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National Congress of American Indian convenes in Ho-Chunk territory

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

The National Congress of American Indian (NCAI) held its seventy-fourth annual convention at the Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee during the week of October 15 to 20.

The six day convention is a gathering of tribal leaders to discuss important issues faced by tribes when dealing with federal government. Issues range from community, culture, economic development, education, health, land and natural resources, veterans, and tribal governance.

The Ho-Chunk Nation was a platinum sponsor of the annual convention and was the co-sponsor of the Opening Night reception at the Harley Davidson museum.

One of the major tasks accomplished at the convention is to act on resolutions proposed by tribes on various issues and develop a consensus position from NCAI.

Resolutions are received three weeks before the annual convention and designated committees or subcommittees will review and make recommendations before posting resolutions on the NCAI website for members to review and research.

At the convention, those committees and subcommittees hear from the proposing tribes and interested parties about the resolution at scheduled meeting times and locations solidify the group's position on the issue.

Resolutions are passed or tabled during the final general assembly and essentially become the marching orders of the organization.

The Ho-Chunk Nation proposed a resolution at this year's convention. It was a request to restore the Department of Interior Land Buy-back Program to Pre-2017 schedule.

The Land and Natural Resources committee and the Land, Natural Resources, and Agriculture subcommittee are working on the policy. The resolution was passed and will be acted on.

Ho-Chunk Nation Real Estate Director Matthew Carriaga said going back to the pre-2017 Land Buy Back schedule would allow the Ho-Chunk Nation to participate in the Land Buy Back Program.

"The program has spent about \$ 1.4 billion of the \$ 1.9 billion allocated from the Cobell Settlement. If the Nation were allowed to participate, individual owners in trust allotment interest would be offered a chance to sell their interest to the Nation. This would help consolidate land interest on Ho-Chunk allotments and prevent those interests from

going to non-Ho-Chunks," Carriaga said.

"The Nation was previously on the schedule, but the Program decided to go in a different direction when the new administration came into office. The Ho-Chunk Nation and over 50 other tribes were cut from the program."

With NCAI resolution, the hope is to get the Program to go back to the pre-2017 schedule and request additional funding from Congress to complete the intended Land Buy-Back Program schedule, said Carriaga.

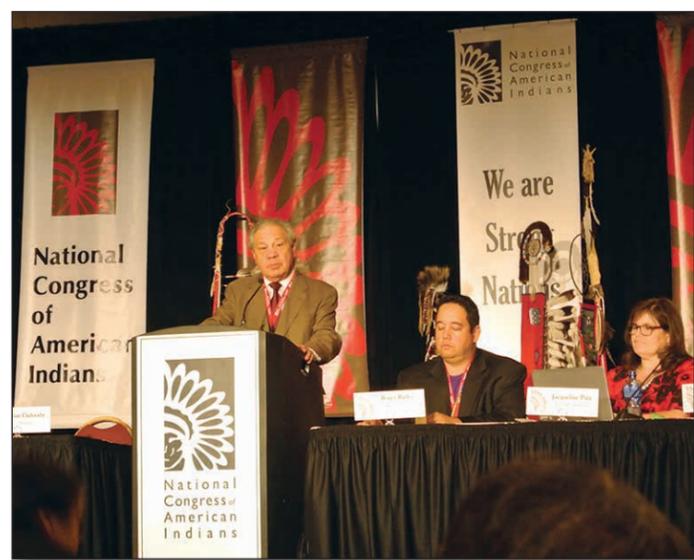
Wisconsin tribes had many volunteers that helped make the annual convention a success.

For the Opening Night reception, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells offered shuttle buses and drivers to transport tribal leaders to the Harley Davidson museum from the host hotels. There was a live band, food, drink, networking at the reception.

Reception attendees could also get temporary tattoos, take a photo on a Harley Davidson motorcycle, and shop in the museum gift shop.

Tuesday morning, Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland gave the invocation as the general assembly began.

Also that morning, the US Department of Interior announced the White House nomination of Tara Katuk Sweeney (Inupiaq) as the new Assistant Secretary for



NARF Executive Director John Echohawk speaks during the Supreme Court update.

Indian Affairs.

Sweeney most recently led corporate media, government relations, and communication strategy for Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, as their Executive Vice President of External Affairs.

Currently, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs John Tahsuda III (Kiowa) is serving as the Acting Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs.

The Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs is charged with the federal responsibility to protect tribal sovereignty, treaty rights, and the trust relationship, said NCAI President Brian Cladoosny.

"We appreciate the Administration's commitment to efficiently staffing important positions within the governmental departments directly affecting Indian Country," Cladoosny said.

"And we look forward to hearing from Ms. Sweeney about her goals and plans for working with tribal leaders to ensure the government-to-government relationship is upheld."

Another major announcement during the convention was NCAI joined the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) to work to establish an Indigenous Chapter of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

AFN National Chief Perry

Bellegarde spoke to tribal leaders at the convention.

"This is a strong show of solidarity by the First Peoples of turtle Island and a strong message to the nation-states involved in the negotiations," Bellegarde said.

"Our inherent rights, treaty rights, and international rights in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People must be respected in the negotiations and in any

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Ho-Chunk Nation dancers during an intertribal dance.

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It's time to build up our Ho-Chunk economy

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

Recently, I attended and reported on the annual shareholders meeting for Twelve Clans, Inc., the Ho-Chunk Nation's federally chartered corporation. There it was said that the Nation's Section 17 Corporation would serve as a sovereign wealth fund.

Many tribal members want return on investments now to increase our per cap payments, but the way things are set up with Twelve Clans, we have to look 30 years down the road to benefit from the work of the tribal dollars allocated to these investments.

In talking with the board chairman, Jason Lambert, about the possibility of creating a different wing of the corporation to handle the Nation's revenue generating operation, Lambert said it was possible.

Legislature would have to allocate additional funds to the corporation for such a thing to happen.

Our intention was to separate business from government with our vote to create a Section 17 Corporation. We really only create an investment piece and separated nothing to date.

Another thing Lambert said, is that we can create more than one Section 17 Corporation to do what we want, which still is to separate business from government.

Another option is to create tribally chartered corporations to help us with the separation, and more importantly, build up our Ho-Chunk economy.

As far as nation building goes, we need to focus our resources on building an economic system and an educational system. Once we do that, our possibilities are

endless.

Twelve Clans tries to address our economic diversification, but nothing for our business development or separation of business and government.

At the NCAI convention, they held a session about building sustainable tribal economies. It explained focuses of economic versus business development.

Economic development is driven by job creation, focuses on infrastructure, attracts businesses, originates in the public sector, and answers to the community.

Business development is driven by profits, focuses on markets, creates businesses, originates in the private sector, and answers to investors.

The session gave examples that Pine Ridge Indian reservation created 1,400 jobs with private businesses, and Chey-

enne River Sioux tribe has over 185 businesses on their reservation. The Oneida reservation earns \$500,000 from leasing to businesses.

Small business can help diversify tribal economies. Business owners also role model for young tribal members that they also be their own bosses.

Tribal talent, in the business and leadership sense, will remain close to home when given the chance to flourish on tribal lands.

Also, quality of life is increased once businesses are closer to home. Some tribes are so rural that there are no banks for thirty miles or more from home.

Tribally owned businesses help increase our sovereignty and strengthen our culture by aligning business focus with cultural values.

One of the biggest statements made was how a lack of understanding economy and the development of products and services hinders tribes from moving forward. Many tribes rely on grassroots understanding of community involvement in economic choices.

Tribes need to be thinking about uniform commercial codes and the legal infrastructure to help support tribally owned businesses. Some tribes create laws to allow tribal business owners to flourish by not competing with them for profits.

The Nation needs to set its priorities when it comes to making profits. Our rules should reflect our communities and people.

To develop our Ho-Chunk economy, we need clear goals, rules, and roles.

Counting Coup on UW La Crosse

It has been a while now, but I wanted to share the story of how the UW-La Crosse mascot was changed from the Indians to the Eagles in 1989.

I had encountered racism with their Financial Aid director in 1976. I attended UW-La Crosse from 1968 to 1970 after graduating from high school. I had three boys and worked until 1976 when I decided to go back to college.

I visited the UW-La Crosse Financial Aid office and told the director that I was an American Indian and that there were grants available for me from my tribe, the State of Wisconsin and from the federal government. I just needed assistance in getting them.

The director turned and looked out the window. He said, "You see all those people out there walking around?" I looked out the window and said, "Yes." He said, "I am not going to give you any more financial aid than what those people out there get." He walked out of his office and left me standing there. After about 10 minutes he did not come back. I didn't know what to do, so I left.

I went across town to Viterbo College, now a univer-

sity, and I told their Financial Aid director the same thing. She said, "OK, let's figure out how we can get this funding for you." So that is why I have a Bachelor's degree from Viterbo College and not from UW-La Crosse.

Back in 1989, my nephew went to a basketball game with his mom. She was attending UW-La Crosse. At the game, Shane (who was 6 years old at the time) started crying, so his mom took him out in the hallway. She asked him what was wrong and he said, "They are making fun of us."

This 6-year-old boy was a traditional dancer who was learning about Ho-Chunk traditions from his mom and dad. He knew what was real and what was not. As a 6-year-old, he could see the silly feathers, headdresses, other fake regalia and fake songs being used by the cheerleaders and team mascot. It hurt him deeply. He told his mom that was why he was crying. Then his mom told him they would call his Teega Francis.

I went to La Crosse and talked with them and said I would file a complaint, so

that is what I did. I wrote one letter explaining my reason for making this complaint. I knew about stereotypes from my own observations and experiences, and I had also done research on how schools and colleges used Indian names and mascots. I sent the letter to the UW-La Crosse chancellor, their Board of Regents, and the student president. I also sent it to all the tribal leaders in Wisconsin that I knew, asking them for their support. The reaction was typical of the kind of reactions many white people have when their mascot is accused of being racist.

"We are honoring you. We treat your culture with respect. We don't understand why you don't see that," they said. Those are the typical reactions from school leaders, alumni, and many students. The La Crosse Tribune had articles about it with "the majority" (of white people, of course) wanting to keep the Indian mascot and name. The University leaders passed it to the student president and his "cabinet."

The Student Leaders met and decided to drop the Indian name and mascot. Again,

the typical reaction occurred. The Alumni threatened to pull their financial support if this happened. The student body of mostly white people said, "No, don't change it, we are the Indians." Under that pressure, the Student Leaders met and changed it back.

Next, a loosely organized group of Natives from various Wisconsin tribes and I showed up at the next Student Leader meeting. We were prepared to testify as to the very legitimate reasons why this needed to be changed to a non-Indian name and mascot. When the Student Leaders met, about 20 of us were sitting 10 feet away on some chairs that spectators could use. We never had to say a word. The student president looked at us. He understood the reasons, and enough of his cabinet "got it." They voted again and the majority of them voted to change it.

And now, as the UW-La Crosse Eagles, the University doesn't make any Ho-Chunk children or any other Native people cry or feel bad at sporting events. They no longer make fun of us. And they

still win basketball games.

That is how a 6-year-old Ho-Chunk boy counted coup on the UW La Crosse.

I know not all tribal members see it this way, but if this little boy got it, then I think we adults need to take a moment and think about how fake eagle feathers, our songs and who we are as a people were being abused and belittled, made fun of, and used as entertainment at a sporting event.

Maybe I will share another story later of how I wrote one letter which resulted in having 30 some Wisconsin high schools change their Indian related names and mascots when I worked for the Department of Public Instruction.

Pinagigi for reading the story.

As a clan leader once told me, "Don't be afraid to ask questions."

Francis Steindorf
Tribal Elder and Educational Consultant
Father, Grandfather, and Great Grandfather
(fwsteindorf@hotmail.com)

Dear Editor,

I'm writing this out of concern for Bronson Koenig. I would say, he has been placed in a position where he probably needs our assistance. Yes, we can back him by keeping up with his progress and we can proudly say he is "Ho-Chunk". He's part of us. Yet right now, I don't want his opportunities to pass without an effort on our part help him achieve what he's very capable of achieving. He has what it takes to be a great NBA player. It's there!

Bronson has done the work, a lifetime of work. After reading an article he posted prior to the draft "Dear NBA GM's" he expressed, desire to move forward "to pursue" a place in the NBA.

He has proven himself to this point, with many great accomplishments. Bronson represents something very important to our Ho-Chunk history as well as to our youth. He has been added to our history. Bronson has been highlighted in Native American

publications all over the US, proudly claiming his Native American heritage. So it isn't just us, it's others too. What can we do to help? Showing him and offering support would be helpful. Give him an edge by helping with NBA experts/trainers/camps. I guess we could ask him? I would like to see him rise to the top, where he belongs. Let's stand beside him...

Colleen M Fitzpatrick
Bradenton, FL

Without Reservations



Supreme Court hears arguments in HCN Gaming Commission v. HCN Ethics Review Board

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Nation Supreme Court held oral argument at the tribal court building on Oct. 14, to hear from both parties involved in *HCN Gaming Commission v. HCN Ethics Review Board*.

The case has been the focus

of much attention throughout the Nation's gaming establishments, and revolves around actions taken by the gaming commission in 2015 – when it revoked the licenses of HCG-Black River Falls' top two financial officers.

"The gaming commission arbitrarily revoked the gaming

licenses of CFO Steve Mach and Casino Controller Trina Johnson," stated Executive Manager of HCG-Madison Dan Brown. "They did so without charges, and without due process."

The move resulted in Mach and Johnson's immediate termination, since both of their positions had required a gaming license. They were escorted from the premises the very same day they learned of the commission's intentions to revoke their licenses.

"I was unable to continue as Casino Controller," Johnson stated, "because a license is necessary for gaming employment."

They each filed a grievance within days of their dismissal, citing a lack of due process.

The Grievance Review Board (GRB) found in their favor, and ordered that the casino compensate them for lost wages up to \$10,000.

"It appears to the Board that the decision by the Gaming Commission was arbitrary and capricious," it stated.

The board was not able to reinstate their gaming licenses, however, as it lacks the power to do so. The administrative body could only recommend that management relocate them to a comparable position within the company.

So executive managers at the casino filed a lawsuit against the commission in HCN trial court, asking that its actions be reversed.

"There is no amount of monetary damages that can fix an unlawful revocation of a gaming license," stated attorney for the plaintiffs Heidi Drobnick. "The requested relief in this case is reinstatement."

Less than four months later, though, the suit ended in an out-of-court-settlement. According to court records, the details of the agreement were confidential.

"We had a settlement," said attorney for the gaming commission Erik Shircel. "(And) there was a dismissal."

Mach and Johnson were not party to the lawsuit, however, and claim that they had no knowledge of the settlement.



Attorney Erik Shircel (left) argues on behalf of the HCN Gaming Commission, and Attorney Andrew Adams (right) argues on behalf of the HCN Ethics Review Board.



The tribal courts in Black River Falls have been the scene of a long legal battle between the HCN Gaming Commission and the HCN Ethics Review Board.

To: Twelve Clans, Inc. Shareholders
From: Twelve Clans, Inc. Board of Directors
Date: October 2017

The Corporate Charter for Twelve Clans, Inc. requires the Board of Directors to provide an audited financial statement within 120 days following the close of the Corporation's fiscal year (June 30). Twelve Clans, Inc. retained the services of Clifton Larsen Allen, LLP to perform an annual audit. The Financial Audit had no significant findings, and you will find our Statement of Net Position, a balance sheet, included below.

Please visit www.12-clans.com to obtain a copy of our first and second annual reports. These report outlines the Corporate Charter and provides a recap of our activities. We have also posted the full presentation from our Annual Shareholders meeting. This provides a more in depth presentation of our plan to move forward. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us through that site, or at info@12-clans.com

Pi na gi gi,
Jason D. Lambert, Chairman
Twelve Clans, Inc.

TWELVE CLANS, INC. (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION) STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016			
	2017	2016	
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 233,548	\$ 643,550	
Certificates of Deposit	2,013,021	2,000,000	
Investment Income Receivable	100,072	-	
Investments	20,230,514	-	
Total Current Assets	22,577,155	2,643,550	
Total Assets	22,577,155	2,643,550	
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	5,001	-	
Total Current Liabilities	5,001	-	
Total Liabilities	5,001	-	
NET POSITION			
Unrestricted	\$ 22,572,154	\$ 2,643,550	
Total Net Position	\$ 22,572,154	\$ 2,643,550	

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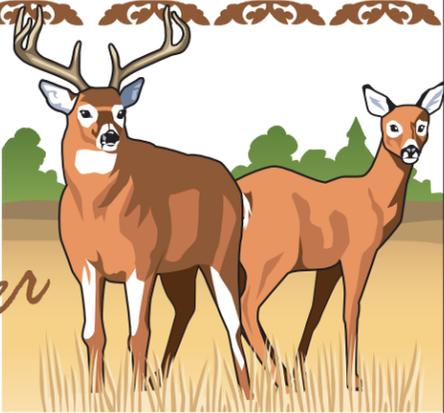
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November

1 Dawn Littlejohn	13 Tennyson De Cora
2 Ruth Whitehorse Burns	14 Regina Lowe
Roger Garlow	14 Lindley Thompson Jr.
Stanley Decorah	15 Scott Rabyor
3 Wesley Brockhaus	15 Lois Lonetree
Mach Christian	15 Gregory Johnson
4 Michael La Mere	15 Davey Lowe
Gertrude Rusu	17 Margaret Pardini
Carol Garvin	17 Shirley Petersen
Dale Littlejohn	18 Jo Ann Maney
5 Christine Funmaker	18 Mary Jo Brooks Hunter
6 Georgia Oltman	20 Daniel Sine
Lorna Loken	20 Gail Funmaker
7 Leona Davenport	21 Robert Yellowbank
Earl Topping	21 Robert Mudd
Kirk Matcha	22 Errol Whitewing
Laura Snake	22 Betsy Falcon
Victor Kearnes Sr.	22 Dale Lonetree
8 Carol Reise	23 Martin Yellowbank
9 Stanley Blackdeer	23 Mann Randall
Sandra Sue Lanier	23 Annie Winneshiek
Sandra Winneshiek	24 Elena Greendeer
Rosemarie Adams	24 Elizabeth Houle
10 Thomas Hopinkah	25 Louise Redcloud
Delphine Blackcoon	25 Mary Anwash
Byron Lonetree	25 Carol Smith
Michael Greengrass	27 Sharyn Whiterabbit
Barbara Goodbear	27 Sheryl Cook
Christine Webster-Steele	28 Myrtle Long
11 Charlotte Tipton	28 Joseph Gleason
Rosetta Rae Hunt	29 Leola Rockman
Lionel Pettibone Sr.	30 Alvin Rockman
Ruth Denny	

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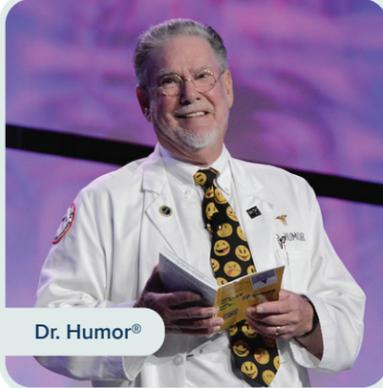



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October is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

Breast cancer is the second most common cause of cancer death among women. Annually, about 190,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer, and about 40,000 women die from the effects of breast cancer. All women are at risk for breast cancer (breast cancer in men is rare), but there are some women who are at a higher risk than others. Women who are at higher risk include those with a family history of breast cancer, being overweight, drinking alcohol, physical inactivity, and menopause later in life.



Compared with other ethnic groups in the U.S., American Indian/Alaska Native women have the lowest incidence of breast cancer and yet, have the *lowest breast cancer survival rate of any ethnic group in the U.S.* Breast Cancer is the third most common cause of death among American Indians/Alaskan Native women (after lung cancer and colorectal cancer).

In Wisconsin, the 5-year survival rate for women diagnosed with breast cancer at an early, treatable stage is 98%. This means that breast cancer screenings can save lives. According to the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, women ages 40-49 should talk with their doctors to see if breast cancer screening is recommended. Between the ages of 50 and 74, it is recommended that you see your doctor for screening every 2 years.

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BECAUSE OF SCREENING AND IMPROVED TREATMENT, FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS, THE DEATH RATE FROM BREAST CANCER HAS BEEN DECREASING BY **2.4% PER YEAR**

The Healing Power of Humor coming to Black River Falls Nov. 4, 2017

Barbara Brower, Community Relations Coordinator

Nationally recognized Dr. Stuart Robertshaw, will present the Healing Power of Humor at the Wellness Fair on Saturday, November 4, 2017, at the Comfort Inn & Suites in Black River Falls. The Jackson County Diabetes Education Alliance and local community organizations sponsor the event.

Robertshaw, who goes by "Dr. Humor," said, "15 percent of people in America are humor-impaired and another 15 percent are 'at risk,' and it's no laughing matter." Robertshaw is a humorist, a published author and gives presentations to groups all over the nation. He is on a mission to combat one of modern society's worst afflictions, terminal seriousness.



Dr. Stuart Robertshaw, "Dr. Humor," will present The Healing Power of Humor on November 4, during the Jackson County Diabetes Alliance Annual Wellness Event.

The event is free and goes from 9 a.m. to noon with prizes, exhibits, diabetes risk screenings and refreshments. From 10 to 11 a.m., Dr. Humor will share what he has learned about the psychological and physiological benefits of humor and laughter as they relate to taking care of our friends, our loved ones and ourselves.

To register for the Healing Power of Humor and Wellness Fair, call 715-284-3629 or go online at www.brmh.net/Humor. Registered guests will be entered into a drawing for a Fitbit activity tracker.

The event is coordinated by the Jackson County Diabetes Education Alliance with the help of community partners that include the Diabetes Education & Support Group (BRMH Partners), Jackson in Action Coalition Members (Black River Memorial Hospital, Jackson County Public Health and Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health.)

Calcium and Vitamin D: The Dynamic Duo

Functions:

Calcium helps to-

- ❖ Build strong bones and teeth
- ❖ Contract and expand muscles
- ❖ Clot blood and maintain normal blood pressure

Vitamin D helps to-

- ❖ Allow Calcium to be absorbed in the body and to do its job properly
- ❖ Assist with bone formation

Where to find them:

Calcium-

- ❖ Dairy foods: milk, yogurt, cheese, cottage cheese
- ❖ Dark, leafy green vegetables: spinach, kale, collard greens
- ❖ Soy milk
- ❖ Breakfast cereals
- ❖ Salmon



Vitamin D-

- ❖ Sunlight: Vitamin D is harder to get through foods, so the sunlight is our best source!
- ❖ Certain types of fish: salmon, sardines, herring
- ❖ Egg yolks
- ❖ Dairy foods: milk, yogurt, cheese, cottage cheese



Super Power Energy Smoothie

Peel and slice 1 large banana. In a single layer on a plate, freeze the banana slices for at least 1 hour.

Place frozen banana slices into blender. Add ½ cup low-fat plain yogurt, ¼ cup chilled water, 2 tablespoons nonfat dry milk powder, 2 teaspoons honey (or other sweetener of choice), ½ teaspoon vanilla extract.

Cover and puree until smooth.



National Congress of American Indian

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final agreement."

At Wednesday's general assembly, nominations of candidates for NCAI board positions were accepted, with the election schedule for Thursday morning. The treasurer position candidate, W. Ron Allen, was accepted with a unanimous vote, while other position would go through the election process.

Also on Wednesday, the Indian Community School hosted and was the location for a Cultural Night. The focus of the night was culture of woodlands and great lakes.

Convention goers were treated to wild rice and Oneida corn soup, and three sisters stew. They could go on tours of the school, which enrolls native students in pre-kindergarten to eighth grade.

Various classroom offered classes such as: Making a Corn Husk Doll, Moccasins Game, Poetry Reading, Back 40 Mine performance by Wade Fernandez, Finger weaving with yarn, Menominee language, and Ho-Chunk Clans with Hope Smith.

There were also dance performances by Oneida smoke dancers and Ho-Chunk Nation dancers in the school's performance space. The Ho-Chunk Nation dancers exhibited powwow style dancing, such as Ho-Chunk applique, men's woodland style, jingle dress, and men's fancy dance.

Chickasaw Nation Lt. Governor Jefferson Keel was elected as president of NCAI by a narrow margin over Quinault Indian Nation Presi-

dent Fawn Sharp.

"Strength is in our sovereignty. Success is in our unity," Keel said in his acceptance speech.

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Chairperson, Dr. Aaron Payment was elected as first vice president of NCAI.

"My heart, soul, and commitment is to our native people and families. I also want to recognize my tribal board for voting unanimously to support my continuation of this critical work at the national level advocating for our people in a non-partisan way," Payment said.

Pauma Band of Mission Indians Traditional Councilwoman Juana Majel-Dixon



Singer Wade Fernandez performs in the library of the Indian Community School.

was elected as the Recording Secretary of NCAI.

"I am honored to have the opportunity to further NCAI's important work of championing the nation-to-nation relationship and finding com-

mon ground to improve the well-being, education, safety and long-term stability of our tribal communities," Majel-Dixon said.

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Chairman and CEO W. Ron Allen was named treasurer of NCAI.

"It is a humbling honor to be supported by Indian Country to be elected treasurer again. I'm looking forward to being a member of the NCAI team to protect and advance the tribal agenda to become more self-governing and self-reliant," Allen said.

Regional vice presidents and alternates were also nominated and elected by NCAI's 12 regional caucuses.

Each board member will serve a two-year term and were sworn in during the final general assembly.

Native American Rights Fund Executive Director John Echohawk and NCAI General Counsel John Dossett have a Supreme Court update.

The US Supreme Court will hear Patchak v. Zinke. There are 16 petitions in 13 cases regarding Indian law within the Supreme Court. Three petitions have already been denied; Williams v. PBCI, Hackford v. Utah, and French v. Starr.

Newly elected board members were sworn in and resolutions were voted on in the final general assembly of NCAI's annual convention.

Next year, NCAI will hold its annual convention in Denver, Colorado on October 21 to 26.



Cultural night featured Oneida Smoke Dancers and some Ho-Chunk Nation dancers.



Larry Walker Jr. and the woodland style dancer perform during Cultural Night.



Opening Night Reception feature a live band and food in the garage at the Harley Davidson museum.

Two tribal members recognized in Tomah's first class of Distinguished Alumni

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

Earlier this month, two Ho-Chunk tribal members were named Distinguished Alumni of Tomah High School, in honor of everything they have accomplished since their graduation.

"These are individuals who have really risen," said Tomah School District Superintendent Cindy Zahrte.

The two tribal members to receive the honor were Eileen Decorah and Karen Lincoln Michel. They would join nine other alumni in becoming Tomah's first group of Distinguished Alumni.

"We had 17 applications," Zahrte said. "And all of them were certainly appropriate."

Decorah was the first Ho-Chunk tribal member to become a physician's assistant for the Nation, and helped secure funding for her tribe's medical clinics. She graduated from Tomah in 1967, and earned her bachelor of science from UW-La Crosse.

She later participated in the physician's assistant program at the University of New Mexico. Friends and colleagues said she was extremely passionate about her work.

"I remember her as a student who was dedicated and confident," said former classmate Geri Shangreux. "She had great qualities as a student, and she carried it through in her profession."

Decorah passed away at the beginning of March. But to acknowledge her lifelong contributions, a classroom in the Ho-Chunk clinic in Black River Falls was recently dedicated in her memory.

"It's people like her who make this world a better place," said Zahrte.

Family members accepted the honor on her behalf.

The other tribal member made the return trip to her alma mater to accept the honor herself.

Karen Lincoln Michel has been a longtime leader in Native American journalism, and currently serves as the editor of Madison Magazine. She graduated from Tomah High School in 1976, before earning a master's degree in journalism from Marquette University.

"I'm really glad that the high school is taking the time to recognize some of its graduates," Michel said. "I think, a lot of times, we take our high-school education for granted. So it's great to look back, and see people who walked through these doors and what they've gone on to do."

The journalist was humble about her accomplishments, but has done some great things herself.

As a past president of both the Native American Journalists Association and UNITY: Journalists of Color, Michel has made a name for herself in the field. She was recently appointed president of the Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism's board of directors.

"I really didn't expect anything like this," Michel said.

Along with the other alumni, she was asked to take part in a video archive project for the school. They each sat down for a one-on-one interview, where they told their story to the camera.

According to the superintendent, the stories were meant to serve as inspiration to other students. During her interview, Michel talked about the things that motivated her to become a journalist.

"The point of view we have as Native people is really outside of the mainstream," Michel said. "So very early on, I sort of felt like an outsider – even in school. And there was always this lack of attention to Native issues. It seemed like we weren't covered in the media, or when we were, there was a lot of misinformation or inaccuracies."

The observations inspired her to be a voice for Native

Americans and other underserved people. She said they deserve to be heard, just like the rest of the population.

After telling their stories, she and the other alumni shared some advice for future graduates.

"(Success) is really a collective thing," Michel said. "It starts with your own family, and the values that they instill in you."

She credited her family with helping her on the road to success. She said that none of her accomplishments would have been possible without their support, or the support she received from others.

"There's too many people to thank," Michel said.

A wall with pictures of all the Distinguished Alumni was revealed in an unveiling ceremony, prior to Tomah's homecoming celebration. The school's superintendent said it will be a permanent fixture in the high school for as long as it remains open.

"I think our students need



The family of Eileen Decorah accept the honor during Tomah's homecoming.



Karen Lincoln Michel is among Tomah's first class of Distinguished Alumni.

to see the names and faces of individuals who have gone before them," Zahrte said. "It really creates a sense of pride in our community."

Nominations for the Distinguished Alumni program have been made available on the school district's website.

Kids Quest GET FIT WITH KIDS QUEST
NB3 Fit Week November 5-11, 2017

Founded by Native American and professional golfer, Notah Begay III, the program challenges children to be physically active for 60 minutes each day.

At Kids Quest we plan to celebrate the initiative by playing gym games, exploring the Quest, and dancing.

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Cameron Logan lives the world of lacrosse, makes it his passion

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A 15-year-old sophomore from Baraboo has his sights set on playing lacrosse at a highly ranked college and he's well on his way to making that dream come true.

Cameron Logan, son of Eric and Edita Logan, spent the summer playing for Team Amplify, a lacrosse team from Marquette University in Milwaukee.

From that experience, Cameron hopes he can play at a higher level that will propel his play to be noticed on a national level.

"My goal is to play lacrosse as a way to get in a great college – to be the best I can be personally," Cameron said.

"My end goal is to live a life that lacrosse helped me build,"

He first became interested in lacrosse when he was in fifth grade.

"A couple of my friends were doing it and it was something new. I was never really playing a spring sport, more into playing football and hockey, he said. "I just like playing sports, so I thought playing lacrosse would be fun for me."

For most sports, everything came rather naturally for him, but for lacrosse, everything was new, he said.

"It was really hard to pick up on especially because I played with the Sauk County team. They were the powerhouse team. Everyone on the team was good. I didn't want to play because I felt I would just bring the team down," he said.

Eventually he began to understand and to pick up on it.

"I never really like just giving up on something. I didn't want to just leave it if I wasn't good at it. I eventually wanted to work my way up and play with my friends and be incorporated with them," Cameron said.

It was then his father, Eric, started a lacrosse team in Baraboo, with many of the players from Sauk City.

"So, we thought, start something new, because we want to try it. It's hard to start something from the ground up," Cameron said.

The next summer, Cameron went to a camp in Minnesota, hosted by the Minnesota Swarm. It was a free clinic for all Native American youth.

"From there, I learned so much, Cameron said. "That was the time when I realized that lacrosse might be something for me. I can take it to the next level if I work hard enough."

Because of that camp, his skills improved.

"I was able to teach the other kids at home what I learned from there. So, I became my dad's assistant coach, I guess," he said.

He was willing to play any position in the game. He played defense, offense, the midfield, and he played goalie sometimes.

"After that camp, my brother was still in high school, and lacrosse was kind of our thing. Lacrosse was something we could do together," Cameron said. "That bond tightened when we began playing lacrosse games."

From that point, Cameron always had a stick in his hand. During seventh grade, he didn't play football, wanting

to focus on keeping lacrosse going. Even when he didn't have anyone to practice with, he'd find a brick wall and practice passing by bouncing the ball, passing to himself. Friends teased him because they were all playing football and he wasn't.

"The summer of seventh grade, I was kind of a gunslinger, trying to get as many goals as possible," he said. "Looking back on it, it wasn't fun for the other kids."

After that, Cameron joined the Dane County Coyotes, which was made up of youth from Madison, Verona, and Waunakee.

"It was more of a team for me just to play on, to keep my skills going during summer. We got beat every single game. I wanted to play on a new team because I was tired of losing. I noticed that lacrosse is more of a wealthy kids sport from some people's perspective. That's mainly what a lot of those kids are, when they play on those summer teams. I was just there because I love lacrosse and I want to play it during the summer."

He played again in eighth grade, except he also played football.

"I realized that I can do both at the same time. From eighth grade on, I just focused on getting bigger, faster, stronger," he said.

During the next summer, he joined the Waunakee War Eagles, which was a combined team of the Sauk City Eagles and the Waunakee Warriors.

"We were getting better. We played the Coyotes that summer and we beat them like 11-1," Cameron said. "We racked them."

The team's play qualified them for the U.S. National Team. Cameron and a friend went to Indianapolis and played some of the top teams in the U16 age group. At the time, they were 14.

"When we got there, there was a U14 team, but we weren't signed up for it, we were signed up for the U16 team. We played some top-ranked teams, like the fellowship of Christian athletes. They were from Maryland and they had the top kids from every state and every province in Canada. Every one of those kids was committed to a Division 1 school."

Most all the players were going to schools like Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Maryland, and Ohio State. Cameron considered it was more of a learning experience, losing the game 24-2.

"From there was another turning point for me. I realized these guys are insane. I have to do something to get as good as those guys. It also helped me realized that, if I can keep my grades up, I can make lacrosse my sport, I can get into a good college," Cameron said.

They finished out that tournament and won one close game against a team from New York. They got de-



Cameron received congratulations from his family after Team Amplify took first place at the Pipe City Lacrosse Festival. Posing with Cameron are his father, Eric, his mother, Edita, and his sister, Gabriella.



Cameron (second from left) was proud to be part of Team Amplify, a lacrosse team formed from Marquette University in Milwaukee.



Cameron carries the ball while making a run for the goal while a member of the Baraboo Lacrosse Team.



Practicing with Team Amplify, Cameron stepped up his play a few notches to improve his skill level.

stroyed by teams from 3D, a team from Denver, and a couple teams from the East Coast.

Last year, when Cameron was a freshman in High school, he began obsessed with lacrosse.

"For the last year, I don't think I can count a day without lacrosse. Every since that tournament. It just kind of changed me. I just want to get better and better," he said. "Every single day, I took a hundred shots at the net. Every day I would find a wall and pass as much as I can. At that point, I was completely familiar with my equipment, like it is an extension of me, basically."

He was beginning to realize that he was playing at a higher level and he wanted to start talking to coaches, and see what he could do to advance his play.

"I was thinking about not doing hockey last year, but then a couple of my friends convinced me to do it. I was like, 'Whatever. I'll try it.' It

turned out really fun. I got in really good shape. I got a lot stronger."

They competed in a rivalry hockey game. It was Reedsburg-Wisconsin Dells versus Baraboo called the "Boo-Bird Cup."

"We lost the game, but the next day I had to pack right away. I took my friend Parker Clary with me and we went over to Chicago for a showcase," he said. A showcase is a series of games for college recruiters to watch and make contact with potential recruits.

"About 200 kids sign up, from freshman to senior, and they mix you up, put you on a team. There were about 50 college coaches and recruiters there to watch us, see how we were playing, and get our contact numbers," he said.

"My team was phenomenal. We were destroying every team. I think I had one or two goals, which is like a career low for me. I was just shy at

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Indian Mounds of Wisconsin' offers a modern view of ancient earthworks

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Staff Writer

A book about Ho-Chunk history has recently been made available to the public. A new publication, "Indian Mounds of Wisconsin," second publication, was placed in bookstores and online on Oct. 24, 2017.

The author, Robert Birmingham, along with Amy Rosebrough, revised the previous edition, which was published in 2000, adds new developments since the last printing. Birmingham is a former Wisconsin state archaeologist, often working with the Ho-Chunk people for more than 25 years. He retired last year and is now making writing his passion.

Written for general readers, "Indian Mounds of Wisconsin," offers a comprehensive overview of intriguing earthworks and imagery of the ancient cultural practice.

"There's be a tremendous amount of new information about mound building in native history since 2000," Birmingham said. "A lot of the material comes from the new synthesis of information made possible. Computers have made things a lot easier to analyze, and my co-author, for example, did her dissertation on the famous effigy mounds and for the first time, looked at every single effigy mound group ever recorded."



Robert Birmingham, former Wisconsin state archaeologist, has authored the book, "Indian Mounds of Wisconsin," second edition, which is available online and in bookstores nationwide.

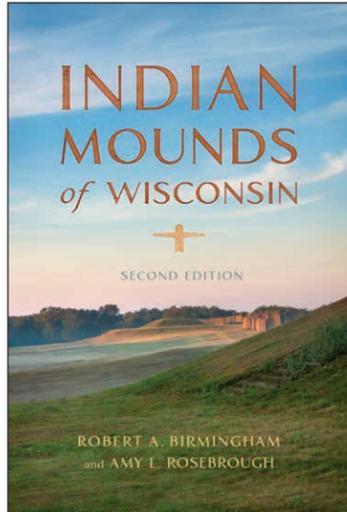
Rosebrough synthesized that information, which brought a lot of new insights and highlighted how spectacular the particular ceremonial really was in Native American history, Birmingham said.

"In fact, we can rightly call this a cultural world wonder that is virtually unique to Wisconsin. It goes into some other states too, but it is largely focused in Wisconsin. So it highlights that particular topic," he said.

Other types of information have been coming from new technologies, he said. More accurate maps are derived from Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) imaging, which has emerged in the last couple of years.

"In some cases, mound groups that were known, that had areas obscured by vegetation, new mounds were found," Birmingham said. "LiDAR has the ability to map just the surface of

the ground, so it sort of goes through vegetation, so the arrangements and numbers of mounds are very clear and new mounds are being discovered all the time now, which is a great boon for all of us because previously unknown mounds can now be protected.



"Indian Mounds of Wisconsin" provides great detail of the Ho-Chunk practice of mound building and how new mounds have been discovered through LiDAR imaging.

"It's revolutionizing the study of ancient history all over the world. We're very excited because we are discovering new places which is increasing both our knowledge and emphasizing that more mounds can be protected," he said.

He primarily used someone else who has the software. The actual mapping of the surface of the ground was done in Wisconsin in a partnership with counties and the state and the federal government and it online on a website named Wisconsinview.com. The reason LiDAR was used for Wisconsin counties is for planning purposes.

"They weren't primarily looking for mounds. You can see the land surfaces in three dimensions, so it helps identify wetlands, etc., which makes them superb base maps for a variety of reasons," Birmingham said.

It's been difficult to keep up on all the new information, he said. Workers at the Wisconsin Historical Society, who have the responsibility for documenting mounds, have been finding dozens of new mounds.

"The majority of mounds in Wisconsin are connected to the Ho-Chunk people," he said. "It's pretty obvious that the Ho-Chunk people have been here forever and they are living in the same places that the mounds are built. As one Ho-Chunk elder once said, 'Who else could have built them?'"

The effigy mounds were probably built at a time when what is now the Ho-Chunk territory was part of a larger group of related people, for example the Ioway people, who split off. It is safe to say that the Ho-Chunk people are among the ancestors of the mound builders. Some other people are, too, who are

closely related, he said.

"In regards to the effigy mounds, the forms are very familiar to Ho-Chunk people because these are clan animals and also the great spirits. There is a great correspondence with Ho-Chunk traditional beliefs and effigy mound forms. We have derived a lot of our interpretations about the ancient effigy mounds by taking a closer look at traditional Ho-Chunk beliefs," Birmingham said.

In the last chapter of the book, it is described about modern preservation efforts of the mounds. Harry Whitehorse made a tree trunk sculpture to honor his ancestors. The tree trunk rotted, so it was replaced with a bronze sculpture, he said. Ho-Chunk people and members of other tribes have gathered at these mound groups in the Madison area to honor their ancestors and to emphasize this whole concept of preservation.

Although each mound group has its own characteristics and magnificence, one group stands out to Birmingham.

"If I were to highlight one beautiful group, it would be the Kingsley Bend mound group along the Wisconsin River. It is now owned by the Ho-Chunk Nation and is beautifully maintained. They are different types of mounds built over a 1,000 year period, so it illustrates the history of mound building," he said.

During the hearings at the



Robert Birmingham points to one of the greatest Wisconsin archeological mound study in Aztalan State Park, which is two miles east of Lake Mills, WI.

state capitol over protection of the mounds, Birmingham was one of the professional witnesses in the early hearings. During the hearing, many native and non-native people voiced their opinions for continued mound protection, which went across political party lines.

"The people who were advocating for weakening mound protection were surprised at how much the public are now aware of this cultural treasure. It is of native origin, but gives a lot of pride to residents of Wisconsin in general," he said.

Birmingham believes that lawmakers are now less likely to allow discretion of mounds

because residents are now aware of their existence and now realize that they are burial places, along with increasing knowledge of how poorly native people have been treated and how native people have persisted through time.

"Mound building era was a relatively short period of time," he said. "There are records of people in Wisconsin going back 12,000 years. The mounds, in general, were only built over a 2,000-year period, ending about 1200 A.D. The customs changed after that and they didn't build mounds, which is a subject of continued research of why not before or after that period."

Join Our Community Event
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Nov. 5th
Lunda Community Center Field House
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Event Highlights include...

- Incentives
- Free swim
- Obstacle Courses
- Carnival Games
- Fitness Challenges
- Rock Climbing
- Golf Simulator
- Healthy Food Challenge

Green Corn Dance places emphasis of work and dedication for food

The Ho-Chunk people, often revered for their immense gift of adaptation and survival, draws this strength from their pre-colonial way of life gathering foods and medicines, harvesting crops, tobacco, fishing, and hunting wild game. Everything needed to survive is there for us but it's not going to be sitting in an isle of a grocery store or in a drive through. Those who have grown food or medicine or harvested game and prepared these items for storage or use knows there's a lot of work, time, and thought that goes into it.

Harvest time is as it always has been, a busy and jovial period for the Ho-Chunk people. We are thinking ahead of what we will need through cold season, what we will need for the ceremonies ahead, and what we may need to help other families who may be without. When the work was done, Green Corns may have been done. Many songs are gone now but once told small stories, highlighted moments of the fall season, or were just spirited and catchy

energizing the singers, dancers, and those around.

Given the exciting nature of this practice, the Green Corn Dance coursed its way to a greater audience featured at the famed Stand Rock Indian Ceremonial where the Ho-Chunk people, adorned in the best regalia, performed smaller segments of the dance to the awe and wonderment of the crowd. This faded with the iconic era defined by the Stand Rock artists and performers but lived on in the autumn pow-wow gatherings.

For many of the Ho-Chunk people, the pow-wow is the only place to see Green Corn Dance making our very own Labor Day gathering in Black River Falls an event worthy of great anticipation. The drum, or drums, start a series of familiar "standing songs" calling the people to the center arena letting them know it's time to get ready. For the newcomers, it's exciting and the energy around the circle can't be ignored. For the veteran dancers, they know they're in for a workout and once the dance songs begin,

they will be on the move for the duration.

"Now we dance," a loose translation of the pivotal song begins a series of songs that could last hours through the night. An elder explained that the longer you danced, the harder you danced and the final songs led by a shuffle and a stout beat pushed even the fittest to exhaustion. The end is a bittersweet rally with laughter and excitement as the beat of the drum pushed dancers into reverse then forward back and forth until finally, the syncopated and powerful beat of the drum and warwhoops meant the end had been met.

On Friday, Oct. 13, the Ho-Chunk people came together to remind each other that Green Corn is not just a dance. It's about our survival. It's not what we grew, gathered, or hunted, it's about the work, time, love, thoughts, and sacrifice that went into our food sources. For this reason, tribal members came together in numbers to help set up the grounds behind the Tribal Office Building. Corn

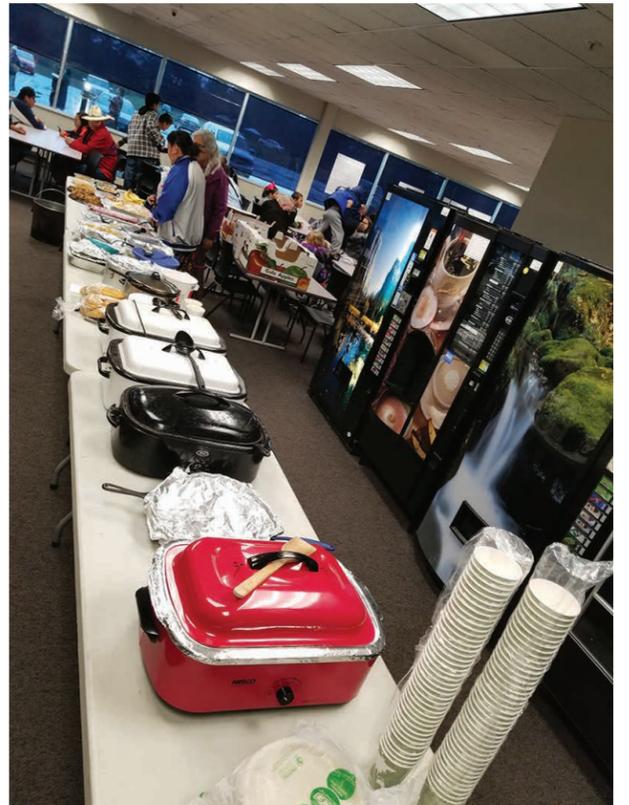
was buried the day prior in a fire pit and excavated to sample the maa wooha and its smoky sweet goodness was something to behold.

As well, an entire "how-to" for corn/squash drying took place, corn husk doll making demos and those with the right to do so made their own. Wisdom from a knowledgeable herbalist was on site and those who wished to see how to make hominy style corn was a part of the day as well. One thing that was not in short supply was food. A harvest-theme potluck preceded the dancing and a seemingly endless line of crock pots and Nescos came in filled with colorful fall food. A deer, several squash, and wild rice were donated and no one should have left hungry. This was a people-driven event made possible by donations and volunteers. There is no greater appreciation that can be expressed to all the guests, planners, presenters, growers, hunters, cooks, singers, dancers, setup/clean-up volunteers and most importantly, those who have shared a little of

their wisdom to guide us to a successful evening of fun, food, and dancing.

While some songs and stories may be gone, many are still around. As we continue this revitalized form of what once was, maybe we'll learn more as we go. One thing that hasn't disappeared is our incredible appreciation for the things our Creator has placed here for use to live even when we feel we have nothing, we have all we need just as we had in the beginning. This is something we pass to the next generation to remind them that meat doesn't always come from the butcher and vegetables, from the produce section, and that not all medicine is stored in a pharmacy. The Green Corn Dance is one of the ways to show the life these gifts give us and show our appreciation.

For this reason, we will continue. We'll see you at harvest time and be ready to dance!



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MADISON, WI
SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Vice President Doug Greengrass-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-CC
Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Carly Lincoln-P
Rep. Hinu Smith-CC
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin-P
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P
Rep. Matt Mullen-P
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-EX
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-EX

CC: Conference call

Determination of Quorum:

Quorum is established at 10:15 a.m.

Opening Prayer: President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr to approve the agenda with the TABLING under Unfinished Business E. Resolution-Trust Parcels for Brown Eagle's Descendant's S. Abangan. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Regular Legislative Meeting – September 5, 2017

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to approve the September 5, 2017 Legislative meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Emergency Special Legislative Meeting –September 11, 2017

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to approve the September 11, 2017 Legislative meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Committee Reports:

Administration Committee- September 7, 2017

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to approve the September 7, 2017 Administration Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Hinu Smith is excused.

Resolution-Authorization to Place Employment Relations Act (6 HCC § 5) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to **TABLE** the Resolution-Authorization to Place Employment Relations Act (6 HCC § 5) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Re-Establishment of Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act Work Group

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to adopt **Resolution 09-19-17 A**, Re-Establishment of Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act Work Group. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ho-Chunk Nation Language & Culture Committee Meeting Minutes-August 22, 2017

Discussion was on the process of ratification of meeting minutes and the fact that the Committee meets quarterly and actions taken at meetings. The decision is with the Language & Culture Committee to decide on how they would like to handle the ratified meeting minutes.

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to **REFER** the Language &

Culture Meeting minutes to the Administration Committee and to note the meeting minutes do not require ratification by the Legislature or the Administration Committee. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-1(Vice President Douglas Greengrass)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization to Place the Ho-Chunk Nation Emergency Disaster Assistance Act (6 HCC § 5) Out for a Forty-Five Day Public Comment

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to adopt **Resolution 09-19-17 B** Resolution-Authorization to Place the Ho-Chunk Nation Emergency Disaster Assistance Act (6 HCC § 5) Out for a Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-1(Rep. Matt Mullen)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Unfinished Business:

Office of the General Council (Standing Agenda Item)

Rep. Matt Mullen mentions that the Legislature will have to address timelines to respond to the 2017 Annual General Council resolutions and minutes that were passed. Amanda White Eagle, Attorney General will provide an opinion on the actions taken at the 2017 Annual General Council Meeting, once this is completed this will be forwarded to the Legislature.

Economic Diversification (Standing Agenda Item)

The meeting on September 25, 2017 has been cancelled. The next meeting date is to be determined.

NCIA Update (Standing Agenda Item)

Rep. Kathy DeCamp will be forwarding a request for dancers to the Finance Committee.

Hurricane Harvey Request

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to **TABLE** the Hurricane Harvey Request. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

New Business:

Indian Housing Plan 2018

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve the Indian Housing Plan of 2018. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Placing Ruxton North Property 2.9587 Acres into Trust for the Ho-Chunk Nation

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 09-19-17 C**, Placing Ruxton North Property 2.9587 Acres into Trust for the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Christmas Grant for Ho-Chunk Nation Elders, Adults and Youth

Rep. Kristin White Eagle suggests that Clint Breed, Financial Examiner, provide what the added cost and effect of the 80 additional tribal members, that weren't included in the budgeted figures, and to have this information for the Finance Committee Meeting.

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp for Clint Breed, Financial Examiner, to complete a report from July to September 2017 to see what additional funds are available from unexpended wages and to provide this information for the Finance Committee along with the Resolution-Christmas Grant for Ho-Chunk Nation Elders, Adults and Youth. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 8-1(Rep. Karena Thundercloud)-0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution-Employee Appreciation Bonus.

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to **TABLE** the Resolution-Employee Appreciation Bonus and refer to the Finance Committee. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 **MOTION**

CARRIED

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to Office of the President and Department of Justice the MOTION by Tina Brown to have the Law Enforcement Commission provide a detailed report on the specifics of their duties, capabilities, responsibilities, and who are the employees. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to HHCDA, Office of the President, and Department of Housing the MOTION by Crystal Pettibone to have the HHCDA and Tribal Housing provide a report on their procedures regarding overdoses, what is the policy on keeping the community safe from the effects of the drug problems, and what action does HHCDA take when there is an overdose. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to HHCDA, Office of the President, and Department of Housing the MOTION by Ron Anawash to have Surveillance/Security camera's installed in the Sand Pillow community. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Charles Hindsley to have WIFI for Indian Heights Community. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

CARRIED

Resolution-Establishment of Materials Management Policy and Procedures Manual Work Group

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt **Resolution 09-19-17 D**, Establishment of Materials Management Policy and Procedures Manual Work Group. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Eighth Generation Opportunity MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to **REFER** to Eighth Generation Opportunity to the Finance Committee. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 8-0-1(Vice President Douglas Greengrass) **MOTION CARRIED.**

District Meetings:

District 1-Black River Falls District Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to Office of the President and Department of Justice the MOTION by Tina Brown to have the Law Enforcement Commission provide a detailed report on the specifics of their duties, capabilities, responsibilities, and who are the employees. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to HHCDA, Office of the President, and Department of Housing the MOTION by Crystal Pettibone to have the HHCDA and Tribal Housing provide a report on their procedures regarding overdoses, what is the policy on keeping the community safe from the effects of the drug problems, and what action does HHCDA take when there is an overdose. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Ron Anawash to have Surveillance/Security camera's installed in the Sand Pillow community. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2-La Crosse District Meeting

No motions.

District 2-Tomah District Meeting

No motions.

District 2-Madison District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to Office of the President and the Enrollment Department the MOTION by Marlys Whiteagle to request a copy of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) of the Office of Tribal Enrollment, as required by the Tribal Enrollment and Membership Code (2 HCC§7) and the Office of Tribal Enrollment Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) be available by our next area meeting. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Muriel Whiteagle-Lee to approve \$5,000 dollars for an all-area TAU trip to Iowa from November 2-3, 2017 to be taken out of Charitable Contributions. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to refer to Office of the President and Department of Social Services the MOTION by Brenda Neff, to request how many students in the Madison Area were serviced with school supplies. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3-Wittenberg District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to refer to Office of the President and Veterans

Affairs the MOTION by Gloria Visintin to get a Burial Marker for Orville Brown's grave. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3-Wisconsin Dells District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Finance Committee Meeting the MOTION by Roger Thundercloud to investigate financial resources to possibly repair a dam at Trout Lake on Lot #1 Trout Lake District. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 7-0-2 (Rep. Andrea Estebo, Rep. Carly Lincoln) **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Roger Thundercloud to request \$12,000 per year for Fathers of Tradition Arts & Crafts Enhancement Classes. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: Wisconsin Rapids River Kings Jr. A Hockey Club Sponsorship. MOTION by David Decorah to deny sponsorship.

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Patricia Ennis for the Christmas bonus to be \$2,500 for 18 and above, and children \$200.

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Charles Hindsley to have WIFI for Indian Heights Community. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3-Wisconsin Rapids District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Department of Justice the MOTION by Nettie Kingsley to set a speed trailer in vicinity of Hwy. 54 to curb speeding in area and to include extra patrols. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President, Ron Hanson, Insurance Department the MOTION by Anita Naquayouma to investigate the insurance process for Elder's going to nursing homes. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and the Department of Business the MOTION by Hope Smith for expansion of a Bingo Hall, Hotel and RV Park. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President, HHCDA and the Finance Committee the MOTION by Hope Smith to have a Branch Office complete with phone, fax, and communication for area tribal member at the Community Building. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Richard Walker to go back to the old way for the YMCA-Fitness Memberships. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and the Department of Natural Resources the MOTION by Richard Walker to request DNR to assist with planting corn in the Chakh-Hah-Chee area in a pesticide free location. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: Wisconsin Rapids River Kings Jr. A Hockey Club Sponsorship MOTION by Ona Garvin to deny sponsorship.

District 3-Green Bay District Meeting

READ FOR THE RECORD: Wisconsin Rapids River Kings Jr. A Hockey Club Sponsorship MOTION by David Radtke to deny sponsorship of Wisconsin Rapids River Kings.

District 4-Milwaukee District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Teala Edwards to approve matching funds of \$2,500 going to Siggenauk Center to Father Ed., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 5-Chicago District Meeting

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Joann Maney to protect all of our relations, as we whole heartedly support the efforts to develop a policy for any tribal member who lives in an official impeding disaster area and/or an official declared natural disaster area to assist with the well-being before and after said natural disaster.

District 5-St. Paul District Meeting

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Marlene Helgemo to support the request for Kohl Miner and to refer to the Finance Committee for approval. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Break for Lunch:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to break for lunch. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 8-1(Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

12:16 p.m.

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland called the meeting back to order at 1:06 p.m.

Roll Call:

President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Vice President Doug Greengrass-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-CC
Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Carly Lincoln-P
Rep. Hinu Smith-EX
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin-P
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P
Rep. Matt Mullen-P
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-EX
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-EX

Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

1:10 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to move out of Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-0-1(Rep. Andrea Estebo) **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:54 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Andrea Estebo is off the conference call.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to adjourn the meeting and for the next Legislative Meeting to be held on October 3, 2017 at the Tribal Executive Offices in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Andrea Estebo, Tribal Secretary

Cameron Logan

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that point. I was just passing to those guys to watch them do it," Cameron said. "I was happy because my team was the best team, but my parents were concerned that I wasn't playing to my full potential."

His parents told him that the scouts were watching and he should give it his everything. His play at the showcase could affect his future a lot, they told him. After that showcase, that's when the emails started coming in from coaches.

"I was amazed at how much going to one place can get you noticed," he said. "I think the first month I had five or six colleges, all D3, contact me. It was a great start for me."

He realized that he had to get a lot better and show everyone what he could do, he said.

"This spring, I started on the varsity team. The previous year, there were enough players for two teams, but this year the numbers of players was way down. You need 10 guys to play and we had maybe 11 or 12 every game," Cameron said.

"I was basically on the field the whole game, every game. We were having one or two games every week and we were always a man down, so I got really familiar with playing defense and midfield and I even played goalie for some games, he said. "That, overall, made me have a drive for bettering our team. At the end of the day, I was the one who tried to keep everyone going, keep everyone coming to practices."

Playing every position, he didn't make a lot of goals. Since they didn't have a scorekeeper, the statistics were not recorded, which is what colleges often look at during recruitment.

Near the end of the season, Cameron was looking for a summer team to play on, trying to find the best team. After some searching, he found Team Amplify, a team run by Marquette University in Milwaukee. He knew of a couple youth on the team who also went to the Minnesota Swarm Camp.

The only thing is, financially, it was a lot of money. It was \$3,000 to play for the summer, which was a lot of commitment from his parents.

"If you want to make it to the college level, I think this is the way to go," he was told.



One of Cameron's biggest supporters and fans is his sister, Gabriella.

They didn't know there were tryouts for Team Amplify and one of the staff emailed his father asking, "Was this a mistake? You didn't come to tryouts."

To rectify the problem, they sent some video that showed Cameron making some great plays during his freshman year. As a result of those highlights, Cameron was accepted on the team. His parents drove him to Milwaukee three times a week.

"It was a great thing to see - the coaching differences, going from where your parents are coaches to college level coaches," Cameron said. "Joe Amplo, assistant coach for Team USA, was the coach for Team Amplify and coach at Marquette University, plus there were players and other coaches from Marquette."

During the first week, Cameron was overwhelmed. Training camp was morning until sunset.

"They worked us until we dropped. We would have practice for three hours, then walk about a mile and a half to eat lunch at the Marquette campus, then walk back for more practice," he said.

Team Amplify attended its first tournament in Denver, Colorado.

"It was incredible going there," he said. "I didn't know anyone, but over time, we built a lot of chemistry."

They played teams he only watched on social media. They played national powerhouses like those from Utah, Santa Monica, and Denver.

"Denver 3D destroyed us I when played with War Eagles, and now I was playing with Team Amplify. I saw how far I had come and got a boost from it. We took third place that tournament, which is pretty good," Cameron said. "The tournament wore me out."

His father, Eric, talked to the coach of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the coach was interested in Cameron playing with them. He was awestruck.

"They wanted me on their team. They wanted me to go to Tampa Bay, but because of my schedule, it wouldn't have worked out for me. Unfortunately, I had to pass on it," he said.

The tournament experience gave Cameron the experience he needed. After that, he made it onto the starting lineup for Team Amplify.

"After that, I got to know everyone on the team. We were awesome, everyone was afraid to play us. We were the team," Cameron said. "It was crazy to be saying that I was playing with them and I was starting and producing goals. I was having fun with it. That was my confidence booster."

From there, the team went to the Pipe City Lacrosse Festival in Vernon Hills, Illinois, two weeks after the Denver tournament.

"That was my shining moment. I scored many goals and helped them win a lot of games. One of the coaches said, 'I've seen guys like you play at the college level,'" Cameron said. "All these things were building up for me and it was great."

The last tournament was one Team Amplify hosted in Milwaukee. The high-scoring player on the team injured his knee, so Cameron was the player who had to run the starting attack line.

"At that point, it felt natural to me. Everything was going good. I was scoring the most goals. I was running the offense. I was in the position I've never really been before," he said.

The season ended and he still keeps in touch with the players. Most of all, it was a learning experience in a positive environment, he said.

This fall, Oneida Team reached out to him, want-



Playing goalie is one of the most difficult positions on any lacrosse team and Cameron filled that position several times with the Baraboo Lacrosse Team.

ing him to play for them. He is playing at U18 level, when he is 15.

"Going into our first tournament, I did great. I scored decent amount of goals," Cameron said. "I saw the coaches from Team Amplify at a game and they said I'm looking great and that I've progressed so much. I'm not a person who takes compliments well, but that praise has helped me out."

At that tournament, he made two or three goals each game and made the leader board.

Going forward, Cameron wants to continue to improve his abilities and continue lacrosse play at a great national university.

"Ask any athlete and he or she will say they want to be the best," Cameron said. "My passion is lacrosse. I want to have and continue the sport I love."



One of Cameron's best friends on Team Amplify is Austin Bailey, an Oneida boy from Oneida, WI.

SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
Ho-Chunk Nation CSA, State of Wisconsin and Wisconsin Kinship Care, Petitioner, v. Ashley A. Funmaker, Respondent.
Case : CSFJ 17-11

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Ashley A. Funmaker
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).

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court's mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
Ho-Chunk Nation Realty, Plaintiff(s), v. Skylar Medicine Horn, Defendant(s).
Case : CV 17-29

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Skylar Medicine Horn
You are hereby informed that you have been named a defendant in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Complaint* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Complaint* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the published issuance of this *Summons* in . See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rules 5(C)(1)(f), 6(A). Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record and provide the Court with a *Certificate of Service*. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed *can result in a default judgment being entered against you.* *Id.*, Rule 54.

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SUMMONS
(Second Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
Theodore F. Yellowcloud, Petitioner, v. Renata L. Yellowcloud, Respondent.
Case : FM 17-11

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Renata L. Yellowcloud
You are hereby informed that you have been named a defendant in the above-entitled action for divorce. This legal notice of the *Petition for Divorce With Minor Children* 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 published issuance of this *Summons* in . See *DIVORCE AND CUSTODY ORDINANCE*, Para. 3d. 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 result in a default judgment being entered against you.* *Id.*, Rule 54.

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Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

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

Please join in on the excitement when Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg hosts a Ribbon Cutting ceremony on Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 5pm on the new gaming floor. Dignitaries from the Ho-Chunk Nation will be present to take us on a journey with one building with 500

slots to its present state with over 700 slot machines, a three meal restaurant and hotel in the making. During the event, guests will be provided with complimentary appetizers from 5pm – 7pm; while supplies last as well as Cash drawings.

Here at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg our gaming floor is filled with slots and video poker machines that will keep you fully entertained with

a wide variety of themes, denominations and different styles. “There will be a dedicated area for just video poker and will include video poker progressives and more linked progressives and stand-alone progressives,” said Sean Brunette, Director of Slot Operations. He also stated, “The new gaming selections started in April of this year with the addition of 307 machines to the new Ho-Chunk Gaming

Wittenberg.” Just to name a few machines you’ll be sure to love are the Star Bar, Big 6, The Green Machine Deluxe, electronic Baccarat and Craps.

Although all wished cannot be granted, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg has listened and now acting. More video poker and keno machines? No Problem! That wish has been granted and Ho-Chunk Gaming is excited to release those machines for everyone

to enjoy. In addition, high limit games will have a designated area with many new choices and you could be the first to try one.

If you missed Bryan James, check him out from 8pm – midnight and see what all the hype was about. Mark your calendar because you are not going to want to miss the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg – experience the difference.

Native Nations Nursing Summit builds interest in and awareness of the benefits of nursing careers

Submitted by Jennifer Garrett, Native Nations Nursing Summit

Increasing diversity of the nursing workforce is the focus of the third annual Native Nations Nursing Summit, which will be held on November 15, 2017, at the Radisson Hotel in Green Bay, WI.

The free summit is for Native high school students, Native and non-Native nurses, nursing school recruiters, and all college or university faculty and staff. The theme, “a good mind, a good heart, a strong fire” reflects the values of the Oneida Nation, the event host. Participants will learn about health care in Native communities and connect with those interested in strengthening the nursing workforce. Morning sessions may be especially useful to students considering careers in nursing.

The summit is made possible through a collaboration among the University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Nursing, Native American Center for Health Professions (NACHP), and the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. (GLITC) as well as a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) nursing workforce diversity grant.

This year’s summit will also include an evening session on mentorship. Jo Ann Schedler, a retired Army nurse and member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians, says having a mentor was critical to her success.

“Maxine [my mentor] was there for me throughout my four years of college. Just knowing she was there for me was comforting. She was my advocate, guiding light, and role model who gave me honest feedback. She was the mentor who made a difference in my life and helped me reach my goal to become a nurse,” Schedler said.

Increasing the ranks of Native nurses is a priority for the School of Nursing, which recently earned a \$1.3 million HRSA grant to develop a comprehensive system of support services that will help to admit, retain and graduate 30 Native American nursing students over the next four years. The program is called

Success Through Recruitment/Retention, Engagement, and Mentorship (STREAM), and it grew in part from past collaborations with GLITC and NACHP.

“What we have learned from working closely with NACHP, GLITC, and other Tribal partners, such as Lac du Flambeau, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians, and Oneida Nation, has been invaluable to all of our efforts to grow the Native nursing workforce,” said Audrey Tluczek, associate professor at UW-Madison’s School of Nursing and the lead researcher for the STREAM effort. “Neither the summit nor STREAM would have been possible without our partner organizations, which are equally committed to developing Native health professionals and promoting health in Native communities.”

Laura Hiebing, STREAM coordinator, says, “The summit is a unique opportunity to bring together prospective Native nursing students with other practicing Native nurses, nursing professionals, and educators in a setting that fosters interaction and inquiry. Students can ask questions about how to connect with nursing programs, what to expect, and how to become involved in STREAM to access additional support. Nurses can offer success stories, inspiration, and insight on common challenges and how they overcame them. Educators can learn how to better support Native students.”

“When we collaborate and communicate directly, it helps all of us in our common goal to increase the number of practicing Native nurses,” said Hiebing. “The Summit is a wonderful way to bring people together for this purpose.”

Ninety percent of nurses in Wisconsin Tribal health facilities are white, while the vast majority of patients are American Indian. Increasing the diversity of the nursing workforce can lead to services that align with the beliefs and values of the population served. The summit will address this nursing workforce disparity by helping Native American high school students learn more about pathways to nursing and the many



career opportunities within the profession. The program will also help all participants learn ways to achieve and maintain cultural wellness throughout the circle of life and how the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin is increasing cultural awareness in health care settings.

“We wanted to include high school and other types of students in the Summit not only to generate interest in nursing but also to generate excitement around different higher educational paths that lead to nursing practice so they can plan and prepare for them,” said Mel Freitag, School of Nursing diversity officer and summit co-coordinator. The summit includes several

student-friendly activities including panels, interactive activities, and networking opportunities to help students picture themselves as nurses and future nurse leaders. According to Freitag, it is vital for students to see themselves in these roles and to engage with others from their communities who became nurse leaders.

This year’s summit expanded its focus to include pre-college students. Amy Poupert, Director of the Native American Research Center for Health (NARCH) program, saw that as a logical and obvious step to connect with more potential nurses. NARCH is a community-academic partner-

ship project between GLITC, the School of Nursing, and the UW Population Health Institute that is funded in part by the Wisconsin Partnership Program to serve the Indian Health Services Bemidji area with the goal of increasing the number of Native American health professionals and researchers through learning opportunities beginning in middle school and extending to post-graduate students.

“The great collaborative effort between all agencies and institutions strongly demonstrates our shared commitment to supporting Native students in their educational planning and goals,” Poupert said.

Visit wisc.edu/NNNS2017 for more information or to register for the free event by November 1. Attendance is limited and is expected to fill.

CALLING ALL YOUTH! YOUTH LAW DAY

Ages: 6th – 12th Grade

Date: Saturday, December 2, 2017

Location: Wa Ehi Hoci, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Time: 10:30 am – 3:00 pm.

Please be seated quietly in the main courtroom no later than 10:45 am.

Youth will attend oral arguments, share a meal with the justices and other guest speakers, learn about the court system and our laws and play some fun games! It’s going to be “Totally Lawsome!”

Registration deadline is November 20, 2017.

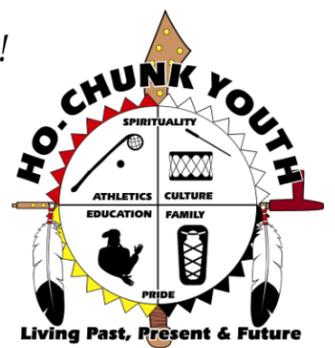
Register by phone: (715) 284-2722 (Request Clerk Lisa Peters) or

register by email: lisa.peters@ho-chunk.com

Please include: Youth Name, Grade, Contact Phone Number, Contact E-mail (optional) and Area.

Hosted by the Ho-Chunk Nation Supreme Court in conjunction with HCN Youth Services.

Hope to see you there!





THANK YOU VETERANS

REWARDS CLUB SPECIAL

NOVEMBER 11 | 8AM - 11:59PM

All Veterans that visit the Rewards Club on Veterans Day will receive \$10 Rewards Play.

All Veterans with a Military ID or DD214 are eligible for the \$10 RP.

VISIT THE REWARDS CLUB FOR DETAILS.

BINGO SPECIAL

NOVEMBER 11 | 8AM - 11:59PM

Each Veteran with a Military ID or DD214 shall receive \$5 off an Entry Packet.

SEE A BINGO REPRESENTATIVE FOR DETAILS.



WIN A TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

DECEMBER 3 | DRAWING AT 6PM

Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls is giving away a trip of a lifetime to Australia on December 3 at 6pm.

Additional entries may be earned through December 3 at Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls only.

HOT SEAT PICKS

Join us for Hot Seat drawings every Friday & Saturday from 10am - 10pm to be one of 24 winners each day to win \$100 Rewards Play and 5 drawing tickets.

VISIT THE REWARDS CLUB FOR DETAILS.

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**Notice of Vacancy and Deadlines:
One (1) Delegate and One (1) Alternate
2018-2020
For the following Districts:**

<u>District 2:</u>	<u>Number of EB Delegates</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Tomah	1	1
Lacrosse	1	1
Baraboo	1	1
Madison	1	1
<u>District 4:</u>		
Milwaukee	1	1

The terms will end December 2020.

TERMS: All Election Board Members shall serve Two (2) year terms and may serve more than one (1) term.

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for One (1) Election Board Delegate Member and One (1) Alternate to represent each District must be voted upon during your District monthly meeting in November 2017. This posting needs to be posted 30 days prior to nominating any board member.

Pending a Background, and Legislature confirmation.

12:00 PM – Friday, December 22, 2017

The following is the job description for
Election Board Members:

The Election Board shall conduct all General and Special Elections in a fair and impartial manner.

Shall notify the voters of the polling places not less than 15 days before the elections.

Shall ensure that all candidates meet the qualifications for office.

No member of the Election Board may actively campaign for the nomination, election, recall or removal of any elected official.

The Election Board shall seek to uphold to the terms of the HCN Election Code.

Two consecutive unexcused absences for duly called Board meetings shall result in automatic removal from the board unless the absent Board Member establishes to the satisfaction of the Board good cause for his/her absence.

Must be an adult enrolled Ho-Chunk tribal member.

All Election Board members shall serve two (2) years or until their successors have been chosen. Election Board Members may serve more than one (1) term.

Election Board Office
206 South Roosevelt Road
Black River Falls, WI. 54615

(715)284.8900 (715)284-8600 FAX (800)890.0583

NUTRITION BOARD MEETING

DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2017 • 10:00 AM
SITE: WISCONSIN DELLS TAU
We have a vacancy for the Wisconsin Dells Area.
Please Contact Frances for details.

Please contact: Frances Littlewolf, Nutrition Board
Chairperson for information. 715-297-4239 or
Nekoosa TAU 715-886-5199 and
Wisconsin Dells 608-253-2185

**HO-CHUNK NATION ELECTION
BOARD CHAIRPERSON
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board is seeking enrolled Tribal Members interested in serving as the Election Board Chairperson for the next two year term 2018 – 2020.

Individuals interested in serving in the capacity of Election Board Chairperson shall submit a letter of intent to the Election Board Office no later than December 22, 2017 by 12:00 pm.

Duties include:

- Shall preside over all meetings of the HCN Election Board
- Adhere to the duties and responsibilities set forth in the Amended and Restated Election Code
- Ensure all Tribal elections are carried out according to the applicable laws set forth in the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation, Amended and Restated Election Code.
- Must be available at a moment's notice to attend any matters pertaining to Election Board with the office Administrator.

Interested tribal members may submit a letter of interest with qualifying information **by December 22, 2017 by 12:00 pm to:**

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
P.O. Box 756, Black River Falls, WI 54615

**GREETINGS TO ALL THE
HO-CHUNK NATION TRIBAL MEMBERS,**

IN REGARDS TO THE HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOP), THERE IS NO LONGER A POINT SYSTEM AS OF NOVEMBER 18, 2014. THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING WILL NOW BE GOING BY THE DATE OF ORIGINAL APPLICATION. THIS WILL CHANGE WHERE YOU ARE ON THE HOP WAITING LIST.

THE HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM NEEDS TO HEAR FROM THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIBAL MEMBERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY ON THE HOP WAITING LIST. **ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGE YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER SINCE APPLYING FOR HOP.**

PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING HOME OWNERSHIP STAFF BY E-MAIL, HOUSING@HO-CHUNK.COM
POSTAL MAIL, P.O. BOX 170, TOMAH, WI 54660
TELEPHONE, 608-374-1225, ASK FOR KYLE M. FUNMAKER OR MICHELLE WINNESHIEK
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IF YOU ARE HO-CHUNK ENROLLED AND A VETERAN WITH A DD-214 WHICH MUST STATE, "HONORABLE DISCHARGE" - PLEASE SEND YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION, AND A COPY OF YOUR DD-214 TO BE PLACED IN THE VETERAN HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING VETERAN HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING HOME OWNERSHIP STAFF BY:

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Notice to creditors

Notice to creditors of the estate of Reuben Allen Hall: you have 90 days from the date of this first publication of this notice to present your claims to the personal representative, Roberta Hall, P.O. Box 765, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Only those claims so presented may be paid from the estate.



NEW HORIZONS
WISCONSIN TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE
 ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS AND CREATING NEW OPPORTUNITIES



**Annual Tribal
 Transportation Conference
 November 7-8, 2017
 Radisson Hotel and Convention Center
 Green Bay, WI**

The 2017 Wisconsin Tribal Transportation Conference is set for Nov. 7-8 at the Radisson Hotel and Convention Center in Green Bay. The annual event is sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Office of Business Opportunity and Equity Compliance, Tribal Affairs, along with the WisDOT Inter-Tribal Task Force.

This is a tremendous opportunity for state, tribal, federal and transportation construction professionals to enhance their knowledge of governmental and transportation initiatives impacting Wisconsin's 11 Native American tribes.

Sessions will include how to do business with WisDOT, transportation safety, cultural resources and preservation, and federal Indian law and tribal transportation projects.

To register, or for more information, go to the WisDOT website (www.wisdottribaltaskforce.org) or contact Agnes Fleming, WisDOT Inter-Tribal Task Force Coordinator, at (715) 558-7750 or agnes.fleming@lco-nsn.gov.

for more information go to: wisdottribaltaskforce.org

**Indian Baptist Church
 of Wisconsin Dells**

(Member of the American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin)
 N460 Hwy 12/16, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

Matthew 18:20 – For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.

*Come and join us –
 every first Sunday of the month for
 Worship and Communion Service
 10:00 a.m.*

In the near future, discussion is being made about having bible study before worship services. And Sunday school for our young.



Information provided by George Greendeer, a member of the Indian Baptist Church since Easter 1976.

*Serving the Wisconsin Dells
 Ho-Chunk Community since 1933*

Ho-Chunk Nation

Tribal Aging Unit Elder Advisory Board

District 2 (Wisconsin Dells Area) has one position open on the TAU Elder Advisory Board

- Applications and more information can be obtained/ completed at any TAU location.
- Once the candidates are nominated each district will choose its member(s) as required by the written and approved election procedures.
- The member of the TAU Board will be selected by the Elders from each of their respective Districts and/or Feeding Sites.

Elections will be held at the Wisconsin Dells TAU Monday November 13, 2017 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

TAU Wisconsin Dells
 E8863 Winneshiek Lane WI Dells, WI 53965
 (608)253-2185

**NOTICE OF 2017 GUARDIAN AD LITEM TRAINING
 (Hosted by the Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary Staff)**

December 4, 2017 through December 7, 2017

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (only until noon on December 7th)

Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court
 Wa Ehi Hoci
 P.O. Box 70
 W9598 Highway 54 East
 Black River Falls, WI 54615

What does a Guardian ad litem mean?

- A "guardian" is a person who acts to protect or help someone. "Ad litem" means "for the lawsuit." A GAL assists the Court with understanding what is in the best interests of the child or vulnerable adult.

What does a Guardian ad litem do?

- Conducts interviews and investigations to ensure children are living in safe places.
- Makes written and oral reports including recommendations to the Court.
- Keeps in contact with parents and wards of the Court.
- Reports to Ho-Chunk Nation Child and Family Services and the Court if an unhealthy situation is suspected.

Benefits to being a Guardian ad litem?

- GALs are compensated for expenses and time expended as part of their duties
- Serve the community as part of their duties.
- Foster relationships with other community members.

*Current GALs must attend at least 8 hours of the annual training to comply with the Continuing Education Requirement.

Contact the Sr. Staff Attorney by November 17, 2017 to register for the training by calling (715) 284-2722 or emailing Schuyler.Tilson@ho-chunk.com

Beading & Sewing Circle

Sharing Our Skills and Stories

When: Tuesdays- October 17th & 24th,
 November 7th, 14th & 21st

Time: 4 - 7 pm
 Where: Ho-Chunk Chicago Branch Office
 4738 N Milwaukee

Facilitated by: Mavis Blacker & Linda White

Please bring a small potluck dish

All materials provided and sponsored by:
 CPS American Indian Education Program
 Ho-Chunk Chicago Branch Office
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Color Run brings awareness to issue of domestic violence

Submitted by Tanya Kessen

The Ho-Chunk Nation Domestic Abuse Division held its 2nd Annual Color Fun Run on Saturday, October 14th beginning and ending at TOB. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and this event was created last year to bring awareness to the issue of Domestic Violence in our communities.

Futures without Violence reports that more than one in three Native women will be raped during their lifetime. In addition, a study by the Department of Justice reported that domestic violence assaults on Native women happen at rates far exceeding women of other ethnicities and assaults on Native women

are 50% higher than the next most victimized demographic.

The Ho-Chunk Nation is no exception to these statistics which is why the Domestic Abuse Division works diligently to raise awareness, by educating the community through our various events and presentations and by getting the word out that there is help available to victims and survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence.

This year's Color Run had a total of 129 runners and 24 volunteers. In addition to speaking on Domestic Violence, the staff spoke a few words to honor the late Kathryn "Sage" Montana, Domestic Abuse Advocate, who passed away April 2, 2017. Sage was extremely passion-

ate about working in the field of Domestic Abuse and enjoyed serving the Ho-Chunk people. Sage's family made the trip from the Twin Cities to be a part of the event.

Closing, by Tanya Kessen, Domestic Abuse Division Director:

The only way to end DV in our communities is to stand in solidarity with our survivors and speak out against DV until the abusers know it is not and will not be tolerated. Together our voices are strong and will be heard.

We couldn't do it without all of your support, so THANK YOU from all of us in the Domestic Abuse Division!



A memorial display was set up for Kathryn "Sage" Montana.



Kathryn "Sage" Montana's family came to the Color Run in honor of their loved one.



40th Annual

Honoring all veterans for their service and sacrifice.

VETERANS POW-WOW

PUBLIC WELCOME

Saturday Nov. 11, 2017

Program of Events:

- 11:00 AM Flag Raising
Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post129,
Welcome to post: TBA
- Noon Meal Provided by D.O.R.A.
- 1:00 PM Key Speaker: TBA
Pow-wow Grand Entry
- 5:00 PM Evening Meal Provided by D.O.R.A.

VOLK FIELD CAMP DOUGLAS, WI

Sponsored by DORA "Descendants of Red Arrow" and Friends.

HOST DRUM - THUNDERCLOUD SINGERS - OPEN DRUM
FAMILY VETERANS SONGS - TRADITIONAL GIVEAWAYS
FUNDRAISERS - DORA AUCTION, MORE INFO CALL: QUENTIN TC - 608-372-9558



In Honor Of 128th Infantry Company D 32nd "Red Arrow" Division

Alcohol/drug use is strictly prohibited. Organizers & event hosts are not responsible for any personal items or property.