



# Winnebago Indian News

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## Baseball is back in Winnebago

### Bago Bits...



Winnebago High School Graduate, Drake Gorrin played in the Northeast Nebraska All Star game last week. The game was for 2017 Graduates. Drake's last time representing WHS. Congratz!



The "Fun in the Sun" program is back at it this summer, getting ur kids out completing healthy active activities daily from 10 am to 2 pm. Watch out for them, they bike, hike, and run the rez.



Rohahehs Aldrich completed his EMT classes on April 6, 2017 and completed the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Exam on 6/5/2017. Rohahehs works for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska for both Community Health Representatives and for Emergency Medical Services as an EMS Driver who is now promoted to Emergency Medical Technician. Congratz Roha!



The WHS gym is being demolished this summer for a brand new floor coming in the Fall.



Cindy "E" Earth got her hands on the "e" from the old court.



Paco Smith's 10 & under Lady Ndn's softball team. Games are held at the Coke field's in Sioux City, Iowa.



Davis Rave placing flowers on Sgt. John Rice's grave in Arlington National Cemetery as part of his participation in School Tours of America



After years of being absent from the ball fields of Winnebago, baseball is back! Coaches Eugene DeCora and Jared Doxey have put a group of 14 and under Winnebago boys together to form a team to compete in a Northeast Nebraska League. The team has had a few home games at the Land of Wellness Sports Complex, and recently traveled to Homer to play them little Knights. The baseball boys share the fields with Men's, Women's, Boy's & Girl's softball teams that play in leagues at the LOW with some of the teams competing in Sioux City Leagues. Stop by the LOW, watch some softball, baseball, horseshoes, and volleyball, and you can't miss the LOW Concession stand. I had the juiciest cheeseburger the other night, and if you like to sip lemonade, they whip up some pretty tasty and cold lemonade. "Take me out to the ball game, take me out to the crowds. Buy me some frybread and mah heench soup. I don't know if I'll ever come back. And it's root, root, root, "Let's Go Winnebago" if they lose it's a shame. Cause it's one, two, three strikes your out at the ole ball game"

## Winnebago Hosts Memorial Day Powwow



The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, Winnebago Veterans Association, LeMere/Greencrow/Rice American Legion Post #363 & Auxiliary hosted a Memorial Day Feast & Powwow. Families were present for a noon day feast, and some singing and dancing. Here members of the Cleveland family were in the arena paying their respects to loved ones lost.

## Indianz.com... Frank LaMere A good man's work is never done

by Leo Adam Biga  
June 2, 2017



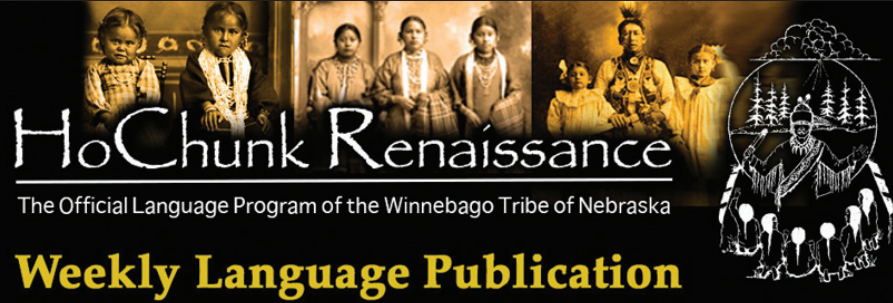
Frank LaMere, self-described as "one of the architects of the effort to shutdown Whiteclay," does not gloat over recent rulings to deny beer sellers licenses in that forlorn Nebraska hamlet. A handful of store owners, along with producers and suppliers, have profited millions at the expense of Oglala-Lakota from South Dakota's nearby Pine Ridge Reservation, where alcohol is banned but alcoholism runs rampant. A disproportionate number of children suffer from Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS). Public drunkenness, panhandling, brawls and accidents, along with illicit services in exchange for alcohol, have been documented in

and around Whiteclay. Since first seeing for himself in 1997 "the devastation" there, LaMere's led the epic fight to end alcohol sales in the unincorporated Sheridan County border town. "This is a man who, more than anyone else, is the face of Whiteclay," said Lincoln-based journalist-author-educator Joe Starita, who's student-led reporting project -- www.woundsofwhiteclay.com -- recently won the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Journalism grand prize besting projects from New Yorker, National Geographic and HBO. "There is nobody who has fought longer and fought harder and appeared at more rallies and given more speeches and wept more tears in public over Whiteclay than Frank LaMere, period." LaMere, a native Winnebago, lifelong activist and veteran Nebraska Democratic Party official, knows the battle, decided for now pending appeal, continues. The case is expected to eventually land in the Nebraska Supreme Court. Being the political animal and spiritual man he is, he sees the Whiteclay morass from a long view perspective. As a front-line warrior, he also has the advantage of intimately knowing what adversaries and obstacles may appear. His actions have gotten much press. He's a key figure in two documentaries about Whiteclay. But his social justice work extends far beyond this specific matter.

"I've been involved in many issues in my life," he said. Indeed, he's stood with farmers, immigrants, persons with disabilities, police misconduct victims, child welfare recipients. He's opposed the Keystone XL Pipeline. "I must have marched a hundred times in my life and not always on Native interests. If somebody's being mistreated and I have time and they come ask me, I don't care who it is, I'm going to go there. That's what it's all about. That's what drives me in my work." LaMere's fought the good fight over Whiteclay, where he sees a clear and present danger of public health and humanitarian crisis. As a Native person, it's personal because Whiteclay exists to exploit alcohol intolerance among the Pine Ridge populace. He's cautiously optimistic things will get better for residents, assuming the courts ultimately uphold the denial of the liquor licenses. "We'll see where things go from there," he said, "but rest assured, things will never be the same at Whiteclay. The only thing I know is that the devastation will never be like it was. I truly believe that." Just don't expect him to do a victory lap. "There are no wins and losses at

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# Around Winnebago



## HoChunk Spring Terms

xāwī  
• (x(ah)-w(ee)) •  
grass

hōgu  
• (hoh-goo) •  
growing

māxīco  
• (m(ah)-xee-cho) •  
sky blue

hāpjāne  
• (h(ah)p-jah-nay) •  
sunlit

hatakac  
• (hah-dah-kahch) •  
sunny

cāk  
• (ch(ah)k) •  
the outdoors

kirikiriš  
• (kee-rdee-kee-rdeesh) •  
colorful

xāwīoxere  
• (x(ah)-w(ee)-oh-xay-rday) •  
flower

nīžu  
• (n(ee)-zhoo) •  
rain

waxja  
• (wahx-jah) •  
pretty

takac  
• (dah-kahch) •  
warm

## Congratulations Miss Nebraska Winnebago from the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska



*Taylor Clairmont*

SIMLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 2017

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, MN



The Kidz Cafe  
started  
June 1st

## Culture CAMP

Held by the Boys and Girls Club & HoChunk Renaissance Language Program  
June 19th - 23rd  
8am - 4pm



Located at Winnebago Powwow Grounds  
(in case of inclement weather will be held at WPS Gym)  
Camp will include various culture teachings from applique sewing, traditional cooking, lacrosse, Hōcāk singing and dancing, Hōcāk language activities and more!  
(participants will select activity options during registration)  
Open to children of all ages • Must register at Boys and Girls Club during June 12th - 16th  
Schedule of events and further information will be available with registration form

**MUST participate each day to be eligible for Incentive trip to Wild Water West (Sioux Falls, SD) on Friday, June 23rd.**



Cassie Kitcheyan and her kiddies were participants at the WPS Honoring Powwow. Students were recognized for their achievements and awarded prizes.

# In My Opinion

## Thoughts from BRAN... by Lance Morgan



learned a few things myself listening to his explanations. At the end, he invited all the bike riders to join in a round dance. So my jaw drops as I watch a few hundred non-Indians stroll out into the arena and start going around the circle. At first the rhythm wasn't the best, but after about a minute they started copying a few of the tribal members and looked pretty good going around. I even posted a short video on my personal facebook page if you want to check it out.

Three things struck me about the event as I watched this play out. My first thought was that I was impressed with how well the event turned out and was proud of my tribe for doing it. The second thing was how impressed so many of the non-Indians were by the event and our community. Chairman White thanked them for coming and smartly invited them back for our annual pow-wow in July for more Indian tacos.

Lastly, I realized I personally was incredibly proud of our community. I liked hearing their comments of surprise. I liked hearing that they weren't sure what to expect. I liked hearing how nice our community was or how much it has changed since they last had been to Winnebago. Joi Long, my assistant at Ho-Chunk, Inc. and experienced tour guide for Winnebago, said the bike riders enjoyed their short tour.

When you drive through our town, you see the contrast between the old and the new, but overall there is so much progress. The Ho-Chunk Village, the schools, the hospital, the remodeled tribal building, Educare, the ball-fields and the ever improving pow-wow grounds. I think we sometimes forget how far we have come in such a short period of time. Showing off our progress a bit combined with the wonderful hospitality of the tribal members and employees who participated really made Winnebago a lot of friends this week and that can only help us in the future.

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Iowa has the famous RAGBRAI, which is a week-long bike across Iowa. It has several thousand riders from all over the country. Nebraska has the lesser known BRAN or Bike Ride Across Nebraska. The bikers pedal anywhere from 35 to 70 miles a day and stay the night in various host towns. This year BRAN had approximately 300 sun-tanned and determined riders.

Several months ago, people from the BRAN requested that the Village of Winnebago be a host community for BRAN. The Village contacted the Tribe who agreed and took the idea and really ran with it. The Tribe opened up the Pow-wow grounds and arranged for several food vendors. Ho-Chunk, Inc. put our interns to work and also did several tours of the town and the Ho-Chunk Village in a very hot school bus.

I talked to one of the organizers of BRAN and he said they stayed in a few very exposed football fields that week and loved all the trees and excellent facilities the pow-wow grounds offered. He even mentioned that Winnebago was likely to win the award for best host city.

The Tribe put on a dance exhibition with local school age children. Garan Coons was the MC and explained the meaning of several dances. Sadly, I

## JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



Pastor Ricky Jacob

### "Making a Name for Oneself"

Recently I heard a salutarian give her speech. She admitted that when she entered high school she wanted to be the smartest student, the most popular, etc. In a sense she wanted to make a name for herself. To be # two of one's high school class, of some four hundred students, meant that in a way she had succeeded.

However, along the way she came to realize her goals placed herself above God. She did not totally stop attending church, but slowly and surely she drifted away from serving Him because of her self-centeredness. The good news was that she had come to the realization of her desire to 'make a name for herself' and humbly repented of it. She gave God the glory for her success.

We sometimes fall into the same trap. How?

- You want to be the best player.
- You want to be the smartest student.
- You want to be the most popular.
- You want to be the life at the party.

Now there is nothing wrong at doing your best.

However often it comes at an expense, that expense is often one's relationship to God.

- You place you, yourself above God
- You stop listening to Him, you stop walking in His ways.

It becomes all about Y-O-U!

This brings me to the Bible story about a group of people who attempted to make a name for themselves. This story follows the world-wide flood. Following the flood Creator God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth" [Genesis 9:1]. In other words, God would bless them with the first part of having countless children and offspring. They were to then go in all four directions and fill the earth.

Creator God did His part. However instead of going forth and fill the earth, most likely to care for it, they decided to gather in one place. Why did they do

this? We learn from Moses: "Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth" [Genesis 11:4 ESV].

The answer to the why question was they wanted to make a name for themselves. To make matters worse they built a tower, or ziggurat up to the skies. They not only defied Creator God's command, they also began to worship the sun, the moon, and the stars instead of Creator God.

So Creator God in His wisdom confuses the people by confusing their languages. End result is that the people were dispersed over the face of the world. Sadly, the prince of this world, Satan, has used the confusion of languages to further separate one people from another. Today there are nearly 7,000 distinct languages.

This means that there are over 7,000 distinct names for Creator God. Yet there is only one Creator God. This Creator God would bless each and every person, no matter what his or her language, by sending His only begotten Son Jesus the Christ! Jesus would take the place of all of us who desire to make a name for ourselves.

Jesus would send His apostles in all four directions with the Good News of His saving work. He commanded them to go and keep on going, making disciples of all nations (all languages) by baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Thereby adopting them into God's family, His one family of each and every person that believes in Jesus as his or her Lord and Savior.

Only centuries later to send forth His apostles to have them proclaim the Good News of Jesus our Savior in order to have them brought back together again. Today we gather together as one, one family through being adopted into God's family with Jesus as our LORD and our Savior.

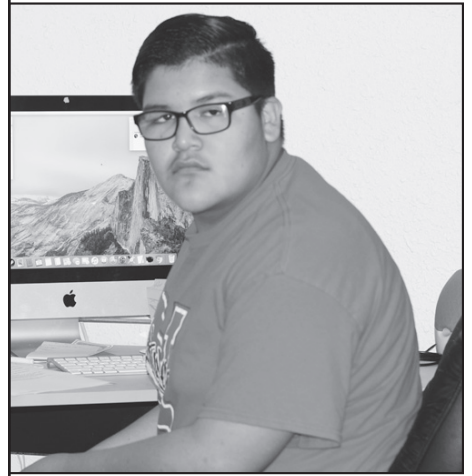


Winnebago Tribal Chairman, Frank White and First Lady, Elizabeth White enjoy the tribe's BRAN Presentation



The Winnebago Veteran's Building is now Handicap Accessible.

## Introducing Darion "Bubz" Earth WIN Summer Intern...



Hello, I'm Darion Earth this is my new job and my first time working at a job.

I'm excited to work and do some reporting.

I am 14 and I like to do sports, like football, track, and wrestling. Wrestling was my favorite sport I had a lot of fun

in wrestling.

The other thing I like to do is play video games, and I really like my new job as a camera man and take some pictures for the news paper.

I'm learning new things at my job like working a camera. I have never used a camera before.

I'm going to be a freshman at Winnebago High School this coming school year.

I am Winnebago, Navajo, and even German.

When I grow up I want to join the U.S. Air Force, or if I can't join the U.S. Air Force I would want to be a video game designer.

When I was growing up I always liked the Army and wanted to join the Army. Or even join a Sniper/Scout school because I like snipers.

If you see me around, smile and let me take your picture. You can contact me at: darion.earth@winnebagotribe.com



More and closer parking for attendees of the Winnebago Powwow this year, "Oldest Powwow in North America."

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Whiteclay. Nobody won, nobody lost, but all of us decided maybe we should begin to respect one another and find a better way. I think we will after the dust settles."

The state Liquor Control Commission, a district judge and the Nebraska attorney general oppose beer sales happening there again but LaMere knows powerful opposing forces are at work.

"I think Nebraskans have good sense. We know what's right. But there's money involved. Whoever controls alcohol at Pine Ridge-Whiteclay controls money, controls county government and until very recently even controls state government. I am unequivocal on that. I understand what's going on here. You're talking about tens of millions of dollars and we're threatening that, and when you threaten that, you know, you get a reaction."

He said he's received threats. He and fellow Whiteclay advocate, Craig Brewer, went there the day after the sellers lost their licenses.

"There was a foreboding I had all that day I've never had in my life," LaMere said. "It was strange to me. I've been dealing with things my whole life and never been afraid. But this time I was looking at different scenarios having to do with the volatility there and if things didn't work right what could happen to me. Maybe it's aging. Maybe it was the newness of the situation. I don't know."

"We got up there very apprehensive about what we were going to encounter, maybe from the beer sellers or from those who support the sellers or maybe from their hired associates. We didn't know what to expect, but we went up there because that's what we do – and everything worked out. The right thing happened."

The sellers did not open for business. "I told a reporter we went up to look the devil in the eye and the devil wasn't there, and I don't think the devil's coming back."

He said attorney David Domina, who represents the interests opposed to alcohol, appeared the same day there in the event something amiss happened.

"It was no coincidence," LaMere said. "We were to be there that day. A lot of prayers went with us."

LaMere will maintain a wary watch. "I will continue there to be careful, to be apprehensive, but I'm still not afraid."

He knows some contentious situations he steps into pose certain dangers.

"I'm a realist, I know how things are." He and his wife Cynthia made an unwritten pact years ago not to be at rallies or protests together to ensure they won't both be in harm's way.

"I do a lot of things in a lot of places and Cynthia grounds me. She critiques whatever approach I'm taking, always asking, 'Do you have to do it?' I've learned she's protective of me. But I also hear from her on many of these issues, 'Well, why didn't you say that?' because she knows Frank, what he's committed to, and she never questions that."

"I can do something I feel good about and I'll come home and she'll tell me the downside that maybe I don't always want to hear. She'll give me a perspective I need to hear that sometimes other people won't give me. She'll tell me the brutal honest truth. Cynthia's tough, engaged, committed."

His admirers marvel at his own doggedness. "He's an indefatigable worker and once he latches onto an issue that he sees as a moral challenge, he does not let go, and Whiteclay is a case in point. He's the most principled man I know," said Nebraskans for Peace coordinator Tim Rinne.

Joe Starita said LaMere is "hard working for his causes to the point of physical and mental exhaustion."

"He's a man who shows up for allies when nobody else is looking," Nebraska Democratic Party chairman Jane Kleeb said.

Setbacks and losses he's endured have not deterred him, including a serious stroke that required extensive speech therapy, and the death of his daughter, Lexie Wakan, who was a Creighton University student.

"He's a man who's had hardship, yet still continues to get up and stand up," Kleeb said. "For me, that's what Frank's all about – he always shows up." For LaMere, it's a way of life.

"Every day's a fight, and if you keep fighting you win because others watch that. The impact of Whiteclay will manifest itself hopefully with a win in the Supreme Court and perhaps in some young leader who cares about these things. I've been in a hundred struggles in my life, lost almost all of 'em, but I was never afraid, and that's what I want people to understand."

"If you're not afraid, people see that as a victory because you cause others to take heart, to persevere, to take action."

He's glad his resilience to keep agitating, even in the face of intransigence and tragedy, inspires others. "I'll accept that because that's what it is – you just keep working."

He likes to say Whiteclay's implications are "bigger than we can ever fathom." "Years from now, we will understand it is way bigger than us. I got to be a bit player. The creator of all things, said, Frank, I'm going to have you see what you can do, and along the way I'm going to cause you to struggle. I'm going to knock you down, and I'm even going to take something from you, and if you keep going, maybe I'll let you change something."

"That's the greatest work we can do." Reflecting on Whiteclay, he said, "This was an emotional roller coaster for all Nebraskans." He chalks up the recent breakthrough to divine intervention.

"There's things happening that are so strange," he said.

He recalled a hearing in Lincoln on LB 407 introduced by Neb. State Sen. Patty Pansing Brooks to create the Whiteclay Public Health Emergency Task Force. LaMere testified. His son, Manape LaMear, sang a sun dance song. After finishing his sacred song, Manape asked if someone from Sheridan County was there to speak.

"A big guy got up and testified," said LaMere. "He was asked, 'Do you have enough law enforcement to take care of Whiteclay?' and he answered, 'Absolutely not.'"

"This man said some things absolutely nobody expected him, maybe not himself, to say. If you're with those (monied) interests of Whiteclay, you're not supposed to say that, you're going to be ostracized. But for whatever reason, he told the truth. I attribute that to the powerful prayers said that day."

"You're watching at Whiteclay a very spiritual journey. There's something much bigger than us that has brought us to this point – that we would make such a great change for the Oglala Lakota people. I think it's God's work. From that I hope things will be better."

He's convinced "the greatest impact will not be felt for generations," but added, "I've seen immediate impact right now."

"I believe there's a child whose mother and father were together at home and did not drink. I believe children are feeling very good Whiteclay is not open. I believe there's been prayers by children that their parents be sober. I believe their prayers are very powerful. I think what we're seeing may have to do with these children and their suffering and their prayers."

LaMere has disdain for arguments that banning alcohol at Whiteclay will only move the problem elsewhere, thus increasing the danger of drunk drivers.

"Worrying about someone driving down Highway 87 who might get hurt by a drunk driver can't be our greatest concern. Our greatest concern has to be the health and well-being of hundreds of children crippled in the womb by fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS). I've called out many on this. Where are pro-life people? Where's the church? Children are crippled in the womb tonight and nothing's said about it because there's money involved. That's troubling to me."

"We've crippled hundreds of kids in the womb on Pine Ridge – all so somebody can get rich, wrap themselves in a flag, and talk about this model of free enterprise. We cherish that more than we cherish life. It's ugly to hear that but that's what we've done. But we've always been afraid to accept that."

Attorney John Maisch, whose documentary Sober Indian, Dangerous Indian includes LaMere, said, "I would say Frank's empathy is what drives him. Frank is in a perpetual state of mourning. Frank has lost many family members and friends to addiction. I think that is partially what drove him to tackle Whiteclay. Frank lost his daughter, Lexie, and I think that is why he's particularly drawn to fighting for those children, whether Native children lost in our foster care system or suffering from FAS as a result of their mothers drinking on the streets of Whiteclay. He's drawn to suffering of others because he has also suffered great loss."

LaMere acknowledged he's "redoubled" his efforts since losing his daughter.

"And it's not in any way substitution," he said. "I don't see it that way. I look at it very simply that now I stand on the shoulders of my daughter. In all of the things I'm doing right now perhaps I'm as bold as ever, and there's a reason for that, for that is what she would have me do. If I hedge, she'll say, 'Why are you doing that? That is not who you are.' I even heard her say in her young life: 'This is my father, this is who he is, and this is what he does, and he does this for the people.'"

"All I do for the rest of my life will be done in remembrance of my daughter because she was so committed at a very young age to the things I'm still committed to."

LaMere's glad Nebraska may finally own up to its sins.

"At long last Nebraskans have said perhaps it's time for us to look at this. For once I'm pleased Nebraskans are not going to merely beg the question, they're going to look at the impact of Whiteclay and maybe we're going to act and make some of it a little bit better."

As LaMere sees it, the whole state's culpable.

"We as Nebraskans are unwittingly, unknowingly responsible for it. We need to act and to mitigate some of those things we've helped to cause at Pine Ridge. Even after all this, I say Nebraskans are fair – fair to a fault. Sometimes it takes us so damn long to act."

The real culprits, he said, are "those in Sheridan County" who've turned a blind eye.

"The beer sellers and the rest are going to have hell to pay, not from Frank LaMere, but from the Supreme Court, the Liquor Control Commission, the attorney general, all these other interests, because when they take a good, long hard look at what's happened, there there's no way you can reconcile that as being anything close to normal or acceptable."

As watchdog and conscience, LaMere said he lives out a covenant he made with his creator to serve others.

"I've traveled a million miles, spent everything I have, taken time from my family, taken time from myself. At some point, there's a moral authority you feel. Nobody can give it to you or bestow it on you. Once you acquire it, it means nothing unless there's a moral imperative that goes with that. I've tried to achieve some moral authority and the moral imperative that goes with it."

"I hear every day in my work with different agencies the words 'by the authority invested in me.' Means absolutely nothing to me. Doesn't impress me at all. I don't care how much authority you have – if you do not use it and if there's no moral imperative to make things better, it's meaningless. I meet with those people all the time. They have the authority, but they don't use it. I'm not being cynical. I have the truth on my side."

Whiteclay offered duly elected and appointed officials decades of opportunities to act, but they didn't. LaMere never left the issue or let authorities forget it.

"Sometimes I can go into a room with a hundred people and I have the least amount of authority-power-title, but they have to listen to Frank because he's put time and energy into it and he's acquired that moral authority and he uses it. He scares them. They wish he would go away. People have to listen to Frank because he never goes away and there's nothing in it for him."

"That's why we made some changes at Whiteclay and that's how we're going to make change in our society – gain that moral authority and act."

LaMere said his greatest asset is the truth.

"Any issues of change, even Whiteclay, you stand with the truth. I've learned that over many years. Because once the press conferences, the conventions, the rallies are done, the arrests are made, the petition drives are over, the legislative efforts go by the wayside, the only thing that's left is the truth. It's very important you stand with the truth and be recognized having stood with it."

"That's the only thing that keeps me going. I'm firm, forthright and respectful and always telling the truth. Of late, it has worked in some respects for me."

If Whiteclay confirmed anything, he said, it's that "nothing changes unless someone's made to feel uncomfortable and you have to make yourself uncomfortable." In dealing with Whiteclay, he said, he expressed his "healthy disrespect for authority."

"Maybe it's a character flaw," he said, "but you can put me in a room with a hundred people and if there's a bully, before the night's over I'll probably butt heads with him."

As a young man he was active "on the periphery" of the American Indian Movement. Later in life he got close to AIM legends Russell Means and Vernon Bellacourt. The men became allies in many fights.

"I saw Native people and non-Native people be bullied simply because somebody felt they had a position of power over them and whenever I see that I naturally react to that. I don't care what the issue is, I'll ask, 'Who do you think you are? Why are you doing that? Why are you treating him or her that way?' I've said that. I've always grown up with that feeling that if somebody is being mistreated, I will always speak up for them."

Whiteclay offered a microcosm of predatory behavior.

"When I first went to Whiteclay 20 years ago, I took one look and you could see the Natives who went there did not have a voice and were not held in high regard. The owners and residents paid little attention to them. The other thing I saw there was the lawlessness and the mistreatment of vulnerable people being taken advantage of. I saw it and so could everybody else. Then I saw how nobody acted, so I thought perhaps I should give some voice to them."

The still unsolved murders there of Little John Means, Ronald Hard Heart and Wilson Black Elk weighed on him. The alcohol-related illness and death of others haunted him.

"The alcohol coming out of Whiteclay has killed scores of Lakotas and we're still waiting for that one white man or white woman, God forbid, who dies on the road between Rushville and Whiteclay."

The documentary The Battle for Whiteclay shows LaMere at a hearing railing against "the double standard" that overlooks Native deaths.

"It means we feel there's two classes of citizens here in this state. Would we allow the things in Whiteclay in western Omaha or southeast Lincoln? I don't think so. Scores of our people ... victimized, orphaned, many of our people murdered. God forbid that one young white woman, one white man, die at Whiteclay tonight. We'd shut the damn thing down in the morning, and the pathetic thing about that is we all know that's the truth."

LaMere feels that double-standard still exists.

"We want everything at Whiteclay to be just right, but we cannot even take care of the clear and simple. There's one thing you know you can do under the law – you can shut them down, and they've done that, and they're having problems keeping them shut."

He refuses to be patronized because he's learned from experience that playing the game doesn't get results.

"You'll pat me on the head and say, Frank, you're a great guy, I appreciate what you're bringing to us, but I know in the back of your mind you don't want to change anything. You'll even give me a permit to march or picket. But I bet you won't do that for 20 years. You can handle a year and then say – this damn guy never goes away, perhaps we should sit and listen to him."

LaMere regrets the one time he took things for granted.

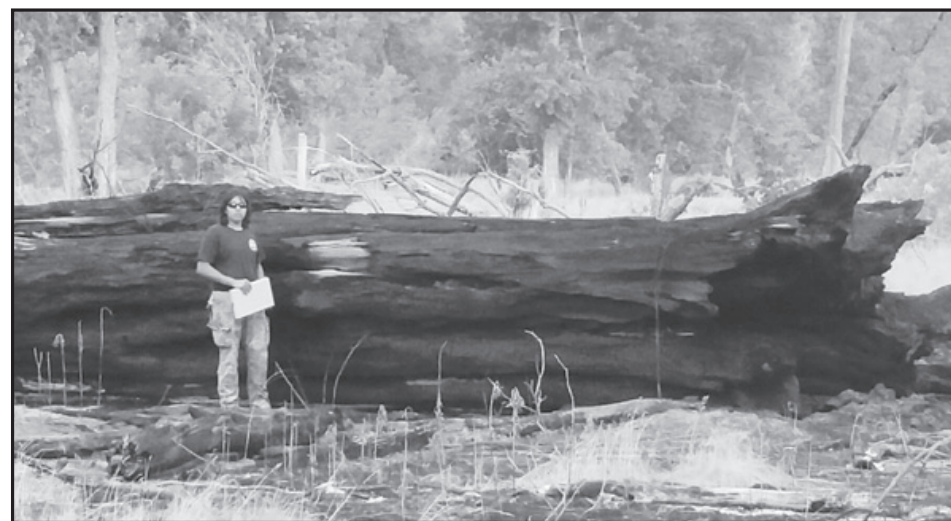
"I made a mistake many years ago. I raised the issue of Whiteclay. We got a lot initiated with then-Gov. (Ben) Nelson. He put together groups of officials from Sheridan County, Pine Ridge, state agencies, and we talked about the lawlessness issues up there. So we got something in the works a long time ago and I appreciated that process. I made the mistake though of thinking it's a no-brainer. I thought all I have to do is bring this back to Lincoln and Nebraskans will change it."

"I was too hopeful. Many Nebraskans would change it but those in power did not. Where there's money involved, nothing is a no-brainer. People are going to weigh the money and the impact. Those with influence and monied interests are probably going to win out. That's what I watched. Whiteclay is perhaps the poster child for greed, not in Neb. but maybe in the whole nation. It ranks up there with Flint (Mich.)."

For too long, he said, the attitude about Whiteclay was, "We know what we're doing but it's going to cost us money, it's going to cost me to do my job in the public trust. Just leave it the way it is." Because the problem was allowed to persist, he said, "Whiteclay will go down in our history as something we tolerated and that we will forever be ashamed of, and we're only going to understand that when the Supreme Court makes that final decision to shut 'em down. Then we're going to take a look at what we've truly done."

Meanwhile, LaMere won't rest easy. When well-meaning people offer condolences about Lexie and lament her unfulfilled promise, he said he accepts their sympathy but corrects them, saying, "There's no unfulfilled promise – it's more for you to do, it's more for me to do."

"That's how it is. That keeps me going. That's the way I'll be until I'm not here anymore."



The Winnebago Volunteer Fire Department spent almost a week fighting a wildfire on the Missouri River Bottom between Winnebago and Macy.

# Winnebago News

## LITTLE PRIEST TRIBAL COLLEGE

"BE STRONG AND EDUCATE MY CHILDREN"

### Financial Aid Assistant Job Announcement

**Organization and Location:** The position is located at Little Priest Tribal College (LPTC) in Winnebago, Nebraska, 68071.

**Purpose of Position:**  
The Financial Aid Assistant is a full-time, hourly, position and will be responsible for providing clerical assistance to the Director of Financial Aid assisting in all aspects of the office. This a 40-hour a week position; additional hours may be required on an as needed basis.

**Qualifications**  
Minimum of an AA degree preferred. Business/office management experience preferred. Preferred experience in Jenzabar and Powerfaids, or other financial aid database software systems. Must have excellent oral and written communication skills and basic computer skills. Must be a team player that implements the philosophy and goals of the college. Must be able to maintain professionalism and confidentiality in the office.

**Responsibilities:**  
Maintain student records according to the Department of Education rules and regulations.  
Apply knowledge of and adherence to confidentiality according to Little Priest Tribal College's Privacy Policy and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Maintain, at all times, an organized, pleasant, professional office atmosphere to properly represent the department.  
Maintain computerized data base information on student financial aid awards. Coordinate the preparation of internal and external reports, including setting up a database to keep statistics relevant to financial aid office.

Provide the IT department with relevant and reliable information for the financial aid departments' section of the Little Priest Tribal College's website to ensure that it is up to date and reader-friendly.  
Coordinate workshops and activities to educate students and high school students about financial aid and college preparation.

Assist students with general requests or inquires that do not require the Director's attention.  
Process requests and communications from college staff/faculty, Tribal and community agencies as requested.

Perform activities and oversee the Financial Aid office in the absence of the Director of Financial Aid.  
Perform other related tasks, as assigned.

**To Apply:**  
Applicants can submit a cover letter, resume, college transcripts and three letters of references to Human Resources Manager, P.O. Box 270, Winnebago, NE 68071 or email to [sandra.francis@littlepriest.edu](mailto:sandra.francis@littlepriest.edu).  
Applicants may also go to <http://www.littlepriest.edu/faculty-staff/human-resources.html> and complete the on-line application and attach a resume. Transcripts and three letters of reference are also required when submitting an application.

*Little Priest Tribal College is an Equal Opportunity Employer*



Welcome Donna Wolff to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska as the new Native Connections Project Coordinator.

She will be in charge of Suicide Prevention efforts for the Winnebago tribe and will be conducting upcoming seminars and training events for the community at large.

Her phone number is 402-878-3659 and her contact email is: [donna.wolff@ihs.gov](mailto:donna.wolff@ihs.gov). If you have any questions for her or would like to be a member of the new Community Planning Committee please contact Donna.

All of us can save a life and please know the Suicide Hotline Number:

**1-800-273-TALK (8255)**

## SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Suicide occurs across and within all races and cultures. Within Indian Country, the rates are higher than in the general population. The subject of suicide carries the stigmas of depression and death, the fear that just talking about it will make it happen, and other stigmas, including:

### Suicide is a cry for help

When a person decides to end his or her life, there is nothing that can be done to stop him or her

A person won't die by suicide if he or she has children, just bought a new car, or is just having a "difficult time"

The reality is that suicide is preventable, and help is available.

Before talking with someone you are concerned about, have suicide crisis response available, such as the Nation-

al Suicide Prevention Lifeline number, 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), or numbers and addresses of the local crisis lines or treatment centers. Winnebago Behavioral Health is in the bottom level of the hospital, 1-402-878-2911 and the After Hours Crisis # 1-712-259-3263. Mention what signs prompted you to ask the person about how they are feeling, the words used, or behavior displayed (signs make it more difficult to deny that something is wrong).

We will have the warning signs and how to reach out to someone showing suicidal ideation in our upcoming articles on the topic of suicide.

Donna Wolff is the new Native Connections Project Coordinator (Suicide Prevention) with the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Her number is 1-402-878-3659 if you need to reach out to her.



VJ & Bubz were out snapping their cameras to update everyone on Powwow Grounds construction progress.

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for  
Winnebago Newspaper  
June 23**

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# Community News

## WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COUNCIL

### PRIMARY & REGULAR ELECTION SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 & OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

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

Tribal Council Approval: 04/19/2017

## Pharmacy Window Hours:

Monday	8:00am to 6:30pm	Thursday	8:00am to 6:30pm
Tuesday	8:00am to 6:30pm	Friday	8:00am to 6:30pm
Wednesday	10:00am to 6:30pm	Saturday	1:00pm to 5:00pm
		Sunday	1:00pm to 5:00pm

Any medication orders from Clinic after window closing hours WILL BE Processed and Filled. If you would like to pick them up after your appointment, please REMAIN in the Pharmacy Waiting Area and you will be called in to a counseling room.

Thank you!



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- > Oversight of internal and external store cleanliness based on corporate standards.
- > Full time, salaried position.
- > Bachelor's degree in business management plus 2 years related experience; or 8 years related experience required.

### FLOATING STORE MANAGER CORP. OPERATIONS, WINNEBAGO, NEBRASKA

- > Assists Retail Director with administrative and management functions as assigned.
- > Helps develop customer service and promotional strategies to enhance the entire operation.
- > Partners with other retail store managers to manage any store operation in the absence of the store manager.
- > Full time, salaried position.
- > Bachelor's degree in business management plus 2 years related experience; or 8 years related experience required.

### CASHIERS – ALL LOCATIONS

- > Responsible for handling customer transactions for fuel or merchandise in a prompt and accurate manner.
- > Responsible for maintenance of store cleanliness and equipment operation during shift.
- > Provides excellent customer service and works well in a team environment.
- > Responsible for re-stocking shelves and coolers.
- > High school diploma or equivalent preferred; six months to one year experience in related field preferred.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE POSITIONS, PLEASE VISIT [WWW.HOCHUNKING.COM/EMPLOYMENT.PHP](http://WWW.HOCHUNKING.COM/EMPLOYMENT.PHP).

## American Broadband

### Would You Like Help Paying Your Internet Bill?

Please stop in for information about Tribal Lifeline, federal home internet assistance program available to those who qualify. Lifeline helps ensure everyone has access to internet service in order to find jobs, access health care services, connect with family or assist with home work. Refreshments will be provided.

To Sign-Up Bring Proof Of Your Participation In One Of The Following:

- Medicaid (e.g., Title XIX/Medical, State Supplemental Assistance)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as Food Stamps)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit
- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF)
- Head Start
- Income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

Everyone Welcome, Please Stop By On:

Date: 06/20/2017

Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm

Blackhawk Center  
Winnebago, NE



Contact Christian Jennings With Any Questions: 402.426.6227

## Winnebago Self Storage

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## New Deadline !!! for Winnebago Newspaper June 23

### Masthead Scene

The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska recently hosted the participants of the BRAN, bike ride across Nebraska. BRAN members began their trek in Falls City, Nebraska biking through and stopping at Auburn, Weeping Water, North Bend, Wayne, Wakefield, a Winnebago stop, and completing the ride to Tekamah. The Annual Event is sponsored the BRAN organization with bike riders from across Great Turtle Island. MORE PICTURES inside this issue.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV17-088

In the Matter of the  
Name Change Petition of:  
MAXIMINO MATILDA CORTES LA-MERE  
to JOSUE MANUAL LAMERE

To: ANY INTERESTED PARTIES  
You are hereby notified that a petition for Name Change has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual in case no. CV17-088 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 17TH day of AUGUST, 2017 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV17-051

In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:

MARK CLEVELAND  
vs.  
DANA FAYE PARKER

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

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV17-083

In the Matter of the  
Guardianship Petition of:  
LISA PAYER,

In Re:  
S. H. (DOB 05-26-2016)  
TO: JENNIFER DREW, Mother  
UNKNOWN, Father

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

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ17-032

The People of the Winnebago Tribe

In the Interest of:

J. K. (DOB 4-8-2015)  
To: STORMY KNUDSEN, Mother  
CODY CHILSON, Putative  
Father and ALL OTHER POTENTIAL  
FATHERS

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

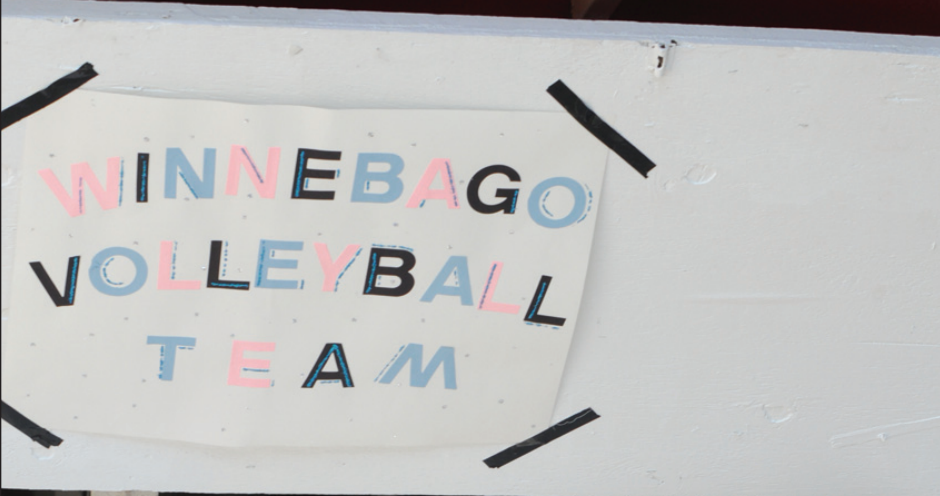
# Around Winnebago



Chairman White addresses the BRAN crowd and invites them all back for Powwow.



Facility Summer Youth workers, Jeremy Bear and Robbie Lovejoy working hard to get Veterans Memorial Park ready for BRAN Riders and upcoming pow-wow celebration.



Coach Katie and her girls volleyball team were raising funds for this fall with a concession stand at the BRAN event.

## DID YOU KNOW...



Every **20 minutes** an older adult dies from a fall in the United States. Many more are injured.  
Take a stand to prevent falls

**STEADI** Stopping Elderly Accidents, Deaths & Injuries



The Winnebago Fall Prevention Program offers **home assessments** which help elders reduce trip and fall hazards and improve overall safety in the home. Our program goal is to prevent fall injuries but **we need your help to do this** – please contact Jennifer Straub, Winnebago Injury Prevention Coordinator to schedule a home assessment.

With your help we can reduce fall injuries and keep our elders independent, in their own homes and part of our Tribal community.

Please call Jennifer at 402-878-3475 or email [jennifer.straub@ihs.gov](mailto:jennifer.straub@ihs.gov)



Daga's Grill in Winnebago HoChunk Village has a new patio for customers to enjoy the nice smelly outdoors of Winnebago.

## FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> • 10am - 2pm

- Breakfast Lovers**  
Eggs • Bacon • Sausage Links • Waffles • Pancakes • French Toast
- Dad's Favorites**  
BBQ Smoked Pork Ribs • BBQ Pulled Pork • BBQ Smoked Chicken Sirloin Steak • Loaded Potato Bake • Mac & Cheese  
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**THURSDAY JUNE 8, 2017 10AM START**  
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**THURSDAY JUNE 15, 2017 10AM START**  
**SHARP SHOOTER**

AT CITY FIELD

**THURSDAY JUNE 22, 2017 10AM START**  
**GOLF CHALLENGE**

AT CITY FIELD

**THURSDAY JUNE 29, 2017 10AM START**  
**FOOTBALL CHALLENGE**

AT WINNEBAGO PUBLIC SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD

Winnebago Health Dept. is Not Responsible for Mishaps, Accidents, Injury, Stolen Property, or death. All participants that are participating in these events must complete all requirements prior to each event. **ABSOLUTELY NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL!** We also encourage sportsmanship, no poor losers...

Sign up on site \$20.00 or pre-register for free with CHR before each event. Contact info: [les.painter@ihs.gov](mailto:les.painter@ihs.gov) or [silas.cleveland@ihs.gov](mailto:silas.cleveland@ihs.gov)

## NEW Deadline !!!

### for Winnebago Newspaper June 23

# Join us this June at Winnavegas!



## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

### Treat your Dad This June!

Father's Day Drawing June 18th, 11am-7pm

Let WinnaVegas help make Father's Day even more special. All men visiting WinnaVegas will receive an entry into our Father's Day Drawing.\* Two Fathers will be called every hour to win prizes including:

- Gift Cards
- Golf Putters and Drivers
- Fishing Equipment
- Golf Passes.

\*Must be present to win.

"The Indian and the White Guy"

free!

Music & Comedy Legends

## Williams & Ree

Saturday, June 24th.

Doors open at 7pm, show at 8pm.

Free admission with ClubWINN card.

Limited seating, first come, first serve!

Williams and Ree, aka The Indian and the White Guy, are music and comedy team out of the Dakotas. Bruce Williams and Terry Ree have decades of knocked out shows under their belts and their belts reflect that. The message they bring is one of love and harmony, with an underlying note of deceit and debauchery. Their overall theme is "We Are All The Same". But, really, they are totally different than whoever is reading this bio.



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