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First Bear Moon

Saturday, February 1, 2025



IN HONOR OF Neola Walker

Featured on our masthead for this second issue of 2025 is the icon representing the Eagle Clan / Caxsap Hikikarac. The Eagle Clan holds many important responsibilities within the tribe, including those being related to assisting the Thunder Clan as well as other political and social functions. Eagle clansmen held the responsibility to serve as bodyguards of the chiefs. They also served as soldiers in warfare. The Eagle Clan is one of the four sky clans. The warriors from this clan were known as the special forces of the HoChunk army. The arm and ankle bands worn by Eagle clansmen would signify deeds a warrior accomplished during battle. Families belonging to the Eagle Clan include: Armell, Baker, Brown, DeCora, Hensley, Hinman, Houghton, Hunter, Johnson, Little Thunder, Little Walker, McKee, Rainbow, Rice, Ricehill, Walker, Whitewater, and Yellowbank. Our gratitude to the HoChunk Renaissance Department for their assistance in providing this information.

WTN HIRES NEW CEO



By Brian Chamberlain / Darla LaPointe Photo by

person to fill the position since it was created in 2015. One tribal council member from that period stated, "We created the position so the tribal organization could have a leadership role filled at all times. It's interesting to note that each of the tribal members who've held the post have been women."

The CEO for the Winnebago Tribe oversees the daily operations of the organization and is directly responsible for leading the hundreds of staff members who work for our people. Each of the programs and departments that are a part of the tribal entity cover a wide range of areas. As they carry out their various duties serving the over 5700 tribal members, the overall direction of the tribe is partly determined by the CEO.

As part of our story for the new selection of a Chief Executive Officer, LaPointe has written her own introduction below.

Hello! My name is Darla LaPointe, and I am a member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. I belong to the Snake Clan. My parents are Daryl LaPointe Sr. and Mary Greaves. I have lived in Winnebago most of my life, where I attended HeadStart, St. Augustine Indian Mission, WPS, and NICC. I am the mother of 6 boys and the grandmother of 6 - 3 boys and 3 girls.

I currently hold an Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts, from NICC, a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Wayne State College, and a Master of Science in Education - School Administration, also from Wayne State College. I have spent the last six and a half years as an elementary teacher at the Winnebago Public School. Prior to teaching, I served a 3-year term on the Winnebago Tribal Council, served as the Education Director for the Winnebago Tribe, Dean of Admissions and Records & Director of Financial Aid at Little Priest Tribal College.

I enjoy living in Winnebago with my family and friends and have seen many changes that have taken place over the years. As CEO, I hope to move forward and continue to support the growth of our Winnebago community as well as our tribal members in a positive and respectful manner. I believe we must work together to provide a better future for the next generations so our people can continue to thrive and prosper.

Thank you.
Darla LaPointe

[Editor's Note] Welcome aboard! We look forward to working with you.

Njšoc Njgešana Bago Bits

By: Tyler Snake



January 22nd, Ho-Chunk Renaissance hosted a family game night played in the HoCak Language. Booths were set up with carnival/board games, henna painting, face painting, a pair of magicians and a balloon artist. This Family friendly event was made possible with the help and donations from Human Services 'Nikjak Wakacar Sacred Children Care Center' and HoChunk Inc.



Congratulations to the Lady Indians JH basketball team for winning the BR Tourney! January 25th



January 24th, the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System hosted a Senior tea time event. The Public Health Nursing Department is reaching out to those who are aged 50-77, are a current or former smoker within the last 15 years, and have a 20-pack-year smoking history. If the criteria is met, you could be eligible for screening incentives. For more information call (402)745-3950

WCHS's WinnHealth Record Launching February 1st



By: Erin McElroy, Communications Manager

A new Electronic Health Record (EHR) that will transform care.

Winnebago, NE – Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System is excited to announce that its new, modern, WinnHealth Record will launch on February 1st. WinnHealth Record will be WCHS's new electronic health record (EHR) software, boosting collaboration and improving consistency to create a better patient experience for our relatives.

"As we looked to upgrade our EHR, in every phase from vendor selection and building to testing and training, our Health System has been focused on creating an electronic health record that best aligns with our strategic direction" explains Austin Schanzenbach, Chief Transformation Officer and Project Lead. "Launching WinnHealth Record will mean significant improvements in

functionality, collaboration, automation, security, and patient safety across all services creating a better patient experience."

For the past year, WCHS's project team has been working with a healthcare information systems company to setup a new EHR. Among other critical phases of this process in December and January, WCHS completed the "mock live" and "integrated testing" phases, where a wide variety of different patient scenarios impacting all departments were tested from scheduling, registration, and orders to discharge and billing. These phases allowed the team to discover issues or discrepancies and resolve them before going live. These phases are critical because they will limit the number of problems that will come to light in the first few weeks of an implementation as significant and multifaceted as this one.

"I am sure I speak for the entire project management team when I say that we are

very grateful to everyone who is playing a role in this project, it has been and will continue to be a significant team effort as we bring it over the finish line," says Susan Lowery, Clinical Informaticist and Project Manager. "This has been a long time coming for our health system and we are excited to share it with the community."

After launch, the optimization phase of the process will take several months as all employees become proficient in this new system. In the first few weeks WCHS will have limited appointments to accommodate the change. While WCHS is striving for a seamless transition they would like to request that patients and relatives with appointments in the first couple of weeks of February come with updated insurance and tribal ID Cards, plan for potential delays, and/or don't hesitate to call 402-745-3950 with any questions, follow-ups, or concerns.

COMMUNITY

March 7th 2025 11:00AM-6:00PM @ Whirling Thunder Gym

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INDIGENOUS pride fair

SINGLE HAND DRUM CONTEST

\$200 Star Quilt Basket
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 lunch served @ 12:00PM
 contest begins @ 1:00PM
 door prizes every 2 hrs!

all winners must be present to claim prize

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT
 April Aldrich, Youth Advocate
 402-257-5586 ext. 1229
 402-922-2181

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

ATTN: Winnebago Tribal Members

On January 8, 2025 the Winnebago Tribal Council approved changes to the Fiscal Year 2025

Emergency Assistance Funds

Guidelines

- Must be an enrolled Winnebago Tribal Member-Tribal Enrollment (C.I.B or Tribal ID)
- Bill/Invoice/Quote/Proof of Hardship
- Statement of Need
- Eligible for up to \$300.00 per fiscal year
- There are no income requirements

For more information, please contact our Human Services Intake Clerks at 402-257-5586.

Welcome to the team, Deputy Director

Lana Stabler
Maašusgai

HoChunk Renaissance Language Preservation Program

I am excited to assist the Program Director with all day-to-day operations and utilize my experiences and knowledge of organizational skills, budget management, and to improve collaborations with current and future partners to enhance the department's goals and objectives. I also have a passion for employee engagement and encouraging staff to have a healthy work life balance.

I'm blessed to have this opportunity to work for the Winnebago Tribe of NE

The HoChunk Renaissance Staff is happy to have you join the team!

Fatherhood Is Sacred®, Motherhood Is Sacred®
 weekly sessions (in-person only)

We invite parents, foster parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, and sisters to join us to hear about how we use a curriculum to make positive changes. A twelve-week program that focuses on a foundation to nurture our future leaders. This program changes life styles to help us be a better individual.

Every Tuesday & Thursday- 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
 Beginning January 21, 2025 to February 27, 2025

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Human Services
 Preserving Native Families
 218 Industrial Road Winnebago, NE 68071

Facilitated by: Jackie Littlegeorge

For more information: (402) 257-5586 ext. 127
 Winnebago Human Services Preserving Native Families

FEBRUARY 2025

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Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Important Dates

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Letter to the Editor

LITTLE PRIEST TRIBAL COLLEGE RECEIVES US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR GRANT

Winnebago, NE – January 16, 2025 – On December 30, 2024, Little Priest Tribal College (LPTC) was awarded \$1.4 million from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) as part of Round 5 of the Strengthening Community Colleges grants. This funding will be used to launch and support LPTC's newly approved Carpentry program, set to begin in the fall of 2025. For more information, please refer to the press release issued by the Department of Labor.

LPTC President Manoj Patil expressed his excitement about the grant, stating, "This is a dream come true, not only for the college but for the entire community of Winnebago. This funding will kickstart and sustain our newly approved Carpentry program, anticipated to start in fall 2025. I am truly grateful to the Department of Labor for supporting our program to increase the workforce, which is highly needed in Winnebago and neighboring communities."

LPTC Board Chair Amy LaPointe-Houghton said "On behalf of the Board of Trustees we are so excited for LPTC and the community. It has been a dream to bring more trade programs to the college and the community with this funding that dream can now become a reality. Thank you to Manoj and his team for the hard work that went into all of this."

By: Manoj Patil, President, Little Priest Tribal College

JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



By: Pastor Ricky Jacob

'Broken ways or new ways of the Spirit'

There are only two ways or two directions that one travels through life. The one way leads the individual away from one's Creator. One knows in his/her heart that this way is wrong.

The way of our Creator has been written down - first in stone by the hand of Creator, so-to-speak, and given to the tribe of Israel; and later written down on paper.

In the First Nations Version, an Indigenous Translations of the New Testament, these ten commands are referred to by the tribe of Israel as 'our tribal law.' This 'tribal law' can only convict one as there is no one who will be found innocent based on it.

The apostle Paul writes to the sacred family members in Rome: 'So now, no one can use our tribal law to decide the guilt of the ones who have trusted in Jesus the Anointed One [Christ]! For the Anointed One [Christ], Jesus, has brought the new law of the Spirit's life to release us from the death sentence of our tribal law, given because of our bad hearts and broken ways. That law did not have the power to set us free, because of our broken humanity. But Creator found a way by sending his Son, in the likeness of broken and weak human beings, to bear the weight of our broken ways in his own human body and set us free from our guilt and shame' [Romans 8:1-3 First Nations Version - slight alterations].

Did you catch who sent Jesus the Anointed One [Christ]? Creator sent Jesus his Son. Jesus bore the weight of our broken ways and set us free from our guilt and shame.

Who did Jesus set free? Answer: 'Those who trust in Jesus Christ.' Those who trust in Jesus and who walk

in his ways are called 'Christians' - 'ones with Christ.' [Note well: not every so-called Christian walks in the ways being led by His Spirit; nor is there any Christian who walks perfectly in the Jesus' way].

The apostle Paul continues: 'Now our tribal law can never have the say over the ones who walk in the new ways of the Spirit, and not in the old ways of our broken humanity. The ones who walk in these broken ways are still thinking like weak human beings, but the ones who walk in step with the Spirit are thinking like true human beings' [Romans 8:4-5 FNV].

One does not have to walk in step with the Spirit. One can follow the desires of one's body that opposes one's Creator and His ways. The apostle Paul informs us where this leads, more importantly he goes on to tell us the good news of the power and the blessed work of the Spirit.

He writes: 'If we set our minds on the broken desires of our bodies, we will see only death. But if we look to the power of the Spirit, we will have life and walk the road of peace. For the thoughts of our weak human minds are against the ways of the Great Spirit. These thoughts will not and cannot surrender to Creator's law. The ones who follow only their broken desires are not able to please the Great Spirit' [Romans 8:1-8 FNV].

So as not to end my article on one's inability to please the Great Spirit - the way to please the Great Spirit is to be blessed with faith in Jesus the Anointed One [Christ]. Jesus suffered in our place and rose as a victorious spiritual warrior so that all who believe in him will have life, now and in paradise. Along with the gift of faith comes the power of the Spirit to guide one down the road of peace, the road of peace that leads through the doorway of death to everlasting life.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ25-005
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
Z.H. (Born 07/2012)

To: ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ25-005 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 12th day of February, 2025 at the hour of 1:00 P.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. CV25-027AB

In the Matter of the
Guardianship Petition of:
Salena Pedroza
In Re:
T.W. (Born 06/2012)
S.W. (Born 03/2018)

TO: CHERISE LYONS, MOTHER

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV25-027AB has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 3rd day of February, 2025 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Suspension of Parental Rights
Hearing
Case No. CV24-135

In the Matter of the
Adoption of:
J.S. (BORN 10/2015)

TO: SONYA WHITE, Mother
JERREN SPRINGS, Father

You are hereby notified that an Adoption Petition has been filed and an Suspension of Parental Rights Hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV24-135 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2025 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ25-009A
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
L.B. (Born 12/2007)

To: ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ25-009A has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 5th day of March, 2025 at the hour of 1:30 P.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing
Case No. JFJ24-023
The People of the Winnebago Tribe
In the Interest of:
R.G. (Born 08/2011)

To: DWIGHT MORRIS JR, Father
ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ24-023 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 5th day of FEBRUARY, 2025 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Suspension of Parental Rights
Hearing
Case No. CV24-136ABC

In the Matter of the
Adoption of:
A.E. (BORN 03/2012)
A.E. (BORN 02/2014)
A.E. (BORN 02/2014)

TO: SONYA WHITE, Mother
ERIC ELMORE, Father

You are hereby notified that an Adoption Petition has been filed and an Suspension of Parental Rights Hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV24-136ABC has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2025 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

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January 23, 2025

TO: Ramona Sheridan, Enrollment Director

CC: Darla LaPointe, CEO
Tyresha Romero, Interim CAO

FROM: Teresa Littlegeorge, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council

RE: Tribal I.D.'s

At a duly convened meeting of the Winnebago Tribal Council the following motion was made:

Rona Stealer motioned to approve free Tribal I.D.'s for all aged tribal members. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded the motion.
VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

The motion was approved as an effort to protect our Tribal members of all ages from I.C.E. (Immigration and Customs Enforcement).

Please work to get the information out to the Tribal Membership through our Communications Department.

Respectfully,

Teresa Littlegeorge
Teresa Littlegeorge, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council



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TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

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

Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 810 Fanny Priest

Aric Armell motioned to adopt resolution #25-90: Ref: Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 810 Fanny Priest. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded the motion.

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

Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 944 Neah O Pine Kaw

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt resolution #25-91: Ref: Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 944 Neah O Pine Kaw. Teresa Littlegeorge seconded the motion.

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

Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 857-A Peter Sampson, Allotment 89L-A Henry French Sr., Allotment 91L Moses Lamear, Allotment 95L Henry Ewing

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt resolution #25-92: Ref: Agricultural Lease Bid – Allotment 857-A Peter Sampson, Allotment 89L-A Henry French Sr., Allotment 91L Moses Lamear, Allotment 95L Henry Ewing. Lorelei DeCora seconded the motion.

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

Fannie LaTray will be absent next month for the Physical Resource Report meeting and Harvey Freemont will be present to give the report in her absence.

BREAK: 9:46, reconvene 9:56 a.m.

Aric Armell motioned to approve the update from the Land Department. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

PHYSICAL RESOURCE REPORT:

Monthly Report – Presented by Ireta Frazier

Lorelei DeCora motioned to have the Planning Department draft a letter to the BIA from the Chair's office requesting assistance for a new water well at the Buffalo Pasture. Aric Armell seconded the motion.

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

[Lorelei out 10:22 a.m.]

[Rona out 10:23 a.m., funeral]

[Lorelei in at 10:26 a.m.]

[Isaac out 10:39 a.m., Teresa assumes Chair]

Lorelei DeCora motioned to approve the Physical Resources Report as presented. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

[Isaac in at 10:41 a.m., re-assume Chair]

Buffalo Meat Inventory – update

[Teresa out 10:42 a.m., in at 10:45 a.m.]

Construction Projects – Timeline update – presented by Ron Nohr

Discussion regarding the Public Forum details (Breakfast with Council)

[Lorelei out 10:59 a.m.]

Aric Armell motioned to request the BIA to assist with the Public Forum. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

[Lorelei in at 11:03 a.m.]

[Kenny out 11:04 a.m.]

[Isaac out 11:07 a.m.]

[Kenny, & Isaac in 11:08 a.m.]

Aric Armell motioned to approve a \$1,000 budget for door prizes for the "Breakfast with Council" event. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

BREAK: 11:35 A.M., reconvene at 11:51 a.m.

Tree Removal Update

Bidders on the project all bid on different items to be taken into consideration for the Senior homes.

Need to postpone for 60 days and redo the bidding process since the bids were all different. – update only, no action taken by the Tribal Council

PLANNING DEPARTMENT:
[Kenny out]

FY25 Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska State Plan for CSFP Serving Senior Citizens

Aric Armell motioned to adopt resolution #25-93: FY25 Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska State Plan for CSFP Serving Senior Citizens. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

[Kenny in]

Amendment resolution - Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Clean Energy Planning and Development FY25

Eugene DeCora motioned to adopt resolution #24-71A: Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Clean Energy Planning and Development FY25. Lorelei DeCora seconded the motion.

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

[Victoria out]

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:
WATER RESOURCE COMMITTEE**

Eugene DeCora motioned to revise Winnebago Tribal Code, Title 8, Article 2, 8-205: Composition of the Committee to recognize the committee to be five (5) members. Aric Armell seconded the motion.

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

[Victoria in]

Eugene DeCora motioned for one of the Water Resource Committee members to be of the Water Spirit Clan and one member to be a Tribal Council member. Lorelei DeCora seconded the motion.

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

Eugene DeCora motioned that members of the Water Resource Committee serve terms of three (3) years at staggered terms as follows: 3 years, 2 years, and 1 year. Kenneth Mallory seconded the motion.

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

Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to appoint Lorelei DeCora to the Water Resource Committee as the Tribal Council representative. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to appoint Aseanna Overfelt as the Water Resource Committee point of Contact. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

Teresa Littlegeorge motioned to advertise the Water Resource Committee vacancies for 30 days as follows: (2) 3-year terms, (1) 2-year term, and (1) one-year term. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

ADJOURN:

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn the meeting. Eugene DeCora seconded the motion.

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

Vice Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 12:31 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Littlegeorge, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council*

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF WINNEBAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A Meeting of the Board of Winnebago Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 4:51 p.m. in the board room at the Winnebago Public Schools, Highways 77 & 75, Winnebago, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Teresa Littlegeorge, Crystal R. Ross, Nilah Solomon, Greg Bass III, Kiana Lewis, Kristine Earth

Absent:

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Receiving of Delegations:
2. Call to Order and Oath for new Board Members

Meeting was called to order at 4:51 p.m. by Superintendent Kamau Turner, also Superintendent Turner states, "MEMBERS OF THE BOARD RECEIVED NOTICE OF THE MEETING SHOWING THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING INCLUDING THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED. NOTICE OF THE MEETING WAS PUBLISHED BY POSTING ON THE OFFICE DOOR AND THREE OTHER PLACES." A COMPLETE COPY OF THE OPEN MEETING ACT IS POSTED ON THE WEST WALL.

3. Election of Officers A. Chairperson, B. Vice Chairperson C. Secretary D. Treasurer
Ross nominates Teresa Littlegeorge for President, 2nd Bass, Ross makes a motion to cease nominations, All in favor-5-0-1

Chairman will take over the meeting
Solomon nominates Greg Bass for Vice-President, 2nd Littlegeorge, Ross makes a motion to cease

Nominations. All in favor-5-0-1
C) Solomon nominates Crystal Ross for Secretary, 2nd Lewis, Solomon makes a motion to cease nominations All in favor-6

D) Lewis nominates Nilah Solomon for Treasurer, 2nd Earth, Ross makes a motion to cease nominations. All in favor-6

4. Approval of Agenda with additional items added
Motion: Solomon

Second: Lewis
Discussion: None
Voting for: Lewis, Earth, Ross, Bass III, Solomon, Littlegeorge

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-1)

1. January 13, 2025 School Board Meeting
5. Business Affairs

5-1. Approve minutes of December 3, 2024 Regular Meeting.
Motion: Littlegeorge

Second: Solomon
Discussion: None
Voting for: Earth, Ross, Bass III, Solomon, Littlegeorge, Lewis

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

5-2. Approve accounts payable for in the amount of \$227,138.82, petty cash account/
Treasurer's report.
Motion: Ross

Second: Bass III
Discussion: accounts payable review
Voting For:

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

5-3. Approve Facilities WEFLC in the amount of \$475,257.24
Motion: Ross

Second: Lewis
Discussion: account review
Voting For: Bass III, Solomon, Littlegeorge, Lewis, Earth, Ross

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

5-4. Approve Teresa Littlegeorge, Crystal Ross, Nilah Solomon, Gregory Bass III, Kristine Earth and Kiana

Lewis to be authorized to sign district checks for accounts (238074-General Fund and 937118-Hi-Fi),

If each member completes required forms/information needed by Charter West Bank
Motion: Bass III

Second: Lewis
Discussion: account review
Voting For: Solomon, Littlegeorge, Lewis, Earth, Ross, Bass III

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

2.
January 13, 2025 School Board Meeting

5-5. Approve Charter West Bank of Walthill as the official Depository for Winnebago Public School
Motion: Lewis

Second: Earth
Discussion: signature policy and procedures
Voting For: Littlegeorge, Littlegeorge, Lewis, Earth, Ross, Bass III

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

5-6. Approve to designate the South Sioux City Star as the official newspaper for Winnebago Public School
Motion: Ross

Second: Bass III
Discussion: None
Voting For: Lewis, Earth, Ross, Bass III, Solomon, Littlegeorge

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

6. New Business

6-1. Site Logic Presentation-Gavin Benson & Jerry Spethman of D.A. Davidson
Approve the feasibility study by Site Logic at no cost to the school.
Motion: Littlegeorge

Second: Lewis
Discussion: None
Voting For: Earth, Ross, Bass III, Solomon, Littlegeorge, Lewis

Voting Against: None
Not Voting: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: (6-0-0-0)

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HAKWE

Question of the Issue:

The Lunar New Year is on January 29th, 2025. Welcome in the Year of the Snake. Which Chinese zodiac sign are you, and do you feel it captures your spirit?

Garan: So, if my calculations are correct, I am a rooster. 1981 was the year of the rooster, I believe. Hmm how does that capture my spirit? Well, I dance chicken dance. "Cock-a-doodle-doo-doo!" don't mind me if I say that all the time.

Brian: In this zodiac I am under the Year of the Rat. Part of their definition includes being quick witted, imaginative, resourceful, generous with family, observant, charming, diligent, and fun. I think I could go with those. ... haha... ;-p Back in High School a quote came to us "rats" though. It was - 'The cornered rat bites the cat.' - Yup! Happy Lunar New Year! #dontmesswithus!

Tyler: My Chinese zodiac sign is the rabbit. The characteristics are defined as quiet, kind, polite and thoughtful. Other traits were hesitant and cautious. I'd have to agree, I've always been timid before feeling comfortable with others - lol.

Kevin: **crickets**

Christina: I was born The Year of the Dog! The dog is described as a "he" which is first off unagreeable lol. He hates any sort of injustice or unfair treatment and will do all in his power to help those less fortunate than himself. I myself have thought about if I was financially free what would I do? I think I would volunteer with the Red Cross or some international charity group. Audrey Hepburn was very inspiring to me when I found out she did something similar in her older ages.

This characteristic hit home... despite his friendly and amiable manner, the Dog is not a big socializer. He hates having to attend large social functions or parties and much prefers a quiet meal with friends or a chat by the fire.

Crazy to find out some fellow "Famous Dog People" are Elvis Presley and Donald Trump

Bethani: Like Guaranteed, my Chinese zodiac is also the Year of the Rooster. I was born in 1993 & according to the internet, I would have to agree with some personality traits associated with the rooster. We are said to be very hardworking, independent, & ambitious, as well as natural entertainers & artists. Our compatible signs include those from the Year of the Ox, the Snake, & other roosters! Pretty interesting reads when you start checking out other Chinese zodiacs.

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska



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❖ Certified Facilitators: Jackie Littlegeorge Permanency Caseworker ext. 1237 jackie.littlegeorge@winnebagotribe.com & Thomas Snowball Sr. Cultural Family Support Worker ext. 1246 thomas.snowball@winnebagotribe.com

The Linking Generations By Strengthening Relationships

This program is a curriculum offers participants the opportunity to learn the pros and cons of strong, healthy, and positive relationships. Our ancestors were a family centered people. To honor our ancestors and continue their culture, we must link generations and take care of our families by strengthening relationships. The 14- week program assists fathers, mothers, and families by enhancing their capacity to promote strong, healthy and positive relationships (i.e. Marriages, families, friendships, etc).

❖ Certified Facilitator:

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"I know of no tradition, belief, ceremony, or teaching that allows family members to abandon, abuse, neglect, ignore, harm, injure, or molest other family members, specifically children." -Albert M. Poolcy



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New "Legacy" Rates

Full Page Color	\$525
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"Other specialty rates apply."

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2025

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December	31	January	4
January	14	January	18
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February	11	February	15
February	25	March	1
March	11	March	15
March	25	March	29
April	8	April	12
April	22	April	26
May	6	May	10
May	20	May	24
June	3	June	7
June	17	June	21
July	1	July	5
July	15	July	19
July	29	August	2
August	12	August	16
August	26	August	30
September	9	September	13
September	23	September	27
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Teen Dating Violence Awareness Event

@ Whirling Thunder Wellness Center

FEBRUARY 14TH 2025

Playstation 5 Give Away

Agenda

6:00 pm-6:30 pm:
Registration

6:30 pm-7:00 pm:
Presentation
Kirby Williams

7:00 pm-9:00 pm:
3 v 3 tournament

Awards

1st, 2nd, 3rd place
King of the Court
Queen of the Court
Mr. Hustle
Miss Hustle
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Most 3's
Most Air Balls

T-Shirts

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- BAD NATION, FT. THOMPSON, SD
- WHITETAIL BOYZ, MACY, NE
- MOTOWN, RED LAKE, MN

MC: SILAS CLEVELAND
WINNEBAGO, NE

Arena Director:
ISAAC SMITH
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Head Dance Judge:
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TEEN CATEGORIES (13-17)
TEEN BOY'S TRADITIONAL • GRASS • FANCY • WOODLAND
TEEN GIRL'S TRADITIONAL • JINGLE
FANCY SHAWL • WOODLAND SCRUB
1ST \$200 • 2ND \$175 • 3RD \$150 • 4TH \$125

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JR BOY'S TRADITIONAL • GRASS • FANCY • WOODLAND
JR GIRL'S TRADITIONAL • JINGLE
FANCY SHAWL • WOODLAND SCRUB
1ST \$150 • 2ND \$125 • 3RD \$100 • 4TH \$75

TINY TOTS (0-5) WILL RECEIVE DAY PAY

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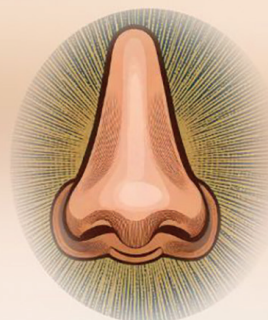
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