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Grand re-opening of Wisconsin Dells casino, hotel observed with ribbon cutting

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A re-grand opening celebration took place at the Ho-Chunk Gaming – Wisconsin Dells facility on Friday, May 11, marking the official end of the Project Forward plan and the opening of the renovated casino and hotel.

Approximately 100 people were present for the ceremony.

Senior Manager of Public Relations David Abangan was the emcee for the ribbon-cutting ceremony, with speakers Chief Clayton Winneshiek, Senior Marketing Manager Beth Anacker, President Wilfrid Cleveland, District II Rep. Kristin WhiteEagle, District III Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Business Executive Director Robert Mudd, elder Paul Cloud, and HCG-WD Casey Fitzpatrick.

Also speaking were Wisconsin Department of Tourism Deputy Secretary Sarah Klavas, Miron Construction Vice President Tim Kippenham, and Hnedak Bobo Group (architect) senior associate Shawn Hobbs.

After the speakers concluded their speeches, a cutting of the ribbon took place to symbolize the official re-opening of the facility.

DeCamp shared a timeline with

the audience, remembering when the Ho-Chunk Nation began its business enterprises with a smoke shop in 1981, then progressed to a bingo hall with 23 slot machines. The first full casino was opened on Jan. 19, 1993, she said.

“Enter Project Forward, 37 years later from that beginning,” DeCamp said. “We are constantly growing.”

Elder Paul Cloud spoke at the ceremony, telling the story of how his family donated the land to the Ho-Chunk Nation to be developed into the present gaming and hotel facility.

“Chief Yellowthunder used to hunt in this area,” Cloud said. “I remember following the paths through the woods that our ancestors used to travel through



Helping to cut the ribbon are (from left) Kathy DeCamp, Carly Lincoln, Shelby Visintin, Kristin WhiteEagle, Robert Mudd, Wilfrid Cleveland, and Casey Fitzpatrick.

this land. It was not a deer path. I remember thinking, ‘Someone made a lot of trips through here.’”

The burial place is not far from the casino and hotel, he said.

“The spirit of Chief Yellowthunder is still here,” Cloud said.

His father was a deer hunter and dancer, a leader in the Native American Church, and a construction worker. He initially wanted to buy the land, but he was turned down by financial institutions. Finally, his funding came through, but soon he was unable to pay the property taxes because he had no income.

The Winnebago Commit-

tee decided to help him out by paying his taxes and, in return, Cloud sold the land to the Ho-Chunk (known as Winnebago at the time) for \$1.

“That opened up the doorstep to the future,” Cloud said.

He remembers one this his father said about the land and the Ho-Chunk people.

“He hit his ground on the ground and said, ‘This is going to be a gold mine someday,’” Cloud said.

Architect Shawn Hobbs said the redesign of the facility is representative of the unique and beautiful natural geography of the area, including the blue sky, the clear waters, the unique

rock formations and the rich green vegetation of the land. The walls were inspired by the horizontal layers of the bluffs in the area.

“The rich, valuable parameters of the design include all of the above,” Hobbs said.

Abangan concluded by thanking everyone and providing an itinerary of events for the weekend in celebration of the re-opening.

He said it was ironic that fireworks were planned for that evening and that it was raining, with forecasts of continued rain throughout the night, when the weather was perfect the day before and will be the day after.



Traditional Chief Clayton Winneshiek gives his blessings to the newly-remodeled facility.



Paul Cloud tells the story of how his family gave the land to the Nation.



President Wilfrid Cleveland speaks of the sacrifices the ancestors made to be able to have the casino and hotel.

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Want something special placed in the Hocak Worak? Limited space is available so send your request in early. Submissions will be handled on a first come first serve basis.

Discover the H.O.W. Fitness Center and other activities

Most of us know the H.O.W. has a pharmacy, a clinic for medical attention, a dentist for pulling teeth, and they do testing and glasses for your eyes. They also have quality meeting rooms for all occasions. And yes, there is a pool and a gym for multiple uses.

I have been going there two or three times a week, mostly to the Fitness Center and the Sauna. I am trying to give this elderly body of mine a tune up. I played a lot of basketball in my life, but I don't really know anything about the many machines you can work out on in the Fitness Center. So, I have been checking them out for the past month or so. I can already see that I am gaining strength and flexibility.

The machines they have are

amazing. Not only do they have ways of isolating individual muscles and exercising them, but the machines themselves are all like new. They keep them clean and running smooth. I have been so impressed with the professional Ho-Chunk staff who work there. They know what they are doing. They can tell you what every machine can do to different muscles in your body, and they show you how to use them. They have been well trained, and they are eager to share their knowledge and expertise with you!

Probably the best part is that the staff have such great attitudes and customer service skills. I am very impressed with all of them. Every time I ask one of them a question, they take the time to thoroughly answer my questions.

I am always glad I ask them, because I learn things I didn't know about better ways to exercise my body without hurting myself. They show you how to work with the machines, the free weights and the various bikes, step and running machines.

They also play some great tunes while you are working out, at least for this elder, a former professional musician, recording artist, and blah, blah, blah. It is a wonderful place to work out, play BB, play volleyball, swim, whirlpooling, hot sauna, doing group exercises or getting individual training. They have it all at the H.O.W. So, come on out and discover how much fun it is, and take advantage of our multipurpose building. It is there for you. All you who are Cooka

and Gaaga, they have just the thing for you to go at your own pace. It's fun, and the exercise you get will keep you moving and wanting to do more.

We all need the exercise to feel better, and it helps those of us who have diabetes, high blood pressure and other ailments.

The Hinik and Hinuk are doing it, and some Teega and Jaaji too! Lots of room for more Cuuwi and Naani to do group exercises as well as individual training or working with the cool machines in the fitness center. You can even do people watching and visit after you work out.

The security folks, the maintenance folks and the teams who manage the various areas have a dedicated leader managing the entire

H.O.W. Not only has she created this wonderfully trained and professional staff, but the H.O.W. is busy making a profit for the Ho-Chunk Nation. Who is that Ho-Chunk woman?

With a humble leader, the H.O.W. is the community center we all hoped it would be. I invite you to come workout soon and break out in a sweat in our 21st Century House of Wellness. They have something for all ages to do whether you move fast or not so fast (like me).

Pinagigi for reading this.

Respectfully,
Francis Steindorf
(Wahkanjah Hoonk)

Judge rules in favor of HCN in Meteor Timber case

By JoDee Brooke
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In January 2018, MEA (Midwest Environmental Advocates) intervened in an administrative challenge to the state wetland permit issued to Meteor Timber, LLC, (Meteor) by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). On May 4, an Administrative Law Judge ruled in favor of the HCN, MEA and Clean Wisconsin by invalidating Meteor Timber's permit.

MEA claims the judge's decision confirms the DNR did not follow the permitting process required by state law.

Meteor sought approval from the DNR for permitting to fill approximately 16 acres of wetlands to build an industrial frac sand facility. Meteor said in order for the project to proceed it would need to fill

the wetland areas so it could construct a loadout facility in Monroe County in the Town of Grant along the Union Pacific rail line, which would supply sand to a processing facility in Jackson County.

Early this year, reports stated Meteor said it intended to clearcut parcels of land if it didn't get permission to fill the wetland areas included in construction of its facility.

MEA joined the HCN in asking the Army Corps of Engineers to deny permission for the plan to fill wetlands. Concerns were also raised regarding conflicts of interest between Meteor's attorneys and Jackson County's attorneys.

"This is a significant victory for the people of Wisconsin, our pristine wetlands and the integrity of our environmental laws," MEA said in a state-

ment after the ruling. "The decision confirms the DNR did not follow the permitting process required by state law. This decision reinforces DNR's duty to protect our natural resources for the public. We will continue to defend the public's right to protection of our natural resources in the legislative, agency and judicial arenas."

"We at the Natural Resource Development Association are disappointed by Administrative Law Judge Eric Defort's decision today, and we expect Meteor Timber will continue to work toward a positive result for this much-needed project," Natural Resource Development Association (NRDA) communications director Nathan Conrad said in a release issued May 4. "The environmental and economic benefits that could be

reaped are immense, and the broad support from the local community and elected officials showcases the need for this \$75 million investment in Wisconsin's future. The United States Army Corps of Engineers has approved this

project, and with that in mind, we expect future decision makers will see all sides of the issue and come to the right conclusion."

Banner Journal's Indian Report

Printed from May 26, 1948 / Written By Charles Low Cloud

The Indian Mission school closed last week, and they had a picnic last Saturday noon and eight grades are going to see the capitol Monday and every one had a good time, see the country and enjoy themselves.

Rev. Mitchell, Whiterabbit took some young people to the North Wisconsin Synodical Youth Rally at Wausau, Wis., on Monday, May 23. Those who attended the youth rally from Indian Mission were Rev. and Mrs. Mitchell Whiterabbit, Freida O'Brien, Ellen Wilson, Geraldine Miner, Francis Thunder Cloud, Juanita Funmaker and Spence Lewis.

Rev. Mitchell and John Stacy attended meeting of the North Wisconsin on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18 and 19.

Mrs. Josephine Snake has accompanied with some boys from Wittenburg last Saturday night up to Monday noon. Amos Decorah, Melvin Decorah, Earl White, Ernest Pigeon and Frank Young, Jr.

There are some Winnebagoes working Minnesota side. They going back to work again last Sunday af-

ternoon, and as following: Gretchen Young Thunder, Edith Pettibone, Ann Pettibone, and Henry Greengrass they have been working out there for some time.

The Trempealeau County Centennial program were here May 21st, 1948, at Whitehall. They said they are all have a good time up there, about more than sixty Indians, and we will have first part next month at the Fair ground, in Black River Falls.

We thank them Jack Sprat food store gave us coffee and doughnuts last Saturday afternoon.

Last Sunday some boys come to see the ball game and they said we can not see any more than twenty people come to see them and no use to go over there next game, and some of them said may be no Indians play with them. The Indian would like to help them but never pay them what they pay rest of them.

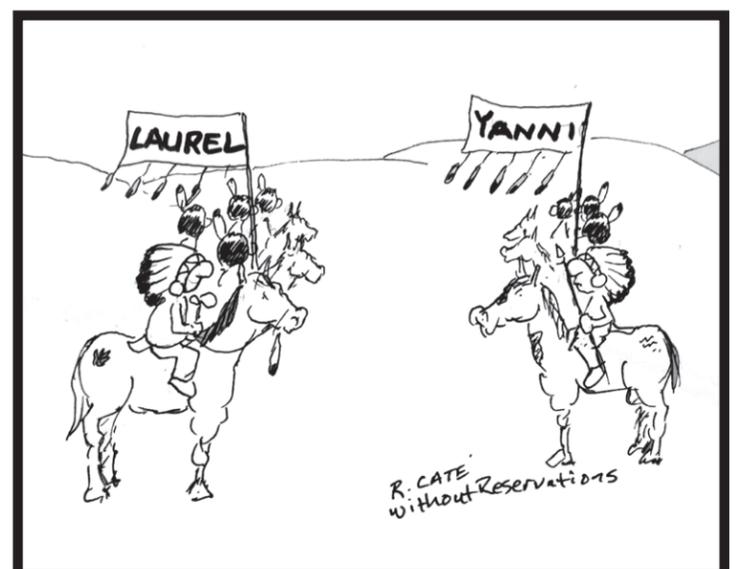
Rev. and Mrs. John Stacy of Green wood were here at Indian Mission and Rev. Mitchell Whiterabbit were out somewhere so Rev. John Stacy



preach to us at once again last Sunday. He take out of ten commandment and explain to them by the Indian language. Perhaps they are all understand what he told them.

The Indians two night dances last week Thursday and Friday, leader by Henry Thunder, Adam Thundercloud, Alex Thundercloud, and Charlie; Ely Young Thunder. Friday night come back from Whitehall gang they are all have good time until morning.

Without Reservations



Ho-Chunks gather at Red Banks for a reconciliation

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

Ho-Chunks gathered at Red Banks for a reconciliation of past injustices since Jean Nicolet first landed on the shore in 1634.

Since that time, waves of armies came through Ho-Chunk territory removing cultural identity and natural resources.

The ceremony was held at the Ho-Chunk Nation property near the Red Banks on May 4.

Joining the Ho-Chunk was Steven and Rene Springer, the co-founders of Global Presence Ministries from Madison.

Along with tribal members Sheridan Cloud, Pam Wilbur, and Traditional Chief Clayton Winneshiek, Springer organized the reconciliation ceremony.

Cloud met Springer at a Global Presence Ministries event in Madison last October, where he was told of Springer's vision.

"They were given a clear vision of a Native American Chief that was in mourn. He was standing on the banks of a lake with two soldiers on each side of him," Cloud said. "There was a dead boy in front of him. As the chief was in mourn, the soldiers were

removing his headdress."

"The Springers perceived that the dead boy represented the gross injustice done to the Native Americans of Wisconsin along with the attempted genocide. The removal of the headdress represented the removal of identity."

They asked if the Ho-Chunk Nation would be open to them coming to ask for forgiveness and repenting of the atrocities inflicted upon the Ho-Chunk Nation, he said.

"I said I believe the current leadership would be open to the idea. I talked with Chief Clayton Winneshiek, President Wilfrid Cleveland, and Legislators," Cloud said.

"Identity was lost. Injustices happened. Sheridan gave us clarity," Springer said.

"Something was supposed to happen on the Red Banks."

"The Ho-Chunk people are going to arise and erupt, and truly be the people of the sacred voice. Atmospheres in the heavens are going to change."

Springer provided apostolic oversight to regional churches and prophetic worship and prayer. That was the reason to organize this day of reconciliation, restoration, and forgiveness.

Not only is Red Banks historically important as the site

of first contact with Europeans to Ho-Chunk territory, it's the site spoke of in the Ho-Chunk origin story. Springer was told about the origin story of the Ho-Chunk.

"The Creator actually placed the Ho-Chunk on the Red Banks," Springer said.

Chief Winneshiek shared his thoughts on the occasion.

"We've lost a lot. I want the best for all the people here," Winneshiek said.

"Thank you for having these kinds of thoughts for myself, and for the Ho-Chunk people. I say this over and over; we need to get back to who we are."

Springer believes restoration is coming.

"We just want to reconcile and extend our apologies for the way that our ancestors, our forefathers, treated the Ho-Chunk Nation," Springer said.

"The injustices and innocent bloodshed that took place. We just want to ask for your forgiveness."

Springer and the other non-natives present united to say, "Will you forgive us?"

Springer explained that he is European and Ojibwa. He wanted to restore the friendship and relationship so they could move forward together as "brothers under the banner of the Creator."

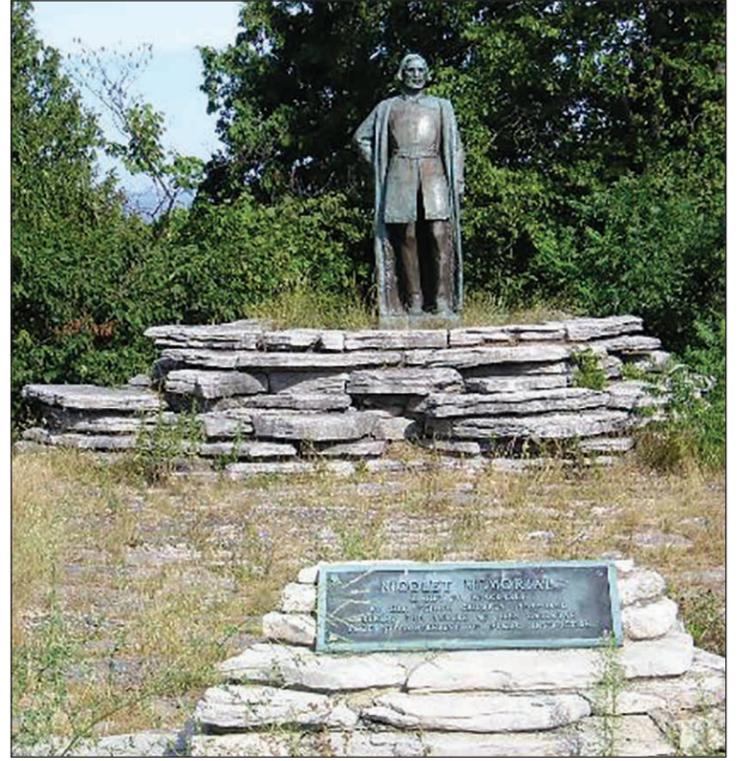
Springer shared 2 Chronicles 7:14.

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

In a gesture of restoration, Springer asked non-native veterans to remove and replace Chief Winneshiek's headdress, just as he had seen in his vision.

"We are honoring you, and replacing your identity back upon you," Springer said.

"In this season, there are dawning days. As the sun begins to breakthrough (the clouds), because the sun is always shining, the sun of righteousness will arrive with healing on his wings, healing people's hearts, and healing the land,"



Jean Nicolet Statue north of Green Bay, Wisconsin is located at Wequic Falls Park, Hwy 57. Google Images Photo

Cloud referred to the book of Romans 8 when he addressed the people.

"God let us know that the innocent blood shed was still crying out from the Red Banks. The forgiveness, extended by Chief Winneshiek and the Ho-Chunk people present, allows the land to receive healing," Cloud said.

"The Red Banks is a 'gateway' for the waters flowing to Wisconsin. In the early days, the fur traders used Green Bay as a gateway using the waterways as a road system to go into Wisconsin and to the Mississippi. What was done there affected the rest of Wisconsin."

Cloud asked John Morris to compose a song using the Ho-Chunk words, "Mauna managre cek karak'u kjane he," which translates to, "The Creator is making the land new."

Morris and his fellow singers proceeded to sing the "Chief's song," and then rendered the newly composed song.

Springer presented the Chief Winneshiek with a Pendleton blanket for his participation, and together they made offerings of rice,

salt, oil, and water on to the ground.

Springer explained the rice represented fruitfulness.

"Fruitfulness will come to the ground again. The fruitfulness is on the land. The Creator God is healing the land," Springer said.

The salt was to remove the bitterness, he said.

"We believe this is going to remove the bitterness of past injustices," Springer said.

Springer said the oil represented the presence of God.

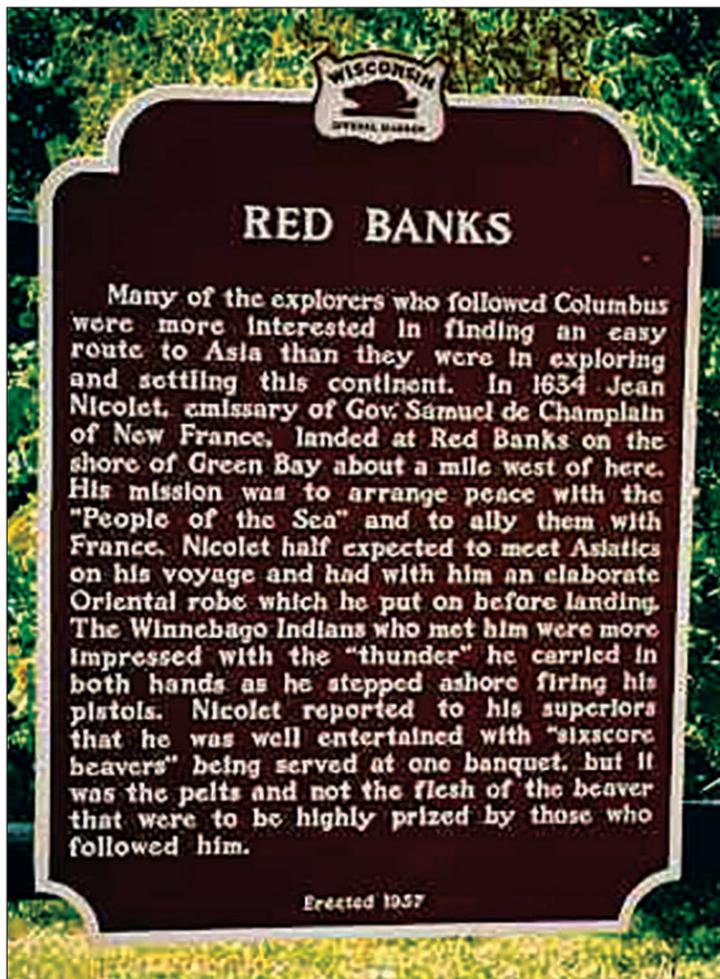
"The Almighty God, the Creator, longs to saturate the land again. It will bring healing and restoration," Springer said.

Springer explained water represents the spirit of truth.

"It's watering the land. The spirit of truth wants to pour out fresh and new," Springer said.

Morris and the singers sang the "Love One Another" song as all that were present joined hand in hand during the rendering of the song.

Finally, each of the Ho-Chunks offered tobacco out onto the lake.



A historical marker tells the story of early explorers and their contact with the Winnebago (Ho-Chunk) people. Google Images Photo

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Greengrass pinned with Purple Heart medal during birthday recognition

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

It was a surprise.

When Roy Greengrass walked into the new District 1 Community Center on Monday, May 21, he thought he was there to see his sisters.

At least that's what his children told him.

To his astonishment, the gymnasium was full of people, ready to witness the presentation of his Purple Heart medal and to join in the

celebration of his birthday.

Greengrass served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a lance corporal during the Vietnam War and was wounded in action.

"I served one year, six months and 10 days. I used to be a 'tunnel rat,'" Greengrass said. "Then I got wounded and they sent me home."

He received a Purple Heart medal but then gave it to his mother.

Several decades later, he

remembered his medal, but it was nowhere to be found.

"After she passed away the purple heart must have left with all of her belongings," Greengrass said.

Greengrass remembers being sent to the Great Lakes Naval Hospital. After he healed from his injury he went to work.

"I started walking and then I went to work on bridges," Greengrass said.

About two months ago, Greengrass asked Ho-Chunk Nation Veterans Service Office Margaret "Muggs" Garvin if he could get a replacement Purple Heart medal, having lost it many years ago.

He mentioned that his Purple Heart medal had been missing and he would like to replace it," Garvin said. "I told him I would see what I could do to get it."

Garvin filled out the necessary paperwork and had Greengrass sign the form.

"I hold him in such high regard," Garvin said. "When he sees me he is always so happy and he always gives me hugs. I think very, very much of him."

On the form, Garvin put her office address as the place it should be delivered. When it arrived, as a special favor to Greengrass, Garvin sought out someone to engrave his name on the back.

"None of the trophy sellers would do it, so when I found a guy in Tomah, I headed right over, Garvin said. Although he was nervous about doing the job, the man was successful in the engraving procedure.

Garvin contacted the family to see how they would like to present the medal to Greengrass. Murton, his son, said his father's birthday was on May 21, so it would be a great day to present the Purple Heart medal to him on that day.



Roy Greengrass displays his Purple Heart medal which he earned for his service in Vietnam.

So the stage was set. His children gathered with him to take him out for his 69th birthday. They drove by the new District 1 Community Center and encouraged him to come inside, telling him one of his sisters was inside and she wanted to see him.

Upon entering the building, he soon found out the surprise – a birthday celebration along with a special presentation of his Purple Heart medal.

"I was very emotional," Garvin said. "I was very honored to assist him in getting his medal and to help his family plan to surprise him on his birthday."

Greengrass' son, Murton, said it was great to see the community gather to honor his father.

"It meant a lot. He's my dad and he means a lot to me," Murton said.

Cameras snapping photos, Greengrass stood at attention while the Purple Heart medal

was pinned on his chest.

An honor song was sung while Greengrass and those in attendance danced around the drum group.

A meal was served afterward.

"Overall I was extremely honored to help provide vets with what they deserve. It was very heartfelt for me while touching their hearts as well," Garvin said. "So many people helped. It wasn't me alone to make this possible. I was fortunate to be in a position to be able to assist."

Greengrass will remember the day, knowing he had received recognition for the service he gave to his country and the people he loves.

"It really was a great honor to do this for him," Garvin said.



President of the Military Order of the Purple Hearts George Greendeer pins the Purple Heart medal on Roy Greengrass while past president Rodney Helgeson watches.



A wounded warrior song and dance honors Roy Greengrass.



A cake honors Roy Greengrass, one that displays his photo from 45 years ago.

Lovesee departs HHCDA amidst many hugs and tears

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Sandy Lovesee was planning to slip away. She didn't want anyone to notice as she headed out the door.

She didn't want anyone to make a big deal out of her retirement, having worked at Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development (HHCDA) for nearly 20 years.

However, what she wanted didn't matter.

The staff and committee members were not going to allow her to go without a proper goodbye. They had come to know her throughout the years of working with her and her constant care and help couldn't go without some recognition.

A surprise retirement party was held for her on Thursday, May 10, at the HHCDA office.

Her coworkers and board members gathered to give her praise for her work well done, and wish her well in the coming years.

She was honored with a plaque, a Pendleton blanket, several gifts, and many hugs and tears.

Sandy started working for the Ho-Chunk Nation in November 1992 at Rainbow Casino in Nekoosa. She worked at the casino while finishing her Associate degree in marketing and a minor in business administration from Mid-State Technical College.

She started in inventory, then cashiering, working nights to finish her degree. Then she was offered an opportunity in the Employee Assistance Program.

"I loved working with peo-

ple. People know their own answers, you need to listen, ask the right questions, have resources available, and assist in those steps to accomplish a goal," she said.

"I met so many wonderful people through the years – they changed my life. My dear friend, Roberta Decorah asked me if I would be interested in being her assistant at HHCDA. I found my second family in 1999 at HHCDA."

Sandy has been the Executive Administrative Assistant and Board Secretary for most of her 19 years at HHCDA.

"I had the pleasure of working with wonderful executive directors including Myra Price, Mark Butterfield, and Neil Whitegull. The agency is always busy meeting goals and creating new ones. The board members are incredible. I will miss all of them," Sandy said.

One of her favorite times was when a board member was absent from a meeting.

"At the next meeting, the other members kidded him about missing the last meeting. He remarked, 'Sandy didn't call and remind me,'" she said.

"The years went fast, but when you are working with a second family, it can be challenging and loving at the same time. I won't miss the deadlines but loved serving the people of the Nation. The Ho-Chunk Nation gave me an opportunity 26 years ago and I will always be thankful."

Sandy plans to spend a lot more time with her husband, Quentin Thundercloud, of 20 years, and more time with her 12 grandchildren.

"She put 150 percent into her job," said Lee Brown, HHCDA Board member. "She has been here from 7 a.m. often until 5:30 or 6 p.m. She cleans the floors, makes coffee and does the dishes, all tasks beyond her job. She's a perfectionist. Whatever she does, she's good at doing it."

Sandy gets everything ready for the meetings, she prepared all the minutes of the meetings, the motions, and policies to be worked on, Brown said. The board tries to renew policies, so Sandy looked at the existing policies and reminds them which ones need updating.

"She kept us in line. She's knowledgeable in all aspects," he said. "If we didn't remember who made a certain motion, she would go to her computer and come back with all the information."

Besides being knowledgeable about her job, she also would make a personal connection to everyone she made contact with.

"I enjoyed our talks," he said. "She's very caring and very easy to talk to."

Sandy has been an integral part of HHCDA and kept everything running smoothly. Also, her personality made everyone feel at ease and welcome.

"She's really going to be missed," Brown said.



Sandy Lovesee's last day was Thursday, May 10, when she was honored with a plaque for her work and dedication.



Sandy receives a Pendleton blanket in her honor from Gerald Cleveland while Lee Brown observes.



Offering her thanks, Sandy tells the staff and board members how much each of them means to her.

Harvest of the Month

Asparagus



Photo from DailyCal.org

What is Asparagus?

- ◆ Asparagus is a perennial plant that lasts about 15-20 years. It requires about 3 years after planting to establish permanent roots and produce quality spears for eating.

Nutrition

- ◆ Asparagus is nutrient-packed with folic acid, and vitamins A, C, and K, and only has about 40 calories per one cup serving.

Prepare

- Lightly steam fresh asparagus and serve hot or cold.
- Add sliced fresh asparagus to eggs, pasta, or casseroles.
- Asparagus can be eaten raw and tastes great with low-fat veggie dip-the thinner the stalks, the more tender the asparagus.
- Try grilled asparagus!



Community Health Nutrition Program

Roasted Asparagus

Servings: 6

- 2 pounds fresh asparagus, woody ends snapped off
- 1-2 Tablespoons olive oil or canola oil
- Coarse salt such as coarse sea salt

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Arrange asparagus in a single, uncrowded layer in a pan. Drizzle oil over asparagus and roll until evenly coated. Roast for about 15 minutes, until asparagus is well browned, shaking the pan occasionally for even cooking. Do not burn. Transfer asparagus to serving bowl and sprinkle with salt to taste. Serve immediately. 1/6th of recipe = 87 calories, 4.5 g. fat with 2 Tablespoons of oil; 0 carbohydrate choices.

New portal to help students with higher education applications

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A new website portal will make things easier for students.

Higher Education Division Manager Marcus Lewis and Computer Programmer Sam Bristol have been working together to produce the new tool to help students, both young and adults, to help advance their educations.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Higher Education Department will launch the new portal on July 1.

“The portal is designed to keep each person’s profile on file in a very secure manner. The profile will allow faster access to essential information and maintain a record of all applications and grants,” Lewis said.

The process of developing the portal started a little over a year ago.

“It will be user friendly. Feedback on the prototypes has been good,” Lewis said.

They have had a limited-term-employee (LTE) working with education to get the bugs out, Lewis said. It will be a well-season product when it comes out July 1.

The first years is a transition year, allowing them to work out everything so it performs smoothly, he said.

Security for the portal will be tight and will prevent anyone from being able to access the service, giving optimal privacy.

Because the new portal was built from scratch, it will not have the same configuration as commercial web designs, therefore not following a pattern, Bristol said. The unique nature of the design will prevent any potential hackers from being able to access the site.

“It’s really going to streamline the process,” Lewis said. “I’m excited about this. It will move us into the 21st century.”

To help the students with the application process, the portal will cut down on the amount of repetition, of having to fill in basic personal information, by using an auto-fill process, Bristol said.

“With the new tool, we’ll be able to do live updates,” Lewis said. “The students can register for school applications. It’s a tool to upload documents. Supporting biographical information. They can get a better handle on data.

The portal will keep all participating student profiles on file and will help filing grant, scholarship, and entrance applications with autofill, an automated process to fill in items such as name, address, Social Security number and other personal information.

“No one will have to fill anything out that isn’t new,” Lewis said.

Students will be able to track the acceptance or denial of scholarships or special request programs.

“It will be a document repository to manage and organize student information,” Lewis said. “They can communicate quicker, they can upload documents quicker, and they can see online if the application has been accepted or rejected quicker,” Lewis said.

They have creating student profiles for the 2017-18 school years and hope to transfer more internal documents into the service.

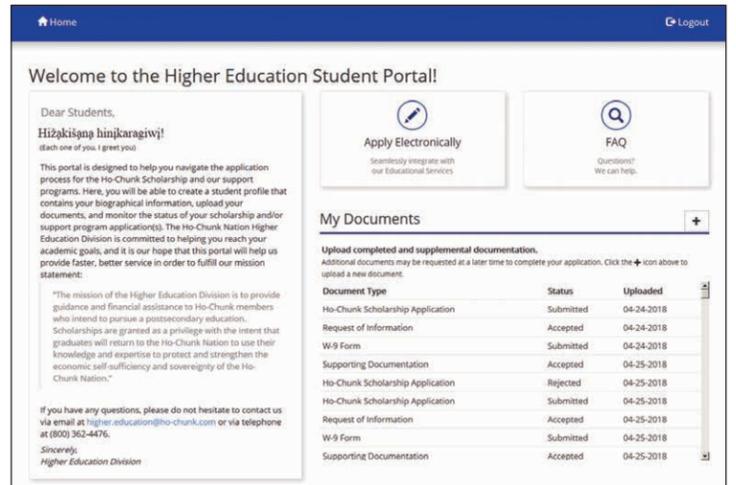
Seniors in next school year (2018-19) can begin filling out the forms and getting prepared for moving on to a university, college or technical school. Anyone who wishes to apply for higher education services can use the portal, regardless of age.

To get the word out, Lewis and other Higher Education staff plan to announce the service to Ho-Chunk members in the Area meetings and by mailing out fliers to students via the mail.

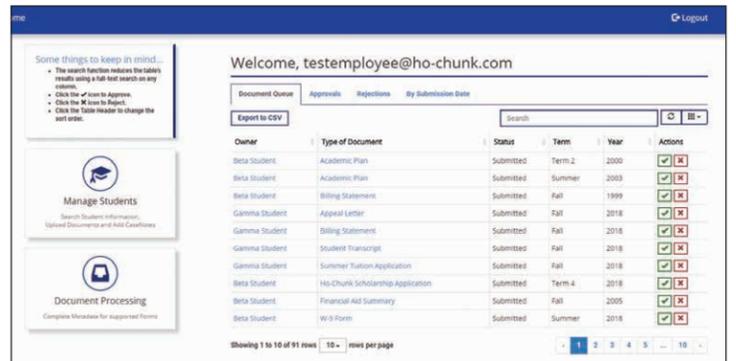
The IT staff also is developing a mobile version of the portal so it can be used effectively on handheld devices, such as smart phones and electronic tablets.

As the portal is utilized and its advantages become apparent, the rest of the Education Department will be developing a portal for pre-kindergarten through grade 12 portal.

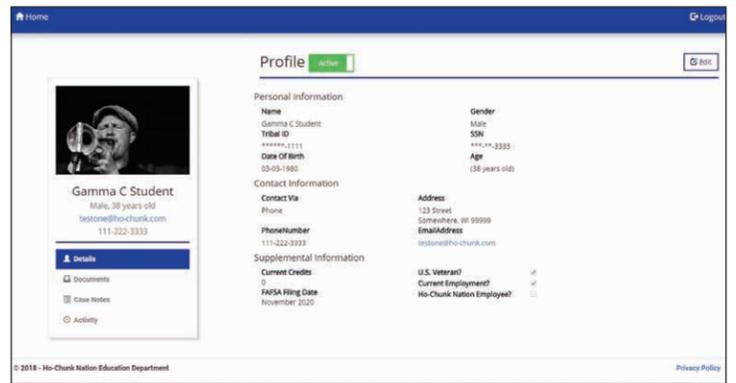
“It’s very exciting,” Lewis said.



This is the Student homepage. Here, students can upload already completed documentation to their profile, or fill out forms electronically.



This is the Employee homepage. Here, employees can review, approve and reject student documentation.



This the Student Details page for Employees. Here, employees can review and submit student information related to their business needs.

Ho-Chunk cultural site visited by high school students

Our First Nations Studies students spent last Wednesday morning hiking at Silver Mound. Silver Mound is 12 miles northwest of Black River and has a fascinating ancient history. The area was a quarry of sorts and archaeologists have been doing field work there for a long time. Ancestors of the native people

of our region, as well as native people from many other parts of the country, came to Silver Mound because of the particular rock that was present that was especially good for the various tools needed for their day to day survival. We were able to see the Dwyer Rockshelter and also some of the rock art left

by indigenous people. Thanks to Bill Quackenbush of the Ho-Chunk Cultural Preservation Department and Jean Dowiasch of the Mississippi Valley Archaeological Center at UW-LaCrosse for working with our students to bring history alive!

This is our 4th year of offering First Nations Studies at

BRFHS. Our program is affiliated with UW-Green Bay’s First Nations Studies Department and students earn dual credit while taking the class. Thus far, more than 130 students have completed the curriculum which focuses on the history of the Ho-Chunk people and the shared local history of the Black River re-

gion. In addition, all students trace their ancestry to see the native and non-native stories in comparative fashion. The class is taught by History teacher Paul Rykken, who is an adjunct instructor with UW-Green Bay’s First Nations Department.



Bill Quackenbush tells the ancient history of the Ho-Chunk people to the Black River Falls high school students.



Sandpillow Head Start celebrates another successful school year

Tim Wohlers
Staff Writer

The Puzaki Pei Cinak Head Start held its graduation ceremony in Black River Falls this month, to recognize the dozen or so students who have now completed the two-year program.

Commencement took place May 11, at the new District 1 Community Center.

“This is our end-of-the-year celebration,” said Center Director Gina WhiteEagle. “We always celebrate the last day of the school year. Some of the children will be going into kindergarten next year, so we hold a graduation for them.”

Graduates donned the customary caps and gowns before walking across the stage to receive their certificates, and shaking hands with all the instructors.

The event would mark an end to pre-K, and beginning of elementary school for 13 young scholars.

“They’re done with Head Start,” WhiteEagle said. “Now, they’ll be going into kindergarten. That’s what our end-of-the-year celebration

is all about – getting families together, to celebrate their children’s achievements.”

Also taking part in the ceremony were six first-year students who will be returning in September. Each of them received a one-year certificate acknowledging his or her accomplishments.

One returning student was four-year-old Kendrick Coon.

“He’s an undergraduate,” said Coon’s placement father Devin Funmaker. “He’ll be coming back next year for pre-K. But in October, he’ll go back to his parents and I won’t have a child at Head Start anymore.”

Funmaker said that the Head Start program has had a dramatic effect on his child’s development. Prior to his enrollment at the school, he was dependent and withdrawn.

However, everything changed over the course of his instruction.

“The first day of school,” Funmaker said, “he didn’t want to go. He just hung onto us and cried. Now, things are a lot different. He wants to go to school, and gets ready



The 2018 graduating class performs a song in the Ho-Chunk language for their friends and families.

by himself. He talks more, too, because he had a speech therapist come in and work with him all the time.”

Other parents would share similar stories about their own child. Like Funmaker, many attributed their kid’s progress to the education they received from Head Start and its teachers.

For her part, the director thanked the Ho-Chunk Nation for helping fund the program.

“I’m really glad we have this here,” WhiteEagle said. “It makes a huge difference, and you can see it in the difference between one of our first-year students and a kindergartener who graduated from the program. That’s why I think it is so important.”

Kendrick’s father agreed. “Whatever they do there,” Funmaker said, “they need to keep doing it – because

they’re doing a really good job.”

WhiteEagle said the next school year would begin Sept. 4, and that any parent inter-

ested in enrolling one of their kids at the Sandpillow Head Start should contact a school administrator.



A graduate shakes hands with one of the instructors at Puzaki Pei Cinak Head Start, in Black River Falls.



Center Director Gina WhiteEagle displays a plant she was gifted by one of the graduating students.

Sacred Heart Buffalo celebrating banner season

The Sacred Heart Buffalo boys basketball team is celebrating new-found success in a new gymnasium

By Rob Vanstone, Regina Leader-Post

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The 2017-18 Sacred Heart Buffalo lit up the scoreboard, whereas the old one once fell off the wall.

The boys basketball team at Sacred Heart Community School recently punctuated a banner season by winning the Regina separate elementary schools title — in a new gymnasium.

“It was full,” says school principal Dave Magnusson, flashing back to the March 20 city final. “All the bleachers were packed with staff and students and family members. The gym was loud and it was rockin’. It was a pretty neat atmosphere.”

Especially when contrasted with the team’s previous environs.

The school’s original gymnasium was condemned five years ago, after the aforementioned scoreboard catastrophe.

“You could see the light of day through the wall,” says Magnusson, who coaches the

boys basketball team with Dan Koskie.

“And one of the lights fell from the roof.”

Between gymnasiums, the school improvised as far as a sporting facility was concerned.

“We cleaned out the old Sacred Heart church and the boys practised there,” Magnusson says. “We used two portable basketball nets. The surface was a snap-tile floor.

“We didn’t have any home games for five years for basketball, because the court just wasn’t big enough and wasn’t conducive to having a game there.”

The makeshift facility was dubbed the “chym” — a combination of “church” and “gym.”

Resourcefulness was no longer necessary late in the 2017-18 season, when the new gymnasium opened just in time for a March 1 playoff game.

Nineteen days later, again on home court, Sacred Heart defeated the St. Gabriel

Guardians 67-60 in the city final.

“It was once in a lifetime,” says Jalen Funmaker, one of the players. “It was probably the best night of my life.”

On that evening, Sacred Heart won its first sports championship since the 1986-87 academic year.

“We had to bring one back for Sacred Heart,” says another player, Victoire Tumba.

“When you win something for the first time in 31 years, now you know that you can win other things,” Koskie notes.

The long-awaited conquest was celebrated during the school’s 80th year.

“This has been good for the school in the sense of helping to establish our identity as a school and a culture of being successful,” Magnusson says.

“Our future looks good. To be able to put up a banner right away in a new gym is pretty special for the kids and the community.”

Located in the North Central area, near Scott Colle-

giate, Sacred Heart has 436 students — 75 per cent of whom are First Nations. Another 22 per cent are from immigrant families.

“For the school and for North Central or for our community, it’s a chance to celebrate success,” Magnusson says.

“We help (the players) out in any way that we can and provide that opportunity for success for them.”

The school’s Dream Broker, Alyssa Strasser, has also played an instrumental role in the team’s success by helping the players with finding funding to help them pursue their interests. Dream Brokers is a Sask Sport Inc. program that helps inner-city youth participate in athletic, recreational and cultural activities.

The emphasis on culture is evident upon entering the new gym, which highlights the school’s logo — a buffalo — at centre court.

“It gives us that sense of pride and sense of ownership,” Magnusson says. “It

became a centrepiece for the boys.”

For the playoffs, the boys’ basketball team consisted of nine players. Funmaker, Tumba, Jomel Bacor, Dettrius La Rose and “Big X” (whose full name cannot be published for privacy reasons) are in Grade 8. Legacy Kahnapace, Frankie Clampitt, Nymuel Pujanes and John Nepomuceno are Grade 7 students.

“Playing here with these guys was a lot of fun,” Tumba says. “We worked together, as friends and family, and our coaches helped us as a team.”

“We’re all friends,” Funmaker agrees, “and we all love each other as brothers.”

“And we trust each other,” La Rose adds.

It all added up to an historic season for the Buffalo of Sacred Heart.

“Anytime you win a championship, you have that enduring bond with your teammates,” Magnusson says. “It’s something you remember for the rest of your life.”

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY
BUILDING
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
APRIL 4, 2018**

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P Vice President Doug Greengrass-P

Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Carly Lincoln-P(10:44 a.m.)

Rep. Hinu Smith-P
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin-EX
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-EX
Rep. Matt Mullen-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-P
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-CC

Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-EX

CC: Conference Call
Determination of Quorum: Quorum is established at 10:11 a.m.

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

Approval of Agenda: MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve the agenda to hear the Census Presentation after the approval of the previous Legislative Meeting Minutes and adding under District Meeting minutes; B. D5 Request. Seconded by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 7-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Legislative Meeting – March 20, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to approve the March 20, 2018 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 7-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Census Presentation

The Ho-Chunk Nation President requested Mr. Bob Kruschke, IT Department, to give a presentation to the Legislature on accessing information from the Census. Discussion focused on the information remaining with the Executive Branch and accessing only information on an as needed basis. The Executive Branch plans to turn over the database to a designee within the Legislative Branch.

Committee Reports: Special Finance Committee-March 21, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve the March 21, 2018 Special Finance Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 7-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Housing Committee-March 22, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve the March 22, 2018 Housing Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 7-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Health, Social Services & Insurance Committee-March 22, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to approve the March 22, 2018 Health, Social Services & Insurance Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 7-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Development Committee-March 27, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to approve the March 27, 2018 Development Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Project Forward Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls Miron Construction Change Order #5

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 A, Project Forward Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls Miron Construction Change Order #5. Second by Vice President Douglas Greengrass. 3-2 (Rep. Robert TwoBears, Rep. Andrea Estebo)-2(Rep. Carly Lincoln, Rep. Matt Mullen) MOTION CARRIED.

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. on the conference call. Rep. Kristin White Eagle returns.

Finance Committee-March 28, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to approve the March 28, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 8-0-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) MOTION CARRIED.

Oneida Nation 2018 Share the Care Cancer Conference Budget-Greg Blackcoon

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to approve the Oneida Nation Community 2018 Share the Care Cancer Conference with a budget for 40 rooms and the amount not to exceed \$8,408.80, encouraging elders to double up on rooms, this amount excludes meals and transportation, with the amount to come out of the Elder Assistance Fund. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 6-3 (Rep. Carly Lincoln, Rep. Matt Mullen, Vice President Douglas Greengrass)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment to Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to TABLE the Appointment to the Trust and Investment Committee agenda item for the next Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Special Finance Committee-March 29, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to approve the March 29, 2018 Special Finance Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 8-0-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) MOTION CARRIED.

Rep. Kristin White Eagle out of the room.

Unfinished Business: Office of General Council

*Note - Past billings will go to the Finance Committee.

Economic Diversification

A potential date for the next meeting will be during the second week in May.

Budget Modification CFS/ICW/Clan Mother

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to TABLE the CFS/ICW budget modification. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln 7-0-2 (Vice President Douglas Greengrass, Rep. Kristin White Eagle) MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Quick Passage to Amend the Tax Code Regarding the Alcohol Beverage Tax

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to TABLE the resolution-Quick Passage to Amend

the Tax Code Regarding the Alcohol Beverage Tax. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Acceptance of Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency Annual Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2017

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 B, Acceptance of Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency Annual Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2017. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorization for the Department of Personnel to Submit an Application for the 2018 Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD) to Develop a Ho-Chunk Nation Young Leaders' Initiative Project

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 C, Authorization for the Department of Personnel to Submit an Application for the 2018 Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD) to Develop a Ho-Chunk Nation Young Leaders' Initiative Project. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 7-1(Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.)-1(Rep. Andrea Estebo) MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorization for the 2018 Application Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Hocak First Listeners' Project

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 D, Authorization for the 2018 Application Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Hocak First Listeners' Project. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorizing the Nation's Department of Heritage Preservation to Fund-Raise for the Development & Program Implementation of the Cho Wa Re Ja Museum & Cultural Center

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 E, Authorizing the Nation's Department of Heritage Preservation to Fund-Raise for the Development & Program Implementation of the Cho Wa Re Ja Museum & Cultural Center. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Amendment to the Agenda

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to amend the agenda to hear the Heritage Preservation on GPR funding. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Heritage Preservation on GPR Funding

Bill Quackenbush, Historic Preservation Officer, was on hand to address the GPR Restricted Account Funding and the plans slated for this account. Jon Greendeer, Executive Director of Heritage Preservation was also present to speak on the plans and use of those funds.

Resolution-Per-Capita Declaration for May 1, 2018.

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 F, Per-Capita Declaration for May 1, 2018. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Consent to BIA Fiscal Year 2018 Tribal Priority Allocation

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 04-04-18 G, Consent to BIA Fiscal Year 2018 Tribal Priority Allocation. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Break for Lunch

MOTION by Vice President Douglas Greengrass to break for lunch until 1:30 p.m. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

12:51 p.m.

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P Vice President Doug Greengrass-P

Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Carly Lincoln-P
Rep. Hinu Smith-P
Rep. Kristin WhiteEagle-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin-EX
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-EX
Rep. Matt Mullen-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-P
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-CC
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-EX

CC: Conference Call
District Meetings:

District 4 Area Meeting:

READ FOR RECORD: MOTION by Hazel Guerrero to support Peacemaker Project.

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer the MOTION by Kay Beverly to put Yoga and Herbal workshop classes for Area 4 in the HHCDA IHP budget for 2018. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln.

9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Ruth Yellowthunder to sponsor Richie and Chris Byhre baseball teams for the amount of \$2,000 to each team totaling \$4,000 to Prospects Baseball Academy. This was address in the Finance Committee.

D5 Request

Ciara Johnson attends Columbia University in New York City, NY. She is requesting matching funds to assist the BuildOn Organization. The team is building a seventh school in Nicaragua. The request is to assist with matching funds towards the Tribal Member's request.

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve up to \$1,500 matching funds out of Charitable Contributions for the BuildOn Organization. Funds to match Ciara Johnson's amount of \$1,500. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. MOTION AMENDED, to approve \$1,500 matching funds out of D5 Community Improvement Funds. Second Concurr. 7-0-2 (Rep. Carly Lincoln, Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

Conference Approvals: WEWIN 2018 National Conference

As an fyi, the Warrior Women: Her Power to Ignite Conference at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino Milwaukee, Wisconsin on July 29-August 1, 2018.

National Leadership Development Conference

As an fyi, the National Leadership Development Conference will be at Grand Casino Hinckley, Minnesota on June 18-20, 2018. The code "Lori" is used to receive a discount.

Amendment to the Agenda

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to amend the agenda to add Annual Economic

Development and Investment Conference. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 8-1 (Vice President Douglas Greengrass)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Annual Economic Development and Investment Conference

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve four Legislators to attend the Annual Economic Development and Investment Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona, May 9-10, 2018. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. MOTION AMENDED, to approve all Legislators to attend. Second Concurr. MOTION AMENDED, to approve four Legislators to attend. Second Concurr. 8-1(Rep. Carly Lincoln)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Session: MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

2:04 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to move out of Executive Session. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

4:57 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Release to Open Session

Lynwood Properties

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to have Legislative Counsel draft a resolution for the next Legislative Meeting for a true increase from the Nation's reserves, to fund the Lynwood Restricted Account for the Hard Court Expansion in the amount of the lowest bid for all five elements and to release to Open Session. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 8-1(Rep. Robert TwoBears)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

NICOA Conference

Note: Discussion was to refer the NICOA Conference to Open Session.

Rep. Andrea Estebo was looking for clarification on the NICOA Conference and status update from the Executive Branch.

Rep. Andrea Estebo out of the room.

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to TABLE the NICOA Conference funding request until the next Legislative Meeting until the Treasurer can provide an updated report on the uncommitted and unexpended funds. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 7-0-1 (Rep. Kristin White Eagle) MOTION CARRIED.

Rep. Andrea Estebo returns.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Karena Thundercloud to adjourn the meeting and for the next Legislative Meeting to be held on April 17, 2018 at the Husch, Blackwell, LLC in Madison, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Andrea Estebo, Tribal Secretary

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
HUSCH, BLACKWELL, LLC
MADISON, WI
APRIL 17, 2018**

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

Determination of Quorum:
Quorum is not established at 10:15 a.m.

Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

Roll Call:
President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Vice President Doug Greengrass-P (12:35)
Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Rep. Karena Thundercloud-EX
Rep. Carly Lincoln-P
Rep. Hinu Smith-P
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin-P
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P
Rep. Matt Mullen-P (11:18 a.m.)
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-P
Rep. Robert TwoBears-P
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit -EX

Determination of Quorum:
Quorum is established at 10:43 a.m.

Opening Prayer:

President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve the agenda as amended to **TABLE** the District 1-Black River Falls District Meeting minutes. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Legislative Meeting Minutes

Legislative Meeting –April 4, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve the April 4, 2018 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 6-0-2 (Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Committee Reports:

Administration Committee-April 5, 2018

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to approve the April 5, 2018 Administration Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 6-0-2 (Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Unfinished Business:

Office of General Council
No update. Note: Some kind of direction was requested on paying past due bills.

Economic Diversification

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to **TABLE** the Economic Diversification agenda item. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Budget Modification CFS/ICW/Clan Mothers

MOTION by Rep. Shelby Visintin to **STRIKE** the Budget Modification CFS/ICW/Clan Mothers from the agenda. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Alcohol Tax

Michael Murphy, Legislative Counsel mentioned a follow

up on information from the Department of Business will need to be completed. This will be on the agenda for an update at the next meeting.

NICOA Update

Rep. Matt Mullen arrives at 11:18 a.m.

Members from the Elderly Advisory Board were at the Legislative Meeting to address the pros and cons for approving the request.

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to **TABLE** the NICOA Conference item until the next Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 8-1 (Rep. Matt Mullen)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. out of the room.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to **REFER** the NICOA Conference to the Office of the President and the Planning Department to prepare a report based on the elder needs and demographics for the next Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 7-0-1 (Rep. Matt Mullen) **MOTION CARRIED.**

TAU Policy

Part of the discussion on the policy is to make the policy comparable for the forms of energy use besides propane.

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. returns.

Executive Session

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-1 (Rep. Andrea Estebo)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

12:25 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to return to Open Session. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. **MOTION RESCINDED. SECOND CONCURS.**

Vice President Douglas Greengrass arrives at 12:35 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to return to Open Session. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

12:45 p.m.

Rep. Carly Lincoln out of the room.

Resolution-Appointment of Cameron Savage to the Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 04-17-18 A**, Appointment of Cameron Savage to the Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Break for Lunch

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to break for lunch. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 3-6 (Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Vice President Douglas Greengrass, Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr., Rep. Andrea Estebo, Rep. Shelby Visintin, Rep. Matt Mullen)-0 **MOTION DEFEATED.**

Rep. Carly Lincoln returns.

Break for Five Minutes

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to break for five minutes. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

12:48 p.m.

New Business:

Resolution-Request for the Nation's Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan To Include an Updated Road List In the Annual Submission of the Long Range Transportation Plan to BIA

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to adopt **Resolution 04-17-18 B**, Request for the Nation's Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan to

Include an Updated Road List in the Annual Submission of the Long Range Transportation Plan to BIA. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo.

10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Request to the Bureau of Indian Affairs To Update the Ho-Chunk Nation's Long Range Transportation Plan

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to adopt **Resolution 04-17-18 C**, Request to the Bureau of Indian Affairs To Update the Ho-Chunk Nation's Long Range Transportation Plan. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Wisconsin Department of Transportation Inter-Tribal Task Force 2018 Partnership Agreement

MOTION by Vice President Douglas Greengrass to adopt **Resolution 04-17-18 D**, Wisconsin Department of Transportation Inter-Tribal Task Force 2018 Partnership Agreement. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Transfer of Funds to the Lynwood Restricted Account

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to adopt the resolution Transfer of Funds to the Lynwood Restricted Account (Hard Court Bids). Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. **MOTION RESCINDED. SECOND CONCURS.**

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to adopt **Resolution 04-17-18 E**, Transfer of Funds to the Lynwood Restricted Account (Hard Court Bids). Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 7-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears)-2 (Rep. Matt Mullen, Rep. Andrea Estebo) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Madison Area Technical College (MATC) Campus Building Project

Rep. Kristin White Eagle mentions a motion was made to refer the funding request to the Legislature along with an MOU. She would like to keep on the agenda. The President of Madison Area Technical College is proposing naming of a room, discussion was making students feel comfortable and some acknowledgement through cultural presence. This could be through art work and something through the students and alumni. The President is working on his proposal and this needs to go before the school board. Once the approval goes through that would be forwarded to Legislature and at that time the Legislature can decide what they would like to assist with based on what they propose.

Veterans Administration Memorandum of Understanding & Ho-Chunk Nation Housing Shelter Agreement

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to release to the Veterans Department the Ho-Chunk Nation Shelter Agreement to assist in finalizing the Veterans Home Loan Program. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District Meetings:

District 2 LaCrosse Area Meeting:

No motions.

District 2 Tomah Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to refer to the Finance Committee, and the tribal member who may have one, the **MOTION** by Stephanie Bgay, to purchase a new PA system for the Tomah Youth and

Learning Center, a portable PA system. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2 Madison Area Meeting:

Discussion was having an Owner's Representative's Meeting. This could be added to the next Legislative Meeting to request an Owner's Representative Meeting for a specific issue.

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to Legislative Counsel, Vice President and the Legislative Liaison to add to the next Legislative Meeting the **MOTION** by Marlys Whiteagle that the Legislature review Rep. Matt Mullen's liaison to the Twelve Clans, Inc. To look at reporting on financials or replacement as a liaison, lack of reporting, and want accountability. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to the Department of Business, Office of the President the **MOTION** by Marlys Whiteagle, to check into software that would have capability and research the rewards play points to be communicated between all Ho-Chunk Gaming Casinos. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to HHCDA, the **MOTION** by Joy Thompson-Bonanno, to have the Dane County area added to the HHCDA's Spring Clean Up List for the housing property sites in Dane County and a drop-off and pick-up at the Madison Branch Office. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to Finance Committee the **MOTION** by Muriel Whiteagle-Lee to make a charitable contribution of \$20,000 for The Cap Times Idea Fest. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 2 Baraboo Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to refer to the Finance Committee the **MOTION** by Patrick Day to support LEAF's request for financial grant funding of \$21,000 for 2018. Robert Mobley added to the motion that the LEAF presentation and request be presented to all district meetings for support from the Ho-Chunk Nation since this involves all of our Ho-Chunk communities. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to refer to the Finance Committee the **MOTION** by Jon Warner to support the funding of \$1,000 for the area JOM recognition gift and a graduation banquet for all school districts senior students that are a part of this D2 JOM Program. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: **MOTION** by Rebecca Davis to support two elders from each district and the Elder Advisory Board to attend the NICOA Conference. To support the original motion made at Legislative Session for 24 elders to go to the NICOA Conference. **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to confirm Denise Smith to the Law Enforcement Commission. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to refer to Legislative

Counsel, Office of the President, Social Services Department and the Health Department the **MOTION** by Elena Terry to invite Attorney Justin L. Winch of Winch Law Firm of Washington State to come and make a presentation to Ho-Chunk Nation with the work they are involved with in other native communities with the Opioid problems and litigations. Town Hall setting for Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to confirm Gladys Ebata to the Health Advisory Board for District 2 Baraboo. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to confirm Eric Thunder to the Election Board for District 2. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3 Wittenberg Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President the **MOTION** by Lorenzo Funmaker to request an individual from finance to elaborate on the finances at the next Area Meeting. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President, Veterans Affairs Office the **MOTION** by Gloria Visintin to request a wall at the Siga Funmaker Community Center dedicated to all Ho-Chunk Veterans in District 3. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and the Finance Committee the **MOTION** by Lanette Walker for funding to purchase two computers and one printer/scanner, hardware, and supplies for community use at the Siga Funmaker Community Center. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Office of the President, Department of Health, Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency the **MOTION** by Errol Whitewing to have the Ho-Chunk Nation repair Boyce Lane. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3- Wisconsin Dells Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and Department of Justice the **MOTION** by Robert Funmaker, Jr. to have the Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department work only in Jackson County until the Ho-Chunk Nation Law Enforcement coverage can be implemented Nationwide. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency the **MOTION** by Robert Funmaker, Jr. for HHCDA to make a presentation on the Allen Property Duplexes at the next area meeting. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: **MOTION** by Roger Thundercloud that William Greendeer speak on the Rights of Nature

at the next area meeting, May 15, 2018, and to talk about Resolution 9-17-2016-05.

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Legislature the MOTION by Robert Funmaker, Jr. to approve Compact Deducts at District 3 area meetings. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. **MOTION RESCINDED. SECOND CONCURS.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Robert Funmaker, Jr. to approve Compact Deducts at District 3 area meetings.

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Office of the President, Realty Division the MOTION by Robert Funmaker, Jr. to have all pertinent information to Sauk County AG leases brought to the next area meeting. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 3 Wisconsin Rapids Area Meeting:

READ FOR RECORD: MOTION by Hope Smith to request a Branch Office, Hotel, Bingo Hall, and RV Park.

Rep. Hinu Smith is out of the room.

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to the Tribal Coordinating Planning Committee, Office of the President the MOTION by Leonard Walker to approve the proposal for funding of \$6,100. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Lot Smith II to have an inquiry about why the Gaming Commission takes so long to approve gaming licenses.

Rep. Hinu Smith returns.

District 3 Green Bay Area Meeting:

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by David Radtke to recommend rescinding the motion by Teala Edwards "To not have the TAU Elder Advisory Board Meeting minutes disseminated to the public (only board, Legislature & internal departments)".

District 4 Milwaukee Area Meeting:

FYI: MOTION by Hazel Guerrero FOR A "BEST BUSINESS IDEA CONTEST"

Purpose: To help diversify the Ho-Chunk Nation's reliance on casino revenues.

How: An Annual "Best Business Idea Contest" for Ho-Chunk General Council Members.

~ Limit of one business suggestion per GC Tribal Member

~ Idea limited to one typed paragraph with 200 characters or less.

~ Run same contest annually.

~ Contestants register using last 4 of tribal ID versus personal name.

~ Mail room opens envelopes with "Contest" written on envelope and gives original Contest Idea to Legislators.

Suggestions on how to implement idea:

~ Any General Council Member can make a motion at their Branch Meeting for "Best Business Idea Contest," have someone second it, vote on it with the intent of it going forward to all Legislators;

~ The "Best Business Idea Contest" will be placed on Legislature Agenda and presented by the applicable Branch Legislator(s), voted on, then if approved:

1) Legislature can form a "Best Business Idea Contest"

Special Committee to organize the contest. Legislators can coordinate the contest, work with our Business Department to implement the contest, provide necessary funding, and assist with implementing results.

2) Legislature can provide funding to implement the contest and to provide \$10,000.00 contest prize money for contest winner.

3) Legislature can provide funding for the Business Department to form a Task Group to select the winning "Best Business Idea Contest" for 2018.

4) Legislature can provide funding for the Business Department's Task Group to develop the "Best Business Idea" into a formal business plan in concert with the contest winner.

5) The Task Group can then present the business plan to the Legislature, the Legislators can vote on implementing the business idea, and if approved, the Legislators can provide the predetermined funding listed in the business plan to startup the Ho-Chunk Nation's new business.

District 5 Chicago Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to refer to Legislative Counsel the MOTION by Kent Kirkwood for Legislature to study the proportional representation and to make it clear that it is separate from redistricting. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District 5 St. Paul Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to refer to the Finance Committee the MOTION by Laura White Eagle to donate \$5,000 to the American Indian Cancer Foundation. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD: MOTION by Mark Stroessner for the Minneapolis/St. Paul area to strongly support the continuation of the Peace Maker Project.

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to refer to Community Relations Committee and follow up with the Finance Committee on Option 2, \$3,000 for the Minnesota Soccer League Ticket Request for the Indigenous Heritage Day on May 12, 2018. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. MOTION AMENDED to refer to Finance Committee. SECOND WITHDRAWS. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2nd Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:18 p.m.
Rep. Shelby Visintin and Rep. Kristin White Eagle excused from the meeting during Executive Session.

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to move out of Executive Session. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

8:14 p.m.
MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment: MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adjourn the meeting and for the next Legislative Meeting to be held on May 8, 2018 at the District 1 Community Center in Black River Falls,

Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Andrea Estebo, Tribal Secretary

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
EMERGENCY SPECIAL
MEETING
DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY
CENTER
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
APRIL 18, 2018**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Wilfrid Cleveland at 1:14 p.m.

Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P Vice President Douglas Greengrass-P

Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P

Rep. Hinu Smith-P

Rep. Andrea Estebo-P

Rep. Carly Lincoln-P

Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P

Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-P

Rep. Shelby Visintin-P (cc)

Rep. Matthew Mullen-P

Rep. Robert TwoBears-P

Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-P

Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-P

cc – Conference Call

Determination of Quorum:

Quorum is established at 1:14 p.m.

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

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

First Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

1:16 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to move out of Executive Session.

Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:29 p.m.

Resolution-Quick Passage Procedure to Amend the

Ho-Chunk Nation Per Capita Distribution Ordinance (2 HCC §12)

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 04-18-18 A, Quick Passage Procedure to Amend the Ho-Chunk Nation Per Capita Distribution Ordinance (2 HCC §12).** Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-3(Rep. Hinu Smith, Rep. Karena Thundercloud, Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Note: Rep. Hinu Smith wanted her opposition noted for the record. The Nation faces an Opioid Epidemic, schools are being gutted at the State level the number of budgets for teacher positions are being reduced, funds are being available to youth who have not met contingencies.

Rep. Shelby Visintin was off the conference call.

MOTION by Rep. Matt Mullen to request clarification and research by the Legislative Counsel on the following items: Children Will Situation, Moving the Trust to Section 17, with further research, research on directly/indirectly borrowed income, a second trust for

18-25 year olds to have this research by Legislative Counsel and Department of Justice. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Second Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:52 p.m.

Rep. Shelby Visintin returns on the conference call.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to move out of Executive Session. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:57 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Release to Open Session

Re-Visit Amended and Restated Minors' Trust Agreement

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to lift the stay with the effective date, from the April 17, 2018 motion, and re-visit the Amended and Restated Minors' Trust Agreement. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 11-2(Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit, Rep. Hinu Smith)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to approve the Amended and Restated Minors' Trust Agreement as amended with an effective date of May 4, 2018. For Providence to work with the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Ho-Chunk Nation Chief Communications Officer on a communication piece and Providence provide an education component and to release to Open Session. Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to adjourn the Emergency Special Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 13-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Andrea Estebo, Tribal Secretary

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL MEETING
SIGA FUNMAKER
COMMUNITY BUILDING
WITTENBERG, WI
APRIL 27, 2018**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Wilfrid Cleveland at 1:03 p.m.

Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P Vice President Douglas Greengrass-P

Rep. Karena Thundercloud-P

Rep. Hinu Smith-P

Rep. Andrea Estebo-P

Rep. Carly Lincoln-P

Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P

Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr.-P

Rep. Shelby Visintin-P

Rep. Matthew Mullen-EX

Rep. Robert TwoBears-EX

Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX

Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-P

Determination of Quorum:

Quorum is established at 1:03 p.m.

Opening Prayer: President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer earlier in the morning.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to move into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

1:05 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to move out of Executive Session. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

2:01 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Release to Open Session

Resolution-Statement of Effective Date for Resolution 04-18-18 A, Regarding Amendments to the Ho-Chunk Nation Per Capita Distribution Ordinance (2 HCC § 12).

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt **Resolution 04-27-18 A, Statement of Effective Date for Resolution 04-18-18 A, Regarding Amendments to the Ho-Chunk Nation Per Capita Distribution Ordinance (2 HCC § 12).** Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 9-1(Rep. Hinu Smith)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve to release to Open Session, the Resolution-Statement of Effective Date for Resolution 04-18-18 A, Regarding Amendments to the Ho-Chunk Nation Per Capita Distribution Ordinance (2 HCC § 12). Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Amendment to the Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to amend the agenda to add the Redistricting Forum. Second by Rep. Karena Thundercloud. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr., Rep. Kathy DeCamp and Rep. Andrea Estebo are excused from the meeting.

Redistricting Forum

Discussion was on the forum for Monday, April 30, 2018. The forum is an educational opportunity for tribal members to explain the redistricting scenarios that are presented to Legislators. Legislature will review scenarios at a later date after the forum. The Legislature will have a disclaimer. The purpose of the Redistricting Forum is for information purposes only.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to adjourn the Special Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Andrea Estebo, Tribal Secretary

**Legal Notice
INVITATION FOR BID**

BID # HCN05152018DNR
Tree Removal Services in
Sun Prairie, WI
c/o Ho-Chunk Nation
Treasury Department-Procurement Division
Attn: Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
W9814 Airport Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

The Ho-Chunk Nation is inviting sealed bids for the above referenced project. Only firms with the capability, experience, and expertise with similar projects should obtain the Invitation for Bid document and submit bids.

Sealed bids must be submitted by **2:00 PM CST on June 27, 2018**. Any bids received after this date and time will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened.

Documents may be obtained by downloading it at <http://ho-chunknation.com/Procurement>. Search on the bid number and bid title.

Please call Catherine Link at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1502 or Dakota Walton-Smith at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1243 for response to any questions or requests for additional information.

Published this 25 day of May, 2018.

Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
Procurement Manager
Ho-Chunk Nation

The Ho-Chunk Nation reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

**Legal Notice
INVITATION FOR BID**

BID # HOW2018-1

Turn-Key Solution for HVAC System Repairs at House of Wellness
c/o Ho-Chunk Nation
Treasury Department-Procurement Division
Attn: Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
W9814 Airport Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

The Ho-Chunk Nation is inviting sealed bids for the above referenced project. Only firms with the capability, experience, and expertise with similar projects should obtain the Invitation for Bid document and submit bids.

Sealed bids must be submitted by 2:00 PM CST on May 31st, 2018. Any bids received after this date and time will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened.

Documents may be obtained by downloading it at <http://ho-chunknation.com/Procurement>

Please call Catherine Link at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1151 or Dakota Walton-Smith at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1243 to respond to any questions or requests for additional information.

Published this ____ day of _____, 2018.

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SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and Yesenia V. Meza, Petitioner, v. Tyler A. Cloud, Respondent.

Case : CS 18-07

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Tyler A. Cloud

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in this child support action. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for Child Support* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named child is pending in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court, and an adjudication will be made.

You have twenty (20) days from the date of service to respond to the *Petition for Child Support*. Failure to do so will cause the Court to proceed without your participation, which may result in the entry of a *Default Judgment* against you. An *Answer* (response) shall be filed with the court at the address given below, and must be served on all parties to the action. The Court shall convene an *Initial Child Support Hearing* as permitted by CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE, 4 HCC § 7.28.

The court shall commence a proceeding no sooner than twenty-five (25) days from the date of service. The shall be held at **1:30 pm** on the **14th** day of **June, 2018**. The Court also provides notice of the potential of being held in contempt of court:

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

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.

**Legal Notice
INVITATION FOR BID**

BID # HCN05142018

Project Management and Change Management Services
For
Infor-Lawson Software Implementation
c/o Ho-Chunk Nation
Treasury Department-Procurement Division
Attn: Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
W9814 Airport Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

The Ho-Chunk Nation is inviting sealed bids for the above referenced project. Only firms with the capability, experience, and expertise with similar projects should obtain the Invitation for Bid document and submit bids.

Sealed bids must be submitted by 2:00 PM CST on June 14, 2018. Any bids received after this date and time will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened.

Documents may be obtained by downloading it at <http://ho-chunknation.com/Procurement>. Search on the bid number and bid title.

Please call Catherine Link at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1502 or Dakota Walton-Smith at 800-779-2873, Ext. 1243 for response to any questions or requests for additional information.

Published this 25 day of May, 2018.

Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
Procurement Manager
Ho-Chunk Nation

The Ho-Chunk Nation reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

**IN THE
HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT**

In the Interest of Decedent:

Rosalie Brown Thunder,
By Joseph Brown Thunder, Petitioner.
Case No.: PR-17-08

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of Rosalie Brown Thunder of Black River Falls, WI, who passed away on October 14, 2017, are notified to present said claims to the Personal Representative of the Estate, Joseph Brown Thunder, on or before August 9, 2018 to:

Joseph Brown Thunder
c/o Andrew Adams III
Hogen Adams PLLC
1935 County Road B2 West
Suite 460
Saint Paul, MN 55113

Please take notice that failure to present claims means this Notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Furthermore, in conformity with 8 HCC § 13.49, this Notice shall be posted in at least three conspicuous places within the Ho-Chunk Nation and shall be published in the Hock Worak on the following dates: May 11, May 25, and June 15, 2018.

Dated: April 26, 2018 /s/ Andrew Adams III

Andrew Adams III Wisc. Bar No. (1052371)
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Counsel for Petitioner Joseph Brown Thunder

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Naiton CSA, State of Wisconsin and Jose Medina-Herrera, Petitioner, v. Ella M. Decorah, Respondent.

Case : CSFJ 17-34

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Ella M. Herrera

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.

**NOTICE
RIGHT TO OBJECT**

In accordance with HCC 8 §14 Title Transfer & Recording Act Ho-Chunk Member, Maynard Bradford Funmaker Sr., has submitted a Request for Title for permanent improvements located at:

S1054 Winneshiek St, Lake Delton, WI 53940

And more particularly described as: Lot 11 of Winnebago Heights within the NE¼ of the NE¼ and the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ Section 15, Township 13 North, Range 5 East, 4th P.M., Town of Dellona, Sauk County, Wisconsin.

Any objections must be filed in person at Executive Office Building / W9814 Airport Road or received by mail at:

Ho-Chunk Nation Realty Division
Register of Deeds
P. O. Box 310, Black River Falls, WI 54615
Phone: 715-284-2531

By or before **June 10, 2018.**

Absent any objections the Ho-Chunk Nation Register of Deeds shall issue Title for permanent improvements to the above named individual(s) within 10 days of the deadline.

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : L.J.Y., DOB 03/31/2013

Case : PA 18-02

TO THE NATURAL MOTHER, POTENTIAL FATHER, GUARDIAN, HO-CHUNK NATION CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY, OR ADULT CHILD WHOSE PATERNITY WAS NEVER

ESTABLISHED: Henry Pettibone

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in this paternity action. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for Paternity* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named child is pending in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court, and an adjudication will be made.

You have twenty (20) days from the date of the second publication to respond to the *Petition for Paternity*, failure to do so will cause the Court to proceed without your participation. An *Answer* (response) shall be filed with the court at the address given below. The Court shall convene a *Paternity Hearing* in accordance with HOCÁK NATION CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CODE 4 HCC § 7.19.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **11:00am** on the **04th** day of **June, 2018** for the following purpose: **Paternity Hearing.** Pursuant to HOCÁK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.35, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial. You have additionally been provided a "Notice to Respondent" that sets forth your right and defenses and provides notice of the potential of being held in contempt of court:

NOTICE - VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT.

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

Notice to Respondent

- You have been named in a petition alleging paternity. A judgment of paternity would legally designate the child as your child, grant rights to you, create the right of inheritance for the child, obligate you to pay child support and make failure to pay child support punishable as contempt.
- You may request a genetic test which will indicate the probability that you are the father of the child. The court will order a genetic test on request from you, a designated tribal agency, or any other party to the case. Any person who refuses to take a court ordered genetic test may be punished for contempt.
- The petitioner has the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that you are the father. If a genetic test shows that you are not excluded as the father and that the statistical probability of you being the father is ninety-nine percent (99.0%) or higher, you are presumed to be the father.
- The following defenses are available to you:
 - That you were sterile or impotent at the time of conception;
 - That you did not have sexual intercourse with the mother of the child during the conception period; or
 - That another man did have sexual intercourse with the mother of the child during the conception time period.
- If you fail to appear at any stage of the proceeding, including a scheduled genetic test, the Court may find you in contempt.

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 Dept. of Housing, "Ho-Chunk Nation Utilities Division", Plaintiff(s), v. Tim King, 325 Epoch, Unit A, Tomah, WI. 54660, Defendant(s).

Case : CV 18-19

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

Tim King

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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Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg contributes to state's Adopt-A-Highway Program

Katrina M. Wychesit
Senior Public Relations
Manager | Ho-Chunk Gaming
Wittenberg

On Monday, May 14, 2018, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg volunteers sprung into action to retrieve and dispose of trash accumulated along Highway 29 in support of the Adopt-A-Highway Program.

From Killdeer Road to Highway 45, volunteers were out in full force for 2.5 hours as they scanned the designated combined two-mile stretch on a mission to protect Mother Earth.

The nationwide effort, in conjunction with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the Adopt-A-

Highway Program, supports tourism, preserves Shawano County's picturesque beauty and practices responsible environmental stewardship. A total of 24 bags of trash was collected during the humid, yet sunny outing. This was the first of three waste removal commitments Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg has been allocated for the year through the program.

Prior to venturing out, Health and Safety Officer Mr. Wyatt Tech, presented a safety training video along with an informational piece regarding hazardous waste. The Shawano County Highway Department provided the signage, safety gear and garbage bags. Each volunteer received a well-deserved token of appreciation on behalf of Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg. Many of the participants are planning on contributing their time and stamina in the future,

as well. Volunteers are highly encouraged to contact Katrina Wychesit, Senior Public Relations Manager, at (715) 253-4400 Ext. 3152 to sign up for the next outing in September;

space is limited.

Additional information regarding Adopt-A-Highway sponsorship opportunities can be located at www.wisconsin.gov.



(Left) Scott Mabry and (Right) Jacob Vargas.



Front Row: Jacob Vargas, Wyatt Tech and Scott Mabry. Second Row: Susan De Leeuw, Katrina Wychesit, Jerry Rieck, Cassandra Tousey, April Hommerding and Sid Whitewing.

Job Opportunity

UMOS
Building Better Futures

is looking for a motivated, Program Manager to join our team!

The Program Manager is responsible for the coordination and supervision of the Transitional Jobs Program in Clark, Jackson, Juneau, and Adam counties.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration or related field required.
- Five years of workforce development/human services project supervision experience.
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of research data in labor and economics, such as community development, public policy analysis, welfare policy analysis and/or employment analysis.
- Knowledge of the local labor market.
- Knowledge and understating of social, ethnic and economic diversity issues of target populations being served.
- Must possess demonstrated ability to supervise and lead.
- Excellent oral and written communication and public presentation skills.
- Excellent knowledge with Microsoft office suite (word, excel, ppt, outlook etc.)
- Ability to work in a demanding, fast-paced environment
- Reliable transportation; valid DL and auto insurance and able to work irregular hours

For more information, contact Natasha at 866-960-0483.

Central office located in Black River Falls, WI.

To apply for this position please go to

www.umos.org/corporate/career_opportunities.html

IGRA Trust changes

By Lynette LeGarde, HCN
Legislative Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature recently approved a restatement of the Minor's Trust at a Legislative Meeting in April. The change takes effect this month (May 2018). An IGRA Trust is a trust that an Indian Tribe can establish under the IGRA (Indian Gaming Regulatory Act) to receive and invest per capita payments for tribal members.

There were two main reasons why this change was made. One reason for the change was that some tribal members and legally incompetent adults were being denied Social Security Benefits due to their minor's trusts accounts. The restatement of the minors trust changes the trust from being an asset of the tribal member to an asset of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

The second reason for the change was to allow the per capita and trust funds to grow tax deferred and annual tax returns would no longer need to be filed. In the past tribal members have been required to make annual income tax payments on the minor's trust accounts. The new change

to the trust will eliminate that annual tax payment for tribal members. The change will be taking place in the middle of 2018 and tax returns will still be needed for the year of 2018. The returns will need to be filed by April 15, 2019.

Representatives from Providence First Trust Company have been attending the May District Meetings to give presentations about the new changes and to answer questions that tribal members may have regarding the change. Representatives from Providence First Trust Company will be attending the June District Meetings of the areas that they were unable to attend in May to answer questions and update tribal members.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature will be addressing Phase 2 of this process which will address staggered distributions and a 2nd Trust. You can find the Minor's Trust Announcement and Frequently Asked Questions Document at Ho-ChunkNation.com. If you have specific questions you can email them to MinorsTrust@ho-chunk.com. We will get answers for you. Thank you for your time and attention.



Jason Fuller from Providence First Trust Company presenting at Black River Falls District Meeting.



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FINALS | JUNE 3RD | 5 GRAND PRIZE WINNERS

LAS VEGAS CHAMPIONSHIP | OCTOBER 10TH

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

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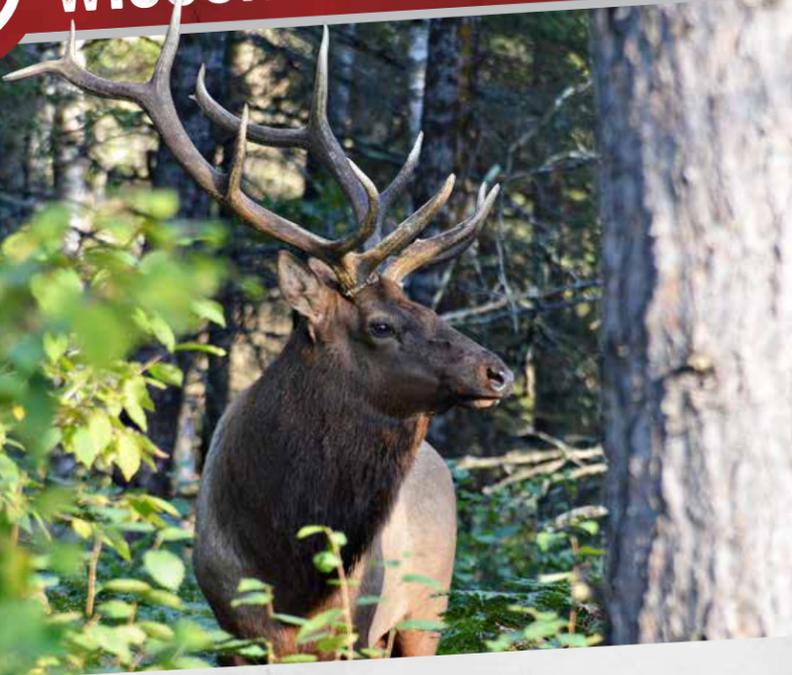


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WIN A 2018 RMEF WISCONSIN ELK TAG!



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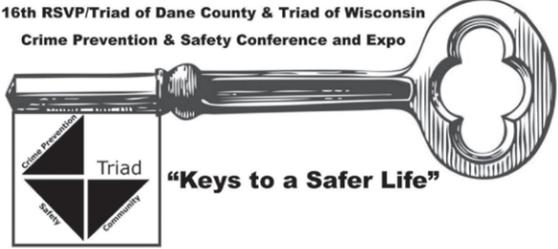
**LOCATION: 2018 WISCONSIN STATE BANQUET
HILTON GARDEN INN, WAUSAU, WI**

ELK HUNT: 10/13-11/11 & 12/13-12/21

Order your tickets online | <https://events.rmef.org/shop/wielktagraffle>
Or contact: Nicole Schaefer | 920-251-2258

Wisconsin residents only. DNR elk hunter education course required of winner. All Wisconsin DNR elk hunting regulations apply to the tag and hunt. Winners of the state draw or previous elk tag holders will not be eligible to win. Not necessary to be present to win.

16th RSVP/Triad of Dane County & Triad of Wisconsin
Crime Prevention & Safety Conference and Expo



"Keys to a Safer Life"

Date Saver

Triad of Wisconsin/ Dane County Triad Crime Prevention and Safety Conference & Expo, September 28, 2018, 8-3
American Family Insurance Training Center, Madison, WI

"Keys to a Safer Life"- Learning how to keep ourselves and those we care about safe.

A featured speaker from the National Triad Association will be the **Keynote Speaker**. She is **Trudy Gregorie, Executive Director of the National Protective Services Association.**

Seniors, law enforcement, fire and emergency medical service workers, human service personnel and the general public are invited to attend this important conference. Workshops will include Issues in Assisted Living & Senior Housing, Scams and Frauds, Hoarding, Peer Bullying, Opioid's Growing Problem, Dementia- Issues for Law Enforcement and Treatment Options, Problems of Loneliness among the Senior Population, Estate Planning, and Personal Safety.

For more information: mstamstad@rsvpdane.org 608-441-7897

Notice of HHCA Monthly Meeting

Thurs., June 28, 2018
5:00 a.m.

Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency (HUD Housing)

HHCA Commissioners Lee Brown Jr., Francis Decora, Martin Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Cheri Byhre, Mike Goze, John Dall, and Lori Pettibone. Will meet on Thursday, June 28th, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., at the HHCA Office in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue). Agenda items due by noon on June 20th, to the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.

Missing Ho-Chunk Enrolled Members

The following individual applicants have not submitted a 2017 Annual Address Verification. In accordance to the HO-CHUNK NATION CODE (2 HCC §7) TRIBAL ENROLLMENT AND MEMBERSHIP CODE, SECTION 11a.1-Enacted by Legislature: October 16, 2007 and amended on June 20, 2017, The Office of Tribal Enrollment will publish a list of Members who have not submitted an Annual Address Verification in the Hocak Worak. This list shall be published for sixty (60) days. The list of Members who have not contacted the Office within sixty (60) days following the initial publication in the Hocak Worak will be referred to the Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department for investigation of their whereabouts.

MPPUB (April 13, 2018)

Badboy, Christopher	Mueller, Jared Louis
Blackdeer, Calvin Edward	Norman, Robert Lee
Casillas, Sharon	Orozco, Adam Neil
Casillas, Vanessa Elizabeth	Owen-Reese, Winonah Olive
Doronio, Olivia Jean	Porter, Marquel Elaine
Frye, Zachery Alan	Ringham, Candace Marie
Harrison, Shana Leigh	Spry, Jerod Thomas
Hayes, Tyler James	Stacey, Sonny
Koenig, Bronson Storm	Stiemke, Kylene Marie
Lincoln, Helene Carole	Thompson Jr., Justin James
Lonetree III, Jonathon	Vargas, Isaiah Luis
Lowe, Tonia Alison	Vega, Alesia Adrianna
Miller, Helen	Whitewater, Edward Dean
Mitchell, Ava Jane	

Please contact the Office of Tribal Enrollment at: (715)284-7824 or (800)331-7824 to request a Reprint of your 2017 Annual Address Verification form. Only the persons on this list may contact the Office for a Reprint. As contact is made names will be removed from the list.

Do you know any teens who are struggling with **STRESS?**

MINDFULNESS FOR TEENS

GRADES 9-12

We can't always choose what happens in life, but we can choose how we respond to it. Using mindfulness techniques, teens will practice awareness of body, emotion, and thought with an open acceptance that supports healthy responses in daily life.

July 9 - 13 | 1:00 - 4:00pm

Class sessions held at **Black River Memorial Hospital** | Refreshments will be provided.

Course description & registration materials available at:
www.brmh.net/mindfulness

Class Fee: \$15
(Need-based scholarships are available)

Class size is limited

Registration required by:
JUNE 15

Questions? Call 715-284-3629



Mindfulness for Teens is funded by HWPP





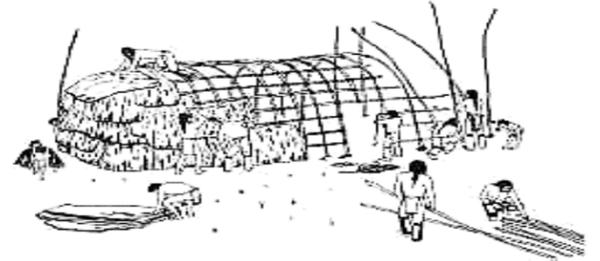
Satellite Office
For The
Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency

At The
House of Wellness
Social Services Department

When: June 06, 2018
June 20, 2018
June 27, 2018
July 11, 2018
July 18, 2018
July 25, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00p.m.

To better serve our Clients and Tribal Members, the Ho-Chunk CSA is wanting to be more accessible in other Ho-Chunk Tribal Communities. No appointment necessary, stop in with questions or concerns regarding your child support. Stop at the Security Desk and request to speak with someone in Child Support or Call (608) 355-1240 Ext. 5580 to speak with a Child Support Specialist.



Please Join Us for HHCDA's
Home Buyers Education Class
Saturday June 9, 2018
9:00 AM - 4 PM

Ho-Chunk Casino Convention Center

S 3214 County Highway BD
Baraboo, WI 53913
To Register please contact **Randall Mann** or
Becky Nambo @The number below or by
E-mail at
rcmann@ho-chunk.com or
becky.nambo@ho-chunk.com

You must Register by June 6, 2018

HHCDA (800) 236 – 2260 * Fax Number (608) 374 - 1270

Free Rabies Clinic



Pet owners: We are having a rabies vaccination clinic for your pet! It is very important that your animal be vaccinated to protect its health and the health of your family. Puppies and kittens need to be at least 3 months old to receive the vaccination.

Date	Location	Time
May 30 th	Nekoosa TAU/Head Start parking lot	9:00am-11:30am
May 30 th	Tomah Blue Wing Community Building	1:30pm-4:00pm
June 6 th	Winnebago Heights/TAU Parking lot	9:30am-12:00pm
June 6 th	Ho-Chunk Village/HOW	2:00pm-4:00pm
June 20 th	Wittenberg: New Community Building Parking Lot	11:00am-2:00pm
June 27 th	BRF Indian Mission/Pavilion Next to IM Head Start	9:00am-12:00pm
June 27 th	BRF Sand Pillow Community Building, BRF	1:30pm-4:30pm

PLEASE BRING YOUR DOGS ON LEASHES AND CATS IN CRATES!

◆ **Distemper/Parvo** vaccine available for dogs at \$5.00 per dog! Each area will be allotted vaccine on a first come basis. **Open to all Tribal Members.**

◆ Questions? Please contact the **Ho-Chunk Health Care Center** at 1-888-685-4422 ext. 5062 or 5011.



Created 4/2018

June Elders Birthdays



- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 Garrett Blackdeer
Barbara Helgeson
Diana Hellerud
Jean Stacy-Snow
Marcel Decorah
Ralph Bigsoldier | 14 Mann Falcon
Rosanne Alberts
Marian Miner
Cynthia Hovde |
| 2 Betty Conley
John Stephens
Samuel Garcia
David Owen | 15 Faye White
Susan Tuescher
Willard Mach |
| 3 Kaye Decorah
Denise Michalsk | 16 Dane Decorah
Valerie Guimaraes |
| 4 Virginia Raczka
Robert La Mere | 17 Roxanne Johnson
Alfred Snowball, Jr. |
| 5 Montgomery Green
Sirena Bertelsen
Sharon Casillas
Leland Whitegull
Michael Decorah | 18 James Gonzales
Jonathan Machyniak
Harold Lewis
Ruth Puent
Peggy Friske |
| 6 Gerald Cleveland Sr.
Darlene Whitebear
Kyle Funmaker
Jones Decorah | 19 Lorenzo Alderman
Patrick Mallory
Brian Snowball |
| 7 Karen Dorow
Albert Yellowthunder III | 20 Mona Garthune
21 Loretta Patterson
22 Joseph Decorah
Marie Lewis
Alberta Decorah
Deborah Arnold |
| 8 Eleanor Degler
Bruce Blackdeer | 23 George Lewis Jr.
24 Lavetta Cloud
Edward Cloud |
| 9 Patricia Youngthunder
Dawn Decorah
Diane Littlegeorge
Kay Beverly | 25 Dallas White
26 Wilson White Eagle
Donald Monegar
Elizabeth Haller
Patricia White
Vera Hodges |
| 11 Dr. Vera Kingbird
Earl Lemieux
Terrance Snake
Eugene Bebo Jr.
Curtis Mallory Jr. | 28 Roselie Zeolla
29 Lawrence Kirkwood
Nicodemus Leonard |
| 10 Roxanne Anderson
James Pettibone | 30 Leila Cameron
Joanne Mann
Margaret Klonecki
Mary Mullen |
| 12 Vivian Flitsch
Victoria Ortiz | |
| 13 Mary Enright
Nettie Kingsley | |



NOTICE AND RULES OF SECRETARIAL ELECTION FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Election Code 2 HCC § 6:

21. Constitutional Elections.

Constitutional and other Legal Requirements.

Article XIII of the Constitution provides: "Section 1.

Requirements. This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation voting at an election called for that purpose by the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, provided, that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election.

The Election Code (2 HCC § 6);

Article XIII of the Constitution provides:

"Section 2. Requests for a Secretarial Election. It shall be the duty of the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board to call and hold an election on any proposed amendment to this Constitution at the request of two thirds (2/3) of the entire Legislature, at the request of the General Council, or upon presentation of a petition signed by thirty (30) percent of the eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation."

...

d. Requirements for General Council Request.

(1). In an instance of a Resolution passed by the General Council, the General Council will provide the Resolution to the Election Board. The Resolution will contain the full language of the proposed amendment, the name of any attorney consulted in drafting the amendment, a vote count showing the full number of voters at the General Council, and the tally of those in favor, opposing, abstaining, and not voted. Upon receipt the Election Board will verify that a majority of voters at the General Council voted for the Constitutional Amendment.

e. Secretarial Election Procedures.

(1) Upon certification of a request via petition under Section 21.b, or General Council under Section 21.d, the Attorney General will be given thirty (30) days in which to formulate an Attorney General's opinion as it relates to the constitutionality and legality of the proposed amendment. Once the Attorney General has formulated that opinion, it will be posted in the Nation's newsletter for two consecutive printings along with the text of the proposed Amendment.

(2) After the publication of the Attorney General opinion in Section 21.e.(1) the Election Board will then post notice at the Election Board office, the Nation's Newsletter, and on the Nation's social media as to the Secretarial Election(s). The notice will contain the following:

- (a) The full text of any proposed Amendments and, if more than one, their Amendment Number using Arabic numerals (Amendment Number 1, Amendment Number 2, etc);
 - (b) The day when Ballots will be mailed;
 - (c) The day, time, and location of certification;
 - (d) The day of the Election when Ballots must be returned.
- (3) All Secretarial Elections will be conducted within sixty (60) calendar days of the posting of the Notice of the Secretarial Election.

(4) All Secretarial Elections will be conducted by mail.

(5) The Election Board will mail out Ballots no later than twenty (20) calendar days before the Election.

(a) Each Ballot will be accompanied by a packet containing the language for each proposed amendment along with the amendment number, instructions, ballot, an outer envelope, ballot secrecy envelope, and return envelope.

(b) The Voter will mark the ballot and place it in the ballot secrecy envelope and seal it. The Voter will then place the ballot secrecy envelope inside the return envelope and seal it. The return envelope will be signed by the Voter as his or her name appears on the return envelope, then notarized, and he or she will then return it by United States Mail to the location designated by the Election Board pursuant to section 14.a.(2).

(a). The voter's signature must be notarized to be valid.

(c) The Board will verify that the returned envelope bears the signature of the voter and is notarized. If the envelope is not signed, the ballot will be rejected. The entire rejected ballot will be deposited unopened in a separate, secure box for invalid ballots. If the envelope is signed, the ballot will be deposited in the locked ballot box. For ballots placed in the locked ballot box, the Election Board will make a notation in the poll book, next to the Voter's name, that indicates that the Voter has returned his or her ballot.

(6) A voter may make a request to replace a lost ballot no later than ten (10) days before the Election. The Election Board will overnight the ballot. It will be the voter's responsibility to ensure the ballot is returned by the due date.

f. Counting Ballots and Results.

(1) The Election Board will meet and count the ballots by the third day after the election. When Tallying results, the Election Board will do the following:

(a) The Election Board will first compare the number of ballots collected against the total number of eligible voters as verified by the Office of Tribal Enrollment. If the number of ballots

returned does not equal 30% of the eligible voters of the Nation, then the Amendment will be declared as rejected. In an instance where thirty percent of the ballots is a fractional number, the Board will round up to the nearest whole number in determining the thirty percent threshold.

(b) If at least 30% of the eligible voters returned ballots, the Election Board will then count the ballots. If a majority of voters voted in favor of the Amendment, it will be declared adopted. If a majority of voters voted against the Amendment, it will be declared rejected.

g. Challenges to Results; Amendments.

(1) Challenges to the results of the Election may be made pursuant to Section 18 of this CODE.

(2) The Election Board is not responsible for the legality or constitutionality of any amendments. If a member believes that an adopted amendment is in violation of the CONSTITUTION, or applicable federal law such as the *Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 25 USC Ch. 15*, such suit will be brought against the proponent of the Amendment, either the petitioner, Legislature, or General Council.

The following amendments will be on the ballot:

AMENDMENT

This amendment adds Article X, Section 2: entitled Rights of Nature to the Bill of Rights:

- (a) **Rights of Nature.** Ecosystems and natural communities within the Ho-Chunk Nation Territory possess an inherent, fundamental, and inalienable right to exist and thrive. This right includes, but is not limited to, the right of ecosystems and natural communities' to maintain and regenerate their life cycles, structure, functions and evolutionary processes; the right to be restored; and the right to the defense, protection, and enforcement of their rights.
- (b) **Enforcement.** Ecosystems and natural communities may enforce their rights through an action brought by the Ho-Chunk Nation or members of the Ho-Chunk Nation in any court possessing jurisdiction over activities occurring on Ho-Chunk territory, in the name of the ecosystem or natural community as the real party in interest. Damages shall be measured by the cost of restoring the ecosystem or natural community to its state before the injury, and shall be paid to the Ho-Chunk Nation to be used exclusively for the full and complete restoration of the ecosystem or natural community.
- (c) **Prohibitions.** It shall be unlawful within the Ho-Chunk territory for any corporation or government to engage in activities that would violate, or infringe upon, the rights recognized and secured by this Article, including but not limited to, damage or destruction of flora or fauna possessing traditional medicinal significance to the Ho-Chunk Nation or its members, fossil fuel extraction, frac sand mining, and the introduction or use of genetically engineered organisms.
- (d) **Corporations.** Any corporation or other business entity, organized under the laws of any state or any country, which violates this Article, shall not be deemed to be a "person" to the extent that such treatment would interfere with the rights or prohibitions enumerated by this Article, nor shall they possess any other legal rights, powers, privileges, immunities, or duties that would interfere with the rights or prohibitions enumerated by this Article, including the power to assert state or federal preemptive laws in an attempt to overturn this Article, or the power to assert that the Ho-Chunk Nation lacks the authority to adopt this Article.

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:

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

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:

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

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

Section 11. c. ii.

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O. Box 247
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715) 284-8900
TOLL FREE (800) 890-0583
FAX NUMBER (715) 284-8600
E-MAIL: Election.board@ho-chunk.com

NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:

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

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:

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

**SECRETARIAL ELECTION
Friday, June 8, 2018**

**POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Monday, April 9, 2018**

**POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Monday, April 16, 2018**

**CHALLENGES TO THE
ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR
TO 4:00 P.M.
Monday, May 21, 2018**

**BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED
Friday, May 11, 2018**

**LAST DAY TO REQUEST
REPLACEMENT BALLOT
4:00 P.M.
Tuesday, May 29, 2018**

**ALL BALLOTS DUE TO
ELECTION BOARD
POST OFFICE BOX
BY 4:00 P.M.
Friday, June 8, 2018**

**ELECTION WILL BE
CERTIFIED ON
Saturday, June 9, 2018
At 9:00 A.M.**

District 1 Community Center

Posted April 9, 2018