

### Bago Bits...



On the afternoon of March 9th, it was an exciting day for the Winnebago Youth Crisis Intervention Center/Youth Shelter as they received the Ho-Chunk Way Employee Donations award delivered by Ho-Chunk, Inc.



On March 18th, the Whirling Thunder Wellness Program staff held a nutritional health promotion drive-up event in the Whirling Thunder parking lot for National Nutrition Month. Pictured is the low carb meal bundle that community members received for participating in their brief survey.



The Ho-Chunk Village Farmers Market first monthly event for March was a Paint Party with Poppin' Brushes & Bottles held at the Woodland Trails building on the evening of March 20th. (Photo credits: Ho-Chunk Village Farmers Market)



On Thursday, March 25th, the Winnebago Public Health Department held a vaccination incentive event at the blue courts in downtown Winnebago for community members that received their 2nd vaccination. Pictured is Alyssa Wolfe with the t-shirts that were distributed.



The Ho-Chunk Renaissance Program also held a community survey/t-shirt giveaway event in their parking lot on March 25th. Winnebago community members were able to drive-up, complete the survey, and receive an "I LOVE NISOC" t-shirt!



The Ho-Chunk Renaissance Program announced their Annual Egg Hunt clues to the LED screen in Winnebago from March 29-April 2. (Gold: \$300, Silver: \$200, Bronze: \$150)

## HEMP? Is It the Future for the Winnebago Tribe



The HEMP Special meeting was displayed on the new LED screen for the community to view.

### Winonah Leader Charge

WINNEBAGO, NE— On Tuesday, March 16th the Winnebago Tribal Council held a special virtual meeting on hemp. The meeting was for the community to learn more about what the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska (WTN) is doing in regard to hemp, answer questions, and to see how the WTN should proceed in the hemp industry.

It was mentioned during the special meeting that hemp is not marijuana, hemp refers to the "plant species Cannabis sativa L. and any part of that plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivations, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a total delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentration of not more than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis. THC is the primary psychoactive component of cannabis" shared Jennifer Bear Eagle of Big Fire Law Firm. The difference between Marijuana versus hemp is that marijuana has a higher TCH level than hemp.

The 2018 Farm Bill allowed and granted entities including tribal gov-

ernments to produce hemp, but each entity has to meet certain requirements to grow it.

"Ho-Chunk Farms was 1 of 7 hemp growers in Nebraska out of 175 applicants in 2019" shared Aaron LaPointe President of Winnebago Agriculture and Industry. Currently, Winnebago Agriculture and Industry is developing its own brand of smokable products known as Niota. "It is a pre rolled CBD cone, it is under the 0.3 percent TCH threshold and we are working on a few things before we take this to market. We are excited because we want to have our own brand, it is going to allow us to market something that was grown here, produced, manufactured and we are selling" stated LaPointe.

"Hemp can be used for just about anything, right now we are using it for its oils and smokable product but we definitely want to diversify into more hemp-based products" stated LaPointe. As of right now involvement we do have is in the CBD market. One of our future plans to develop that from seed to final product" continued LaPointe.

"WTN declares hemp to be a valuable agricultural crop and commodity that can be cultivated within the exterior boundaries of the reservation" shared Bear Eagle.

Chairwoman Victoria Kitcheyan shared, "the next steps the council is going to take is to identify what some of those projects would be and what we want to do. Do we want to grow? Do we want to process? Do we want to do transportation for the whole regional area? Which of that vertical integrated process do we want to concentrate on or build upon to compliment projects that Aaron is already working on. There is so much opportunity here but we are looking for of course the tribal members support as well as ideas. These are some brainstorming activities we want to start thinking about."

The Winnebago Communications Department was able to film the HEMP Special meeting for all tribal members to view. It can be viewed on the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska's YouTube Channel and Facebook page for additional information.

## Thomas Racing Representing the Tribe at the Speedway



Pictured L to R: Kadge Thomas and Jeffery Thomas.

### Winonah Leader Charge

WINNEBAGO, NE—Local Winnebago tribal members Jeff Thomas Jr. and his brother Kadge Thomas are carrying on their father's legacy as a stock car racer. They regularly compete at Raceway Park in Jefferson, SD.

"Dad started it out, he was into motor sports. He finally got to do it in 2008 when he bought his first car. He did well his first year. In 2009, he bought a more competitive car and competed well receiving rookie of the year. This motivated him to keep going and do more. He won many races and trophies" shared Thomas Jr.

Jeff Thomas Sr. sadly passed away in the fall of 2019 due to health issues. "He always made sure we knew our

way around vehicles especially when it comes to doing it ourselves. He also made sure our family was together no matter what obstacle came our way" said Thomas Jr.

Thomas Jr. and his brother Kadge Thomas throughout the years took an interest in racing. "It was exciting to watch" said Thomas Jr. Both brothers knew what it took to be a race car driver and completed in the 2020 season. Thomas Jr. placing 11th in the overall stats and Kadge Thomas placing 12th place overall. The brothers switched to a higher division and are currently racing stock cars.

Thomas Jr. and his brother are currently in the process of preparing for

2021 IMCA racing season. "In 2021, we hope to do better and place in the top 10 in the overall season" said Thomas Jr.

"Thank you to all the sponsors, the helping hands who help get us ready and our family support because it is a dangerous sport" shared Thomas Jr.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or would like more information, contact:

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1041 Eagleview St.  
Winnebago, NE 68071  
712-308-1207  
Jthomas.Jr11@gmail.com

# BAGO NEWS



## Appointment Reminder Calls

Starting in April 2021, patients with scheduled appointments in our outpatient clinic will receive an automated appointment reminder phone call to the patient phone number on file.



To receive text message appointment reminders, call (402) 878-2514 and follow the instructions. To update your information on file or for any questions, please call the Outpatient Department at (402) 878-3404.

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CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION: Vince Bass, Market Coordinator 402.878.2192 or vbass@hccdc.org



Winnebago Public Health Department

In observance of National Public Health week the Winnebago Public Health Department presents:

## “The Greatest Wealth is Health” Virtual Walk

All participants should walk at least one mile the week of:

**April 5th—April 9th, 2021.**

- T-shirt distribution will be @ L.O.W. Friday April 9th, 2021, 9:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
- Elders will have the option to walk at Land of Wellness on Friday April 9th starting at 9:30 a.m.

Please Register @ [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1hNRYNIJhUj-T6C1m0u0yI4JFZWRh0\\_U3NKimVa43Rk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1hNRYNIJhUj-T6C1m0u0yI4JFZWRh0_U3NKimVa43Rk/edit?usp=sharing)

Must show proof of mile(s) on walking app or by sending a picture to: Bobbie Wolfe @bobbie.wolfe@ihs.gov., also if needing additional information.

## Hōcāk Commodity Cooking Class

With Nani Dawn @ Whirling Thunder Wellness Kitchen

Starts at 5PM

Masks Are Required

Month of April:


- 7<sup>th</sup>- Bread Making, a versatile dough recipe that can be used in several menu items
- 14<sup>th</sup>- All about Veggies! Utilizing the fresh, frozen & canned vegetables as accompaniments to your main dishes Creamy Cucumber Salad, Fresh Veggie Salad, Au Gratin Potatoes
- 21<sup>st</sup>- Canned meat recipes when time is a factor. Cheesy Tuna Casserole, Chicken Tetrazzini & Homemade Beef Hash
- 28<sup>th</sup>- Oriental dishes, Beef Broccoli, Pork Stir-fry & Spicy Chicken Lo Mein

Limited to the first 5!

Month of May:

- 5<sup>th</sup>- Romaine Lettuce Wraps with Minestrone
- 12<sup>th</sup>- Appetizers & snacks! Onion Rings, Corn Fritters, Twice-baked Potatoes, H.M. party mix
- 19<sup>th</sup>- Bison, a healthier protein option. Meatballs, Buffalo & Chili
- 26<sup>th</sup>- Let's get Fruity! Yummy and healthy desserts using fresh, frozen & canned fruit

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- Have sudden, short, or long sicknesses that limit development.
- Have a developmental delay
- Have trouble performing daily living activities or self help skills.
- Have sensory processing differences

**Outpatient Therapy Must Be Ordered By A Physician.**

Call Twelve Clans Unity Hospital's Outpatient Therapy Department at (402) 878-3638 for any questions.



Next WIN News Deadline:  
**April 13th**

# TRIBAL NEWS

## Construction Updates in the Winnebago Community



### March 2021 Construction updates include:

03/29 Doing removals (Asphalt, light poles, and concrete). Fire hall will have access out and in on the north side of the station. Beck and Mercer stay open, Mathewson is closed. A reminder parking is not allowed and foot traffic is discouraged from the parking lot across Highway 77 to the east of the Post Office. Please park west or south of the post office and access on foot from there.

04/05 Laying pipe, rough grading and drying dirt on the south end. On the north side we will be backfilling plus begin pouring the red island surfacing and truck aprons for the roundabout. Street lights going north next week also.

04/12 Hopefully will have something ready for Harris.

## First COVID-19 Variant Detected in Winnebago

Emilee Longuski

A mutated COVID-19 strain called B.1.1.7 has now been confirmed in Winnebago

Winnebago, NE – Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS), comprised of the Winnebago Public Health Department (WPHD) and Twelve Clans Unity Hospital (TCUH), has confirmed that an individual living in Winnebago tested positive for a COVID-19 variant that was first identified in the United Kingdom (UK) and is called B.1.1.7. This variant is a mutated strain of the virus that causes COVID-19, and is known to spread quicker and be deadlier than other COVID-19 variants.

Similar to the flu, these viruses constantly change through mutation and cause new variants of the virus to occur over time. These variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 have been confirmed in the United States and globally. Scientists are still studying these variants, but they do seem to spread more easily than other variants and have led to an alarming increase in the number of cases of COVID-19 and deaths associated with it.

With the confirmation of this variant in the community, it is important that preventative measures be reinforced to slow the spread of COVID-19 and its variants. These precautions include wearing a well-fitted face mask, maintaining a six-foot distance between others, washing your hands and sanitizing frequently, and getting the COVID-19 vaccine. Existing patients at Twelve

Clans Unity Hospital or the Winnebago Public Health Department who are 16 years and older can sign-up for the COVID-19 vaccine by calling (402) 878-2258 or by filling out the form and submitting it online at [www.WinnebagoPublicHealth.com/VaccineWaitingList](http://www.WinnebagoPublicHealth.com/VaccineWaitingList). The Pfizer vaccine that is administered in Winnebago is about 95% effective at preventing COVID-19 and its variants.

In general, vaccinated individuals who are infected with COVID-19 experience mild symptoms and are at less risk of mortality. An estimated 59% of the Winnebago population that is 16 years old and over has received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine so far.

About: WCHS is operated by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and consists of two divisions. Twelve Clans Unity Hospital is a 13-bed state-of-the-art healthcare facility that serves an estimated 10,000 Native Americans who live on the Winnebago Reservation and in the surrounding region. Healthcare services provided by the hospital include an outpatient clinic, inpatient care, pharmacy, radiology, emergency care, medical laboratory, physical therapy, social services, and more. The Winnebago Public Health Department strives to create and maintain a healthy community by providing a wide range of total health and wellness programs. These programs include physical, mental, safety, and social services that benefit the Winnebago community.

## Winnebago Opens COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics to Anyone 16 and Older

Emilee Longuski

Tribal Health System Opens Vaccination Appointments To All Regardless of Tribal Affiliation

Winnebago, NE – Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS), comprised of the Winnebago Public Health Department (WPHD) and Twelve Clans Unity Hospital (TCUH), is opening their weekly vaccination clinics to any person 16 years and older, regardless of tribal affiliation. The vaccination clinics are held every Wednesday at Winnebago Public School and the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is being administered. Individuals signing-up for the vaccine must be able to receive the initial dose, as well as the booster shot that will be given 21 days later.

To sign-up for an appointment, go to [www.WinnebagoPublicHealth.com/VaccineWaitingList](http://www.WinnebagoPublicHealth.com/VaccineWaitingList) and submit the form online. A representative from the WPHD will contact each patient by phone to schedule a vaccine appointment time.

"The Winnebago Tribe is committed to using all available resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and we are pleased to be able to expand our COVID-19 vaccine clinic to reach even more people. A majority of people who live or work in Winnebago are now vaccinated and we look forward to increasing this number each week. The COVID-19 vaccine really is our best weapon to combat the virus," said CEO of WCHS, Danelle Smith.

The Pfizer vaccine is shown to be

95% effective at preventing COVID-19 and its variants. In general, vaccinated individuals who are infected with COVID-19 experience mild symptoms and are at less risk of mortality. An estimated 63% of the Winnebago population that is 16 years old and over has received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine so far.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that you should continue to practice all the necessary precautions in order to prevent COVID-19. This includes wearing a well-fitted face mask, maintaining a six-foot distance between others, washing your hands and sanitizing frequently, and getting the COVID-19 vaccine.

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## Question of the Week:

### What is the best/worst thing about Spring?



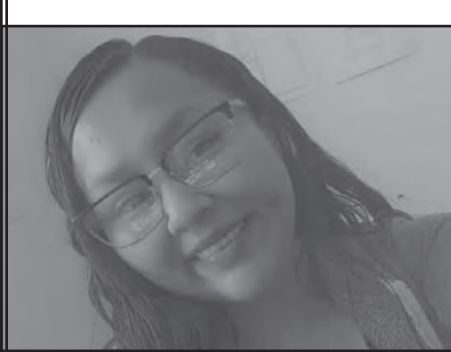
**Garan Coons**  
Winnebago Communications Officer

I would have to say the best thing about spring is mushroom hunting of course. The worst thing about spring is getting stuck in the mud while mushroom hunting.



**Winona Leader Charge**  
WIN Editor

The best thing about Spring is being able to spend time outside again. The worst thing about Spring is bugs and snakes, mostly snakes.



**Bethani Redhorn**  
WIN Office Manager

The best thing about Spring is the weather, the days get longer and warmer! The worst thing about Spring is probably the mud, only because it's everywhere.



**Christina Parker**  
Desktop Publisher

The best thing is warm sunny weather. The worst thing is BUGS!

# Hocak Corner

## Pežega wa'u je?

*(pay-zhay-gah wah'-oo jay)*

### Who is that? (standing)

## Wāšja?

*(wahsh-jah)*

### Did you see them?

The next issue of the WINNEBAGO INDIAN NEWS will be published on April 17, 2021. DEADLINE for this issue will be April 13, 2021.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## The American Rescue Plan Act

Winonah Leader Charge

Like most, it is challenging to understand all the content and terminology of the new American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) but after meeting with Alan Post, the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska's CFO, he helped highlight some important information for individuals to be aware of about the changes made through ARPA.

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act, there are several tax items to be aware of such as:

Recovery rebates

The most commonly known and anticipated was the third round of Economic Impact Payments authorized by Congress in the American Rescue Plan Act in March 2021.

Eligible individuals automatically received an Economic Impact Payment of up to \$1,400 for individuals or \$2,800 for married couples, plus \$1,400 for each dependent. Typically, a taxpayer will qualify for the full amount if they have an adjusted gross income of up to \$75,000 for singles and married persons filing a separate return, up to \$112,500 for heads of household and up to \$150,000 for married couples filing joint returns and surviving spouses. Basically, the payment amounts are reduced for filers with incomes above those income levels.

If you have not received your economic impact payment or need more information, visit [IRS.gov/eip](https://www.irs.gov/eip). Check the payment status at [IRS.gov/getmypayment](https://www.irs.gov/getmypayment). For other COVID-19-related tax relief, visit [IRS.gov/coronavirus](https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus).

Unemployment benefits

The act makes the first \$10,200 of unemployment benefits tax-free in 2020 and 2021 for taxpayers making less than \$150,000 per year.

"A big piece that may affect tribal members is the changes to the taxability of unemployment. Changes to the taxability of Unemployment Insurance payments received is being retroacted back to calendar 2020. The change for Unemployment Insurance is that the first \$10,200 of unemployment payments received is tax free. The other change is unemployment has been extended to 79-weeks" shared Post.

The IRS will automatically process refunds to individuals who filed their taxes that included unemployment benefits before Congress passed a law making those payments tax-free, IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig said.

The automatic refund means that many recipients of unemployment benefits who have already filed their returns for 2020 won't have to take extra steps to reclaim the taxes they paid.

Taxpayers who have not submitted their returns have until May 17,

to file this year.

Additionally, the stimulus package signed in law extended unemployment benefits for millions of American workers from a 50-week period to a 79-week period, giving an extension through Sept. 6th.

Child tax credit

The act expands the child tax credit in several ways and provides that taxpayers can receive the credit in advance of filing a return. The act makes the credit fully refundable for 2021 and makes 17-year-olds eligible as qualifying children.

The act increases the amount of the credit to \$3,000 per child (\$3,600 for children under 6). The increased credit amount phases out for taxpayers with incomes over \$150,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly, \$112,500 for heads of household, and \$75,000 for others, reducing the expanded portion of the credit by \$50 for each \$1,000 of income over those limits.

The IRS is directed to estimate taxpayers' child tax credit amounts and pay monthly in advance from July through December 2021.

The IRS must set up an online portal to allow taxpayers to opt out of advance payments or provide information that would be relevant to modifying the amount.

Taxpayers in general will have to reconcile the advance payment amount with the actual credit amount on next year's return. If the taxpayer has been advanced more Child Tax Credit than they are due under the new provisions, they will be required to repay the excess of the advance payment amount over the actual credit allowed when they file their 2021 tax return.

Child and dependent care credit

The act makes various changes to the child and dependent care credit, effective for 2021 only, including making it refundable. The credit will be worth 50% of eligible expenses, up to a limit based on income, making the credit worth up to \$4,000 for one qualifying individual and up to \$8,000 for two or more. Credit reduction will start at household income levels over \$125,000. For households with income over \$400,000, the credit can be reduced below 20%.

Additional information about a new round of Economic Impact Payments, the expanded Child Tax Credit, including advance payments of the Child Tax Credit, and other tax provisions will be made available as soon as possible on [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov).

\*\*\*This is not tax advice but to inform and report changes that may affect our readers due to ARPA. The WIN advises our readers to contact a tax professional for any tax related questions. As soon as more information becomes available it will be provided in future WIN editions\*\*\*

## JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



**"Do you need an attitude adjustment?"**

First, what is an attitude? There are two main definitions of the word 'attitude': 1) a settled way of thinking or feeling about someone or something, typically one that is reflected in a person's behavior. Or 2): [informal, chiefly North America] an uncooperative behavior; a resentful or antagonistic manner.

Often times an attitude is spoken about in the latter way - in negative terms - he has an attitude; or she needs an attitude adjustment! Most people attempt to either stay away from such an individual with an attitude problem or to be extra nice.

In order to adjust one's attitude - sometimes adults are moved to drink some beverages, pop some pills, or smoke some . . . well you get the idea. These are not the ways that Christians are called to use. This is not to say that we shouldn't have ways to release our tensions and to relax. One can not be expected to deal with the stresses of the world until one becomes totally burned out or depressed.

We all need to have a pressure release valve, ways to let go and to let God deal with life's stressful situations. May I suggest the following words that go against our natural ways of dealing with stress. These words were written by the Apostle Paul to all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi:

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross" [Philippians 2:5-8 NIV84]!

For the Christian, the follower of Jesus, one's attitude 'should be the same as that of Christ Jesus.' No, I

am not saying that Jesus had a negative attitude; rather his attitude was that of a humble servant. Are you willing to sign up and to pray for such a servant-like attitude?

The Christian is to follow Jesus who humbled himself. Jesus was almost under constant pressure to deliver for the needs of others, such as food, clothing, disease, blindness and even the death of loved ones. Jesus also endured the hatred of those who humiliated him, spitted in his face, beaten his body from head to toe, and mocked him unmercifully. The challenging news is that he is calling you and me to do the same. Again I ask 'do you want to sign up to pray that you would humbly serve God and others?'

The encouraging news is that any such wicked, godless behavior done to you will be short-lived. It was short-lived for Jesus and it will be short-lived for you too - relatively speaking. The one who professes Jesus as one's Lord and Savior will share in His glory and Creator God will say 'well done - good and faithful servant!'

This week we reflect on price that Jesus paid for the sin of the world. Jesus was obedient to death --even death on a cross at Golgotha 'the place of the skull.' However, Jesus not only laid down his life, he also took it back up again as he rose victoriously over sin, death and the devil.

Paul continues, "Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" [Philippians 2:9-11].

These are words of victory - Easter victory! Each and every man, woman and child who trusts in Jesus as Lord and Savior will share in his victory and in his glory, forever and ever. A-ho!

## DO YOU REMEMBER?

Before cell phones, electronics, and other distractions that takes all our time and attention now? Remember playing with friends outside until dark? You did your chores and homework, or else? Respected your elders - no back talk? Behaved or else? Remember when your grandparents led by example by taking you to church, going to Sunday school and later joined youth group, going to summer church camps?

The good old days you remember and cherish? Would you like this for your grandkids? Your family's church pews are waiting for you and your family! The churches are sitting pretty empty now. They need you back as much as you need it. Whether it's the Reformed Church, St. Augustine's, the Lutheran Church, or others you will be welcomed. Make your ancestors proud again. Think about it. May God bless us all.

Tonia Keller

## You're Invited to Kindergarten Round-Up

**KINDERGARTEN IS PAW-SOME!**



**WHEN: PLEASE COME TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DAYS;**

**\*FRIDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>, \*MONDAY, JUNE 21, OR \*MONDAY, AUGUST 16.**

**WHERE: \*WINNEBAGO PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**TIME: \*KIDS WILL ATTEND FROM 9-12:30, PARENTS FILL OUT THE PAPERWORK/TALK WITH THE TEACHERS FROM 12:30-3:00.**

**WHAT TO BRING: \*CURRENT IMMUNIZATION RECORD**

**\*PHYSICAL (DATED AFTER MARCH 1, 2021)**

**\*VISION(DATED AFTER MARCH 1, 2021)**

**\*BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

**\*SOCIAL SECURITY #**

**\*TRIBAL ENROLLMENT #**

\*Parents will bring their child at 9:00 to the public school. While at the school the students will have a fun day doing activities and seeing what Kindergarten is like. Parents will pick their child up at 12:30. At this time you can fill out the paperwork and talk with the Kindergarten teachers.

SPRING 2021

## WALKING WELLNESS



**Date:** April 19th - May 27th, 2021

**For:** Children K-6th Grades (Kindergarteners must be with a parent or guardian).

**When:** Mondays-Thursdays

**Time:** 3:40 pm - 4:30 pm

**The deadline to register is April 8th, 2021.**

**For more information please contact Whirling Thunder Wellness Program at (844) 568-6421. Sign-up forms will be located at the reception desk of WTWC.**



# TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

...cont. from last issue

Brandon Stout  
Esther Mercer  
Mark Aldrich

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kitcheyan called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Mayan Beltran offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Barry Fiscus Resolution, Parking area next to Louis BBQ, WGDC Report, Pow-wow Discussion.

Aric Armell motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

WCHS FINANCIAL REPORT:

Billing & Collections

Aric Armell motioned to approve the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare Systems Financial Report. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

WINNAVEGAS REPORT:

Thelma Whitewater motioned to approve the WinnaVegas Financial Report. Coly Brown seconded.

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

Request from the Mkt. Dept.; RE: \$500,000 Big Wheel Spin

Aric Armell motioned to approve the request from WinnaVegas Marketing Department; Re: \$500,000 Big Wheel Spin. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

Promotional Summary presented by Michael Michaud.

Pow-wow Discussion.

March 17th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time for a Moment of silence for one minute for everyone that has been affected by COVID-19.

John Snowball motioned to authorize option 2 Hybrid Event for the WinnaVegas Pow-wow.

Louis LaRose seconded.

OBJECT: Rona Stealer and Lorelei DeCora

VOTE: (4) yes, AA, JSB, CB, LLR (3) no, TW, RS, LD (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

GAMING COMMISSION:

Aric Armell motioned to approve the January Gaming Commission Report. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

*(Brian Chamberlain in at 10:52 a.m.)*  
*(John Snowball away from meeting)*

Discussion on Gaming Commission schedule, Standard Operating Procedures, Office hours.

Discussion on Gaming Commission Officer appointment. Request a special meeting with the Gaming Commission. *(John Snowball returned)*

Rona Stealer motioned to schedule a face-to-face meeting for March 2, 2021 if can be scheduled. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

OBJECT: Aric Armell, Thelma Whitewater (object to face-to-face meeting)

VOTE: (6) yes, JSB, RS, CB, BC, LD, LLR (2) no AA, TW (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

*\*meeting will be virtual*

TRIBAL CFO REPORT:

Aric Armell motioned to approve the Tribal CFO Report. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

WCHS Financial Org Chart update

Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System Financial Department Organizational Chart. Louis LaRose seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

Adopt resolution for Fiscus Land Purchase

Lorelei DeCora motioned to adopt resolution #21-68: Authorizing Request for and Approving Withdrawal of Tribal Appropriations for Land Sale Applicant - Barry Fiscus \$144,000.00. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

Rock at Property across from the Blackhawk Community Center

Brian Chamberlain motioned to approve Facilities to lay rock at the parking area property across from the Blackhawk Center. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

WGDC Report

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the Winnebago Gaming Development Commission quarterly report. Louis LaRose seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Brian Chamberlain motioned to go into Executive Session at 12:16 p.m. Rona Stealer seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes(0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

Rona Stealer motioned to come out of Executive Session at 12:42 p.m. Louis

LaRose seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

Rona Stealer motioned to approve Option 2 for Tribal Employees COLA. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

ADJOURN:

Thelma Whitewater motioned to adjourn at 12:45 p.m. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

Chairwoman Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Teresa Littlegeorge, Executive Assistant*

*Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**CONCUR:**

*Lorelei DeCora, Secretary*

*Winnebago Tribal Council*

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA LAND MEETING March 8, 2021

**TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Victoria Kitcheyan

Brian Chamberlain

Lorelei DeCora

Rona Stealer

Coly Brown

Aric Armell

Louis LaRose

Thelma Whitewater

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Wilhelmena Sharpback

Cecelia Earth

Fannie LaTray

Erika Dunn

Alan Post

Garan Coons

Esther Mercer

Aaron LaPointe

Teresa Littlegeorge

Brandon Stout

Isaac Smith

Tyresha Wolfe

Joy Johnson

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:**

John Snowball (leave)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kitcheyan called to order at 9:05 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Additions: Comprehensive Plan Survey, and community feed.

Aric Armell motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Greg Smith Amended Resolution

Lorelei DeCora motioned to adopt resolution #21-01A: Ref: Home site Lease -Winnebago Tribe - Greg Smith. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

OBJECT: Thelma Whitewater

VOTE: (4) yes, BC, LD, RS, LLR (3) no, TW, CB, AA (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

Greg Smith Modification

Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve the modification for Greg Smith. (no motion needed).

LPTC Amended Resolution

Brian Chamberlain motioned to adopt resolution #19-200B: Ref: Commercial Lease - Little Priest Tribal College Expansion 161L Charles Fischer Allotment. Rona Stealer seconded.

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

LPTC Modification (no motion needed)

James Price, Jr. Amended Resolution

Brian Chamberlain motioned to adopt resolution #21-65A: Ref: Home site Lease - Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska - James Price Jr. Louis LaRose seconded.

OBJECT: Thelma Whitewater

VOTE: (4) yes, BC, LD, LLR, RS (3) no, CB, TW, AA (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:**

Comprehensive Plan Survey

Brian Chamberlain motioned to approve the Comprehensive Plan Survey. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Horse Rider's

A Memorial Ride of Remembrance: In honor of Dorothy "Scootie" Wiche Quah" Kiyukan Ziegler.

Brian Chamberlain motioned to support Isaac Smith with his efforts to move forward with assisting with the riders. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Community Feed

Brian Chamberlain motioned to table until information can be brought back to the Tribal Council. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

Executive Session:

Aric Armell motioned to go into Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

*[Brian out at 11:30 a.m.]*

Aric Armell motioned to come out of Executive Session at 12:22 p.m.

Rona Stealer seconded.

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

Lorelei DeCora motioned direct the CFO to go into formal negotiations for the Bryce Anderson purchase and bring back to the table for approval. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

Aric Armell motioned to direct the house located at: 2593 F. Ave. Winnebago, NE 68071

to be put back under the Physical Resources - Garden/Cemetery program for management. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

ADJOURN:

Rona Stealer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:25 p.m. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Chairwoman Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Teresa Littlegeorge,*  
*Executive Assistant*  
*Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*  
**CONCUR:**  
*Lorelei DeCora, Secretary*  
*Winnebago Tribal Council*

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA SPECIAL MEETING - GAMING COMMISSION AT WINNAVEGAS AND GOTO MEETING March 8, 2021

**TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Victoria Kitcheyan (in at 1:42 p.m.)

Brian Chamberlain

Rona Stealer

Lorelei Decora

Louis LaRose

Aric Armell

Thelma Whitewater

Coly Brown

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Damon Payer

Keely Purscell

Tanya Baker

Teresa Littlegeorge

Garan Coons

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Additions: - code revision for reduction of the number of gaming commissioners, appointment of officers, and acceptance of resignation.

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the agenda. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Gaming Commission Attendance records for the past two years:

Open for review by the Tribal Council. Complaints from the past two years: No written complaints.

*[Victoria in at 1:42 p.m., assumes chair]*

*[Victoria out for phone call, Brian assumes the chair at 1:58 p.m.]*

*[Victoria assumes chair at 2:05 p.m.]*  
Gaming Commissioners Schedules for the coming months:

Aric Armell motioned to accept the schedule as presented. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

A request for Quarterly meeting with the Tribal Council from the WGC:

Rona Stealer motioned to accept the quarterly Gaming Commission meeting schedule as presented as a working schedule. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

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

No SOP's as of today 3/4/2021. The WGC will research and create SOP's for the WGC, and submit them to the T.C. for approval:

Aric Armell motioned to support the Gaming Commission to research and develop Gaming Commission SOP's and bring back to the Tribal Council for approval. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

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

Appointment of Officers for the Gaming Commission:

Hearing comments from the Commission. Chair, Secretary, Treasurer Nominations for Chair:

Aric Armell nominates Damon Payer for Chair. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

Louis LaRose motions to cease nominations. Coly Brown seconded.

Damon Payer appointed Chair by acclamation.

Nominations for Vice Chair:

Aric Armell nominates Tanya Baker for Vice Chair. Rona Stealer seconded.

Rona Stealer motions to cease nominations. Louis LaRose seconded.

Tanya Baker appointed Vice-Chair by Acclamation.

Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer:

Aric Armell nominates Keely Purscell as Secretary/treasurer.

Rona Stealer motions to cease nominations. Lorelei DeCora seconded.

Keely Purscell appointed Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

Code revision for reduction of the number of Gaming Commissioners

Brian Chamberlain motioned to place the reduction of Gaming Commission members on the next General Counsel meeting agenda. Louis LaRose seconded.

OBJECT: Lorelei DeCora

VOTE: (3) yes, BC, RS, LLR (4) no, TW, LD, CB, AA (0) abstain  
Motion failed.

Acceptance of resignation of Mark Aldrich

Aric Armell motioned to accept the resignation of Mark Aldrich as Gaming Commissioner. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes, BC, RS, LLR, TW, AA, LD (1) no, CB (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn at 2:30 p.m. Brian Chamberlain seconded.

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

Chairwoman Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Teresa Littlegeorge, Executive Assistant*

*Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**CONCUR:**

*Lorelei DeCora, Secretary*

*Winnebago Tribal Council*

## WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING March 15, 2021 via GoTo Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

**TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Victoria Kitcheyan

Lorelei DeCora

Brian Chamberlain

Rona Stealer

Louis LaRose

Coly Brown

John Snowball

Thelma Whitewater

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Angie Walker

Kellie Snow

Teresa Littlegeorge

Tyresha Wolfe

Esther Mercer

Brandon Stout

Erika Dunn

Garan Coons

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:**

Aric Armell

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kitcheyan called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM

**OPENING PRAYER:** Rona Stealer offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Additions: Pow-wow Committee and Cultural Presentation.

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the agenda with additions. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

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

READING OF THE MINTUES:

2-25-21 Mid-Monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the February 25, 2021 Mid-Monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

2-26-21 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded.

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

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Higher Education Scholarship Deadline:

Winnebago Higher Education Scholarship Deadline is **APRIL 15<sup>th</sup>**. The application is on the Winnebago Tribe website under Programs and Services, click on Education and then Higher Education.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV21-059

In the Matter of the Name Change Petition of:  
**QUIANNA LABREE LOUIS**  
to **QUIANNA LABREE ARMELL LOUIS**

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. CV21-059 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 10TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

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News  
Deadline:  
**April 13th**

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV12-050  
In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:  
**RICHARD KEARNES**

In Re:  
D. G. (Born 1/2011)

TO: **HOLLY GRIFFIN**, Mother  
**VICTOR MALDONADA**, Father  
All POTENTIAL 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. CV12-050 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV21-060

In the Matter of the Name Change Petition of:  
**ALEXANDREA LEE FLANDERS**  
to **ALEXANDREA LEE WALKER**

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. CV21-060 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 13TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ21-010

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
**E. B. (Born 10/2005)**

To: **ROBERT RED OWL**, Father  
ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ21-010 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 14TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 9:30 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV21-062

In the Matter of the Divorce Petition of:  
**PATRICK HULIT JR.**  
vs  
**AZUCENA REYES MARTINEZ**

To: **AZUCENA REYES MARTINEZ**

You are hereby notified that a Divorce petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Case No. CV21-062 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 6TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV10-037

In the Matter of the Guardianship Petition of:  
**LAIOSCEA DAVIS**

In Re:  
**J. P. (Born 8/2009)**

TO: **ANGELICA PICOTTE**, Mother  
**RALEIGH DAVIS**, Father  
All POTENTIAL 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. CV10-037 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 17TH day of MAY, 2021 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ21-009AB

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:

**M. S. (Born 1/2008)**  
**C. S. (Born 9/2009)**  
**Brenda Payer**, Mother

To: **ROGER LOVE**, Father  
**JAKE MAXWELL**, Father

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. JFJ21-009AB. You have 20 days from the date of publication to file a responsive pleading. Failure to file such a responsive pleading within the time period could result in a default judgment being entered against you. Said pleading shall be filed with the Civil Clerk of the Winnebago Tribal Court, P.O. Box 626, Winnebago, Nebraska 68071

**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...*

**Karlos Johnson** - 36  
Charged with inhaling or drinking certain compounds, possession of paraphernalia x3

**Kyla Earth-Phillips** - 28  
Charged with inhaling or drinking certain compounds, possession of paraphernalia

**Rella Walker** - 44  
Charged with DUI, refusal to submit, possession of paraphernalia, unauthorized use of a propelled vehicle, resisting arrest

**Maya White** - 28  
Charged with resisting arrest, willful reckless driving, possession of paraphernalia

Winnebago Housing and Development Commission has received funding from the U.S Treasury Department to help eligible tenants who are most likely to become homeless from an eviction due to accrued rental arrears, or shut off notices for utilities, because of losing a job or had reduced pay, was furloughed etc. suffering effects directly or indirectly due to COVID-19. Bring in your proof and I can help.

ERA Coordinator **Rena Brownrigg**  
[rena.brownrigg.era@gmail.com](mailto:rena.brownrigg.era@gmail.com)

**call me at 1-402-922-1145**

Please come see me

I'll be in **Sioux City at 119 6<sup>th</sup> St, Sioux City, Iowa**  
**Tuesdays and Thursdays for our Nebraska residents**  
**10am-3pm**

I Hope to see you!

Tribal members living off the reservation or non-tribal member with tribal children.  
We are now open to excepting Winnebago Tribal members Living in another state

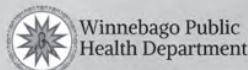
## Winnebago Domestic Violence Program

**NEW!** Office Number:  
**(844) 823-6240**

Hotline:  
**(402) 922-3850**

National Domestic Violence Hotline:  
**(800) 799-SAFE (7233)**

New Office Address:  
515 Ho Chunk Plaza | Suite B | Winnebago, NE 68071



### ATTENTION AMERICAN BROADBAND TELEPHONE CUSTOMERS

The Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) Surcharge Factor recovers costs associated with American Broadband's contributions to the federal universal service fund. Effective the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2021, there will be an increase in this charge from 31.8% to 33.4%.

If you have any questions, please contact

**1.888.262.2661**

**American Broadband**

# COMMUNITY SURVEY

We are planning the future  
for the Winnebago Tribe  
and need your input!



## 5-Year and 10-Year Comprehensive Plans Community Survey:

Dear Tribal Members,

In October of last year, the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska retained Blue Stone Strategy Group to develop Five-year and Ten-year Comprehensive Strategic Plans. Strategic planning is valuable as it provides focus and alignment for the Tribe and its various departments, programs, and entities on a vision for the future. Strategic plans ensure clarity of purpose and allow focused goals and objectives to be formed that will best accomplish the vision.

It is critical that we provide our Tribal members a voice in this process and an opportunity to participate. The responses received will ensure that our Tribal Leadership is making informed decisions for our Tribe's continued success in delivering quality services and resources to our members as well as leveraging important opportunities now and for our future generations. Individual responses will be kept confidential, data shared will be aggregate data of all respondents.

We would appreciate Tribal and community member participation in the process by taking the Community Survey and by signing up for the small focus group meetings which will be held via phone or virtually at a later point. The surveys will be available online. If you are an elder who needs assistance in completing the survey on-line please contact the Planning and Development Office at 402-878-4120, and we will arrange for someone to assist you.

Only one survey can be completed per device (laptop, computer, phone). You will receive a notification that the survey has been completed if you try to access after submitting your responses. For online access, visit:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TXFWTRY>

Or scan the QR Code with your mobile phone camera:



Blue Stone Strategy Group will be coordinating the small focus group meetings in early April. Please look forward to upcoming announcements on how and where to participate in these activities. We want to hear your perspective to help us plan for our future as a Tribe.

Thank you,  
Victoria Kitcheyan  
Chairwoman





# \$500,000 BIG WHEEL SPIN

EVERY SATURDAY IN APRIL  
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Win a **Half a Million Dollars!** To celebrate our **29th Anniversary** we're giving you a once in a lifetime chance to win **\$500,000!** One winner will be drawn every 30 minutes and they'll spin the **Big Wheel** three times. What you spin is what you keep!

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## Easter Brunch

All You Can Eat  
Sunday, April 4 • 10am-2pm

Serving your favorites like applewood carved ham, broasted chicken, omelet station, fresh fruit bacon and much more!

*\*Must be 18 or older to enter*



**\$14**  
Per Person

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**Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**10am to 4pm**

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