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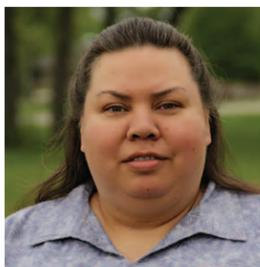
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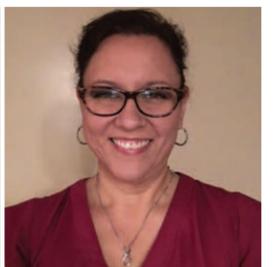
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Twelve candidates are vying for six seats on the Ho-Chunk Legislature at the upcoming Tuesday, June 6, General Election.

Each of the candidates were offered the ability to provide the Hocak Worak with a profile information, which included their names, city of residence, education, plus three questions relative to their service to the Nation.

Of the 12 candidates, seven responded with a profile and answers to the Hocak Worak.

The questions posed were:

1. Why are you running for office?
2. What would you like to accomplish in four years?
3. What is your top priority to im-

prove upon or create new legislation?

The responding candidates provided the following information:

District 1, Seat 1

Willette A. Greengrass:
No response provided.

Karena Thundercloud

Candidate for District 1, Seat 1

Currently residing in Black River Falls, WI

1979 graduate of Black River Falls High School

Associate of Applied Science Degree – Western Wisconsin Technical College

Bachelor of Applied Studies – University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

Why are you running for office?

I've worked 31 years for the Nation, always for the Executive Branch. During this time I've managed to get my Bachelor's degree in Applied Studies. Since I started my College studies, it was always my goal to someday be a Legislator, where I could use my education to write Legislation that will strengthen the Sovereignty of the Nation, to write Legislation that would provide support to the Executive Branch, which is responsible for working for the betterment of the general welfare of the Ho-Chunk people, and to write Legislation that would impact the survival of our existence as a people, not because I feel I owe the Nation for funding my education, but because I truly want a better nation for my Grandchildren and future generations. The future of the next generation is all of our generation's responsibility.

During this time, I decided

ity.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

Review the current laws and see where which laws need new or additional legislation is necessary to strengthen our Sovereignty. I'd like to look at the internal structure of the Legislative Branch to develop a structure that will aid in the continual growth and development of Nation. All Branches of the Government need to function at an optimal level in order for the Nation to grow.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

My top priority will be to write Legislation that will enhance the Nation's ability to grow financially, and write Legislation that will set priorities on how we allocate our funds so our Government can continue to provide a strong economy for our people.

District 1, Seat 3

Cari A. Fay
Merrillan, WI

Attended UW-Milwaukee-Computer Engineering, then a year later I joined the USMC. After returning home, I became a Milwaukee Police Officer (10 years), then moved to Black River Falls area, and began working for the HCN as a Personnel Investigator (9+ years), Community Health Office Manager, Certified Mediator (12+ years) and currently the Contract Health Assistant Administrator, thus demonstrating my consistent role of being a public servant for our Nation.

During this time, I decided

to attend WI Technical College while working. Then took a break from school to place my family & work as priority.

Why are you running for office?

My ancestors hard work and perseverance are my motivation that we need to reaffirm our Culture & Traditional values, by being humble and treat everyone with love and kindness. Then, see how we are measuring up to the Legacy of our ancestors and the promise of our future generations.

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What would you like to accomplish in four years?

I'm aware of the District 1 & Nation's concerns through consistently being involved in D1 area meetings and aware of Community happenings.

In the next four years, I would accomplish the saving & gaining of funds through Insurance revisions, Renewable Energy, Organic Agriculture, and other innovative HCN businesses that will move us toward being self-sustaining. The gained revenue will be spent where it is needed, thus bringing us closer to "True Sovereignty".

Enhancing Veteran's benefits by proactively addressing challenges they face when returning home and to their jobs. They've placed their lives on the line and we should take actions that show our gratitude.

Begin an Elder Transportation Program, Assisted Living and General Welfare Exclusion Act research, so Elders per-capita be an actual benefit.

I'm dedicated to enhancing

family based youth programs to prevent drug/alcohol abuse, by empowering youth & adults with knowledge of the effects on families, informing them this type of abuse wasn't a foundation of our Cultural or Traditional values. Also, provide knowledge of Economic Stability, value of Education and Confidence to Succeed.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

We can be a stronger nation through Legislature transparency, accountability to follow practices and implementing proactive revisions to the Legislative Organizational. Furthermore, execute actions to fully utilize our inherent "Sovereignty" through cooperatively working with the Executive Branch to have departments gain Self-Governance status and enact taxes codes in order to increase revenue.

Hinu (Helgesen) Smith
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Dells Dam, Neillsville
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Drug epidemic a result of mistaken identity

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

The Ho-Chunk Nation has been greatly affected by a drug epidemic running rampant in our local communities. Opioids and heroin is being distributed, sold, bought, and used by too many.

The end result for those too caught up in addiction is an overdose or death. This is unfortunate for all families and friends involved to lose a loved one too soon.

Ho-Chunks never had a drug culture. Did these individuals lose sight of who they are? They ought to remember they are Ho-Chunk people.

With 7.5 billion people in the world, the Ho-Chunk population is about 8,000. That makes Ho-Chunks 1 percent of the world's population. We are unique and few; a distinguished people. We are 1 percenters.

Ho-Chunks walk in two worlds, the physical world

and the spiritual world. Not a white, or mainstream, world and native, or cultural, world.

Growing up around our holy fireplace, I've heard our body referred to as our physical being or our tabernacle. It's the place where our spirits dwell while we live in the physical world.

Our bodies are holy. We are supposed to take care of our bodies and not put anything bad in it.

These drug users are willingly injecting or ingesting drugs into their bodies.

What is the root of this epidemic? Are the drugs just so good? Are these drug pushers just great salesman? Why can't addicts just get hooked on running, weightlifting, or cultural activities?

It seems the problems lie deep within the person's psyche. There's an emotional aspect related to this behavior. Just as they say, don't eating your feelings, the same goes

for people escaping their reality by using drugs.

Doing drugs is the easy way out. The hard part is facing whatever demons reside within them.

Today, we live in a world where we have treat the symptoms and not the cause mentality towards everything. People tend to react, not act.

Thinking back on my mom's research of language immersion schools in Hawaii and New Zealand, and how successful the students were makes me wonder why the Ho-Chunk Nation hasn't implemented a plan to open doors to a tribal school to address underlying issues of turning to drugs.

The students of these two language immersion schools had above 80 percent in high school and college graduation rates. They also had more confidence since they could speak their native languages.

I feel 12 years of language

immersion will boost the community above the need to turn to drugs or alcohol. Students could set their sights in contributing and making a positive impact in our communities. That would be treating the cause in this drug epidemic to me. They'd have self-worth.

Learning to administer NARCAN or building an alcohol and drug treatment center would be treating the symptoms to the drug epidemic.

Heroin users are now playing a game with their lives. How many times have you been brought back by NARCAN? It's turning those trained to use NARCAN into unknowing participants in their "no regard for life" game.

Arresting drug dealers will only land them in jail to recruit new drug dealers. That would be a temporary fix until the next dealer weighs risk

factors to the financial gain.

If people want something bad enough, they'll find a way to get. So limiting access to Ho-Chunk communities won't stop the flow of drugs coming in.

There needs to be expedited effort to pass a criminal code for the Ho-Chunk Nation so tribal law enforcement can do its job. We also need strict enforcement and surveillance of housing policies and areas to keep drugs out.

We need and want safe Ho-Chunk communities. This drug culture can show itself to the door. Some already have by ending up behind bars or in graves.

Those involved in this heroin epidemic seem to have banished themselves from belonging with their families and communities by not remembering they are Ho-Chunk, in a case of mistaken identity.

Hello Tribal Members,

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature would like to respond to Mr. John Lee's letter which appeared in Volume XXXI, Issue 8 of the *Hocak Worak* on April 28th, 2017. In his letter, Mr. Lee brings up two (2) separate issues, which this letter will strive to address.

The first issue is the contribution from the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") to the President-Elect Trump Inauguration in January of 2017. As a sovereign tribal government, the Nation has a unique relationship with the federal government, and consequently must interact with federal agencies on a regular basis to have viable working relationships with the administration as a whole. Last year the Nation received over \$22 million in federal grants and program funding. This funding went to the support of essential programs that are geared for the success and betterment of our Ho-Chunk People. These programs include: the Food Distribution Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the Consolidated Tribal Government-Higher Education, Historic Preservation, Road Construction and Safety Grants, Tribal Birth to Three Program, Head Start, Community Mental Health Services, the Indian Housing Block Grant Program and many, many more.

As Mr. Lee stated in his letter that, "The Nation stands to lose on two particular deci-

sions..." it is more accurate to say, however, that the Nation stands to lose on over-a-hundred different decisions if we do not persist in pursuing federal funding, while reminding the federal administration of the strong presence of the Ho-Chunk Nation and its People.

Once a new President of the United States is elected, the Nation, as a government, is obligated to work with him, or her, on behalf of all Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members. The Nation's contribution to the Trump Inauguration was not a political contribution. The Nation's contribution was given to the Presidential Inauguration Committee, which is a non-profit organization charged with fund-raising for the new President Elect's Inauguration. Additionally, the Nation's contribution made it possible to send a delegation to Washington for the Inauguration, thereby reminding the Trump Administration of the Ho-Chunk Nation's strong presence as a sovereign tribal government.

To-date, the Nation has always made an effort to send a delegation for each Presidential Inauguration. Cultivating a positive relationship with each newly-elected President, no matter who they are, is beneficial to our tribal members. Serving as elected tribal leaders, this is the essence of our sworn oath to serve the Ho-Chunk Nation and its People.

The second issue Mr. Lee

raised, is the transparency of decisions made by the Legislature, such as the decision to make a contribution to the Presidential Inauguration Committee. As Legislators, we do not take the Nation's Open Meetings Act lightly. Accordingly, a majority of decisions are made in Open Session meetings. However, there are times when sensitive and confidential issues must be dealt with in Executive Session.

The Executive Session decision to contribute to the Presidential Inauguration Committee for President-Elect Trump's Inauguration in January 2017, falls under the Intergovernmental Relations provision of the Open Meetings Act, Section 6. (6), officially cited to as 2 HCC § 2. As with

all decisions that our constituents entrusted to us to make as elected officials, this decision was made after careful consideration and deliberation.

Mr. Lee inferred that this Presidential Inauguration contribution contradicts the Nation's previous support and involvement in the opposition of the Dakota Access Pipeline. We see it as two-sides of the same coin. The Legislature took a very strong position against the Pipeline, and sent resources and delegations of people to assist protesters, knowing that the Nation's participation in this matter was ultimately beneficial to the Ho-Chunk People. We made the contribution to the Presidential Inauguration Committee for the same reason, to help our tribal members. We donate to

both parties regarding contributions. We are bipartisan.

Mr. Lee, thank you for voicing your concerns as an active tribal member. We appreciate your feedback. We will continue to serve the Ho-Chunk Nation and its People to the best of our abilities. If you would like to discuss anything further please call us, or stop by the Legislative Office, and we can arrange a future meeting.

Respectfully,
District 5 Representative
Kathleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit
Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Secretary
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Dear Editor,

I have been asked, on more than one occasion, "[W]hat is the role of the Ho-Chunk Nation Attorney General? Why aren't you investigating [a person, issue, place, etc.]? Why aren't you doing anything about [a person, issue, place, etc.]?" A Letter to the Editor seems a reasonable place to provide a public answer. The CONSTITUTION OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION references the Attorney General position within it. See CONST., Art. VI, §1(b). The role of the Attorney General is governed by the ethical rules governing the practice of law, the Attorney General job description, and the laws of the Nation.

The Attorney General of the Ho-Chunk Nation provides legal advice to the President and the legislature, which constitute the Nation's duly authorized constituents. See Job Description; see also WI SCR 20:1.13. The Attorney General serves as the Executive Director of the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice. The role of the Attorney General is complex.

The Attorney General is a public servant, as well as a political appointee. I have been political appointee in 2006, 2009, and 2012, as the Judiciary's Associate Trial Court Judge. In 2015, I was appointed as the Attorney General; I was reappointed in 2016. As a political appointee, I weather personal criticism. Typically, I do not address questions regarding ongoing investigations, and I do not respond and explain what is being done, as it may impede an ongoing investigation.

On an annual basis, the Department of Justice handles more than 750 investigations. Nearly all investigations remain confidential to protect the identity of victims and witnesses, and to protect the integrity of the investigatory process. Not all investigations lead to charges; this occurs for a variety of reasons. If a case leads to court action, much of the information gathered is made public. Occasionally, the Court closes a file to the public for protection purposes.

Tribal members often find

Nation's confidentiality policy frustrating, but as mentioned above, there are reasons for it. Tribal members regularly call my office requesting or demanding information. They are politely told (and if it happens multiple times, then they are reminded) that the information is not public. At that time, members may want more information.

Bear in mind that the Attorney General represents the Ho-Chunk government, and cannot provide legal advice to any individual tribal member. If an action is started against the government, then it is the role of the Attorney General to ensure that our government is protected. The resources available to individual tribal members include the Ho-Chunk Nation Bar Association and Wisconsin Judicare. Additionally, the Judiciary remains a resource as its employees, while not providing legal advice, can provide case law about issues.

Thank you,
Amanda L. WhiteEagle,
#4657

2017 Graduates...

Let the Hocak Worak help celebrate your achievements. Send us your pictures!! Whether you are a head start, high school, or college graduate, send in a picture with your name, where you are graduating from, and a brief description of your future endeavors.

With so much uncertainty in the world, a heartfelt congratulation is due to all those that have made the countless sacrifices necessary to graduate. And for those that feel their efforts are unproductive, DON'T GIVE UP, YOU CAN DO IT!

A special section of the *Hocak Worak* will be used to show your achievements! Please email or mail to the *Hocak Worak* by June 23rd for the June 30th edition of the *Hocak Worak*.



Timber Run land is being turned into trust land, asking owners to make contact

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

As the Ho-Chunk Nation continues to acquire more land, the newly formed Realty Division is doing what it can to make everything a smooth process.

Timber Run is something they have been working on for a long time, but progress is finally being made.

The Timber Run community is located straight west of the Rocky Arbor exit on the I-90/94 north of Wisconsin Dells, or north of the Christmas Mountain community.

There are two types of land when it comes to land ownership, said Realty Division Director Matthew Carriaga. The first type is private ownership, also referred to as "absolute ownership, which also is called "Fee Simple." Fee Simple is subject to the state, county and town real estate taxation and zoning. The Nation can own it just as a land owner and not the governing entity.

The second type is considered "trust" property, which is not taxable by local governments and is owned by the United States in trust for the Nation and its member and leased to the homeowner.

In the case of the community of Timber Run, 95 people have settled there, having built houses or bought houses that were built there, through a tribal Home Ownership Program 20 years ago. The Ho-Chunk Nation planned to turn the land into federal

trust land.

That never happened until now. "The Nation is finally doing what we told them we would do," Carriaga said. It has been one of the main objectives of the newly-formed Realty Division, having been formed about a year ago.

Originally, the idea was to package all the lots of the community together to be processed through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in one process. However, that has not been possible, so the individual lots have been processed into trust land, which involves a number of inspections and processes, including an environmental impact study.

They have about half the lots processed, but they are having trouble finding the people in the homes.

"Whoever is living in the homes need to contact the Realty Division so that we can get them into a trust lease," Carriaga said. "Some people don't know they live on leased land. People living there can apply for a title for their homes through the Nation's Title Recording and Transfer Ordinance."

Some people have lived there since 1995, but the records need to be updated, he said.

"We want to be able to assist and help tribal members," Carriaga said.

"The whole process of converting off-reservation Fee Simple ownership land to trust land suddenly became more complicated with the Trump



Timber Run Community

The Timber Run Community is being changed over to "trust" land, lot by lot.

administration. With other administrations, the process for the Ho-Chunk Nation was finalized at the Midwest Regional Office, but now it has to be approved at the Central Office in Washington D.C.," Carriaga said.

Although the Records Division has only been in existence for a relatively short time, the staff have accomplished a great deal, Carriaga said.

They have created a Title Transfer and Recording Ordinance, which tracks the transfer of property from one person to another and will provide

a title of the property to the owner, something that was never possible before.

They also handle any land acquisitions for the Ho-Chunk Nation, land that has either been offered for sale or given to the Nation.

"We're always looking to expand our land base," Carriaga said. "Being able to enact and implement laws that govern our lands is the true definition of sovereignty."



SUMMONS
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IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
In the Interest of Minor : A.E.F., DOB 10/10/2014

Case : JV 16-24G

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL RELATIVE (S): Ashley A. Funmaker

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in the above-entitled guardianship case. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named is pending in the Court, and an adjudication will be made. The Court shall convene an *Guardianship Hearing* in accordance with HOCĀK NATION THIRD PARTY GUARDIANSHIP ACT, Para. 11.13a. Any parent(s), guardian(s) and/or person(s) having legal or physical custody of the must appear along with the at the *Hearing* described below.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **9:00 am** on the **18th** day of **July 2017** for the following purpose: *Guardianship Hearing*. Parties may seek to appear by telephone by submitting a written request and accompanying *Certificate of Service* to the presiding judge. See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 5(B). Pursuant to HOCĀK NATION THIRD PARTY GUARDIANSHIP ACT, Para. 11.13c, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial.

NOTICE - VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT. SUBPOENAS: THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA SHALL SUBJECT THE PERSON FAILING TO COMPLY TO THE CONTEMPT POWER OF THE COURT. THE COURT MAY FIND ANY PARTY TO THIS MATTER IN CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A COURT HEARING OR FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW COURT ORDERS.

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IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
Ho-Chunk Nation CSA ex rel., State of Wisconsin and **Christobal Ruiz III., Petitioner, v. Ruth R. Houghton, Respondent.**

Case : CS 15-107

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Ruth R. Houghton

You are hereby informed that you have been named the payer in the above-entitled child support action. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer to the Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE, 4 HCC § 7.36. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order.** Id., § 7.36(b)(v).

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Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, State of Wisconsin and **Maria A. Peterson, Petitioner, v. Calddale A. Hindsley, Respondent.**

Case : CS 17-32

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Calddale A. Hindsley

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"When death comes to a family, go and see them, give them something or just show your face. Show them that you care. You don't have to know the individual, you are there for the family."

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Head Start students get grand graduation ceremony thanks to proactive parent committees

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

Children who attended Head Start this year took part in graduation ceremonies throughout the state, on May 11, to get recognized for everything they accomplished over the past nine months.

"It's for every child," said center director of the Neenk Chungra Head Start Kathy Witkus. "They get a two-year certificate or a one-year certificate. But they're all involved."

One such ceremony was held at HCG-Wisconsin Dells, for students who went to the Head Start just a few miles away. And in emulation of a typical high-school or college graduation, the students walked across a stage to receive their certificates. Graduates even wore the traditional cap and gown.

"It's a cute event," said president of the parent committee David Abangan. "And it was pretty successful."

Remaining true to custom, parents gave graduation gifts to the children after they got their certificates. This year's gift was a brand-new bicycle, which was bestowed upon each of the graduates.

"It's an added thing," Abangan said. "Everyone that graduates, whether it's Head Start or college, gets some sort of present. And hopefully, they get gifts every time they accomplish things like

this."

The event proved possible because of Abangan and everyone else on the parent committee, and all their fundraising efforts. Without them, the ceremony may not have happened at all.

"The Nation doesn't provide a significant budget to do all these things for the Head Starts," Abangan said. "So it's up to the parents to make it happen."

To raise money, several fundraisers were held through the school year – including a garage sale, a bake sale, and a Thanksgiving-basket raffle. And according to Abangan, the main contributors were actually the parents themselves.

"This group of parents was great to work with," Abangan said. "We were just a good, active group of people that were genuinely interested in raising money and doing all these fun things."

Thanks to those efforts, the children were able to attend various field trips throughout the year. Such excursions included visits to the library, the Tommy Bartlett Exploratory and a viewing of Jack and the Beanstalk.

"We do whatever our budget allows," Abangan said. "Whatever money we have is voted on by the parents, to decide what things to do throughout the year."



Although the parent committee made most of those trips possible, Abangan and his fellow committee members said the Head Start deserves credit for everything it provides their children.

"This Head Start program gives them a lot of opportunity to do a lot of diverse and different things," Abangan said. "So we're really fortunate to be a part of that."

Staff members commended the parent committee, its commitment and all of its contributions. They said that the parents who were on it played a large part in making this year's program successful.

"The parents did a lot of fundraising," Witkus said. "They were thinking of the children."

Other graduation ceremonies took place in Tomah, Wittenberg, Black River Falls and Nekoosa. At each location, students participated in events similar to the one in Wisconsin Dells.

Wittenberg's ceremony was held at the new Siga Fun-maker Community Center that opened in February, and included a choreographed dance to Singing in the Rain that the children performed for their parents. The graduates were then given gifts as well.

"They were purchased through the efforts of the parent committee," said Family and Community Partnership Coordinator Anne Koester. "They received scooters, a helmet and a summer fun bucket."

Nekoosa's Head Start students were given new bicycles, a t-ball set and other outdoor games. All the gifts were purchased with money raised by parents.



"These items were purchased by the parent committee," said Family Services Coordinator Heidi Elsen. "That is very active in our program."

Each group of parents thought the graduates would enjoy a summer off with some new wheels. They said they hope that, by September, their kids will be ready for the start of a long academic career.

"I don't know what kindergarten is going to be like,"

Abangan said. "But as a parent, I want to be actively involved with her education throughout her entire life as much as I can. So we'll see what comes in front of us."

Next year's group of parents has already started to plan fundraisers for Head Start and the year ahead, which will begin in September.



Native American Breastfeeding expert speaking in Wisconsin

Jennifer Ledferd, Program Coordinator, Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc.

Camie Goldhammer, the country's leading Native American expert on breastfeeding, will be speaking in Wisconsin as part of Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council's "Breastfeeding: The Traditional Way" Program, sponsored by W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The goal of the program is to improve breastfeeding duration rates for tribal communities in Wisconsin by normalizing breastfeeding as the traditional and natural way to nourish and nurture our young.

Two speaking events will take place in Wisconsin. On Thursday, June 15 from noon to 3 pm, Camie will speak at Ho-Chunk Gaming, Wisconsin Dells. She will provide a special event for professionals from 10-noon on June 16 at the Lake of the Torches Casino. This will be followed by an event that is open to any interested community members, from 1-3pm. All events are free of charge.

Camie will address "The Cultural Aspects of Breast-

feeding". Some topics will include:

- Sacred Teachings: Understanding Self Care in Tribal Communities
- Reforming Breastfeeding Education to Serve the Needs of American Indian Populations
- Breastfeeding as Food Sovereignty
- Supporting Vulnerable Mothers
- Breastfeeding Friendly Communities
- Family Support and Self Care through Sacred Teachings

Camie is a social worker and Internationally Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC) from the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribe in the State of Washington. She founded the Native Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington, is an active member in both the Native America Women's Dialogue on Infant Mortality and the Equal Start Community Coalition. Camie's expertise is in historical and complex traumas and their impact on attachment, bonding and parenting practices among American Indian and Alaska



Camie Goldhammer,

Native families. Her experience includes nursing both of her daughters and donating over 7000 ounces of breastmilk over the last 5 years to milk banks serving infants and families in need.

The following sponsors contributed to the funding for this program: Forest County Potawatomi Foundation, Northwoods Breastfeeding Coalition, Lake of the Torches Casino, and Ho-Chunk Nation Gaming-Wisconsin Dells.

For information, please contact Jennifer Ledferd at 715-588-1091 or jledferd@glitc.org

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Koenig works out with the Milwaukee Bucks

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

Ho-Chunk tribal member and former Wisconsin Badger point guard Bronson Koenig moved on to the next chapter of his basketball career when he worked out with the Milwaukee Bucks at their St. Francis Training Center on Thursday, May 18.

Koenig has come a long way from his days of looking for pick-up games at the La Crosse YMCA gym. He led his high school team, La Crosse Aquinas, to two state championship titles, and was named Wisconsin Player of the Year by the Associated Press during his senior year.

The workout is generally a 3-on-3 game among six draft prospects the team is considering to sign to a contract. The players demonstrated their skills for teams to assess against their team building strategy.

"It was a really good workout. I thought I was doing really well until I rolled my ankle a little bit. But it's fine. I thought I shot the ball really well. It was my first workout. It was fun. It was exciting," Koenig said.

Koenig was joined by five other draft prospects: Moritz Wagner, a Michigan sophomore; Moses Kingsley, an Arkansas senior; Andrew White, a Syracuse senior; London Perrantes, a Virginia senior; and J.J. Frazier, a Georgia senior.

Bronson made it through 75 percent of the workout before he rolled his ankle.

"We are very comfortable in what we seen from him. We know it's not a major injury for him. It was his first workout and he was doing terrific before his injury," Milwaukee Bucks Vice President of Scouting Billy McKinney said.

"It's definitely frustrating. I've been blessed my whole career to be injury-free and everything like that. But especially being my first workout, it's a little more frustrating. I was playing well. Hopefully, you know, I proved myself to everybody and showed what I could do a little bit," Koenig said.

"I showed what I can do. What I've done my whole life, and that's make shots, obviously. But also what I've talked about before coming

here, that's my passing abilities. I thought I was able to put that on display a little bit."

Participating in workouts with NBA teams lets the players know they are on the team's radar come draft time. This year the NBA draft is scheduled for June 22.

Being invited to the NBA Combine is big indicator of draft potential. Koenig was left off the invitation list to the NBA's Chicago event that was held May 9 to May 14. He was upset about being overlooked.

"Yeah. Just because I'm a competitor. You always feel like you're better than the next guy, and everything like that. But I had to use that as motivation to work harder," Koenig said.

Another way for NBA teams to evaluate future player is watch them play in the Portsmouth Invitational Tournament, which is also by invite only and limited to college seniors.

Koenig was invited, but similarly rolled his ankle before he could showcase all his skills.

"It was a good experience with other really good seniors



Bronson Koenig answers questions about his first workout with a NBA team, the Milwaukee Bucks, where he injured his ankle.

and everything like that. But I only played one game. It was the first possession in the second game, I came down on my ankle. But while I was there, it was a good experience," Koenig said.

As a Badger, Koenig played in 148 games, started in 94 games, and shot 41 percent from the field and 38 percent from 3-point range over his four-year career for Wisconsin. He holds the single-season school record with 103 3-pointers and 270 3-pointers for a career school record.

Koenig helped the Badgers

to 13 NCAA tournament wins, back-to-back Final Four, four straight Sweet 16, and 115 combined wins while completing his degree in Life Sciences Communication.

The Milwaukee Bucks aren't the only team that will look at Koenig. "I have quite a few more," Koenig said. After his injury he said "it's just kind of day to day."

Koenig said he's biggest thing is just to not get out of himself. He wants to play his game and show what he can do.

"Scouts know what I can do, what I can't do," Koenig said. He is confident he can play the point or shooting guard positions.

"Obviously, every team is different. But I know I can do either one. I can handle the ball. I can make my teammates. And I can also shoot the hell out of the ball," Koenig said.

"I think I really want to show that I can make my teammates better and put them in position to score. Especially since I'll be playing with some really good players, whoever I get picked up by."

HAGA Season Opener



Hole in One: Larry LittleGeorge, C-Ann Cleveland, Ron Anwash and Levi Lincoln Jr.

Our HAGA Season Opener was held on Saturday, May 13th, 2017 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids.

The forecast predicted a chance of rain, but we were blessed with a beautiful day. The temperature ranged between 68° and 73° throughout the day, mostly sunny and a bit breezy at times.

40 HAGA members and three youth enjoyed a day golf and camaraderie, ages of golfers ranged between 8 and 80 years old. One cannot deny that golf truly is a sport for all ages.

Teams are chosen by "Luck of the Draw," and the team that won honors of first place went to Fremina Funmaker, Martin LittleWolf, Levi Lincoln Sr. and Wesley Cloud. "Congratulations Team!"

The highlight of the day occurred when C-Ann Cleveland of Tomah aced her first "Hole-In-One." This feat took place on the 5th hole, a 153 yard shot, and was witnessed by teammates, Ron Anwash, Larry LittleGeorge, and Levi Lincoln Jr.

The Ridges Golf Course was a wonderful facility to work with. They did an excellent job accommodating HAGA members with their hospitality. They assisted with every aspect of the tournament from start to finish.

HAGA members always look forward to each tournament and thank the Ho-Chunk Nation for providing the opportunity to participate in these golf outings.

Thank you.
Connie Radtke
Area III
Board of Director



Golf Outing Youth: Mitchell Blackhawk, Dylan Funmaker and Milanni Khlap.



Winners: Fremina Funmaker, Wesley Cloud, Levi Lincoln Sr. and Martin LittleWolf.

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Waege takes oath as new gaming commissioner

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Angie L. Waege sworn in as gaming commissioner on Monday, May 15, at the Ho-Chunk Tribal Court Building. Judge Jo Deen Lowe issued the oath to Waege in the

courtroom while friends and family witnessed the event. Waege provided a message to the audience, telling how appreciative she is to be able to take the oath and assume the position as gaming commissioner.

“It’s spring now, which symbolizes new beginnings,” Waege said, indicating her assignment is a new beginning. “I’ve come full circle. I began as a gaming commissioner - one of the first for the Ho-Chunk Nation.”

Waege began as a gaming commissioner 24 years ago, in 1993, and served two four-year terms. She then went on to serve as revenue audit manager, project manager with the Department of Business and as slot manager.

She has provided 31 years of service to the Ho-Chunk Nation.

She is excited about the new beginnings, especially since the casino expansions will result in the hiring of more people and the expanded gaming floors, she said.

“Everything God does, He does in greatness,” Waege said.



Welcoming Angie Waege (with Pendleton blanket) as a gaming commissioner are (from left) Judge Jo Deen Lowe, James Dakota, Cori Blaschke, and Lena Walker.



Judge Jo Deen Lowe and Angie Waege display the certificate that states Waege now is an official gaming commissioner.

New HCG-BRF hotel receives the ‘topping’ treatment, considered a milestone

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A crane loomed in the background of the new hotel construction the morning of Friday, May 19, reaching its arm and dropping its load of fresh cement onto the top. The workers dashed about, first evening the mixture across the surface, then smoothing the top to a glassy surface.

The cement poured on the corrugated metal sheets, with a mixture of rebar and wire at various spots.

The process might have appeared to be a usual one, one that has been going on for some time, but this was an occasion to be marked and remembered.

It was the topping of the new hotel addition at the Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls site.

“In the world of construction, the topping of the roof is a milestone,” said Henry Corken, project manager with Hill International Inc., Phoenix AZ. “At 64 feet, it’s the highest building in the area. With the roof poured, it’s the end of climbing for the construction crew.”

The cement is of lightweight nature, a mixture of fiberglass and other strength-added material.

The project crew includes anywhere from 51 to 60 people, depending on the day.

The new hotel will have 123 rooms available to rent, which includes singles, queens, double queens, kings, suites and one-and-a-half suites. Behind the casino, a specially equipped



Some members of the crew pour down the fresh cement from the crane while other members use power and hand trowels to smooth the surface.

building has been constructed which houses a mock-up of a hotel room. This is where the design of a room is perfected and standardized so that design can be duplicated to each new room in the hotel.

The hotel lobby will be spacious, which will provide enough room for people to gather. The present hotel will be integrated into the hotel scheme and be connected through the lobby.

Along with the hotel construction, simultaneously the casino is undergoing its expansion project.

The newly-added portions of the casino, such as a high stakes gambling area, will be finished and open for business on the anticipated date of July 25.

On August 7, the new phase will start, transforming the front area of the present casino structure, giving it a facelift. Then the next phase, transforming the other half of the old casino beginning on Aug. 28. The whole transformation should take only 6 weeks, Corken said.

At the moment, all the work of both the hotel and casino is about half complete, but the major construction is nearing completion. The remainder is the small, time-consuming finishing touches, fixtures and trim work.

The front outside of the casino has a distinctive look, with “Eifs trees” as decoration, but also adding insulating properties. At night, the trees become a striking scene, with LED lights lighting up the crevices between the trees.

Toward the back of the casino on the west end, a new loading dock area has been established. This general area also is where a convention center will be constructed sometime in the future.

In the new area of the casino, high stakes gambling will be offered in one section and in another section, a bar is being constructed with a stage area for performances. At the bar, a new system will provide liquor and other drinks by means of a tap system, thereby eliminating all bottles, Corken said. Also, a new, larger buffet area is under construction.

Since some of the parking lot was taken for construction of the hotel and expansion of the casino, an area north



Tris Harris, senior manager of public relations, and Henry Corken, Hill International project manager, stand on the roof of the new hotel expansion as the cement is being poured behind them. The pouring of cement on the roof is referred to as the “topping out” in the construction industry and it signifies a symbolic achievement in the development of the project.

of the Whitetail Crossing Convenience Store has been used for expansion of the parking lot.

The construction process has gone quite smoothly, Corken said, and a great deal of the progress is due to the cooperation and positive attitude of the crew.

“Having worked on numerous proj-

ects throughout the world, even a \$1.4 billion mega structure in Iraq, I have never seen such cohesive folks as here. I can’t even explain it. The people have synched so well. The friendliness of the people willing to help, with everyone on the same page,” Corken said. “I have never experienced a team that has gelled so well.”

HO-CHUNK NATION

TRUST & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY

The Ho-Chunk Nation’s Trust & Investment Committee is currently seeking one (1) qualified candidate to serve as a Committee member responsible for the oversight of the Nation’s investments.

Eligibility for an interview: Must be an enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation and have one or more of the following qualifications:

- ◆ *Certified Public Accountant or Chartered Financial Analyst*
- ◆ *An Associate’s or, preferably, a Bachelor’s degree in accounting, business or finance*
- ◆ *Possess a Financial Professional Certification: CFP, CFS, CFC, CIC, CIMA, CMT, and PFS.*
- ◆ *At least three years proven experience managing investments as a fiduciary on another’s behalf*
- ◆ *Must be able to obtain a financial bond*

All potential Committee members shall undergo a credit check and criminal background check. Potential Committee members shall not be eligible for service if the criminal background check reveals a felony or any crime of dishonesty, including, but limited to, fraud, misrepresentation, theft, or deception in any form.

Qualified individuals must submit a letter of interest and extended resume by: **June 30, 2017 to:**

Ho-Chunk Nation
Treasury Department
Attn: Anthony Falcon, Investment Officer
PO Box 640
Black River Falls, WI 54615
anthony.falcon@ho-chunk.com



Team Elite-Wisconsin helps tribal youth build softball/baseball skills

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislative Chief Communications Officer

There was a wonderful turnout on Saturday, May 13, 2017 for the Team Elite-Wisconsin Softball/Baseball Clinic. There were 87 youth signed up for the clinic. Ho-Chunk youth travelled from Wittenberg and Tomah and there were many youth from the Black River Falls area that participated. The clinic was open to all Ho-Chunk Youth of all ages. The event was free and organized by Team Elite. The Ho-Chunk Nation is a sponsor of Team Elite-Wisconsin. They compete in USSSA B, GSL B and ASA C sanctioned softball.

Team Elite-Wisconsin presented the Ho-Chunk Nation with a plaque at the end of the clinic. The plaque was graciously received by representatives from the

Ho-Chunk Bull Dawgs and the Ho-Chunk Nation Youth Services on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation. The team was very excited to work with the Ho-Chunk Youth. Team Elite Manager Jake Schoemann expressed, "It was a lot of fun. It's good to be around kids and watch them play and be active. It's a different atmosphere these days with kids. It's nice to see them out playing and I'm glad to be part of it. We hope to continue this partnership in the future."

Team Elite Co-Manager Tony Riely stated, "It was actually a great turnout. The kids were very energized. They were very interested in the things that we were teaching. I'm very, very happy with this opportunity. I just hope that the kids continue to work on the things that were taught. I look forward to seeing some good things from these kids in the future."



Adopt-A-Hwy Program "Roadside Cleanup"

LeAnthony Pecore Sr. Mgr of Public Relations, Ho-Chunk Gaming, Wittenberg

Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg held its' first Spring Clean-up in combination with the Adopt-A-Highway Program on May 11, 2017. Event Organizer and Public Relation's Manager, LeAnthony Pecore, coordinated the event with the Department of Transportation, Ho-Chunk Gaming Employees and local Ho-Chunk Tribal members who walked a one mile stretch on both sides along Highway 29 from Highway 45 North to Killdeer

Road.

The day started off with dense fog, but as it lifted, the sun popped out and temperatures rose with a balmy 65 degrees. Within approximately two hours, a total of 10 bags of garbage were collected by 12 volunteers. LeAnthony Pecore stated, "We can't express enough gratitude to our participants and also to Wisconsin Department of Transportation for their great program."

The Adopt-A-Hwy Roadside Cleanup program is coordinated by the Wisconsin Department of

Transportation in conjunction with area county highway departments. The signs, safety gear and garbage bags were provided by the Shawano County Highway Department.

Please join in on the next roadside cleanup and help keep our roadsides clean. The recent event was the first of three to be completed.

We would like to give a special thanks to the tribal members that assisted us in our Roadside Cleanup, Errol "Sid" Whitewing, Pete Oknewski, and Macy Goodbear.



Ho-Chunk Nation supports American Indian Cancer Foundation's Pow-Wow for Hope



Front: Rep. Matthew Mullen, Sandra Garzon, AICF Lady, Eloise Funmaker, AICF Lady, Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. Back: Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit, Abel Martinez, Marlene Helgemo, Laura Kidd, Barb Lewis, Robert Pilot, Curtis West.

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislative Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation made a contribution to the American Indian Cancer Foundation's 6th Annual Pow-Wow for Hope on May 18, 2017. The Ho-Chunk Nation District 5 members approved a donation at the April district meeting. The D5 tribal members presented representatives from the AICF with a check at the May District meeting

Joy Rivera from the AICF stated, "In terms of our sixth year with holding our Pow-wow which is still relatively new we feel that it was our breakthrough year. We are so very, very honored to get support to be able to pull this off. Most importantly for our Indian people who are currently battling or have lost love ones in the name of cancer." The American Indian Cancer Foundation Pow-Wow for Hope was held on May 6, 2017.

Come have a blast with family & friends!

It's time for the 17th Annual Canoe Trip!

Friday, June 30th, 2017

Wildcat Mountain State Park - Lower Park
Highway 33, Ontario, WI



The Health & Wellness Team of the Ho-Chunk Health Department invites you to join us for another great canoe outing. We will be canoeing in a section of the beautiful Kickapoo River. We invite those who participated last year as well as newcomers to this wonderful event. This will be about a 3 hour trip. The agenda is as follows:

- * Check in at 10:30 am sharp. Check in will be held at Wildcat Mountain State Park - Lower Park. **NO FURTHER CHECK-IN WILL BE ACCEPTED ONCE THE CANOE SHUTTLE BUSES (THAT TAKE US FROM THE PARK TO THE CANOE LANDING) HAVE LEFT.**
- * No more than 3 people in a canoe (2 adult, 1 child max, 450 lbs is the recommended weight limit).
- * 10:30-11:00 - Check in
- * 11:00-11:15 - Welcome & then board shuttles to canoe landing.
- * **At least (1) adult per canoe.** Parents must provide own child's life preserver for children under 4.
- * Snacks will be offered for canoe trip and meal served after the event

You must pre-register for this event. A \$10.00 deposit per canoe must be sent with your registration to Chris Frederick by June 15th. This will be returned to you AT THE EVENT. If you do not attend the event, your deposit will be forfeited.

This event is sponsored by the Special Diabetes Grant for Indians

Cut on line

Canoe Registration

Name _____ # in group _____ # of canoes _____

Address _____ Ages _____

Phone # _____

\$10.00 Deposit: _____ (checks payable to Chris Frederick)

Registration slip with deposit must be received by June 15, 2017 and sent to Chris Frederick at the House of Wellness, S2845 WhiteEagle Road, Baraboo, WI 53913 Once the deposit is received you will be sent a letter of confirmation, a map and further details for this event. Any questions, please call Chris @ 608 355-1240 or 888-560-4616, ext 5611.

BIOGRAPHY

Kristin K. White Eagle, of Baraboo, Wisconsin wants your vote for DISTRICT 2, SEAT 2, HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATOR.

Kristin's Ho-Chunk name is Wipamakereiga – she comes from the Water Spirit clan. Her parents are John and Karen who taught her the value of integrity, hard work, and compassion for others. Kristin's maternal grandparents are Edward and Corinne (Decorah) Topping. She has three boys - Kyle White Eagle, Jordan White Eagle and Joe White Eagle Jr., one grandson, Emmett White Eagle, and has worked for the Ho-Chunk Nation in progressive positions for 25 years.

Kristin obtained certification in Computer Programming from Palomar College. She earned an Associate of Arts and Science (AAS) degree from the University of Wisconsin-Baraboo/Sauk County and also holds a BS in BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION degree from Cardinal Stritch University, graduating with Academic Distinction.

Kristin's experience in leadership roles, policy review and analysis, progressive management positions, and as a SAUK COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR will prove invaluable.

Contact Kristin White Eagle:

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Phone: 608-477-3007

fb: "Kristin White Eagle for Ho-Chunk Nation"



MISSION STATEMENT

I will apply best practices from operational management and government experience to make sound decisions which adds value to our tribal services, programs and resources.

ACCREDITATIONS

- Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust & Investment Committee
- Secretary for the Sauk County Finance Committee
- Communications and Infrastructure Committee Member for Sauk County
- Accredited Investment Fiduciary Candidate
- Dale Carnegie Graduate
- Graduate of Wharton Program for Casino Executive Management
- Grievance Review Board Member
- HCN Mediator

What is important to Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members is important to me...

1. Housing
2. Healthcare (& Wellness)
3. Economic Development
4. Language & Culture Preservation

source: HCN Tribal Census

Kristin listens, researches, and ACTS.

Keep D2 moving forward!!

VOTE for TRUE REPRESENTATION



VOTE KRISTIN WHITE EAGLE
Your voice for representation.

BIOGRAPHY CONTINUED

Kristin is described as:

- Innovative
- Solution Driven
- Fair & Just
- HONEST & ETHICAL
- Motivated & Driven
- A LEADER
- Effective Communicator
- Caring
- Compassionate
- ENERGETIC
- Passionate
- Informed
- Knowledgeable
- PROGRESSIVE

RE-ELECT

MATT MULLEN

DISTRICT 5 LEGISLATOR

SEAT 4



I am honored to have served you over the last four years as District 5 Legislator. Over this time, I have gained a great understanding of the complexities of the Ho-Chunk Nation government. We have reached a crucial point in time and we must continue to move the Nation forward. We must progress on the fronts of business, technology, diversification, energy, sovereignty, economy and tribal services to secure our future and better serve the people of the Ho-Chunk Nation. This current political and economical environment demands a strong and experienced government to protect the Nation and win the battles yet to come. There is a major business shift that is about to happen in the world and we must be prepared to pivot prosper in this new environment. As a long time entrepreneur and business owner, Applied Behavioral Science graduate and with my MBA background, I will continue to use my experience and skills to advance the foundation of our community. We cannot stop our momentum now, the future is waiting for us.

If you cast your vote for me on June 6th, you can count on the close observation of the crucial elements facing the Nation today.

A watchful eye on the \$153 million expansion loan
Balancing fiscal responsibility with sound judgment
Continue our economic development efforts
Expand the use of current and future technology
Creation of the Ho-Chunk economy (JOBS)
Advancement of tribal services with accountability
Protect our supreme and independent political authority through sovereignty

I remain committed to building a bigger future and bringing our people together and look forward to serving you over the next four years. I ask for your vote on June 9th.

Request your absentee ballot today. Request must be in writing, no later than May 27th at 4:00pm. Election June 6th.
Your request must contain the following: 1) Printed name, 2) signature, 3) physical address (where the ballot will be mailed), 4) day time phone number and 5) Enrollment #
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206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O Box 756
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Grand Entries: Sat. 1&7 PM, Sun. 1&7 PM, Mon. 1 PM.
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Pow-Wow Registration ends at 5 PM on Sat. 5/27/17 (No Exceptions)
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10 AM all flags at 1/2 staff. Noon all flags at full staff. Retire all colors at 3 PM, Veteran recognition to follow.
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Vendor info: Richard Snake 715-896-7981 - Pow-Wow Info Donald Greengrass Sr. - Commander 608-799-0406
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Andrew Blackhawk Legion Post 129, event organizers, sponsors, and staff are not responsible for any injuries, theft loss or property damage. Alcohol, drugs, firearms and anyone under the influence are prohibited.

Ken Lewis '17

Greetings, family and friends of District One!

I am Hinu Smith, my maiden name is Helgesen. My Ho-Chunk Name is Wiic Maani Wiiga which refers to a soldier that "Walks the Island". I am part of the Buffalo clan. My parents are Michael and Ernestine Helgesen. My grandparents were Tom and Pauline Mike. My coka's parents were John Mike and Kate Blackhawk. My gaga's parents were Kate White Otter and Clayton Winneshiek, however, because she was orphaned, my gaga was raised by her grandmother, Rachel Funmaker, and her father's side of the family.

I am married to Richard and we have four children, Winter (Shila), Othayun, Desmond and Rick-lee. Recently, we have been blessed with our first grandchild, a happy, sweet boy, Cedrick. We live in Dells Dam with our three youngest children, while also residing part-time in Eau Claire to take advantage of the educational opportunities available.

I respectfully ask you to allow me to be your voice on the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature by voting Hinu (Helgesen) Smith for District 1, Seat 3 Legislator on March 7th.

Given the opportunity, I will work toward creating healthier, drug free communities, preserving our language and culture, creating greater career opportunities and affordable housing options, strengthening our infrastructure, bolstering our economy, and protecting and exercising our sovereignty. I will fight to resolve these on a local, state and national level.

Experience:

Department of Labor Board of Directors, Department of Administration Board of Directors, Victim Witness crisis response, facilitation, case management, behavioral health intake, program management, Language Apprentice, Lifestyle Balance Lead Coach, Residential Services Counselor

Voting for Hinu (Helgesen) Smith is a vote for someone that will:

- Adhere to separation of powers
- Promote separation of business and government
- Amend outdated and create new laws, particularly, laws that more fully assert our inherent rights
- Create laws and approve budgets that assertively expand our land base - land acquisition on behalf of our Nation, as well as, facilitate the expedited conversion of qualifying individual fee simple property to trust status
- Legislatively support and communicate with all branches of government - understand departmental and programmatic needs, then advocate for appropriate budgets
- Approve of funding for program audits to identify systematic gaps in programs. Support and advocate for budgets that effectively address identified issues.
- Support budgets that promote healthy, drug free communities - increased Ho-Chunk Nation law enforcement, intensive, community based rehabilitation programs, treatment facility, strong prevention education programs with dedicated personnel
- Support Ho-Chunk Nation schools
- Advocate for and support intensive language and cultural preservation efforts
- Support long-term fiscal and programmatic solutions
- Support new revenue options that move the Ho-Chunk Nation toward a self-sustaining economy
- Create tax laws that support Ho-Chunk Nation infrastructure
- Protect our environment and advocate for passage of Rights of Nature law
- Empower youth to work collectively with their government to create multiple trust fund disbursement options - multi-year disbursement, incentive based disbursement (military or higher education completion), phases of life disbursement (locked accounts for home ownership down payment, educational support, business start up, and retirement)





June Elders Birthdays

<p>1 Garrett Blackdeer Barbara Helgeson Diana Hellerud Jean Stacy-Snow Marcel Decorah David Owen</p> <p>2 Betty Conley John Stephens Samuel Garcia</p> <p>3 Kaye Decorah</p> <p>4 Virginia Raczka Robert La Mere</p> <p>5 Montgomery Green Sirena Bertelsen Sharon Casillas Leland Whitegull Michael Decorah</p> <p>6 Gerald Cleveland Sr. Darlene Whitebear Kyle Funmaker Athena Goetz</p> <p>7 Karen Dorow Albert Yellowthunder III</p> <p>8 Eleanor Degler Bruce Blackdeer</p> <p>9 Patricia Youngthunder Dawn Decorah Diane Littlegeorge Kay Beverly</p> <p>11 Dr. Vera Kingbird Earl Lemieux Terrance Snake Eugene Bebo Jr. Curtis Mallory Jr.</p> <p>12 Vivian Flitsch Victoria Ortiz</p> <p>13 Rhoda Sennett Mary Enright Nettie Kingsley</p>	<p>14 Mann Falcon Rosanne Alberts Marian Miner</p> <p>15 Faye White Susan Tuescher Willard Mach</p> <p>16 Dane Decorah</p> <p>17 Clayton Decora Sr. Roxanne Johnson Alfred Snowball, Jr.</p> <p>18 James Gonzales Jonathan Machyniak Harold Lewis Ruth Puent</p> <p>19 Lorenzo Alderman Patrick Mallory Brian Snowball</p> <p>20 Mona Garthune</p> <p>21 Loretta Patterson</p> <p>22 Joseph Decorah Marie Lewis Alberta Decorah</p> <p>23 George Lewis Jr.</p> <p>24 Lavetta Cloud Edward Cloud</p> <p>25 Dallas White</p> <p>26 Wilson White Eagle Donald Monegar Elizabeth Haller Patricia White Vera Hodges</p> <p>28 Roselie Zeolla</p> <p>29 Lawrence Kirkwood Amelia Poulton Nicodemus Leonard</p> <p>30 Leila Cameron Joanne Mann Margaret Klonecki Mary Mullen</p>
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KARENA THUNDERCLOUD

"Hinuk hiža huk"

FOR DISTRICT 1

Greetings Friends and Relatives. My name is Karena Thundercloud and I am asking for your support as District One Legislator. I am the Great Granddaughter of John Davis, the Granddaughter of Lavina Thorud and the Daughter of the late Elethe Nichols. I am committed to working as a Legislator to the best of my ability and upholding the Constitution. I have worked for the Ho-Chunk Nation in many capacities over the past 25 years. I have experience in both the gaming and non-gaming programs.

Education

- I'm a 1979 graduate of the Black River Falls High School.
- Associate of Applied Science Degree – Wisconsin Western Technical College
- Bachelor of Applied Studies – University Wisconsin Oshkosh

Experience

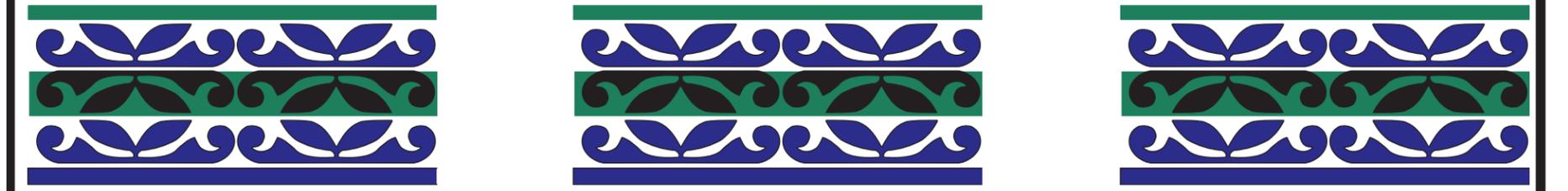
- I am currently serving as the Executive Director of Administration for President Cleveland. Some of the current projects I'm charged with include, completion of remodeling of the Tribal Office Building, completion of new facilities, and oversight of the new Realty Division.
- I currently sit on the HHCA Board of Directors.
- I worked for fifteen years in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health. I implemented an Indian Health Service grant to develop the diabetes program.
- I've had experience in the Nation's gaming operations as both a Revenue Audit Manager and Chief Financial Officer.

All of the career choices that I have made included providing services to the Nation and being an active participant in the Tribal Government. It is these experiences and the knowledge gained that I will draw from to be the best Legislator that I can.

I humbly request your vote on June 6th.



<p>Sound Judgment</p> <p>PROTECTION</p> <p>Government Accountability</p>	<p>Fiscal Responsibility</p> <p>CREATION</p> <p>Economic Development</p>
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WE NEED TO KEEP MOVING FORWARD

	<p>June 6th Election</p> <p>RE-ELECT</p> <p>MATT MULLEN</p> <p>DISTRICT 5 LEGISLATOR</p> <p>SEAT 4</p>	
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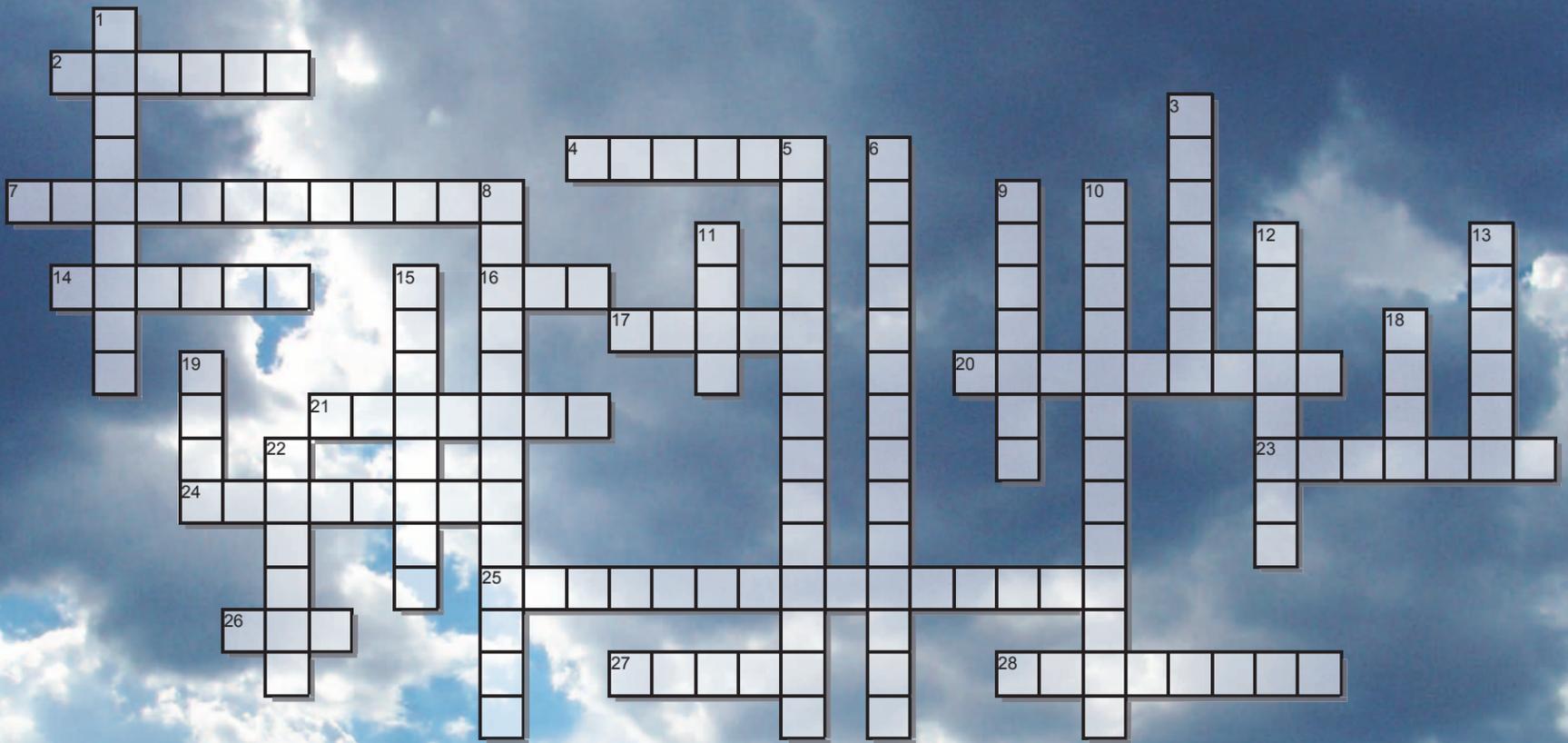
LETS CONTINUE TO EXPAND AND GROW

<p>Request an absentee ballot TODAY</p> <p>Request must be in writing no later than Saturday May 27, 2017 by 4:00pm</p> <p>Mail to:</p> <p>Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board</p> <p>206 South Roosevelt Road</p> <p>P.O.Box 756</p> <p>Black River Falls, WI 54615</p>	<p>Remove & mail - Remove & mail</p> <hr/> <p>Enrollment Number</p> <hr/> <p>Signature</p> <hr/> <p>Physical Address (ballot mailed to)</p> <hr/> <p>Daytime Phone</p>
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ENJOY THIS PUZZLE

VOTE FOR MATT MULLEN ON JUNE 6TH FOR DISTRICT FIVE SEAT FOUR LEGISLATOR

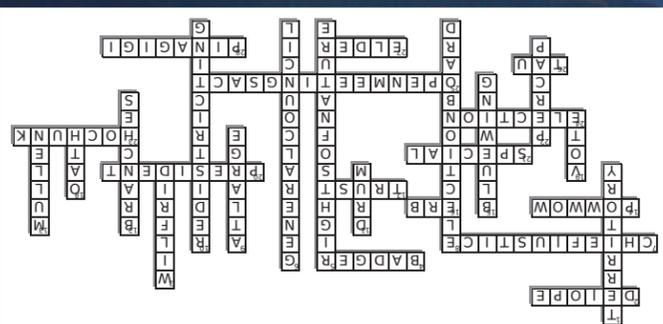


ACROSS

- 2 Madison Wisconsin
- 4 Over 1500 acres
- 7 Serves for six years
- 14 Dance, man, dance
- 16 An ethical bunch
- 17 Property status
- 20 The director nominator
- 21 Not a general or primary
- 23 The best
- 24 June 6th
- 25 All are welcome
- 26 Elder group
- 27 Deserves respect, advocacy and assistance
- 28 Express your gratitude

DOWN

- 1 The area under the jurisdiction of the Nation
- 3 The top dog
- 5 Protecting the rivers and trees
- 6 Establishes its own procedures
- 8 Tallies the votes
- 9 District Five
- 10 Happens every ten years
- 11 The heartbeat of the event
- 12 General Council, Legislature, Executive, Judiciary
- 13 Asking for your vote on June 6th
- 15 Let's gather in Tomah
- 18 4th Wednesday following the election
- 19 Do it on June 6th
- 22 It sure is helpful



PLEASE RE-ELECT
KATHYLEEN LONE TREE-WHITERABBIT
 "Haap Hija"
DISTRICT 5 LEGISLATOR SEAT 1
 It is with my **Heart** that I serve Our people

About Me: Bear Clan
 Parents: Samuel Lone Tree & Ann Littlejohn Lone Tree

Ho-Chunk Values That Guide Me:
 Wo Gi Xete & Nacge Wokici

Proven Leadership Experience:
Completing 4th Four-year term as your REP. & Tribal Secretary
Accessible & Responsive to Tribal Member Concerns
Responsible for signing all official Tribal Documents
Education Advocate
Sustain Per capita, Housing, Health & Well-Being

I HUMBLY ASK FOR YOUR VOTE
IN THE HCN RUN-OFF GENERAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, JUNE 6TH
 Last day to request Absentee Ballots
 Saturday, May 27th

K.whiterabbit@yahoo.com fb.me/votekathyleen

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HCN Legislature

District 2, Seat 3

Vote

Winona Mann

Tuesday June 6, 2017

Ho-Chunk people have envisioned goals for our future. We have achieved many goals. We have overcome many obstacles along the way. I would like to empower District 2 Ho-Chunk members to envision goals for our government. I would like the opportunity to communicate our District 2 visions for the future. I'm willing to foster and motivate growth toward your goals. Please support me in the June 6, 2017 General Election.



JUNE 11, 2017

Join us June 11th as we celebrate 21 Years
with a \$26,000 GIVEAWAY!

PLAY SLOTS | 5:00AM-11:30PM

Play slots from 5:00am - 11:30pm for the chance to be one of 21 Hot Seat Winners to get \$1,000 Cash!
Just be playing slots with your Rewards Club Card at the time of each Hot Seat Pick to be eligible.

PLAY TABLE GAMES | 10:00AM-4:00PM

Earn entries with certain card combinations while playing Table Games starting at 10am
for the chance to win a share of \$5,000 Cash between 11am-4pm. Five lucky
Table Games players will be drawn to win \$1,000 cash each.

SEE THE REWARDS CLUB FOR COMPLETE RULES AND DETAILS



\$10K BINGO BASH GIVEAWAY

JUNE 10 | BINGO DOORS OPEN 4PM

Bingo's Anniversary Bash will include a \$10,000 Cash Drawing, Free Food, \$25 and \$50 Entry Packets, \$50 and \$75 Electronic Packs, Payouts of \$500 and \$1,000, plus Double Consolation on all Floor Pack Specials. Extra Double Bingo Books can be purchased for \$5 or \$10.

SEE A BINGO REP FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Anyone 21 years or older is welcome to play in the casino. Those 18 years or older can play Bingo. Ho-Chunk Gaming reserves the right to cancel or alter promotions at any time.



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Candidate's profiles

Continued from Page 1

2016, University of Marshfield 2013

Why are you running for office?

I believe I have the ability to assist our Nation with addressing critical issues while remaining connected to and honoring our traditions, cultures and teachings. In doing so, I will represent our People proudly. After years of working for our Nation and raising my children within our community, I would like to offer my experience and insight to the continued growth of our Nation.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

I intend to carry on the important work of those before me while continuing to pave the way for future generations. Moving forward, I will work to clearly define and/or revise existing codes and laws, while creating new ones that protect the health and safety of our people, communities and environment. I will work to minimize disparities in healthcare, education and socioeconomics by creating/revising legislation that promotes healing, recovery and healthy lifestyles; are more supportive of nontraditional students in post-secondary education and students with high/special needs in grades pre-K through 12; and, creates more homeownership opportunities and optimal retirement benefits. Additionally, I will work to create an environment that our future generations will be successful in and proud of.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

My top priorities are protecting the health and safety of our people, communities and environment. Not only is it important to take significant action to combat the drug epidemic, it is also imperative to address critical issues in our children's school systems. Children with high needs or special needs are more likely to be pushed out of school, fall through the cracks, and become a product of the "school to prison pipeline" making them more vulnerable to self destructive behaviors. Failure to graduate, incarceration and drug use are preventable.

Interestingly, for the first time in history, life expectancy in America is decreasing. Decreasing! Lifestyle and environmental factors are the culprits. We must create legislation that improves our outcomes and protects our environment.

District 2, Seat 2

Roberta M. Decorah: no response provided.

Kristin K. White Eagle

Baraboo, WI

Computer Programming Certificate, Palomar College, San Marcos, CA

Associate of Arts & Science, UW-Baraboo/Sauk County, Baraboo, WI

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI (graduated with Academic Distinction)

Dale Carnegie - Program Graduate

Casino Executive Management - Program Graduate, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania (Global MBA Ranking 2017 = #3)

Accredited Investment Fiduciary (AIF®) Candidate HCN Mediator

Why are you running for office?

I truly want to improve our programs and services through effective policies and make a difference for all. A focus on sustainability and the future is necessary.

Also, as a current Sauk County Supervisor, representing Ho-Chunk Village, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells and the House of Wellness, I see this as the perfect opportunity to expand our Nation's outreach and increase its influence in Wisconsin. I know my position could prove invaluable as a Legislator.

Finally, we are at a critical and volatile time in our Nation as we fight to maintain sovereignty; this is pertinent across all of Indian country. Although the challenge to make change is overwhelming, we must continue internal efforts to grow our Nation into a strong and influential body in Wisconsin. I want to be part of that growth - I have the energy, passion, experiences and aptitude to gain momentum and strengthen our tribal communities.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

Our Nation will have an action plan that addresses the housing dilemma. Every tribal member (notably focusing on our elders, the disabled, veterans, yet including all) will have access to affordable and adequate housing while limiting the threat of losing a home, of homelessness, or of living in substandard conditions.

No one should sacrifice basic needs in exchange for adequate healthcare.

Through increased community outreach within our programs, our youth are not only financially secure with their trust fund investments and are financially literate, which is occurring now, but are also educated in all aspects of college funding and program opportunities available to them. This can be completed by their junior year to include having a personalized education plan with goals that are given specialized attention by an assigned mentor.

Additionally, pride within our communities is increased.

This is done by expanding cultural events and involvement, increasing the use of our Hocak language and those resources, and instituting neighborhood watches and groups. Notably, through multiple efforts and collaboration, our mental health satisfaction levels will be vastly improved, strengthening our tribe.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

Policies that properly funds and supports our social/hu-

man services programs. Mental health issues are prevalent and lead to drug and alcohol abuse, broken families, unemployment, infringes on a skilled work force, reduces cultural participation, increases crime, and deteriorates a community. Improving our mental health strengthens us in ALL AREAS.

Create a Legislative strategic plan that addresses strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats.

Promote collaboration and increase tribal member involvement.

District 2, Seat 3

Carly Lincoln~Naaruzokijga

Madison, WI

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice with an emphasis on Criminalistics

Why are you running for office?

A sense of duty is compelling me to run for office. I have benefited from the tribe for educational support, down payment assistance for my very first home and support with ailing family and more. Everyone before me had to work and struggle for the Nation to reach that point; now it's my turn to pay it back by working for the Nation so we can continue to help our members.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

There are many things I hope to accomplish, and all of my goals stem from the question: what does the future of Ho-Chunk look like? I hope to address items that have been placed on the backburner or not dealt with at all. I would like the Nation to take the lead when it comes to handling drug and mental health issues, criminal codes, overall government efficiency, and I hope to diversify our ventures to further our financial independence. Above all, I hope to draw attention to our culture and tradition because that is what makes us, the Ho-Chunk Nation; culture and tradition should guide us in all of our pursuits. I want Ho-Chunk Nation to be the beacon of hope our country so desperately needs and I would like others to see that a government-people symbiotic relationship is possible.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

My top priority is to streamline our processes so that there are a clear understanding and pathway to our missions. One of my ambitions is to diversify interests and ventures to ensure economic stability and growth. To accomplish that goal, we must establish clear action plans and timelines to make the goals attainable and our gains measurable. These plans and timelines will structure us as we move forward in the next four years and for those that follow in the years after.

Winona Mann

Tomah

Flandreau Indian High School 1977

University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

Upper Iowa University Associate of Arts 2012

Bachelor of Science 2014-Finance

HCN Legislator District 2, Seat 3

Why are you running for office?

I have benefited from many of our tribal services and federal programs. Proudly, I worked in Ho-Chunk Gaming Table Games for more than 20 years. I currently serve the Ho-Chunk Nation as Gaming Commissioner since July 1, 2015. Our Ho-Chunk Nation has progressed tremendously. We have advanced in several ways, and we can pay tribute to all of the incumbents and the great leaders of our past. While looking to the future of our government and the advancement of our businesses we need strong, informed leaders. Leaders that will protect our lands, businesses and rights of every Ho-Chunk Nation member. I would like to share my experience and education by giving back to District 2 of the Great Ho-Chunk Nation.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

In a four year term, I would like to have:

Provided substantial political equality by redistricting the legislative districts.

Provided effective constituent service including responses to requests for information, more District 2 projects, interests and accountability for expenditures.

Balance the power of legislative and the executive branch.

Provide information on agendas and proceedings and outreach efforts with the use of technology.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

While there is evidence that our Nation is currently using initiative, creativity, and our cultural traditions to improve our economic condition, there is work to be done. We need to focus on our economic future by addressing unemployment (training and put our people to work) and by making investments in health, education, homeownership and substance abuse. Without these investments, the challenges for our future generations will be significantly greater.

District 5, Seat 1

Joe Brown Thunder

Falcon Heights MN

Why are you running for office?

It is inherent in us to give back as Ho-Chunk. I will leverage my experience and knowledge to move the Nation forward using my experience and resources. With the assistance and help of the Ho-

Chunk legislature and President, I would like us to create a 25-year comprehensive plan to use as a guiding document for the future of our Nation and making strategic decisions in the present.

What would you like to accomplish in four years?

If elected, I would like to focus on the following:

Health and Well-Being - We need to focus on the health of our membership by possibly becoming a Blue Zone community, where we would focus on optimizing our longevity and wellbeing. Blue zones employ evidence-based ways to help people live longer and better lives through a systematic and environmental approach to health and wellbeing. Blue zones focus on optimizing policy and social networks, and creating healthy environments. We are seeing more states and cities choosing this approach to improve the health and quality of life for their communities. I would like us to define our own approach with the same healthy results.

Business - Outside of gaming, our other business assets have not performed as well. I would like to use my industry knowledge and business acumen to assess our current business ventures and identify other industries that will suit the Nation well.

Culture - Language, songs, and culture make us Ho-Chunk. I would like to leverage technology to facilitate the learning and retention of these gifts we have been given.

What is your top priority to improve upon or create new legislation?

A review of the older ordinances is needed to ensure they are still current to our needs as a government, and if not, we need to make the necessary changes to bring them current. I would like to create ordinances and laws that will help our business units perform better and provide the tools needed to be successful. I believe we are a forward-looking Nation. Together, we can create a 25-year comprehensive plan to not only be more self-sufficient, but to secure our future and ensure that we keep prospering as a Nation. I humbly ask for your vote on June 6.

Kathleen V. Lone Tree - Whiterabbit: No response provided

District 5, Seat 4

Matt Mullen: No response provided

Patrick C. Red Eagle: No response provided

HO-CHUNK NATION DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING MEETING NOTICE

WHO: Department of Housing Board of Directors

WHEN: Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

WHERE: Department of Housing
27374 E HWY 21 (BLDG #5)
Tomah, WI 54660
(608) 374-1225

AGENDA: General Housing Department Business

JUNE 13th - JUNE 16th, 2017

Ho-Chunk Nation
Basketball Camp

In conjunction with:



**UW-Stevens Point, Baldwin Hall
425 Isadore St. Stevens Point, WI**

BOYS & GIRLS AGES 10-17

REGISTRATION DATES: 4/28/17 - 6/2/17

REGISTRATION CLOSSES 6/2/17 at 4:30 PM



Check-in Baldwin Hall: Tuesday June 13, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Check-out Baldwin Hall: Friday, June 16th, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Contact Information: Tena Quackenbush, 715-284-2622 Ext. 5114 Family Services Program - Child & Family Services - Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services.

Tena.quackenbush@ho-chunk.com

Notice of Vacancy
Ethics review board
District 3 Indian Heights
Nomination by area
Legislature confirmation via resolution

Board members must be voted in at your area monthly meeting.
Terms: All Ethics Review Board members shall serve a four (4) year term.
Must pass a background check.
Monthly meetings

THUNDERCLOUD YOUTH GOLF ACADEMY

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The academy will teach you golf techniques as well as etiquette, sportsmanship and patience.

For more information please contact Quentin or Andy at:

Quentin Thundercloud
24402 Dexter Ave.
Tomah, WI 54660
Phone: 608-372-9558
qthundercloud@centurylink.net

Andy Thundercloud
Phone: 608-387-2640
ndngolfguy@netscape.net

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board

NEXT SCHEDULED ELECTION BOARD MEETINGS

EB Training	June 5, 2017	12:00 pm
Election Board Office - BRF		
Election Day	June 6, 2017	8:00a
At all polling sites		
Election Results	June 7, 2017	9:00 A.M
Comfort Inn and Suites – BRF		

EB Chairperson: Myrna LittleWolf
Election Board Members:
Delegate: Devin Funmaker, BRF; Ethel Funmaker, Lacrosse; Francis Decorah, Tomah; Estelle Greendeer, Baraboo; Cher Laubmeier, Madison; Cynthia Tack, Wis. Dells; Barbara Smith, Wis. Rapids; Shirley Petersen, Wittenberg; Mary Lopez, Green Bay; Valarie Kempen, Milwaukee (Pending); Libby Fairchild, St. Paul/Mpls.; Karen Hopinkah Ramberg, Chicago

Alternates: Crystal Pettibone, BRF; Marsha Smith, Lacrosse; Chris Estebo, Tomah; Kimberly Crowley, Baraboo; Judy Whitehorse, Madison; Dave Decorah, Wis. Dells; Linda Goodwin, Wis. Rapids; Connie Radtke, Wittenberg; Dave Radtke, Green Bay; Morningstar Strait, Milwaukee (Pending); Rhonda Hunt, St. Paul/Mpls.; Sharon Casillas, Chicago




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Hoocak 1
Champion Team
Wisconsin Dells High School



Hoocak 2
Champion Team
Wisconsin Dells High School



2017 H.A.G.A. GOLF SCHEDULE 2017 Annual Membership \$25

II. Memorial Day Golf Tournament
Saturday, May 27, 2017—Skyline Golf Course, Black River Falls
Entry Fee: \$60, includes green fees, cart, and lunch following golf. (\$5 skins) Registration 7:30 a.m.—8:30 a.m.
Shotgun 9 a.m. 4 person scramble—Luck of the Draw
Sponsor: H.A.G.A. Committee 608-343-2353 (Must have membership)

III. Bernadine Tallmadge Memorial
Sunday, June 4, 2017—Portage Lake Golf Course on Hwy 33
Entry Fee: \$55 plus \$5 Skins, includes green fees, cart, and lunch following golf. Registration: 8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m. Shotgun: 10 a.m. 4 person scramble—Luck of the Draw
Sponsor: Tim Hanson 608-432-1697 (Must have membership)

IV. Gerald Cleveland Jr. Memorial
Sunday, June 18, 2017—Trapper Golf Course, Wisconsin Dells
Entry Fee: TBA ; Skins TBA, Registration: TBA Shotgun: TBA Format: 3 person scramble—Luck of the Draw
Sponsor: Courage Cleveland (Must have membership)

Membership can be paid @ the Membership Table during registration of event.

H.A.G.A. PRESIDENT
Larry Littlegeorge
(715) 896-2926

NOTICE AND RULES OF GENERAL RUN OFF ELECTION TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2017

Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation has called a General Primary Election. **ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS** and the Election Code (2 HCC Sec. 6), states in relevant part:

3. Elections, c. Primary Election and Runoff Elections.

Chapter 1, Section 5. Elections. The Constitution prescribes two (2) types of elections: General Elections and Special Elections. When Three (3) or more candidates run for a seat in a General or a Special Election, there shall be a Primary Election and if required a Runoff Election as described in Section 5, paragraph (1)

(3) Any candidate who received fifty percent (50 %) plus one (1) if the total votes cast shall be deemed as winner.

Therefore the following were Declared Winners in their respective Districts as of Tuesday, March 7, 2017:

District 3, Seat 2: Lawrence Walker, Jr.

District 5, Seat 3: Robert Two Bears

Supreme Court Associate Justice 1: Tricia Zunker

b. General Elections

(1). General Elections shall be held in accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution, which states:

Section 1. General Elections. General Elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in June of odd numbered years. Offices of the Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary shall be filled at General Elections.

Therefore the following will be placed on the ballot for the HCN General Run Off Election on Tuesday, June 6, 2017.

THE FOLLOWING TERMS OF FOUR (4) YEARS WILL BE VACANT:

Legislature

District 1, Seat 1

July 2017 – June 2021

**Willette A. Greengrass
Karena Thundercloud**

District 1, Seat 3

July 2017 – June 2021

**Cari Fay
Hinu (Helgesen) Smith**

District 2, Seat 2

July 2017 – June 2021

**Roberta M. Decorah
Kristin K. WhiteEagle**

District 2, Seat 3

July 2017 – June 2021

**Carly Lincoln
Winona Mann**

District 5, Seat 1:

July 2017 – June 2021

**Joe Brown Thunder
Kathleen V. Lone Tree-Whiterabbit**

District 5, Seat 4

July 2017 – June 2021

**Matt Mullen
Patrick C. Red Eagle**

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:

Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Board Code Sec.11 (c).

REGISTRATION:

Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:

Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.

The Election Board will rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period.

Section 11(c) iii , (Deadline Thursday, May 18, 2017).

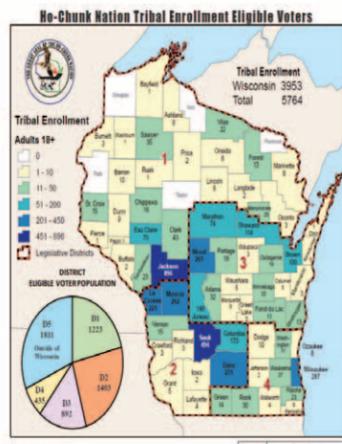
Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O Box 756
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidates (s) list to Election Board is Saturday, March 18, 2017 @ 4:30 p.m.

ABSENTEE VOTING:

A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Saturday, May 27, 2017 by 4:00 P.M. See Election Board Code, section 13(a), i Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number.

Please check eligible voter's lists for your Districts. District 5 all areas outside the state of Wisconsin



Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:

The Election Board will certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:

Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:

There will be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

**GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, March 7, 2017**

**POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Wednesday, March 8, 2017**

**POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Monday, May 8, 2017**

**CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:30 PM,
Thursday, May 18, 2017**

**LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Saturday, May 27, 2017**

**GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 6, 2017**

POLLING PLACES:

**OPEN AT 8:00 A.M
AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.**

**•BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
HHCDA
W8813 Mission Road
715-299-6104**

**•TOMAH, WI
TRIBAL AGING UNIT
358 EOS ROAD
608-372-4547**

**•LA CROSSE, WI
LA CROSSE BRANCH OFFICE
724 MAIN STREET
608-783-6025**

**•BARABOO, WI
HOUSE OF WELLNESS
S2845 WHITEEAGLE ROAD
608-355-1254**

**•WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI.
NEKOOSA HEALTH OFFICE
1021 County Road G
715-886-5444**

**•WITTENBERG, WI
GEORGIANNE SIGA
WHITEWING FUNMAKER
COMMUNITY CENTER
W17634 Radke Rd.
715-253-4407**

**•CHICAGO, IL.
CHICAGO BRANCH OFFICE
4738 North Milwaukee Avenue
773-202-8433**

**•MILWAUKEE, WI
MILWAUKEE BRANCH
OFFICE
3501 S. HOWELL AVENUE
414-747-8680**

**•MINNEAPOLIS- ST PAUL,MN
MPLS.-ST PAUL BRANCH
OFFICE
1724 Selby Ave
651-641-1801**

**•MADISON, WI
TEEJOP HOCIRA
4724 Tradewinds Parkway
608-277-9964**

**•WISCONSIN DELLS, WI
INDIAN HEIGHTS BLDG.
N957 Dyer Avenue
715-299-6104**

**•GREEN BAY, WI
GREEN BAY BRANCH
OFFICE
1047 9TH STREET
920-490-2774**

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