

## BAGO BITS

By: Tyler Snake



August 30th Little Priest Tribal College held their Archery event, attendees were able to learn safety protocols/basic training and the cultural significance to try out a Ho-Chunk Style Bow and play games! Very hands on experience. This event was put together by LPTC, Angel De Cora Museum and Project launch. (Pictured above is some youth from the Boys and Girls Club)



Starting September 5th Ho Chunk farms harvested their corn and had help from the community at the Village Market to scrape/husk corn and take it through the drying process throughout the week. The Indian Corn Harvest has been an annual event since 2017. This is a great way to bring the community together, thank you Ho Chunk Farms for all your efforts in food sovereignty and preserving traditions!



Winnebago Youth Crisis Intervention Center and Youth Shelter hosted their Hand Drum making class. Teacher Charles Hindsley showed 10 attendees the process. Pictured above is a photo of Travis Hardens drums, in a dream-catcher style, Great work!

## Youth Crisis Intervention Center and Youth Shelter Impact and Remodel



The newly renovated Winnebago YCIC is looking nice.

By Tyler Snake

August 23rd the Winnebago Youth Crisis Intervention Center and Youth Shelter (YCIC) held a blessing for their reopening/remodel. During the tour updates about the changes and the history behind YCIC's efforts were shared. The WIN team and HCI apprentice, Tylie Chilson, got a chance to sit down with Daryl LaPointe Jr., YCIC Director, for some insight on the program and its impact on Winnebago.

Born and raised in Winnebago, NE Daryl has a history of working with the youth, his previous employment was at the Lincoln Juvenile County. With the knowledge he gained and the position opening, he applied. Daryl LaPointe Jr., YCIC and youth shelter Director, has been working for the facility for over 8 years. It will be 9 years in February! Daryl is a part of the Snake Clan, and his name translates to Walking in the Dew. His parents are Daryl LaPointe Sr and Pearl LaPointe. Daryl's grandparents are PJ & Viola LaPointe as well as Bob & Janice Berridge. When asked of future plans he explained that his short-term goal would be to have a juvenile court, it would help the process speed up due to local juvenile court being one day a month. Long term goal would be to have both programs and a detention center as a whole build-

ing. Over the years Daryl agreed that the facility has had a positive impact on the Winnebago Community, over time Daryl notices that the youth's demeanor change and are able to feel safe in the new environment. "Kids that were once in the program have grown up and went to college, the military or got a job, it's a proud moment to see the impact."

Established in 2015, YCIC is a state licensed tribal owned and operated facility with the goal to keep our youth safe with temporary housing, provide services as needed such as mental health coordination, on-site education services, Nutrition service program and more by full-time staff. The staff work 24/7 around the clock and receive year-round training to grow with the facility and its growing needs.

The facility can have 12 youth, ages birth-18, in the child welfare unit and 8 in the holdover unit. But it can handle more if needed, max capacity is 20. The youth generally stay at the facility for 72 hours and up to 5 days in the hold-over side. For the youth shelter side, it's usually 30 days or till a foster family is found depending on the type of situation. Youth go to the facility for a number of reasons: from being arrested, sent by truancy officers/social workers but is open to any youth and their family. You do not have to be in trouble to receive services. The facility

wants to move away from the stigma that it is a detention center, it is a staff secured facility, built to be a detention alternative. Before YCIC youth were sent to Omaha nation's youth program or to Cherokee if not full, but after that it is up to the state to find placement, often times not near. YCIC creates a local shelter for Winnebago and the surrounding communities to keep our youth here. Not only are they local but the shelter is an environment with less restriction with higher chances of being successful on their own accord. The goal has always been for us by us.

The facility partially shut down in July for renovation. During this time YCIC worked with the state for placement and housed youth in the holdover unit. Updates of the shelter were all need floors, fresh paint, ceiling maintenance, new electrical, 2 full bathrooms and 2 half bathrooms, 12 bedrooms, living and dining area, full kitchen and pantry, garden/outdoor area, basement req area. Attention to detail was important as the mission of the remodel is to create a larger capacity, cleanliness due to the close-range living and to promote positive interactions together.

Overall, this is an outcome of YCIC and its staff's efforts to maintain a safe environment with the ability to care for them in various aspects and continue to expand their reach.

## Winnebago WIC Program Hosts Breastfeeding Awareness Walk



The WIC Staff handed out some awesome looking t-shirts to the walking participants. If you didn't get one you truly missed out.

By Erin McElroy

Winnebago, NE – On Friday, September 8th at 10:00 AM the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System's Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program hosted a Breastfeeding Awareness Walk. Over 100 Winnebago community members participated and were able to walk, learn, and earn a t-shirt.

"Thanks to all who stopped down to the Winnebago WIC Program today for our Breastfeeding Awareness Walk. WIC provides Winnebago with the opportunity to honor the traditions of Indigenous Milk Medicine that sustains our way of life by nurturing the next generation," said Carmen Snow, Winnebago WIC Vendor Monitor.

The WIC program is a special supplemental nutrition program that provides federal grants to states for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income. Existing in the United States since 1972 in some form, WIC has proven effective in improving the health of pregnant women, new mothers, and their infants. Studies showed that women who participated in the program during their pregnancies had lower Medicaid costs for themselves and their babies than did women who did not participate. WIC participation was also linked with longer gestation periods, higher birthweights, and lower infant mortality.

Chief Public Health Officer, Mona Zuffante, explains that "The WIC program

is essential to the Winnebago community. The Indigenous mothers and families in our community, who benefit from WIC receive essential education, support, and resources to ensure the nutrition and health of both mother and child during those critical times - pre and postpartum for mom and early childhood."

Winnebago, NE's WIC program has been supporting qualified low-income pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to age 5 in the community for several years with no end in sight. "By preserving breastfeeding practices within our Indigenous culture, we hope to strengthen our community's food sovereignty and family health to help create a sustainable future," says Snow.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Together, we must all protect our Elders from abuse and neglect.

Call the 24-hour Nebraska toll free Hotline at **1-800-652-1999.**

If you feel you're in immediate danger call your local police at **402-878-2245.**

**Lauren Buchanan, Elder Abuse Coordinator**  
402-257-5586

# Wahaḡi Wōška

**HARVEST CELEBRATION & GREEN CORN DANCE**

**Wednesday, September 20th**

Located at Veteran's Memorial Park  
Dinner at 5pm  
Grand Entry at 7pm

Head Man Dancer: Dillon Bearskin  
Head Woman Dancer: Jaralyn Bear  
Host Drum: New Breed  
Arena Director: Isaac Smith

Master of Ceremonies: Craig Cleveland Jr.  
Sr. Miss Harvest Celebration - Fiona Soap  
Jr. Miss Harvest Celebration - Eliana Smith

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2nd place: trophy and \$150  
3rd place: trophy and \$100

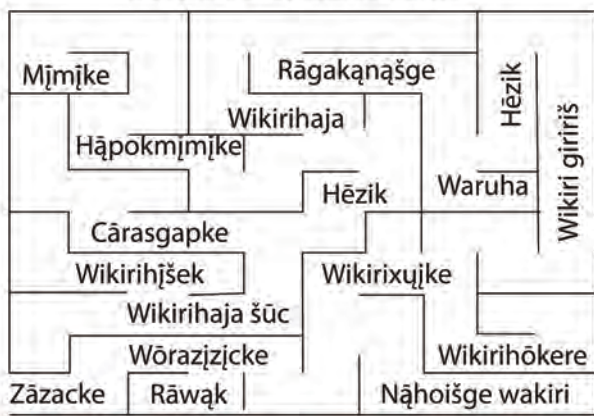
The Winnebago tribe is not responsible for accidents or theft. Absolutely no alcohol or drugs permitted in Veteran's memorial park. Security: Bear Clan.



Ho-Chunk Renaissance  
Language Preservation Program

## Ho-Chunk Renaissance

Follow the Ho-Chunk words



# SEPTEMBER 2023



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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PART 34

One of the most difficult tasks you might face will be responding to the questions people ask about your suicide attempt. The shame, guilt, confusion, and other emotions that might follow an attempt can make it tough to speak about it with others, especially if people respond in a way that doesn't feel supportive.

Often, those closest to you may be feeling lots of emotions about your attempt. They may be scared, confused, or angry about what happened, causing them to focus on their own feelings, rather than being as supportive as you need them to be. Their reactions might hurt you, whether they mean to or not.

To make it easier, here are some suggestions that can be helpful:

It's your story to tell, or not.

The details of your experience are personal, and it's up to you to determine what you want to share and with whom. Sharing what happened with your doctors, nurses, counselor, or peer supporters can help them give you the right kind of support. In most cases, they're required to keep the details of what you share confidential.

You may want to share some of the details and your feelings about what happened with other people you trust, such as family or friends. How much you share, or the details you decide to give, are up to you and what you feel comfortable with.

People don't always say the right things.

It's difficult to predict how people will respond when they learn that you tried to kill yourself. Some people might change the subject or avoid the topic altogether because of their fear of death or suicide. They may judge or blame you. They may feel betrayed or be wondering what they could have done to prevent you from attempting suicide.

Often, those who care the most about you have the strongest reactions to your suicide attempt because they can't imagine life without you. It's helpful to remember that a strong reaction may reflect your family's or friends' depth of concern about you.

Sometimes you may feel that they're being overly controlling. It may seem like they're watching everything you do or won't leave you alone because they're afraid you may attempt suicide again. This can be very frustrating when you're trying to recover from an attempt.

It can take time to repair the trust in your relationships. If you can show that you're committed to safety, it might allow those close to you to feel more comfortable giving you the space you need. Completing a safety plan can help you show those who are worried about you that you want to stay safe.

Learning more about suicide can help the people who care about you be more supportive. If they better understand what led to your suicide attempt, they might be better able to give you what you need, especially if you communicate your needs in a clear and direct way.

"Attempt survivors most want and need someone they can just talk to who will listen and let them mull things over without rushing to intervene. They are looking for someone who can understand and make them feel valued."

"When I had these suicidal thoughts, I didn't know how to talk to anyone because I figured I was the only one who had these thoughts and emotions and if I told someone, I just figured that the automatic reaction would be I'd have to go to psych ward."

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

## JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



### "Making life decisions"

When you are having to make a life decision - who do you go to - if anyone - before you choose which option to take? Put another way, whose advice do you hold as most important?

If you are a teen - do you ask one of your parents, grandparents, your daga or auntie for their input? Or do you value the opinion of your peers more than your family's values?

If you are an adult to whom or where do you turn to? Do you seek guidance from something in creation - on the internet, in the stars or in the cards?

Or do you ever seek the advice that your Creator has to offer? If so, how does your Creator communicate with you? Through a vision, or in a dream, or through your thoughts? How can you be sure that it is your Creator speaking and not the Evil one deceiving you?

Do you ever search the Scriptures - God's Sacred Word? Do you seek the

counsel of the Holy Spirit who guides one one through the reading, meditating on and trusting in these words of God?

One book of Holy Scriptures was especially written to offer you wisdom - God's wisdom. The book of Proverbs was written for your benefit. It was written on the one hand, so that you could learn, not from making YOUR OWN MISTAKES, but rather by heeding wisdom's words of WARNING!

On the other hand, the book of Proverbs was also written so that one who FEARS God would place his or her faith in His Son Jesus and then to go on to make good life choices. Over time an individual puts these good choices into practice and makes a habit of living in this way.

I close by turning to the fourth chapter of Proverbs, beginning with the tenth verse: 'Listen, my son, and accept my words, so that the years of your life will be many. I have taught you the way of wisdom. I have led you along upright pathways.'

## Hōcāk Rules

By Eben Crawford

Before the arrival of Europeans and the disruption of Hōcāk culture by disease, war, relocation, spiritual suppression, the introduction of alcohol, and the removal of the Tribe's children there was a clear system of teaching kids how to act and how not to act in life. All cultures and religions in the world have rules like these, but only these are uniquely Hōcāk. These rules might be given to children by the fire early in the morning by their grandfather. In the early 1920's some of these instructions were recorded. Here are just a few.

Treat your children well.

Live your life so its not a joke.

Men, do not abuse your partner.

My daughter, do not hit your relatives at any time.

My son, do not become a gambler.

My daughter, never get lazy.

My son, should anyone visit your home, be sure to offer them some food.

My daughter, show your love to your children with actions, not words.

If at any time you can make someone feel happy, do so.

## NOTICE OF FINDING OF COMMUNITY FORUM

September 6, 2023

These notices shall satisfy procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the HoChunk Community Development Corporation and WHDC.

### Re: Public input for the ICDBG Veterans' Triplex Project Amendment Request

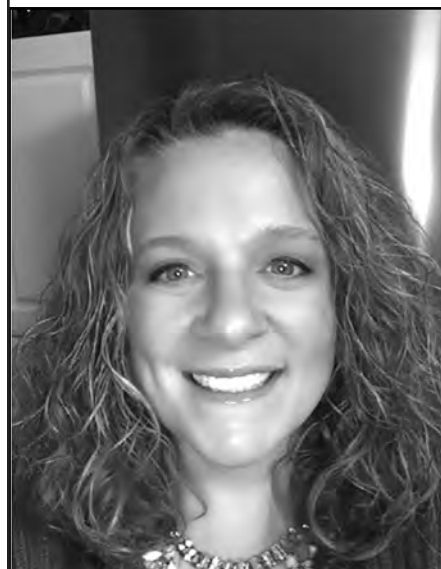
The Winnebago Housing and Development Commissions had developed plans to construct two triplexes in Thunder Way subdivision just south of Winnebago. The Ho-Chunk Community Development Corporation is a qualified Community Based Development Organization and partnered with WHDC to apply for the ICDBG funds for construction of this project.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may attend this forum on the Project Amendment to the HoChunk Community Development Corporation. It will be held at Woodland Trails First Floor Round Room at 3:00pm on Oct. 2, 2023. All comments received by and/or on October 2, 2023 will be considered by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska prior to authorizing submission that the citizens participation and public forum event was accomplished by HCCDC. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

Victoria Kitcheyan, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Chairwoman

## New Employee Spotlight: Gerri Lyons



Job Title: TRP – Brownfields Specialist, Environmental Protection Department

Education: Graduated from Onawa Public Schools. I hold a B.S. degree in Business Administration/Healthcare Administration from the University of South Dakota, Certified Mild Hyperbaric Chamber trainer and operator as well as multiple other certifications related to TRP-Brownfields

Biography: I was born and raised in Onawa, IA and am currently residing in Sioux City, IA

Professional Experience: I have 8 years of experience in the computer industry as a Product Manager. I was fortunate to work with companies such as Gateway, Hewlett Packard, and Hitachi Data Systems. I have 18 years of experience providing leadership to the entire revenue cycle in both clinics and hospitals. Finally, I also currently own a small business providing Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy to clients in Sioux City, IA.

Job Duties: Develop and maintain Brownfields inventory lists, management of the work plan and deliverables as well as management of the grant financials of the program. Being engaged in community activities as they pertain to brownfields. Being trained and active in the Tribe's emergency management dept as well as developing a hazardous waste plan pertaining to Brownfields.

I look forward to meeting all of you soon! Please do not hesitate to introduce yourself if you see me out and about. I am located in the Environmental Protection Building if you have any items to discuss.

**Hōcāk Wōšga**  
**HoChunk Values**  
Hanāc mānāpe hīwāniwina  
hiwaracāk hikjawiṅa.  
**Honor our veterans.**  
HoChunk Renaissance

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## ELECTION CAMPAIGN LETTERS

### Write In Sunshine Thomas-Bear for Tribal Council



today and below are a few:

Bringing importance back in our culture and language, a culture and language building with enough space to hold cultural events

Food Sovereignty; which to me, closely aligns with Culture and language, becoming a self sufficient tribe, with not only gardening but also bringing back hunting again and learning to store those foods, bringing back our plant medicines, an elders table consisting of elders with plant knowledge who are consulted during processes of this, plant knowledge and our departments being aware of medicinal/ food plants so they don't get cut down, the reduction of mono cropping and a look at what contaminants are sprayed in and around our community that kill important plants and insects, having a seed bank for tribal use

Elders; assistance for our elders and veterans in various ways, housing assistance, protecting our elders from abuse and those who choose to work to stay busy, investing more funding into PT jobs, invest in hearing and documenting their stories

Enrollment and how to make the decision best to ensure we as a people, are still here generations from now

Youth; Apprentice/Intern opportunities for more students, more culture and language activities and within their current activities, financial literacy, Boys & Girls Club structure and funding

Education; more culture and language in our schools, focus on immersion, financial literacy, investing in more apprenticeship and internship opportunities within the tribe, ensuring our kids are getting the education they deserve from the earliest years to beyond

Financial literacy and readiness; dividend information and meaningful open discussion with all members of our tribe, decisions that will help our future generations and preparing our youth to take our places in the future

Health care; meaningful and correct care of our people, holding our hospital accountable and bringing back the importance of traditional knowledge (TK & TEK), mental and behavioral health focus, addiction and substance abuse, domestic violence

Housing for our people; elders, our veterans, our young ones out of high school, attending college or fresh out of college and making all housing affordable, collaboration of housing entities in our community

Employment; tribal member priority, focus on "developing our own" preparing our youth to be in a position to work and care for our tribe in their future, apprentice opportunities, career pathways, leadership, readiness and skill training

Law Enforcement; funding more officers, a traditional court, an updated code and laws to tackle the issues we face as a community today

These and many, many other issues come to the forefront for our council and I believe change is needed to do this. To me, to be on the tribal council, it requires you to understand we are servants of the people. It is a public service to be in this position. Not something that puts me higher than anyone. We have unfortunately taken on a system that was meant to colonize us. With our constitution, legal system and how our tribal government runs. But we are in the position, being a sovereign nation, to change and make changes that benefit our people for years to come.

I can't do it alone. But by working together, as a people, I feel I can help lead us in that direction. Not because I know everything. But because I am willing to look at the whole picture, work with all entities within our tribe, communicate (like really open and transparent communication) with our on and off reservation membership to help produce successful choices and decisions that lead us in a positive direction for all our people, now and forward. My thought is not only for us now but more importantly that we are here for many generations after this.

Please help me change our community and make our tribe better for all of our membership. I am asking for your vote by writing me in for a seat on the tribal council and help me make the changes we need for our people and for our future as a Tribe.

My name is Sunshine Thomas-Bear and I am a member of the Huc Hikikikarac of the Hocak Nisoc Haci/Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. My biological parents are Louise Thomas, her parents were Erma Rose Kelsey and Bernard Thomas and my father is Wilbur J. Wolfe and his parents are Cynthia Baker and Dave Cleveland. I was raised though by my adoptive parents Charlie and Eva Bear. His parents were Josephine Baker and Earl Bear and my adoptive mother was Stockbridge Munsee, a Band of the Mohicans and her parents were Lyle and Rose Bowman.

I am grateful for the upbringing I had and was raised not only here in Winnebago but I spent summers with my adoptive mothers family in Wisconsin. I was always a part of my biological family although I was adopted and I am thankful for being lucky enough to have two fathers and two mothers. I have nine children and one grandson who I love dearly. I think that is my most important job is being a grandmother.

I am currently the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, NAGPRA Rep., Cultural Preservation Director and Angel De Cora Museum Director and my office is located at the Angel DeCora Museum & Research Center. I also sit on the Winnebago Health Foundation Board, Little Priest Tribal College Board of Trustees and the Cultural Committee at the hospital, the Pow Wow Committee. Past JOM Committee member as well as Enrollment Committee, and others.

After seeing the list of those who were running Winnebago Tribal Council, I felt compelled to run as a write-in because it worries me the direction our tribe is going and I don't want to leave a mess for our grandchildren and great grandchildren.

There are several things that I think council members should possess. I am not perfect nor have I ever claimed to be. But I do love my people, our lands, culture and language. I believe I have made that very apparent in the things that I do; in my home, work, boards, committees and things I do in the community without the thought of running for council in my mind, but to show my love for my community by being present and encouraging change, transparency and show that nothing can happen or change unless you go out there and help do it.

I was told by my father at a young age, and something he engrained in my head since; without our language and culture we are no longer the Winnebago people. I firmly believe that and try my best to stand by that belief daily in my home and everywhere I work. We have come to a time where change is needed, although I know I cannot make this change on my own, I hope I can be a person who stands by what they say and make our tribe a better place for our grandchildren and beyond.

There are so many different things that our council and tribe face that perhaps we weren't ready for or equipped to make the decisions on. But subjects like language, culture and enrollment should be at the forefront. We can't pass on a system that hasn't worked for us to the next generation. We have to make decisions that will give them the tools to be successful and allow them to continue on in language, culture and education like our people wanted for them before us, like we want for them now.

Education isn't the only thing needed. When I think of education I don't just think of western education like schools and colleges or trade schools. These are important but education about who we are, where we have come from. Where we are going. Where we want to go as a people. A focus on our culture and language. Standing firm in who we are and knowing where we have come from. This is the key to making us successful in other areas we aim to be in.

There are multiple issues we face

My Fellow Tribal Members,

Greetings! I hope this finds you in good health and spirit. As of 9/12/2023, there are 5,670 of us. Our numbers are growing. This is a good thing. Since it is tribal election time I wanted to offer you some topics to read and think about. Let's begin.

FIRST

Running for election back in 2020, I had the mindset that our tribal efforts needed to be protected. I still have this mindset.

In that election I gained the support of our membership because I also held the fundamental well-being of our people in my heart. This too remains true and unchanged.

Since that election I have grown and evolved as a person, and as a leader. Those experiences had provide a level of understanding and deepened compassion that I feel is good, and work as a benefit to our people. Being inclusive of 5,670 individuals requires a level of insight, fortitude, and vision that usually only comes through time and experience. I thank you for the opportunity to continue to grow.

As a perpetual student, learning how to be a better leader often times means challenging what is believed. This is a frightening prospect to some, which is why the word 'fortitude' came to mind. Since 2020 my path has required me to challenge my beliefs - sharply. At times, this was extremely difficult. Yet through the trials of the past three years, the updated result remains good; you have a leader who can with greater ease and efficiency, see past charades, see thru artificial dilemmas, and can determine which course of action is the best that will benefit us all.

Again, I thank you for the opportunity to represent you and grow within our understanding. I have done my best to keep my decision making focused on our people, and how best to meet those needs using the limited resources we have.

NEXT

Unfortunately, tribal election time also means, to some, that it is time to bash those who've taken the courage to enter the ring as a candidate. I wish this would change, but know most likely it may not.

To the naysayers of my candidacy, those who like to speak about me without ever speaking with me, I can only say this: "prove it". Without proof, to which there is none, the vile words are empty, and ignorant accusations even more so. Instead, how about we discuss our situations like adults, as mudslinging and name calling benefits no one. And this is all the time I'll waste on that unnecessary drama.

THEN

This election is about you - or it ought to be. To me it is. This election is about representing our people - all 5,670 of us. To me it absolutely is, without doubt! To be clear, this election is not about me. It's not about some rumor, or BS. It's not about something you never heard of, or person you've never met. It is about you, the people of our tribe. Yes, some people want to distract from the real matters at hand, because they know that's how divide and conquer works. Let's stay focused on actions providing for and benefitting us all.

I know you see the truth on your own.

LAST

This candidacy is one that has grown in good ways, because it had to, and I'm so very grateful for that. So it is absolutely clear, and without ambiguity or doubt:

I support our people. I support the efforts of our people. I support those efforts that work to include our people, and I support the efforts that require the advancement of our people.

I support the expansion of our organization, and every part under the tribal umbrella. I support informing our people using facts, and I support letting them ask questions no matter how hard the answer may be.

I support teaching our people by causing them to be involved and through active participation. I support requiring our organizations to advance our own people into decision making capacities at all levels, top to bottom.

I support the idea that every leadership position under the tribal umbrella will be filled with a Winnebago tribal member. I support the requirement of this idea as soon as possible. When Winnebago people are in decision making positions, we all are better off.

When something has used the resources of our people, it belongs to our people - plain and simple. And our people will decide how and when those resources are used. They won't be told how or when by those not elected to serve.

On Election Day, I humbly ask for your continued support and for the support of those who diligently work toward the same mentioned here. If you want to discuss details, reach out. You know where I am.

It was important to me to provide you with this message, because regardless of the election result, I support the Winnebago tribe. Our people deserve nothing but the absolute best, and I will never lower our standards or settle for less. Thank you for everything you've done.

*With the best of wishes and warmest regards to all,  
Brian Keith Chamberlain / Wirukaniga*



## Vote Elizabeth Bayer

- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Casinos
- Childcare
- Culture
- Elders
- Food Sovereignty
- Hemp
- Housing
- Language
- Medical dispensary
- New/old venues
- Per cap
- Sports
- Tribal/Small Business
- Water
- Youth Programs



My voice is for the people, our community, our elders, and our future generations to come. I humbly ask for your 2023 vote and support this election. Please feel free to contact me, you're welcome to attend my campaign luncheon, located at 209 Mathewson. Pinagigi to all that are supporting me and that have encouraged me along the way, greatly appreciate it.

## A vote for me is a vote for you! I represent the HoChunk people.



# COMMUNITY

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING August 7, 2023

### TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Brian Chamberlain  
Lorelei DeCora  
Rona Stealer  
Kenneth Mallory  
Louis LaRose  
Isaac Smith  
Coly Brown  
Aric Armell

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Kellie Snow  
Tyresha Wolfe  
Michele Mitchell  
Lynelle Blackhawk  
Esther Mercer  
Desire Kitcheyan  
Kellie Snow  
Teresa Littlegeorge  
Rebecca DeCora  
Jennifer Berridge  
Cecelia Earth

### TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan (leave)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chairman Chamberlain called to order at 9:05 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Lorelei DeCora offered the opening prayer.

### APPROVE AGENDA:

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the amended agenda. Aric Armell seconded.

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

### READING OF THE MINUTES

July 17, 2023, Mid-Monthly Tribal Council Meeting minutes

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the July 17, 2023, Mid-Monthly Tribal Council Meeting. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

July 19, 2023, General Counsel Meeting minutes

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the July 19, 2023, General Counsel Meeting. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

July 21, 2023, Treasurer's Report meeting minutes

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the July 21, 2023, Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

July 24, 2023, Fire Department & Law Enforcement Report meeting minutes

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the July 24, 2023, Fire Department & Law Enforcement Report meeting minutes. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

August 3, 2023, Special Meeting – Winnebago Housing Development Commission

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the August 3, 2023, Special Meeting – Winnebago Housing Development Commission. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

[Isaac Smith in, 9:07 a.m.]

### RATIFY 5

YCIC: Permission to solicit funds to put on the second Annual Mental Health and Wellness Pow-wow.

Rona Stealer motioned to ratify the five-signature approving the YCIC: Per Permission to solicit funds to put on the second Annual Mental Health and Wellness Pow-wow. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Otoe Tribal Delegation room block approval

Isaac Smith motioned to ratify the five-signature approving the Otoe Tribal Delegation room block. Coly Brown seconded.

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

WinnaVegas: Wirth Entertainment Contract "The Front Men of Country"

Rona Stealer motioned to ratify the five-signature approving WinnaVegas: Wirth Entertainment "The Front Men of Country". Isaac Smith seconded.

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

### NEW BUSINESS:

Boys & Girls Club request: Golf Scramble 2023 Fundraiser

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the request from the Boys & Girls Club for administrative leave for participants of the Winnebago Boys & Girls Club Golf Scramble 2023, on September 1, 2023, at Twin Creeks in Pender Nebraska. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

NITC October 13, 2023: Winnebago Host Aric Armell motioned to approve the budgeted amount of \$313.20 to Host the Nebraska Inter Tribal Coalition meeting at WinnaVegas on October 13, 2023. Coly Brown seconded.

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

### TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

L.D. – Title 5 Article 2 Elections (informational only)

Kenneth Mallory motioned to continue to follow the Election Code. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

L.D. Review of Process for Judicial Appointments

Aric Armell motioned to assign this item to the General Counsel meeting to bring back revisions. Coly Brown seconded.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Aric Armell motioned to go into Executive Session at 9:23 a.m. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

Aric Armell motioned to come out of Executive Session at 10:17 a.m. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Isaac Smith motioned to approve W.E. Tribal member request for \$384.29 out of the Tribal Council donations to Pioneer Auto. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

ABSTAIN: Lorelei DeCora  
VOTE: (5) yes, IS, CB, RS, KM, LLR (0) no (2) abstain, AA, LD  
Motion carried.

Aric Armell motioned to authorize the Chair to send a letter to follow the Policy "Gaming Commissioners are "appointed Salaried Employees" or exempt. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Aric Armell motioned to have Administration to present a plan and cost for Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Water Sewer take over. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

ADJOURN:

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

Vice-Chairman Chamberlain adjourned the meeting.

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

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA WINNEBAGO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS UPDATE MEETING August 8, 2023

### TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan (out at 12:30 p.m.)  
Brian Chamberlain  
Lorelei DeCora  
Rona Stealer  
Kenneth Mallory  
Louis LaRose (out 12:45 p.m.)  
Isaac Smith (in at 11:45 a.m.)  
Aric Armell

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Sharon Frenchman  
Jim Rixner  
David Edwards  
Mona Zuffante  
Esther Mercer  
Lynelle Blackhawk  
Beth Wewel  
Austin Schanzenbach  
Rowen Zetterman  
Dr. Mona Zuffante  
Sarah Macintosh  
Dr. Kahni  
Christina Parker  
Liz Hatz  
Jasmin Lammers  
Zach Hansen  
James Price  
Natalie Davis  
Autumn Nieman  
Ireta Frazier  
Joy Johnson  
Ron Nohr  
Miskoo Petite  
Tina Lewis

### TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:

Coly Brown (leave)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kitcheyan called to order at 9:11 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Brian Chamberlain offered the opening prayer.

**AGENDA:** WCHS update, Candidate approval, and Water/Sewer Discussion Update

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

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

### WCHS UPDATE:

Report on Five Areas of Focus  
CMS Accreditation  
IT Network Separation from HIS  
HER System – Called Med. Tech  
Obtain Public Health Accreditation – Waiting on site visit, Hybrid & Onsite  
Stating New Community Health Assessment – also in collaboration with Great

Plains Epi Center  
High performing revenue cycle billed 16 Million so far

Financial Planning – Erin Miller, new finance Manager

Finance Meeting on WCHS own IDC rate to include Jasmin & Beth

2023 TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the 2023 Tribal Council Election Candidates. Rona Stealer seconded.

ABSTAIN: Brian Chamberlain, Lorelei DeCora

VOTE: (3) yes, KM, LLR, RS (0) no (2) abstain, LD, BC  
Motion carried.

RECESS: for lunch, waiting on Physical Resources [Isaac Smith in at 11:45 a.m.]

RECONVENE: 12:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:  
Positions

[Victoria Kitcheyan out at 12:30 p.m., Vice-Chairman Chamberlain assumes Chair]

WATER/SEWER DISCUSSION UPDATE:

RFP – Land use plan includes Infrastructure Plan

Budget needs to include training costs  
Planning toward fire – Consolidated Tribal Government Program

WTN will need Budget revenue to fund the operation.

ADJOURN:  
Kenneth Mallory motioned to adjourn at 1:11 p.m. Isaac Smith seconded.

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

Vice-Chairman Chamberlain adjourned the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

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

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA JOINT MEETING WITH THE GAMING COMMISSION AUGUST 14, 2023

### TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan  
Lorelei DeCora  
Rona Stealer  
Coly Brown  
Kenneth Mallory  
Isaac Smith  
Aric Armell  
Louis LaRose  
Brian Chamberlain (in at 1:11 p.m.)

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Tanya Baker  
Damon Payer  
Thomas Snow  
Kim Sulsberger, HR

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kitcheyan called to order at 1:08 p.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Aric Armell offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Discuss Back pay with Gaming, AP – 4th Commis-

Con't. in next issue...

## WCHS Uses Happy Or Not To Solicitate Immediate Feedback

Winnebago, NE – The Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS) is implementing Happy Or Not. The Happy or Not program will allow WCHS to collect real-time feedback to improve patient experiences across the organization.

Happy or Not is a software solution that uses simple emoji-inspired questions to collect real-time patient satisfaction snapshots on easy-to-use kiosks and tablets. When visiting WCHS, you will see three stand-alone kiosks and two portable Happy or Not tablets. These fixed and mobile locations will allow all patients, no matter what service they are utilizing to provide immediate feedback with simple taps of their fingers.

Helping lead WCHS strategic planning efforts is Chief Administrative Officer, Sharon Frenchman. "Whether it is surveys or follow-up calls, we always want to provide our patient community with opportunities to be heard." Frenchman confirms, "Your feedback is critical. Our leadership wants to know what our audience is saying and use that input to help inform every decision we make."

Happy or Not allows us to measure satisfaction levels through a short limited-question survey that provides real-time data-driven insights and analytics. The surveys are anonymous and there is no identifiable information tied to a visit. There is also a place to type in comments if you would like to better explain your response.

Chief Executive Officer, David Edwards explains "An attitude of self-determination is what brought WCHS where we are today and we want to continue to keep our patients and community and their voices at the center of our strategy going forward."

WCHS is committed to providing quality patient care and top-notch patient care every time. Happy or Not will allow WCHS to identify successes and shortcomings, acknowledge outstanding care, or notice trends so they can keep improving.

## PUBLIC NOTICE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY Lincoln, Nebraska

Pursuant to NDEE Title 118 - Ground Water Quality Standards and Use Classification, public notification and opportunity for comment is hereby given of the following:

- On or about August 4, 1998, a petroleum release was identified originating from a storage tank system located at 202 Osborne Avenue, Winnebago. An approximate legal location is SE1/4, NE1/4, SW1/4, Section 12, Township 26N, Range 08E, Thurston County.
- Follow-up investigation identified the effects of the release and led to the remedial actions proposed by NDEE. The investigation resulted in a determination that this ground water contamination event is defined as remedial action class one.
- The source of the release has been removed. A Risk-Based Corrective Action (RBCA) 1 assessment was conducted. The assessment indicated the presence of dissolved petroleum compounds in ground water. The contaminant concentrations found were below the numerical levels used by the RBCA process to establish a need for further investigation or remediation. Based on the current site conditions and property use, the NDEE has determined that no further remedial action is necessary due to the lack of threat to human health or safety.

Information regarding this release is contained in the file: NDEE ID 46278, LST 090998-GW-1405

Any person may receive further information or submit comments on the proposed action, and request or petition NDEE for a hearing, in writing, stating the nature of the issues to be raised in the hearing, on or before September 5, 2023. A final decision by the Director will be made in a manner provided by Title 115, NAC Ch. 5. Direct written correspondence to: Director, NDEE, P.O. Box 98922, Lincoln, NE 68509-8922. You may also call Nancy Mann at (402) 471-2186 with comments or if alternate formats of materials are needed. TDD users call 711 and ask the relay operator to call (402) 471-2186.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Public Notice and Comment Period**  
**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7**  
**Proposed Modification to Wastewater NPDES Permit No. NE0135712**

**Sebade Land and Cattle, LLC, Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation**  
**1698 B Ave., Emerson, NE 68733**  
**(Located Within the Exterior Boundaries of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Reservation)**

This public notice is issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 (EPA). EPA is seeking comments on a proposed National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit modification, under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), for the Sebade Land and Cattle, LLC, Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) located in the Village of Emerson, within the exterior boundaries of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Reservation.

EPA is seeking written comments regarding this proposed action until October 2, 2023. The address for written comments or to request a public hearing is provided below.

**BACKGROUND:** NPDES permits to discharge wastewater to waters of the United States are issued under Section 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. Section 1342, subject to certain effluent limitations and conditions. The Sebade Land and Cattle, LLC, CAFO has applied to EPA to modify their existing NPDES permit for increasing the number of cattle from 6,500 to 8,500; constructing new open-lot pens, new debris basins, new clean water diversions, and a new holding pond; and adding a new field for land application of wastes. EPA has the authority to issue an NPDES permit for this facility, located and discharging within the exterior boundaries of a federally recognized Indian Reservation.

On the basis of a permit modification application provided to EPA by the Sebade Land and Cattle, LLC, CAFO, and application of pertinent water quality standards and regulations, EPA proposes to modify NPDES Permit No. NE0135712, pursuant to Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1342.

**PROPOSED MODIFIED NPDES PERMIT:** The proposed permit modification will allow the expansion of the facility and the use of a new field for land application of wastes from the facility. Any discharges from the production area of the facility could reach an unnamed tributary to Middle Creek. The proposed permit includes technology-based limits and standards. Additional information regarding this proposed permit modification is contained in the Administrative Record, which includes the permit application, proposed permit, Statement of Basis for the proposed permit, and other pertinent information upon which the proposed permit modification is based.

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH CWA SECTION 401:** Before EPA may issue the final NPDES permit modification for the Sebade Land and Cattle, LLC, CAFO, the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, being a Tribe with Treatment as a State status, must certify under the CWA Section 401, 33 U.S.C. Section 1341, that the discharge to be authorized by this proposed permit will comply with the requirements of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the CWA, including applicable water quality standards and state and tribal laws and regulations.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD AVAILABILITY:** The Administrative Record for the proposed NPDES permit is available on the Public Notices webpage at: [www.epa.gov/ks/region-7-public-notice](http://www.epa.gov/ks/region-7-public-notice). To access these online documents, go to the webpage and then click on the link to this online public notice under the Clean Water Act (CWA) heading. Then in the notice, click on the link in this paragraph to access the webpage where the online documents are available for review. Copies of these documents are also available for review by contacting the Winnebago Tribe Environmental Program Office, 1 Mission Road, Winnebago, NE 68071 (Contact person: Denise Jensen, email: [denise.jensen@winnebago-tribe.com](mailto:denise.jensen@winnebago-tribe.com), phone: 402-878-4060, ext. 2002). Copies of these documents are also available for review by contacting the Thurston County, Nebraska Clerk's Office, 106 5th Street, Pender, NE 68047 (Contact person: Administrative Assistant Steven Schneider, email: [clerk@thurstoncountyne.gov](mailto:clerk@thurstoncountyne.gov), phone: 402-385-2343). In addition, copies of these documents are available to the public upon request by contacting Alex Owutaka, EPA Region 7, at 913-551-7584 or toll-free at 1-800-223-0425, or by email at [owutaka.alex@epa.gov](mailto:owutaka.alex@epa.gov).

**HOW TO PROVIDE COMMENTS:** Interested persons may submit written comments regarding this proposed EPA action or submit a written request for a public hearing on the proposed permit. Any request for a public hearing must identify the issues that the requester proposes to raise at the hearing. EPA's rules and procedures governing the issuance of NPDES permits, including public notices, public commenting, and the public hearing process, are found at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 25 and 124. All written comments and any requests for a public hearing must be submitted by October 2, 2023, to Glenn Curtis, Chief, Permits and Wetlands Branch, Water Division, EPA Region 7, 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, KS 66219.

**Public Notice and Comment Period**  
**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7**  
**1) Proposed Wastewater (NPDES) Permit No. NE0041351**  
**2) Proposed Certification of Compliance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act**  
**Village of Emerson Wastewater Treatment Facility**  
**Emerson, Dixon County, Nebraska**  
**(Within Exterior Boundaries of Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Reservation)**

This public notice is issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 (EPA). EPA is seeking comments on: 1) a proposed National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), for effluent discharge from the Village of Emerson, Nebraska, Wastewater Treatment Facility; and 2) certification under Section 401 of the CWA that EPA's proposed NPDES permit for the Village of Emerson Wastewater Treatment Facility is protective of applicable water quality standards and effluent guidelines and limitations.

EPA is seeking written comments regarding these proposed actions until October 2, 2023. The address for written comments or to request a public hearing is provided below.

**BACKGROUND:** NPDES permits to discharge wastewater to waters of the United States are issued under Section 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. Section 1342, subject to certain effluent limitations and conditions. The Village of Emerson has applied to EPA for renewal of an existing NPDES permit to discharge effluent from the village wastewater treatment facility located in the Village of Emerson, within the exterior boundaries of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Reservation. EPA has the authority to issue an NPDES permit for this facility, located and discharging within the exterior boundaries of a federally recognized Indian Reservation. On the basis of a permit renewal application provided to EPA by the Village of Emerson, and application of pertinent water quality standards and regulations, EPA proposes to issue NPDES Permit No. NE0041351, pursuant to Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1342.

**PROPOSED NPDES PERMIT:** The proposed permit will allow treated wastewater from the facility to be discharged to Middle Creek. The proposed permit includes technology-based and water quality-based effluent limitations and standards. Additional information regarding this proposed permit is contained in the Administrative Record, which includes the permit application, proposed permit, Statement of Basis for the proposed permit, CWA Section 401 Water Quality Certification, and other pertinent information upon which the proposed permit was based.

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH CWA SECTION 401:** Before EPA may issue the final NPDES permit for the Village of Emerson, EPA must obtain CWA Section 401 certification from the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska (the certification authority) and make a Section 401(a)(2) adjacent jurisdiction notification to the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy, pursuant to CWA Section 401, 33 U.S.C. Section 1341, in order to ascertain that the discharge to be authorized by this proposed permit will comply with the requirements of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the CWA, including applicable water quality standards, state and tribal laws and regulations, and effluent guidelines and limitations. EPA has reviewed the applicable laws, regulations, water quality standards, and effluent guidelines and limitations and has included limitations and conditions in the permit to ensure compliance with all requirements, as described in the proposed permit and Statement of Basis. At this time, EPA seeks public comments regarding the Agency's proposal to certify that the discharge authorized under NPDES Permit No. NE0041351 will not violate applicable laws, regulations, water quality standards, or effluent guidelines and limitations.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD AVAILABILITY:** The Administrative Record for the proposed NPDES permit is available on EPA's website at: [www.epa.gov/ks/region-7-public-notice](http://www.epa.gov/ks/region-7-public-notice). To access these online documents, click on this Public Notice link (under CWA) and then click on the link in this paragraph. Copies of these documents are also available for review at the Village of Emerson, 511 North Main St., Emerson, NE 68733 (point of contact: Richard McCabe, phone: 402-695-2662). In addition, copies of these documents are available to the public upon request by contacting Alex Owutaka, EPA Region 7, at 913-551-7584, toll-free at 1-800-223-0425, or by email at [owutaka.alex@epa.gov](mailto:owutaka.alex@epa.gov).

**HOW TO PROVIDE COMMENTS:** Interested persons may submit written comments regarding these proposed EPA actions or submit a written request for a public hearing on the proposed permit. Any request for a public hearing must identify the issues that the requester proposes to raise at the hearing. EPA's rules and procedures governing the issuance of NPDES permits, including public notices, public commenting, and the public hearing process, are found at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 25 and 124. All written comments and any requests for a public hearing must be submitted by October 2, 2023, to Glenn Curtis, Chief, Permits and Wetlands Branch, Water Division, EPA Region 7, 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, KS 66219.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Hearing  
 Case No. JFJ23-018AB  
 The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
 In the Interest of:  
 K.M. (Born 01/2023)  
 K.M. (Born 10/2022)

To: KIANDRA MERRICK, MOTHER  
 GARRETT WHITE LIGHT

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ23-018AB has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 19TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2023 at the hour of 2:30 P.M.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Hearing  
 Case No. CV23-120AB

In the Matter of the  
 Guardianship Petition of:  
 Diana Decora  
 In Re:  
 J.P. (Born 07/2010)  
 J.P. (Born 03/2009)

TO: Amanda Decora, Mother  
 Greg Pearson, Father  
 ALL POSSIBLE FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-120AB has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 22nd day of August, 2023 at the hour of 3:00 P.M.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Hearing  
 Case No. CV23-119B

In the Matter of the  
 Custody Application of:  
 Clint Free Jr  
 In Re:  
 C.S.

TO: Jake Maxwell, Father  
 All Possible Fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-119B has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 18th day of September, 2023 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Hearing  
 Case No. CV23-119A

In the Matter of the  
 Guardianship Petition of:  
 Clint Free Jr  
 In Re:  
 M.S. (Born 01/2008)

TO: ROGER LOVE, FATHER  
 ALL POSSIBLE FATHERS,

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-119A has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 28th day of August, 2023 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

**LITTLE PRIEST TRIBAL COLLEGE**  
 Our Mission: "Be Strong and Educate My Children"

**Little Priest Tribal College is now taking applications for the following positions:**

- **Maintenance and Security Assistant**
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**LPTC 601 E. College Dr. Winnebago, NE**



# Leisa Guerrero Memorial Scholarship

**If you're considering pursuing a career in the skilled trades** but are concerned about the financial aspect of trade school education, we offer two scholarships through the Leisa Guerrero Memorial Scholarship to help you achieve your goals. The Leisa Guerrero Memorial Scholarship honors longtime Ho-Chunk, Inc. business leader and Winnebago Tribal member Leisa Guerrero by providing a one-time financial disbursement in the fall to two students pursuing higher education through a trade, vocational, or certification program. This scholarship is a valuable resource to support your journey toward a rewarding career in the skilled trades.

## ELIGIBILITY

Applicant must be pursuing a higher education through...

1. Trade
2. Vocational studies
3. Certification program

This could include studies such as construction, information technology, carpentry, plumbing, electrical, welding, auto mechanics, cosmetology, certified nursing assistant (CNA), etc.



## Remembering Leisa Guerrero

As a proud member of the Winnebago Tribe, Leisa Guerrero loved and cherished her family. To Leisa, family included not just blood relatives, but anyone in her community, workplace, and life. She was a mother to all, her doors and arms open to supporting all people from all walks of life. Her ability to make people feel loved and accepted was her gift. The goodness she brought to those around her with this gift will always be remembered.

Leisa was a friend, someone who was always willing to listen and lend a hand whenever anyone needed her. She opened her heart and her home to all and was a kind, caring, and compassionate woman. She was the type of person who always saw the best in people.

Aside from all this, Leisa was a hard worker and successful businesswoman, inspiring those around her to carve their own paths in the world and to pursue their dreams whether it be learning a new trade or attaining a college degree. She was supportive in every way possible offering to help out whenever and however she could. Leisa understood that if you wanted something you would have to work for it, and that is exactly what she did overcoming any challenges or obstacles along the way. She set an example and was not only a positive role model, but an inspiration. She showed that through hard work and dedication anything was possible.

**Don't Miss Out and Apply Today.**  
**Deadline: Friday, September 29th.**

How to apply:  
Log onto this URL or scan this QR code and fill out the online application.  
<https://www.hochunkinc.com/memorial-scholarship/>



Questions can be directed to Terri Lee Medina at [tlmedina@hochunkinc.com](mailto:tlmedina@hochunkinc.com) or 402-878-2809 x1326.



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