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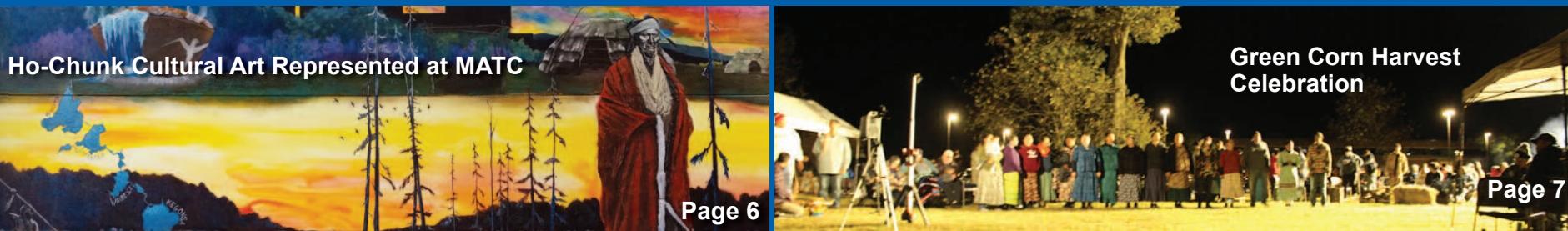
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Ho-Chunks share traditional ways at Farm Aid 2019

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The Homegrown Village held during this year's 34th Farm Aid concert, brought together farmers, activists, and farm advocacy groups from across the country.

The village offered an opportunity for concert goers to view a multitude of exhibits focused on the nation's soil, water, energy, and food, many of which offered hands on experiences.

In addition to the village, was a FarmYard stage, a venue for farmers and some of the concert artists to visit some of the issues facing an increasingly volatile industry.

It seems fitting, with the focus of the village being sustainable farming and food, that descendants of the original farmers of the land were represented in the village. Although not the only tribe to be represented, the vast area surrounding this year's Farm Aid venue happen to be the inherent lands of the Hocak people.

One of the participants in this year's village, was the Little Eagle Arts Foundation or LEAF.

Founded by Hocak (Ho-Chunk) tribal member Melanie Tallmadge-Sainz in 2013, the foundation seeks to advance the interests of Native American artists.

"I started LEAF six years ago," Melanie said. "The tribe has been very supportive of me. Not so much the tribal government, but the individual tribal members. When I was Miss Indian America back in 1980, and went off to represent the Ho-chunk people as well as native people in general, one of the things the Wasikxete (elders) told me was to go off and get your education and your experience, but you come back and you help your people."

She said that she has always had that in her mind, "the resounding message of what we are supposed to do when we go out and get our education." When she retired from teaching, that's exactly what she did.

"I did the research that I needed to do for LEAF, and I've always worked in the non-profit sector. I was just thinking about being in the southwest as long as I have been, I know it's an economic engine as far as native arts in the southwest."

Melanie shared that was they way it used to be in the Wisconsin Dells area where she grew up, but today Melanie feels the whole brand of 'the water capital of the



L to R: Justice Green, Josh Thundercloud, Bill Greendeer, Jon Thundercloud, Melanie Tallmadge-Sainz and her daughter Valerie.

Photos contributed by LEAF

world' totally eliminated the true connection to the river, the rocks, and the native peoples that have called the Dells home for thousands of years.

"When you are swimming in blue water, you don't really care where the water came from, you are there for shear entertainment. Don't get me wrong, I appreciate those hard-working people that save up all year long to spend a week in the Dells at the all-inclusive waterparks. But I want more for our people (Hocak), especially the artists," she said.

Sitting in the traditional cipodoke (ci-wood,podo-round,ke-house) during my interview, Melanie motioned toward the bottom side of the cipodoke, to the beginnings of a covering made from cattail leaves that her daughter Valerie was helping her weave.

"When I look at this cattail, it's not just a mat woven together with string; there is language, there's the harvesting, there's the foraging, there's all that knowledge that goes along. You can't buy this stuff at Jo-Ann Fabrics; you have to experience

it. That's the kind of stuff that keeps us sane, keeps us healthy physically, mentally, emotionally stable. There's that creative process," Melanie said.

Mentioning her son who received a degree in cognitive science she said, "There's something special that goes on when you are engaged in creative activities in the brain. It's almost like when you are engaged in yoga to where your brain goes and the brain waves.

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State, federal, tribal officials update partnership agreement

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Wisconsin's 11 federally recognized tribal governments met with state and federal officials today to update a commitment to partnership on transportation-related issues. The partnership agreement, initially launched in 2005, sets the framework for government-to-government cooperation on project development and labor issues that transcend state, federal and



tribal jurisdictions.

"This agreement is about providing guidance and structure for us to enjoy a deeper and more meaningful understanding of our unique operational needs," said WisDOT Secretary-Designee Craig Thompson. "Our signatures today mark a new chapter in important relationships we want to continue cultivating for the benefit of our communities and future generations."

The partnership agreement has prompted initiatives among WisDOT and Wisconsin's tribal governments, such as the Inter-Tribal Task Force, annual consultation meetings and skills training programs in Native American communities.

"Good, strong partnerships take time, understanding and communication. For nearly 15 years, Wisconsin's 11 tribes

have worked with state and federal government to advocate for transportation projects that leverage community impact," said Shannon Holsey, President of the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Inc. and President of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. "Expansion of the partnership agreement is another positive step forward for us all."

The partnership agreement followed Gov. Jim Doyle's Executive Order 39 in 2004. The agreement was last updated in fall 2010. Earlier this year, Gov. Tony Evers issued Executive Order 18 reaffirming the importance of the inter-governmental relationships. Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes attended the signing event in Bayfield.

"Partnership is an important component of progress, and it's exciting to see Native



Nations and state and federal governments coming together to re-energize a core connection and chart a path forward," said Lt. Gov. Barnes. "This partnership agreement embodies the spirit of Governor Evers' Executive Order

18. As a state, we have the responsibility to uphold and respect tribal sovereignty—just as we have a responsibility to help Native communities overcome the barriers they face because of historical injustices."

Countdown to new Federal ID requirement begins

Get REAL ID by October 1, 2020

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

When enforcement of the REAL ID Act begins October 1, 2020, the regular Wisconsin driver license or ID will no longer be accepted identification for domestic air travel or to enter a federal building or military base. On October 1, 2020, travelers will need to present a REAL ID-compliant driver license or state ID card or another acceptable form of identification (such as a passport).

"Since a driver license or ID is the most convenient form of identification, Wisconsin DMV encourages travelers to prepare their paperwork then visit a DMV before the October 1, 2020 deadline," Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Administrator Kristina Boardman said. "Our customers are encouraged to visit the DMV sooner rather than later. Delay could mean longer lines at the DMV and travelers without a REAL ID will be denied boarding their plane."

What documents are required to get a REAL ID?

To obtain a REAL ID-compliant driver license or ID card, individuals must visit a Wisconsin DMV and bring the following original documents or a certified copy (not a photocopy, fax or scan):

- Proof of Name and Date of Birth
- Proof of Legal Presence in the U.S.
- Proof of Identity
- Proof of Name Change (if applicable)
- Proof of Social Security Number

• Proof of Address

For a complete list of acceptable documents, visit wisconsindmv.gov/REALID.

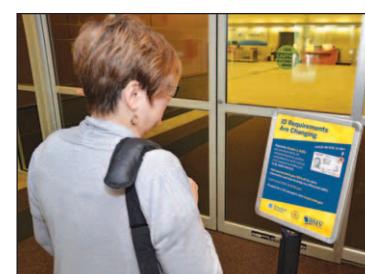
DMV's interactive Driver Licensing Guide will help customers develop a personalized checklist of the required documents needed to bring to the DMV. It also allows customers to pre-fill any required application(s), print and bring the forms or submit them electronically (if eligible), and print a checklist of required documents to bring.

Costs to get a REAL ID

If it's time to renew a driver license or ID, DMV customers can receive a REAL ID-compliant card for no additional fee if the upgrade takes place at the same time as the renewal. Customers whose current driver license or ID will not expire before 2020, may obtain a REAL ID-compliant card for \$14 (the cost of a duplicate driver license), or \$16 for a duplicate ID card.

Wisconsin offers both REAL ID-compliant and non-compliant driver licenses and ID cards. The cards look similar; REAL ID-compliant cards are marked with a star. Non-compliant cards do not have the star or are marked "NOT FOR FEDERAL PURPOSES." People may use other forms of ID, such as a passport. TSA offers a list of acceptable alternative identification cards: TSA.gov/REAL-ID

Wisconsin DMV has been offering REAL ID compliant driver licenses and IDs to customers since January 14, 2013. Since this time, nearly every Wisconsin customer has



been given REAL ID information, and the opportunity to enroll in the federal program, as a part of their renewal notice. DMV is committed to helping residents who want the convenience of a REAL ID get one on their driver license or ID before the October 1, 2020 deadline.

Listen to DMV Administrator Kristina Boardman discuss the process for obtaining a REAL ID in WisDOT's October "Transportation Connects Us" podcast wisdot.libsyn.com.

For more information, visit wisconsindmv.gov/REALID.

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Letter to the editor

On your Letter page in the recent Sept. 27, 2019 issue you have a article called Trump's Attacks on CWA and ESA Hurt Wisconsin Hunting and Wildlife.

In this article the author failed to give any examples of what the Trump administration has actually done to hurt these Act's.

It's just another broad brush stroke out of the left's play book. Mr. La Follette has failed to mention that a vote for a Democrat any Democrat will hurt Wisconsin's Hunting and Wildlife more than anything the Trump administration has done. All Democrat's have

pledged to take firearms out of the hands of all of it's law abiding citizens.

I believe that trying to scare people into voting a certain way with misinformation is wrong.

Democrat's are supposedly doing the work of their constituents however this congress which is controlled by the Democrats has done absolutely nothing for the American people so before Mr. La Follette tries to sway people he should at least be honest in his reporting.

Thank you for your time
David White Eagle

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Thundercloud singers, Country Western star Margo Price, kick off 2019 Farm Aid concert

Contributed by Driftless-Now.com Content Editor, Paul Arentz

In its 34th year, Farm Aid 2019 rocked the farmland in South-central Wisconsin. Held at the Alpine Valley Music Theatre in East Troy, Wisconsin this past Saturday, this year's concert opener, paid homage to the first people of the area, the Hocak (Ho-Chunk) Nation.

As part of the organization's action to include the original farmers of our nation, which natives refer to as Turtle Island, members of the Hocak, Cherokee, Oklahoma, Otoe-Missouria, Shawnee, and Otoe-Talihina tribes, along with singer Margo Price, opened the concert.

Hocak Elder and Vietnam Veteran Navy Corpsman Andy Thundercloud, extended a traditional greeting to the crowd. Thundercloud, supported by relatives Justice Green and Koonzie Decorah, with all three playing hand drums, rendered a welcome song, while Andy's sons Jon and Josh stood on stage.

Following Thundercloud's welcome, Country Western singer Margo Price sang the Lord's Prayer accompanied by Otoe-Missouria and Cherokee tribal member Denise Alley, who signed the prayer in traditional Native American sign language.

A first for Thundercloud sons Jon, Josh, and relatives Koonzie Decorah, and Justice Green, Andy stated that it had been a real privilege. "I consider it an honor having been asked to do this. When I was asked, of course I didn't say no I'm not going to do it. I was very, very happy to do it, like I said I consider it a real honor being able to do this," Thundercloud said with a warm smile.

The previous day, Thundercloud said that he participated in Farm Aid discussions in Lake Geneva, that saw several different organizations and government entities coming together to express their concerns and feelings of the ongoing and critical problems facing our nation's farming industry.

Thundercloud offered, "I don't know how many years they've been doing this. This is the first time they've invited indigenous people, or the native people, to participate. They had a panel made up of the different tribes in the state of Wisconsin. I think what they had to present, what they had to say, opened some eyes up. Hopefully it's going to open their minds and realize we have a lot to contribute to them to help them along with what they are trying to do."

Andy's son, Jon, said that the group was originally con-

tacted by relative Melanie Tallmadge-Sainz, founder of the non-profit organization L.E.A.F. (Little Eagle Arts Foundation). Started in 2013, LEAF is dedicated to preserving and promoting American Indian art by cultivating the entrepreneurial spirit of American Indian/First Nation's artists in order to achieve success and promote a cycle of economic security in Indian Country.

Tallmadge-Sainz, who was invited to participate in the Homegrown Village at Farm Aid, was a catalyst in the Thundercloud's appearance. "They had asked her about someone to do a blessing and perhaps a song, and she immediately thought of my father and our group. She contacted me several months ago. I had to call my father and my older brother, out of respect for our ways since they are the elders of our family, to see if this would be possible. They readily agreed. Unfortunately, my brothers and I are in mourning right now, so we weren't able to sing. But the rest of our group was able to make it. I'm proud of my relatives here and my dad for taking on this responsibility and great privilege," Jon said.

Koonzie Decorah shared that he was there for his relatives because they are in mourning. Decorah wanted to support them, and noted that he has sung with the group for many years. "It's good to be here," he said.

Green added, "I'm here because my Tega (Uncle) asked me to come sing because his family is in mourning. It's an honor to sing with my Choka (Grandfather) and support the family."

Cherokee and Otoe-Missouria Denise Alley, who signed the Lord's Prayer, is no stranger to participating in Farm Aid concerts. This year marks twenty years that she has been involved with the organization. "It's wonderful to be here," Alley said. "My father adopted Willie Nelson as a brother many years ago in the 80's. He invited our family to come and do the opening. My father used to sing a Welcome song, but Willie Nelson has always sung The Lord's Prayer. This year he asked Margo Price to do it for him. He's getting to be



L to R: US Marine Veteran David William Alley Mead, US Navy Corpsman- Vietnam Veteran Andy Thundercloud, and Denise Alley.



Singer Margo Price and Andy Thundercloud.

an elder as well. It's wonderful to honor the land and the people."

Alley, also acknowledged the participation of the Hocak Nation saying, "We are so grateful that the Ho-Chunk people could be here to welcome everyone in a good way and acknowledge the land and everyone."

She stated that she and the Wisdom Indian Dancers were just glad to be a part of it year after year acknowledging beautiful Mother Earth and the beautiful Creator and for all blessings. "As tribal people, we do that. We're glad that Willie asked us to come and do that and be part of it," she said with a smile.

Alley said she was blessed to have her nephew David William Alley Mead with her on stage. Mead, who closed the opening welcome ceremony with a song as his aunt danced, is a warrior having served in Iraq from 2004-2005 with the US Marine

Corp. Mead echoed his aunt's involvement with Farm Aid Farm saying, "My family's been doing it since '87."

Mead recalled that his grandpa Dennis Alley was hanging out with Willie Nelson, and Nelson had asked him to come and do an exhibition for him. "He's (Mead's Grandfather) been doing it ever since. My first one was in Dallas, Texas at the Stadium and then Ames, Iowa. I quit doing it for a while. I went to the Marine Corp. When I got back from Iraq, my grandpa asked me in 2007, he was like 'hey, Willie asked me if you'd want to come do this for us.' The day before Farm Aid, my grandpa passed away. For my grandpa, I've been doing it for him. In 2010, my uncle was a singer, his son, passed the drum (hand drum) to me. I've been singing for our dance troop ever since."

This concert was different for Mead. In past years when

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Hocak Thundercloud Singers- Seated front: Andy Thundercloud. Back row L to R: Jon Thundercloud, Justice Green, and Koonzie Decorah back stage.

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Art heals. For all the historical trauma that we've gone through after being removed so many times from Wisconsin, we've got to hang on to those things that we do that really makes us healthy and well, to heal from that trauma. That's what we are doing: preserving our culture through the arts with LEAF."

She motioned towards a display across the way set up by the Worm Farm Institute. "The folks set up over there are with Worm Farm Institute. They have the Fermentation Fest every other year. When we started the blue wing mural in Reedsburg, there was a bus of people that came to Fermentation Fest."

She continued, "They came up from Milwaukee, they were all into what we were doing in terms of it was like a reunion of Blue Wing (Ahu Cho means Blue Wing in Hocak, and is a named Hocak village) descendants. We did the mural, had singing, art, and food, and stuff like that. I went on the bus and explained to them the significance of blue wing and yellow thunder, that if they hadn't got their homestead land, we wouldn't be in Wisconsin anymore as far as the Ho-chunk people."

"The people coming up from Milwaukee to Sauk County was a concept they realized they needed in their lives, coming from the city to the rural areas was rest and respite, and creativity. We developed that concept to be the Rural Urban Flow. LEAF is a part of it."

When asked about how LEAF became involved with Farm Aid she said, "There are like 14 entities as well as Worm Farm. When Carolyn Mugar (Executive Director of Farm Aid) and her colleges

found out about the flow, they wanted to learn more. They invited us down to Alice's Garden, which is a community-run garden in Milwaukee. It was the right time at the right place: synchronicity. She wanted to know about the Ho-chunk people and how LEAF works with all tribes from the state of Wisconsin. One of the great things about Carolyn and her crew is that they really honor the first nation's peoples. They give that respect to the original stewards of the land; in this case it's the Ho-chunk. I was able to put her in contact with brother Andy (Thundercloud) and my nephew Jon Thundercloud, Bill Greendeer, and Levi Blackdeer. It all came together. That's what brought LEAF to Farm Aid."

It should be noted that Levi Blackdeer, a Warrior and Vietnam Veteran, shared with village goers traditional hide tanning that he has done his whole life. "I was thinking about his (Andy) mom, my other Nani, Irene Thundercloud. She would have been so proud. Whenever she sang, she sang with her full gusto. That's what he did (opening the concert). He said what he did, he did in Ho-chunk, in terms of welcoming people to our original homelands and to share that song, and for him to be in a bonnet (worn by Warriors) that he borrowed from Levi because he is a veteran. People probably don't know all those little aspects of him, but for us that makes it all the more special knowing we have a veteran, someone from our traditional court. That's the Ho-chunk way, that's how we are supposed to do it. It's so wonderful," she said.

As a gentle rain fell at the end of my interview with

Melanie, she looked up towards the sky and said, "It's been interesting. We were sitting here in the rain. To native people, rain is a blessing. Our planet needs rain. Our Mother Earth-she's trying to heal herself in the best way she can. It just so happens to be with water and rain cleaning her. The Maixetes (non-natives), the first thing they talk about is complaining about the rain," she said with a quiet laugh.

Hocak tribal member Bill Greendeer who was helping teach about the Hocak at the LEAF cipodoke shared he too was grateful for the opportunity to be welcomed by Farm Aid to be a part of the Homegrown Village.

"Part of the whole deal is if you are going to be Farm Aid, let's go back to the indigenous ways of growing things and harvesting all the wild foods out there," he said.

An advocate for the idea of 'Rights of Nature', the recognition and honoring that Nature (ecosystems) have rights just as human beings, Greendeer believes everything is connected. During the course of the event, Greendeer said that he spoke with a lot of people that had no idea about the rights of nature and acknowledged that he spent a good deal of time helping them to understand the concept.

"This is all bound together. We all have walked on this earth the same way for thousands of years. It was all about honor and respect. It was all about not taking but to share. It is about being able to share with whoever we are with," Greendeer said.

"Farm Aid to me is pretty cool as long as they would kind of learn about what we have here: the knowledge we have. It's amazing to be able



Melanie's daughter Valerie weaving cattails for the cipodoke covering.



Some work by LEAF's featured artists Levi & Verna Blackdeer.
Photo contributed by LEAF.

to teach people what we knew a long time ago. I've been talking pretty steady all day here, teaching people about the lodge and the coverage, how things used to be a long time ago."

Gesturing at the cipodoke, he noted that you could stay in a lodge and spend time in the winter with temperatures at -30 to -40 and you'd still actually be okay.

"We have to walk on this earth. If we can walk on it the right way with the people that are from that part of the earth, it's amazing what you can really learn. People have to wake up a little bit and just be able to see what we have here," he said.

Greendeer stressed that there is rich food everywhere, you just need to know where to look, and mentioned when you see townships cutting the sides of roads, foods can be found in what most see as debris.

He encourages everyone to get to know the foods that may not be conventional, but have always been available and eaten for a very long time in the past. Just to know the foods and be able to feed your family with it, your food that is natural and native is amazing! It's great! I'm seeing more and more people that are picking up the knowledge to be able to eat out in the country.

"We have to learn to not waste. We have people who will walk behind and pick up the food and share it. We should be doing it way more. That's what I really feel in

my heart. I want to be able to teach people. I want to tell people what's going on, learn what we have here, learn the medicine."

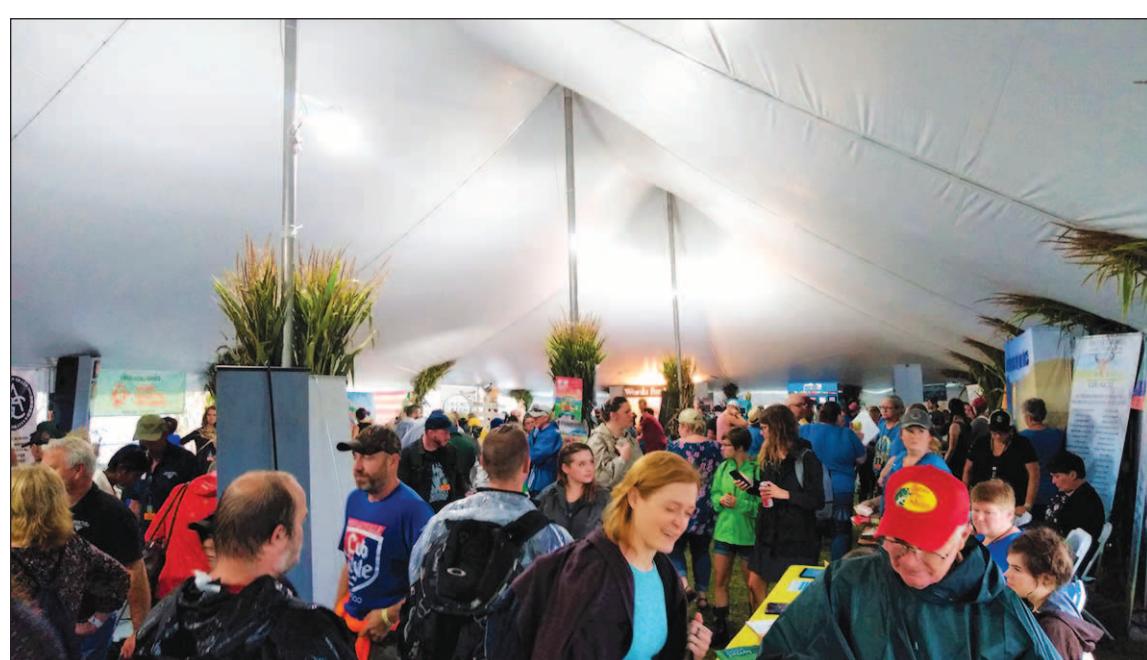
He said that there are so many plants right under our feet that we don't even think about that we could actually be eating, sharing, and using to heal ourselves and take care of each other.

"It's great to be able to teach people that this was once Ho-chunk land. Why not teach them about their history right here? I've been talking to a lot of people who had no idea what a structure like this would be like to live in, actually just sit here and sit up against one of these poles that are meant to be leaned up against. People are amazed that you can sit in comfort and relax on the earth. It was quite an opening for them," he said.

Greendeer said for him it's good to see others excitement about what he shares.

"It's really cool to be part of this. I'm amazed that there has been that many people wanting to know what was going on here, looking and watching the way the cattails are being weaved together, the lodge we built. All of the people with the knowledge are coming over and asking us. That's great. We love to share."

"I've been trying to really hang out with people that take care of the earth. There's a lot of people like that and they are not all native," he said with a smile.



Inside the Homegrown village tent.



Some of the sustainable food vendors.

Timber harvesting is sound forest management

Submitted by
Brandon Bleuer
Ho-Chunk Nation Rural Lands Forester

When many people envision a timber harvest they see massive clear cuts and large amounts of debris left behind to be dealt with in the future. In many circles timber harvesting is thought of as a practice that destroys forests. If timber harvesting is done properly, this could not be further from the truth.

Many forests in Wisconsin are in an "over mature" condition where the majority of trees are past their prime and there is little regeneration (regrowth) occurring in the understory. Forest stands in this condition are not good for marketable timber growth, wildlife habitat and future forest regeneration. Mature stands also pose an increased wildfire risk because of the amount of standing dead timber that increases the fuel load and the capacity to carry fire.



Conducting a selective timber harvest will promote natural regeneration within a timber stand by removing the mature trees which will open up the tree canopy allowing sunlight to reach the forest floor. Wisconsin is currently at a point in time where timber harvesting is critical to promote the continued growth of oak trees into the future.

Currently the majority of the state's oaks are mature trees and there is a lack of middle-aged and seedling trees. This condition is due to the lack of disturbance on the landscape that removes trees that are in direct competition with seedling and middle-aged oaks. When a selective oak harvest is completed, the trees that are marked for removal are chosen based on their age, location, desirability and overall health. Timber harvests on Ho-Chunk Nation Lands are always set up by a trained forester who takes measurements of each forest

stand and uses that data to make science based decisions on which trees to harvest.

Another timber harvest method that is commonly used to promote forest health and diversity is the clear cut method. When a clear cut harvest is conducted, every tree of a certain species within a given area is harvested.

One example of a tree species that benefits from clear cut harvests is aspen. When aspen gets to an over mature state, it typically starts to break up and does not regenerate. Aspen does not reliably regenerate by seed, so clearcutting is necessary to promote regeneration. When an aspen stand is marked to be clear cut, every tree over 2" in diameter is marked for harvest. Aspen regenerates from lateral root suckers that are produced after the tree has been stressed by cutting. These lateral roots will produce hundreds of aspen seedlings that will grow in pockets called clones. These clones are prime early successional (young forest) habitat that is critical to declining populations of ruffed grouse and American woodcock. Every good deer hunting property should have pockets of recently clear cut aspen to serve as browse and bedding cover.

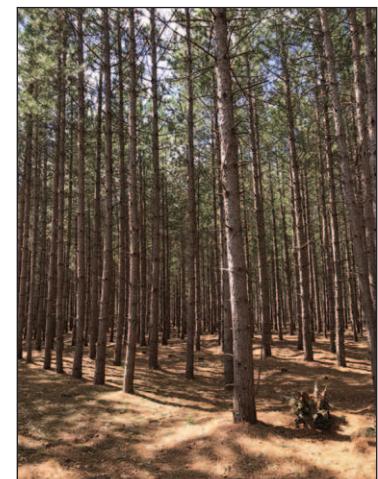
Once a timber harvest is completed and the logs are removed, the work is not over. All access roads, landing areas and any other disturbed site is seeded with a mix of plants and grasses that will prevent soil erosion. These mixes also are a good food source for a variety of wildlife species. The slash or debris



left behind from a harvest will eventually break down and put a wealth of nutrients back into the soil.

Also, every harvest conducted on Nation property will be routinely monitored for invasive species growth and any detected invasive species will be controlled as necessary. This step is critical in promoting the continued growth of native trees such as oak, pine and hickory.

Generally once a harvest is completed, natural regeneration of trees will occur, but if natural regeneration does not seem possible then trees can be planted in the harvest site. In many cases all of these post-harvest forest improvement projects are funded by revenue generated from



the harvested timber. There are many management tools available to forest managers, and timber harvesting is a tool that can help meet multiple forest management goals.

Ho-Chunk Nation examines possibility of adding electric cars to fleet

Submitted by
HCN Public Relations

The Ho-Chunk Nation is examining the possibility of adding electric cars to its fleet of vehicles.

General Manager Kevin Babcock and Member Relations Manager Carol Blaken of Jackson Electric Co-op stopped by the Tribal Office Building on Friday, Oct. 4, to show how well an electric car operates. They brought a new Chevrolet Bolt with them and allowed Ho-Chunk officials to test drive and ride in the car.

Babcock and Blaken explained how electric vehicles could save the Nation a considerable amount of money in switching from gasoline to electric-powered vehicles. Also, the effort would be consistent with the Nation's effort to be environmentally conscious.

A sheet was provided which



shows that an electric car can make 28 trips at a cost of \$45.41 in electrical charges while a gasoline-powered car could make the same trips, same mileage, at a cost of \$109.34.

Also under consideration is providing charging stations at various locations, including those at casinos, gasoline sta-

tions, and places of employment.

Ho-Chunk President Marlon WhiteEagle said the opportunity to save money and to provide clean energy is a positive step for the Nation, one that should receive serious consideration.

HCN set to release license plates

Kaili Berg
Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Nation (HCN) will be the seventh federally recognized tribe in the State of Wisconsin to issue license plates to enrolled Tribal Members.

The Wisconsin Statute 341.409 allows the State of Wisconsin and the HCN to register motor vehicles owned or operated by an enrolled member or by the HCN.

The license plates will be released in two stages. Stage one will be plates for tribal owned vehicles only. At this stage, HCN owned fleet vehicles will be issued a tribal plate.

This stage is vital to the License Plate program because these will be the first vehicles with Ho-Chunk Nation plates on them. Vehicles with the plates on them will serve as "test subjects." The Division of Transportation plans to have these plates issued by the end of November.

Stage two plates will be for Tribal Members. The Division of Transportation plans to have these plates available by January 2020.

To qualify for a HCN license plate, you must be an enrolled Tribal Member of the Ho-Chunk Nation and must reside on trust land. The HCN does not have jurisdiction to register vehicles for enrolled members living off of trust land.

Enrolled Tribal Members will be able to register their vehicles at the Division of Transportation office at the Tribal Office Building near Black River Falls, Wisc.

The license plates will be manufactured by Badger State Industries, which is a State of Wisconsin Prison Industries Program.

The plates were designed by Business Department Graphic Designer, Ken Lewis.



Ho-Chunk Cultural Art represented at MATC

Kaili Berg
Staff Writer

A Ho-Chunk Nation tribal member, Chris Sweet, created a cultural art piece representing the Ho-Chunk Nation and Native American culture for a building at Madison Area Technical College.

"I was inspired by the story Robert Mann told me, called The Creator and the Four Lakes," said Sweet. "In the painting, it not only tells a tale of how the Creator had a part in forming the lakes, but it also portrays an elder sharing her wisdom with the youth."

In Sweet's art piece, you can observe the Madison

skyline disappearing into the past when it was just rural land and a clay cooking pot bubbling over to form the four lakes of the Madison area.

"In all of my paintings, I try to convey a sense of unity and healing," says Sweet.

The building represents four different cultures. The cultures include Native American, African American, Latino, and Hmong. These four cultures were chosen because they are the predominant cultures in the area.

"Our goal was to have the building be a welcoming space where people of these four cultures and other

minorities could identify and see themselves," said Michael Stark, Facilities Director at MATC. "This, in turn, helps create a welcoming environment. We believe the cultural art helped move us toward this goal."

Sweet's artwork can be viewed at Madison College-South located, on Goodman South Campus.

Artist Christopher Sweet and his mother, Lenore Sweet (top right photo). Drum group sang during the unveiling of the cultural art piece (bottom right photo).



Thundercloud singers

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other Native American's had participated in Farm Aid, their performances were at different times. "They went on way later and we never got to hang out or even get to talk to them. The Ho-Chunk going on first, and us going on second was awesome, two sets of tribes going at it, letting everybody know that we are still here. We'll help other people. It doesn't matter if you are Native or White or Black or Asian. We are here to grow food and help people. I thought that was amazing," he said enthusiastically.

Mead said that he loved the fact that Willie, Neil, John, and Dave are doing this, and hopes that each year they bring in other ethnicity that are farmers. "I think it's awesome. I'm blessed to be doing this as long as I have been. I pray to God they ask us back. It's a total volunteer fundraiser. I'm putting my time and money into it, and hope other people will do the same," he said.

With a huge responsibility as the Farm Aid organization's Executive Director, Carolyn Mugar, was thrilled with the participation of the Hocak at this year's event. "My thoughts are that we knew we wanted them (Hocak) right from the beginning, because we are on Ho-Chunk land. We knew we wanted to honor the tribes whose land

we are on as we came here. We were extremely glad that they said they would do it. It matters a lot to us. We always try to place everybody. For people, contango is to realize where we are each year and to make it as real as possible and as respectful as possible." Mugar stressed that the organization will always have the respect and involvement of this nation's first people in the forefront of each concert.

I had a chance to sit down with Andy and Margo in the artist VIP area after they opened the concert.

With this being Margo's fourth appearance at Farm Aid, she shared some thoughts and feeling on this year's event with us saying, "My father and mother had a farm when I was little. Through the farming crisis in the Midwest, they lost their farm in 1985 when I was two years old. I've always felt very passionate about helping local farmers. To come back and be at Farm Aid is always an honor, so surreal. It was great to be up there today. I was hanging with Willie in Nashville, and he said I've got stuff going on and can't do the Lord's Prayer, would you like to do it? I was honored and slightly nervous, but it's a beautiful spiritual experience to be up there and share the stage with everybody. I've always felt a deep connection when I

hear singing in that way and the drum beat. I've always watched that part of the show from the front of the stage. It was really surreal to be up there and such an honor."

Thundercloud added, "I've always felt a deep connection when I hear singing in that way and the drum beat." He continued, "It's been a real privilege listening to her and what she was telling about her parents. It strikes me. I think it is a real shame. We were talking and I wanted to make her aware that this was our farm land here. During the spring we came here to plant our gardens. Of course, there were different parties that went out and did other things but there was a certain plan to have the responsibilities of growing the crops. They always stayed in this area. The others wandered off to gather the other fruits of the land and forests. I thought it was very appropriate that we gather here today. This is the first time we as Native people have been invited to something like this. If you had been around yesterday, we had a meeting over at Lake Geneva. I think there was quite a few people that didn't like what I had to say. I let them have it."

"I think it's been very terrible what happened to the Native people of our country and what continues to happen. I love that Willie has brought

in the true rightful owners of this land and this Nation," Price said.

Thundercloud, quickly responded saying, "We aren't owners, we are stewards of the land. One of the things I'll share with you: We always think that nature is there for us. We are part of nature; nature is part of us. We have to understand. Once we understand that, I think we will make real progress as far as pollution and all these other things. If someone would have told me 70 years ago that in 2020 you are going to be buying drinking water, I would have laughed at them. I think it's atrocious."

Price stated that she wasn't sure whose quote it was, but shared that she once heard that 'The earth does not belong to us, we belong to the earth'. A quote that has since stuck with her. "That's what I mean. We think that nature is here for us," Thundercloud said.

Being somewhat star struck, I had to ask Price how she got started in the music industry.

"I've been doing it for a very long time, and was not successful for a very long time. I just kept making records. I can be a little bit stubborn. I've been in Nashville for about 13 years. We faced a lot of failure and a lot of obstacles, just with making a living out of it. I finally put out a

record. My husband had sold our car, I pawned my wedding ring, we sold all of our material possessions and went to Memphis and made a record at Sun Studio. Jack White from Third Man Records put it out. We've been able to make a living on it now. It's something I'm grateful for every day."

She continued, "I admire people like Neil Young, Bob Dylan, Joan Baez, people from that generation that had something to say in their music. That's kind of always been my kind of mentors: people who were doing it not only to be self-serving, but hopefully touch people."

When asked what needs to change for the current crisis facing farming in the nation, Price offered, "It's going to take a major revolution. It's going to take people caring about the earth more than they care about money. We have a long way to go but it's good to see that there are people here that care. This week is also the climate strike week so people have been bringing activism to that. It's something that we have to go back to, the old ways. Right now, we are here and we have a problem, and it's good to see people trying to solve it."

Green Corn Harvest Celebration

Ardith Van Riper
Editor

Around this time of the year, our harvest season is when Ho-Chunk people use to make sure we had enough food to get us through winter. We would gather our foods and prepare them for storage. Some foods were also prepared and shared in celebration because the harvests we received were a gift from the Creator.

On October 4, a Green Corn Harvest Celebration took place behind the Tribal Office Building near Black River Falls, Wisc. An Earth oven was created, various dishes were prepared, the moccasin game was played, a meal was shared, and a singing and dancing celebration took place.

"Pre-colonial time, we didn't have these big steel pots and propane stoves. We had to utilize what was around

us. We used the Earth, the stones, and fire," explained Jon Greendeer, who coordinated the event. "We dug these holes and put our food in there. We not only put corn and squash in there but deer meat, bison, and fish. They were cooked this way."

Greendeer's family gathered sweet corn and soaked them in water in advance. Jon's brother started a fire early in the morning to get the stones hot. Tony Yellowbank and Jesse Blackdeer piled the heated rocks, the corn husks, the corn, a canvas, and the soil into the Earth oven.

A variety of harvest exhibitions took place in the meantime.

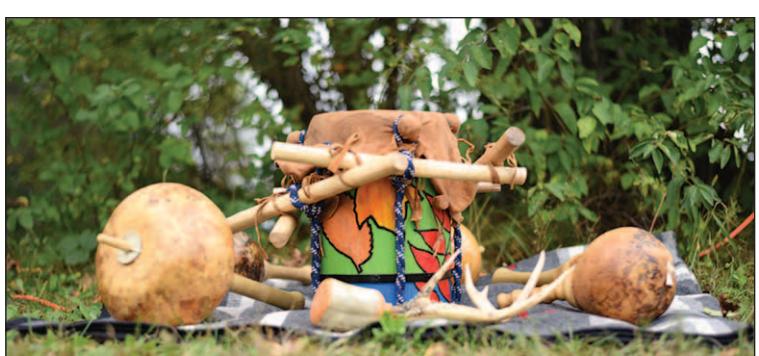
Approximately four to five hours later, they removed the corn from the Earth oven.

A harvest-themed potluck meal served in the Tribal Office Building cafeteria.

A singing and dancing cel-



ebration took place later in the evening. The Green Corn Dance lasted a few hours, and the dancers and singers rallied until the end.



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Contact: GovPress@wisconsin.gov or 608-219-7443

Gov. Evers Signs Executive Order Declaring Indigenous Peoples' Day in Wisconsin

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers, joined by Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes, signed [Executive Order #50](#), declaring the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Wisconsin. The executive order was signed on Tuesday at Indian Community School in Franklin.

In the executive order, Gov. Evers recognized the importance of the Native Nations to Wisconsin and reaffirmed the significance of Native Nations' sovereignty, culture, and history.

"Through this executive order, we recognize and appreciate our tribal nations and Indigenous people and their resilience, wisdom, and the contributions they make to our state," said Gov. Evers. "Native Americans in Wisconsin and throughout our country have suffered unjust treatment—often at the hands of our government—and today is about recognizing that Wisconsin would not be all that it is without Indigenous people."

"Today, we seek to recognize and honor our state's Indigenous communities while moving beyond a dated practice that perpetuates inaccurate teachings and honors genocide," Lt. Gov. Barnes said. "The story of Wisconsin's Indigenous people has long been one of resistance and resilience. In the coming years, our administration will work to ensure that story evolves into one that includes respect and justice."

Both Gov. Evers and Lt. Gov. Barnes, through this executive order, strongly encourage Wisconsin businesses, organizations, public institutions, and local governments to be in solidarity with Indigenous people by recognizing, celebrating and cultivating strong relationships with Wisconsin Native Nations.

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NOTICE AND RULES OF SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

**LEGISLATOR:
DISTRICT 2, Seat 3
July 2017 - June 2021**

Stephanie Begay
Robert L. Funmaker, Jr.

Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of District 2. The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board is calling a Special Runoff Election, which will be held subsequent to the Special Primary Election held on Friday, October 4, 2019 due to the resignation of Legislator Carly Lincoln, District 2, Seat 3, which was effective September 5, 2019.

The Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation prescribes two (2) types of elections: General Elections and Special Elections. When three (3) or more candidates run for a seat in a General or a Special Election, there shall be a Primary Election and if required a Runoff Election.

Any candidate who receives fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of the total votes cast shall be deemed as winner, as described in the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Code, Section 5. a. (3). Because no candidate received fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) vote in the Primary Election, a Runoff Election is required.

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.

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. Challenges must be received at the Election Office **prior to 4:00 PM on Friday, October 18, 2019.** Such claims or challenges may be hand-delivered, faxed or mailed to:

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
W8801 Mission Road
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715) 284-8900
TOLL FREE (800) 890-0583
FAX: (715) 284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

ABSENTEE VOTING:

A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than **Monday, October 21, 2019 by 4:00 PM.** Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number. **Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 PM on Saturday, October 26, 2019.** Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they are received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the close of polls on Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:

There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling place

POLLING PLACES:

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

• **BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI**
INDIAN MISSION
COMMUNTIY BUILDING
W8813 Mission Road
(715) 284-8900

• **TOMAH, WI**
BLUEWING COMMUNITY
BUILDING
320 Epinal Avenue
(608) 377-3787

• **LA CROSSE, WI**
LACROSSE BRANCH OFFICE
724 Main Street
(608) 783-6025

• **BARABOO, WI**
HOUSE OF WELLNESS
S2845 WhiteEagle Road
(608) 355-1254

Other Polling Sites will be closed during this Special Election.

Amended Poster Posted 10/6/2019

**SPECIAL RUNOFF
ELECTION
Saturday,
October 26, 2019**

**POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Sunday, October 6, 2019**

**POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS
LIST
Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

**CHALLENGES TO THE
ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR
TO
4:00 PM
Friday, October 18, 2019**

**LAST DAY TO REQUEST
ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Monday, October 21, 2019
4:00 PM**

**SPECIAL RUN OFF
ELECTION
Saturday,
October 26, 2019
8:00 AM to 7:00 PM**

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

Election Board Meeting
 Friday, September 20, 2019
 Election Board Office
 Black River Falls, Wisconsin

Call to Order by the EB Chairperson Libby Fairchild at 4:00 pm.

Roll Call:

Crystal Pettibone, BRF,	Devin Funmaker, BRF
Francis Decorah, Tomah, ex	Chris Estebo, Tomah
Ethel Funmaker, Lacrosse	Marsha Smith, Lacrosse
Cher Laubmeier, Madison	Lashina Hoye, Madison
Estelle Greendeer, Baraboo	Angelica Greendeer, Baraboo
Cynthia Tack, Wisconsin Dells	Vacant, Wisconsin Dells
Bonnie Smith, Wisconsin Rapids	Gregory Smith, Wisconsin Rapids
Caroline Koukos, Wittenberg	Vacant, Wittenberg
Mary Lopez, Green Bay, ex	Dave Radtke, Green Bay
Valerie Kempen, Milwaukee	Morningstar Strait, Milwaukee
Benjamin Krause, Chicago, 4:17 pm	Karen Hopinkah Ramberg, Chicago, ex
Patrick Red Eagle, Mpls/St. Paul	Vacant, Mpls/St. Paul

EB Staff: Melissa Olvera

EB Counsel: Wendi Huling

Others Present: Rita Gardner, Enrollment Director

Quorum established at 4:01pm.

Opening Prayer: Chris Estebo

Motion: Crystal Pettibone made motion to approve the Election Board Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2019 with corrections, Second by Ethel Funmaker, 11-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Cher Laubmeier made a motion to approve the Agenda, Second by Estelle Greendeer, 11-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to enter executive session at 4:06 pm, Second by Cher Laubmeier, 11-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Crystal Pettibone made motion to exit executive at 6:44 pm, Second by Benjamin Krause, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Crystal Pettibone made a motion to not accept Vanverd Dick's candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3, failure to meet the residency requirement within the HCN Election Code, HCC § 6, Section 6b(1)(c); Section 8a(iii); Section 8f(3), Second by Benjamin Krause, 12-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to not accept Lucinda Lonetree's candidacy for Legislature, District 2, Seat 3, due to not completing a background check conducted by the Ho-Chunk Nation Compliance Department or its designee. Election Code, 2 HCC § 6, Section 6b(1)(c); Section 8f(1), (a); Section 8f(1), (c), Second by Crystal Pettibone, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Estelle Greendeer made a motion to not accept Andrea "Pepper" Estebo's candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3 due to having served two consecutive four year terms within the HCN Election Code 2 HCC§ 6, Section 6b,(1)(c); Section 7a, (c) 2 i, Second by Bonnie Smith, 11-0-1(CE) Motion Carried.

Motion: Crystal Pettibone made a motion to confirm Francis Steindorf's candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3, Second by Cynthia Tack, 10-2-0 (EG,BS) Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to confirm Jeffery Hendricks' candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3, Second by Crystal Pettibone, 8-4-0 (EG, BS, CK, PR) Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to confirm Robert L. Funmaker, Jr.'s candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3, Second by Cher Laubmeier, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to confirm Stephanie Begay's candidacy for Legislature District 2, Seat 3, Second by Dave Radtke, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Crystal Pettibone was excused at 7:04 pm

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to confirm Francis Steindorf as candidate for Legislature District 2, Seat 3 of the Ho-Chunk Nation Special Election on Friday, October 4, 2019 dated this date Friday, September 20, 2019 from the CDIB report with no felonies, Second by Cher Laubmeier, 11/0/1 (EG) Motion Carried.

Motion: Cher Laubmeier made a motion to confirm Jeffery Hendricks as candidate for Legislature District 2, Seat 3 of the Ho-Chunk Nation Special Election on Friday, October 4, 2019 dated this date Friday, September 20, 2019 from the CDIB report with no felonies, Second by Dave Radtke, 10-0-2 (EG, DF) Motion Carried.

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to confirm Stephanie Begay as candidate for Legislature District 2, Seat 3 of the Ho-Chunk Nation Special Election on Friday, October 4, 2019 dated this date Friday, September 20, 2019 from the CDIB report with no felonies, Second by Benjamin Krause, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to confirm Robert L Funmaker, Jr. as candidate for Legislature District 2, Seat 3 of the Ho-Chunk Nation Special Election on Friday, October 4, 2019 dated this date Friday, September 20, 2019 from the CDIB report with no felonies, Second by Cher Laubmeier, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to excuse Francis Decorah for today, September 20, 2019, Second by Estelle Greendeer, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Dave Radtke made a motion to excuse Mary Lopez for today, September 20, 2019, Second by Benjamin Krause, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Benjamin Krause made a motion to excuse Karen Hopinkah Ramberg for today, September 20, 2019, Second by Devin Funmaker, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to approve the Special Election Poster, Friday, October 4, 2019 with candidates' names for District 2, Seat 3, Second by Estelle Greendeer, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Motion: Cynthia Tack made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 pm, Second by Bonnie Smith, 12-0-0 Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by
Libby Fairchild
 Libby Fairchild, EB Chairperson

EB Approved 10/5/2019



Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board

PLEASE POST

HO-CHUNK NATION ELECTION BOARD CHAIRPERSON

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board is seeking enrolled Tribal Members interested in serving as the Election Board Chairperson for the next two year term 2020 – 2022.

Individuals interested in serving in the capacity of Election Board Chairperson shall submit a letter of intent to the Election Board Office no later than December 20, 2019 by 4:00 pm.

Duties include:

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

Interested tribal members may submit a letter of interest with qualifying information by December 20, 2019 by 4:00 pm to:

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
 W8801 Mission Road
 Black River Falls, WI 54615

This has to be posted for 30 days before deadline.

POSTED 10/07/2019

Notice of Vacancy and Deadlines: One (1) Delegate and One (1) Alternate 2019-2021 For the following Districts:

District 2:	Number of EB Delegates	Alternate
Tomah	1	1
Lacrosse	1	1
Baraboo	1	1
Wisconsin Dells	1	1

The terms will end December 2021.

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

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for One (1) Election Board Delegate Member and One (1) Alternate to represent each District must be voted upon during your District monthly meeting in November 2019. This posting needs to be posted 30 days prior to nominating any board member.

12:00 PM – Friday, December 20, 2019

Posted 10/3/2019

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Results

Special Election

OCTOBER 4, 2019

BLACK RIVER FALLS	LACROSSE	TOMAH	BARABOO	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
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DISTRICT 2 LEGISLATOR - SEAT 3 CANDIDATES	9	7	65	43	0	124	42.76%
STEPHANIE BEGAY	2	5	11	58	0	76	26.21%
ROBERT L. FUNMAKER, JR.	2	5	6	14	0	27	9.31%
JEFFERY HENDRICKS	0	3	13	19	0	35	12.07%
FRANCIS STEINDORF	2	0	2	5	0	9	3.10%
KIM WAUKAU (WRITE-IN)	0	0	0	3	0	3	1.03%
MICHELLE DECORA (WRITE-IN)	1	1	0	0	0	2	0.69%
ANDREA ESTEBO (WRITE-IN)	1	1	1	0	0	3	1.03%
ROBERT BLACKDEER (WRITE-IN)	1	0	3	0	0	4	1.38%
FELICIA WAUNA (WRITE-IN)	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.34%
JEFFERY HENDRICKS (WRITE-IN)	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.34%
DANA DEBOER (WRITE-IN)	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.69%
ELIJAH LEONARD (WRITE-IN)	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.34%
KATHY DECAMP (WRITE-IN)	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.34%
WRITE-IN (OTHER)	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.34%
							100.00%
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	18	25	103	144	0	290	

ELECTION CERTIFICATION

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED ELECTION OFFICIALS OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE ABSTRACT OF THE VOTES SHOWN HEREIN FOR THE ELECTION HELD ON THE FOURTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019. WE FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ELECTION WAS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION, RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION.

CHAIRPERSON *Libby Fairchild*

Member *Still Alpander*

Member *Lydia Gau*

Member *Mary Lopez*

Member *Benjamin Krause*

Member *Crystal Hartung*

Member *Unka*

Member *Valerie Kempen*

Member *H.C. Red Eagle*

Member *Caroline Koukos*

Member *Marsha Smith*

Member *Robert Schubauer*

Member *Unka*

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES
BLACK RIVER FALLS,
WI
AUGUST 6, 2019
10:00 a.m.**

Call to Order: President Marlon WhiteEagle called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Marlon WhiteEagle (P)
Vice President Karena Thundercloud (P)
Rep. George Stacy (P)
Rep. Hinu Smith (P)
Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. (EX)
Rep. Carly Lincoln (P) 10:20 a.m.
Rep. Kristin White Eagle (P)
Rep. Darren Brinegar (P)
Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. (EX)
Rep. Sarah Lemieux (P)
Rep. Matthew Mullen (P)
Rep. Robert TwoBears (P)
Rep. Paul Fox (P)
Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit (P)

Determination of Quorum: Quorum was established at 10:04 a.m.

Opening Prayer: Opening prayer was offered by President Marlon White Eagle.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to approve August 6, 2019 Legislative Meeting agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Legislative Meeting-July 23, 2019

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to approve the July 23, 2019 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Committee Reports:

Housing Committee-July 25, 2019

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to approve the July 25, 2019 Housing Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-In Support of HUD and ONAP Exercising Indian Preference in Hiring

Legislative Attorney Carolyn Garnett informed Legislators this resolution was referred from the Housing Committee. HUD and ONAP have not been exercising Native American preference in their hiring.

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux to adopt **Resolution 08-06-19 A**, In Support of HUD and ONAP Exercising Indian Preference in Hiring. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Creation of a Supportive Housing Task-force

The goal was to develop a group internally from information gained from trainings for solutions for homelessness.

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux to adopt **Resolution 08-06-19 B**, Creation of a Supportive Housing Task-force with adding Rep. Kristin White Eagle as the representative to the list. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Memorandum of Understanding between HCN and HHCDA for Green Bay Housing

Memorandum of Understanding between HCN and HHCDA for Wittenberg Housing

Memorandum of Understanding between HCN and HHCDA for Twin Cities Housing

Memorandum of Understanding between HCN and HHCDA for Milwaukee Housing

Creating a Restricted Account for Green Bay Housing

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Creating a Restricted Account for Milwaukee Housing

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to TABLE Resolutions Memorandum of Understanding between Ho-Chunk Nation and HHCDA for Green Bay, Wittenberg, and Twin Cities, and Milwaukee; Creating a Restricted Account for Green Bay Housing, Wittenberg Housing, Twin Cities Housing and Milwaukee Housing. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Development Committee-July 30, 2019

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to approve the July 30, 2019 Development Committee Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. George Stacy. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Health, Social Services & Insurance Committee-July 30, 2019

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to approve the July 30, 2019 Health, and Social Services & Insurance Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 9-0-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Carly Lincoln arrives at 10:20 a.m.

Finance Committee-July 31, 2019

Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit was opposed to the motion regarding budget decrease for District 4 Community Improvement Fund displayed on page four of the July 31, 2019 Finance Committee Minutes, due to the fact she was not present.

MOTION by Rep. Kathleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to TABLE the July 31, 2019 Finance Meeting Committee minutes for legal opinion. Second by Rep. Paul Fox. **MOTION AMENDED** not to TABLE but to ratify July 31, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting minutes with corrections and to use funds from District 1 Community Im-

provement Fund. **SECOND CONCURS.** 10-0-1 (Rep. Darren Brinegar) **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to amend the July 31, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting Motion to read, “**MOTION** by Rep. Matthew Mullen to approve a budget decrease for \$3,888 from District 5 Community Improvement Fund and a Language and Culture budget increase for \$3,889 covering two months of meetings and for the Executive Branch to work with the Language and Culture Committee Meeting” to reflect funds coming from District 1 instead of District 5. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 6-2(Rep. Carly Lincoln, Rep. Kristin White Eagle)-3(Rep. Darren Brinegar, Rep. Robert Two-Bears, Rep. Matthew Mullen) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Department of Housing – FY19 HOP Carry Forward Request

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux to adopt **Resolution 08-06-19 C**, Department of Housing HOP Carry Forward Request. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to adopt Resolution Authorization to Place the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act (6HCC §5) Out for Forty-Five Day Comment. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. **MOTION WITHDRAWN.**

Vice President Karena Thundercloud reported there will be a two day ERA workgroup on August 29-30, 2019. After this she is hoping that it can be put out for forty five day comment.

Rep. Hinu Smith’s motion was withdrawn based on the information given by Vice President Karena Thundercloud.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to TABLE Resolution Authorization to Place the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act

(6HCC §5) Out for Forty-Five Day Comment. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Unfinished Business:

Office of General Council

Wendy Running Horse, Interim Deputy Advocate gave a brief overview on the Annual General Council. All information is provided in the General Council Edition Hocak Worak.

Economic Diversification

No Report.

Resolution-Quick Passage

Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act (6 HCC § 5-Re: Bridge Service)

Interim Executive Director of Personnel Kimberly Lonetree reviewed documents with legislators which were included in the packet.

Department of Justice Attorney Erik Shircel stated to make the Quick Passage Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act (6 HCC § 5-Re: Bridge Service)

fully effective to Spectra Employees, this resolution would need to be changed. There would be no bridge service credit. Spectra is a separate entity.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to TABLE Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act (6 HCC § 5-Re: Bridge Service) and refer Quick Passage Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Employment Relations Act to the ERA Workgroup. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 10-1(Rep. Matthew Mullen)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOU between the Ho-Chunk Nation and Spectra, LLC

Chief Operations Officer Rob Reider gave a brief overview on a resolution he put together regarding Insurance. Vice President Karena Thundercloud expressed she would like to see a signed document where it states Spectra will pay the Ho-Chunk Nation the total amount of the insurance. Rep. Robert TwoBears requested that Mr. Reider bring back estimates and audits that shows the Ho-Chunk Nation is saving money.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin

FOR HO-CHUNK SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING CONSIDERATION:

ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR FALL

2019 FUNDING MUST BE RECEIVED BY

NOVEMBER 1, 2019

DUE TO BUDGET RESTRICTIONS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, FILES
COMPLETED AFTER THIS DATE
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AWARD CONSIDERATION.

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November 13 & 14, 2019

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White Eagle to TABLE the MOU between the Ho-Chunk Nation and Spectra, LLC. Second by Rep. Paul Fox. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

New Business:

Resolution-Authorization for Submission of the 2019 Life Comes From It Grant Application-Chief Judge Jo Deen Lowe

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 08-06-19 D**, Authorization for Submission of the 2019 Life Comes From It Grant Application with corrections. Second by Rep. Kathleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Selection of Pro-Tempore Judges-Chief Judge Jo Dee Lowe

Honorable Judge Jo Deen Lowe received the request from the July 23, 2019 Legislative Meeting about an inquiry whether a list of names have been provided. It was noted there was an asterisk by the applicants name because the applicant did not have the opportunity to consult with their partners at their current Law Firm. The applicant expressed to Judge Jo Deen Lowe that she was interested and will be in contact.

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to TABLE Selection of Pro-Tempore Judges until the next Legislative Meeting and bring it back with a resolution to adopt. MOTION AMENDED to table until later today. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Rescission and Restatement Resolution 08-07-18 Z-Establishment and Funding of Restricted Account for Methamphetamine Testing and Remediation for the Dept. of Housing

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 08-06-19 E**, Rescission and Restatement Resolution 08-07-18 Z-Establishment and Funding of Restricted Account for Methamphetamine Testing and Remediation for the Department of Housing with corrections. Second by Rep. Hinu Smith. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Residential Leasing Code

Rep. Carly Lincoln expressed this is a "FYI" and an informal meeting will be held.

2019 Ho-Chunk Nation Labor Day Pow-Wow

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to approve budget allowing the dance category funds to be general. Funds can be moved from the dance category but the funds are not to be used for Specials or for Pow-wow Staff. The check is payable to Lori Pettibone, and to provide justifications upon reconciliation and for Treasury to release the check immediately. Second by Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. MOTION AMENDED to release the check to Lori Pettibone on an Emergency basis due to the time frame.

SECOND CONCURS. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

2019 Ho-Chunk Nation Labor Day Softball Tournament

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to sponsor the 2019 Ho-Chunk Nation Labor Day Softball Tournament in the amount of \$19,300.00 with 50% of the funds to come from the Pepsi Fund-Department of Business and the other 50% from Charitable Contributions, with the check payable to Greg Blackdeer and to provide reconciliation. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. MOTION AMENDED, to release the check on an Emergency Basis to Greg Blackdeer. Concessions at the Softball Tournament be coordinated with Youth Services and Team Wisconsin parents, youth and students. SECOND CONCURS 9-1(Rep. Robert TwoBears)-1(Rep. George Stacy) MOTION CARRIED.

Conference Approval:

4th Annual OVW Tribal Governments Program National Summit-Referred from HSS & I

Domestic Abuse Division Coordinator Erica Hawpetoss briefed the Legislature and gave an open invitation for two Representatives to attend the 4th Annual OVW Tribal Governments Program National Summit sponsored

by Health, Social Service & Insurance Committee. It is recommended that two Representatives attend the summit but is not required. Vice President Karena Thundercloud confirmed she will attend and will keep in contact.

MOTION by Rep. Kathleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to revisit A Path to Economic Self-Determination IV Conference taking place in Niagara Falls, NY on September 17-18, 2019 that was referred from the Housing Committee so the Housing Committee meeting minutes can get ratified. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Session:

11:43 a.m.

MOTION by Rep. Kathleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to go into Executive Session. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Carly Lincoln to take a 20 minute Lunch Break. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Call to Order: President Marlon WhiteEagle called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

Roll Call:

President Marlon WhiteEagle (P)
Vice President Karena Thundercloud (P)
Rep. George Stacy (P)
Rep. Hinu Smith (P)
Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. (EX)
Rep. Carly Lincoln (P)
Rep. Kristin White Eagle (P)
Rep. Darren Brinegar (P) 1:35 p.m.

Rep. Lawrence Walker, Jr. (EX)

Rep. Sarah Lemieux (P)
Rep. Matthew Mullen (P)
Rep. Robert TwoBears (P)

Rep. Paul Fox (P)

Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit (P) 1:53 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to move into Open Session. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

5:18 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to ratify all action taken in Executive Session.

Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Release to Open Session Insurance Options (Tele-health)

MOTION by Rep. Hinu Smith to refer to the Health, Social Services & Insurance Committee that the Insurance Department research options to include telehealth as an option, and costs/savings impact on the Nation be brought to the HSS & I Meeting for follow up and to release to Open Session. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to adjourn the Legislative Meeting. The next Legislative Meeting is August 20, 2019 at Wak Sik Ma (Mauson Community Building) in Mauston WI.

Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-2(Vice President Karena Thundercloud, Rep. Matthew Mullen)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

2019 Labor Day Pow-Wow

Note for the record, the column for the tiny tots was omitted on the request but was included in the amount.

MOTION by Rep. Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to have noted for the record for the 2019 Labor Day Pow-Wow request that \$1,000.00 for the tiny tots and release to Open Session. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment:

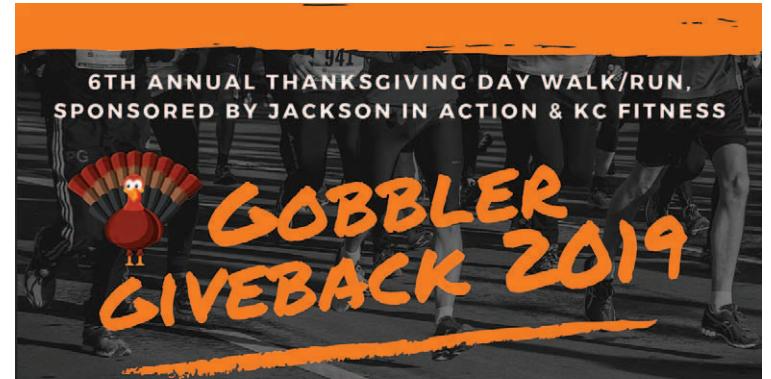
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Second by Rep. Carly Lincoln. 9-2(Vice President Karena Thundercloud, Rep. Matthew Mullen)-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Legislative Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Hinu Smith, Tribal Secretary

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For more information, contact Kathleen Clemons at 715-299-0870 or Louise Voss at 715-379-4920.




INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

A program of OneSauk Naturally:
A collaboration of the Ho-Chunk Nation and Sauk County

SAVE THE DATE

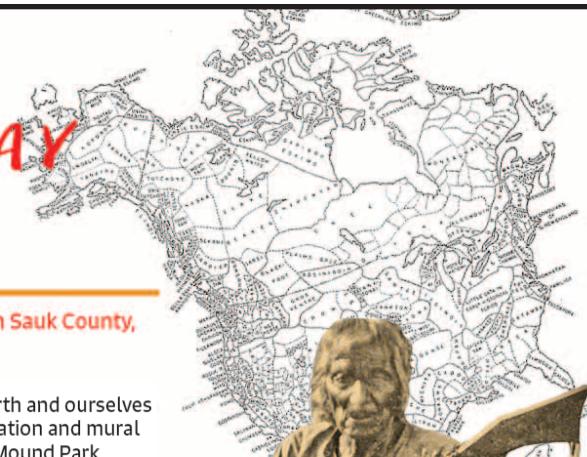
Mark your calendars for Indigenous Peoples' Day in Sauk County, October 12-14, 2019.

Day of Restoration October 12 – Healing our Mother Earth and ourselves through hands-on activities. Events such as prairie restoration and mural painting will be taking place around Sauk County: White Mound Park, Yellow Thunder Park, and Ma Wakacak (Formerly known as Badger Ammunition Plant).

Day of Celebration October 13 – Experience the culture and traditions of the Ho-Chunk Nation and other Indigenous Peoples at the Sauk County Fairgrounds in Baraboo. Highlights include basket weaving, traditional food and a lacrosse showcase featuring clinics and an exhibition game.

Day of Commemoration October 14 – The festivities will culminate on October 14th with a flag ceremony at the Sauk County Courthouse. The event will be live-streamed and will include a reading of the Sauk County Resolution establishing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day.

For more information please call us at (608) 355 - 3274 or send an email to: Kristin.WhiteEagle@ho-chunk.com




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Native Advocates Kickoff Domestic Violence Awareness Month

National Indigenous Women's Resource Center
 Candy Keown
 Communications Coordinator,
 AKNWRC
 Mallory Black
 Communications Manager,
 StrongHearts

Lame Deer, MT - Every October, advocates and communities from across Indian country and the United States rally together in honor of survivors of domestic violence and support abuse prevention as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). This month, the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (NIWRC), the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center (AKNWR) and the StrongHearts Native Helpline (StrongHearts) are calling on advocates, Tribal leaders, reservation and urban Indian community members, service providers and Native organizations to rise up in support of the movement to prevent and end domestic violence, which disproportionately affects millions of American Indians and Alaska Natives each year.

Recent conversations around rape and sexual assault continue to gain international attention, and Native survivors said #MeToo by sharing their own experiences of abuse and sexual assault in Tribal, urban and village communities. Every day, families from across Indian country share heart-wrenching stories of their missing and murdered loved ones, whose cases are often left unresolved. To date, more than 5,000 people have reached out to the StrongHearts Native Helpline for critically-needed support for intimate partner violence, as Tribes and villages continually go underfunded for vital domestic violence services.

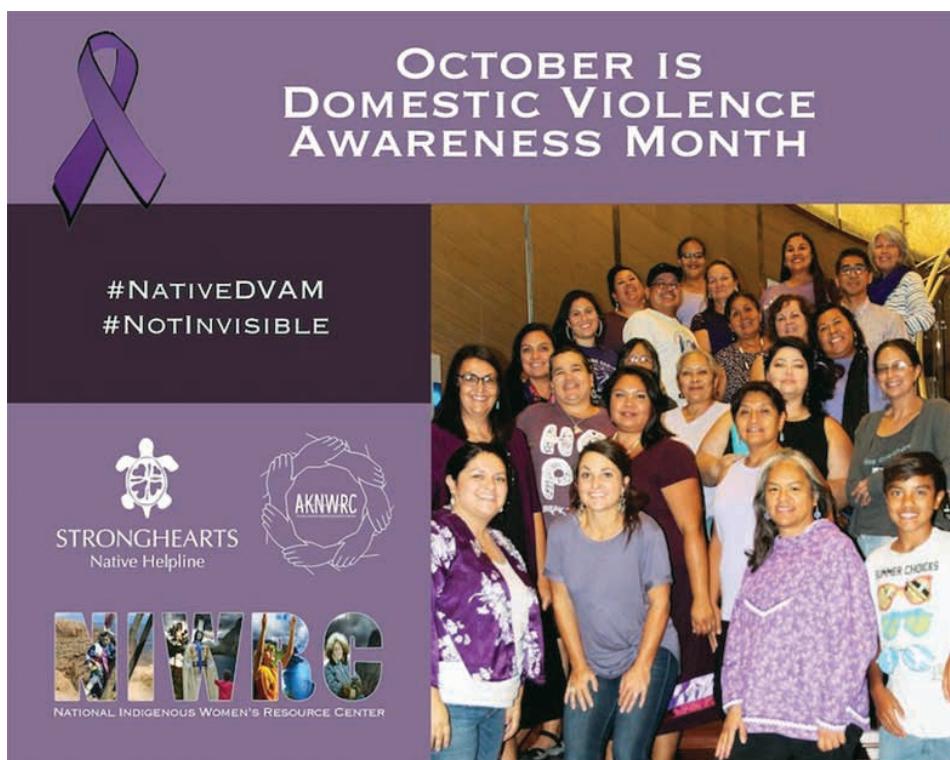
This summer, U.S. Senators Bob Casey (D-PA) and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) introduced the reauthorization of the Family Violence Prevention and

Services Act (FVPSA), the only federal funding source dedicated to addressing domestic violence as a public health issue and ensuring the provision of domestic violence shelters, supportive services, specialized services for children exposed to domestic violence, the National Domestic Violence Hotline, and the StrongHearts Native Helpline.

On October 15, 2019, NIWRC, StrongHearts and AKNWRC will recognize the 35th anniversary of the FVPSA, the first Federal commitment creating a pathway to safety for survivors of domestic violence and their children. First signed into law in 1984, the FVPSA further provides a dedicated funding stream through a 10 percent set aside under its appropriation reaching approximately 252 federally-recognized Tribes and tribal organizations annually, through non-competitive formula grants. When Tribes have the resources to create and establish their own Tribal domestic violence programs, shelters or safe homes, it provides Native victims of domestic violence and their children the support, advocacy, and emergency services they need to escape violence. Tribal leadership and advocacy of sovereign nations has been a critical part of the FVPSA Program's beginning and continuation for the last 35 years.

"The safety and security of Tribal communities is continually at risk when Native survivors go without the life-saving support services they need," said Lucy Simpson, Executive Director of the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center. "We all know that our Indian communities are vastly under resourced. We need more funding for our Indian communities, period."

Nationwide, Native women and men experience domestic violence and sexual assault at alarming rates, with more than four in five Native people having experienced some form of vio-



lence in their lifetime and more than half experiencing physical violence by an intimate partner in the past year. To bring awareness to the issues of violence in Indian country, NIWRC, AKNWRC and StrongHearts urge individuals to believe survivors, speak out about abuse and share supportive resources with their loved ones and communities.

"Domestic violence goes against our ancestral ways, and we refuse to allow abuse to be normalized in our villages and communities," said Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director of the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center. "Together, our voices are stronger and more powerful when united in ending domestic violence, and we will continue to turn the tide as more community members join the movement to end violence against Native women and children every day."

About the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center
 The National Indigenous Women's

Resource Center, Inc. (NIWRC) is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to restoring the sovereignty of Native nations and safeguarding Native women and their children. The NIWRC supports culturally grounded, grassroots advocacy and provides national leadership to ending gender-based violence in indigenous communities through the development of educational materials and programs, direct technical assistance and the development of local and national policy that builds the capacity of Indigenous communities and strengthens the exercise of tribal sovereignty. www.niwrc.org

About the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center

The Alaska Native Women's Resource Center (AKNWR) is dedicated to strengthening local, tribal government's responses through community organizing efforts advocating for the safety of women and children in their communities and homes, especially against domestic and sexual abuse and violence. Through the voices, languages, and teachings of tribes, survivors and advocates, and in partnership with our allies and other stakeholders, the AKNWR provides a voice at the local, statewide, national and international levels for life-saving changes needed in laws, policies, and social norms. www.aknwr.org

About the StrongHearts Native Helpline

Created by and built to serve Tribal communities across the United States, the StrongHearts Native Helpline is a culturally-appropriate, anonymous, confidential and no-cost service dedicated to serving Native American survivors of domestic violence and dating violence, along with their concerned family members and friends. By dialing 1-844-7NATIVE (1-844-762-8483), callers can connect one-on-one with knowledgeable StrongHearts advocates who can provide immediate support and a connection to Native resources to enable survivors to find safety and live lives free of abuse. StrongHearts is available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT. Callers reaching out after hours may connect with the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-SAFE) by selecting option 1. www.strongheartshelpline.org.



Help amplify Native Voices by using hashtag #NativeDVAM #NotInvisible throughout Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Native Voices deserve to be heard. -STRONGHEARTS Native Helpline (1-844-762-8483)

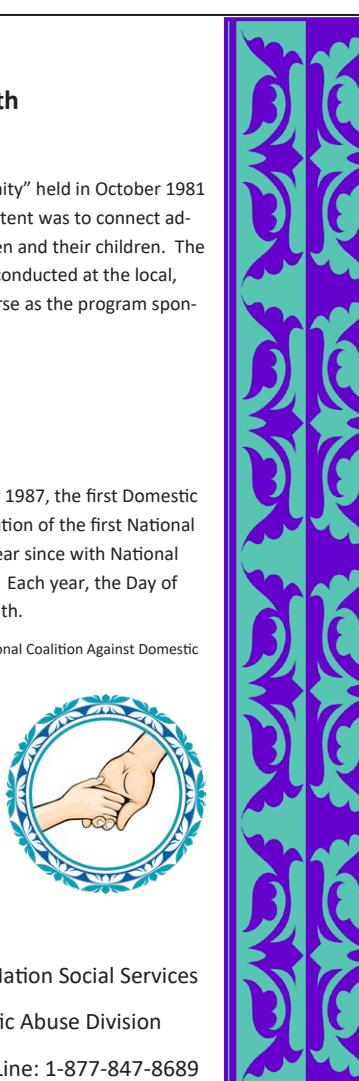
The Ho-Chunk Nation Domestic Abuse Division serves adult women and men, Native and Non-Native, who have experienced domestic or sexual violence.

Our services are FREE & CONFIDENTIAL and are provided by empowering, sincere and empathetic staff.

Some of the services we can offer:

*Domestic Violence Advocacy * Sexual Assault Advocacy * Restraining Order Assistance * Court Accompaniment * Supportive Listening * Safety Planning *

If you are not able or are not ready to leave, we can still help you stay safe by developing a safety plan.



Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services
 Domestic Abuse Division

24/7 Crisis Line: 1-877-847-8689

SUMMONS
(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and Barbara A. Baker-Larush, Petitioner, v. Venessa M. Blackdeer, Respondent.

Case : CS 19-19

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Venessa M. Blackdeer

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 **10:00 am** on the **4th** day of **November, 2019**. 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.

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SUMMONS
(First Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : R.C.C., DOB 07/17/2018

Case : JV 18-25G

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL RELATIVE(S): Rainelle Cheever

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

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **10:00am** on the **14th** day of **November 2019** for the following purpose: **Guardianship Hearing**.

Parties may seek to appear by telephone by submitting a written request and accompanying *Certificate of Service* to the presiding judge. See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 5(B). Pursuant to HO-CHUNK NATION THIRD PARTY GUARDIANSHIP ACT, Para. 11.13c, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial.

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IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

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(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and Donna L. Thundercloud, Petitioner, v. Shyan D. Thundercloud, Respondent.

Case : CS 19-20

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Shyan D. Thundercloud

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SUMMONS

(First Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation CSA, State of Wisconsin and Dustin L. Funmaker, Plaintiff(s), v. Tanya L. Hindsley, Defendant(s).

Case : CSFJ 19-45

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Tanya L. Hindsley

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

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SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, State of Wisconsin and Becky L. Albert-Breed, Petitioner, v. Cassandra K. Manuell, Respondent.

Case : CSFJ 19-25

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Cassandra K. Manuell

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

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(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation and HCN Gaming Black River Falls, Plaintiff(s), v. Stacee Sky, Defendant(s).

Case : CV 19-17

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Stacee Sky

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 Nation Domestic Abuse Division – Domestic Abuse Awareness Month

POSTPONED to NEXT Saturday, October 12, 2019

due to Forecasted Rain & Storms

WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE

4th Annual COLOR RUN/WALK

Black River Falls, WI

For more information please email DomesticAbuseDivision@ho-chunk.com

DOOR PRIZES will be available to both YOUTH & ADULT & are provided by local businesses to include: Gross Motors, Culver's, Pizza Hut, Oriental Kitchen, O'Reilly's, CARQUEST, M&M Sports, Revolutions, Heather Kitman Massage, Black River Tattoo, and BR Furniture Outlet among others.

ADULT GRAND PRIZE:
Green Bay Packers vs. Chicago Bears,
Dec. 15—Lambeau Field—2 tickets
Must be present to win Door Prizes

REGISTRATION TABLES to open at 9:00 am – Light Lunch will be served – DJ Services provided
HO-CHUNK NATION TRIBAL OFFICE BUILDING, Black River Falls

This a drug & alcohol free event. The Ho-Chunk Nation & Domestic Abuse Division are not responsible for any personal injuries or damage to property.

Registrations will still be accepted

*** WEAR WHITE ***

Please contact us at DomesticAbuseDivision@ho-chunk.com for more information

For those who pre-registered, we will still hold your registration(s)
Please let us know if you will still be able to join us next Saturday.



**HO-CHUNK
NATION**

**TAKE A
STAND
AGAINST
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

#DVAM2019

PURPLE THURSDAY

October 24, 2019

**Wear PURPLE to Honor Victims
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Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services
Domestic Abuse Division
24/7 Crisis Line: 1-877-847-8689



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OCTOBER 12 & 13, 2019

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1200 W. Wausau Avenue
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Doors Open at 11AM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
GRAND ENTRY - 1PM & 7PM
FEAST - 5PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13
GRAND ENTRY - 12PM

Mayoral Proclamation Reading Following Grand Entry

MASTERS OF CEREMONIES:
Dylan Prescott & Sonny Smart
ARENA DIRECTOR:
Dylan Jennings
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HUNTERS!**

HO-CHUNK NATION HUNTING WEBSITE
AND PACKET UPDATED

> MOBILE FRIENDLY > VIEW HCN HUNTING LANDS
> LOCATE YOURSELF
>VIEW COUNTY LANDS >VIEW STATE LANDS

Hunting Packet Download: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Yvb8BLK-mfx1>
VISIT [HTTP://BIT.LY/HOCHUNKHUNT](http://bit.ly/hochunkhunt)

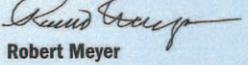
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\$40 per person
Can be paid by Debit/Credit Card or PayPal
CONTACT: EMILY 715-299-6519
voyagerxii8@yahoo.com
5:00 Cocktails; 6:00 USMC Ceremony
7:00 Dinner followed by Dancing
Appropriate Evening Attire

SAVE THE DATE
2019 GUARDIAN AD LITEM TRAINING
October 21 – October 25, 2019
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 21-23, 2019
and 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Oct. 24, 2019
Location: Ho-Chunk Trial Court, W9858 HWY 54,
Black River Falls, WI 54615

As a culture, the Ho-Chunk people have always taken care of vulnerable tribal members; the children, elderly, and others with disabilities. The kinship system runs deep and ingrains in Ho-Chunks their responsibilities to each other. There are now courts, social services, and law enforcement agencies to assist with problems. That's where you come in. You are the link and bridge to the community. You are the one who goes out to investigate the situation and advocate for the person. You are a *Guardian ad litem*.

The Judiciary is looking for qualified individuals to serve as *guardians ad litem*. Please contact Senior Staff Attorney David Wilson at david.wilson@ho-chunk.com or Staff Attorney Samantha Jo Oswitch at samanthajo.oswitch@ho-chunk.com. Alternatively, you may call 715-284-2722 by October 18, 2019 if you are interested in becoming a licensed *guardian ad litem* for the Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary. *Guardians ad litem* are compensated for the time and travel expended as part of their duties.

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\$20K CASH GIVEAWAY

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Starting October 1st, get your free entry into our Piece of the Pie Giveaway. Earn additional entries every Friday, Saturday & Sunday through October 27th with our Cook'n Win Kiosk Promo. Win your Piece of the Pie this October!

Kiosk registration begins at 8am on October 1 and ends at 2pm on October 27.

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