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2024 NYE Sobriety Powwow

BAGO BITS By: Tyler Snake



The Winnebago Public School hosted their annual Girls Invite on December 29th! About 300 wrestlers from 37 teams were on 5 mats. The matches were shown on the 10pm KCAU 9 News channel and shared on the Nebraska Wrestling page. Precious DeCora from WPS won the 235lb bracket, going 20-2 by pinning the #1 wrestler in Nebraska in the finals! Congrats!!



Pictured above is Head Lady, Jalisa Horn and Head Man, Lloyd Hamilton as they lead the dancers.

By Brian Chamberlain/Photos by Keely Purscell

The Winnebago people were treated to a night of good food and great camaraderie, as the Winnebago Public Health Department held its annual New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow. 2023 was bid a fond farewell in downtown Winnebago inside the Whirling Thunder Wellness Center gymnasium. Hosted by the Winnebago tribe for decades, the Sobriety Powwow has become a staple in the holiday festivities held here.

Beginning with a holiday meal, the night of revelry began in the best way, while the singers and dancers prepared to take part in more than 4 hours of powwow fun. Complete with dance categories for all ages, as well as special dances, the Whirling Thunder gym was live from the moment grand entry began. Host Drum this year was Haylushka. All the singers kept the night going in grand style. Head Man and Head Woman Dancers were Mr. Lloyd Hamilton, and Ms. Jalisa 'Gigi' Horn, respectively. Arena Director for this year's event was Mr. Charles Hindsley, joined by MC Silas Cleveland. "I really had a great time!" said powwow goer, Marilyn B. Also attending the celebration was reigning Sr. Miss Nebraska – Winnebago, Paris LaPointe.

Our thanks go out to all who had a hand in making sure this year's New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow went off without a hitch. Let the blessings of a new year be with all our people.

Winter Arrives in Winnebago



The Winnebago Tribe employees were given a Winter Break starting December 22nd which lasted till January 2nd! This break included Christmas and New Years. Employees were able to spend the holidays celebrating with their loved ones, Parents with kids out of school for break had some relief. The WIN wishes everyone a happy New Year! See more Photos from the New Years Sobriety PW on page 7.



The WIN had the opportunity to work with WTN Food Distribution for staff pictures used in their annual calendar, which is given to their clients. For those who don't know, the department has Nutrition Ed weekly where different recipes are cooked, stop by and try them out! Pictured above is the staff handling the annual holiday turkey/ham distributions and the new shelves in the shopping area. See page 5 for their January schedule.



Pictured is the north rezline of Winnebago after the ice storm.

By Brian Chamberlain Photo by Brian Chamberlain

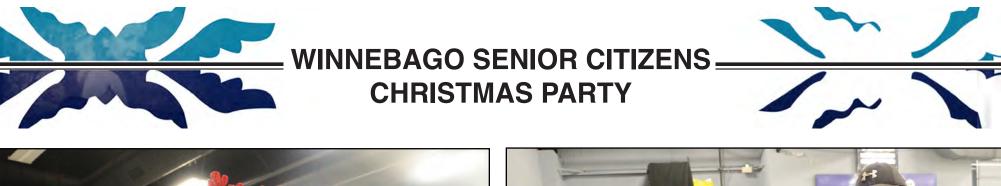
The official First Day of Winter was December 21, 2023. This year the beginning of winter did not miss Winnebago. The National Weather Service issued a Winter Storm Warning on December 23rd, predicting the inclement weather would have a major impact on the local area. Early estimates placed anticipated snowfall amounts in the range of 4" to 8" inches with driving conditions to deteriorate as well. High winds were expected which would also drive outdoor temperatures down sharply.

Julie Smithart, Emergency Management Coordinator for the Winnebago Tribe, sent out an alert of the bad weather early enough to allow the Winnebago community to prepare for what was coming. Beginning on Christmas Eve, or Sunday night the 24th, the storm built up and moved in just as expected.

The side effect of the weather change was for the first time in recent history, Winnebago experienced the long coveted white Christmas. The fresh snowfall helped usher in the holiday in the grand tradition of blanketing the ground with several inches of fresh powder, which also included ice and strong winds.

Despite the harsh conditions, and the holiday itself, local and tribal road crews were out working to ensure the residents of Winnebago could access roadways and highways to help people get to their holiday festivities. Early Christmas morning the snow had not yet let up, but was anticipated to stop later into the evening, which it did. As shown in the photo, within 24 hours the Highway 77 North was clear.

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Chuckie Earth

Thank You WinnaVegas Casino Resort for hosting the Winnebago Tribal Senior Citizens Christmas Party!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#23 on Iowa's Top 25 CFO's for 2023: Angela Derochie Chief Financial Officer, Ho-Chunk Inc.



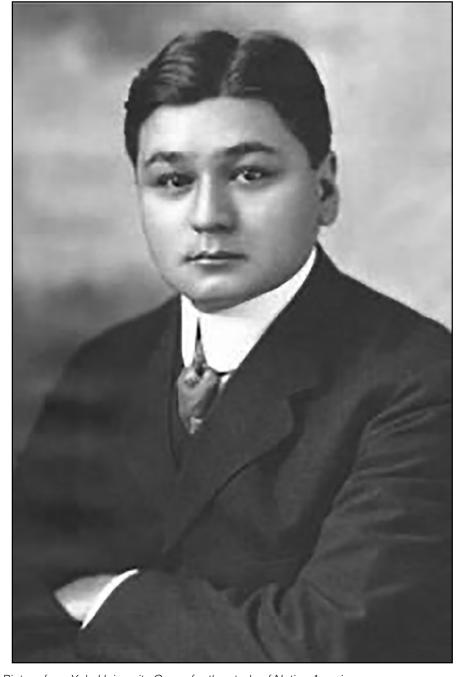
Angel Derochie is the Chief Financial Officer at Ho-Chunk, Inc., an economic development corporation owned by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Established in 1994 with just one employee, the corporation has expanded under Derochie's leadership to encompass over 1,000 employees across 22 states, Washington D.C., and globally. Since joining in 2013 as the Divisional Chief Financial Officer for Ho-Chunk Shared Services, Derochie's role expanded to CFO in September 2015. She oversees all financial and fiscal aspects of the corporation, providing direction in administrative functions, business planning, accounting, and budgeting efforts.

Derochie has prior experience as a CPA in

public accounting, holding a management position and specializing in tax planning, employee benefit plans, and financial forecasting. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and Business Administration from Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

Henry Roe Cloud By Eben Crawford Brought to you by the Angel De Cora Museum

Last week on December 28th was Wo-Na-Xi-Lay-Hunka's birthday, also known by his English name, Henry Roe Cloud. Although the 28th is his commonly accepted birthday, the actual day and year is not known with Roe Cloud himself saying he was born in wintertime sometime around 1884. Roe Cloud was a Thunderclan member who grew up living in a ciporoke here on Nebraska HoChunk land, living in a traditional way until as a boy he was sent to Indian boarding schools like Genoa and the Santee Normal Training School and after two years at boarding school he could no longer speak Hochunk. Roe Cloud would later attend and become the first full native graduate from Yale. In 1915 he founded the first college prep school for Native Americans in the country, the Roe Indian Institute in Wichita, Kansas. As an adult he helped to create the Society for American Indians Tribes and was a supporter of the "Indian New Deal", or Indian Reorganization Act passed in 1934 which although flawed, had positive impacts on tribal sovereignty. Roe Cloud was ambitious when it came to his career and would serve as the head of the Haskell Institute in Kansas and later as superintendent of the Umatilla Reservation in Oregon. He passed away on February 9th, 1950.



JESUS OUR SAVIOR **LUTHERAN OUTREACH**

"Joseph step-father of Jesus"

Please take a moment and ponder the most blessed Christmas gift ever - the birth of Jesus from his step-father's perspective. The story of the birth of Jesus is recorded in the Gospel of St. Luke, chapter two, beginning with the first verse. I encourage you to get your Bible out and read this story of the birth of Jesus for yourself.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.' [Luke 2:4-5]

The first thing that we note about Joseph is that he belonged to the house and line of David. Who is David? David was the second king of Israel, who was the son of Jesse. He was of the tribe of Judah, the fourth born son of Jacob and Leah. It would be through this tribe, a descendant of David that 'the Messiah' - God's 'Anointed One' - or 'the Christ' would come.

In the Gospels, we further learn that Joseph had been pledged to be married. He had given his oath - he was as good as married - except for the wedding banquet and the consummation (the physically coming together as one flesh). Then one day, his fiancee Mary went off and when she returned three months later she was pregnant.

Joseph could have made a public condemnation of Mary. However he came to the decision that he would divorce her privately. Then an angel of the Lord informed Joseph that Mary was still a virgin - having become pregnant by the power of the Holy

Spirit. Joseph took the angel at his word and then took Mary as his wife, although he did not consummate their marriage

By: Pastor Ricky Jacob

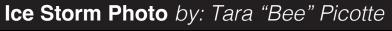
until after the birth of Jesus - his step-son. God's Word speaks seldom of Joseph.

He, like a lot of earthly fathers, does his God-given duty without much fanfare. His words are seldom recorded. However his actions were in fact recorded. On the 8th day of Mary's baby life, Joseph took Jesus to be circumcised and gave him the name of Jesus as he had been instructed by the angel. On the 40th day of Jesus' life, Joseph took Jesus and his mother to the temple in Jerusalem and presented them to the LORD, offering up the proper sacrifice.

Joseph would protect his family by taking them to Egypt to flee from King Herod the Great and his jealousy. The last time we hear about Jesus' step-father was when Jesus was 12 years old. Joseph, as was his custom, took his family to the Feast of the Passover. In other words, Joseph was a God-fearing man humbly leading his family in spiritual matters.

It is the God-given duty of fathers today to serve in this way. Joseph was not so much a man of words; rather, he was a man of action. This was especially true when it came to his God-given calling to be the family's spiritual leader - leading them to have a relationship with their heavenly Father.

My prayer is that as you have pondered the most blessed Christmas gift ever - and the service of both Joseph - Jesus' stepfather, as well as Mary, his mother, you would be moved to humbly serve God by leading your children to a spiritual relationship with their heavenly Father.





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Winnebago Seniors January Birthdays

	1st	Tony Doenhoefer
	4th	Edwin Webster
	6th	Joanne Baker
	6th	Wesley Knecht
i.	7th	Mary Redhorn
	10th	Juanita Walker
	12th	Nick Rice
2	14th	Pamela Aldrich
Ì	15th	Anna "Babe Rogue
	15th	Eleanor Lovejoy
	17th	Gloria "Ziggy" Sheridan
	17th	Johnnie Smith
	19th	Michelle Thomas
	20th	Anita Little Walker
	20th	Anthony Snake
	22nd	Carol Rave
	23rd	Heather Little Thunder
	24th	Frank Smith "Paco"
	25th	Milton Eloe
į	26th	Glenda Earth
	26th	Lisa Whitewing
k	27th	Mary Kelsey
	29th	Marvin Horn
	29th	Michael Kyriss
	30th	Mark Merrick Jr.
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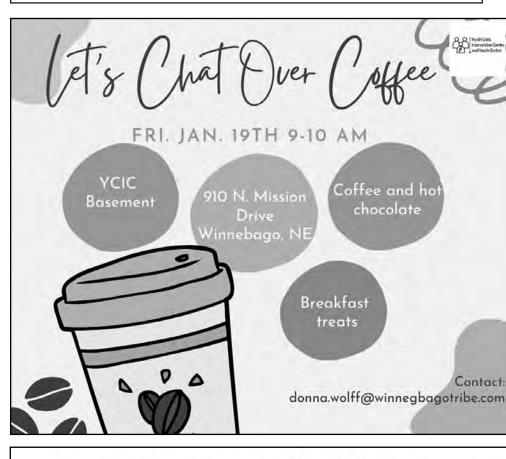
WCHS Transitions to New Email Domain and Phone System

Winnebago, NE – The Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System is transforming how they communicate by implementing a new email domain and cloud-based phone system. This state-of-the-art technology will improve the efficiency, accessibility, and collaboration to elevate the customer service experiences provided at WCHS.

"In the past year, we have not gone more than 30 operational days without experiencing downtime in our phone system. This is unacceptable to us in a 24/7 business with critical services available. As our current system is outsourced when these incidences occur frequently causes and solutions are out of our hands." says Monti Moltzen, Director of Information Technology. "Moving forward with this new system, in addition to new more modern phone customer service features, we hope to have more freedom to make updates and troubleshoot concerns on our own."

The new systems will include features such as single sign-on, instant messaging capability, calendar collaboration, streamlined call routing, and integrated voicemail rolling across the WCHS organization. Both systems will be managed by WCHS giving us the flexibility to evolve and grow over time. The email domain will be formatted firstname.lastname@wchs.health. As of 1/15/23, the new WCHS Main Phone number will be 402-745-3950. From there, you can talk to our team members or take advantage of our active directory services to be transferred wherever you want to go across the organization. All of our departments and individuals will be extensions of that number, for example, 402-745-3950 X1234. For emergencies, please call 402-745-3951 24/7 to speak to someone in our emergency room directly.

These updates come as a critical component of the WCHS FY24 Annual Plan. David Edwards, CEO explains "WCHS continues to make significant strides toward organizational independence. This year, we recognize and prioritize the importance of effective communication in delivering quality care. This technology reflects WCHS's ongoing dedication to innovation and improvement we continue to seek to lead the nation in health for indigenous people."



Screenagers Under The Influence

Explore how our tech revolution has impacted teens views and behaviors around alcohol,

Next WIN News Deadline: Jan. 16th vaping, cannabis, and other substances, and what parents, schools, and teens can do to support healthy decision making, such as harm reduction education, restorative practices and improved family communication.



Tues. Jan. 9th, 10am over Zoom To register, email: donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com

Jan. 15th, YCIC basement, Winnebago, NE from 12-2pm

When someone in your life attempts suicide or experiences suicidal thoughts, it can be difficult to know how to best support them. This program helps you make sense of the situation, and provides an understanding of suicide as a complex health issue.

Finding Hope gives participants practical guidance, tools, resources and encouragement to support the person who is struggling. It also provides participants with self-care strategies to use as they support their loved one.

Brand new training opportunity! For anyone 14 and older. To register by Jan. 12th, email: donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com

afsp.org/FindingHope



American Foundation Jer Suicide Prevention

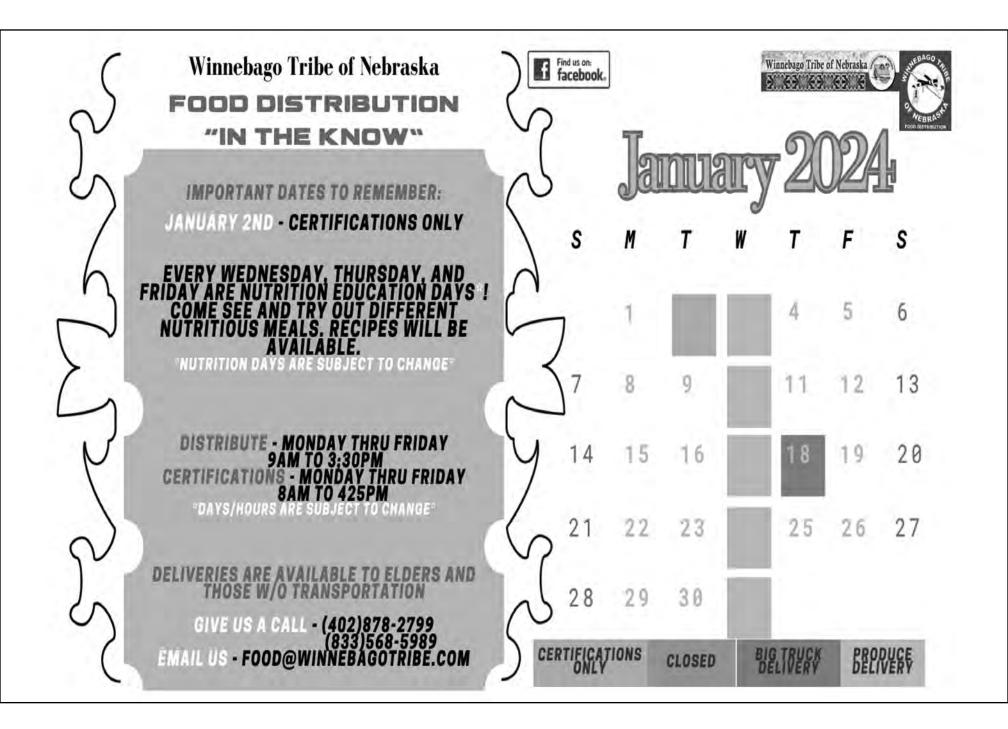


COMMUNITY

WINNEBAGO SENIOR CITIZENS JAN. 2024 LUNCH CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Closed ¹	Augratin potato 2 w/ ham Broccoli Waffle biscuit Cherry crisp w/ Ice cream	Pork Roast w/ 3 Gravy Croissants Mashed potatoes Green beans Banana pudding	Chili 4 Fry bread Corn/green pepper mix Melon mix	Bacon 5 Scrambled eggs Oatmeal Strawberries V-8 juice Bread	
7	Beef Veg soup 8 Frybread Relish tray Grapes	Hot Turkey sand 9 with gravy Mashed potatoes Dressing Mixed Vegetables Cherry Fluff	Chow mien 10 Casserole Egg roll Almond cookie Pineapple chunks	Goulash 11 Fry bead Peas Jello with fruit	Glazed ham 12 Augratin potatoes Acorn squash Bread Cake	
14	Closed 15	Ckn cordon Bleu 16 Brussel sprouts Rye bread Fruit cocktail Relish tray	Tomato soup 17 Grilled cheese Lettuce salad Cookie	Beef Stroganoff 18 Homemade bun Cauliflower Apple crisp	Sausage patties 19 French toast Hash brown patty Banana Juice	
21	Homemade Pizza 22 Garlic Bread 3 bean salad Chocolate cake	Ham/cheese 23 Sand. Baked sweet potato Creamy cukes Cookie	Beef tips w/ 24 Gravy Noodles Green bean cass Wheat bun	Meat loaf 25 w/ gravy Mashed potatoes Homemade bun Fruit	Rice Squash Ice cream	
28	Indian cheese 29 Burger Potato salad Baked beans Peach crisp	Chipped beef 30 With gravy Biscuit Spinach Pistachio pudding	Lasagna 31 Corn/ Green pepper mix Garlic bread Mandarin			

FOOD DISTRIBUTION JAN. 2024 CALENDAR



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Native Star collected \$910.13 donated from players. Winnebago Senior Citizen Center was selected as this year's recipient. The check was presented to WSC by WGDC CEO Sharon Redhorn-Chamberlain and Accounting Manager Deliah Keahna.





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- Coordinate with Media & Design Specialists to produce organizational articles, flyers, ads for WIN and other local newspapers
- Other related duties.

Contact the Program Director Lewis StCyr at (402)878-4135 to discuss further details and for more information.

How to apply: Provide a letter of intent and include a compensation proposal at an hourly rate. Email to lewis.stcyr@winnebagotribe.com.

Whirling Thunder Wellness Center IERE: call more info: 402.878.3148 **Monday through Friday** WHEN: 8:00 am to 11:00 am

Walk for Health

A fitness competition for Winnebago community members (18+) to walk laps indoors. Participants are asked to check in at the W.T.W.C. front desk to log 5+ laps each week to earn a limited edition Health Ed. t-shirt.



Question of the Issue: "What is your 2024 New Year's Resolution?"

Garan: My New Years Resolution is to go until the wheels falls off.

Brian: To be present with those who are present with me.

Tyler: After some thought I'd say my new years resolution is to be outside more, doing something active with my day besides the gym.

Kevin: *crickets*

Christina: Focus on my internal self rather than my external.

Bethani: Be more present with family.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing Case No. CV24-037 In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of: DELLA FLUTE In Re: N.P (BORN 11/2018)

TO: Joanna Parker, MOTHER Alexio Cariaga, 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. CV24-037 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 29TH day of January, 2024 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing Case No. CV23-069 In the Matter of the Name Change Petition of: Ravyn Deetta Kearnes-Loera to Davika Remii Kearnes-Loera

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. CV23-069 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 25TH day of JANUARY, 2024 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing Case No. CV24-036AB In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of: Jessica Free In Re: A.F (Born 06/2014) L.F (Born 07/2016)

BRITTANY SNO-FLY, MOTHER TO: ZACHERIAH FREE, 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. CV24-036AB has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 29TH day of JANUARY, 2024 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

2024 NEW YEARS POWWOW



Janiya Earth during the women's applique exhibition



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Craig "Tunny" Cleveland traded in the bustles for woodland style





Our youth applique dancers enjoying the NYE Sobriety Powwow

The head lady is joined in a intertribal by her mother Maria and friend Kaira



Anthony struts his stuff in the junior boys exhibition



Head lady dancer, Jalisa, is joined by a couple young applique dancers



Drum group, New Breed, brings in the new year through song

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