Brown motioned to appoint Tyren Wolfe to the Winnebago Gaming Development Corporation. Lorelei DeCora seconded.

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

Coly Brown motioned to clarify Kenneth Mallory is currently filling the Tribal Council seat. Lorelei DeCora seconded.

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

3. TAX COMMISSION

Lorelei DeCora motioned to appoint Willy Bass to the Tax Commission. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

4. HEMP COMMISSION

Rona Stealer motioned to appoint Liz Bayer to the HEMP Commission. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

1. Resolution #22-____: Emergency Services Building Design Project FY22

Coly Brown motioned to adopt resolution #22-137: Emergency Services Building Design Project FY22. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

Resolution #22-____: Tribal Administration Building Design Project FY22

Rona Stealer motioned to adopt resolution #22-138: Tribal Administration Building Design Project FY22 (option D). Louis LaRose seconded.

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

[Rona out at 10:05 a.m.]

3. Strategic Plan Review – 2nd meeting request

Isaac Smith motioned to schedule a 2nd Strategic Planning meeting for August in the Chambers. Coly Brown seconded.

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

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

1. TRIBAL COURT ASSESSMENT REPORT – for August 8, 2022

2. REVISED ELECTION SCHEDULE - Due to 7/4/22 Holiday and Pow-wow Holiday.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Isaac Smith motioned approve the revised Election Schedule to reflect August 2, 2022 for Last Day Notice of Intent, List of Candidates to August 3, 2022, Ballots to Automated Election Services to August 4, 2022. Coly Brown seconded.
VOTE: (4) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

3. TENT POLICY – Facilities needs to have input on the Policy.

[Rona in at 10:06 a.m.]

4. V. WALKER FAMILY REQUEST
Isaac Smith motioned to approve the request from the Walker Family to utilize a tent for a memorial and have facilities set it up for July 16 & 17, 2022. Louis LaRose seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Coly Brown motioned to place the tent usage policy on the next regular meeting agenda. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Isaac Smith motioned to amend Walker Family request motion to let Walker family use the tent for their memorial and have facilities set it up for the amount of \$150.00. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

5. TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS EQUIPMENT UPGRADES
Louis LaRose motioned to approve to move up to \$10,000 from the Tribal Council Budget to fund the 9,275.00 Tribal Council Chambers Equipment Upgrade. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Coly Brown motioned to go into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. Rona Stealer seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Coly Brown motioned to come out of Executive Session at 11:41 a.m. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Rona Stealer motioned to authorize CEO & CFO to take all action necessary to take control of the Homeless Shelters. Louis LaRose seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

ADJOURN:
Rona Stealer motioned to adjourn at 11:44 a.m. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA MID-MONTHLY TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING July 18, 2022

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
OTHERS PRESENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Isaac Smith
Aric Armell
Louis LaRose
Kenneth Mallory

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan (travel NIHB)

OTHERS PRESENT:
Jackie Long
Joy Johnson
Garan Coons
Esther Mercer
Tina Lewis
Brandon Stout

CALL TO ORDER:
Vice Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER:
Garan Coons offered the opening prayer.
APPROVE AGENDA:
Aric Armell motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

READING OF THE MINUTES:
1. June 21, 2022, Mid-monthly Tribal Council mtg. minutes

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the minutes of June 21, 2022, Mid-monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

2. July 5, 2022, Regular Tribal Council meeting minutes

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the minutes of July 5, 2022, Regular Tribal Council meeting minutes. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

3. July 7, 2022, Treasurer's Report meeting minutes

Aric Armell motioned to approve the minutes of July 7, 2022, Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

4. July 11, 2022, Land mtg., Enrollment update & Physical Resources Report mtg. minutes

Aric Armell motioned to approve the minutes of July 11, 2022, Land mtg., Enrollment update & Physical Resources Report mtg. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Enrollment: Amendment resolution #22-136

Aric Armell motioned to adopt resolution #22-136A: Amending resolution #22-136 Tribal Applicants. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

2. Strategic Transportation Safety Plan

Isaac Smith motioned to approve the updated Strategic Transportation Safety Plan as presented. Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

3. Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta discussion

Aric Armell motioned to schedule a meeting with the U.S. Attorney on "Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta".

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

4. Tribal Court Assessment 2022 – presented by Jacqueline Long

Coly Brown motioned to table Tribal Court Assessment from 2022. Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Aric Armell motioned to go into Executive Session at 6:13 p.m. Coly Brown seconded.

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

[Isaac Smith out for fire call]

Kenneth Mallory motioned to come out of Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to table the Tribal Member request from Executive Session item #1. Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Aric Armell motioned to freeze the hiring process of Executive Session Item Education Pathways to Success Project Director. Kenneth Mallory seconded.
OBJECT: Rona Stealer
VOTE: (4) yes, LLR, KM, CB, AA (0) no (2) abstain, LD, RS
Motion carried.

ADJOURN:
Aric Armell motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Rona Stealer seconded.
VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA GENERAL COUNSEL MEETING July 20, 2022

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Isaac Smith
Aric Armell
Louis LaRose
Brian Chamberlain

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT
Kenneth Mallory

OTHERS PRESENT:
Tyler Smith
Cecelia Earth
Brandon Stout
Rose Wakenmann
Palmer Scott
Jennifer BearEagle
Lynelle Blackhawk

CALL TO ORDER:
Chairwoman Kitcheyan called to order at 9:06 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Isaac Smith offered the opening prayer

APPROVE AGENDA:
Aric Armell motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Isaac Smith seconded.
VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

IOWA LAND LEGISLATION:
Discussion.

OKLAHOMA V. CASTRO-HERTA:
Discussion.

LAND MANAGEMENT POLICIES: 1.
1. Resolution – Approving and Increase to the Tribal Agricultural Land Lease Administrative Fee from 3.5% to 5%

Aric Armell motioned to adopt resolution 22-139: Approving increase to Agricultural Lease Administrative fee from 3.5% to 5% effective March 1, 2023. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

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

2. Resolution – Approving Amendments to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Residential Land Leasing Policy Sections 7, 9, and 10

Rona Stealer motioned to table the policy and resolution 22-140: Approving Amendments to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Residential Land Leasing Policy Sections 7, 9, and 10 until the next land meeting. Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

SECRETARIAL ELECTION – Enrollment Discussion:
Survey by interns at the pow-wow of the 4/4. Who is drafting the survey & getting it done?

Isaac Smith is willing to work on it. Isaac Smith will keep it to 3 questions will work with ambassadors, interns, and enrollment.

CARBON PIPELINE UPDATES:
Discussion.

Aric Armell motioned to go into Executive Session at 11:19 a.m. Brian Chamberlain seconded.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

[Louis LaRose out at 1:30 p.m.]

Brian Chamberlain motioned to come out of Executive Session at 1:58 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Brian Chamberlain motioned to authorize the Treasurer to take all actions necessary including working with Legal to alter the Donations Policy. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Brian Chamberlain motioned to authorize the Chair to take all actions necessary to modify a Civil Procedure for the remedy of complaints & fundraising (put statement out to the Community members as to why this was put into place). Aric Armell seconded.
VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Brian Chamberlain motioned to authorize Councilman Smith to take all actions necessary to do a survey regarding enrollment during our upcoming pow-wow.

*Respectfully submitted,
Lorelei DeCora, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

minutes continued in next issue...

HO-CHUNK, INC APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Brought to you by: Ho-Chunk, Inc. Community Impact & Engagement, via Facebook

WINNEBAGO, NE - Meet the new Apprenticeship Program participants!

Sixteen Winnebago High School juniors and seniors are gaining real-world work experience as part of their regular class schedules.

This school year's program kicked off with a meet-and-greet (yes, there was also pizza!). The student apprentices, their families, worksite supervisors, and other staff got a chance to meet, discuss questions and talk about their passions for their careers.

The Apprenticeship Program is designed to provide Winnebago students who are nearing high school graduation with meaningful real-world work opportunities to help enter the workforce career-ready, qualified and confident.

The program is a partnership between the Winnebago Tribe Education Department, Winnebago Public School and Ho-Chunk, Inc.



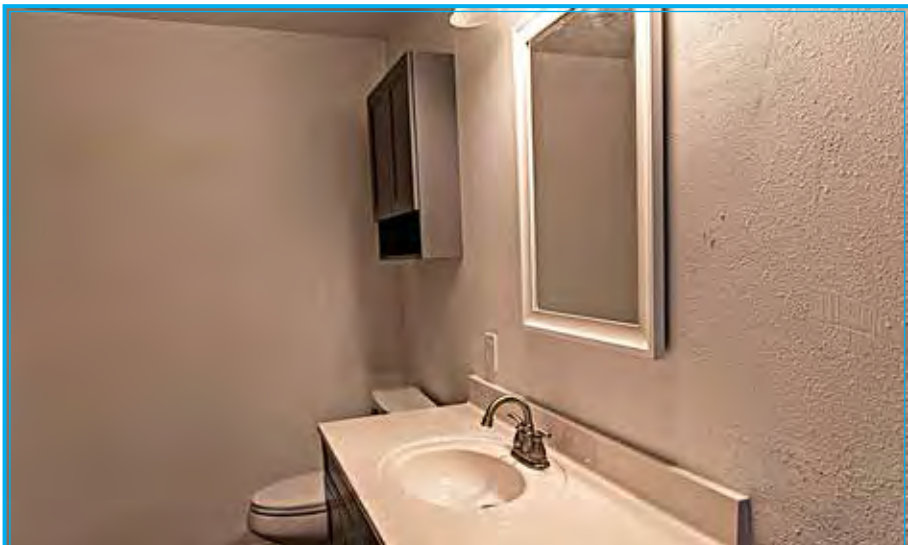
WINNEBAGO TRIBAL HOUSINGS, 4 PLEX APARTMENT COMPLEX RECEIVING INTERIOR FACELIFT

WINNEBAGO, NE - Recently the WIN published an article regarding the Winnebago Tribal Housing's renovations. One apartment is officially complete, the 4 plex will continue to receive renovations.

Originally, the 4plex across from the Winnebago Public School was built in the 90's. When entering your new apartment, you have access to your own security pin. So, the hassle of losing your key or locking yourself out adds a new element of safety to your home. Walking in you will see all new gray tile flooring and walking into the kitchen you will see a beautiful charcoal colored countertop. With all new white cupboard and silver fixtures.

Walking down the hallway the walls are a fresh white color, and as you turn into the bathroom the upgrades continue. With a beautiful new vanity and mirror set, and yes, the toilet is new. This beautiful 2-bedroom apartment will be perfect for your small family.

Currently the Winnebago Tribal Housing is taking applications, but with a small waiting list. It will be worth the wait. Leta Gorrin (manager, Winnebago Tribal Housing) shared, "this is a huge project, and we have a small but experienced maintenance crew. Each apartment will take some time, but I'm happy with how far we have come so far."



COME JOIN US FOR HO-CHUNK, INC.'S ANNUAL WINNEBAGO COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!

FREE MEAL, PRIZE DRAWINGS, ACTIVITY BOOTHS AND MORE!

WHEN: Sept. 21, 2022, 4-7 p.m.
 WHERE: Ho-Chunk Village Farmers Market.
 Look for parking signs and more info to come!

Dinner starts at 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY

LOCAL TALENT SPOTLIGHT: MUSIC ARTIST RYA DON

Written by: Mariah St. Cyr



My name is Mariah Dawn St. Cyr, also known as Rya Don. I come from the On1aha Tribe of Macy, NE. I am also half Ho-Chunk from the Winnebago Tribe on my fathers side. I am bear clan and my traditional name is Whiteplume and my Baptist name is Wind Bear.

My mother is Mia Sue Webster St. Cyr and my father is William Vincent St. Cyr II, who is known to be a champion fancy war dancer in the powwow circuit. My grandparents on my mothers side are Kandyce Colleen Parker and Foster Webster Sr., who had a basketball history with weightlifting and who had also served in the Navy. My grandparents from my fathers side are Ida Mae Saunsoci St. Cyr and Willian1 Vincent St. Cyr who was an actor, performer and also served in the U.S Marine Corp.

I've been writing music for as long as I can remember, it all started at a pretty young age for me. I was about 13 when I started writing poetry and that progressed into me writing lyrics and flows in my teenage years and all through high school.

As performance goes, I still get a little nervous but as soon as I get on stage, it disappears. I always make sure to say a little prayer to myself before I leave my house, it helps me put my mind to ease. I love being on stage and doing what I love, it feeds my soul I guess you can say. And with each performance, I get better and better and that alone makes me strive for more because I know have so much potential to be greater.

The music group I am associated with is MIL MUZIQ which is known for MUZIQ IS LIFE. MIL MUZIQ isn't just based out of Sioux City, but everywhere. Richard "Radio" Miller is the producer for most of our songs that we've done together and when he established the group, he made it his mission to work with artists around the area. We're all in the group to help each other grow as artists and to help each other on our come ups, MIL MUZIQ is more than just a music group, it's a movement.

One of the major performances I was apart of would have to be when I performed with MIL MUZIQ at Saturday In The Park this summer in Sioux City.

I do have an upcoming show this weekend on Saturday, the 3rd which will be at Whiskey Dick's in Sioux City. I will be performing with Mil Muziq as well. It's gonna be a good time and I'm excited to be on the stage again.

And to any of the youth out there that is trying to come out as an artist of any kind, the best advice I can give you is to always be yourself in your music and on stage. There will be times when you come across obstacles but you will overcome them, you just have to keep pushing and keep grinding, it'll be hard but it'll always be worth it in the end. Don't forget to enjoy the ride, enjoy every moment and enjoy your journey along the way because it'll make you appreciate everything you've worked so hard for, worth it.

WAHAĞI WOŠKA HARVEST CELEBRATION & THE GREEN CORN DANCE INVITATION

Written by: Waniġ Co
Lewis "Bleu" St.Cyr



Wahaġi Woška

Harvest Celebration
September 7th, 2022

Green Corn Dance & Traditional Powwow
All dancers and singers are welcome!

STAFF:

Head Man Dancer
John Snowball
Head Lady Dancer
Andy Snowball
M.C.
Garan Coons
Arena Director
Craig Cleveland Jr.
Host Drum
Haylushka

Traditional Games 4pm - 6pm
Cultural Film at 4pm
Dinner at 6pm
Grand Entry at 7pm

Event located at the Veterans Memorial Park
In the event of rain, the location will be moved to BHCC gym.

For more info, contact
Bleu St. Cyr 402-878-4135
or Sunshine Bear 402-257-5587

Sponsored by:



During the fall of 2018, the HoChunk Renaissance program was invited to Wisconsin to take part in a gathering called "Braiding the sacred" hosted by the HoChunk Nation. The gathering consisted of preserving our traditional corn and learning traditional activities such as harvesting a deer, earth cooking, harvesting, a feast and social dances. Which was also accompanied and concluded with our traditional, Green Corn Dance. During this time, the head dancers led with the Green Corn Dance with gourds and with the traditional drum, which is used in the feast lodge. The songs eventually converted to the large drum that we utilize today in our Heruška way of life or also called powwows today. We felt the whole experience was something we wanted to strengthen in our own homelands and our Wisconsin HoChunk relatives encouraged

us to infuse the harvest activities here in Winnebago.

Before we started our gathering in 2019, we consulted with some elders here on the reservation, researched in our tribal archives and historical documents, and had a brief conversation with the historic preservation director in Wisconsin. We wanted to understand of the history and importance behind the Green Corn Dance. As we gathered items from many sources, it was collected to be a spring thru the fall dance as the journey of the growing season is interpreted in the songs. It is also believed that this dance brought the rain to replenish the crops up to the conclusion of the harvest.

I wanted to also acknowledge and share an interpretation written for our annual homecoming celebration program by Les Painter, a Winnebago tribal

member. His interpretation starts from the spring. He states "From the dawn of time many cultures have embraced the celebration of life with the coming of the rains. The Green Corn Dance is one of the oldest dances in existence today. The Winnebago (HoChunk) people are one of those cultures who bring in the new growing season with a dance. The coming of the thunders is one of the most sacred times amongst the Winnebago (HoChunk) people, because it is the awakening of everything that is dormant. The first thunderstorm of the new year, shortly after this time a feast was held to honor the new growing season, thanking the spirits for the coming of the growing season.

After the Winnebago have their annual feast to celebrate the first thunder, they start the planting of their yearly provisions mainly corn, beans, and squash. After the planting is all finished, they begin to celebrate and give thanks to the spirits. They begin the annual Green Corn Dance which will last 3 to 5 days. In the past the dance was led by the chiefs or the holy man of the Winnebago, now today it is led by 2 dancers a male and a female."

Traditionally while under a full moon, the standing songs are in reflection of the corn stalks that sway in the wind. At a certain point, the singer will tell the dancer to start dancing, which leads to the beat changing to begin the dance. As the songs are sung, our songs talked about many occurrences that lead up to the harvest. Just as in the spring, it is our way to end the season to thank the spirits and creator for the food gained in the harvest. It is our belief that our HoChunk people begin with a prayer and conclude with a prayer. This is also another interpretation and additional knowledge of the Green Corn Dance that we continue to preserve since its conception.

The unique songs told the story of what occurs during the lifespan of the overall planting season. It is believed that there are up to 500+ songs since the first initiation many centuries ago. Some

examples are the swans that return or leave, the raccoon and crows who steal the corn, utilizing the turtles shell to use as dish for the harvest, and many more.

Here are a couple interpretations in our Green Corn Dance songs:

Hēx ra hajire no. (The swans are here.)
Goja hože hire no. (They landed over there.)
Wąhą na, sīką ną sūksikire no.
(The crows, have skinny ankles.)
Sīką ną sūksikire no.
(They have skinny ankles.)
He kē šucge nika hāġikra wasge pī (Little red turtle, its back is a good dish.)
hāġikra wasge pī
(the little back is a good dish.)
hāgra wasge pī (the back is a good dish.)
He wake nīka hanīkra wa'e pī (The little raccoons, say something good.)
He wake nīka šic hīkra kirikiriš (The little raccoons, little stripped tails.)
He wake nīka hišjaġikra kirikiriš (The little raccoons, little stripped face.)

It is our mission at HoChunk Renaissance to revitalize the HoChunk language. We also would like to further strengthen our HoChunk heritage by working with other tribal programs and entities within our tribal nation. We appreciate their continuous support to host gatherings such as the Harvest Celebration. Perhaps we may consider enhancing our spring festivities in the near future. It is also important to consider all our tribal dances, including the fish dance, swan dance, and snake dance, all have stories, histories and occur at different times of the year as well.

It is in a good way and our effort to strengthen our traditional songs and revitalize our traditional way of life. We value your support in our efforts and ask you to continue to be active in preserving our language and culture. Our harvest activities will be minimal this year, but we will continue with the highlight of our powwow portion of the gathering. We invite each of you to take part in our annual our Harvest Celebration on September 7th at Veteran's Memorial Park this year. We hope to see you there.

Hōcāk wōška hawaniwina wakaracak egi nikjāk hiwaniwina wagiguş wiaje. Waši eja hanīcakjawi ną.

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