



Winnebago Indian News

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Indians Head to the Big Dance

Bago Bits...



Winnebago's own David Wingett, Jr. has up'd he basketball game at Bull City Prep in Durham, North Carolina. David got a visit from his Pops David, Sr. last weekend while competing in a tournament at Myrtle Beach.



The Winnebago Indians for the fourth straight year qualified for the Nebraska Boys State Basketball Tournament. The Indians came up short at districts losing the Championship game by 1 stinkin point to Boone Central-Newman Grove. Drawing a wild card berth to the state tournament and a #2 seed in the tournament because of a distinguished season record secured the Indians spot. The Indians were sent off by a huge Pep rally on Wednesday and an escort out of town by the Winnebago Police Department and many excited Winnebago diehard fans. At presstime the Indians will be playing their opening game at the Bob Devaney Sports Center in Lincoln, Nebraska. All our hopes and prayers are with the Indians from Bago...Go Big Blue!



This is what all the hub bub is about between Winnebago & Macy. Photo courtesy of Cindy Aldrich.

Winnebago Tribe sees boost in home ownership as more return to reservation



Here's Norma Jean waiting for the charter bus to the Mesquaki Casino that left the Winnebago Senior Citizens Center during our recent Blizzard.



Dulcie Greene, stands outside her new home on the Winnebago Reservation in Nebraska on January 28, 2018. She and her husband, Amos Two Bulls, received assistance to buy their home from the Winnebago Tribe's down payment assistance program. 'I'm even excited for my first payment'

By Kevin Abourezk, Indianz.com



WINNEBAGO, Nebraska – Dulcie Greene points to the drab, red brick one-story with boarded-up windows – one in a long line of government homes on a steep hill in one of poorest neighborhoods of this reservation community.

She describes the fate of many of the homes in this neighborhood – abandoned for lack of maintenance or severe damage caused by renters. She raised her three daughters in a home here for nine years before finding better housing just down the road last year. "They call this the ghetto," she says. "I don't know why. There are a lot worse places I've seen." In November, the 30-year-old Winnebago woman moved her family into a new walkout home on the southern edge of this town, a home she designed and bought along with her husband, Amos Two Bulls. And unlike her old home – with its worn linoleum floors and deteriorating exterior – her new home has five bedrooms, two bathrooms, a family room, laundry room, two-car garage, fence and patio. All on a quiet cul-de-sac with a pretty view. She's one of many new homeowners in a place where home ownership was a

foreign concept just a few years ago. With \$32,500 in down payment assistance from a tribal housing program, Greene and Two Bulls were able to afford the \$172,000 home. They received another \$16,000 in support from two other grants. Without that help, she said, the couple could not have afforded to buy their first home. "I'm even excited for my first payment," she said. "Is that weird?" Since 2002, 52 Winnebago families have received more than \$2.3 million in down payment assistance to purchase homes through a tribal housing program known as the Winnebago Down Payment Assistance Program. The average amount received by program recipients was \$45,000. The Winnebago Tribe estimates each dollar of down payment assistance provided to its citizens leads to \$3.72 in home investments, and the program

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2018 Class C1 Boys State Tournament

Game	Time	Location
43-220 Lincoln Christian (18-7)	9:00 AM	Donavan
43-212 Grand Island Central Catholic (20-6)	9:00 AM	Pennington Bank Arena
45-632 Wahoo (24-2)	10:45 AM	Donavan
40-232 Ogallala (13-14)	2:00 PM	Donavan
44-240 Broken Bow (22-3)	2:00 PM	Donavan
42-634 Boone Central/Newman Grove (19-7)	10:45 PM	Pennington Bank Arena
41-810 Syracuse (17-8)	3:45 PM	Donavan
44-346 Winnebago (20-6)	3:45 PM	Donavan

Third Place Game: 11:00 AM - Lincoln East
Sat Mar 10th

The Indians road to the Big Dance...Go Big Blue!

Indianz.com... Leader of Winnebago Tribe clashes with sheriff over racial profiling

Posted: Tuesday, February 27, 2018

'Racial profiling is a reality for Native people' Sheriff in Dakota County plans to enforce immigration laws.



The leader of the Winnebago Tribe is criticizing a local sheriff's decision to allow jailers to be deputized so they can enforce federal immigration laws. Chairman Frank White said Monday he is concerned giving the county's jailers the ability to enforce immigration laws will lead to racial profiling of his people in Nebraska. The tribe sent a letter to Dakota County Sheriff Chris Kleinberg's office on February 20, asking him to reverse his decision to take part in the federal Section 287(g) program, which allows U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to deputize jailers to ques-

tion and detain people arrested for other crimes. "Implementation of the Section 287(g) program in this community is unnecessary and has the potential to victimize people of color, damage the fragile public trust between the tribe, tribal members and your agency, and erode the safety and security of all those who live in or travel to Dakota County," White said in the letter. He said he is concerned his tribe's citizens living in Dakota County or traveling through there to reach shop-

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Happy 87th Belated Birthday to one of our Tribal Matriarchs, Lil Momma-Lil Granny Viola Rave-LaPointe.

THOMPSON SMITH

Wanbli Oyate Owanankapi
MEN'S BASKETBALL
Tournament

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2:00 PM	13 year and up

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Whirling Thunder Wellness Program presents...



CHOPPED "BISON COOK-OFF"

March 16, 2018

Sign-up deadline is March 9th. Contact Mary Kelsey at 402.878.3156 or email mary.kelsey@winnebago.tribe.com

Contestant Info:
If you are interested in participating you will be given bison meat and mystery ingredients to prepare your entry. Pick up ingredients on March 14th between 10:00am and Noon. You must use each ingredient supplied to you and include a typed recipe at time of entry drop-off. Drop of date is March 16th at 9:30am in the Whirling Thunder kitchen.

Entry sampling will take place at 11:30am and a light lunch will be provided. Prizes will be awarded to the top five places and winners will be announced at 11:45 in the Whirling Thunder Gym.

Nutrition Health booths on site from 10am-Noon during event.

A Traditional Foods Presentation will follow at Noon featuring Ethnobotanist Linda Black Elk. Tickets for door prize drawings will be given to all that attend.

Linda Black Elk will also be presenting at the Winnebago Public School at 2:30 pm in the Performing Arts Theater.



National Nutrition Month

WINNEBAGO INDIANS

2018 Class C1 Boys State Tournament



NATIVE NS STAR CASINO

Good Luck at State

DON'T FORGET TO

SPRING FORWARD



SUNDAY MARCH 11

HoChunk Renaissance

The Official Language Program of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

Weekly Language Publication

HoChunk Commands

Hiwax re. (hee-w(ah)x rday) •Ask.

Wanajksap ki ne. (wah-nyk-sahp k(ee) nay) •Be nice. Behave.

Xapguni ne! (xahp-g(oo)-n(ee) nay) •Be quiet!

Hanigu re. (hah-n(ee)-goo rday) •Bring it back to me.

Ze hanu hu re. (zhay hah-n(ee) hoo rday) •Bring that.

Hanasa re. (hah-n(ah)-shah rday) •Close it.

Gū re /Hū re. (goo rday/hoo rday) •Come back here. Come here.

Egi howa hu re. (ay-ghee hoh-wah hoo rday) •Come over here.

Kikuruti re. (kee-koo-rdoo-dee rday) •Crawl.

Wasi re! (wah-shee-rday) •Dance!

Te gu'u ne! (day g(oo)'(oo) nay) •Do it like this!

Ke hiwax ni ne. (kay hee-w(ah)x n(ee) nay) •Don't ask.

Hake haraxjak ni ne. (hah-kay hah-rdahx-j(ah)k n(ee) nay) •Don't bite it.

Ke zesge hi ni ne. (kay zhay rdach-g(ah) n(ee) nay) •Don't drink that.

Ke kiza ni ne! (kay kee-zhah n(ee) nay) •Don't fight (him or her)!

Next WIN News Deadline:
March 19th

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has helped generate \$5.97 million in home investment.

The initiative has reshaped this tiny reservation in northeast Nebraska.

Visitors to the town - especially those visiting from other reservations - are often surprised to see how much new development has taken place in Winnebago in recent years. A new hospital, new football field and new businesses such as a Dollar General, Mexican restaurant and coffee shop all have been constructed in recent years.

The renaissance taking place here began in 2002 with the purchase of 40 acres on the north end of town by the tribe's economic development corporation, Ho-Chunk Inc. (HCI). And much of the new development has occurred within that 40-acre plot, known as Ho-Chunk Village.

Lance Morgan, president and CEO of HCI, said much of his company's work has been focused on creating revenue for the community and creating jobs. However, he said, the company realized that the lack of quality, affordable housing on the reservation was dampening the company's economic development efforts.

"You can't have a solid community, you can't have good workers, you can't have a good education system if you don't have a good home," he said. "It's one of life's basic necessities, and it's a necessity that we've struggled with for a very long time."

The company began working with the Ho-Chunk Community Development Corporation (HCCDC) - a non-profit affiliated with the Winnebago Tribe - to begin seeking grant funds to help contribute to a down payment assistance fund for tribal members.

Tribal leaders also decided to earmark some of the revenue that HCI provides to the tribe from the corporation's profits to fund the Down Payment Assistance Program. Those dividends have provided 64 percent of the program's funds, with another 15 percent coming from grants and 21 percent from tribal gas tax revenue.

Sources of grant funding have included the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, federal HOME funds and support from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development.

In 2015, the Winnebago Tribal Council set a goal of adding 200 new homes or apartments to the reservation's housing stock over the next five years.

"There's such a shortage of decent, affordable housing for folks," said Brian Mathers, executive director of HCCDC. "It's really been a priority of the council for a long time."

The tribe matched a recent \$250,000 grant from the Nebraska Affordable Housing Program with funds already in the Down Payment Assistance Program's fund. The fund currently has about \$170,000.

A certified community development

financial institution under HCCDC known as Ho-Chunk Community Capital also recently received a \$150,000 boost from the U.S. Department of Treasury to help tribal homebuyers establish and protect their credit so they can qualify for mortgages and the Down Payment Assistance Program.

Qui Qui St. Cyr, residential manager for Ho-Chunk Community Capital, said her organization works with potential homebuyers to ensure their credit will qualify them for a mortgage and participation in the tribe's Down Payment Assistance Program.

She hosts homebuyer seminars that educate them about what it takes to qualify for a mortgage and construct a home, if that's what they decide to do. For those unsure about designing their own home, HCI subsidiary BluStone Homes offers a host of different floor plans for homebuyers.

"It's up to them what they want to do," St. Cyr said.

Ho-Chunk Community Capital also connects potential homebuyers to lenders.

In order to take part in the Down Payment Assistance Program, homebuyers must be Winnebago tribal members, able to qualify for a home mortgage and abide by applicable housing covenants, which often stipulate that homebuyers keep junk cars off their property and build homes with garages. Program participants must remain in their homes for at least 5 years.

The program provides up to \$65,000 in assistance for new home construction and as little as \$5,000 for purchase of an existing home. A new initiative provides \$35,000 in assistance to buyers of lower cost homes. Mathers said many challenges face potential homebuyers at Winnebago, much like on other reservations. For example, many homeowners won't actually own the land upon which their home is located. That's not always true, as buyers of homes within Ho-Chunk Village actually own the land upon which their home is built and have to pay property taxes like homeowners who don't live on federal trust land.

Another challenge is finding banks that are willing to approve mortgages for homes built on federal trust land or within a reservation. Many banks also don't know how to manage loans provided through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program, a home financing program designed to help tribes and tribal citizens.

HCCDC uses the Section 184 program to secure financing for many of the homebuyers taking part in the tribe's Down Payment Assistance Program as the program offers a relatively low interest rate and less stringent credit requirements.

Between 2000 and 2013, the Down Payment Assistance Program helped increase home ownership rates by 4.6 percent compared to a 1.2 percent increase in home ownership for Nebraska.

Median home values on the reservation have increased by 29 percent.

St. Cyr said home ownership is a common fact of life for non-Natives living outside of reservations.

"Now It's possible for them, young people, and us Natives to buy our own home, make our own home, plan it out, however we want it," she said.

She said she's even begun receiving inquiries from tribal members who live off the reservation who have wanted to move back but didn't have many housing options, until now.

"I have more older adults wanting to move back to Winnebago because of the growth of the community and because it doesn't look like a typical rez," she said. Michelle Parker, community projects coordinator for HCCDC, said the wealth of new housing options in Winnebago has created demand not only among tribal members but others as well.

"It drives more people to want to come live here, not necessarily people from Winnebago," she said.

The Winnebago Tribe has faced many obstacles in its efforts to increase home ownership, Morgan said.

Many tribal members struggled to find employment on the reservation, while others lacked the positive credit history or financial education necessary to apply and qualify for a mortgage.

So HCI and other tribal programs had to invest in a variety of basic services and functions necessary to facilitate increased home ownership.

"When it comes to housing, we own the land. We built the lots," Morgan said. "We bought the housing company. We construct the houses. We sell used cars to fix credit. We bought the bank. We provide the jobs for the people to get to that stage. We've done everything we can to make it possible."

"As a people, we've been handed a tough hand, and I think that the only way we're going to do better is if we as a people starting taking control of every element of our problems," he said.

In June, Andy Snowball, 33, and her family moved into a newly constructed home in Ho-Chunk Village with support from the Down Payment Assistance Program.

She and her husband, John Snowball, received \$65,000 in assistance and now live in a home valued at \$270,000. That's a major upgrade for the couple, who most recently lived in a duplex in Sioux City, Iowa, some 20 miles to the north of Winnebago.

Living in Winnebago has helped simplify her family's routine, which once involved her husband and son commuting to Winnebago each day and her other children attending school in Sioux City. Now the entire family either works or attends school in Winnebago.

In addition, the couple is now building equity rather than paying rent while getting to live in a four-bedroom home with a three-car garage, back deck and big yard.

"My husband and I, we have been a team working our way up to a better

position for a while now," she said. "We wouldn't have really been able to build a house in Winnebago that's as nice as the one that we have for a while."

Morgan said getting to see a family move into their first home is the most rewarding aspect of the Down Payment Assistance Program.

"We've done all these things to make housing possible, but what actually excites me is seeing one family move into their home, signing the paperwork, getting their key and starting a whole new phase of their life," he said.

The Winnebago Tribe's efforts to foster home ownership is just one facet of a decades-long effort to rebuild its poverty-stricken reservation and invest in tribal members who are, in turn, invested in their community, he said.

"A homeowner is a totally different person than someone living in low-income housing," he said. "They're going to have different expectations for their community, their leadership. They're going to expect more out of their schools."

"These homeowners aren't just homeowners. They're the bedrock for our community for the next 50 years."

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**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TREASURER'S REPORT MEETING
January 26, 2018**

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

OTHERS PRESENT:
Mike Means
Nick Eker (Bland & Associates)
Mike Herrmann (Verizon)
Damon Payer (Gaming Commission)
Mayan Beltran
Gregory "Quince" Bass, Jr.
Quinntessa Bass
William DeCora
Alan Post
Sharon Frenchman
Tonia Keller
Carl Blackfish
Marvin Horn
Ron Nohr
William St. Cyr
Garan Coons

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Isaac Smith (TRMTCC meeting/Omaha)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m.

=OPENING PRAYER: Vincent Bass offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:
Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the agenda. Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

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

BLAND & ASSOCIATES:
James Snow motioned to accept the Casino Audit Report as presented. Roland Warner seconded.

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

WINNAVEGAS:
VERIZON SMALL CELL
Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the license agreement for Verizon Small Cell. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (1) abstain, CS
Motion carried.

[Victoria in]
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve November and December 2017 Financial reports. James Snow seconded.

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

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

Roland Warner motioned to have all parties present when they do monthly report, Amended Winnebago Gaming Development Board. James Snow seconded.

James Snow withdraws of seconded. Roland Warner withdraws motion.

Roland Warner motioned to have Winnebago Gamin Development CEO to present monthly reports at the Treasurer's Reports. Coly Brown seconded.

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

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to accept the CFO's report for the Tribe. Roland Warner seconded.

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

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:
PROPOSAL FOR ROBERT'S RULES WORKSHOP
Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the proposal from CSN/DCI America for a two-day Workshop on Roberts Rule's for the amount of \$6,100.00. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

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

TRIBAL MEMBER FUNDRAISER MATCH REQUEST
Roland Warner motioned to approve the Fundraiser match request for Quinntessa Bass in the amount of \$1500.00. James Snow seconded.

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

ADJOURN:
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to adjourn at 12:40 p.m. Vincent Bass seconded.

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

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
SPECIAL MEETING - LAND CORPO-
RATION
January 26, 2018**

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

OTHERS PRESENT:
Anthony Woods
Aaron LaPointe
Brandi Brown
Ruby Bellanger
Leah Hunter
Tonia Keller
Samantha Brown
Cece Earth
Tiffany Warner
Jason Hulit, Jr.
Kellie Snow
Michelle Free
Brian Chamberlain
Garan Coons
Feather Earth
Lance Morgan
Dulcie Green
Too Sharpback
Lisa Chamberlain
Leta Gorin
Sharon Frenchman
Lou Mae Hunter
Esther Warner
Isaac Smith
Sharon Redhorn
Darlyn St. Cyr
Ireta Blackbird
Lynelle Freemont

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m.

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

[Kenneth out 2:15pm/in 2:31 pm]

AGENDA:
Vincent Bass motioned to approve the agenda. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

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

ITEM #7: Call for reinstatement of Winnebago Land Corporation. No motion made, item died.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to reinstate the Winnebago Land Corporation. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded. Motion ruled out of order. Due to not being on prevailing side. Subject died.

LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT:
Curtis St. Cyr motioned to suspend the rules. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (4) yes, CS, CB, RW, JS
(3) no, VB, VK, KM (1) abstain, IS
Motion carried.

Coly Brown motioned to engage with Kawahara Law APC. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (3) yes, CS, CB, RW (3) no, VB, VK, KM (2) Abstain, IS, JS
Chairman White votes yes to break the tie. Motion carried.

ADJOURN:
Roland Warner motioned to adjourn. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(3) no, VB, VK, KM
(0) Abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourns the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Coly Brown, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL
MEETING
February 5, 2018**

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:
OTHERS PRESENT:
Curtis St. Cyr
Michelle LaMere
Sharon Frenchman
Roland Warner
Tyler LaMere
Teresa Littlegeorge
James Snow
Jessica McClure
Tonia Keller
Vincent Bass
Lewis St. Cyr
Crystal Ross
Victoria Kitcheyan
William DeCora
Leah Hunter
Kenneth Mallory
Crystal White
Thelma Whitewater

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:
Garan Coons Misti Jefferson
Frank White (sick leave)
Joy Johnson Ilona Maney
Coly Brown (sick leave)
Isaac Smith (sick leave)

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman St. Cyr called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Roland Warner offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the agenda with the additions of 2018 Tribal Self-Governance Conference, Off-site Self Governance Round 2 in Albuquerque, and Donations to Pine Ridge. Vincent Bass seconded.

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

READING OF THE MINUTES:
January 15, 2018 Mid-Monthly
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the January 15, 2018 Mid-Monthly meeting minutes. James Snow seconded.

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

January 17, 2018 General Counsel
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the January 17, 2018 Gen-

eral Counsel meeting with corrections. James Snow seconded.

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

January 26, 2018 Treasurer's Report
Vincent Bass motioned to approve the January 26, 2018 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Roland Warner seconded.

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

January 26, 2018 Special Land
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to table until further review of the Roberts Rules of Order. James Snow seconded.

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

**RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES:
FRENCHMAN HOME REPAIR**
Kenneth Mallory motioned to ratify the five signature approving Frenchman Home Repair to do bathroom and shower improvements at the Homeless Shelter Buildings, not to exceed \$2500.00. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

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

RESOLUTION #18-35
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-35: Assistance to Firefighters Grant Operations and Safety. Vincent Bass seconded.

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

RESOLUTION #18-34
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-34: Harvard honoring Nations Award Educare Winnebago. Vincent Bass seconded.

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

RESOLUTION #18-36
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-36: Assistance to Firefighters Vehicle Acquisition Grant. James Snow seconded.

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

OLD BUSINESS: None.
NEW BUSINESS:
M. LAMERE-JESSICA MCCLURE FOR CONGRESS
Introduction and discussion. No action taken.

LEWIS ST. CYR – TRIBAL FLAGS
Vincent Bass motioned to approve the description of the Tribal Flags as submitted by Winning Artist/Tribal Member Anna Adams. James Snow seconded.

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

GPTCHB REQUEST FOR FLAG
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Health Board request for Tribal Flag for display at the Central Office. Roland Warner seconded.

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

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – ADOPT RESOLUTION
Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to adopt resolution #18-37: Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country. Vincent Bass seconded.

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

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:
ADOPT RESOLUTION – APPROVING KAWAHARA LAW APC ATTORNEY CONTRACT
Roland Warner motioned to approve Kawahara Law APC Contract. No seconded.

Motion died.
WCHS – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (EXECUTIVE SESSION)
Winnebago Comprehensive Health System – Personnel Related.
Vincent Bass motioned to go into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m.
Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT NOTICE TO CONTROL VEGETATION AND PERFORM TRANSMISSION LINE MAINTENANCE ON WINNEBAGO/ OMAHA TRIBE ALLOTMENTS APRIL 2018 THROUGH JUNE 2018

Omaha Public Power District's (OPPD) Vegetation Management Program is committed to controlling vegetation growth within transmission line right-of-way to maintain the safe and reliable operation of the electric transmission system, with minimal impact to the environment.

Federal, regional and electric industry regulations and standards require minimum safety clearances to ensure vegetation does not touch high-voltage overhead transmission lines. If vegetation located in a transmission right-of-way is not compatible with the safe operation of the system, it can result in widespread electric power outages and/or unsafe conditions for the public.

OPPD and/or its contractor will enter the right-of-way to perform the necessary vegetation management including, but not limited to, trimming and removing trees, mowing, applying herbicide, and eliminating hazardous tree/power line conditions. Herbicides used are tailored to land use and vegetation in the area, and will not harm other vegetation or nearby crops.

OPPD may also trim trees adjacent to the right-of-way to eliminate trees that could potentially fall within 15 feet of power lines. Right-of-way widths in the area depend mainly on the size of the power line and typically range from 80 to 150 feet.

As part of this process, OPPD will also be conducting maintenance on transmission lines that require attention to extend structure life and continue to provide safe and reliable power. OPPD and/or its contractor will access each structure to inspect and evaluate the integrity of the structure and foundation for corrosion and/or damage.

Work is scheduled to begin April 2018 to June 2018.

REFERENCE ALLOTMENT NUMBERS

THURSTON COUNTY		
WINNEBAGO RESERVATION		
T946	16L	892-A
947	21L	608
238L	233	17W
OMAHA RESERVATION		
142N	680-4	199
600-D	687-2	203
620	687-3	206-4
619-1	687-4	T206-2
3032	688-C	290-1
T679-5	133-4	290-2
352N	194-2	
680-3	194-1	

Questions? Please contact us at 1-877-536-4131 and ask to be connected to Land Management or email us at landmanagement@oppd.com.

Winnebago SHRED DAY

Tues.
May 1st
10am - 2pm

Protect Your Finances,
Protect Your Identity.
Dispose of Documents
Safely & Responsibly.

509 N. Ho-Chunk Plz.
Winnebago, NE 68071
Woodland Trails Bldg.
Contact Curtis Alexander
at calexander@hccdc.org
Call 402-878-2192

Native Students
College Vision Quest



Masthead Scene

The Winnebago Indians boys basketball team are in Lincoln this weekend for the fourth straight year, making it to the State Boys Basketball Tournament. In 2015 the Bago Boyz won it all and in 2016 & 2017 the Indians brought home the Bronze. Go Big Blue!

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV18-061
In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:
JAMIE SAUL-ZAVALA
vs.
FREDERICK MERRICK
To: FREDERICK MERRICK,
You are hereby notified that a Custody petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-061 has been scheduled will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 3RD day of MAY, 2018 at the hour of 9:30 A.M.
Dated this 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2018.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV18-057
In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:
MARY MORRISON
vs.
CAMILO LOPEZ JR.

To: CAMILO LOPEZ JR.,

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV18-032

In the Matter of the Adoption of:
E. M. & E. M. (DOB: 09/2006 & 10/2005)

TO: KAYLA REYNOLDS, Mother
DAVID MEDINA JR., Father

You are hereby notified that a Custody petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-057 has been scheduled will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 3RD day of MAY, 2018 at the hour of 9:00 A.M.
Dated this 22ND day of FEBRUARY, 2018.

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Customary Adoption has been filed and an hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-032 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 5th day of APRIL 2018 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV18-032

In the Matter of the Customary Adoption of:
E. M. & E. M. (DOB: 09/2006 & 10/2005)

TO: KAYLA REYNOLDS, Mother
DAVID MEDINA JR., Father

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ18-009AB

The People of the Winnebago Tribe In the Interest of:
J. P. (DOB 07/2008)
M. P. (DOB 08/2007)
RHIANNON WALKER, Mother

To: MICHAEL PARKER, Father

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Customary Adoption has been filed and the final hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-032 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 5th day of APRIL 2018 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ18-009AB has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 1ST day of MAY, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV18-029

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
EMILY L. HERRINGTON,

In Re:
R. G.-M.. (DOB 08/2011)

TO: HANNAH GRIFFIN, Mother
DWIGHT MORRIS JR., Father

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV13-038

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:
APRIL BARNES,

In Re:
T. F. (DOB 06/2010)

TO: APRIL ROBERTSON, Mother
KENNETH FRAZIER JR., Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV18-029 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27TH day of MARCH 27, 2018 at the hour of 9:30 A.M.

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV13-038 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20TH day of MARCH 2018 at the hour of 9:30 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ17-028B

The People of the Winnebago Tribe In the Interest of:
A. H. (DOB 06/2011)
STEPHANIE HARLAN, Mother

To: LAM LOK CHAN, Father

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ18-004

The People of the Winnebago Tribe In the Interest of:
Z. W. (DOB 08/2016)

To: TRISTA WHITEWATER, Mother
ALLEN WEITZEL, Father

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-028B has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ18-004 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PART 15

What is Suicidal Contagion and what are Suicide Clusters?

It has long been believed that when suicidal contagion occurs, a suicide cluster can develop. A cluster, in this case, is defined as multiple suicidal behaviors or suicides that fall within an accelerated time frame, and sometimes within a defined geographical area. Studies have shown that adolescents are the ones most affected.

Point clusters are a major problem in some native communities.

Many native reserves consist of individuals who are closely related and share the same social predicaments, thus, the impact of a single suicide is often felt by the entire community. Because of the closeness of the residents, there is a greater risk of a cascading effect leading to a cluster of suicides.

It is important to note, however, that not all native communities have experienced suicide clusters or have regular incidents of suicide. In communities where there is a strong sense of local culture, community ownership, and other protective factors, it is believed that there are much lower rates of suicide and sometimes none at all.

Unfortunately, on some reservations where these protective factors have not been strongly developed, the situation can sometimes be severe. The suicide rate for First Nations youth can be five to seven times higher than for non-natives. Many native people still experience remnants of

historical social and economic upheaval caused by colonization, residential schools, and the "sixties scoop" (and into the seventies, where children were taken off the reserves and fostered to mostly Caucasian families). These wounds continue to fester in many areas today, often called "acculturative stress", and inhibit the growth of a healthy environment.

Indeed, suicide can become a "normalized" response to a seemingly hopeless existence, and these dire circumstances can further be exacerbated if the community formally chooses not to address the situation. In some areas the stigma of suicide is so strong that there is no word for it in the native language, and there is a pronounced reluctance to mention the word "suicide." This state of denial makes the implementation of suicide prevention measures extremely difficult. Silence and a lack of suicide prevention initiatives in the lives of children and youth can be the strongest reinforcement of the message that what they are doing is not only normal, but also, on some level, expected.

If you know of someone struggling with suicidal ideation, please contact The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 (TALK) or Winnebago Behavioral Health 1-402-878-2911, or After Hours Crisis # 1-712-25 9-3263.

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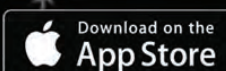
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