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Saturday, June 22, 2024









IN HONOR OF **Neola Walker**

Our masthead this issue features Mr. Reuben A. Snake, Jr. / Kee-Kah Wah-Un ga [1937 -1993] A leader for our Winnebago people being elected as Chairman of the Winnebago Tribal Council and helping to establish the modern framework and mindset for how the tribe would evolve. His vision to create self-sufficiency for our people was the model from which nearly all aspects of tribal expansion and operation in business are taken. As Chairman of the Council, his idealism worked to create updates to the workings of the tribe that can still be seen today. Also widely known as a staunch supporter of his beloved Native American Church, Reuben testified before Congress advocating for changes in Federal law that would change how the government sees tribal governments and tribal religious freedom. His advocacy led to monumental change in that realm, which took place following his passing being signed into law by President Clinton in 1994. Known as "Your Humble Serpent" Reuben led a life of servant leadership proven by the legacy he left for our people and all tribal people across the continent. The NAC honored him on June 14th declaring it Reuben Snake Day - celebrated at their recent National Convention here.

Nįšoc Nįgešąną Bago Bits



On June 19th, WCHS's office of Environmental Health held their annual Pet Care Day. Coxmmunity members brought their furry friends/family down to the Fire Hall and got their vaccinations up to date. For those who were unable to attend, other dates are available: July 17th and September 11th from 10am to 5pm. Take advantage of these free pet clinic opportunities. A huge thank-you to the program for taking care of our 4-legged friends!



Pictured above is Roberta Barclay, better known as Bert, starting her career as Head Postmaster for Winnebago, NE. circa 1996. Before coming to Winnebago, Bert worked at the Homer post office for 6 years then went on to run Winnebago for 28 years! The WIN staff would like to thank Bert for her contribution over the years, her bulk mail reminders and conversations during drop-off will be missed dearly. After all your years of service, we hope you enjoy your well-deserved retirement. Congratulations!

Pictured left to right Darwin Snyder, Roberta Barclay, and Steve Vail (Manager of post office operations)

NEW EMS BUILDING GROUND BLESSING



By Garan Coons / Brian Chamberlain Photos by Garan Coons

[Winnebago, NE] The Winnebago tribe held a brief impromptu blessing ceremony for the project that will soon become the new Emergency Services building here. Just to the north of Winnebago proper, the project is set to become the new home for the EMS system that is currently housed in other locations throughout town. "This is so

wonderful for our people.", said one tribal

morning of June 14th, 2024.

Winnebago Tribal Council Vice-Chairman, Isaac Smith, was on hand and he rendered the prayers that set forth the morning's activity. Smith gave comments also which told those in attendance this project has been a long time in the making. Councilmen Eugene DeCora and Aric Armell were also on site. Both thanked the first responders and their dedication to the Winnebago community. Ron Nohr, long time

member who viewed the event held on the WTN Civil Engineer, said that it would take about 17 months to complete the project. He went on to describe how the Physical Resources department and contractors will start moving dirt ASAP.

Once completed, this building will house the EMS team, Winnebago Volunteer Fire Department and the Winnebago Emergency Response vehicles. The building will also be named at a later date. Good job, Winnebago!

WINNEBAGO PICTORAL TOUR



By Brian Chamberlain Photos by Brian Chamberlain / Tyler Snake / Garan Coons

[Winnebago, NE] The Winnebago Indian News has been spending more time showcasing the community through the use of photographs and videos. Follow our Facebook page Winnebago Indian-News for all the social media content we share. The community is under the summertime spell. The trees are full and with all the rain grasses are high. We have selected a few areas around town to show you all, because we know that many of our people do not get to come home often. We hope to continue with this effort as the seasons change, but let's begin with summer's abundance. The photos we have are sprinkled throughout this issue with captions to depict what view is being shown. We hope you enjoy this pictorial tour of our homelands. – WIN

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The Farmer's Market is now in full swing on Fridays in the HoChufnk Village.



The Tribal Transit garage recently received some updates.

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"Bathtime" Phrases

Rahišara rōragų? Rdah-hee-sha-rdah rdoe-rdah-goo? Do you want to bathe?

Rahišarak jēsge. Rdah-hee-sha-rdahk jay-sgay. You need a bath.

Nājura wakuružare. Nah-joo-dah wah-koo-doo-zha-day. Wash your hair.

Hišjara kuružare. Heesh-jah-dah koo-doo-zha-day Wash your face.

Hira wakawakare. Hee-dah wah-kah-wah-kah-day Brush your teeth.





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Letter to the Editor



SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PART 49

"... Most suicide is a dreary and dismal wintry storm within the mind, where staying afloat or going under is the vital decision being debated." Edwin Shneidman

"Why would anyone wish to end something as precious as life? To hate life, and to hope every day that every minute would be the last, to look at a little baby grow and to see the wonder of nature, and still want to die." A suicidal young man

"God of those who hope, look upon our brother tragically taken from our midst. Do not consider his sins nor judge him with the haste of a human heart..." Proposed Catholic prayer for the soul of a suicide

"The biology of suicide is the biology of a behavior." Shervert H. Frazier, M.D.

"From the dark horizon of my future a sort of slow, persistent breeze had been flowing toward me all my life long..." The Stranger, Albert Camus

"Perhaps what finally makes him kill himself is not the firmness of his resolve but the unbearable quality of his anguish." Albert Alvarez

"The common fear that drives a suicide is the fear that the situation will become much worse...The common fear is that the situation is bottomless, and that the line on internal suffering has to be drawn somewhere. Every suicide makes this statement: This far, and no further!" Edwin Shneidman

"Ultimately, it is not so much how they died, but that they died. That is the tragedy." Adina Wrobleski

Do only "bad" people kill themselves?

No. Both "nice" people and "bad" people kill themselves and suicide occurs in both "nice" and "bad" families. In a foolish attempt to prevent suicide, long ago society placed a taboo and stigma on people who attempted or completed suicide, and on their relatives.

A taboo is society's way of censoring something it decides is so awful that people are forbidden to talk or learn about it. A stigma is the mark of shame and embarrassment placed on people who break the taboo. As a result, placing blame for suicide became taboo. As a result, placing blame for suicide became common. Blame is placed on various people, situations and social institutions; blame is often placed on parents, on marital strife, chemical abuse and the "terrible times" we live in.

Does suicide happen without warning?

No. It often seems that way to the people left behind, but as they look back, they recall clues and warnings they overlooked or were afraid to see at the time. Society, however, has not taught the public or professionals what these clues and warnings are, nor what to do when they see or hear them.

Consequently, when the danger signs of suicide are seen or heard, fear and denial are the common reactions; denial may be the only psychological protection people have. Although there are exceptions, suicide is usually the end of a long process. Someone said, "Every suicide has a history."

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

JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



By: Pastor Ricky Jacob

"Jesus preached peace for all"

When I first came to Winnebago a Ho-Chunk man asked me whether one could be a Christian while holding on to his native heritage. I don't recall how I answered him, however I remember thinking that 'yes, certainly one can retain one's heritage - one's culture when one becomes a Christian. No one needs to forfeit his/her heritage in order to be adopted into God's family.

A long time ago, Creator God chose one man in order that He might bless all people. We turn to the twelfth chapter of Genesis: 'YAHWEH (Mauna) had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.[Genesis 12:1-3 NIV]"

Through that one chosen man a tribe would develop. Through this tribe, and specifically through the clan of Judah - (later referred to as the 'Jews') would come the man Jesus. Jesus was a direct descendant of this chosen tribe through Mary his mother. Jesus was also the son of Creator God through the work of the Spirit of God.

The question for all times is whether one of any of the unchosen tribes would have to give up their heritage in order to be blessed by Creator God. As long as one's cultural ways does not conflict with Creator God's commands to love Him above all else and to love one's neighbor, then one does not have to change his/her ways.

The apostle Paul was chosen by Creator God to speak specifically to the Gentiles, the non-Jews, the unchosen about the blessing that was extended to them. In particular, Paul wrote regarding the Jewish custom of circumcising boys on their eighth day of life.

Paul wrote, 'Therefore, remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, who are called, "Uncircumcision" by what is called "Circumcision" (made in the flesh by hands), that you were at that same time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope and godless in the world.

He continues, 'But now in Christ Jesus you who at one time were far off have become near by the blood of Christ.' [Ephesians 2:11-13] Paul is pointing out that the chosen tribe as well as the unchosen tribes are one through the blood shed by Christ Jesus.

Paul continues: 'For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit' [Ephesians 2:14-18 NIV].

Letter to the Editor

Winnebago Tribal Members:

I want to express myself about items concerning the survival of our tribe.

The damage has already been done to our blood quantum by using other tribal blood to qualify as 1/4th Winnebago Indian Blood. There is a further effort to deduce this [in an] even worse way. There are some people employed by HCI who must worship that [redacted] on the hill to be willing to do his bidding. Worse yet there are some TC members who are part of this. That [redacted] has control of this tribe by controlling votes. I say [redacted] because [redacted] was pure Caucasian. Even his [redacted] brothers said that to various tribal members, most of whom have passed on.

The Federal Government wants to get rid of the tribes and this has made it inevitable and easier for this to be done. All because we have people who only want to satisfy their own selfish desires and don't care what happens to our tribe. That's why everyone should vote only for genuine Winnebagos.

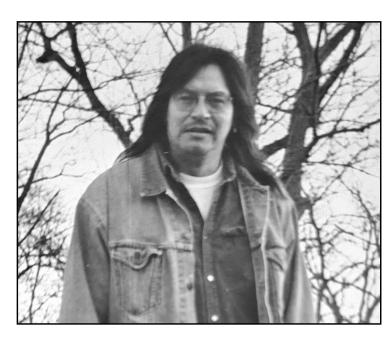
Our ancestors fought and died for our people and many prayers have been said for the coming generations. Prayers are still being said. I don't see any effort by the people mentioned above who pray for our very welfare and existence as a people or even participate in our culture.

All these [redacted] and foreigners who are tearing up our tribe should be forewarned that there is such a thing as karma. Good and bad karma. That bad spirit will want to get paid sometime. All these deaths we have been having may be part of that even though they are innocent and godly The innocent are the ones wo pay the price.

[signed] Karl Baker

In Loving Memory...

Henry Payer Sr.



Henry Francis Payer Sr, born September 19 1961 AKA. Hank Henry was born in Winnebago Lived in Lincoln, Nebraska and Rapid City, South Dakota with his mother and siblings.

Came to Winnebago with his Grandma Lydia for a short while. Then with his Paternal Grand parents through high school. He graduated in Winnebago Public School. His high school best friend was Denise Appleton.

He is a self taught mechanic. Denise and him rebuilt cars from scratch all the time. Out to Appleton

He went to college out in Phoenix Arizona for welding. He moved his family with upon completion. He traveled the country with work. The best certified welder I know. He was married to Cynthia Wolf

They have a Son together. Henry

Payer Jr. The amazing Ho-Chunk Artist. He also has a girl Latisha Payer. Henry left Winnebago and made himself a home in Dixon, Illinois until his end of life. He worked with friends (his bros) Building demos and racing. A job. He so dearly loved wrenching and welding. HE WON 1ST PRAIZE RACING ONCE. He lived a full life with happiness and sorrows but fulfilling for himself.

He is survived by mother Linda Appleton Maternal siblings

Brother William payer 3 sisters Debra Lynn Payer, Elizabeth Agness Johnson and Tracey Marie Wolf. Paternal siblings

Damon Lee Payer. Dana Lynn Payer Zagurski, and Leslie LaRose Great grandchildren, aunties, uncles, nieces, nephews.

Rest in peace and continue your journey flying high as the Eagle and with strength of the Grizzly Bear.

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Case No. CV24-105

In the Matter of the Name Change Petition of: ALLEN CLAIRE WEITZEL III to ALLEN COLE NEFF

To: ALLEN WEITZEL JR, FATHER

You are hereby notified that a petition for Name Change has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual in case no. CV24-105 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 24TH day of JUNE, 2024 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

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Notice of Hearing Case No. CV24-104

In the Matter of the Name Change Petition of: ADELINE ROSE MACKEY to ADELINE ROSE NEFF

To: SEANN MACKEY, FATHER

You are hereby notified that a petition for Name Change has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual in case no. CV24-104 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 24TH day of JUNE, 2024 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

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Commemorating the Return of Chief Little Priest and the Company "A" Scouts

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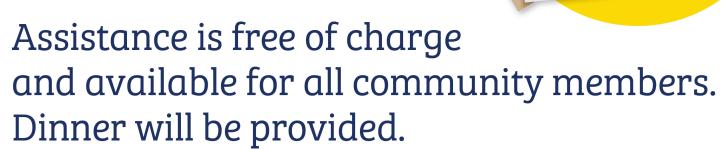


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Question of the Issue:

Tell us something from y'all's "bucket list":

Garan: Ever since 1999, when the Tennessee Titans moved to Nashville, I have been a fan. I have seen them play in Kansas City and in Minneapolis. I have never seen them in Nashville. My bucket list item would be attending a Titans game with some great seats. Unfortunately, we might be waiting for a long time to see them in a Super Bowl. Go Titans! [EDITOR'S NOTE: Chiefs Kingdom!]

Brian: Hmm... it would be cool to stand on the beach of each continent at each ocean and watch the sun rise over them ... sipping coco with little marshmallows with my Boo. :-p

Tyler: something on my bucket list that I'd like to accomplish soon is to experience a hot spring. Sounds very relaxing to me

Kevin: My biggest item on my bucket list is to go to Hawaii and snag a Samoan woman that can cook!

Christina: I want to travel to Egypt and explore the pyramids!

Bethani: An item from my bucket list is to travel to Ireland! I want to be see all the beautiful, lush scenery with my own eyes. I love nature, so I'll also add that traveling to the world's most beautiful places is listed right after visiting Ireland.:)



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EDITOR'S REVIEW:

BRATS OR BIG BABIES?

By Brian Chamberlain Photos (studio)

In the 1980s the world of entertainment was going through a metamorphosis. The golden age of Hollywood was long since gone and the direction film was taking was toward the advent of better technology. As part of the transition, the younger crowds that flocked to theaters began to drive the motivations of Hollywood studios. From this change, the 80s saw the updated version of a classic grouping. These actors were dubbed – The Brat Pack.

There were several actors who fit into this name, but only a certain few were considered to be landmark members. One of them was a young man named, Andrew McCarthy. From his perspective, a story is now told of how it was to live under that group's name, as well as the environment it created for the generation of actors who fell under its influence. McCarthy takes us on a journey where he reconnects with some of the members of the Pack, regaling us with stories of their experiences, as well as life for them since the heyday of their meteoric rise to fame.

Documentaries of this type are created for all kinds of reasons. Some are to expose unknown happenings, while others are created for hype, and some are even created for storytelling. This flick is of the latter. Andrew McCarthy was one of the darlings of the period, starring in such films as Pretty In Pink, Mannequin, and St. Elmo's Fire. Each of his films were part of the overall genre we described as being one that was surely aware of who its audience was – young people.

In the documentary McCarthy reconnects with fellow Brats, as he calls them. Using his cell phone, he begins to leave messages on machines and voice mails that he is seeking them out. As the footage is laid out, he is able to meet with only some of them. Most are still working in the medium, but not all. Their discussions are open and frank and it's interesting to see these individuals now decades later.

Combined with the interview segments there is also a dynamic

soundtrack which accompanies the documentary. Of course, using music from the era, the songs drive a reminiscent sentiment. The movies that McCarthy and crew were a part of certainly had their share of soundtrack hits, some of which were chart toppers that helped define the period and the decade.

Having viewed a few musical documentaries lately this one didn't quite live up to the same criteria, however. While it began with a good hook, great music, and even some baiting toward revelation of unknown occurrences, Brats didn't quite hit the mark for me - and I'm from the era. I really didn't have much of a specific expectation to be honest. Still, the conversations seemed to verge on being reluctant to share an either held-over fatigue of the subject, or just some kind of unwillingness to perpetuate the storyline. At times, the discussions seemed like complaints because the term Brat Pack created a largerthan-life aspect that took on a life of its own. Some of the discussions revolved around how the persona of the term overshadowed the actors themselves, creating for them what appeared to be a curtailing of their careers and lives. Still, despite the hesitations and apprehension, they all lived a life that was the focus of the nation for a time and helped a whole generation of people find an identity.

Despite the amazing soundtrack, on our world-famous HaazZaat! Scale, Brats is getting a tantrum throwing 2 ½ HaazZaats. Maybe I need to watch it again. I don't know. But with such incredible actors I thought the replaying of their collective lives would have garnered more buzz. Still worth spending time with, just not the thrill I hoped for.

Brats (documentary)

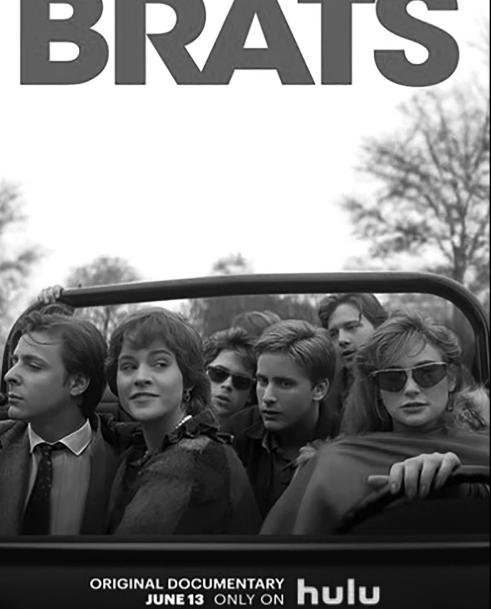
Director: Andrew McCarthy Writer: Andrew McCarthy Cast: Andrew McCarthy/ Ally

Sheedy / Emilio Esteves

Production Company: ABC News Studios / Liebman Entertainment / NEON / Network Entertainment

Distributor: Hulu

Everybody wanted to be in the Brat Pack. Except them.





Enrollment. Eugene DeCora seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES:

In-House Counsel Proposed by the CEO Discussion.

The CEO will work more on this.

Follow-Up on the Enrollment Listening

Discussion.

Will be discussed more in the next Tribal Council Huddle.

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-131 appointing Jacqueline Long as Supreme Court Associate Justice and approving Independent Contractor Agreement for Judicial Services. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-132 appointing Jordan Zendejas as Tribal Court Chief Judge and approving Independent Contractor Agreement for Judicial Services. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

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

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-133 appointing Dami Oluyole as Tribal Court Associate Judge and approving Independent Contractor Agreement for Judicial Services. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

GeneralCounsel – presented by Danelle Smith and Michelle Mitchell

Federal Advocacy

Winnebago Land Transfer Act Update presented by Josh Pitre

Senator Ernst staff to do a Site Visit to see the land in the Act beginning with a presentation at WinnaVegas Casino & Resort followed by the land tour on May 29, 2024

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Federal Appropriations Committee Hearings (May 7-8, 2024 D.C.)

Winnebago Tribal Chairwoman Victoria Kitcheyan Testified. Her Testimony was also submitted to the Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee.

Mental Health "Califano" Funding Nebraska LB 1288 was enacted into State

Law to be effective October 1, 2024.

This is to provide health services in State facilities for our patients in Mental Health/ Substance Crisis. WCHS will be working to develop agreements with these State facilities from WCHS for our patients in crisis.

LPTC - Tribal College funding by the State of Nebraska

Work in progress on this.

Army Corp of Engineers – upcoming Government-To-Government Meeting with the Omaha Colonel.

Items during this meeting:

Broadband under the river to our Iowa Reservation Lands.

H Lake Barge

Steps when the Land Bill gets signed into Law including the Department of Interior. Update on pipeline projects.

NE Class III Gaming Complact Negotia-

tions Update

BIA Law Enforcement

Lorelei DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-134 to approve the Deputation Agreement Between the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Justice Services. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Eugene DeCora motioned to direct the General Counsel to research & draft revisions to the firearm section of the Code. Aric Armell seconded.

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

IS- out at 11:05 a.m. to another meeting. Tuesday, May 28, 2024 9:00 a.m for the Law Enforcement Update at the Veterans Building.

Thunderway LLC/WHDC Agreement with NIFA Crown Program Update

Childcare & Workforce Development NMTC Financing Project Update

KM - out at 11:23 a.m.

Five minute break Rona Stealer motioned to go into Exec-

utive Session. Eugene DeCora seconded.

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

In Executive Session at 11:30 a.m.

Eugene DeCora motioned to come out of Executive Session. Teresa Littlegeorge

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

Out of Executive Session at 11:57 a.m. Aric Armell motioned to approve Tribal Council travel to attend the WTN VS U.S. Army Hearing in Alexandria, VA District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia on

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

July 12, 2024. Rona Stealer seconded.

Eugene DeCora motioned to adjourn. Coly Brown seconded.

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

Tribal Council Secretary Lorelei DeCora adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lorelei DeCora, Winnebago Tribal Council Secretary

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA TREASURER'S REPORT May 24, 2024

TRIBAL COUNCIL:

Victoria Kitcheyan - Travel Isaac Smith Lorelei DeCora Rona Stealer

Eugene DeCora Sr. - out 1:16 p.m. Coly Brown

Kenneth Mallory

Aric Armell - in at 9:36 a.m.

Teresa Littlegeorge

OTHERS:

Kevin Ebert Tom Teesdale

Christian Rogers Ray Thomas

Mike Means Erin Miller

James Ridgeway

Sharon Frenchman Lynelle Blackhawk

Desire Kitcheyan Angel Derochie

Kellie Snow Kiva Free

Thomas Snow

Jasmine Lammers Lance Morgan

Damon Payer

Tyresha Romero Billie Kitcheyan

Charli Earth

Nick Flores Erika Dunn

Garan Coons

Brittany Thomas

Janelle DeCora Brian Chamberlain

Tyler Snake

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman Isaac Smith Called the Meeting To Order at 9:20

PRAYER: Offered by Kenneth Mallory

Eugene DeCora motioned to approve the agenda. Coly Brown seconded.

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

AA - in at 9:36 a.m.

Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare Services (WCHS) April 2024 Financials - presented by Sharon Frenchman & Erin Miller, Revenue presented by James Ridgeway

Lorelei DeCora motioned to accept the WCHS April 2024 Financial Report. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

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

Winnebago Gaming Commission April

2024 Financials - presented by Damon

Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to accept the Winnebago Gaming Commission April 2024 Financial Report. Eugene DeCora

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

5 minute break - back at 10:19 a.m.

War Horse April 2024 Financials - presented by Lance Morgan & Angel Derochie Omaha War Horse opening August 6,

Discussion on the FY 2024 HCI Non-Gaming Dividend at 29%. Tribal Council will hold

a Special Meeting to discuss this further. Eugene DeCora motioned to accept

the War Horse April 2024 Financial Report. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

5 minute break to reboot the Zoom Winnebago Gaming Development Cor-

poration As of March 31, 2024 Financial Report- presented by Sharon Chamber-CEO is working to provide Monthly Finan-

cial Reports rather then Quarterly in the past. Working with Finance on a payment plan for the Workmen's Comp arrearages.

Eugene DeCora motioned to accept the Winnebago Gaming Development Corporation As of March 31, 2024 Financial Report. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

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

WinnaVegas Casino Resort - presented by Tom Teesdale & Mike Means

Lorelei DeCora motioned to accept the WinnaVegas Casino Resort April 2024 Financial Report. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Aric Armell motioned to approve the Four (4) Action Items requested by the General Manager Tom Teesdale in his 5-21-24 Memorandum: Approve revisions to the Security De-

partment job description, manning documents and organizational chart. Revision: replacing two valet greeter positions with two Security Officers.

Approval of the Capital Improvement Project for painting and wallpaper projects for the hotel, hotel connector, gift shop, and casino. WinnaVegas Casino Resort requests approval for the bid from Blankenship Paint+ Glass Company with a total estimate of \$45,004.20

Approval of a Summer 2024 promotion entitled \$75,000.00 Summer Celebration. Requests approval of the promotional liability estimated at \$75,000.00.

Approve Revisions to the Complimentary Authority Matrix. Revision: Add the following positions: Director of Operations, Player Development Manager, and Gift Shop Manager.

Eugene DeCora seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried. CFO Report as of May 18, 2024 - pre-

sented by Jasmine Lammers Winnebago Indian News Ad Rates - pre-

sented by Brian Chamberlain & Tyler Snake Aric Armell motioned to approve the Winnebago Indian News Editor & the CFO to

have the authority to change ad rates with a

30 day notice in-advance for the Winnebago

Indian News. Eugene DeCora seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried. Insurance Renewals – presented by Nick Flores

ED - out at 1:16 p.m. Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve the

of Nebraska Insurance for another year. Kenneth Mallory seconded. VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Mahonev Group for the Winnebago Tribe

Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve JQ, as the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska copier company once it's been reviewed the General Counsel. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried. CFO describes Budget Modifications

Tribal Council will hold a Special Meeting With the Winnebago Pow-Wow Committee

Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve the CFO's as of May 18, 2024 Financial Report & including her recommended Budget Modifications. Aric Armell seconded.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

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

Vice-Chairman Isaac Smith adjourned the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Lorelei DeCora, Winnebago Tribal Council Secretary

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA SPECIAL MEETING WITH OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT FEDERAL PARTNERS May 29, 2024

TRIBAL COUNCIL: Victoria Kitcheyan

Isaac Smith - in at 9:14 a.m. Lorelei DeCora

Rona Stealer

Eugene DeCora Sr. Coly Brown

Kenneth Mallory - in at 9:10 a.m. Aric Armell Teresa Littlegeorge

OTHERS: F.B.I. Special Agent-Rob Sellers

Acting Chief of Police-Lt. Justin Schmiedt Esther Mercer, C.E.O. Lynelle Blackhawk, C.A.O.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Victoria Kitcheyan Called the Meeting To Order at 9:08 a.m.

PRAYER: Offered by Aric Armell AGEMDA: Discussion With our Federal

Law Enforcement Partners, & Ho-Chunk Renaissance Request. Eugene DeCora motioned to approve the agenda. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

Motion carried. Discussion With Our Federal Law En-

VOTE: (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain

forcement Partners: Joint discussion with our Federal Law Enforcement Partners on issues and concerns with Law Enforcement & Public Safety on our Winnebago Reservation.

Joint Discussion finished at 9:51 a.m. Ho-Chunk Renaissance Request

Aric Armell motioned to approve \$1,440.57.00 out of Tribal Council donations for the Ho-Chunk Renaissance Language Program for the food for staff & volunteers during the Annual Ho-Chunk Youth Culture Camp, June 10-14, 2024. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

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

Chairwoman Kitcheyan will schedule two Special Tribal Council Meetings, with HCI Administration & Board on the timelines for the Tribe's 2024 non-gaming dividend and War Horse Gaming Dividend after June 2025 & with the Pow-Wow Committee.

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn. Eugene DeCora seconded.

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

Chairwoman Victoria Kitcheyan adjourned the meeting at 10:09 a.m. Respectfully submitted,

Lorelei DeCora, Winnebago Tribal Council Secretary

Motion carried. Eugene DeCora motioned to Ratify the Five Signature of 4-29-24 approve adoption of Resolution#24-119 approve the Independent Contractor Agreement for Legal Services of the Presenting Officer for the Tribal Court. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried. **NEW BUSINESS:** sented by Daryl LaPointe Jr.

...Con't. from last issue...

Department SEEDS Grant application in the amount of \$900,000.00 of the Ho-Chunk Cultural Awareness Reviving Essential Skills (CARES) Project. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

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

Veterans Triplex Project. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

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

Vice-Chairman Isaac Smith adjourned the

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

GENERAL COUNSEL MEETING

Lorelei DeCora, Tribal Council Secretary

TRIBAL COUNCIL:

Victoria Kitcheyan - Travel Isaac Smith - Out 11:05 a.m. Lorelei DeCora Rona Stealer

Coly Brown Aric Armell

OTHERS: Kevin Ebert Esther Mercer Ireta Frazier

Michelle Mitchell Kellie Snow Garan Coons Tyresha Romero

Misty Jefferson Josh Pitre

Todd Allin Morman CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman Isaac

AGENDA: Adopt Resolution #24-130 Child Support

Amend Resolution #24-124 the FY 24 Tribal Historic Preservation Office Grant St. Augustine's Eucharistic Walk in Win-

Eugene DeCora motioned to approve

the agenda. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried. Lorelei DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-130 approve Child Support Enforcement for Legal Services with the Stanley

Law Firm. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain

the St. Augustine's Eucharistic Walk in Winnebago June 22, 2024. Law Enforcement is asked to assist with traffic control when the Eucharistic Walk will cross Highway 77/75 into and back from the Ho-Chunk Village.

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

Resolution #24-124 to #24-124A approval of the FY 24 Tribal Historic Preservation Office

Motion carried

YCIC Drive In Event Food Donation - pre-Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve food donation of \$300.00 worth of food by Winnebago Casino Resort for the June 18, 2024 Drive in Movie. Eugene DeCora seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried. Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt Resolution #24-130 approve Human Services

Aric Armell motioned to amend Resolution #24-31 to be Resolution #24-31A HUD to utilize \$800.000.00 in ICDBG funds, \$1.037.983.00 in IHIBG ARP funds and \$162,000,00 in IHBG funds to construct two Veterans to construct the HUD ICDBG

Motion carried. Eugene DeCora motioned to adjourn.

meeting at 10:43 a.m. Respectfully submitted,

May 22, 2024

Eugene DeCora Sr. Kenneth Mallory - Out at 11:23 a.m.

Teresa Littlegeorge

Cecelia Earth Danelle Smith

Jennifer Berridge Beth Wright

Smith Called the Meeting To Order at 9:16 PRAYER: Offered by Eugene DeCora Sr.

Enforcement for Legal Services with the Stanley Law Firm.

nebago June 22, 2024 In-House Counsel Proposed by the CEO Follow-Up on the Enrollment Listening

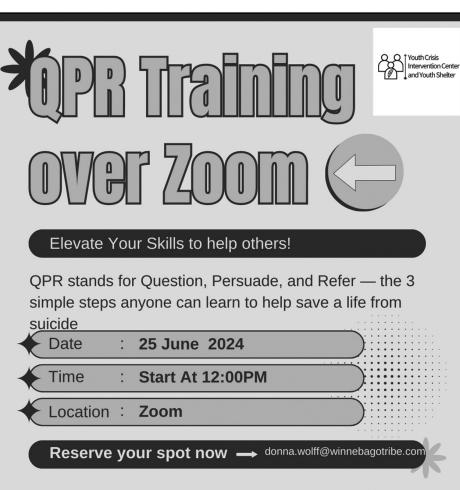
Motion carried. Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to approve Eugene DeCora seconded.

Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to amend

grant \$111,873. Eugene DeCora seconded. VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain







Groundbreaking Ceremony Held for New Tribal Facilities

Winnebago, NE – The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS) are proud to announce the successful blessing and groundbreaking of a new Tribal facility that will serve as the central hub for our Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Community Health Representatives (CHR), Motor Vehicle Operators (MVO), and the Winnebago Fire Department. The ceremony took place last week on June 13th, 2024 in Winnebago, marking a significant milestone in the community's development and dedication to improving emergency response services.

The new building will cover a substantial area, providing ample space to house the full-time staff of the Medical Services Division, including the Medical Services Director and the three divisions underneath: MVO, CHR, and EMS. Additionally, the Fire Department will be based here, alongside a dedicated room for the Tribe's Emergency Manager. The facility will also accommodate all fire department trucks, EMS ambulances, and GSA vehicles for CHR/MVO operations. Construction is expected to be completed within the next two years, marking a significant milestone in the community's growth and resilience.

"The new facilities are more than just buildings; they symbolize the strength and dedication of our first responders, who are often the unsung heroes of our community. To honor this, the site will include a walking path, providing a serene environment for first responders to reconnect with nature and find solace after difficult calls. This feature highlights our commitment to the well-being and spiritual health of those who protect and serve us," said Mona Zuffante, Chief Public Health Officer of WCHS.

Along with WCHS, Winnebago Tribal Leaders and the Tribal Council have been instrumental in moving this project forward. The project is utilizing funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) to enhance the community's response capabilities.

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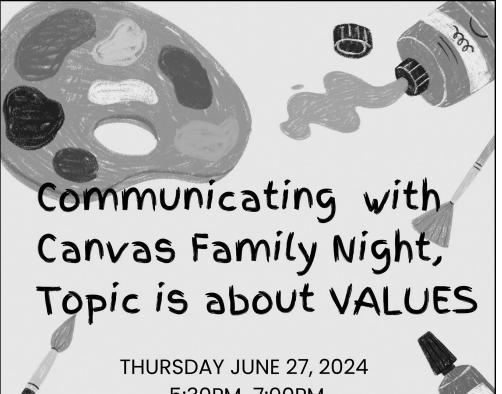
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WCHS Ensures Excellence in Nursing through Continuous Education



By Erin McElroy, Communications Manager

Winnebago, NE – Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS) is proud to announce the ongoing success and expansion of its continuous education program for nursing and clinical staff, a vital initiative ensuring the highest standards of patient care and professional development within our healthcare community.

Nurse Education program at WCHS is designed to correlate teaching with practical learning. Utilizing advanced manikins, the program educates on a wide array of clinical techniques and equipment, promoting high standards of care through evidence-based practice. One notable example includes training on the Zoll defibrillator monitors used in our Emergency Department.

At the helm of the department is Nurse Educator Sheryl Steuk, who has been an esteemed member of the Nursing Administration Team for the last five years. In her role, Sheryl serves as an advisor, collaborator, and patient advocate, providing invaluable resources to clinical staff. Her work is essential in integrating evidence-based practice and clinical research into everyday nursing. Sheryl plays a multifaceted role that includes mentoring new hires, conducting skills labs, and leading educational sessions directly within departments

during shifts. This hands-on approach not only fosters a supportive learning environment but also ensures that our nurses are proficient in the latest techniques, equipment, and standards of care.

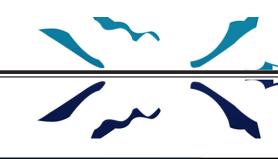
WCHS ensures all nurses have the required state licensure and perform annual training requirements as mandated. Sheryl's efforts have resulted in an impressive 100% compliance rate for up-to-date licensures and certifications among our nursing staff, which includes 2 Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), 6 Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA), 1 Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), and approximately 44 Registered Nurses (RNs).

Sheryl's advocacy for higher education and adult learning is reflected in the structured micro-learning sessions and frequent skills reviews conducted throughout the year. New nurses at WCHS spend the first week of their training with Sheryl, participating in intensive learning sessions, which significantly boost their competence and confidence.

WCHS remains committed to fostering an environment of continuous learning and professional growth for our clinical staff. This is instrumental in equipping our nursing staff with the knowledge and skills needed to deliver exceptional patient care. We applaud Sheryl Steuk and the Nursing Administration for their unwavering dedication to excellence and their role in advancing healthcare standards.











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