



Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill stresses respect, healthcare, natural resources protection in annual State of the Tribes address

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Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill would like to see state laws to eliminate Native American school mascots, better healthcare opportunities for Native Americans, and better protection for the state's natural resources.

Hill delivered the 15th annual State of the Tribes address on Tuesday, April 9, at the State Capitol in Madison.

In his State of the Tribes address, also addressed the need to expand Medicare coverage, fight chronic wasting disease (CWD) in the deer herd, the need for better education concerning Native Americans, the opioid crisis in native communities, a need for financing to make home ownership possible, violence against native women and children, and a need to support the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA).

He introduced tribal leaders present at the State of the Tribes address, including those from the Stockbridge-Munsee Community; the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians; the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin; the Ho-Chunk Nation; the Forest County Potawatomi Community; the Sokaogon Chippewa Community; the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians; the St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; and the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

"Just as we have worked hard to build alliances and friendships amongst each other, we have also built strong relationships with the State of Wisconsin," Hill said. "Our flags displayed in the rotunda symbolize the mutual respect between the state and our tribal nations and reminds all of us of our common ground as civil servants."

Hill recognized the significance and economic impact the Native American tribes have made on Wisconsin.

A study found that Oneida

Nation contributed three-quarters of a billion dollars and provided 5,465 jobs within Brown and Outagamie Counties. The Nation's economic impact has increased by roughly \$300 million dollars since our last study conducted in 2006. Further, according to the Greater Green Bay Chamber, Oneida Nation is the third largest employer in the area, Hill said.

At the state level, Wisconsin tribal nations contributed more than \$53 million to the state pursuant to the gaming compacts. He said the state is a magnet for tourism of people interested in learning about Native American culture.

Although, in recent years, the unemployment and poverty rate has fallen among tribal members and family income increased, some hardships still endure.

"Native Americans in Wisconsin continue to trail behind the general public in many critical areas," he said. "Our unemployment rate is doubled when compared to the rest of Wisconsin residents. Our median household income is 70 percent of the median income of all households in the state and



Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill stresses the need for cooperation to solve the problems that affect Native Americans.

our poverty rate is almost three times of all Wisconsin families."

Hill said everyone's presence at the address represents a willingness to learn from one another and work together to overcome challenges.

"In my home, we live by the slogan, 'Teamwork makes the dream work.'" he said.

One proposal by the Special Study Committee on

State and Tribal Relations is a change to the existing Act 31, which requires all public school districts and pre-service education programs to provide instruction on tribal history, culture, and sovereignty.

"For too many generations, children have learned about Native Americans as relics of the past—to be studied in museum exhibits," he said. "Our amend-

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Cardinal-Hickory Creek Ag Impact Statement available to Public

Submitted by Donna Gilson, Communication Specialist, DATCP

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection has published its agricultural impact statement for the Cardinal-Hickory Creek electric line project, recommending ways to reduce harmful effects on farmland and farm operations.

The statement is available online at datcp.wi.gov. Citizens may also request a paper copy of the document. The statement will be submitted as testimony to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, which has approval authority for high-voltage electric transmission lines.

The proposed 345-kilovolt

transmission line would start at the Hickory Creek Substation in Dubuque County, Iowa, and cross the Mississippi River to follow one of several potential routes from Cassville to the Cardinal Substation near Madison. The project would also include a new substation near Montfort and changes to other substations.

There are 692 agricultural properties along the various potential routes, totaling about 3,700 acres. The actual amount of farmland and number of farms affected would depend on which route is chosen.

The statement notes that the project crosses one of Wisconsin's most productive

agricultural areas, as well as the ridges and valleys of the Driftless Area. Because of that topography, many farmers have installed erosion-control practices that could be changed by this project. Many of the farms that use organic practices could be affected by construction and maintenance of a power line. Most of the potential routes run cross-country rather than along field edges or property boundaries, which may cause more damage to soil and interfere with farming operations. Some of the project impacts could be reduced by choosing the routes located along roads and

highways.

Agricultural impact statements are required for projects initiated by organizations with condemnation authority, if they will take more than 5 acres from any one farm. Electric transmission lines, natural gas lines, roads, airports, wastewater treatment plants and parks are examples of projects that may require a statement.

DATCP staff attended three PSC public meetings to talk to landowners and sent a questionnaire to 377 farmland owners who could have at least three acres taken as an easement or outright purchase

for the project. More than 125 landowners responded. The report recommends requirements that the PSC should impose and practices the applicants should follow to reduce agricultural impacts.

The applicants seeking permission to build the line are American Transmission Co. LLC and ATC Management Inc., ITC Midwest LLC, and Dairyland Power Cooperative.

To request a paper copy of the statement, call (608) 224-4650; email DATCPagimpact-statements@wi.gov, or write to DATCP, ATTN Ag Impact Statements, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708-8911.

2019 Graduates... 

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

A special section of the Hocak Worak will be used to show your achievements! Please email or mail to the Hocak Worak by June 20th for the June 28th edition of the Hocak Worak.

Without Reservations



Correction

In the front-page story of the April 12, 2019, Issue 7, of the Hocak Worak, the incorrect name of the mother of Asia Rave was listed.

The correct name of her mother is Michelle Rave. The Hocak Worak apologizes for publishing the incorrect name.

ATTENTION ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health is seeking your input on the community health strengths and needs within your communities! We are holding five listening sessions for you to express and discuss your valuable ideas about the health of your communities.

By holding these discussions we hope to achieve the following:

1. Identify and discuss community health strengths and needs.
2. Link socioeconomic factors to the health of each community.
3. Gather input from a variety of diverse voices.
4. Inform future public health programs and other community initiatives to promote and protect the health of and prevent disease in our communities.

You will have an opportunity to learn about existing health programs and give us your input on the direction our department should follow in the future. We know your time is valuable and schedules are tight, but please take a few hours to join us for an evening focused on your communities.

DATES & LOCATIONS

- Tuesday April 30th at the Nekoosa Community Building
- Wednesday May 1st at the Tomah Blue-Wing Community Building
- Wednesday May 8th at the Black River Falls District 1 Community Center
- Monday May 20th at House of Wellness in Wisconsin Dells
- Wednesday May 22nd at Siga Funmaker Community Center in Wittenberg

All of the listening sessions will be from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm and a meal and childcare will be provided.




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MISSION / SANDPILLOW MONTHLY DUMPSTER SCHEDULE FOR 2019



The Dumpster will be located on Winneshiek Circle, Black River Falls (former Housing Mobile Home Park in the Mission) the last weekend of each month. You may use these dumpsters to dispose of large items and trash. APRIL 26th – 28th will be Spring Clean Up drop off for Mission and Sandpillow residents.

Monday. Delivery Dates for 2019:

April 26th – April 28th	SPRING CLEAN UP drop off site for Mission and Sandpillow residents – any large appliances, tv's, computers accepted – this weekend only.
May 31st – June 2nd	September 27th – September 29th
June 28th – June 30th	October 25th – October 27th
July 26th – July 28th	November 29th – December 1st
August 30th – September 1st	December 27th – December 29th

NOTE: ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: Refrigerators, Freezers, Stoves, TV's, Computer Monitors, Wet Paint, Oil, Hazardous Materials, Car Batteries, Tires or any type of compost or Yard Debris (leaves, trees, shrubs, plants, etc.)

Ho Chunkgra children participate in Earth Day observance

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An Earth Day observance was held on Tuesday, April 23, in the Tribal Office Building atrium.

Renee Wahlen of the Marsh Haven Nature Center, Wau-pun, provided two shows that day, one at 11 a.m. for the children of the Ho Chunkgra Head Start Center and another at 1 p.m. for adults.

Wahlen gave a presentation with a hawk, an owl, a snapping turtle, a tortoise, and a couple of snakes while explaining their habits and roles in the ecosystem.

Wildlife Biologist Nelson Smith of the Ho-Chunk DNR provided a table of animals pelts for the participants to feel and observe.

Lance Blackdeer and Reiss

Blackhawk of the Ho-Chunk DNR provide an information session and display on fire fighting.

Ho-Chunk Nation Environmental Specialist Randy Polema provided an aquatic environment setup to show the different types of living species that inhabit the waters.

Brandon Bleuer of the Ho-Chunk DNR showed the children various types of tree leaves and showed them how to make leaf rubbings onto paper.



Attention: The Next Deadline of the Hocak Worak will be May 3th which will be published on May 10th. Please contact Hocak Worak at ext. 1006 if you have a change of address or would like to be placed on the mailing list.

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What is colorectal Cancer?

Submitted by Holly Rodenberg, RN, Nurse Educator

All of the cells in your body have a "job". Cancer starts when cells in your body forget their "job" and grow out of the control. They may go to the wrong parts of the body and cause damage or pain. When this type of abnormal growth occurs in the colon or rectum, it is called colorectal cancer (CRC). If caught early colorectal cancer patients can do very well. If it is caught in an advanced stage it is much harder to fight.

Colorectal cancer risk factors you can change

- Being overweight or obese
- Physical inactivity
- Certain types of diets-especially high in red meats or processed meats

- Smoking
- Moderate to heavy alcohol use- try to keep use to not more than one drink per day in women or two drinks per day in men.



Colorectal cancer risk factors you cannot change

- Being older- Younger adults can get it, but it's much more common after age 50.
- A personal history of colorectal polyps or colorectal cancer
- A personal history of inflam-

- matory bowel disease- either ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease
- A family history of colorectal cancer or adenomatous polyps
- Having an inherited syndrome-certain genetic syndromes
- Your racial and ethnic background -Highest risk: African Americans, followed by American Indians/Alaskan Natives; people of Ashkenazi Jewish descent
- Having type 2 diabetes



Possible signs/symptoms of colorectal cancer:

- Often there are no symptoms, and it develops slowly, which is why screening is important
- Blood in bowel movement, or dark or black stool
- Change in bowel habits or shape of bowel movement (for example-becomes more narrow than usual)
- Cramping or discomfort in low abdomen
- Urge to have bowel movement when bowel is empty

What types of screenings are there, and who should get them?

Screenings may lower the number of deaths due to colorectal cancer

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends screening beginning at age

50. Some groups recommend starting earlier, at age 45. Talk to your healthcare provider as to when you personally should begin screenings. It depends upon risk factors.

Types of screenings:

There are many bowel movement/stool sample tests, which have become increasingly more accurate as a method of screening. They may be called Fecal occult blood test, Fecal immunochemical test (FIT) or multi-targeted stool DNA test. These require collecting a sample of your stool and returning the sample/cards to the lab.

Visual exams (look inside your colon and rectum for cancer and polyps -a type of growth):

Colonoscopy, CT Colonog-

raphy or Flexible Sigmoidoscopy may be recommended by your doctor. How often these tests are repeated can vary by the patient.

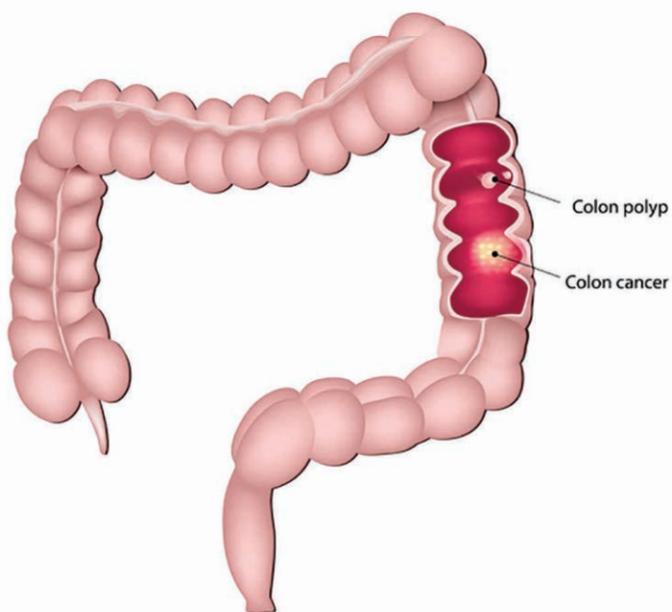
All types of screening tests can be helpful in finding colorectal cancer. It is important that screenings be repeated on time. Which test is "right" for you can best be decided between you and your healthcare provider.

For further information please talk to your healthcare provider or health educator, or get further information by going to the American Cancer Society website at <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/colorectal-cancer> or by calling them at 800.227.2345.

Sources: American Cancer Society Colorectal Cancer Website



COLON CANCER AND POLYP



BRMH addressing gaps and increasing access to healthcare needs in the community, adding clinic

Clinic space will offer primary care, behavioral health, specialists, and urgent care

Submitted by Amy Yaeger, Black River Memorial Hospital

The Board of Directors and Senior Leader Team at Black River Memorial Hospital (BRMH) have been evaluating responsibilities to the community, current healthcare offerings, sustainability, and health outcomes for Jackson County. BRMH has determined a need to add a primary care clinic combined with mental health and substance misuse counseling. Some of the findings include:

- There are some gaps in care, especially for behavioral health, alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA), and users of Emergency and Urgent Care whose needs would be better met in a clinic setting.

- Integrating mental health and AODA with primary care has greater positive impact on the patient's overall health and well-being.

- Around 50-60% of Jackson County residents are leaving the county for their care according to Wisconsin Hospital Association data.

"Being progressive is a core value for BRMH and we want

to be proactive in meeting the needs of the community now and in the future," stated Mary Beth White-Jacobs, President and CEO of BRMH. "We are excited to offer an integrated and holistic system for patients and keep care local for Jackson County residents."

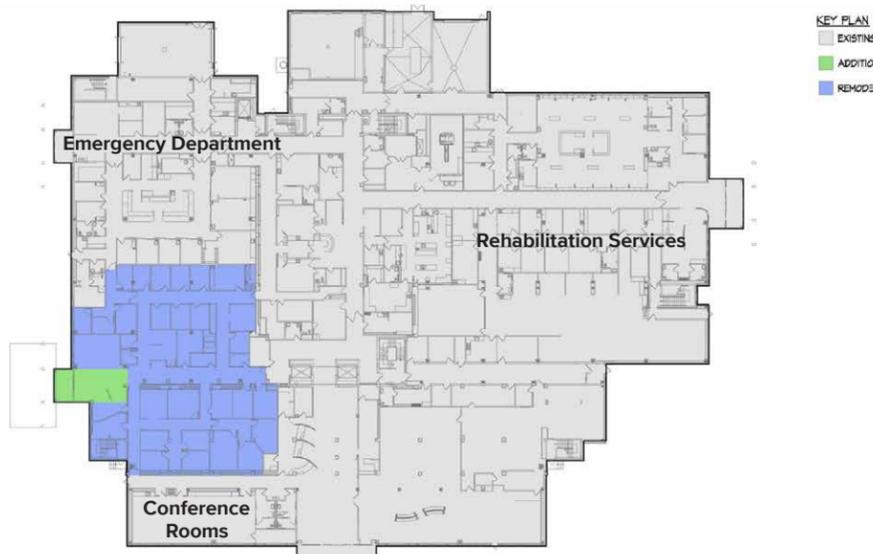
The new clinic area will include a family medicine physician, nurse practitioner, behavioral and AODA counselors as well as outreach specialists. BRMH will continue to collaborate with local and regional healthcare providers to meet the needs of our community.

The clinic will be added to the west side of the building with construction beginning in August and opening in late spring of 2020. BRMH is finishing its first phase of construction in the Surgical Services Department and Rehabilitation and Occupational Health Department at the end of April 2019. The next phases will begin in the Nutrition Services Department and on the west side of the hospital, including some changes in the Emergency Department.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT 2020 Clinic Space



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MAIN LEVEL FLOOR PLAN



Clinic Space Floor Plan

Dr. Gerald Ignace Receives Recognition for Service to Health Care of Milwaukee's Indigenous Community

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Gerald Ignace was born and raised on the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation in northern Idaho, growing up family and community played important roles in fostering who he would become.

In 1973 Gerald Ignace, with the help of his peers and \$60,000 in seed money from the Urban Indian Health Fund, he established the Milwaukee Indian Health Clinic. For 10 years, Gerald Ignace served as the Chairman of the Milwaukee Indian Health board.

Ignace later joined the Association of American Indian Physicians.

"Our main goal was to promote health interests in all of Indian country and to help develop Indian students that were interested in health professions," Ignace said.

For over a half of a century,



Dr. Gerald Ignace expressed his gratitude towards those he worked with and the importance of their work.

Dr. Gerald Ignace has played a significant role in advocating for the health and wellness of Indigenous people across the nation.

The Milwaukee Indian Health Clinic eventually moved and was renamed as The Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center. Today the clinic is a multimillion-dollar facility offering both health and traditional and cultural services to Native and non-Native people.

On Apr. 12 at the annual Red Shawl Gala hosted by Pottawatomi Hotel and Casino, Dr. Gerald Ignace received recognition for his work and achievements in health care. The gala raises funds for The Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center and the different services offered.

"This is year number 14," Ignace said. The gala allows for tribal groups, whether it's



Dr. Gerald Ignace received a plaque from the The Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center Board of Directors.

the Menominee, Pottawatomi, Ho-Chunk, Anishinaabe, Oneida, or whoever is willing to share input, to build communication and links to help promote health and wellness for Indigenous people.

Attendees participated in an auction where various items donated to the Red Shawl Gala were bid on. The Ho-Chunk Nation was a sponsor of the event and Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members from the Milwaukee area were present to share the evening.

Dr. Gerald Ignace was honored with a blanket and a plaque commemorating his involvement in health care.

"I believe in communities for Indian people," Ignace

said. "Knowing your relatives, knowing your cousins, knowing your uncles and aunts, interacting with them was a very prominent part of

the things that I grew up with, and to be recognized by the community here in Milwaukee is a great honor," Ignace said.



Dr. Lyle Ignace, son of Gerald Ignace, spoke of the role model his father was for him growing up.



Ho-Chunk community members from the Milwaukee area attended the Red Shawl Gala.

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Dreams come but once, inspire the great creations of artist Michael Jackson

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Bright colors abound from the walls of an apartment occupied by Michael Jackson.

The paintings on canvas upon those walls come from Michael's talent and from his heart.

That apartment, within the city of Tomah, is the place of genesis for those creations, a place where Michael can make his dreams come true, and a place for those people who come to share in his dreams.

"I've been doing this since I was 5. I used to draw coyote and roadrunner and then Charlie Brown," he said.

He created his first painting when he was 19 when he got inspiration from an art show he attended and he's been drawing and painting ever since.

Recently, he has a renewed sense of purpose, making the best of his talent.

"I decided to regain my name with artwork," he said. "I'm proud of what I do today."

Michael has been creating his works of art and then hanging them in his living room for people to view and buy. People have been becoming aware of his paintings mostly by word-of-mouth, but recently he has hoped to

expand the awareness of his paintings by advertising in the Hocak Worak.

"In order to paint, you have to have a focused mind," he said. His favorite subjects are horses, eagles, bears, and buffalos.

Lately, Michael has sold his paintings in the atrium of the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls. A few weeks ago, he sold four paintings at the TOB and he plans to be there again on May 3.

It is Michael's goal to finish one painting per day, which usually takes him between four and 12 hours to accomplish.

He estimates that he has completed 575 paintings in his 30 years of working with canvas and various paints.

"If it wasn't for family, being raised by my grandparents, my art wouldn't be what it is today. All my siblings were involved in some sort of artistic talent," he said.

Michael grew up in North Dakota, raised by his grandparents, Ignatius, and Sadie Smith Jackson. He was taught the traditional ways, the songs, medicines, and stories that are carried on and shared with the people.

"I'm really happy my grandparents raised me. They taught me that life is what you make it," Michael said. "It's

your choice. Your life can be good or bad, they told me. I'm thankful to be blessed with the Creator's gift."

He worked for two years creating murals and logos in Ft. Totten, North Dakota.

His future in art really took off in 1994 when his artwork became popular and he was hired to create murals at the casino in Spirit Lake. Those murals are still there today, he said.

He once was asked by a Las Vegas casino owner to work for him. He wanted Michael to paint murals at the casino, plus other paintings and portraits. Michael appreciated the offer but turned down the request.

He received an invitation to attend classes at the Santé Fé Art School and they offered to pay all his expenses. He declined.

"I rather paint on my own. I am self-taught and never took any classes."

One of his paintings is on display at the Coming Home Museum in New Jersey.

"And I'm not even dead yet," he said. Usually, the museum only displays works of art from artists no longer alive.

Acrylic is his preferred paint medium, although he worked with oils in his younger years.

"Acrylic paint is very hard to work with unless you have had a lot of practice. Acrylic is unforgiving," he said. I started working with oils but I like acrylic better. It dries faster."

He donated one of his paintings to the American Legion in Black River Falls, which was auctioned for \$6,500. The money helped pay for lighting for the softball field.

Two of his paintings are on permanent display in the atrium of the Tribal Office Building. Each painting is of a buffalo and was purchased in 1998 by the president of the nation at the time. They are on display on the wall by the sofa and chairs behind the front security desk.

In addition, one of his paintings of Iwo Jima is on display at the Black River Falls Chamber of Commerce.

"I'm inspired by people wanting to see more of my work," he said. "It builds my spirit."

One of Michael's most flat-



Michael T. Jackson is a man with artistic talent and is willing to share his knowledge of painting with beginning artists.

tering experiences was when the late rock singer with the same name, Michael Jackson, heard of him. He was told that from a friend, Donald Jody Luger, who worked with the singer on occasion. Luger was in Jackson's music video "Black and White" and a rider in the movie Dances with Wolves.

"It would have been a pleasure to meet Michael Jackson. I would have liked him to see my work," he said. He wanted to do a painting for him, but when he got around to wanting to paint it, the singer died. However, he still wants to do it. "I will do a portrait of him and give it to his sister Janet."

When Michael paints, he will sometimes sketch out the scene before painting, other times just painting without any further preparations.

When he paints murals, such as those 15' x 20', people will often ask him how he gets the proportions and everything so perfect.

"A lot of practice," he tells them. "That's where algebra comes in handy."

It doesn't bother Michael to have people watch him as he paints. He can paint anywhere.

"I painted a mural in a casino with hundreds of people watching me. They disconnected and removed a whole row of slot machines, put up scaffolding, and had me paint in front of everyone there."

Michael has a vision to someday expand his passion for painting into something that will help other young artists get their start in the

endeavor.

"One Dream Art Gallery" is what he wants to call it. The name has special meaning to him.

"You only see it once when you dream," he said.

He hopes to open a gallery of that name, selling his own work and selling other artists' work on commission. He learned about running the operations of an art gallery when he was the receptionist for the Two Rivers Gallery at the Minneapolis American Indian Center.

He knows young artists need supplies and he would do his best to provide those to them.

"It inspires me to see artists developing their skills," Michael said. "We all have a gift, whether it's music, art, singing, writing, or dancing. Everyone has a talent."

When he gets "One Dream Art Gallery" established, he plans to have a website to showcase the available paintings. Also, he hopes to make available lithograph prints from his paintings.

He's enjoyed the 52 years that he's lived so far, he said. Michael has two adult children who live in North Dakota: Todd Jackson and Monica Chaske.

Although he enjoys what he does now, he still looks back on the beginnings of his life. He has always cherished those times and the people who set him on the correct path for the rest of his life.

"The best memories are of the laughter I shared with my grandparents," he said.



Many of Michael's paintings have animals in them with a distinct Native American flair. The painting of the buffalo (above) is on display at the Tribal Office Building, while the lower photos are available for sale.



Tomah Diversity Month Pow-Wow

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The Diversity Month Pow-Wow was held on Mar. 29, 2019 at the Tomah Youth Center. The Pow-wow was sponsored by Tomah IEC/JOM. Tomah Area School District students, faculty, teachers, and families were invited to commemorate this

year's diversity month and to celebrate the Tomah High School class of 2019.

Head dancers were Anakin Blackdeer and Azalea Roberts. Samson Falcon served as the master of ceremonies and Bobby Bird as arena director. Invited drums included Bearheart, Little Thunder, and Renegades.



Tribal Office Building hosts Vietnam Veterans Day Celebration

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Ho-Chunk Nation's Veterans Affairs opened the Tribal Office Building's doors to celebrate Vietnam Veterans Day on Mar. 29.

Activities for the day included a flag raising, firing squad, a grand entry, singing of the flag songs, speeches from veterans, and concluded with a meal made with Vietnamese dishes.

The master of ceremonies was Andy Thundercloud,

guest speakers were George Greendeer and Collin Carrimon, the cooks were Roth Roan, Aric Decorah, Pierre Decorah, Jr., and Larry Walden.

March 29 was proclaimed to be Vietnam Veterans Day by President Barack Obama in 2012.

On March 28, 2017, President Trump signed the Vietnam Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 which officially recognizes March 29 as National Vietnam War Veterans Day.



Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post 129 and members from Corporal Mitchell Red Cloud detachment shared firing squad duties.



The flags were brought in during grand entry.



Veterans with the Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post 129 watch the flag raising.



Andy Thundercloud gave the day's opening remarks.



Tribal Office Building Singers rendered the flag song.



George Greendeer shared stories from the time he served in the army.



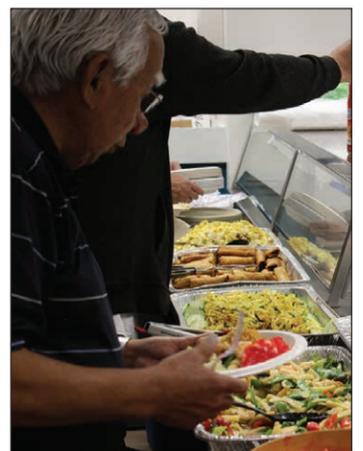
Collin Carrimon expressed his sentiments towards his fellow veterans.



Maxine Kohlner uses her steady hands to cut the Vietnam Veterans Day cake.



The cooks from left to right: Aric Decorah, Pierre Decorah, Jr., Roth Roan, and Larry Walden.



A meal with Vietnamese dishes were prepared and shared with attendees.



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ments to Act 31 must teach that we, as native people, are alive, vibrant and thriving.”

Another legislative focus important to Wisconsin's Tribal Nations is eliminating the use of “Indian” mascots, logos and nicknames in educational facilities supported by the State of Wisconsin, Hill said.

As of last month, there are still 31 Wisconsin public schools using Indian mascots, logos and/or nicknames.

“The use of Indian images - stereotypes and dehumanizes our cultures and Native American people for the sake of entertainment. Furthermore, it encourages racist and vulgar behavior in the name of school spirit, which is both socially and academically detrimental to all children,” Hill said.

Hill transitioned to the topic of protecting the environment.

Last year, several Native American nations stood in solidarity with the Menominee Nation in their lawsuit opposing the proposed Back Forty Mine. It is well known that the impacts of mining activities are widespread and permanent, Hill said. The proposed mine would sit a mere 150 feet from the banks of the Menominee River, which forms the boundary between Wisconsin and Upper Michigan and flows into Lake Michigan.

“The environmental risks to the Menominee River, adjacent land, and the Great Lakes from the inevitable acid mine drainage is unacceptable,” he said. “The Menominee Nation has a sovereign right to protect their sacred place of origin and cultural resources threatened by the Back Forty Mine, as do other Tribal Nations in the opposition of metallic mineral mining, such as the Lynne Mine, which threatens other treaty rights. Our tribal collaboration is a perfect example of the commitment of our brothers and sisters to preserve and protect our environment for future generations.”

Protecting high quality environmental resources and repairing damage is not a political policy, it is a responsibility, he said.

Hill expressed his concern for the effects of global warming.

“As a result of global warming and its effect on the environment, we could lose essential hunting, fishing, and gathering cultural practices

which also affects our treaty rights. Heavy rainstorms are more frequent and they increase the risk of flooding which means more pollutants running from land to water,” he said. “Increased pollutant runoff potentially causes development of more algal blooms, that are already more likely due to increased water temperatures. Algal blooms are unsightly, harm fish, and degrade water quality by creating “dead zones” in our life-sustaining waters.”

He said that shorter and warmer winters threaten Wisconsin tourism for winter recreation like ice fishing, snowmobiling, skiing, and snowboarding, which many of people to the north rely upon to support their communities.

In 2007, Wisconsin created “The Global Warming Task Force” with a goal to make Wisconsin a leader in the implementation of solutions to address climate change which is a real national emergency. “Now is the time for Wisconsin to confront the threat as a national leader,” Hill said. “I call on Wisconsin to work with our tribal communities to breathe new life into The Global Warming Task Force - our existence as we know it relies upon our action.”

Hill spoke about his concern for CWD, which is an unprecedented threat to Wisconsin's deer population.

“Native communities rely on deer as a cultural food source, but the deer population is important as sustenance, both nutritionally and economically, for all of Wisconsin. Further, tourism officials indicate hunting is a one billion dollar industry in Wisconsin,” he said.

He suggested a four-fold approach to the CWD threat. He recommended the state require more responsible deer farming practices; to require proper disposal and treatment of infected deer and carcasses; to provide fast and free testing of all harvested animals; and to provide a greater investment in additional research related to CWD.

Hill addressed the health disparities of the people through a discussion on healthcare, substance abuse, and adequate and affordable housing.

Wisconsin Tribal Nations face a disproportionate amount of health disparities when compared to the general public.

Data collected by the National Indian Health Board demonstrates Indians in Wisconsin have nearly twice the rate of health disparities than all other races.

“Wisconsin Tribal Nations continue to strongly support full Medicaid Expansion in the State,” Hill said. “Moving to full Medicaid expansion would provide coverage for an estimated additional 5,700 Tribal citizens in the State. This would result in an additional \$38 million in federal health care resources coming into the Indian health system - all at minimal to no cost to the State of Wisconsin.”

The opioid epidemic represents one of the greatest public health threats in the modern era - having devastating impacts on all communities and families throughout the entire country, Hill said.

Nationally, the drug overdose death rate of American Indians and Alaska Natives has exceeded the general population every year since 2001. In 2017, American Indians and Alaska Natives had the highest rate of drug overdose deaths of any race in Wisconsin at almost three times the rate of the general population.

Substance abuse is often an attempt to avoid painful feelings through self-medication so it should be no surprise the opioid crisis has roots in historical and intergenerational trauma for our community.

Tribal communities, social workers, psychologists, and many other professionals recognize how historical trauma has far-reaching effects across generations as it can negatively impact emotional, social, physical, and spiritual well-being.

“We are grateful the State of Wisconsin, along with our federal and local partners, are assisting in current efforts to address this crisis,” he said. “One crucial component is the Native American Drug and Gang Initiative, also known as NADGI.”

NADGI is one of the first law enforcement initiatives focused entirely on Native American communities and specific threats to respond to illegal drug distribution, criminal gang activities and all associated crime and victimization.

“Many of our tribal communities have created Tribal Action Plans to work towards comprehensive prevention and treatment programs for alcoholism and other substance abuse,” Hill said.

For the inpatient treatments that do exist, many fail to incorporate the native cultures into the healing process.

“We learned in analyzing our AODA treatment data that our people are more successful in treatment when cultural healing is incorporated and we must translate what we have learned to this epidemic,” he said. “I am pleased to say Wisconsin's Tribal Nations, through the Great Lakes Intertribal Council, are pursuing the development of an inpatient adolescent treatment facility. We thank the State of Wisconsin for its support of and contribution to this



The upper gallery is full of audience members, including many Native Americans, to listen to Tehassi Hill's 2019 State of the Tribes address.

endeavor in the last biennium budget.”

Hill addressed the lack of affordable housing in native communities.

“While I acknowledge the majority of tribal housing resources are provided through the federal government, there is work to be done in Wisconsin through grant offerings and other incentives to make housing development more affordable,” he said. “I am asking the state to help us to provide homes for our families.”

His two final topics — women and children — are the heart of homes and their future legacy, he said.

The Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women epidemic (MMIW) is an issue currently affecting Indigenous people in Canada and the United States and the threat to the ICWA working its way through the The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit are two issues specific to the Native Communities of national importance. MMIW is devastating to Native American communities across all of North America, he said.

According to research funded by the Department of Justice, Native women living on tribal lands are murdered at an extremely high rate — in some communities, more than 10 times the national average.

In many communities, jurisdictional and enforcement gaps play a large role in allowing these violent crimes to go unpunished.

In Wisconsin, Public Law 280 criminal law applies to reservations, with the exception of the Menominee Nation. Therefore, Wisconsin tribes do not share as many of the same jurisdictional challenges, he said.

“Violence against women not only destroys families, it means time away from work and the development of related healthcare issues, such as substance abuse. Further, a threat against our women is a threat against our children and future generations,” he said. “I call on the State of Wis-

consin to work with our tribal communities to do better for our life-givers.”

This can be done through increased funding for women's programs, including but not limited to programs for identifying sex trafficking, teaching self-defense, providing trauma-informed care, and housing and transportation for domestic abuse victims, he said.

ICWA is currently under attack in the United States Court of Appeals for the 5th circuit where it is alleged to be unconstitutional.

The law was passed in 1978 and aimed to counteract generations of policies that separated Native American children from their communities. A finding that ICWA is unconstitutional would have far-reaching implications on Native American children and families.

An unconstitutional decision could also have sweeping consequences overall Indian law that governs the relationship between Tribal Nations and the federal government.

“Today, I thank the State of Wisconsin for standing with native children and families,” he said.

In closing, Hill stressed working together for solutions affecting Native Americans.

“To my fellow leaders of tribal nations — We must all work to embrace our ways, old and new — Being mindful of the past and hopeful for the future. It is only then, we will be able to foster better communication and understanding — across the aisle, across the state, and across our communities.”

“We are better when we stand together. I have a final call to this team. May we continue to work toward a shared vision and goals. May we continue to move the State of Wisconsin forward -- together. May we keep a good mind, a good heart and a strong fire when faced with challenges along the way.

“Nurture the fire within yourselves. Encourage the fire in all others.”



Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland shakes hands with fellow Wisconsin tribal leaders while attending the State of the Tribes address.

Community members gather to bless Hosto Pii Hoci

Gary Garvin
Staff Writer

In preparation for its inauguration, the Hosto Pii Hoci has been gifted a newly found ambience filled with good thoughts and positivity.

Community members throughout the Ho-Chunk Nation joined together at the Hosto Pii Hoci on Apr. 13, in Sand Pillow to share a meal and blessings for the future wellbeing of the house.

The Hosto Pii Hoci is a facility that offers an avenue of support for individuals in active addiction and seeking remission. The facility is similarly modeled after the

Darjune Foundation's Spoehr Sober Living House in Green Bay.

Nate Longtail, Jean Stacy, and Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland each offered remarks and prayer. Attendees participated in a talking circle where each person spoke of their well wishes for the Hosto Pii Hoci.

According to the secretary of the Tribal Coordinating Committee Henrietta Funmaker the facility offers a safe positive place for individuals who have gone through the intake process with Ho-Chunk Nation's Behavior Health and are waiting on a bed from a



Nate Longtail, Ona Garvin, Henrietta Funmaker, Kathy DeCamp, Hinu Smith, Rosella Stanley, and Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland.



Singers render a thank you song for the meal and blessings shared.

treatment center.

The Hosto Pii Hoci will be facilitated by Recovery Coaches who are trained in the skills needed to guide, mentor and support anyone who would like to enter or sustain long-term recovery from an addiction to alcohol or other drugs.

"There are a lot of things that we are still in the process of doing, like getting more recovery coaches – that allevi-

ates the behavior health clinicians. I'm a Recovery Coach and I help people get sober, I help them want to be sober," Funmaker said.

"My goal here is to teach that using drugs and alcohol to deal with difficulties isn't going to help," Funmaker said.

"I really want people to know that this home is open for everybody, all female tribal members, whatever

area they are from whatever beliefs or practices they have or they don't have, wherever they come from, whatever they may have done, whatever their passed is, this home is for them it's for anybody who needs it," Tribal Coordinating Committee Manager Rosella Stanley said.

It is undetermined when the Hosto Pii Hoci will be ready for operation.

Official Election Board Posting Notice Recall Legislator District 2, Seat 3 Carly Lincoln



An Official Recall Petition has been issued for Legislator District 2, Seat 3, Carly Lincoln

The completed petition forms must be returned no later than by Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 4:00 pm.

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24. Recall Elections.

a. Constitutional Requirements
(2) An eligible voter(s) from a District may initiate a Recall Election against a Legislator(s) in accordance with Article IX, Section 6 of the Constitution, which states: Section 6. District Recall of Legislators. A Member of the Legislature shall be removable by a recall vote called by a petition of thirty (30) percent of an [all] eligible voters of the District which elected such Member of the Legislature. A petition shall be submitted to the Election Board, which shall hold a Special Election not less than thirty (30) days and not more than ninety (90) days from the date a petition is duly submitted. If the Election Board fails to hold such Special Election within ninety (90) days, any eligible voter of the Nation may request the Trial Court to order such Special Election.
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(3) A separate Official Recall Petition Form will be circulated for each person who is subject to recall.

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(a) The number of Official Recall Petition Forms issued will be the number requested or, at a minimum, a number sufficient to enable the petitioner to obtain the signatures of thirty percent (30%) of the eligible District voters.

(b) The Election Board Chairperson or designee will issue the requested Official Recall Petition Form without unreasonable delay and sign each Official Recall Petition Form on the date of issuance. The petitions shall be numbered in sequence and will include the District number.

(c) The petitioner(s) shall have forty-five (45) calendar days from the Official Election Board Posting Notice to collect the required number of signatures.

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NOTICE AND RULES OF SPECIAL ELECTION FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2019

Legislature District 3, Seat 1

Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of District 3. The Ho-Chunk Nation is calling a Special Election, which will be held due to the CV19-05 Order (Granting motion for Summary Judgment). The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation will conduct a Special Election. ARTICLE IX – ELECTIONS and the Election Code 2 HCC Sec. 6, states in relevant part:

NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES

The official candidacy forms may be obtained from the Election Board Members or the Election Board Office. A candidate for elective office shall submit an Official Nomination Petition, Declaration of Candidacy and a \$5.00 Filing fee by hand delivery or U.S. Mail to the Election Board office before the close of the nomination period on **Friday, April 26, 2019 4:00 pm**. ORIGINAL FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED. FILING BY FAX OR COPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE.

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:

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

REGISTRATION

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

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:

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

must be received at the Election Office **prior to 4:00 pm on Wednesday May 1, 2019**. Such claims or challenges may be hand-delivered, faxed or mailed to:

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The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the eligible voters list immediately after the close of the challenge period. Section 11 (c) ii, (Deadline Wednesday May 1, 2019 at 4:00 pm).

ABSENTEE VOTING:

A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than **Friday, May 10, 2019 by 4:00 pm**. See Election Code, sec. 13 (a), i.

Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number. **Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 pm on Friday, May 17, 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.**

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:

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

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:

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

¶111, Election, Sec. 7, and Election Code Sec. 18 (a)

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
COMMUNITY 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
52845 WhiteEagle Road
(608) 355-1254

•WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI
CHAK-HAH-CHEE
COMMUNITY BUILDING
916 Chak-hah-chee Lane
(715) 284-8900

•WITTENBERG, WI
SIGA FUNMAKER
COMMUNITY CENTER
W17634 Radke Rd
(715) 253-4407

•CHICAGO, IL
CHICAGO BRANCH OFFICE
4738 North Milwaukee Avenue
(773) 202-8433

•MILWAUKEE, WI
MILWAUKEE BRANCH
OFFICE
3501 S. Howell Avenue
(414) 747-8680

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

•MADISON, WI
MADISON BRANCH OFFICE
4724 Tradewinds Parkway
(608) 277-9964

•WISCONSIN DELLS, WI
INDIAN HEIGHTS
COMMUNITY BUILDING
N957 Dyer Avenue
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•GREEN BAY, WI
BRANCH OFFICE
2413 Hazelwood Ln
(920) 490-2774

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Legal Notice INVITATION FOR BID

BID # HCGWDHOTELRENO2019

Turn-Key Solution for Limited Hotel Room Renovation at Ho-Chunk Gaming
Wisconsin Dells

c/o Ho-Chunk Nation
Treasury Department-Procurement Division
Attn: Catherine Link, CPPB, CAM
W9814 Airport Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

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

Sealed bids must be submitted by **2:00 PM CST on May 2, 2019**. Any bids received after this date and time will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened.

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

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

Published this 26th day of April, 2019.

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

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

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : J.B.D., DOB 10/13/2005

Case : JV 15-20G

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL RELATIVE(S): Rachel H. Mendoza

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 HOCÅK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.76a. 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 **1:00 pm** on the **13th** day of **May, 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 HOCÅK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.20g, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial.

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

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

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IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, State of Wisconsin and Casandrah M. Knutson, Petitioner, v. Dennis L. Hopinkah Jr., Respondent.

Case : CSFJ 19-14

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Dennis L. Hopinkah Jr.

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

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



Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board

**Notice of Vacancy and Deadline:
One (1) Alternate
For the following Districts:**

**Wisconsin Dells
(District 2)**

Alternate - Filling a term ends Dec. 2019

**Milwaukee
(District 3)**

Alternate – Filling a Term ends Dec. 2020

NOMINATIONS: One (1) Alternate to represent each District must be voted upon during your District monthly meeting in May 2019. This posting needs to be posted 30 days prior to nominating any board member.

The following is the job description for
Election Board Members:

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

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

Shall ensure that all candidates meet the qualifications for office.

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

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

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

Must be an adult enrolled Ho-Chunk tribal member.

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

Election Board Office
W8801 Mission Road Black River Falls, WI. 54615
(715)284.8900 (715)284-8600 FAX (800)890.0583

Memorial Day Traditional



POW-WOW

KEN LEWIS '19



MAY 25-26-27, 2019

Andrew Blackhawk Memorial Pow-Wow Grounds

5 mi. East of Black River Falls, WI on Hwy 54

GRAND ENTRIES: Sat 1 & 7 PM, Sun 1 & 7 PM, Mon 1 PM

INVITING ALL LEGION POSTS COLOR GUARDS FOR SAT & SUN SESSIONS

MCs: Chris Grezlik, Winnebago, NE & Gerald Cleveland, Mauston, WI

AD: Ken "Hank" Funmaker Jr.

Host Drums: Bearheart; Little Thunder; Thunderbear
Wazi jaci & Wisconsin Dells Singers

Dancers Daily Pay

Public Invited - Free Camping



Honoring of
Congresswoman
Sharice Davids
Sunday
Morning



Friday Evening
4th Annual
Nioxawani
Pow-Wow
6-9 PM



Raising Andrew Blackhawk's Flag Saturday 10:00 AM
Honorary Flag Raising Monday Morning 10:00 AM

10 AM all flags at 1/2 staff. Noon all flags at full staff.
Retire all colors 4:00 PM, Veteran recognition to follow

Registration for Monday's Flag Raising & Veteran's Recognition is at the
Legion Post Bldg. Sat & Sun 10:00 AM till Closed, Mon 8 - 9:30 AM

Vendor info: Donna Littlegeorge 715-299-0348
Non Ho-Chunk Vendor Fee: \$250 Sat-Mon



All Veteran Information: Donald S. Greengrass -
608-799-0406

Event organizers, sponsors, & staff are not responsible for injuries, theft loss or property damage. Firearms, alcohol, drugs & anyone under the influence are prohibited

3 MONTHS OF DECADES | \$60K IN CASH PRIZES

THROUGH THE

DECADES

70'S 60'S 80'S

\$20K CASH GIVEAWAY

REGISTER THROUGH APRIL 28

Starting April 1st, get your free entry into our 60's Through the Decades Giveaway where we will be giving away \$20,000 in Cash split between 13 winners. Earn one additional entry every day when you earn 25 points or play tables for at least one hour.

DRAWINGS BEGIN AT 5PM ON APRIL 28, 2019

VISIT THE REWARDS CLUB BOOTH FOR MORE INFORMATION.
Ho-Chunk Gaming reserves the right to cancel or alter promotions at any time.

HO-CHUNK  **GAMING**
BLACK RIVER FALLS

Experience the Difference





Graduating seniors and non-high school graduates are required to pass the Financial Literacy course. Members must know their tribal ID number, to verify contact Ho-Chunk Nation Enrollment office at 1-800-331-7824.

IEP, 504 Plans, & Medical statements will be reviewed by Disabilities Director in order to determine accommodations for program and final exam. Mail or e-mail documents at least 14 calendar days prior to final exam. If the document is not received, the member will not be given additional accommodations for the final exam.

By locating a voluntary proctor, the enrolled member demonstrates initiative to network with educational professionals and promotes self-advocacy. Proctor must be an educational professional, i.e., teacher, school counselor, Title VI coordinator, librarian, educational mentor, member of the HCN Education Board of Directors, Executive Director, Accountant, or Program Administrator from Education Department. Voluntary proctor cannot be related to the enrolled member.

Tutorials will be done at your own pace. Average time to complete tutorials is 15-20 hours. Tutorials are available in audio, video, and written formats. Tutorials offer helpful hints such as Things to Know, Things to Do, activities, as well as definitions for underlined words to improve understanding. Must complete pre-tests, complete tutorial activities, and pass multiple post-tests with 80% accuracy or higher.

Financial Literacy Program Administrator will conduct an administrative review within three business days of email notification. Email HonorYourFuture@ho-chunk.com upon completion of tutorials. Administrative review will ensure all 14 tutorials are completed, that the member scored at least 80% on post-tests, and spent adequate time in tutorials. Financial Literacy Program Administrator will notify enrolled member via email if they passed or failed administrative review.

Financial Literacy Administrator will email the enrolled member to arrange for final exam. Voluntary proctor must register at HonorYourFuture@ho-chunk.com.

Financial Literacy Program Administrator will send an email providing feedback and requirements to assist enrolled member to pass tutorial administrative review. Enrolled member may not proceed to final exam until all requirements are met.

Final exam area is a quiet space with a desk/table and a chair, adequate lighting, strong internet connection, no time limit or interruptions, free from people, no handheld devices, no written notes, and no personal items. Valid photo ID is required on exam day, cannot test without valid photo ID. Voluntary Proctor may serve as reader, scribe, and rephrase words upon request of enrolled member or according to IEP, 504 Plan, or medical statement. Enrolled member must be in line of sight of proctor at all times during final exam.

Score of 70% or higher is required on the final exam. Exam results sent via email within three business days. Scanned copy of certificate will be emailed to enrolled member and Enrollment Office. Original certificate mailed to member.

Ho-Chunk Nation Youth Tribal Natural Resources Educational Learning Program

Are you between the ages of 13 and 19 and tribally enrolled or descendant of a federally recognized tribe? And have a desire to learn about Natural Resources? Well the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Natural Resources has a unique opportunity for you to get some hands on experience with natural resources and environmental issues surrounding Ho-Chunk Nation. Learn about some rural and urban forestry concepts, wildlife concepts, land management practices and some agricultural concepts of past and present.

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Natural is looking for six individuals to complete a six week summer program beginning on June 10, 2019 and ending on July 19, 2019. This program will consist of 40 hours of work per week Monday – Friday (occasional weekends may apply). Interested youth please e-mail Executive Director of Natural Resources, Greg Blackdeer at Greg.Blackdeer@ho-chunk.com . Please include within that e-mail a 1-2 paragraph response describing a little bit about yourself and what interests you the most in regards to natural resources. Please submit e-mails by May 30th. This will be a first come, first serve basis. Thank you in advance for your time and interest. The Department of Natural Resources looks forward to sharing our knowledge and experiences with you regarding natural resource and conservation on Ho-Chunk tribal lands!

Serve. Advocate. Protect.

Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court: 2019 Lay Advocacy Training



Four Day Lay Advocacy Training
Th. May 30 - Fri. May 31, 2019
&
Mon. June 3 - Tue. June 4, 2019*
***All four days mandatory.**

The Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court is offering a unique training opportunity to prepare individuals to represent people in tribal court.

Lay Advocacy training will be held from 8:30am to 4:00 pm on May 30 — May 31, 2019 and June 3 - June 4, 2019.

A **lay advocate** is trained to represent people in a variety of cases, but is not a licensed attorney.

Interested individuals are invited to contact the Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary Sr. Staff Attorney at (715) 284-2722 or David.Wilson@ho-chunk.com for more information or to RSVP.

Attendees must RSVP by May 24, 2019.

The HCN Supreme Court is charged with admitting qualified individuals to the HCN Bar Association. Upon completion of this training, Lay Advocates shall be required to apply for admission to the bar on an individual basis.

Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court

W9598 Hwy. 54 East
 P.O. Box 70
 Black River Falls, WI 54615

Phone: (715) 284-2722
 Fax: (715) 284-3136
<http://www.ho-chunknation.com>





May Elders Birthdays

1 Renee Coleman	17 Mark Stroessner
2 Amos Kingsley	Linda Goodwin
3 Richard Amble	Lita Snake
4 Alvina Bolinski	18 Gloria White Thunder
5 William Hopinkah	Wayne Peters
6 Veronica Espinoza	Tony Delarosa
7 Joyce Penland	James Rogers
8 Phillip Vann	19 Marlon Whitewing
9 Michael Goodbear	Orval Tipton Jr.
10 Allen Cloud	Daniel Whitehorse
11 Jennifer Kearnes	Kevin Vasquez
12 Clinton Thunderchief	20 Wilfrid Cleveland
13 Cynthia Cloud	Louisa Decora
14 Roberta Funmaker	Joyce Warner
15 Clyde Blackdeer	Jayne Dawson
16 Margaret Hoffman	Joan Greendeer-Lee
17 Anna Salinas	21 Roy Greengrass
18 Nancy Prescott	Maxine Kolner
19 Carl Hernandez	Kate Martin
20 Lance Tallmadge	James Ansley
21 Myra Cunneen	22 Anita Nevsimal
22 Yvonne Delarosa	23 Marilyn Lowe
23 Patrick Day	24 Francesca Medina
24 Sandra Smith	Richard Snake
25 Gerhard Sine	Dana Lonetree Sr.
26 Dawn Champion	25 Stella Soldier
27 Cecil Garvin Sr.	Frances Wentz
28 Lawrence Littlegeorge	Cynthia Decorah
29 Carolyn Toews	26 Arlene Shegonee
30 Lisa Stroessner	Christine Jendrisak
31 Glenn White Eagle	Patricia Swartling
Gregory Smith	Phillip Brownwood
James Funmaker Jr.	Leigh Schulte
27 Maria Contreras	Herbert Cleveland
28 Larry Garvin	Kirk Hopinka
29 Maynard Rave Sr.	Ruth Rave
30 Jeremy Rockman	Sherry Smith
31 William Walker	Dennis Berefsky
Anna Winneshiek	Lawrence Delarosa
16 Mary Bernhardt	Yvonne Smith
Mark Myers	Truman Williams Sr.
Michael Sherwood	Gary Snowball
Pauline Ward	Susan Walczak
	31 John Steindorf
	Sherman Funmaker
	Linda Johnson

NOTICE AND RULES OF GENERAL RUN OFF ELECTION TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019



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

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

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

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

Therefore the following were declared winners as of Wednesday, March 6, 2019:

LEGISLATURE:
July 2019 – June 2023

District 4, Seat 2:
Paul J. Fox

JUDICIARY:
Supreme Court Chief Justice
July 2019- June 2025
Todd R. Matha

Trial Court Chief Judge
July 2019-June 2023
JoDeen B. Lowe

Trial Court Associate Judge 1
July 2019-June 2023
JoAnn Funmaker Jones

Trial Court Associate Judge 2
July 2019-June 2023
Mary Jo B. Hunter

b. General Elections
(1). General Elections shall be held in accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution, which states:
Section 1. General Elections. General Elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in June of odd numbered years. Offices of the Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary shall be filled at General Elections.

Therefore the following will be placed on the ballot for the HCN General Run Off Election on Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Ho-Chunk Nation President
July 2019 - June 2023
Gregory S. Blackdeer
Marlon E. White Eagle

LEGISLATURE:

District 1, Seat 2
July 2019 – June 2023
Carol Ann Garvin
George O. Stacy

District 2, Seat 1
July 2019 – June 2023
Kathy DeCamp
Conroy Greendeer

District 3, Seat 3
July 2019 – June 2023
Darren Brinegar
Erik J. Lincoln

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

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

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

The Election Board will rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. **Section 11(c) iii, (Deadline Monday, May 15, 2019 at 4:00 pm).**

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

ABSENTEE VOTING:
A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than **Wednesday, May 29, 2019 by 4:00 pm.** See *Election Code, section 13(a), i*

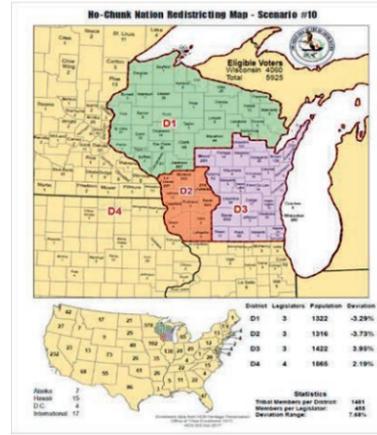
Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number. **Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 4, 2019.**

Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the close of the polls on Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:

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

Please check eligible voter's lists for your Districts.



CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:

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

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

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, March 5, 2019

POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Wednesday, March 6, 2019

POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Friday, May 3, 2019

CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:00 PM
Thursday, May 16, 2019

LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Wednesday, May 29, 2019
4:00 pm.

GENERAL RUN-OFF ELECTION
Tuesday, June 4, 2019

SWEARING IN CEREMONY
Wednesday, July 3, 2019

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

•BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
INDIAN MISSION
COMMUNITY 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

•WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI
CHAK-HAH-CHEE
COMMUNITY BUILDING
916 Chak-hah-chee Lane
(715) 284-8900

•WITTENBERG, WI
SIGA FUNMAKER
COMMUNITY CENTER
W17634 Radke Rd
(715) 253-4407

•CHICAGO, IL
CHICAGO BRANCH OFFICE
4738 North Milwaukee Avenue
(773) 202-8433

•MILWAUKEE, WI
MILWAUKEE BRANCH
OFFICE
3501 S. Howell Avenue
(414) 747-8680

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

•MADISON, WI
MADISON BRANCH OFFICE
4724 Tradewinds Parkway
(608) 277-9964

•WISCONSIN DELLS, WI
INDIAN HEIGHTS
COMMUNITY BUILDING
N957 Dyer Avenue
(715) 284-8900

•GREEN BAY, WI
BRANCH OFFICE
2413 Hazelwood Ln
(920) 490-2774

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