

DECOLONIZING BREASTFEEDING AT THE INDIGENOUS LACTATION TRAINING

Written/Photography by: Jordana R. Bass

Sioux City, IA- Decolonize the boob. At birth an infant's first food is milk, whether that is through breastfeeding or a bottle. Before colonization mothers from all over turtle island are breastfeeding.

On the dates of June 26th - June 30th, 2023, the Indigenous Lactation Training was held for WIC programs from the Mountain Plains region and their community members. It was hosted by the Omaha tribal WIC program. The Tribes in attendance were the Winnebago tribe, Omaha tribe, Isanti, Standing Rock Sioux, and Cheyenne River tribe. It's a five-day, 45-hour foundation lactation education training.

Cami Goldhammer (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate) is a lactation consultant, clinical social worker, and doula who is also one of the instructors of the indigenous lactation counselor training.

She shared "We have trained over 500 indigenous lactation counselors around the US and Canada over the last few years. Our goal is



Cami Goldhammer (left) and Kimberly Morris (right) are Indigenous Lactation Training instructors who travel all over Turtle Island to teach about breastfeeding in Indigenous communities.

to increase the number of lactation educators and counselors in communities."

Breastmilk is the perfect food for your baby and contains just the right amount of nutrients. It's also gentle on your baby's developing stomach, intestines, and other body systems. It's recommended to breastfeed until your baby is 6 months old, then breastfeed with solid foods until they are at least 1-2 years old.

Kimberly Morris (Dine) is a co-instructor for the Indigenous Lactation Training. Expressing "We like to normalize that breast milk is medicine."

Compared with formula, the nutrients in breast milk are better absorbed and used by your baby. Which includes sugar(carbohydrate) and protein. Breastmilk has the nutrients that are best for your baby's brain growth and nervous system development. (hopkinsmedicine.org)

Many other benefits include preventing infections. They may help prevent mild to severe infection. Also, breastfed babies have far fewer digestive, lung, and ear infections, a lower risk for SIDs (sudden infant death syndrome), asthma, and

less diarrhea. Fewer long-term health problems as they grow up, including diabetes and obesity.

Natasha Snow (Bear clan-Winnebago) is the daughter of James Price Sr and Annette Levering. She's the granddaughter of Marvin Tasso and Eloise Whitebear, as well as Ellen Bigbear-Levering and Nelson Levering.

She was one of the attendants at the training she shared "Milk is designed specifically for your child, based on your child's needs, not on something that is bought in stores. You can't mimic breast milk. Nothing compares to it. It's fresh daily, every day it's different, it's a different type of nourishment for your child that formula cannot offer."

Some of the common formula ingredients and components are - protein, fat, carbohydrate, vitamins, minerals, and other nutrients.

Formulas are commonly differentiated by the types of proteins they use. Which may be based on cowmilk, protein, soy protein, partially hydrolyzed protein, extensively hydrolyzed protein, or amino acid-based protein. (medicalhomeportal.org)

Well for one, we aren't cows so breast milk

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BAGO BITS

By: Tyler Snake



On Jul 29, 2023 the Winnebago Public School Board had a groundbreaking for the new Social and Emotional Resource Center. Winnebago Tribal Council Member Isaac Smith shared the importance of mental health for youth, and offering a word of prayer. Pinagigi for those that made mental health a top priority in Winnebago



July 3rd the Communications department hosted our 2nd annual Community Blast event! A cornhole tournament was held, 600 firework pales were distributed to the youth and their families! Door prizes and firework bundles were given away, Wild Life and Parks cooked up, Face painters were face painting Lol, We had a 360-photo booth, couple bounce houses going, DJ Bleu was there DJ'in, Super Mario movie played to conclude the event! Overall, it was a good time for the community, The purpose of this event is to have something to get the kids ready for the 4th of July, due to Winnebago's firework display being moved closer to the Homecoming Powwow. Safe to say we handled that! Shoutout to everyone who helped make this event happen for the youth, Worth it for all the smiles!!



Left: Tobacco, sage, sweetgrass and cedar are 4 of our traditional medicines.



Attendants beaded pins. Inside were stuffed with the 4 traditional medicines.

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A.G. (Born 03/2022)

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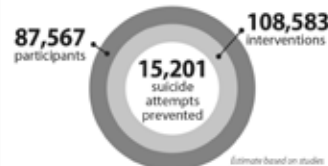
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BREASTFEEDING

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seems like the way to go.

Many of the attendants learned something new regarding breastfeeding. Snow shared “I’ve learned so many things in this training that I have never known before, things I wasn’t told I learned here.”

Breastfeeding also helps a mother form a bond and connection with each other. Snow shared “You’re keeping your baby alive with milk that comes from your breasts. My milk is my medicine, my milk grows my baby.”

Growing up breastfeeding was a way of life for her family. Adding “I’ve always seen breastfeeding on my mother’s side. My first memory is when one of my little sisters was born, all my aunties and grandmothers were there. The first time I met her she was breastfeeding.”

It was generational, Snow was breastfed, and she also did for her two kids.

However, not every mother or child is breastfed.

Tiana Earth-Bass (Nacgi Pi “Good Heart”- Bear clan) is the daughter of Monica Smith and Greg Bass Jr. She’s the granddaughter of Grace Earth & John Smith, and Janet & Greg Bass Sr.

As a baby Earth was formula fed, but as a young mother, she has chosen to breastfeed her two sons, she says “I had already planned to breastfeed because my older sister had breastfed her son and was supportive of it. I got to see both sides because then another one of my

sisters formula-fed her kids.”

Statistically, indigenous mothers and babies represent one of the lowest exclusive breastfeeding rates at six months of age (American Academy of Pediatrics) of any race in the nation. (faleresouces.org)

Although breastfeeding is great for the baby it takes a toll on a mother’s physical and mental health.” I balanced nursing and pumping to take care of the physical part. If I nursed too much, then it would be kind of painful.” Earth shared.

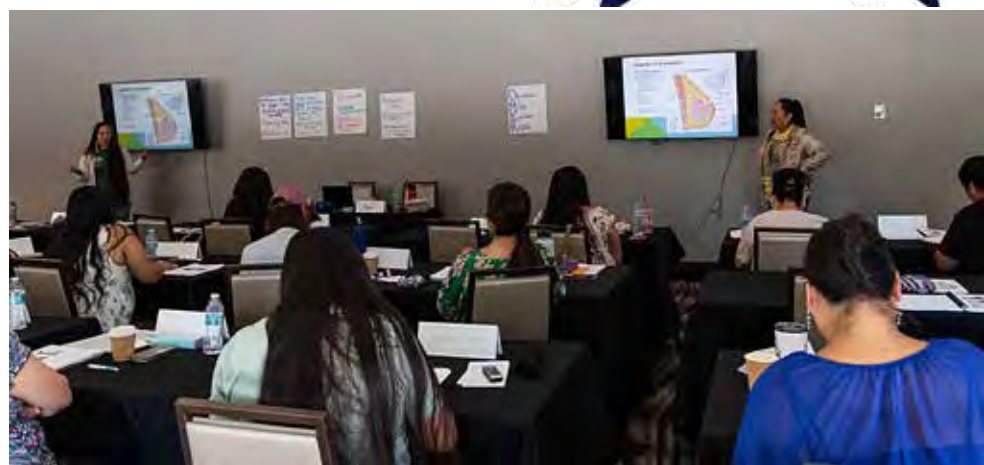
“When they’ve become sick, they truly just need you, and you have to see them sick, and to be the one to take care of them when they’re sick.”

Circling back to the traditional aspects of breastfeeding. Morris expressed “We like to refer to it as that first milk for babies, that it does not only make babies healthy but moms too. With bonding and attachment and reclaiming that.”

In the Indigenous Lactation Training, Goldhammer and Morris teach breastfeeding as a cultural practice and how to bring that back to our communities. By sharing the knowledge to bring that back to our relatives.

Snow expressed “I think the Tribe should make it a priority to celebrate World Breastfeeding Month, which is in August. From the 8th to the 14th of August is Indigenous Milk Medicine Week.”

Breastfeeding is the truest form of food sovereignty and breastfeeding breast milk is our first traditional food.



The instructors had tons of presentations to discuss different topics, while attendee's beaded.

Breast milk	
growth factors	
white cells	
antibodies	
viral fragments	
immunoglobulins	
transfer factors	
hormones	
enzymes	
oligosaccharides	
bifidus factor	
vitamins and minerals	
carbohydrate	
fat	
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Breastmilk contains at least 34 important ingredients not found in infant formula

'CAPITALISM WITH A HEART': HOW HO-CHUNK INC. STRENGTHENS TRIBAL COMMUNITY IN WINNEBAGO

Originally shared: Rural Radio.com



Sunshine Thomas Bear bought her six-bedroom home in Ho-Chunk Village 2.0 in October 2022, thanks in part to \$75,000 in down payment assistance from Ho-Chunk Inc. — an economic development corporation owned by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Photo by Brian Beach, Nebraska News Service

WINNEBAGO — In February 2012, Sunshine Thomas Bear promised her nine children that one day, she would be able to buy them a house.

She had just been evicted from her previous home and had to move around from place to place to raise her family.

But in October 2022, more than 10 years later, she was able to make good on her promise.

“It wasn’t as quick as I wanted it,” she said, laughing. “But everything I did was for my children and to be able to be somewhere where we wouldn’t have to be asked to leave.”

Today, Thomas Bear is the proud owner of a newly constructed six-bedroom home in Ho-Chunk Village 2.0 — a new 40-acre neighborhood with plans for more than 100 housing units on the north side of Winnebago, located on the Winnebago

Reservation in northeast Nebraska.

Thomas Bear is a member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, which allowed her to receive \$75,000 to make a down payment on her home thanks to Ho-Chunk Incorporated, the economic development agency owned by the tribe.

“I don’t think that I would have been able to buy a home had we not had the down payment assistance — especially right now, with the market these days,” Thomas Bear said.

TIDE IS SHIFTING

Stories like Thomas Bear’s were nearly unheard of on the Winnebago Reservation 30 years ago.

Like many Native American reservations, poverty and unemployment were high in the community, while the availability of quality housing was low.

“A lot of the people lived in substandard housing and had no opportunity for growth unless it was off the reservation,” Thomas Bear said. “When I was a child, it was like the Dust Bowl here.”

But in recent years, the tide has shifted in Winnebago — and not just through the down payment assistance program.

A wide array of economic development spearheaded by Ho-Chunk Inc. and its fearless president and CEO, Lance Morgan, has diversified the tribe’s revenue streams and created a burgeoning middle class on the reservation.

Land buy-back initiatives, new housing developments and economic assistance programs have provided the potential for many Winnebago to achieve generational wealth — an unprecedented step given the tribe’s history of government oppression.

For Morgan, the vision began in the 1980s when he was growing up on the reservation and heard tribal leaders discuss their dreams for Winnebago’s future. He remembered thinking, “I could do that.”

But in his adolescence, Morgan said he did not plan to work on the Winnebago Reservation and instead saw a future in business and corporate development, neither of which were consistent on Native American reservations at the time.

He earned an economics degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, a law degree from Harvard, where he studied Indian Corporate Law, and a job working at a prestigious law firm in Minnesota.

But the economic situation on the reservation remained dire, and it appeared it could get much worse in the mid-1990s when Iowa removed restrictions for casinos on non-reservation land. This hurt the Winnebago-owned WinnaVegas casino near Sloan, Iowa, located on the Winnebago reservation, which previously held a monopoly on the kind of gaming that would soon be permitted statewide.

Once the casinos in Council Bluffs became viable alternatives to WinnaVegas, Morgan said the casino lost 80% of its profits and had to lay off 300 people.

The tribe had to diversify its revenue sources beyond casino gambling, and Morgan’s education in tribal economic development made him the right man to lead the way.

“It wasn’t really my plan,” he said. “It was more of my passion.”

TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LAUNCHED

Morgan decided to leave his job in Minnesota to return to Winnebago and launch a new, tribal-owned economic development agency.

“I had an office on the 19th floor, and the next thing you know, I’m in my apartment starting a business on the reservation,” he said. “My father thought I must have been insane.”

That business was named Ho-Chunk Inc. after the traditional name for the Winnebago people, Hochungra, which is often shortened to Ho-Chunk, making the English translation of the company, “The People, Incorporated.”

Since its founding in 1994, the corporation has grown from a \$108,000 discretionary budget to making more than \$390 million in revenue last year.

Morgan’s father, Dwight, has since changed his mind about his son’s sanity and now lives in a house built by a Ho-Chunk Inc. company in a new Winnebago neighborhood Ho-Chunk Inc. developed.

“His perspective has changed a little bit,” Morgan said, chuckling.

Ho-Chunk Inc. is distinctive from most other large businesses in the state because of its commitment to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska instead of corporate shareholders, Morgan said.

“We don’t want to be IBM or Microsoft or something like that. We want to be the best tribal corporation we can be,” he said. “We’re going to be capitalism with a heart.”

CREATING COMPANIES FROM THIN AIR

Government contracts make up the biggest business for

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COMMUNITY MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - MICHAEL SNAKE

Written by: Allison Levering, WIN REPORTER



Above: Michael Snake catching air during one of his tricks.

Skateboarding isn't the first sport that comes to mind when thinking about Winnebago athletes, but for Michael Snake, Skateboarding means freedom. For over a decade, Michael skated in basements, the streets of Winnebago in the rain and snow, or any other place with a bit of concrete.

The WIN recently had the opportunity to talk with Michael Snake (Waaksik Pii Ga "Peace Maker" – Snake clan) – the son of Stuart (Bully) Snake Sr. and Hilery Spray.

His recent involvement in a skating competition hosted by one of Mike's most prominent role models, legendary professional skater, Tony Hawk. The Skate Park Hero Competition has been ongoing since May 2023.

In this online Competition, two individuals will emerge as champions. First, a "People's Choice" winner will be crowned the

Skatepark Hero through public online voting. This victor will receive \$10,000 and an unforgettable experience: a skate session alongside the cultural icon Tony Hawk.

Another gifted skateboarder will earn the title of "Tony's Pick" by impressing Hawk himself with their exceptional boardslide and/or lip slide skills, landing them a skate session with the legend as well. Snake is currently first in his quarter-finals group division and will hopefully advance to the semi-finals and rely on another round of online voting to get into the final round.

His passion for skateboarding began very young after playing Tony Hawk's "Pro Skater" video game. He liked the characters and wanted to do the tricks they were doing in the game himself. He then spent most of his free time practicing tricks on a skateboard from Walmart and eventually mastering

his favorite tricks.

He was very inspired by Tony Hawk and considered him a hero because he met stardom from poverty. Michael says he moved back to the Winnebago reservation at age eleven, took skateboarding into full swing, and wanted to skateboard as much as possible.

He also says that he never really took to sports other than skateboarding because he was attracted to it. He has been skating since then, stating, "Not a single day goes by where I don't think of a new skate trick to try. I'm obsessive about it, and that's why I love it." The rest is history.

Snakesaysifhewonthe Skate Park Hero Competition, he would utilize his winnings to construct a skate park in Winnebago. "Growing up, I never had an accessible skate park, so this would be full circle for me; it is a dream of mine to support those kids that are misunderstood. Skateboarding, for me, growing up, was always looked at in a negative light. We sometimes get a bad rap for our actions, but this never made me want to quit. Honestly, it had quite the opposite effect on me. I wanted to do it as much as possible because the skatepark is where I found peace and friends who shared this unique perspective with me. It gave me a community in a place where I felt rather not accepted or supported. That was powerful for me."

His message to

the youth interested in taking skateboarding to a higher level is "Believe in yourself always, even when it's hard. Believe in yourself when no one really does. You got to have faith that you have it all, and you got to have faith that God gave you everything you need to succeed. Whatever you do, as long as you put forth the effort and focus necessary, you can make something beautiful."

Skateboarding has recently been recognized as an Olympic sport, with the community growing more each year. Snake describes what he would do with his skatepark to build a skate community.

"This park would be a beautiful facility with many events and contests. It would pull tons of people to come and visit our park, creating a diverse atmosphere. It would reduce the amount of skateboarders in the streets or on the road. It would reduce the damage caused by us skating where we aren't supposed to. It would allow us to grow as a community of diverse indigenous people with various likes and interests."

He adds, "This is a future I pray for, and I know many people do as well. We have one more week of voting. You can vote daily at SkateParkhero.org./2023/michaelsnake. Voting is absolutely free, and I love your vote to continue this journey I'm on. Pinagigi, thank you for listening."

Voting for Tony Hawks Skate Park Hero Competition concludes on July 7th. Be sure to vote for Michael and share the link with friends and family. Thank you, Michael, for your dedication and love for giving back to the Winnebago community.



Throwback photo of Michael. Building is behind the Tribal Chambers and in between Whirling Thunder Pool.



Throwback photo of Michael. location is at the Little Priest apartments here in Winnebago.

MEET JOCELYN PARKER



It was just a little sunny this day. She isn't saluting.

The Winnebago Indian News office has welcomed a new Summer Youth Employee! Jocelyn is the daughter of Rhiannon Walker and Mark Parker. She will be starting her sophomore year of high school at Homer Public School. Some of her interests include Cross Country and Jingle Dress dancing.

This summer some of her projects will include photography, learning more about journalism, writing her own articles, organizing the WIN newspaper archives, helping out at different community events, and assisting WIN editor with the writing process.

Already Jocelyn has jumped in took photos of the Annual Health Fair that was recently hosted at the Twelve Clans Unity Hospital. As well as interviewing one of her peers from the Summer Youth Employment program.

She has already expressed an interest in writing and photography. We also notice she gets bored easy, so we need to load her up with tasks. ;)

We look forward to working with Jocelyn, and keep a look out for more articles written by her!



Just a preview of what Jocelyn has done so far. We for sure need help at all the events this summer!

FINAL VOTERS LIST FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL

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Aldrich, Tewentenhawihtha	Bigfire, Nathaniel Charles	Cleveland, Caden Joseph	Fourcloud Jr, Louis Francis
Aldrich, Trina Marie	Bigfire, Raelyn Marie	Cleveland, Carol Lee	Fourcloud Sr, Louis Francis
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Armell Sr., Robert Eugene	Bigfire, Wakaja Ma' Inga	Cleveland, Manapexoonuga	Frazier Sr., Eugene Michael
Armell, Aric Dustin	Bigfire, Wiconi Sage	Cleveland, Manazheega	Frazier, Alayah Racine
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Armell, Cletus Antoine	Bird, Ethan Dion	Cleveland, Noel Violet	Fraizer, Ireta Ann
Armell, Isaiah James	Bird, Janet Marie	Cohen, Claudine Emmalene	Frazier, Reginald Ray
Armell, James Charles	Bird, Jason Fontenelle	Colvin, Jasmine Rae	Frazier, Shanna Lanae
Armell, Jeffrey Lynn	Bird, Jo-Leah Elizabeth	Contreras, Oyate Nawicakci Jin Win	Free Jr, Clinton Jerome
Armell, Margaret Susan	Bird, Marc Evans	Cook, Jamay Ray	Free Jr, Jason Alan
Armell, Mitchell Wayne	Bird, Michael Alfred	Cox, Amethyst Jade	Free, Alan Wayne
Armell, Robyn Lilly Ann	Bird, Tahrell Francis	Cox, Calvin Carl	Free, Allise Leslie
Armell, Winona Ann	Blackbird, Ivory Rose	Cox, Leland Joseph	Free, Alyssa Deeann
Armell-Walker, Olivia Louise	Blackbird, Phoebe Cecelia	Cox, Michelle Colette	Free, Clinton Jerome
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Baker, Darwin Robinson	Blackfish, Antoinette Michaelene	Decora Sr., Mark Lee	Free, Naonda Rose
Baker, Joanne Frances	Blackfish, Brandon Drey	DeCora Sr., Eugene Ray	Free, Trenton Eugene
Baker, John Dorsey	Blackfish, Cassie Shelese	Decora, Allison Marie	Free, Zacheriah Cade
Baker, Karl Edgar	Blackfish, Dawn Laree	Decora, Amanda Joy	Free-Frenchman, Brandy Richelle
Baker, Ramona Marie	Blackfish, Duran Michael	Decora, Brandy Lee	Freemont Jr, Harvey Lee
Baker, Tanya Marie	Blackfish, Durnell Michael	Decora, Dennis Lee	Freemont Jr, Logan Lee
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Bass III, Vincent Lloyd	Blackfish, Mason Daniel	Decora, Edith Marie	Freemont, Isabel Jones
Bass Jr, Gregory Quinn	Blackfish, Matthew Allen	Decora, Jada Rae	Freemont, Navasha Marie
Bass Jr, Vincent Lloyd	Blackfish, Michelle Lynn	Decora, Joseph Rayshawn	Frenchman, Allie Hunter
Bass Sr., Gregory Quinn	Blackfish, Mindy Anay	Decora, Kandy Lee	Frenchman, Alonzo James
Bass, Alyssa Kyrene	Blackfish, Setia Rae	Decora, Kelsi Rayne	Frenchman, Angel Leigh
Bass, Amanda Lynn	Blackfish, Sheldon Cain	Decora, Kenneth Allen Keith	Frenchman, Belle Hart
Bass, Annette Nichole	Blackfish-Kearnes, Dessiah Marae	Decora, Leonard Benjamin	Frenchman, Blake Roger
Bass, Brooke Lynn	Blackhawk, Adrienne Dawn	Decora, Lorelei Hope	Frenchman, Catherine Theresa
Bass, Buffalo	Blackhawk, Coty Jon	Decora, Lucian Lewis	Frenchman, Evangeline Ella
Bass, Derrick James	Blackhawk, Evan Drew	Decora, Mackenzie Rose	Frenchman, Illeana Linae
Bass, Janet Louise	Blackhawk, Felicia Jade	Decora, Martina Delores	Frenchman, James Lawrence
Bass, Ja'Rius Terence Q.	Blackhawk, John Wayne	Decora, Mitchell Lee	Frenchman, Landon James
Bass, Jessica Etoile	Blackhawk, Kayleen Alivia	Decora, Rebecca Sue	Frenchman, Loni Lee
Bass, Jordana Renee	Blackhawk, Kenneth Avery	Decora, Reva Jean	Frenchman, Melton James
Bass, Joyce Jeanette	Blackhawk, Levi Juwan	Decora, Wilbur Joseph	Frenchman, Nebraska Cain
Bass, Karen Lynn	Blackhawk, Mark Anthony	Doxey, Nila Marie	Frenchman, Teddy Jay
Bass, Keri Lyn	Blackhawk, Prosper John	Duong, Lien Ngoc	Frenchman, Terrance James
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Bass, Leatha Margaret	Blackhawk, Reuben James	Eagle, Caprial Donalda	Galloway, Rodney Warren
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Bass, Marie Mary	Blackhawk-Bury, Dawnita Lee	Earth, Anna Marie	Ghostdog, Jordan Jules
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Bass, Vincent Lloyd	Bouchal, John Michael	Earth, Ari-el Lo-rell	Gilpin, Corrine Joy
Bass, William Vincent	Brown Jr, Herman Christopher	Earth, Cecelia Dara	Gilpin, Laurice Marie
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Bassette, Lawrence Steven	Brown, Samantha Fay	Earth, Erin Jane	Goodman, Henry Rice
Bassette, Malachi Cain	Brownrigg, Alexander Seth	Earth, Feather Dawn	Goodman, Sincere Cali
Bassette, Norma Jean	Brownrigg, Christian Allen	Earth, Georgine Charrisa	Goodshield, Theresa Mae
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Bear, Jaralyn Jayne	Buchanan, Anthony James	Earth, Kae Lynne	Grant, Krystal Rose
Bear, Jeremy Michael	Buchanan, Lauren Leanne	Earth, Katherine Ann	Grant, Marilyn Louise
Bear, Jesse Arthur	Buchanan, Matha Ellen	Earth, Kyla Ashlyn	Grant, Ramona Felisha
Bear, Robin Ann	Buchanan, Ruben James	Earth, Kyla Ashlyn	Grasty, Chuskae Torah
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			Harden, Jaylen Reece
			Harden, Kassie Sanae
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			Harden, Sianne Jade
			Harden, Taryn Diane
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			Harlan, Michael Angelo
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			Hensley, Richard Henry
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			Holstein, Ladonna Mae
			Holstein, Leo Robert
			Holstein, Marian Dorothy
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			Horn, Benjamin Anthony
			Horn, Kandyce Lynn
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			Horn, Shanelle Tempestt
			Horton, Leroy Robinson
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			Houghton Jr, Louis Cornelius
			Houghton Sr., Daniel Owen
			Houghton, Christoper Louis
			Houghton, Dorothy Luella
			Houghton, Fay Ann
			Houghton, Misty Rae
			Houghton, Shai-Leigh Mae
			Houghton, Tamara Jeanette
			Houston, Apollo Asa
			Huffman, Aleah Maniwiwinga
			Huffman, Fred Lee
			Huffman, Laura Leah
			Huffman, Raven Lee
			Hulit, Walter James
			Hunter, Alexandria Paige
			Hunter, Dion Lee
			Hunter, Leah Marie
			Hunter, Louise Mae
			Hutchinson, Luella Mae
			Jacobs, Parrish Jaylin
			James, Timory Jovan
			Jandreau, Dimitry Kane
			Jandreau, Kacey Collette
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			Johnson, Nicholas Ryan
			Johnson, Toryann Renee
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			Kearnes Sr, Rocky Everette
			Kearnes, Acacia Jarai
			Kearnes, Bernice Danelle
			Kearnes, Caleb Michael
			Kearnes, Jenny Joanne
			Kearnes, Lilly Rainbow
			Kearnes, Mary Ann
			Kearnes, Richard Dickson
			Kearnes, Richelle Rae
			Kearnes-Loera, Angel Gustavo
			Kearnes-Loera, Ravyn Deetta
			Kearnes-Walker, Keithen Jaleel Richard
			Keller, Tonia Louise
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			Kelsey Sr, Wayne Charles
			Kelsey, Jillian Angeline
			Kelsey, Kellen Winfield
			Kelsey, Mary Jean
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			Kennedy, Bruce
			Kennedy, Carmella Victoria
			Kennedy, Hoonch-Gee-peenay-ga
			Kennedy, Matthew Ryan
			Kennedy, Skylar Alexandria
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			Kinchelow, Tracy Loretta
			Kitcheyan Jr, Vincent James
			Kitcheyan, Aameah Rose
			Kitcheyan, Billie Fawn
			Kitcheyan, Cassie Joy
			Kitcheyan, Deshawn James
			Kitcheyan, Desiree Joyce
			Kitcheyan, Victoria Rae
			Koehler, Joshua David
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			Kuntz, Amaree William

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 Lapointe, Viola Elizabeth
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 Larose, Samuel Van
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 Larose, Tyrone Carter
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 Loera, Amarro Tical
 Loera, Anna Marie
 Loera, Armando Ramos
 Loera, James Michael
 Loera, Miyayiah Marie
 Loera, Ramon Francisco
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 Lonewolf, Shay Lynn
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 Mallory, Kenneth Wayne
 Mallory, Lou Ann
 Mallory, Nakia Allen
 Mallory, Valerie Marie
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 Marr, Jordin Lee
 Marr, Michelle Lee
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40 Years Ago, the Flood Waters Came

Thursday, June 2, 1983



Awful Destruction From Flood Showed in Daylight

Written by
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The year was 1940, June 1st, the place, our home town Winnebago, in the heart of the Winnebago Indian Reservation. People in this rural community were trying desperately to pull out of the dry "dust bowl" thirties and a promising rain was very welcome. But what happened that night proved to be a terrible tragedy.

I was one of several employees at Sam Rivin's department store. We sold groceries, meats, ready to wear, shoes, price goods and many other products. Much of the packaging was done in the store by the help. It was also a market for farmers' eggs, cream, butter, chickens, etc. usually in exchange for their weekly supply of groceries.

Having gone to Winnebago Public School, I'd made friends among the younger Indian people, and now I was getting acquainted with their parents and grandparents, some of whom still spoke their native tongue. I soon responded to "He-Nook-Sa-Dach," meaning tall girl in Winnebago.

The hitching posts that lined the west side of the store on Frog Level (a name given to the lower part of town near Omaha Creek) weren't full on this week day as they would have been on a Saturday. Most everyone did their trading (we didn't call it shopping then) on Saturday or Saturday night.

Another big day of the week was when the local trucker, George Lipp, brought a fresh supply of groceries from Sioux City. Not to be confused with today's fancy big refrigerated semis, this truck served a dual purpose, often hauling livestock to Sioux City and bringing back merchandise. I even remember riding to 4-H Camp at Crystal Lake in that truck!

As I recall, it was business as usual that fateful day, but the truck was a little late, arriving about 6 p.m., something the employees didn't particularly like as we helped unload and put things in place. I was especially uneasy as a very dark cloud was forming in the west and I was concentrating on the 1 1/2 mile walk to our farm home west of town.

As soon as possible we closed the store and hurried to or respective homes. I arrived just as it was sprinkling good and was greeted by anxious parents who didn't trust my youthful judgement of the approaching cloud. The rain came harder and harder and finally actually fell in sheets, a torrential downpour all night. I remember my dad saying, "People could die in Winnebago." We did hear sirens, warning the residents near Omaha Creek to evacuate their homes. Many hesitated to leave.

The next morning the terrible truth was revealed. The entire Lipp family of five were gone, with the exception of the oldest daughter, who was found clinging to a tree. Also lost was a young Indian girl by the name of Tebo who was with the Lipp family at the time. The depot agent, a newcomer, was sleeping in the depot as it was washed away and an older lady by the name of Gatzemeyer was also a victim.

It was said that the water came like a wall before

the daylight hours. Sam Rivin, John McCluhan and Jack Marco spent the night on the roof of the Cherny and Watson Lumber Yard just south of the store, having a bird's eye view, seeing other buildings succumb while that one stood. The Rivin store also stayed, the fast-moving water crashing through the back and on through the front window, taking much with it and leaving muddy debris inside.

The gruesome task of searching for the missing began immediately, with everyone helping in the "true small town spirit." As I recall, all the bodies were found within two or three weeks.

Among the men who worked at the Rivin store (not all at the same time) were Slim Mason, George Black, Sammy Levine, Bud Orr and J.M. Ross. I don't remember exactly who of these helped with the clean up, but after about two days, the long-time lady clerk, Lela Armece, and I took up our duties. Canned goods without labels were sold for 5 cents and 10 cents a can. Wet, dirty piece goods was measured off at a nickel a yard. After being thoroughly soaked and washed, it was suitable for home made garments.

Eventually, the Rivin business took over a building on main street and with new stock started again. The drug store also moved to a new location. The pharmacists were Bill and Mavis Mast.

There was a great deal of bridge damage along Omaha Creek, but the bridge just west of town did not go out. Only the approaches were washed away, and they were covered with bridge planks and could be crossed by foot only, suiting my mode of travel.

Like most tragic events, there were heroes. In this case there was a heroine, our local telephone operator, who was said to have stayed at her switchboard long after her life was in danger. She was Mrs. Claude Granger, who survived. Many people who alerted others of the danger and helped them leave were putting their own lives in jeopardy, as did those who searched for and found the victims later. Much of this searching took place north of Winnebago, even in Dakota County, as the Omaha is known as one of the few creeks that runs north.

The Red Cross also deserved recognition, as they promptly set up quarters in the public school, serving food and providing bedding and clothing. They also administered typhoid shots to all going back to work in the area.

Although some changes took place, much of Frog Level was never rebuilt. To those of us who grew up there, the old hometown was never the same after the Flood of 1940.

(Editor's Note: This article by Mrs. Frazee, who lives near Walthill, was written at the request of Everett Kilzer of Walthill, president of the Winnebago alumni association. A picture submitted with the article by Kilzer showing the extensive damage done by the flood could not be used because of its deteriorated condition. The article appears 43 years to the day after the flood hit Winnebago.)

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THROWBACK ARTICLE FROM THE WINNEBAGO INDIAN NEWS

Recently, an elder from our community had stopped by the WIN office to share an article that was published back in the year 1940.

She had shared of an event regarding a flood that took place when she was a dispatcher for the Winnebago Police Department. She told us about the story of a non-native family living on a farm out towards the East of the Winnebago reservation. Here is the article. She shared with us "I've wanted to stop up for

the last two years to share this. But finally made time today." Pinagigi to her for sharing this little bit of forgotten history with the community.

Editors note: the conversation was interesting, but we forgot to write and take note of our elder who shared this knowledge with us. She made mention, "Winnebago was such a thriving little community back then. But after that flood, it wiped out most of the businesses in town."



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Submitted by: Pastor Ricky Jacobs

The life of a follower of Jesus is one of service - service to one's Creator and to one's neighbor, beginning in the home and extending outward from there. This life of service is a life of humility.

Paul wrote to all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons, these words:

'So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father' [Philippians 2:1-11 ESV].

I have been called, like Paul before me, to humbly serve our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I have been called to preach the Word of God, both the Law and the Gospel. Calling secure sinners to repent of their rebellious ways - even those in my church; as well as preaching the Good News of God's grace to those who are alarmed sinners.

I close with the words that Paul wrote, prior to his third visit to the saints at Corinth, near the end of his second letter:

'Have you been thinking all along that we have been defending ourselves to you? It is in the sight of God that we have been speaking in Christ, and all for your upbuilding, beloved. For I fear that perhaps when I come I may find you not as I wish, and that you may find me not as you wish—that perhaps there may be quarreling, jealousy, anger, hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder. I fear that when I come again my God may humble me before you, and I may have to mourn over many of those who sinned earlier and have not repented of the impurity, sexual immorality, and sensuality that they have practiced' [2nd Corinthians 12:19-21 (ESV)].

SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PT. 30, CONTINUED...

Submitted by: Youth Crisis Intervention Center



Winnebago Youth Crisis Intervention Center and Youth Shelter

Some of the things that parents go through are really awful. That is a fact, and there's nothing wrong with your child seeing your distress; after all, she is learning that life can indeed be hard at times. But to learn resilience, she also needs to see you cope and then gradually recover. That's the real life lesson she learns by watching how you handle things.

When things go wrong, you can model resilience by:

- appropriately expressing your anger, hurt, loss;
- showing that you go to trusted persons (including health professionals) to talk things over and ask for help;
- showing confidence (sometimes even when you don't feel it) that you're going to handle the problem;
- showing your pride when you do solve the problem, or make a step in addressing part of it.

If you are pretty good at regaining stability after a bad experience, you only need to let your child see how you do it. If you are depressed or stuck in negative territory, be aware that your child is watching - and learning from - you. Get help so that you can move on; there's nothing wrong with letting your child know: "I'm seeing a counselor, someone who can help me fix what's wrong so I can feel better." A final point; although you want to model resilience, it's the child's resilience we're concerned with here. If things in your life cause you to lose your temper, don't try to fool yourself that giving him a quick hug afterwards makes everything okay. You may feel better, but he's likely to feel hurt and confused by your mixed messages. If you recognize that this a pattern of behavior, you'll probably benefit from getting help to change it; and this is a life lesson in resilience you want your child to copy.

What could make a four-year-old depressed? Why would a 10-year-old become angry all the time? What would lead a 13-year-old to withdraw from social activities? The answer? Lots of things! And some are the same things

that hurt adults:

- the loss of a loved one;
- parental separation or divorce;
- physical (including sexual) abuse of himself or a sibling;
- witnessing violence or substance abuse at home, or in the neighborhood;
- poverty, and the worry that it brings;
- parental job loss;
- a serious illness of either the parent or the child.

You know what these things feel like; you know too that it can take some work and some time to get over them. Your child is likely to have the same range of emotional responses as you do, but probably with a good deal more doubt and fear. The fact is that children do not see things just the way adults do and sometimes the parent barely notices what is, for the child, a traumatic experience. Some examples of these:

- being and/or feeling different from other kids;
- difficulty measuring up to expectations;
- parents who may fight a lot, leading the child to fear a divorce even when there's none being considered;
- being excluded or bullied at school;
- being humiliated in front of others;
- frequent moves, especially if the child is the quiet type;
- absence of parent.

Adults need to also remember that their greater experience with life may mean they tend to dismiss as just "a little bump in the road" what is for a child a big deal. If you think back to your own childhood, you can easily understand how adults make light of something that is huge in the eyes of a child - and, the fact is, some things are huge for a person of any age.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), Winnebago Behavioral Health 1-402-878-2911, After Hours Crisis # 1-712-259-3263.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

minutes continued from last issue...

Brian Chamberlain motioned to go into Executive Session at 1:32 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Isaac Smith motioned to come out of Executive Session at 1:37 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Isaac Smith motioned to authorize Domestic Violence to take all actions necessary to assist a client. Aric Armell seconded.

OBJECT:
Kenneth Mallory, Louis LaRose

VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (2) abstain, KM, LLR *Motion carried.*

Aric Armell motioned to agree with the 9,000 acres in the B.A. Anderson Land Purchase. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Brian Chamberlain motioned to authorize the Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer to take all actions necessary to promulgate the B.A. Anderson Land Purchase. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

ADJOURN:
Brian Chamberlain motioned to adjourn at 2:02 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

Chairwoman Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting.

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA HCI ANNUAL PROGRAM PLAN APRIL 24, 2023

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Louis LaRose
Aric Armell
Kenneth Mallory

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Isaac Smith (leave)
Victoria Kitcheyan (travel)

OTHERS PRESENT:
Aaron LaPointe
Melanie Parker
Annette Hamilton
Lynelle Blackhawk
Esther Mercer
Lance Morgan

CALL TO ORDER:
Secretary Lorelei DeCora called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER:
Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:
Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the agenda. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

HCI ANNUAL PROGRAM PLAN:
Aric Armell motioned to table until we find a time for more Tribal Council to be here. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

ADJOURN:
Aric Armell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:20 p.m. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

Secretary Lorelei adjourned the meeting.

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA FIRE DEPARTMENT AND LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT MEETING April 24, 2023

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Lynelle Blackhawk
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Kenneth Mallory
Isaac Smith
Aric Armell
Louis LaRose

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan (travel)
Coly Brown (leave)

OTHERS PRESENT:
Esther Mercer
Kellie Snow
Cecelia Earth
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CALL TO ORDER:
Vice-Chairman Chamberlain called to order at 10:09 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER:
Kenneth Mallory offered the opening prayer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:
Presented by Isaac Smith, Fire Chief/Tribal Council member.

- 9 members attended training in Flandreau, SD and are certified as pyro-technicians.

- Arial truck failed a test, (ladder failure) and is parked.

- 6 fire hydrants down in the Kelly. IHS will fund 12 repairs in the system. Winnebago carries 3 different types.

- New EMS Building issues on land.

Aric Armell motioned to accept the Fire Department report as presented. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

- Discussion on Fire extinguisher need for tribal member home units.

RECESS: 10:35 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

ADJOURN:
Rona Stealer motioned to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. Aric Armell seconded.

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

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT MEETING April 28, 2023

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Louis LaRose

Aric Armell

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Victoria Kitcheyan (leave)
Isaac Smith (leave)
Kenneth Mallory

OTHERS PRESENT:
Jason Lawrence
Christina Parker
Esther Mercer
Lynelle Blackhawk
Teresa Littlegeorge
Justin Smidt
Julia Starr

CALL TO ORDER:
Vice Chairman Chamberlain called to order at 2:07 p.m.

APPROVE AGENDA:
Law Enforcement Services, Communications, MMIR Walk

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the agenda. Aric Armell seconded.

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

LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT:
Captain Jason Lawrence presents report.

- Introduction of Julia Starr, and Lt. Justin Smidt.

Aric Armell motioned to accept the report as submitted. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:
\$20,500 Radio Station legal costs

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the \$20,500 from the tribal Council travel line item to the Communications, legal line item to cover the Radio Station legal costs. Coly Brown seconded.

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

MMIR WALK:
Aric Armell motioned to approve \$1054.28 from the Tribal Council donations line item for Stadium Sports and Sam's Club purchases for the MMIR Walk. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

ADJOURN:
Coly Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:02 p.m. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

Vice Chairman Chamberlain adjourned the meeting.

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA TREASURERS REPORT MEETING April 28, 2023

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
Brian Chamberlain
Lorelei DeCora
Rona Stealer
Coly Brown
Kenneth Mallory
Louis LaRose
Aric Armell
Lynelle Blackhawk
Thomas Snow
David Russell
Tara Hernandez
Tyren Wolfe

OTHERS PRESENT:
Sharon Frenchman
Cecelia Earth
Esther Mercer
Kellie Snow
Lynelle Blackhawk
Teresa Littlegeorge
Bethewel
Angel Darochie
Mike Means
James Price
Laura Huffman
David Edwards
Damon Payer
Kiva Harden-Free
Greg Bass, III
Christina Parker
Garan Coons
Lance Morgan

CALL TO ORDER:
Vice Chairman Chamberlain called to order at 9:10 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER:
Lorelei DeCora offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:
Additions; Nebraska Dept. Of Transportation, ARPA, and Pow-wow Budget.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEM:
1. Resolution: Winnebago Childcare/HCV2 Round-About Project.

Louis LaRose motioned to adopt resolution #23-114: Winnebago Childcare/HCV2 Round-About Project. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

WCHS FINANCIAL REPORT:
Presented by Bethewel

[Aric Armell in at 9:21 a.m.]

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the WCHS Financial Report as presented. Aric Armell seconded.

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

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT:
Presented by Damon Payer

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the Gaming Commission Report as presented. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

WARHORSE REPORT:
Presented by Angel Darochie, and Lance Morgan.

Housing discussion.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Warhorse Gaming Finance Report as presented. Lorelei DeCora seconded.

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

WINNAVEGAS REPORT:
Presented by Mike Means.

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the WinnaVegas Financial Report as submitted. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

<p><i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>ACTION ITEMS:</p> <p>1. Request from the HR Dept., Re: Finance Manning Doc and Org Chart.</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Request from the HR Dept., Re: Finance Manning Doc and Org Chart. Rona Stealer seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>2. Request from the HR Dept., Re: Surveillance Manning Doc and Org Chart</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Request from the HR Dept., Re: Surveillance Manning Doc and Org Chart. Aric Armell seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>3. Request from the Marketing Department, Re: \$28,000 Friday Night Faceoff Slot Tournament in June 2023.</p> <p>Aric Armell motioned to approve the request from the Marketing Department, Re: \$28,000 Friday Night Faceoff Slot Tournament in June 2023. Kenneth Mallory seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>4. Request from the Marketing Department, Re: Pick a Punch every Saturday in June 2023.</p> <p>Rona Stealer motioned to approve the request from the Marketing Department, Re: Pick a Punch every Saturday in June 2023. Aric Armell seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>5. Request from the HR Dept., Re: Thank You Checks 06/13/2023 @ \$161,266.93</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Request from the HR Dept., Re: Thank You Checks 06/13/2023 @\$161,266.93. Aric Armell seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>6. Request from the HR Dept. Re: Flex Floor Associate - pay increase from \$12,06-\$17.65 to \$15.00-\$22.00.</p> <p>Aric Armell motioned to approve the Request from the HR Dept. Re: Flex Floor Associate-pay increase from \$12,06-\$17.65 to \$15.00-\$22.00. Rona Stealer seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>7. TRIBAL MEMBER ISSUE:</p> <p>Semi Parking from Tribal member; Mike Means will follow up regarding the parking of the MMIR truck owned by a tribal member.</p> <p>TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:</p> <p>1. MOA – Boys & Girls Club</p> <p>a. Resolution</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to table the MOA with the Boys & Girls and further authorize the CEO and</p>	<p>CAO to take all actions necessary to negotiate the MOA with the Boys & Girls Club. Louis LaRose seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>2. MMIR Pow-wow – Donation and Live Streaming request</p> <p>Lorelei DeCora motioned to table the MMIR Pow-wow request for clarification until after new CFO comes on board. Coly Brown seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>RECESS: 10:50 a.m. -10:57 a.m.</p> <p>POW-WOW BUDGET:</p> <p>Aric Armell motioned to approve the \$266,150.00 Budget for the 2023 Annual Homecoming Celebration Pow-wow. Kenneth Mallory seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>ARPA DISCUSSION:</p> <p>1. vehicles</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to authorize the Treasurer to take all actions necessary to finalize new vehicles for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Organization. Louis LaRose seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>2. RV's</p> <p>Louis LaRose motioned to authorize the Treasurer to take all actions necessary to sell the RV's. Lorelei DeCora seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>3. ARPA BUDGET MOD</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned for the \$19,000.00 in cards be transferred over to Human Services for tribal members. Aric Armell seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>TRIBAL CFO REPORT:</p> <p>Presented by Cheryl Painter.</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Tribal CFO Report as submitted. Louis LaRose seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>The new CFO will be brought on board at the end of May.</p> <p>EXECUTIVE SESSION</p> <p>Rona Stealer motioned to go into Executive Session at 11:09 am. Lorelei DeCora seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to come out of Executive Session at 11:17 a.m. Aric Armell seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Lorelei DeCora motioned to direct Human Services to pay up to \$1,469.92 to Kalin's for heating repair of Tribal Member T.W. furnace. Aric Armell seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>ADJOURNED:</p> <p>Aric Armell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 a.m. Louis LaRose seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MAY 1, 2023</p> <p>TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:</p> <p>Brian Chamberlain Esther Mercer Lynelle Blackhawk Lorelei DeCora Tyresha Wolfe Teresa Littlegeorge Rona Stealer Cecelia Earth Kellie Snow Louis LaRose Kalif Harden-Free Christina Parker Kenneth Mallory Kiva Harden-Free Coly Brown</p> <p>TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:</p> <p>Isaac Smith (leave) Victoria Kitcheyan (leave) Aric Armell (travel)</p> <p>CALL TO ORDER:</p> <p>Secretary Lorelei DeCora called to order at 9:10 a.m.</p> <p>OPENING PRAYER:</p> <p>Louis LaRose offered the opening prayer.</p> <p>APPROVE AGENDA:</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the agenda. Louis LaRose seconded.</p> <p>VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion Carried.</i></p> <p>READING OF THE MINUTES:</p> <p>1. 4-17-23 Mid-Monthly TC Meeting</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the April 17, 2023, Mid-Monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>2. 4-19-23 General Counsel Meeting</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the April 19, 2023, General Counsel meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>3. 4-20-23 Special Tribal Council Meeting – Land Purchase</p> <p>Louis LaRose motioned to approve the April 20, 2023, Special Tribal Council Meeting – Land Purchase meeting minutes. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>4. 4-24-23 Fire Department/Law Enforcement Report Meeting</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the April 24, 2023, Fire Department/Law Enforcement Report Meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p>	<p>5. 4-24-23 HCI Annual Program & Plan</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the April 24, 2023, HCI Annual Program & Plan meeting minutes. Rona Stealer seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>6. 4-28-23 Treasurers Report Meeting</p> <p>Louis LaRose motioned to approve the April 28, 2023, Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Coly Brown seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>7. 4-28-23 Law Enforcement Meeting minutes</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the April 28, 2023, Law Enforcement meeting minutes. Rona Stealer seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>FIVE SIGNATURE REQUESTS:</p> <p>1. Approve Advertisement for Tribal Council regarding the "Best of Class 2023".</p> <p>Rona Stealer motioned to ratify the five-signature approving the advertisement for Tribal Council regarding the "Best of Class 2023". Louis LaRose seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>2. Approve Travel for Tribal Enrollment Committee to be paid from Tribal Council Budget.</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to ratify the five-signature approving travel for Tribal Enrollment Committee to be paid from Tribal Council Budget. Louis LaRose seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:</p> <p>1. Resolution: Construction Tax Agreement Highway N-9 and S-87A – Pender to Emerson.</p> <p>Louis LaRose motioned to adopt resolution #23-115; Construction Tax Agreement Highway N-9 and S-87A – Pender to Emerson. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p>EXECUTIVE SESSION:</p> <p>1. K.H.F.</p> <p>Kenneth Mallory motioned to go into Executive Session at 9:23 a.m. Rona Stealer seconded. VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain <i>Motion carried.</i></p> <p><i>Minutes to continued next issue...</i></p> <p><i>Respectfully submitted,</i></p> <p><i>Lorelei Decora, Secretary Winnebago Tribal Council</i></p>
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COMMUNITY

JULY 17, 2023

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Draw the Birds and match the translations

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2. Hek	5. Wapok'ip'iw'ew'ec	8. Dapagok'ak'ak'ak'	11. S'og'g'	14. S'icook
3. We	6. Ziche	9. J'icic	12. N'og'g'	15. C'islap



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Submitted by: Eben Crawford, Angel Decora Museum Curator



This summer we at the Angel De Cora Museum have been lucky to have two fantastic new youth workers. Meet Cleveland and Rylan! Both are very professional and hardworking for their age and have already

helped us out with digitizing our photographs, outreach events, and reorganizing and labeling our shelving and museum storage containers. Special thanks to Patrice Bass and those who have made the Summer Youth Worker program work.



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HoChunk Center
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Bring your machines and sewing projects.
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HoChunk Renaissance
The Official Language Program of the Winnebago Tribe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINAL VOTERS LIST

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Suniga Jr, Mario	Walker, April Leigh	White, Allina Yvonne	Wingett Jr., David Everett	Eligible Voters who will turn 18 years of age between the Primary (Sept 6th) and Regular (Oct 4th) Election
Symouksavanh, Artavian Francis	Walker, Barbara Ann	White, Crystal Faith	Wingett, William Marvin	
Tebo III, Samuel William	Walker, Byron James	White, Elizabeth June	Wolfe Jr, Roy Anthony	
Tebo Sr., Kevin Lamont	Walker, Cassondra Marie	White, Frank Gilbert	Wolfe Jr, Thomas Edward	
Tebo, Cherie Janelle	Walker, Christie Veronica	White, Janelle Flossie	Wolfe, Alan Duane	
Tebo, Corey Allen	Walker, Denicia Leigh	White, Kenneth Gene	Wolfe, Audrey Rose	
Tebo, Kathleen	Walker, Dontae Lee	White, Maya Tasina	Wolfe, Bobbie Jo	
Tebo, Randolph Evans	Walker, Gaylene Jan	White, Michelle Matilda	Wolfe, Chotch-he-schkotch-ga	
Tebo, Rosella	Walker, Gregory Thomas	White, Ramona Krystal	Wolfe, Cyle Louis Ward	
Terry, Tiana Nicole	Walker, Jerell Lawrence	Whitebear Jr, Roger Wade	Wolfe, Daniel	
Thomas Jr, Jeffery Scott	Walker, Jordan Thomas Quinn	Whitebear Sr., Roger Wade	Wolfe, Danya Sherise	
Thonas Sr., Michael Milton	Walker, Kaileah Lynn	Whitebear, Alicia Charlotte	Wolfe, Ellyson Cecelia	
Thomas, Brooke Rose	Walker, Kenneth James	Whitebear, Kaylynn Renae	Wolfe, Henrietta Ann	
Thomas, Heath Jeremy	Walker, Mariah Marie	Whitebear, Kyliah Ranelle	Wolfe, Joseph Wilbur James	
Thomas, Helena Marie	Walker, Maxwell David	Whitebear, Ronald Ray	Wolfe, Kaira Ashley	
Thomas, Jamie Nicole	Walker, Michell Marie	Whitebeaver Jr, Roger Alan	Wolfe, Karen Maria	
Thomas, Jo Ann Elizabeth	Walker, Nathan Joseph	Whitebeaver Sr, Roger Alan	Wolfe, Kryssa Reeann	
Thomas, Kadge Michael	Walker, Olivia Ann	Whitebeaver, Edward Francis	Wolfe, Lili Liane	
Thomas, Kecia Rose	Walker, Richard Thomas	Whitebeaver, Stephani Laura	Wolfe, Natasha Marie	
Thomas, Kye Francis	Walker, Skyla Marie	Whitener, Joseph Leon	Wolfe, Ricky Tomas	
Thomas, Marian Lee	Walker, Skyler	Whitewater Jr, Donald Alan	Wolfe, Taryn Mikol	
Thomas, Mark Isaiah	Walker, Teala Colleen	Whitewater, Amelia Marie	Wolfe, Theodore John	
Thomas, Michelle Lee	Walker, Teala Kay	Whitewater, Brandon Terrance	Wolfe, Tyren Lee	
Thomas, Scott Everett	Walker, Todd Benjamin David	Whitewater, Gayla Jalece	Wolfe, Tyresha Lynelle	
Thomas, Taryn Jade	Walker, Tylan Joseph	Whitewater, Hannah Marie	Wolfleader, Justis William	
Thomas, Tracy	Walker, Zane Fillmore	Whitewater, Kenneth Wayne	Wolfleader, Vincent James	
Thomas-Bear, Sunshine Rose	Walker-Flanders, Rella Mayme	Whitewater, Kimberly Joi	Ybarra Jr., Adrian Estevan	
Vargas Jr., Carlos Delon	Ware Jr, Kent Daniel	Whitewater, Latia Rose	Yellow Thunder, Tia Raylene	
Vargas, Danae Lynn	Ware, Anthony Daniel	Whitewater, Lois Leota	Yellowbank, Kristina Michele	
Vargas, Elijah Arian	Ware, Clarice Danielle	Whitewater, Luther Steven	Yellowbull, Marie Elaine	
Velasco, Viola Marie	Warner, Agnes Mary	Whitewater, Marquis Dupri	Young, Dennis Lawrence	
Vink, Sebrina Mc Gee	Warner, Esther Beatrice	Whitewater, Merle Daniel	Zach, Eugene Charles	
Walker II, Richard Thomas	Warner, Levi William	Whitewater, Monica Marie	Zach, Iktomiwanagi	
Walker III, Fred	Warner, Martha Yvonne	Whitewater, Sandra Jean	Zagurski, Daelyn Joy	
Walker Jr, Emmett Earl	Warner, Moses Albert	Whitewater, Sheila Marie	Zagurski, Dana Lynn	
Walker Jr, Garrette Thomas	Warner, Roland Monroe	Whitewater, Tanesha Marie	Zagurski, Derrell James	
Walker Jr, Llewelyn Thomas	Warner, Tiffani Joye	Whitewater, Thelma Jane	Zapata, LoufrancisWalker, Brandon	
Walker, Adonis Jare	Warner, Yvette Michelle	Whitewater, Warren Daniel	Darren	
Walker, Alan Jay	West, Trisha Leontina	Whitewing, Lisa Marie	Ware, Mackenzie Marie Lynn	
Walker, Alexandra Lee	White Eagle, Cristoff Orville Lee Louis	Whitewing, Solomon George	Warner, Iyana Karen	
Walker, Alma Rose	White Eagle, Cristoffer Wade	Whitewing-Saul, Oliver Lewis		
Walker, Angie Marie	White Twin, Julia Erin	Whitewing-Saul, Olivia Marie		
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HO-CHUNK INC.

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Ho-Chunk Inc., according to Kevin Abourezk, managing editor at Indianz.com, a Native American news website, a subsidiary of Ho-Chunk Inc.

For example, Ho-Chunk Inc.-owned companies now provide all of the furniture for the U.S. Treasury Department and Department of Commerce, Abourezk said.

Ho-Chunk Inc. did not initially have a furniture supply company, but it was able to build one from scratch in order to fulfill the government contract.

“They’ll go out and find people who do know all about that area, and they’ll hire them and build offices and just create a company out of thin air,” Abourezk said.

While the primary mission of Ho-Chunk Inc. is to give back to the tribe, the corporation has also benefited others across the state.

Morgan described it as a rising tide that lifts the economic circumstances of everyone, regardless of tribal affiliation.

According to Morgan, Ho-Chunk Inc. employs more than 1,000 non-Natives across the country, with many of them working in Winnebago, which had a population of 916 in the 2020 census.

While many small towns see out-migration during the workday as people commute to jobs in larger cities, several Ho-Chunk Inc. employees estimated the number of

people in Winnebago doubles during the workday.

“It’s not a reservation company,” said Sam Burrish, Ho-Chunk Inc. communications manager. “It’s a national company doing big things at many different levels.”

Many Nebraskans may already recognize Ho-Chunk Inc. as the developer of new WarHorse casinos across the state, including locations in Lincoln, Omaha and South Sioux City.

‘EVERYONE CAN BE SUCCESSFUL’

And it is hard to miss the impact Ho-Chunk Inc. has in Sioux City, Iowa, including the Ho-Chunk Centre, which rises 10 stories high in downtown.

“I think the lesson here is, if you can take a group that’s been marginalized and give them power and control over their own destiny and get out of the way a little bit, then there’s hope that everyone can be successful,” Morgan said.

While the homeownership success stories like Sunshine Thomas Bear’s are remarkable on their own, the Winnebago’s tribe’s history with land ownership makes what’s happening in Ho-Chunk Village that much more unlikely.

The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska was originally neither from Nebraska nor known as the Winnebago.

The tribe historically lived in the woodlands of Wisconsin, but were forcibly removed from place to place in the upper Midwest before eventually landing in Crow Creek in present-day central South Dakota.

Crow Creek was much drier than the tribe’s homeland and the farming practices that worked in Wisconsin were not effective in South Dakota.

“Our numbers were dire,”

Sunshine Thomas Bear said. “We were all dying from sickness and starvation and the government wasn’t fulfilling their treaties.”

Some tribal members escaped South Dakota in the middle of the night and came to the woodlands of northeast Nebraska, where a somewhat friendlier climate awaited them.

TRIBAL LAND OWNERSHIP INCREASES

“One of the most difficult things for Native people to deal with is not having land of their own that they can use the leverage to start a business or start a farm,” Abourezk said. “If you look back on how non-Native people in this country have built wealth, they’ve done it largely by leveraging their land and using its collateral on a loan to buy farm equipment or start a tailoring business or whatever.”

According to Ho-Chunk Farms manager Aaron LaPointe, the Winnebago Reservation spans more than 120,000 acres, but the tribe and tribal members own fewer than 30,000 acres and around 20,000 of those acres are unfarmable timberland along the Missouri River bluffs.

However, the tribal ownership acreage has increased in recent years, as the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and Ho-Chunk Inc. are in the process of buying back land on the reservation from non-Native owners.

“When we say taking land back, what we actually mean is buying that land from these farmers who purchased it from tribal members, almost centuries, at least decades ago,” Abourezk said.

In 2016, Ho-Chunk Farms owned 500 acres of land, but as of May 2023, the tribal-owned company now owns 6,200 acres.

Some of the land the tribe

purchases is placed back in federal government trust and can provide tribal members with more affordable, tax-exempt housing, such as the new homes along Thunder Way and Big Winnebago Lane on the south side of Winnebago.

However, much of the land purchased by Ho-Chunk Farms and other Ho-Chunk Inc. subsidiaries is not placed back in trust, allowing Ho-Chunk Inc. or individual tribal members to own land themselves and use it as leverage for further economic development.

RURAL NEBRASKA SUCCESS STORY

Thurston County also grew between 2010 and 2019, unlike each of its neighboring counties in Nebraska, with most of that growth coming from the Winnebago Reservation.

“We’re a success story in rural Nebraska, but it’s primarily because of housing,” Morgan said.

For new homeowners, like Sunshine Thomas Bear, financial support is not the only thing they receive from Ho-Chunk Inc.’s homeowner assistance program.

Bear also received counsel about the home buying process and took classes about home ownership from experts, which she said helped her feel more comfortable throughout the process.

“I think when you’re buying a home, it’s a little intimidating,” she said. “We were in the post-COVID market and the housing prices had gone up so much and it was a bit scary.”

As one of the newest residents of Ho-Chunk Village 2.0, Sunshine Thomas Bear has been quick to make her new house a home.

“I love to cook, I love to have all of the kids home and we’re just trying to take care of the yard,” she said.

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