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## Bago Bits...



Recently, St. Augustine Indian Mission School had revised their dress code so that it allows students to wear traditional attire such as ribbon skirts and shirts to school! In addition, the Angel De Cora Museum has taught the 6th-8th grade girls how to sew their own ribbon skirts. (Pictured above) Thank you to those who taught these ladies how to design their own skirts, it truly is a beautiful way to further preserve our culture! (Photo courtesy of Donald Blackbird and the Angel De Cora Museum)



An update from the Horaxik: HoChunk Language Academy Class at Winnebago Public School! The class has recently been studying traditional indigenous homes, three HoCak structures, such as ciporoke, ciiserec and hazac, as well as Inuit people's igloos! The class then built the different types. They used their creative skills with wooden sticks, rubber bands, styrofoam, a dash of glue, and paper for the tipis. For the ciiserec, various colorful pipe cleaners were attached to plastic mesh sheets. Thank you to the teachers! Keep up the creative ways that you continue to teach our youth about our people and culture. (Photo courtesy of the HoChunk Language Academy)



Congratulations to the Winnebago Indians boys' basketball team on their big win over the Walthill Blujays during the first-round of the Lewis and Clark Conference basketball tournament which took place on Monday, January 31st in Wakefield, NE. With a final score of 90-57, the Winnebago Indians advanced to the second-round set to take place on Thursday, February 3rd in Wakefield, NE. This game was livestreamed via the Winnebago Tribe of NE YouTube page, you can also view other basketball games on the Winnebago Public School's Facebook and YouTube pages!



The Winnebago Boys' & Girls' Wrestling Teams both had an awesome season where their regular season concluded on Saturday, January 29th. The Winnebago Boys' Wrestling Team traveled to Plainview, bringing home a couple metals; stay tuned as they compete in districts on February 11th-12th. The Winnebago Girls' Wrestling Team also traveled on the same day to Cedar Bluffs, bringing home a couple metals of their own; the girls' will compete in districts for their chance to punch their ticket to STATE on February 4th-5th in West Point, NE. Good luck to both teams! #GoBigBlue

## A Tribal College Student's Path to Leadership



Pictured above is Winnebago Tribal Member Trey Blackhawk. (Photo courtesy of Sally Gifford)

Posted by Sally Gifford, USDA Office of Communications in Initiatives

Little Priest was the last war chief of the Winnebago Tribe, and the namesake of Little Priest College, one of 35 tribal colleges and universities with land-grant status. Freshman Trey Blackhawk, an enrolled member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, is pursuing a degree there in Environmental Science. He balances his studies with raising a family, managing the Winnebago Tribal Farm, and now serving as a 1994 Tribal Scholar at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

"I want to be a leader in agriculture. My goal is to help people, I have always been taught to help in any way I can," said Blackhawk.

As part of his career journey, Blackhawk applied for, and received an internship through the 1994 Tribal Scholars Program, which seeks

to increase the number of American Indian and Alaska Native students studying agriculture-related disciplines. Participating students receive full tuition, workforce training, and a potential fast-track to a full-time job at USDA. The USDA 1994 Tribal Scholars Program seeks to develop the next generation of food and agriculture leaders and build a more equitable and inclusive federal workforce.

Blackhawk currently interns at USDA's Office of Tribal Relations. He spoke about the importance of learning from colleagues. "Mentors have the experience to help you get to where you want to go," he noted.

Back at the Winnebago Tribal Farm, Blackhawk is working on a localized food system for the Winnebago Tribe, including creating a seed bank for the tribe. "We want to build up our

seed bank of squash, corn, and more, so we can hand them down from generation to generation," he added. USDA is supporting Indigenous seed saving through its new Indigenous Food Sovereignty Initiative, which supports projects to reimagine federal food and agriculture programs from an Indigenous perspective and inform future USDA programs and policies.

Blackhawk encouraged his fellow tribal college students. "If you want to major in agriculture studies, consider applying for the USDA 1994 Tribal Scholars Program."

The application deadline for the 2022 USDA Tribal Scholars Program was January 31, 2022. See the 2022 Application (PDF, 422 KB) and email 1994@usda.gov for further information.

## WINNEBAGO TRIBES FIRST VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER



Pictured above is Gordon Rave in an interview with Winnebago Indian News Office Manager, Tyler Snake. (Picture by Garan Coons)

By Tyler Snake & Bethani Redhorn

Gordon Rave, US Army Veteran, has had over 16 years of experience from being in the United State National Guard to serving in active duty. Jobs are usually taught overtime through training, but in Gordons's life he has learned first-hand how things go in the Army and what Veterans may need after being in duty; in a sense, he has lived to know what this position he has taken needs. Being a Veteran, he has spent years working within different Veterans Associations, such as the American Legion and the Winnebago Veterans Affairs serving as a commander.

With all the experience Gordon has acquired over his years in duty, he has

helped hundreds of Veterans with various needs. These benefits range from helping families or spouses in need, veterans struggling with physical & mental issues such as PTSD, depression, drugs and/or alcohol addiction and more. This new position works closely with Twelve Clans Unity Hospital and Morning Star Counseling for help in the listed mental health needs. If you know a Veteran in need of assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Veterans Service Officer at his email, Gordon.Rave@winnebagotribe.com, or call (833) 221-3050.

Gordon says he hopes to help all Winnebago Tribal Veterans with the benefits

provided and help guide those in need. In collaboration with Gordon, we are using this opportunity to notify Veterans and their families in need to please attend a Veterans Outreach event here in Winnebago, Nebraska on February 16th, 2022, at the Veterans building by the Winnebago Powwow Grounds. We hope this reaches those who can be given assistance or are currently needing information. Thank you to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska for creating this job that focuses on our Veterans!



# BAGO NEWS

# Orthopedic Clinic

COMING THIS FEBRUARY!


Located at Twelve Clans Unity Hospital

- Providing Joint Injections
- Fracture Care
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- ...and more!

For referrals please call:

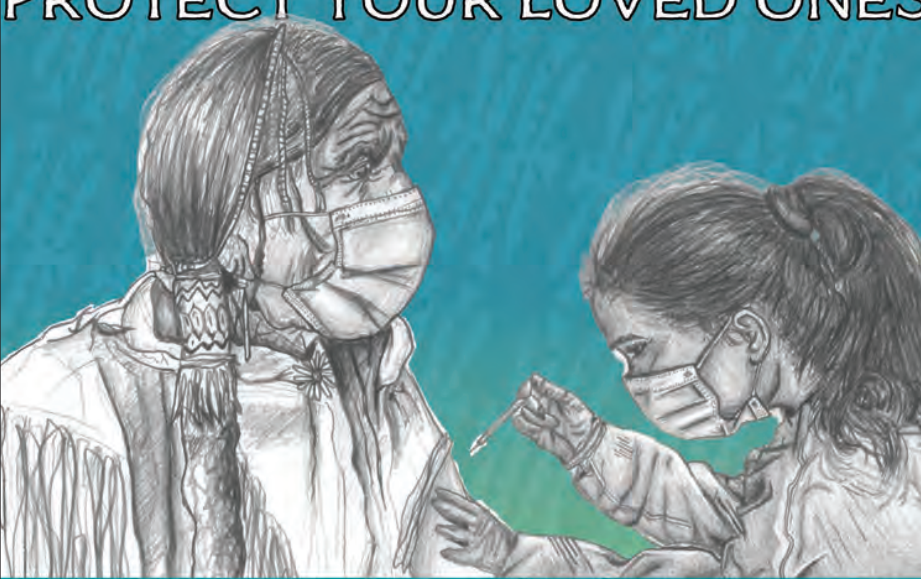
**(402) 878-3404**

With Carmel Berglin, PA-C



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## PROTECT YOUR LOVED ONES




# GET VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19

VACCINATION CLINICS HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY IN THE LOWER LEVEL OF TWELVE CLANS UNITY HOSPITAL!

The Pfizer BioNTech primary vaccine series is available in Winnebago for anyone 5 years old and older.  
Booster shots are available for everyone 12 years old and up and who completed the primary COVID-19 vaccination series no less than 5 months prior.

**Contact Public Health Nursing for appointments or questions at 402.878.2258**

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# HAPPY PRESIDENTS DAY

WINNEBAGO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

## HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Monday, February 21st, 2022

**Twelve Clans Unity Hospital and the Winnebago Public Health Department will be closed in observance of this federal holiday.**

The Inpatient Unit, Emergency Department, and Essential Services will remain open. All patients should continue to use the East (ER) Entrance. Masks are required at the hospital and other public places.

**Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, February 22nd, 2021.**


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Whirling Thunder Wellness Center & Gym

# CLOSED

Tuesday, February 8th, 2022

*Due to the Special Tribal Council Election.*




**WELLNESS PROGRAMS**  
100 Bluff St. Winnebago, NE 68071 402-878-3187

**We will resume normal business operations on Wednesday, Feb. 9th, 2022.**

*Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.*

Winnebago Public Health Department



## Wa'i pi naḡu

### Diabetes Education Classes

#### Waipinagu

#### "Path to Good Blood"

The Diabetes Program is offering 10 classes starting 3/8/2022 – 5/10/2022.

There will be two classes every Tuesday (**You only have to attend one**) to hopefully fit your schedule.

**12:00 PM – 1:00 PM or 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**  
**BHCC Bldg "Ho-Chunk Hope Classroom"**

Waipinagu is an important resource available with lessons, activities, medical experts and ongoing support to encourage your decision to get on the Path to Good Blood.

**If you are interested please register 9am to 12pm Mar 1st in the Ho Chunk Hope Classroom \*If transportation is needed call 402-878-2272. Ask for Rebekah.**

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As of Jan. 28th, 2022

TWELVE CLANS UNITY HOSPITAL

# ATTENTION



**Twelve Clans Unity Hospital is temporarily operating under reduced staffing and services will be limited beginning Monday, Jan. 31st, 2022 due to the recent surge in positive COVID-19 cases.**

Adult routine, adult well exams, and appointments for chronic cases may be temporarily delayed during this time. Patients needing emergent visits will still be accommodated.

At this time, Winnebago Public Health Department will be operating as regularly scheduled.

The ER remains available for patients experiencing emergencies and having severe symptoms. Patients who do not need critical attention should call the Outpatient Department at (402) 878-3404 to schedule an appointment.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we accommodate patients. Operations will continue to be evaluated on a weekly basis.



# TRIBAL NEWS

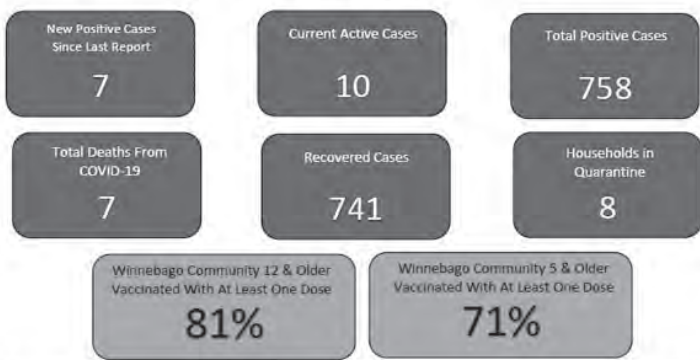
## WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COUNCIL SPECIAL VOTE SCHEDULE HELD ON FEBRUARY 8, 2022

**February 8, 2022** Tuesday SPECIAL VOTE (8:00am-8:00pm)  
(Tribal Offices Closed)

**February 9, 2022** Wednesday Notification of Newly Appointed Member

### Winnebago COVID-19 Status Report

Date: Tuesday, February 1st, 2022



For COVID-19 vaccination appointments, please call  
**(402) 878-2258**

[www.WinnebagoHealth.com](http://www.WinnebagoHealth.com)



## Morningstar Counseling and Consultation Employee Spotlight



Winnebago Tribal Member, Sandy "Macky" Scott, pictured outside of Morningstar Counseling and Consultation center in Walthill, NE.

By Sandy "Macky" Scott II

Walthill, NE - My name is Sandy "Macky" Scott II, and I am enrolled in the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and a member of the Wolf Clan. I recently accepted the Clinical Program Coordinator position with Morningstar Counseling and Consultation (MCC). MCC's mission statement is to promote hope and healing for Native American children, adults, and families by providing culturally appropriate and competent therapeutic services through a holistic approach. This holistic approach represents a circular model of well-being and health through a relational worldview.

MCC is an American Indian Woman-Owned business that has been providing behavioral health services across the State of Nebraska since 2012. Morningstar Counseling has extensive experience with telehealth and training for professionals, individuals, and organizations in the education, community, and medical fields.

As the Clinical Program Coordinator, I aim to provide technical assistance and help enhance mental health programming at public schools located in Winnebago, Walthill, Macy, and Santee communities. Also, collaborate with Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs to collect input from tribal communities to create and expand needed services and program-

ming to increase student success for native youth.

I have experienced loved ones suffering from trauma and substance abuse through my childhood. I lost my mother in November 2021 to substance abuse. Her substance abuse correlated to the traumas she experienced throughout her life. Her struggle and passing pushed me to work hard and help those who may have a loved one dealing with substance abuse and trauma. I do not want our youth to think that having a loved one struggling with substance abuse is normal or that there is no hope for them. I feel mental health plays a significant part in breaking generational trauma and cycles. MCC continues to be positively influential and expand within the four tribes in Nebraska. Being a part of MCC allows me to help Indigenous people and achieve my aspirations of eliminating trauma and substance abuse.

With my time at MCC, I hope I can encourage more community members to value their mental health and feel comfortable seeking help, and to promote the importance of mental health with native youth. For more information about MCC or interested in receiving services, please visit our website at [www.morningstar-counseling.com](http://www.morningstar-counseling.com).

## Question of the Issue:

**If you could invent a national holiday, what would it be?**



**Garan Coons**

Winnebago Communications Officer

I would do national pay it forward day. It's going to be one day that you do something good for a person and tell them to pay it forward. Myself I would pay for a person's meal and hope that it would brighten up their day. It would be one day everyone would get a surprise pay it forward and something nationally we could look forward to. It would be on September 16th each year because that's when my birthday is!



**Bethani Redhorn**

Communications Office Manager

If I could create a national holiday, I would create a "Free Gas" day where there was an unlimited supply of gas provided to anyone. You could even load up as many gas cans as you wanted! The price of gas these days is eyebrow raising but give a person who likes to drive a choice on what holiday they would invent, it'll be free gas any day!!



**Tyler Snake**

WIN Office Manager

I would invent national relax and be creative day! Real long name Haha. But I think it is important to tap into your creativity, regardless of skill. I feel like it would also give you the time to focus on something that is not necessarily a task but is rewarding. The day would be a summer Friday just because that's the best time of year to me lol!



**Christina Parker**

Desktop Publisher

National Smile Day! With the current daily stresses of adulthood all the way down to our youth, that simple gesture goes a long way. It could be promoted through a number of ways online and in-person. I believe it would benefit the growing trend in mental health.

### Flour Free Banana Cookies



- 1 1/2 Ripe Bananas (mashed)
- 2 1/2 Cups Oatmeal
- 1 t. Vanilla
- 3/4 Cup Raisin's
- 1/3 Cup Margarine

Mix ingredients, using 2 tablespoons form dough into a cookie, then Bake at 350 until lightly golden brown.

Kidz Cafe

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# WINNEBAGO SPECIAL VOTE CANDIDATES MESSAGE

## Candidate: Amy Painter



Hello my fellow Tribal Members,

I greet you all with a good heart filled with gratitude for this opportunity to express myself. My name is Amy Belle Painter. My grandmother named me after Amy Buchanan and Belle (Snake) Rice. My Indian name is Ahuskainga "White Wing," given to me by my great grandfather Fred Rice. My mother is Mona Bearskin, my grandparents are Benjamin and Fredeline (Rice) Bearskin Sr., and I descend from the Bear Clan. I was raised HoChunk and likewise I raised my children the same. My husband is Les Painter, also Winnebago. We were married here on the Winnebago Indian Reservation by Owen and Janice (Tebo) Cloud almost 14 years ago, and we have 7 children.

I am a proud member of the first graduating class of Little Priest Tribal College where I received an Associate of Science (AS) in Business. I also have a Bachelor of Science (BS) in Business Administration with a major in Finance and minors in American Indian Studies and Anthropology, and a Master of Business Administration (MBA). I am currently enrolled in a Master of Public Health program with a specialization in Indigenous Health.

I have worked on a University Research team that addressed health issues among American Indian and Alaska Natives (AI/AN). I have more than a decade of experience working for the Tribe and tribal organizations and have familiarity and experience with the tribal entities in Winnebago. For the past 6 years, I have provided technical assistance, consultation and capacity building services to Tribes, Tribal Organizations, States, and Territories across the Nation around work with AI/AN populations. I am running in this special election in hopes of the honor and privilege to serve my own Tribe.

One issue that I would like to address is employment for tribal members. We have Indian preference hiring within the Winnebago Indian Reservation. This means that each of the Tribe's organizations should be filling vacant positions with qualified enrolled tribal members for the most part. Having policies is not always enough if they aren't monitored. Sometimes there may need to be training to ensure that the policies are understood and there is a clear system to implement them. I have a plan to review and monitor the data on actual hiring practices. I believe there are enough jobs in the community that everyone who wants

to work should be able to find employment. We also need to actively recruit Tribal members to fill positions, and to provide training programs for tribal members when possible. Tribal sovereignty is the right to govern ourselves and that should include a workforce of tribal members.

A second area where I believe additional headway can be made is in making HoChunk culture and language a central focus of Tribal business as usual. As HoChunk we have our own beliefs, values, practices, and language, and it is important to ensure that we sustain these for the generations to come. My husband had an idea about how to make the language and culture program sustainable that I believe is viable and would work to implement.

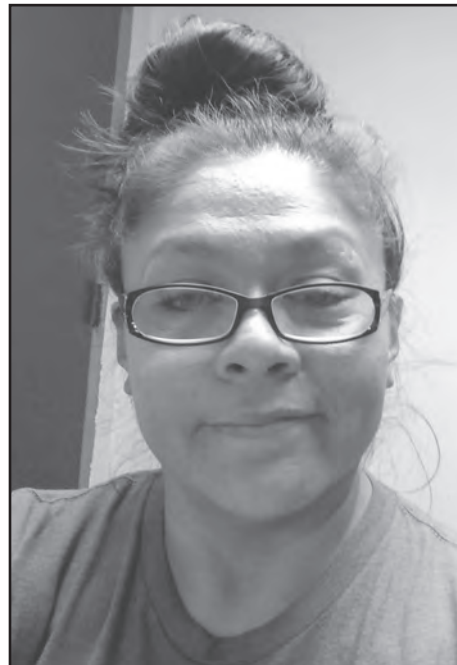
I am also interested in the health of our people. We are losing too many tribal members too soon to chronic diseases that may be preventable through behavior modifications. We have taken a lot of steps in the right direction through the compacting of the hospital, engaging in tribal food sovereignty initiatives, and the plethora of preventive health programs that exist, but I believe there is more work to be done to not only increase the life span of our people but to ensure a higher quality of life. I am also interested in an update from the COVID Task Force. We are still in a pandemic and some of our tribal members are at greater risk of poor health outcomes as a result of COVID. We should be staying on top of this for the safety of the community.

I also support family preservation efforts, sobriety efforts, and other efforts that I know will improve the well being of our membership. Improving family systems and reclaiming our traditional parenting and kinship practices, will provide a sound foundation for our children. I think this is likely the single best thing we could for our youth is to support strong family systems for them to grow up in.

It is with deep humility that I would like to thank each one of you that took the time to read my statement. I know time is short. Good luck to all the candidates. I applaud your willingness to serve the people. I encourage Tribal Members to get informed on the candidate platforms and to vote on February 8th. May Mauna bless us all. Take care and stay safe.

Sincerely,  
Amy B. Painter

## Candidate: Danielle Greene



Hello Everyone. I am Danielle M. Greene aka Danie G. I am named after my dad Daniel Green Sr. My mom Aida (Bigfire) Green decided to plant roots in Worthington MN. That is where I was born and raised, shortly after my mom

passed away I moved to this area that was in 2000.

I am looking to fill the vacant spot on the Tribal Council. This is my first time ever running and I feel that this will truly be a learning experience. My ideas and life experiences will help contribute a positive outlook at the table. That being said, I truly believe that our children need a space, other than their homes, they need a space where they can go to feel safe or to get a hot meal if their parents have to work late or grandma is just too tired. A place where they can go to vent, to go roller-skating, to get educated on other life skills. Something to keep their minds busy and to fill their minds with knowledge. For example they can learn about diabetes, addiction, furthering their education, employment and the importance of our elders. Just to name few ideas. The possibilities are endless.

I would like to thank you all for reading and I look forward to serving on the Tribal council. I will do my best to lend a helping hand when needed.

Please vote for Danielle M. Greene and thank you for all your support.

## Candidate: Eugene Gilpin Jr.



Hini karagi wino!  
Greetings to you all!

My name is Eugene Gilpin Jr. I am the son of the late Eugene Gilpin Sr. (Omaha) and my mother is Marge Armell Gilpin (Ho-Chunk). My grandparents on my Mom's (Winnebago) side are Peter Armell Sr and Eleanor Hensley. Peter's parents are Propser Antoine Armell and Anna Little Wolfe. Eleanor's parents were Albert Hensley and Martha Henry

I am running for the vacant seat at our Tribal Council Table.

If you know me then you know I am a family man proud of all my children. Corrine Joy and Bo who's mother is Lisa Sheridan (Ho-Chunk), Prosper who's mother is Brenda Kills Enemy (Rosebud Sioux), Milton, Markeis and Robbie who's mother is Rana Merrick

(Ho-Chunk) and of course my grandson Orion Zane Gilpin (Ho-Chunk). Orion is the son of Bo Gilpin and Kierra Rave both

Ho-Chunk. I am very happy that all my children are Ho-Chunk Tribal members and so is my grandson. I take pride in my Blue Collar work ethic. I love to work with my hands, I love to help and I love to be of service to others.

I know we have many issues that we can focus on but the things that concern me most is our Mental Health. Suicide, Depression, Despair and Addiction are terrible here for some of our people. We need help! It's tough I know. I personally will be 8 years sober come April 21st.

WinnaVegas is my other concern. I worked there off and on for a great many years. I think we need to help the WV as much as it's helped us over the years. It's time for us to give back to WV as well as it's workers. Get it back to being the Friendly Casino and the Cleanest Casino in Siouxland.

I've lived here most my life, since 1980.

I've been to hell and back in my life time. I believe that's why or how I am able to relate to a wide variety of people. I've been humbled by life and I appreciate that.

I'd appreciate your vote and support in the upcoming election.

Pinagigi  
Caxsep Gisinisini ga (Shinning Eagle)

## Candidate: Kenneth Mallory



YOU CAN STILL COUNT ON ME

My campaign message is the same as it was last October. You can still (and always) COUNT ON ME to be your voice at the council table. You can still (and always) COUNT ON ME to ensure your share of this tribe's prosperity. And you can still (and always) COUNT ON ME to respond to you in times of need and assistance. I can be counted on to ensure you (the peoples) best interests would be served in the coming months and years. I hope I can COUNT ON YOU to give me the opportunity to keep my word.

Thanks for your vote,  
Kenn Mallory

## Candidate: Tyren Wolfe



Greetings,

The reason I became a candidate for the vacant Tribal Council seat is that I would like to provide a different perspective. I would utilize the vast knowledge that I obtained by working in various capacities throughout my career. I would continue to work with other tribal council

members and the executive team on things that have already been put into motion. I believe we need to support and reinforce those current programs and projects. Because I believe as the saying goes, "why reinvent the wheel?" I realize that this position is for only eight months but I believe with a proactive tribal council a lot can get done. One thing I will pledge to you is I will not accept a tribal council member paycheck during these eight months. Should I meet the tribal membership expectations then I will submit my name again for a full three year term. In the mean time I support directing those funds to any Senior and Youth programs. I look forward to hopefully working for the tribal membership in an official capacity. Also good luck to the other candidates.

I humbly ask for your support and vote on February 8, 2022,

Pinigigi,  
Tyren L. Wolfe

# WINNEBAGO SPECIAL VOTE CANDIDATE'S FORUM

WHEN  
Monday, February 7, 2021  
5pm - 7pm

WHERE  
Streamed LIVE from WTN Council Chambers via Winnebago Tribe's YouTube Channel and Facebook Page (No audience members in chambers due to Covid-19 Pandemic, only candidates and staff).

QUESTIONS? CONTACT CASSIE KITCHYAN AT CKITCHYAN@LITTLEPRIEST.EDU

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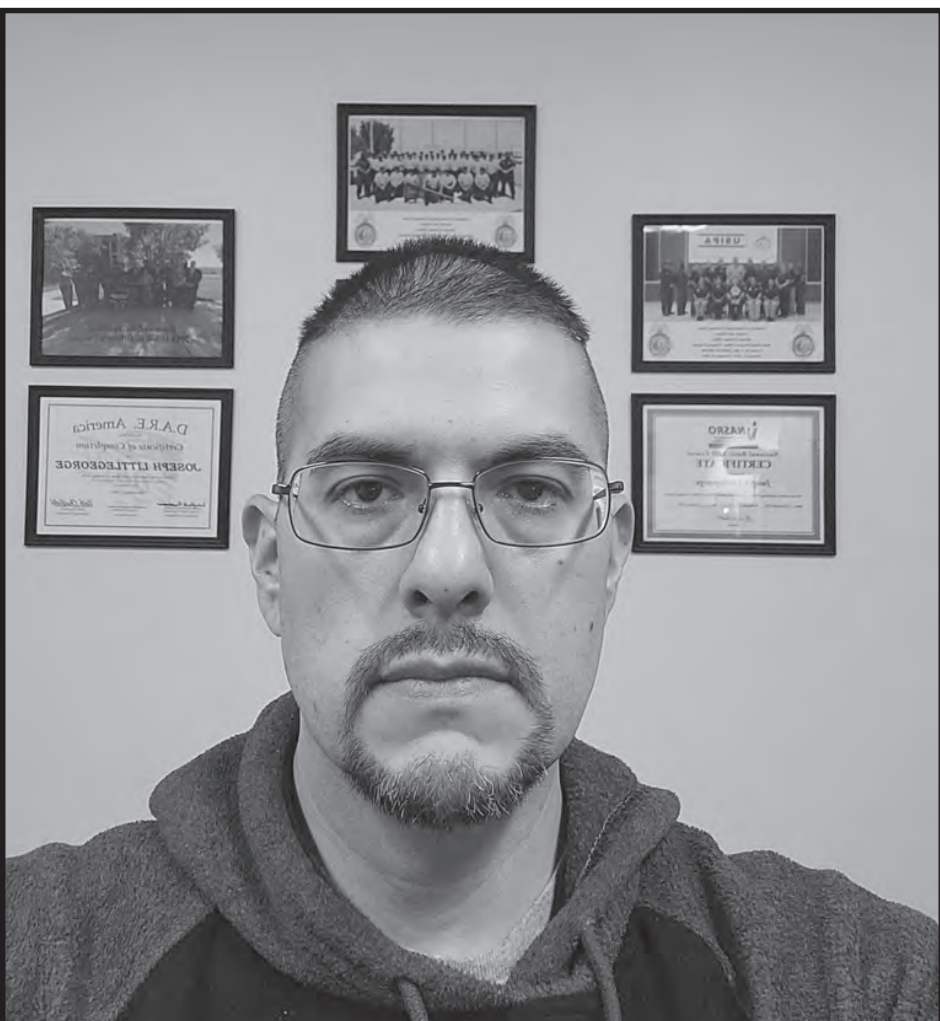
Make sure to tune in!





# WINNEBAGO SPECIAL VOTE CANDIDATES MESSAGE

**Candidate: Joseph Littlegeorge**



To the Winnebago Community,

My name is Joseph A. Littlegeorge, son of Bernard G. Littlegeorge (Son of Winnifred Snake/Kenneth Littlegeorge) and Dawn A. Ballinger (Daughter of Evelyn Decora/Ronald Peterson). I am running for the vacant 8 month position of Tribal Council Member on February 8th, 2022.

To all those of you that are my elder – I ask that you excuse me while I ask for a few minutes of your time.....

My GOD given Thunder Clan name, translated, is Blue Rainbow Man. I am 41 years old and an enrolled member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. At this time I work for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska as the Director of the Winnebago Domestic Violence Program under the Winnebago Public Health Department (WCHS) and also am contracted under the Winnebago Police Department. I have been with the Domestic Violence Program since October of 2020.

Recent Prior Employment:

Tribal Police Officer - Winnebago Police Department – Feb. 2017 to October 2020

Conservation Officer - Winnebago Wildlife and Parks – Jan. 2015 to Feb. 2017

Customer Care Account Executive/ Warehouse Clerk – HCI Distribution – 2009 to Jan. 2015

Various other employment under Ho-Chunk Inc., The Winnebago Tribe and on and off the reservation since 1994, where I started my first job for the Winnebago Housing Authority under the Tribal youth employment program at the age of 13.

I have been within the community off and on my whole life until 1999 when I met my wife to be, (Teresa D. Littlegeorge (daughter of Theodore Thomas/Carole Wilcox). I have been involved here as a husband, father, employee and concerned member Tribal Member.

I cannot and will not make promises that I cannot keep, as being on the council; I would only be one position, one voice. However, I can promise that I will do everything I believe is right and just to secure a future for our children, our lands and our Tribe as a whole around the Council Table.

I wish you all the best in health and happiness during these trying times.

God Bless  
Thank you for your time

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Two-Spirit Virtual Event

Hello everyone,

Winnebago Two-Spirit is hosting the Café Manchots virtual event on Thursday, January 27th from 4:30-6:00 through Zoom. We are giving out gift bags to the event attendees on Friday, January 28th, and we think that it would be a great opportunity to include information about a few Winnebago organizations in our gift bags. If you would like us to promote your organization, just send us your organization name, contact information, and maybe a short description before the event, and we'll include it!

We would also appreciate it if you help us share the event. Here's the Eventbrite page, which includes the Zoom link needed to attend: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cafe-manchots-tickets-239629206407>

Thank you, and have a good weekend!  
James

### Wa I pi nagu Accredited to Provide Quality Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support

Winnebago, NE — Wa I pi nagu has maintained the significant milestone of accreditation by the Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists (ADCES). Accreditation represents a high level of quality and service to the community, and the ability to better meet the needs of those affected by diabetes in the Winnebago area.

“Evidence shows diabetes education and support is helping people with diabetes to lower their A1c’s and obtain the knowledge and skills to better self-manage their condition,” said Sacha Uelmen, Director of Accreditation at ADCES. “That is why we need programs like Wa I pi nagu to make these services available in their community.”

ADCES is a National Accredited Organization (NAO) for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Accredited programs must meet the 2017 National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support; 10 standards that are revised every 5 years by a group of diabetes educators representing both ADCES and the American Diabetes Association and approved by CMS. Programs must maintain compliance with the Standards during the 4-year accreditation cycle.

“The Wa I pi nagu program has been accredited since 2013. We are proud to maintain that quality and continue to provide education with updated research and evidence based guidelines. Wa I pi nagu is the Ho Chunk phrase that means path to good blood. Participants gain the tools they need to live with Diabetes in a good way and walk the path to good blood” said Camilla Barajas, Diabetes Program Director.

Statistic from the annual Wa I pi nagu report for the 2020-2021 year:

- Graduates: 14
- Age range: 18-75
- Average A1c decrease: 1.6 points
- Average Systolic blood pressure decrease: 4 points
- Average Diastolic blood pressure decrease: 0.1 points
- Average BMI decrease: 0.5 points
- Average Weight loss: 2.5 pounds
- Percentage completed the diabetic foot exam: 100%
- Percentage completed the diabetic dilated eye exam: 79%

### Bago News



What's happening in elementary school?  
January 24, 2022

#### Reminders

- Aimsweb testing is Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> for Kindergarten – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Please help your student to get plenty of rest the night before. We are excited for them to show what they know!!

- In this Issue...
- Kinder. – Mrs. Lange
  - 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Mrs. LaPointe
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Ms. Lambley
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Mrs. Aman
  - 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Mr. Heiser
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Ms. Urbanec
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Mr. Putnam
  - Staff & Student Spotlights

#### Kindergarten



Mrs. Lange's kindergarten class has been practicing their letter names and letter sounds. They are ready to rock their AIMSWEB test on January 26<sup>th</sup>!

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

This week, first graders are experimenting with their knowledge of sound. Their task was to create a device that makes a sound then they needed to increase the volume of their device so the sound travels further. Students really enjoy the hands on activities we do in science. - Mrs. LaPointe



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade



The second graders are working hard on comprehension and fluency. They work very hard! – Ms. Lambley

Next WIN News Deadline:  
**February 15th**



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Higher Education Update:

The Winnebago Tribe Higher Education Scholarship application deadline for the new academic school year is APRIL 15th. Please go to the tribe's website, click Programs & Services, then click on Education, next click Higher Education and finally you are at Winnebago Scholarship and Financial Assistance Program (WSFAP) Application.

Returning students must complete page 2 of the application, along with your completed Financial Needs Analysis form, class schedule and official transcripts when your current term ends. New/First-time students must complete all required documents listed on the top page of the application, deadline dates are also listed on top page for your reference.

The Winnebago Tribe Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) will start accepting online applications beginning April 11th. This year we will be bringing back the SYEP Job Fair in May (Covid guidelines permitting). More information and instructions to follow.

The Johnson O'Malley Program (JOM) will be preparing for 1st semester grade and attendance incentives for Winnebago Public School students, K - 12th grade that meet the criteria. Due to a recent spike of the covid variant, there will not be an awards banquet and meal. Awards/Incentives will be disbursed in late February.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Higher Education office at any of the following: [education@winnebagotribe.com](mailto:education@winnebagotribe.com), [patrice.bass@winnebagotribe.com](mailto:patrice.bass@winnebagotribe.com), [rana.merrick@winnebagotribe.com](mailto:rana.merrick@winnebagotribe.com) or by phone: 402-878-2631 or 2632. Our fax #: 402-878-2637.

## Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

### Current Committee Listings

**Would you like to help your community grow and thrive? Pick up your application today!**

**Pow-Wow Committee**  
**Ten (10) Vacancies—One (1) Year Term**

**General Qualifications:**  
Committee membership may consist of any person the Tribal Council deems appropriate. Applicants must meet the *Particular Requirements* according to the Committee or Board Bylaws to be approved.

**Particular Requirements:**

- Must be enrolled members of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska
- Must be eighteen (18) years of age or older
- Must have knowledge of Winnebago culture, traditions and customs

If you are interested in applying for the Committee, please stop at the receptionist desk located in the front lobby and pick up a Committee application or apply online at:  
<http://www.winnebagotribe.com/index.php/government/committees>

POSTING DATE: 8/18/2021  
CLOSING DATE: Until Filled

Please turn all applications into the tribal administrative office by 4:30pm on the closing date.



## Kids Café

**first serving day is June 1, 2022**  
**Last serving day will be July 22, 2022**

**April 2022 WCHS will be have Kidz Cafe staff position openings:**

**Summer Nutrition Educator**  
**Kitchen Aide**

## KIDS COAT CARD PROGRAM

### \*\*\*DEADLINE EXTENDED\*\*\*

The Winnebago Tribal Council has extended the deadline for families to claim their Winnebago Tribal member's coat card until **March 31, 2022**. All enrolled Winnebago children ages 0-18 are eligible for a \$100 VISA gift card to be used for winter ware. There are currently 218 cards that have not been claimed.

**How to claim:** 1. Complete and notarize a kids coat form  
2. Submit the completed form to the Winnebago Enrollment office.

**Where do you get a form?**  
<http://www.winnebagotribe.com/index.php/arpa>  
or  
Contact the Winnebago Enrollment office to request a form be mailed.  
402-878- 2028 or [enrollment@winnebagotribe.com](mailto:enrollment@winnebagotribe.com)

**Then what?**  
Submit the form to the Enrollment office either via mail or in person.  
Once verified as eligible, the card can be picked up or mailed from the Procurement office.

## OVER-THE-COUNTER PHARMACY CLINIC

**Need Help Finding the Right OTC Medication?**



**Treatments For:**

- Cough
- Cold & Flu
- Headache
- Minor Aches & Pains
- Allergies
- Vitamins
- Lice
- Dry Skin
- Upset Stomach

**Time:**  
Mon-Fri: 8AM-4:30PM  
Wed: 10AM-4:30PM

Call or stop by the pharmacy to ask your pharmacist about the OTC Clinic!

We can help you find the right over-the-counter medication for your needs!



**Twelve Clans Unity Hospital Pharmacy**  
225 South Bluff St. | Winnebago, NE 68071 | Phone: 402-878-3700  
**We're Here to Serve You!**

### LEGAL NOTICE

TO: Danelle Lakota  
All possible fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition for guardianship has been filed against you in the Winnebago Tribal Court, CV22-016, Minor Guardianship of P.R. (03/04/10). You must file a responsive pleading in this matter by 02/18/22 or be subject to a default judgment being entered against you.

### LEGAL NOTICE

TO: Danelle McDonald  
Karlos Johnson  
All possible fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition for guardianship has been filed against you in the Winnebago Tribal Court, CV22-030, Minor Guardianship of K.W. (07/27/12). You must file a responsive pleading in this matter by 02/18/22 or be subject to a default judgment being entered against you.

### LEGAL NOTICE

TO: Jean Parker  
All possible fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition for guardianship has been filed against you in the Winnebago Tribal Court, CV22-029, Minor Guardianship of J.P. (DOB: 11/04/06). You must file a responsive pleading in this matter by 03/05/22 or be subject to a default judgment being entered against you.

### LEGAL NOTICE

TO: Tessah Sherdian  
William Hunter  
All possible fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition for guardianship has been filed against you in the Winnebago Tribal Court, CV22-015, Minor Guardianship of W.H. (02/08/17). You must file a responsive pleading in this matter by 02/18/22 or be subject to a default judgment being entered against you.



## Teen Dating Violence

**Tues. Feb. 8th**  
**Lunch and Learn 12:13:30pm**  
**Online Zoom**

**Email:**  
[donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com](mailto:donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com)  
to register






**The Winnebago Tribal Council is 100% AGAINST Meth. Not only is Meth harmful to the individual, it destroys families and our community. Meth use is not the HoChunk/Winnebago way of life. On 12-30-19, during the Winnebago Mid-monthly Tribal Council meeting, a motion was passed to publish all meth related offenses occurring on the Winnebago reservation, in the Winnebago Indian News.**

*The following individual(s) has been arrested for a meth offense...*

As of 2-1-2022, there are no recent meth arrest(s) to report.



# WINNEBAGO ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CAMPER SEALED BID AUCTION

Open to anyone but preference will be given to Winnebago Tribal Enrolled Members



### 2020 Jayco Jayflight Model: 242

Sleeps 8, has bunks, 1 slide,  
Outside kitchen, and length 29'2"

Minimum Bid per unit: \$25,440.00

\*Two (2) available units\*

**Bidding ends: 3/11/2022**

**Must be Sealed Bid** to Erika Dunn Insurance and Inventory

\*\*Information needed\*\* Name, Address, Phone Number, Camper Model, Winnebago Enrollment Number (if enrolled), and Bid Amount placed in a sealed envelope then mailed or hand delivered Winnebago Tribe attention Erika Dunn PO Box 687 Winnebago NE 68071 (make sure front of envelope has attention Erika Dunn and also camper sealed bid).

Final outcome is contingent on satisfactory proof of financing within a week of being notified of high bidder.

Questions:erika.dunn@winnebagotribe.com

## CAMPER SEALED BID AUCTION

Open to anyone but preference will be given to Winnebago Tribal Enrolled Members



### 2020 Jayco Jayflight Model: 245

Sleeps 5, 1 slide, and length 28'

Minimum Bid per unit: \$23,000.00

\*Three (3) Available Units\*

**Bidding ends: 3/11/2022**

**Must be Sealed Bid** to Erika Dunn Insurance and Inventory

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Questions:erika.dunn@winnebagotribe.com

## CAMPER SEALED BID AUCTION

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### 2021 Jayco Jayflight Model: 264

Sleeps 8, has bunks, & length 29'4"

Minimum Bid per unit: \$19,440.00

\*Two (2) Available Units\*

**Bidding ends: 3/11/2022**

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Questions:erika.dunn@winnebagotribe.com

Eating Disorders presentation Tues.  
Feb. 22nd 12-1:30pm Lunch & Learn  
Online Zoom



Email: donna.wolff@winnebagotribe.com to register

## ENROLLMENT UPDATE



**ATTENTION ALL ENROLLED & NEWLY ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS AGES 18+**

STARTING FEBRUARY 1st 2022, THE WTN ENROLLMENT DEPT. WILL BE ISSUING EACH TRIBAL MEMBER ONE FREE TRIBAL I.D.

AFTER ONE I.D. IS ISSUED A \$10 MONEY ORDER IS NEEDED FOR A REPLACEMENT.

IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE A CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN BLOOD WILL BE ISSUED.

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TRIBES PAGE, MAIL OR EMAIL AT

ENROLLMENT@WINNEBAGOTRIBE.COM

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA ENROLLMENT, 1030 BUFFALO TRAIL, SUITE#110 WINNEBAGO, Ne 68071

## JOBS

Founded in 1994, Ho-Chunk, Inc. is the award-winning economic development corporation owned by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Our business model reinvests in the Winnebago Tribe through programs including employment, housing, education and health.

Last updated: 1/21/22

JOB TITLE	DIVISION	LOCATION
Program Analyst	Flatwater Inc.	Lakewood, CO
Planning and Analysis Manager	Warhorse Gaming	Lincoln, NE or Omaha, NE
Business Development Support Specialist	Flatwater Solutions	Bellevue, NE
Sales Representative	HCI Logistics	Bellevue, NE
Payroll Clerk	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue, NE
Executive Assistant	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue, NE
Benefits Clerk	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue, NE
Human Resources Business Partner	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue, NE
Senior Benefits Clerk	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue, NE
Director of Legal	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Bellevue/Winnebago, NE
Office Clerk	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Senior Project Manager	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Benefits Manager	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Ho-Chunk, Inc. Internship	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Retail Operations Assistant	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Territory and Training Manager	Pony Express	Winnebago, NE
Team Member I	Pony Express	Winnebago, NE
Team Member I	Pony Market	Winnebago, NE
Project Coordinator	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE
Ambassador I (1)	Thunder Ridge Solutions	Winnebago, NE
Ambassador II (4)	HCI Management Services	Winnebago, NE
Ambassador III (4)	HCI Management Services	Winnebago, NE
Assistant Team Manager I	Pony Market	Winnebago, NE
Barista I	Sweetwater Café II	Winnebago, NE
Food Service Team Supervisor I	Pony Express	Winnebago, NE
Recruiter	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Winnebago, NE & Sioux City, IA
Project Manager	Ho-Chunk Centre	Sioux City, IA
Insurance Analyst	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Sioux City, IA
Staff Architect	BluStone Architectural	Sioux City, IA
Treasury and Risk Manager	Ho-Chunk Corporate Services	Sioux City, IA
Barista I (2)	Sweetwater Café I	Sioux City, IA
Assistant Team Manager I	Pony Express	Sloan, IA
Team Member I (Part Time) (2)	Pony Express	Sloan, IA
Team Member - Floater/Trainer	Pony Express	Sloan/South Sioux City
Carpentry Journeyman	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Carpentry Apprentice	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Laborer	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Commercial Construction Project Manager	BluStone Homes	South Sioux City, NE
Carpenter/Finish Carpenter	BluStone Homes	South Sioux City, NE
Project Manager	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Project Manager Assistant	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Senior Superintendent	HCI Construction	South Sioux City, NE
Team Manager II	Sweetwater Café III	South Sioux City, NE
Barista I	Sweetwater Café III	South Sioux City, NE
Sweetwater Café Supervisor	Sweetwater III	South Sioux City, NE
Facilities/Maintenance	Pony Express	Emerson, NE
Team Member I	Pony Express	Emerson, NE
Team Manager I	Pony Express	Rosalie, NE
Assistant Team Manager I	Pony Express	Rosalie, NE
Team Member	Pony Express	All Locations

Apply Online at [www.https://hochunkinc.com/employment.php](https://hochunkinc.com/employment.php)

Ho-Chunk, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants are considered without regard to age, sex, race, religion, national origin, gender identity or expression, marital status, or physical disability. However, preference may be extended to persons of Native American descent in accordance with applicable laws.



## Hocak Corner

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(hoonch wee hee-rdahg-nee nah)

February

## Hoxjana

(Hohx-jah-nah)

Evening



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