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Wisconsin Watch opens dialogue on economic issues and explores perspectives on journalists' approach to reporting on the Ho-Chunk Nation

Ardith Van Riper
Editor

Wisconsin Watch, in collaboration with Indian Country Today, opened communication with Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members regarding economic issues and explored perspectives on journalists' approach to reporting on the Ho-Chunk Nation. The 'Share your voice: How to build a stronger economy for Ho-Chunk Nation' event took place on May 12 at the District One Community Center near Black River Falls. The gathering also offered a forum for Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members to interact with leaders.

Indian Country Today President Karen Lincoln Michel moderated the discussion. Panelists included Wisconsin Watch Reporter Mario Koran, Owner of Thundercloud Communications, LLC Anne Thundercloud, Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison Executive Manager Dan Brown, Ho-Chunk Nation Economic Diversification Director Bettina Warner, and Ho-Chunk Nation President Marlon White Eagle.

Wisconsin Watch Deputy Manag-

ing Editor Jim Malewitz provided the opening introductions, "...for folks who haven't met Wisconsin Watch, we're a nonprofit, nonpartisan, independent news outlet. Our mission is to increase the quality, quantity, and understanding of investigative journalism to foster an informed citizenry and democracy."

Wisconsin Watch serves communities across the state. They have a small team and need to be pretty picky about the stories they cover. Their three-pronged mission includes protect the vulnerable, illuminate wrongdoings, and seek solutions.

"I'll pass it off to Karen Michele, who is the president of Indian Country Today," said Malewitz. "She's a Ho-Chunk citizen and a nationally noted leader in Native American journalism and newsroom diversity."

Michele was formally a publisher and editor of Madison Magazine, and served on Wisconsin Watch's board of directors until June of 2021, including the role of presi-

dent. She is a former executive editor of The Daily Advertiser in Lafayette, Louisiana, and assistant managing editor of the Green Bay Press-Gazette. Before that,

she covered state government and politics as the Press-Gazette's Madison bureau chief. She began her daily newspaper career *Continued on Page 7*



JoAnn Jones, associate judge for the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court and former Ho-Chunk Nation president, right, speaks from the audience at "Share your voice: How to build a stronger economy for Ho-Chunk Nation," a discussion Wisconsin Watch held on May 12 at the Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Community Center in Black River Falls, Wis. (Ilana Bar-av for Wisconsin Watch)

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IllumiNative, The Black List, Sundance Institute Announce The Second Indigenous Screenwriting List

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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Los Angeles, CA (May 17, 2022) - Today, IllumiNative, The Black List, and the Sundance Institute announced the eight finalists of **The Indigenous List**. These Indigenous screenwriters represent the best and most promising Native creatives in the film and television industry.

The Indigenous List was launched in 2020 to provide a platform for Indigenous writers to showcase their scripts, create additional pathways and opportunities within the industry, and support the development

of the next generation of screenwriters. With the recent release of critically acclaimed Native-authored and centered shows, including *Rutherford Falls* and *Reservation Dogs*, as well as complex and powerful films like *Wild Indian* and *Night Raiders*, there has been a rise in demand for Native created and led stories.

This year's Indigenous List writers will have the opportunity to meet with four Indigenous creatives who have first look and/or overall development deals at major studios, including; **Bird Runningwater** (*Cheyenne/Mescalero Apache*), producer and former direc-

tor of the Sundance Indigenous Program, first-look deal for Film and TV at Amazon Studios; **Michael Greyeyes** (Néhiyaw-Plains Cree), critically-acclaimed actor (*Wildhood* and *Firestarter*) and director (*Acting Good*), First-look Film deal at Blumhouse; **Sierra Teller Ornelas** (*Navajo*), showrunner/co-creator *Rutherford Falls*, Overall TV deal at Universal TV; and **Sterlin Harjo** (*Seminole Creek/Muskogee Creek*), showrunner/co-creator of *Reservation Dogs*, Overall TV deal at FX.

"The Indigenous List provides an intimate look at the depth of talent and power of *Continued on Page 2*

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

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 Native creatives in the entertainment industry," said Crystal Echo Hawk, founder and executive director of IllumiNative. "These Indigenous writers are leading the way and showing the power of Native authored stories. I'm so grateful to The Black List, the Sundance Institute, and the Indigenous creatives who are supporting the next generation of Native writers."

"As always it's a joy to introduce the industry to a new group of incredibly exciting writers and I personally look forward to watching the films and television shows that will be born of these introductions," said **Black List founder Franklin Leonard**. "Everyone should be so lucky as to collaborate with folks like IllumiNative, Sundance Institute, Bird, Michael, Sierra, and Sterlin to do this sort of work. Read these scripts, everyone!"

"My team and I are thrilled again to be a part of showcasing the best work by Indigenous artists working across a variety of genres, formats, and stylistic approaches. The work in this year's list is a testament to the innovation and creative possibilities of what happens when Indigenous talent makes their own work on their own terms," said **Adam Piron, Director of Indigenous Program**.

The 2022 Indigenous List screenwriters and their scripts include:

Taietsarón:sere 'Tai'
Leclaire (Kani'en'kehá:ka)

HOW TO DEAL WITH SYSTEMIC RACISM IN THE AFTERLIFE

Lyle Westman is dead and over it. When he discovers he has to spend 1400 years

haunting in redface, he decides to strike back at the systemic problems plaguing the afterlife.

Alex Nystrom (Ojibwe)

BETWEEN

On a mysterious sinking island off the coast of Louisiana, home to a tight-knit Native community, a compulsive man finds himself up against untold tribal secrets, disappearing children, and the unearthing of a repressed traumatic past.

Bryson Chun (Kanaka Maoli) and Tara Aquino (Kanaka Maoli)

DON'T FREAK

What do you do when your ex writes a song about you and becomes the biggest popstar in the world? If you kidnap your best friend, steal a horse, and crash Good Morning America to confront her were on your breakup bingo card, then you win!

Maya Rose Dittloff (Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara (MHA Nation)/Amskapi Piikuni)

SWEETNESS OF THE BLOOD

Rose Home Gun returns to her childhood home on the Blackfeet Reservation when ghosts of the past rise to threaten her reality -- and her sanity.

W.A.W. Parker (Northern Cheyenne)

THE BARON

Love is a battlefield when a brash, flamboyant, gay Prussian military commander runs into his ex at Valley Forge after he's hired by George Washington to whip the fledgling American Army into shape during the darkest days of the Revolutionary War. Comps: THE GREAT meets DICKINSON.

Brian Bahe (Tohono O'odham)

DECOLONIZE

When the United States is given back to Indigenous people, two self-involved millennials are forced into a leadership role they didn't sign up for.

Neil Tinkham (Chamorro)

THE TAOTAOMONA

A child of divorce goes on a hunt to capture a mythical creature that lives in the jungle, serendipitously bringing his family closer in the process.

Kathryn Machi (Cherokee)

JUNE ROSE

In San Francisco in the late 1960s, a housewife and mother of three teenagers belatedly discovers her Cherokee heritage and defies her conservative husband -- and her Cherokee father -- to join the Red Power and feminist movements.

Additionally, we are pleased to share the following updates for alumni of the very first Indigenous List:

- Joey Clift's *BUNKER BOSS* and its placement on the inaugural Indigenous List led directly to meetings and writing opportunities on Nickelodeon and PBS projects.

- Alikia Maikau's Indigenous List script *MOLOKA'I BOUND* was selected to receive a \$500,000 production

grant from Google and AR-RAY to help further foster its path towards the big screen.

- Kathryn Machi was selected as a finalist for the IllumiNative 2022 Pop Culture Producers Program, was a quarterfinalist in the 2020 Big Break TV pilot competition, and has received additional support from Film Collaborative San Francisco. She was signed by her manager, Brian Judy, Bohemia Group, after his read of *JUNE ROSE* in the summer of 2020. Kathryn's script, *FIREBIRD*, was optioned by Endeavor Content as a result of her placement on the 2020 Indigenous List.

- Erica Tremblay and Mici-mana Alise's *FANCY DANCE* is fully financed and will shoot this summer.

To learn more about The Indigenous List, please visit: <https://illuminatives.org/the-future-is-indigenous/>

ABOUT ILLUMINATIVE

IllumiNative is a Native woman-led racial and social justice organization dedicated to increasing the visibility of—and challenging the narrative about—Native peoples. Our mission is to build power for Native peoples by amplifying contemporary Native

voices, stories, and issues to advance justice, equity, and self-determination. We envision a future where the self-determination and sovereignty of Native peoples is respected and supported; where our children see themselves reflected in the world around them; and where Native peoples author and drive our own narrative.

ABOUT THE BLACK LIST

The Black List, an annual survey of Hollywood executives' favorite unproduced screenplays, was founded in 2005. Since then, at least 440 Black List scripts have been produced, grossing over \$30 billion in box office worldwide. Black List movies have won 54 Academy Awards from 267 nominations, including four of the last twelve Best Picture Oscars and eleven of the last 28 Best Screenplay Oscars.

In October of 2012, the Black List launched a unique online community where screenwriters make their work available to readers, buyers and employers. Since its inception, it has hosted nearly 80,000 screenplays and teleplays and provided more than 130,000 script evaluations.

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Graduate Showcase 2022 materials due June 17

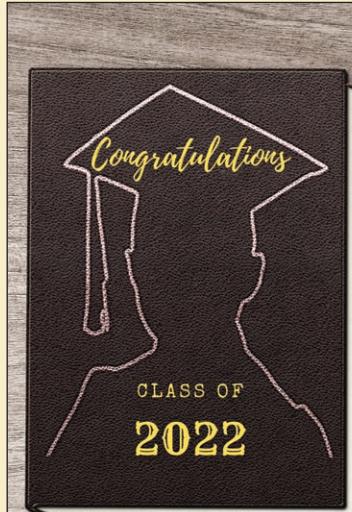
Ardith Van Riper
Editor

Deadline is June 17 to submit Graduate materials.

A special section of the Hocak Worak will showcase 2022 graduates. Graduates include college, high school, and head start.

Email Newsletter@Ho-Chunk.com if you would like your graduate to appear in this showcase.

Submit the following before June 17:



1. Photo
2. Name of graduate
3. Hoocak name (optional)
4. Parents/Guardians names

5. Place graduating from
6. Degree name (for college grads)
7. Future Endeavors or Extra-Curricular Activity

The showcase will appear in Issue 12 which publishes on June 24.

Graduate Showcase

The Hocak Worak will feature college, high school, and head start graduates in a special section.

Submit a photo and information via email before June 17.

Submit materials to: Newsletter@ho-chunk.com

Ho-Chunk Nation Memorial Weekend Social Dance & Traditional Games

PRESS RELEASE - For Immediate Release
May 19, 2022

Ho-Chunk Nation Memorial Weekend Social Dance & Traditional Games will take place at the Andrew Blackhawk Memorial Pow Wow Grounds, W8426 Hwy 54, Black River Falls, WI 54615 on May 28th, 29th and 30th, 2022.

The Memorial Weekend event, titled "Honoring Our Departed Warriors", will feature two days of social dances, drum groups, adult and youth Lacrosse, Double Ball, Moccasin, Pinaga and Kasu scramble tournaments and Flag Raising on Memorial Day.

The social dances will be Saturday from 1-5 p.m. and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. & 6-10 p.m. They will be led by invited drums and will include Flag Song, Victory Song, intertribal dancing and

special dances. On Saturday, Blu St. Syr will be DJing a dance from 6-10 p.m. On Sunday, a Round Dance titled, "In Honor of Our 2022 Graduates" will take place at 9 p.m.

The Lacrosse and Double Ball scramble draw tournaments for adults and youth will be Saturday, May 28th, with registration from 9-9:45 a.m. and with gameplay beginning at 10 a.m. The Lacrosse and Double Ball games will take place at the Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Community Center, N7261 Warrior Ave., Black River Falls, WI 54615.

The Pinaga, Kasu and Moccasin tournaments for adults and youth will be Sunday, May 29th, with registration at 9-9:45 a.m. and with gameplay beginning at 10 a.m.

On Monday, Andrew Blackhawk Legion Post 129 will register flags from

8-9:30am and raise flags at 10am (half-mast) and 12pm (full-mast) with lowering at 3pm.

On Saturday and Sunday, a continental breakfast, lunch and supper will be provided with Monday featuring a full breakfast and lunch.

The event is open to the public and all dancers, drums, and vendors are welcome.

Sponsored by: Ho-Chunk Nation, Ho-Chunk Nation Youth Services, Andrew Blackhawk Legion Post 129 and Notah Begay III Foundation.

FOR EVENT INFORMATION: Manda Mann: 715-299-1519 or Lori Pettibone: 715-896-0190

FOR MEDIA INQUIRIES: Ho-Chunk Nation Public Relations Officer Casey Brown: 715-284-9343 ext. 11104 or email: casey.brown@ho-chunk.com

Boarding School Healing & Justice - Telling Our Stories

Contact: Cecelia LaPointe, Executive Director Native Justice Coalition Email: cecelia@nativejustice.org

Office: (231) 299-3037
For Immediate Release

Manistee, MI (May 23, 2022) – For more than 150 years, thousands of Native American children were forcefully taken from their parents, removed from their communities, and placed in boarding schools throughout the country due to forced assimilation by the US government. Five Indian boarding schools operated in Michigan, receiving federal subsidies between 1829 and 1983.

On May 11, 2022, the Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland, and Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Bryan Newland, a Tribal citizen of Bay Mills Indian Community, released Volume 1 of the investigative report into the federal Indian boarding school policy. The report is a significant step

in acknowledging the role the federal government played in the forced removal and relocation of Indigenous children and lays the foundation for the continued work of the Department of Interior to address intergenerational trauma created by the federal policy.

"The consequences of federal Indian boarding-school policies...inflicted upon generations of children as young as four years old are heart-breaking and undeniable," said Ms. Haaland.

The purpose of the federal Indian boarding school policy was to strip Native children of their culture, language, ceremonies, traditional stories, healing practices, traditional clothing, and traditional community lifeways. The government mixed children from different tribes to disrupt connections and forced the use of English. There was rampant physical, emotional, and sexual abuse as well as malnourishment, disease, and death.

Since 2016, Native Justice

Coalition, a statewide non-profit organization dedicated to social justice and the healing of historical trauma for Native people, has worked

with survivors, their families, and Native communities across the Great Lakes region to share their stories, support their healing, and facilitate

cultural practice that strengthens Native identity. Since 2018, the Native Justice Coalition has traveled through

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Save The Date



August 8-10, 2022

Andrew Blackhawk Pow Wow Grounds

More Details To Follow Later

Ho-Chunk Nation Memorial Weekend Social Dance & Traditional Games "Honoring Our Departed Warriors"

Andrew Blackhawk Memorial Pow Wow Grounds, W8426 Hwy 54 Black River Falls, WI 54615

May 28, 29, & 30, 2022

Social Dances:

Saturday - 1 pm to 5 pm

Sunday - 1 pm to 5 pm & 6 pm to 10 pm

DJ:

Saturday at 6 pm - DJ Blu St Cyr

Round Dance:

Sunday at 9 pm – In Honor of Our 2022 Graduates

Memorial Day Flag Raising

May 28 Events: 10 am

Scramble Tournament – Limit 10 per Team
Adult Men's Lacrosse (Ages 18+)
Adult Women's Double Ball (Ages 18+)
1st Place \$500, 2nd Place \$300, 3rd Place \$200

May 28 Events: 10 am

Scramble Tournament – Limit 10 per Team
Youth Boy's Lacrosse (Ages 10-17)
Youth Girl's Double Ball (Ages 10-17)
1st Place \$250, 2nd Place \$200, 3rd Place \$150

May 29 Events: 10 am

Scramble Tournament –
Adult Moccasin - 4 or more per Team (Ages 18+)
Adult Pinaga (Ages 18+)
Adult Kasu (Ages 18+)
1st Place \$500, 2nd Place \$300, 3rd Place \$200

May 29 Events: 10 am

Scramble Tournament –
Youth Moccasin - 4 or more per Team (Ages 10-17)
Adult Pinaga (Ages 10-17)
Adult Kasu (Ages 10-17)
1st Place \$250, 2nd Place \$200, 3rd Place \$150

Ambassador & Princess Contest

Meals Provided
Saturday: Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Supper
Sunday: Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Supper
Monday: Breakfast and Lunch

Dancers, Drums, Vendors, Visitors are Welcome

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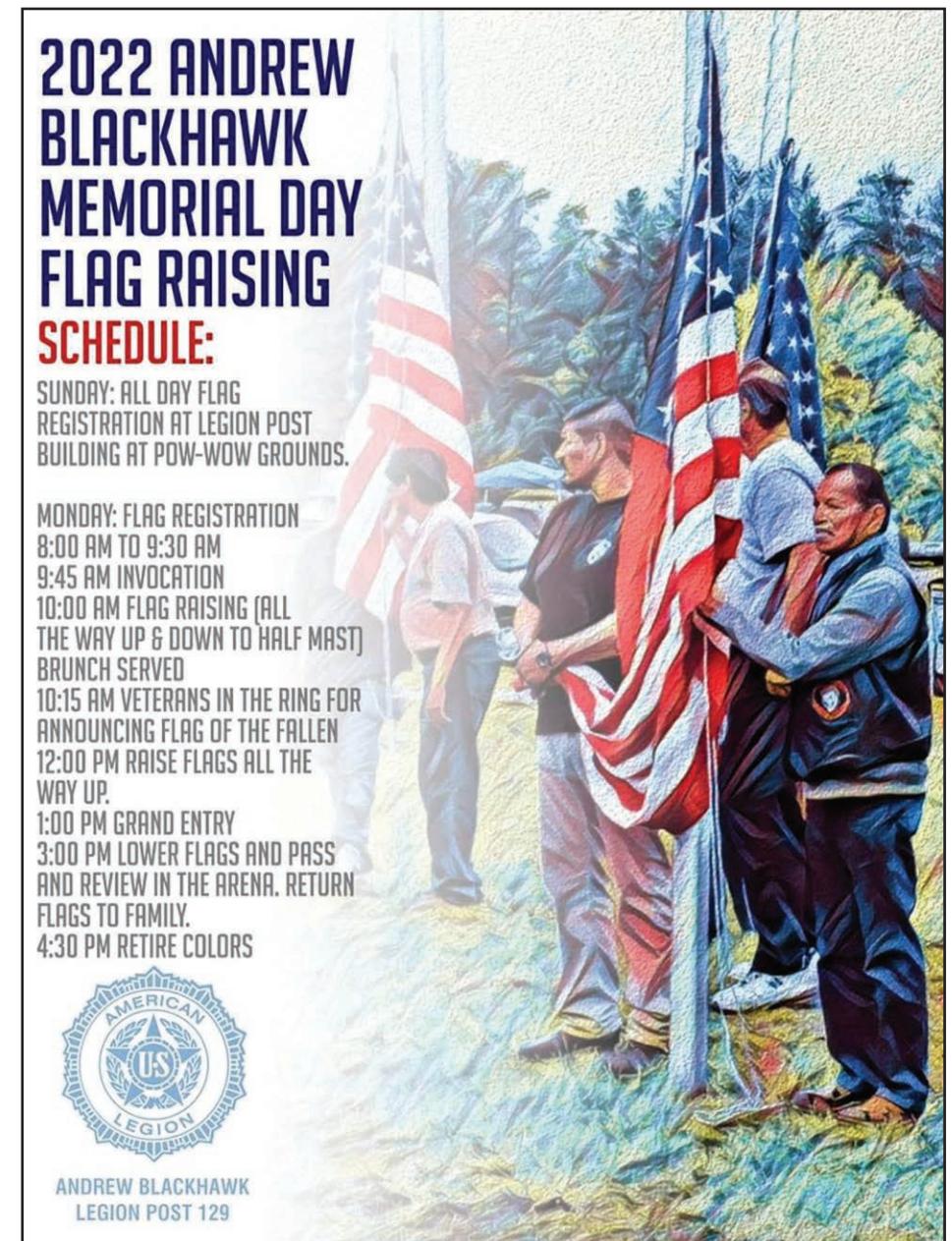
2022 ANDREW BLACKHAWK MEMORIAL DAY FLAG RAISING SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY: ALL DAY FLAG REGISTRATION AT LEGION POST BUILDING AT POW-WOW GROUNDS.

**MONDAY: FLAG REGISTRATION 8:00 AM TO 9:30 AM
9:45 AM INVOCATION
10:00 AM FLAG RAISING (ALL THE WAY UP & DOWN TO HALF MAST)
BRUNCH SERVED
10:15 AM VETERANS IN THE RING FOR ANNOUNCING FLAG OF THE FALLEN
12:00 PM RAISE FLAGS ALL THE WAY UP.
1:00 PM GRAND ENTRY
3:00 PM LOWER FLAGS AND PASS AND REVIEW IN THE ARENA. RETURN FLAGS TO FAMILY.
4:30 PM RETIRE COLORS**



ANDREW BLACKHAWK LEGION POST 129



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out Michigan hosting Healing Stories, a program that brings Indigenous people together to share their stories of survival and resilience.

"The investigative report shows a first step from the federal government to support the work many Native Nations, communities, non-profits, and community organizations based organizations have already been doing on boarding school healing and justice. This action can now support the work ahead, which is a long road. Our organization has an unwavering commitment to this work across the

Michigan Native community. This work is for us so we can repair what has been taken, lost, and stolen from us." - Cecelia LaPointe, Native Justice Coalition

Linda Cobe, a Tribal citizen of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and boarding school survivor, has worked tirelessly to share her story and support others in healing. At age 5, Linda was removed from Watersmeet and placed in the Holy Childhood boarding school in Harbor Springs.

"My sister and I were abandoned
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HO-CHUNK NATION OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PRESS RELEASE - For Immediate Release
May 18, 2022

President Marlon WhiteEagle Vetoes Legislative Resolution 05-11-22A; Kimberly Lonetree remains a candidate for Executive Director of Personnel

On May 11, 2022, the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature adopted Resolution 05-11-22A which denied Kimberly Lonetree to be a candidate for the position of Executive Director of the Department of Personnel.

President WhiteEagle has vetoed the denial on the grounds that the Legislature provided no clear reasons for their action and that Ms. Lonetree was unable to attend the nomination hearing.

Due to the veto, Kimberly Lonetree remains a candidate for the position of Executive Director of Personnel.

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June 1 st	Nekoosa TAU / Head Start 4910 Winneshiek Lane	9:00 a.m.— 11:30 a.m.
June 1 st	Blue Wing Community Center 320 Epinal Lane	1:30 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.
June 8 th	Winnebago Heights TAU E8863 Winneshiek Road	9:30 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.
June 8 th	Ho-Chunk Village / HOW S2845 White Eagle Lane	2:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.
June 15 th	Wittenberg: Community Center W17634 Radke Road	11:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.
June 22 nd	BRF Indian Mission / Pavilion W8802 Mission Road	9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.
June 22 nd	Sand Pillow Community Center N7160 Low Cloud Rd	1:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

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4TH ANNUAL NATIVE ART MARKETPLACE

*An Invitational Native Art Showcase
& on-going collaboration of the Driftless Historium and Little Eagle Arts Foundation (LEAF)*

JUNE 4 & 5, 2022



Join us for this showcase of Native Arts and Culture in Wisconsin!

Featured artists: Kimberly Crowley (Ho-Chunk), Elliott Funmaker and family (Ho-Chunk), Harmony Hill (Oneida/Ho-Chunk), Karen Ann Hoffman (Oneida), Christopher Sweet (Ho-Chunk/White Earth Ojibway), Brian Szabo (Sicangu Lakota), Josiah Thunder (Ho-Chunk), and Leah Winneshiek (Ho-Chunk)

Ho-Chunk Music, Dance & Cultural presentation by Elliott Funmaker and Company
Saturday, 11 am

Hands-on Friendship Bracelet Activity
FREE, Saturday & Sunday

Hours and Location:

Saturday, 10am - 5pm

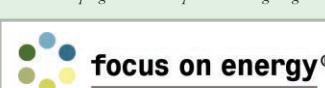
Sunday, 10am - 4pm

Driftless Historium
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Questions?

Driftless Historium (608) 437-6486
Little Eagle Arts Foundation (608) 253-4142

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Thank you for supporting the arts!

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by our biological parents and sent to a boarding school that was not a pleasant experience. We were then adopted out to a non-Indian family where we suffered many more years of abuse. The trauma left me with feelings of isolation, guilt, shame, depression, and later thoughts of suicide and

then failed marriages," said Cobe.

Secretary Haaland announced the launch of "The Road to Healing," a year-long tour across the country to provide American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian survivors the opportunity to share their stories. Native Justice Coalition looks for-

ward to coordinating efforts across Michigan to support Secretary Haaland's Road to Healing tour.

Cobe offers, "I think acknowledging the trauma and letting them know they are not alone in their grief will help the healing start."

In the upcoming months, the Native Justice Coali-

tion will be hosting our 3rd Annual Anishinaabe Racial Justice Conference focused on racial and social justice for Native people. In addition, a series of Healing Stories events are being planned to continue the work of healing from intergenerational trauma and strengthening Indigenous cultural identity. Specifically,

we are focusing on supporting and uplifting boarding school survivors and elders stories. Our Healing Stories program focuses on strengthening the individual, family, and community. Events were postponed during the pandemic but we are excited to host these events this year throughout the state.

HO-CHUNK NATION YOUTH

Ages (13-17)

ESSAY CONTEST

4 WINNERS RECEIVE A FREE 3 NIGHT CAMP ADVENTURE

Kickapoo Valley Reserve S3661 WI 131 La Farge, WI 54639

Essay Submission Deadline June 13th *Winner(s) Notification June 15th*

Contest Guidelines

Minimum 500 word essay written or typed about which camp below you would like to attend and why you believe you should be selected. Include youth & guardian names and best method of contact/information. Submit essays via email, hand deliver or snail mail to: Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Natural Resources at HCN TOB W9814 Airport Rd. P.O. Box 667 Black River Falls, WI 54615

2 Spots available at Leadership Trail Camp
July 5th-8th 2022 9am drop off—3:00pm pickup

Challenging four-day, three-night adventure. Leadership Trail focuses on active skill building and hard skills such as backpacking, navigation, and canoeing. Campers will gain hands-on leadership/interpersonal skills and develop endurance. Subjects such as proper selection and use of outdoor gear, shelter building, wilderness cooking, weather safety, and wilderness navigation. Campers will provide their own backpacks, sleeping bags, and personal clothing and are expected to carry personal as well as group gear in backpacks. Pack weight is typically 30-35 lbs. and hiking distances are approximately 4-5 miles daily. Tents will be provided as well as food and cooking gear. A detailed gear list is provided to each youth.

2 Spots available at Wildways Leadership Camp
July 25-28th 2022 9:00am drop off—3:00pm pickup

Challenging hike into base camp and paddle on the river, enjoy being in nature, learn area's ecology, set up an efficient camp, developing wilderness skills like fire building and foraging. Build cooperation and communication skills. Ecology and mindfulness of the natural landscape. Detailed gear list will be provided to each youth.
(3 Meals per day provided)

SPONSORED BY HO-CHUNK NATION DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.
For questions call 715-284-2852 or email Tina.Brown@ho-chunk.com
For more camp details check out <http://kvr.state.wi.us/Education/Summer-Camp>



Owner's Representatives Quarterly Update Twelve Clans, Inc. Sovereign Wealth Fund (TCI) May 1, 2022

Investment Strategy

It was great to update the Owner's Representatives last month. As discussed, we have transitioned our initial investment policy and strategy to a broader, more impactful approach representative of an active investment holding company. The Board of Directors has approved four (4) investment pillars:

- Private Equity/Passive Investment
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Government Contracting
- Land Development/Gaming

We will build a strategy off these new pillars, understanding that we need a strong working relationship with the Owner's Representatives to ensure transparency and cooperation.

Ongoing Progress

We are making progress speaking to a variety of companies about potential acquisitions leveraging our current asset position. This includes some potential companies in the government contracting space. Additionally, we are excited to see the property in Beloit put into trust so that we can move forward on proposing potential development opportunities!

Board of Directors

Finally, we wanted to share our new Board of Directors and their affiliations. As discussed, we have appointed individuals who meet the criteria in the charter as well as bring significant tribal business experience to the board. The Board voted for me to serve as Interim Chief Executive Officer through the remainder of the year while we align our strategy and business plan in the next few months. Below are the names and affiliations

- Eric S. Trevan, Ph.D. – Chairman
 - Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi, Gun Lake Tribe
 - Interim Chief Executive Officer and Assistant Professor of Community and Economic Development at California State University San Marcos
- Susan Waukon – Vice-Chairwoman
 - Ho-Chunk Nation
 - Economic Development Project Administrator of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.
- Tanya Gibbs – Board Director
 - Descendent of Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians and Partner at Rosette, LLP
 - Chairwoman of Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. OEDMI
- Joe Nayquonabe – Board Director
 - Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe
 - Chief Executive Officer of Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures
- Joseph Brown Thunder – Secretary / Treasurer
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HO-CHUNK NATION
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

To: HCN Office of General Council
From: President Marlon WhiteEagle
Date: May 20th, 2022
Re: 2022 General Council Date

Under Article IV, Section 5 Annual Meeting. *"The People shall meet in General Council at least one time each year, which shall be called by the President, and at other times as provided in Section 6 of this Article. Notice shall be provided by the President for all Annual Meeting of the General Council."*

Therefore, I, President Marlon WhiteEagle, under my constitutional delegated authority as President, do hereby officially call the 2022 Annual Meeting of the General Council on July 30, 2022.

Thank you,


Marlon E. WhiteEagle
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Ho-Chunk Nation President

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HO-CHUNK NATION
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
School-Community Relations Division

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The Ho-Chunk Nation School Community Relations (SCR) Division has the following services available to assist Ho-Chunk enrolled and JOM registered students.

BIA Internet Access Support Program (updated for 2021-22):

- Available to Registered JOM students (in WI) and Ho-Chunk enrolled students (K-12)
- Up to \$100.00 per month in internet access reimbursement per household
- Available October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022
- See guidelines for more information
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- Funding is for FY 2021-22 only.
- We are prioritizing summer camp opportunities, travel opportunities, and other grants that students have utilized in the past, but will cover all other grants as funding allows.

* As of July 1, 2022, the PreK-12 Grant Program will begin offering the majority of the grants that were available in 2019-2020 (pre-pandemic). The limit will be continue to be \$2000.00 per enrolled Ho-Chunk student. We will not purchase or reimburse for computers/tablets.

For any questions or to submit applications, please email: SCR@ho-chunk.com

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 in Wisconsin as a reporter at the La Crosse Tribune and was a long-time part-owner of the newspaper News From Indian Country, published in northern Wisconsin. She's a past president of the Native American Journalists Association. Michel has a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin – Stout and a master's degree from Marquette University."

Karen Michele then provided programming notes. The first part provided a quick behind-the-scenes look at Wisconsin Watch's reporting, then discussed more broad things like probing how Ho-Chunk people and journalists can build trust to strengthen democracy and ensure that the news media accurately reflects alternative perspectives. Then a ten minutes Question and Answer session. Then there is a second panel. That panel discusses the events that happened due to COVID-19, the temporary shutdown of the casinos in 2020, and the aftermath in terms of efforts to diversify the Ho-Chunk economy.

The first question went to President White Eagle. Michele asked him to introduce himself and briefly explain why he chose to attend this evening.

"I see the effort being put into wanting to spotlight the economic diversification efforts of the Ho-Chunk Nation," President White Eagle answered. He explained that building momentum needs to happen for the Nation to move forward. The Nation's members have been asking for separation of business from the government for probably 20 or 30 years now, and that requires legislation.

Karen Michele then asked Mario Koran and Anne Thundercloud to introduce themselves. Koran grew up in Central Wisconsin, attended the University of Wisconsin, was a reporter for Voice of San Diego and the Guardian, and currently is an investigative reporter for Wisconsin Watch. Anne Thundercloud is the daughter of Andrew Thundercloud, Jr. and Heleen Lincoln, a former reporter for the Hocak Worak, government worker for the State of Wisconsin, and worked her way up the ladder. She provided public relations for the

Ho-Chunk people and found she enjoyed connecting our people with other communities and the media. She started her own public relations company in 2012 and has been building media relations ever since.

The following questions were directed at Mario Koran. Those questions were: How does Wisconsin Watch typically decide to consider a news story; why did you decide to report on this story in particular; and what would you like readers to have taken away from the reporting?

"We've got a lot of ground to cover with a pretty small staff," began Mario. "People hear 'Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism,' they often think that we are investigating problems, and sometimes we do. We like to uncover malfeasance in an effort to protect the public. But that's not all we do. We, as part of our mission to, to seek solutions, we'll embark on investigative, explanatory stories that we think could explain an important aspect of what makes Wisconsin – Wisconsin."

"We thought it was a good opportunity to examine tribal nations in Wisconsin, which play an important role in the state overall," further explained Koran. "That's what we hope non-citizens will come away with – an understanding of tribal citizens. Obviously, it was my hope that tribal citizens saw their views accurately represented in the story, that it wasn't a narrow-minded."

They hope is to come to a jump-off point, have greater conversations, and more conversations because some problems require a continued exchange. Wisconsin Watch hopes to be part of that.

Karen Michele moved over to Anne Thundercloud by asking her how she became involved in this project and what kind of role did she play.

"Wisconsin Watch contacted me in December of last year. They kind of laid out the idea of what they were pursuing," Anne answered. "I liked the idea that they were working in conjunction with Indian Country Today. I thought, well, if Indian Country Today is doing it, then we can have our story heard."

"I also want to work in the best interest of my people. I

thought, well, if things aren't going so well, as far as communication between our people and our branches of government, which I thought that appeared to me at the time, then this is a way that I can work, use my skills to help bridge the gap between the media and also tribal membership and tribal leadership. Get our story out there from our own voices. Hopefully, bring about more conversations because I believe this is a very important issue. It's long overdue to have these conversations," Anne finished her answer.

Karen Michele returned to Mario by asking him to explain how he approached his reporting of this story, the steps he took, and what challenges he faced.

"I knew going into reporting the story that it would be a sensitive story to report, in part because there's just simply an over represented of stories about casinos, and about gaming," responded Mario. "I think, so this had the risk, this ran the risk of being just this, you know, sort of narrow minded story that we've seen 100 times, and people may not want to talk about it. There was, I think, a question at the center of this is what, you know, we saw what happened during the pandemic, so many aspects of our economy were battered. We saw casino doors close and the revenue that was lost in the following years. So there were serious implications to that. And there was a bigger, deeper question about what does the economy look like moving forward into the future, beyond gaming."

"I knew that trust building was going to be an important part of this. Thankfully, we connected with Anne early on, and Anne helped open doors, help sort of guide our questions with questions that we were asking things that we needed to think about before even approaching people. And I think, you know, the most important element of building trust is listening," continued Koran.

Mario Koran and Anne took the time to report the story. Much of that time was spent on conversation and not going to people with any agenda. Instead, they introduced themselves and told people what they wanted to accomplish. It wasn't easy getting people to talk.

"That's what it takes as a reporter often, just to keep being persistent, knocking on doors and staying polite. And, you know, thankfully, there was enough, I believe enough folks that were generous with their time and insights through this, to help us fill out an informative story. So that's a little bit of the process that I thought was," said Koran.

"Thank you for that. It's always good to hear a reporter's perspective because I think people don't often stop to think about that. The challenges that we face as journalists, we have to ask the tough questions," said Karen Michele.

Then, she asked President White Eagle about his perspective, having been a journalist himself with the Hocak

Worak. She asked if he thought journalism changed at all, now that he is a government official.

"I would say it hasn't changed," replied President White Eagle. He compared his entrance into the political arena with being an editor and moving to a super-editor because now he controls the narrative and can decide to start discussions and conversations like this.

Another question Karen Michele asked President White Eagle was if he thought it was difficult to talk about the economy and some challenges that the Nation faces.

"Yeah, definitely, there is some, you know, we have to follow the tribal law," responded President White Eagle. "And, you know, not everybody knows that tribal law, even some of our tribal lawyers, and, you know, we have, they have to go through and go back and read again, you know, and so that was part of the interesting part, because he wants to be able to tell, you know, so, you know, if we're talking about \$500 million, you can just sort of, you know, if it was \$500 million, you know, part of you can over exaggerate the new \$500 billion, you know, budget or a \$50,000 budget. And so divulging that information is, you know, in Ho-Chunk, tribal law is confidential information. So, it's, you kind of have been, tread lightly, but you can sort of just spill out that type of information."

Michele directed the next couple of questions to Anne and Mario. Those questions were: what, if anything, should you ask or look for when evaluating whether someone's voice is accurately presented in a news story; if a tribal member approached you and asked about, you know, engaging with the journalists or like a journalist had called them - what would you tell them - as far as why it's essential to speak up.

"There's a broad array of things that I could talk about," Anne responded first. "I guess the first thing is that, why? Why would you pick that story? Why would you? Do you feel that you're qualified to speak on that issue? Otherwise, are there other people that can contribute that are possibly well versed in that issue? Also, we have to be considerate of their time. They work with deadlines. If they ask, they call you, and they want a quote from you, I would say that you the first thing that you would say was, what's your deadline? When can I get back to you if you're not ready to speak at that moment? That way, you have a little bit more time to get your information together."

"Make sure that your information is accurate, up to date. When you respond to them. Make sure that it's very timely because they do have very busy schedules, and they're under deadlines a lot of times, and so we have to think about what can I do to make your job easier for you. Now, if I'm talking about working as a public relations person, there's a lot of things that I consider when I work with journalists.

"That is making sure again that everything is accurate, and that I supply the most up to date timely information for them, and cite your sources, make sure you know what you're talking about. Because my parents and family had always told me that if you don't know what you're talking about, you shouldn't say anything at all. And I think that's probably something that is an old-school teaching that maybe not a lot of people abide by anymore. And so, I think that we need to hold true to some of those things. You know, I'm sure you guys heard that before. Yeah. So that's, you know, that's another thing too. And so there's, there's a lot of things that I would consider telling folks, and if you guys ever are approach, for a story, feel free to give me a call, drop me a message."

"I'll be happy to help you in any way that I can. Because I live for this kind of stuff, I get a lot of enjoyment out of it. And I think it's important for our voices to tell our stories rather than to be told by somebody else, because those needs are over."

Mario added, "In terms of, you're trying to make sure that your views are accurately reported, when a reporter calls you, I think one of the first things that you could do is look that person up and find out the stories that they've done before — the kinds of stories that their outlet does, you'll be able to tell pretty quickly what sort of, you know, if they have sort of an I mean, a bias one way or the other, you'll be able to tell.

"If you know it looks like a line of credible work, work that seems reputable to you. You can check it out. It seems it seems to be factually accurate, then then I think that's the first good sign. The second sign, I think, is just being able to speak with that reporter and try to get a feel for what's the story that you want to tell. It's okay to just speak with the reporter and ask questions and ask about the story that they're looking into like and said, Why are you asking me why? Why are you doing the story right now? That's a perfectly fair question."

"If the reporter can't really answer that, then you know, then that might be a sign that they there, they might not be the best journalist for that story, I don't know, you'd have to make this decision if you want to talk to them or not. But you know, there's really no way that you're going to know for sure until that story comes out. And when that story comes out, if it doesn't reflect accurately what you said, first, you could demand a correction, because that's the rule."

"It's like the journalism law. If we get something wrong in a story, we have to issue a correction. Nobody wants to do that. So we try to make sure that everything's right the first time around. But you know, secondly, it comes down to us if I feel like, or if I burned you in some way, meaning that I didn't give you a chance to respond to something, I quoted you and *Continued on Page 11*



Appearing as a Ho-Chunk Nation citizen, Dan Brown (right), executive manager at Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison and former Ho-Chunk Nation vice president, speaks on a panel about the nation's efforts to diversify its gaming-dependent economy. Bettina Warner, who became the Ho-Chunk Nation's economic diversification director in April of 2022, also spoke on the panel.

MEETING NOTICE

DISTRICT 1

BRF District MEETING



**Wednesday, June 8, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

Tribal Office Building Legislative Conference Room (Virtual/In person meeting)

Vice President, Karena Thundercloud
Rep. Phyllis Smoke
Rep. George Stacy
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DISTRICT 3 MEETING NOTICE

WITTENBERG DISTRICT MEETING-VIRTUAL

Monday, June 13, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.

GREEN BAY DISTRICT MEETING-VIRTUAL

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.

MADISON DISTRICT MEETING-VIRTUAL

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.

WI RAPIDS DISTRICT MEETING-VIRTUAL

Thursday, June 16, 2022- 5:30 p.m.

Pandemic Precautions: Please contact your local Branch Office for in person meeting safety guidelines.

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As a direct result of introductions made on the Black List, dozens of writers have found representation at major talent agencies and management companies, as well as sold or optioned their screenplays. Several films have been produced from scripts showcased on the website including Golden Globe nominated NIGHTINGALE, starring David Oyelowo.

Currently, the Black List hosts over 5,000 scripts by approximately 3,700 writer members. These scripts are available for download by

industry professionals ranging from agency assistants, to studio and network presidents, to A-list actors and directors.

The Black List's first feature production, COME AS YOU ARE, debuted at SXSW in 2019 and is Certified Fresh on Rotten Tomatoes (98% Critics, 80% Audience). Its second feature, BREAKING NEWS IN YUBA COUNTY, directed by Oscar-nominated director Tate Taylor and starring Allison Janney, Mila Kunis, Regina Hall, Awkwafina, Wanda Sykes, and Juliette Lewis, was released in February 2021 by MGM Studios.

More information on the Black List is available at www.blcklst.com. For regular updates, join our mailing list or follow the Black List on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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MEETING NOTICE

DISTRICT 1

Wausau District MEETING



**Tuesday June 14, 2022
5:30 p.m.**

Marathon County Public Library

300 N. First Street Wausau, WI 54403

(In person meeting only, please note the library closes at 8:00 pm)
For future reference, the Library's "Meeting Room Policy" is available here: <https://www.mcpl.us/about/policies/meeting-room-policy>

- All advertisements, announcements, press releases, flyers, etc. Relating to meetings by groups held at the Library must clearly state that the meetings is not sponsored by the Marathon County Public Library. Copies of all promotional materials pertaining to the meeting must be sent or brought to the Library at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

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DISTRICT 4 AREA MEETING NOTICE

IN PERSON / VIRTUAL CHICAGO AREA MEETING

Chicago Branch Office
4738 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Chicago, IL 60630
Monday, June 13, 2022
6:00 p.m.

IN PERSON / VIRTUAL TWIN CITIES AREA MEETING

All Nations Indian Church
1515 E. 23rd Street
Minneapolis, MN 55404
Thursday, June 16, 2022
6:00 p.m.

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Dale Louise White Eagle

December 3, 1937 - May 23, 2022

Dale White Eagle, age 84, of Black River Falls, Wisconsin walked on Monday, May 23, 2022.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 12:00 Noon with Henry White Thunder officiating. Visitation will be held on Tuesday beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Sanford White Eagle Post 556 at E11046 N Reedsburg Road, Baraboo, WI. Burial will be at Spring Grove Cemetery in Wisconsin Dells, WI.

Dale was born December 3, 1937 in Reedsburg, Wisconsin the daughter of Floyd and Sara (Snake) White Eagle. She was a Veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged. Dale is the last of her lineage and came from a loving, caring family. She carried on the unconditional love for her sibling and their children. Always made sure she made it to family events and special occasions. She loved to gamble and play bingo and loved listening to Elvis Presley. She was a youth services coordinator for many years and was a dancer at Fort Dells and Stand Rock for Indian Ceremonial. She just loved taking care of kids and especially loved spending time with her great grandchildren. Dale always had a smile on her face and was very proud of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dale is survived by her sons, Vilas (Gina) White Eagle, Vern White Eagle, Jesse White Eagle, Herman Decorah, Garland Decorah, Deron Decorah and Walter Decorah; daughters, Sara White Eagle, Susan Redfearn,



and Roxanne Decorah; 23 grandchildren, Lloyd (Myra), Elan, Jody, Skyler, Paxson White Eagle, Tasha King, Trisha (Matthew) Carriaga, Tiffany King, Thorn White Eagle, Marion, Mabel, Samantha, Sidney, Mason, Lucas, Iliana, Lexene, Natasha, Logan White Eagle, Dakota, Anthony, Nicholas and Alyssa Redfearn and 26 great-grandchildren, Jordana, Carter, Ashton, Maverick, River, Charles, Hope, Aralyn, Kimberlee, Celine White Eagle, Shawne Lopez, Lainey White Eagle, Rylee, Rozelle, Raydon Wamego, Sullivan, Sander King, Victorie Pettibone, Eli, Evan, Eden Carriaga, Dalane, Della Berg, Lona, Layla White Eagle and Carter Rolo. She is preceded in death by her parents; daughters, Kaye, Rosalie, Andrea; brothers, Arthur, Garland, Sanford, Morgan, Orville, and Daniel White Eagle; sisters, Wanda, Helen, June, Sarah, Owenita and grandchildren, Sasha and Tommy.

Edna J. Topping

July 1, 1956 - May 18, 2022

Edna J. Topping, age 65, of McFarland, Wisconsin walked on Wednesday, May 18, 2022.

A memorial gathering will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Conway-Picha Funeral Home in Lyndon Station, Wisconsin from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with words of remembrance at 1:00 p.m. The family welcomes this time to hear from Edna's friends and her other beloved relatives to celebrate her great life.

Edna was born July 1, 1956 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin the daughter of Edward and Corrine (Decorah) Topping, granddaughter of Archie and Dora (Mallory) Topping of Dexterville, granddaughter of Nathaniel and Annie (Mike) Decorah of Wittenberg. Edna lived her life to the fullest and had a smile for everyone. Her kindness and giving nature made her a favorite mom/naani, sister, auntie, grandmother/kaka, friend and co-worker. If she wasn't attending concerts, cheering for the Green Bay Packers, traveling, or riding on motorcycles she was basking in the sun, enjoying Mexican food, and enjoying her family and friends. She always planned to move back to sunny Texas and was looking forward to those restful & peaceful days to enjoy her grandchildren and retirement. She loved strong and hard and her legacy of kindness, compassion, strength and love will carry us through.

Edna is survived by her daughter, Hazel Salinas of Belton, Texas; one brother, Edward Topping Jr.; sisters, Vicki Browneagle, Tina Topping and Louise Lincoln, and numerous children that she cared for and loved, nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Sharon Topping and Karen Lipski; and the love of her life, Chris Moore.

The family wishes to acknowledge and thank the Native American Church of Wisconsin Dells and community for providing a warm and welcoming place for the family in their time of need.

The family is also grateful for the respect and compassion shown by Gary Picha and his family of the Conway-Picha Funeral Home and extends their sincere gratitude to them.



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something that's inaccurate or unfair, you're probably not going to talk to me again in the future. And that's just the way it works.

"So you know, it's in my benefit to make sure that I come back to you and make sure everything's okay, make sure everything's accurate, if I'm really a serious journalist about wanting to build trust with you. And so, you know, I think those are just a couple of things to keep in mind. You know, not all journalists are created equal, but, you know, some really are trying to learn and do the best they can."

Next, Karen Michele asked for questions from the audience.

An attendee asked about the newsletter and getting investigative reporting included. The discussion revealed that the newsletter needs reporters, and those reporters would have to be interested in a reporting beat. That beat could be tribal government, lawmaking, culture, events, or other types of reporting.

Anne Thundercloud mentioned that she thought it also depended on the editor and the direction the editor wanted to take. She further explained that the current editor is covering everything. There are currently no reporters.

Further discussion touched on building trust, and the group shared stories.

Karen Michele moved on to the second panel. She asked Dan Brown and Bettina Warner to introduce themselves briefly.

"Good evening, everyone. Daniel Brown," started the Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison Executive Manager. "So most of you probably know, kind of a little bit of who I am. But I've been working with the tribe for 29 years, all the while just a super dedicated mission for me just to raise the standard of living for our people, do whatever I can. And, of course, that's in the area of gaming. I did serve as vice president for a little bit. I was Vice President from 2007 to 2011. Just really interested in this topic, particularly when we're talking about, you know, advancing the interests of our nation, and, you know, moving the needle for our people to raise the standard of living. So, thanks for inviting me, this is great to see so many of you."

"My name is Tina Warner," said the Economic Diversification Director. "I have a background in various industry sectors. I have done environmental remediation, a little bit of oil and gas, mining, natural resources, conservation work, you name it, and I've probably done it. I have a master's in International Business Administration, certified project manager. I just finished up my cybersecurity program. So I have worked. This is my second time with working with the Nation. I have had state jobs, I've had public sector jobs, private sector jobs, and DOD jobs. So I'm very diverse."

Karen Michele returned to President White Eagle. She said, "President White Eagle, help us understand what the pandemic has meant for the

broader economy. So like, ongoing efforts are ongoing effects on the available jobs that are out there and funding for government services. So what do you find opportunities and government services look like now? Compared to before the pandemic?"

"Yes, before the pandemic," President White Eagle began. "We're really relying on the NPD dollars. That's a gaming revenue. And that would essentially what would occur is that all the profit, all the revenue sources that gaming side of the house would go into it have what's called the general fund. And from there, then it's divvied up in an annual budget each year. We're just about there for the upcoming fiscal year, fiscal year search

July 1 to June 30. And where we got coming in, we're, we were up there I would say like you're pretty top-heavy in terms of employment in jobs that were there.

"And when the layoffs occurred, then we got to analyze how what's reasonable for the amount of the payroll, you know, so, pre-pandemic, we were, you know, a per cap, obviously, was our number one expense. And then, after that was our health insurance, then, you know, right after health insurance was our payroll, and, you know, our budget was cut, you know, drastically with no income coming in from the gaming side. And so that's what that's essential what led to the layoffs during the COVID pandemic. So,

you know, we could have kept everyone on, but that would probably put us in a deeper financial, financial position. So, I feel like we navigated through the pandemic in a very responsible manner.

"And now we're starting to, you know, we've increased the budget, probably by, you know, almost 40% of the increase on the annual budget. So, you know, we're going to be able to bring back some jobs, and, you know, we're not, they're complete, you know, additional weight, you know, some legislation that occurred, we have now we have a cost of living allowance, that that is being calculated into our annual budget. So that is going to add, and payroll expense, you know,

so each of the departments that are responsible for making that balance of, you know, what services are they going to offer, and how much public staff do they need.

"So, you know, they're the ones they're the subject matter experts, and, you know, I really trust in rely on the, each of the executive directors to, to make that responsible choice. And then, you know, when, when they feel when they're not confident in it, you know, that I tried to step in, when, when that's needed, but it's very rare that I have to step in and help make decisions. But by and large, each of the departments are pretty well aware of what they, how they serve the

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Children do different things at different ages. Some babies sit without support at six months while others need help until they're nine months old. Some toddlers start talking when they're a year old. Others might take longer to say their first words. Every family wants their child to grow and learn to their fullest potential. And for some children, reaching their fullest potential may take a little extra support through early intervention. There is a program in Wisconsin called the Birth to 3 Pro-

gram that provides this early intervention.

What does the Birth to 3 Program offer?

The Birth to Three Program provides the following:

- A FREE screening to see if a child has developmental delay;
- An assessment for therapy and other services;
- Early education services;
- Support for parents;
- Coordination of services needs such as funding and referrals for other services or support.

Who is eligible for services?

Children under the age of three and their families are potentially eligible for the services.

Families who are concerned about their child's growth and development in any of the following areas may be served by the program:

- Movement (sitting, crawling, walking, running)
- Speech (talking)
- Language (understanding what is being said)
- Listening
- Social and Emotional Development
- Self-help skills (eating,

drinking, dressing)

• A physician-diagnosed condition with a high probability of developmental delay

- Atypical (unusual) development that negatively affects the child's overall development

What does the program cost?

Assessments are at no cost to families. Private insurance companies are billed for therapy and families may have a small cost share based on income if insurance denies payment. There is no cost share for families who have Badger-care/medical assistance, food

stamps, or WIC.

What professionals are involved with the program?

Depending on the child's needs, the different professionals that may work with the family include:

- Early childhood special educator, who looks at the way the child learns, functions and understands the world around them;
- Service Coordinator, who may assist in identifying the family's priorities, concerns and needed resources;
- Occupational therapist, who looks at the child's fine

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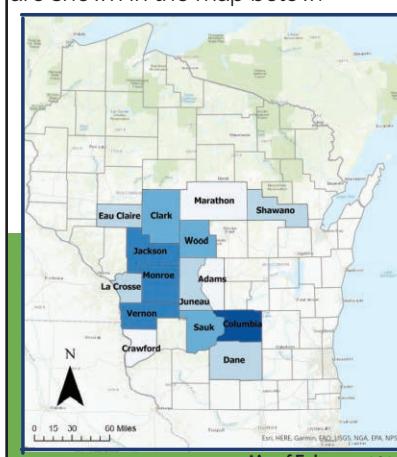


HO-CHUNK NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

COVID-19 IMPACT STUDY RESULTS

HOW HAS COVID-19 IMPACTED THE LIVES OF HO-CHUNK TRIBAL MEMBERS?

The pandemic has changed our lives in many ways. We asked our Ho-Chunk Tribal community to share these stories to support more timely public health and clinic program/service decisions. To start, the Department of Health (DOH) decided to focus on their Indian Health Services (IHS) designated Purchased Referred Care Delivery Area (PRCDA). In addition, the Ho-Chunk Tribal population in these counties make up nearly 78% of the total Ho-Chunk Tribal population in Wisconsin.* The counties within this area are shown on the map below.



*As of February 2022

From January to April 2022, Ho-Chunk Tribal members living in the PRCDA shared their experiences on how a COVID-19 infection has impacted their life. Sampling measures were followed to ensure findings would closely match the demographics of the overall area (including by age, gender, and county of residence).



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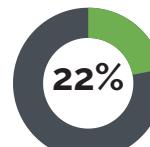
MAJOR FINDINGS:

Impact of COVID-19

The top three impacts included

- 1 Seeing family/friends less often than you would like (50%)
- 2 Financial stress of any cause (42%)
29% reported lost wages, 28% reported working a reduced number of hours, & 17% reported being laid off or job loss
- 3 Feeling isolated or lonely (39%)

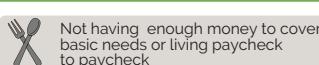
% OF PARTICIPANTS RATING HIGH IMPACT ON THEIR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH



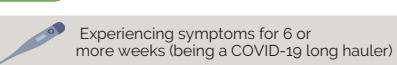
Some of the patterns we found in the stories you shared include how COVID-19 impacted your life and a section dedicated to 'long haulers,' or those who experience(d) symptoms four or more weeks after their initial infectious period.

EXPERIENCING HIGH IMPACT

Those who reported a 'high impact' on their physical or mental health were significantly associated with:



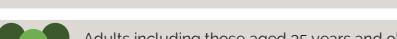
Not having enough money to cover basic needs or living paycheck to paycheck



Experiencing symptoms for 6 or more weeks (being a COVID-19 long hauler)



Living with a disability or having at least one underlying health condition



Adults including those aged 35 years and older and households with five or more people

COVID-19 Long haulers

Persistent symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, brain fog, fatigue, & impaired smell/taste among others

22.1%
'EVER'
LONG HAULER

17.8%
CURRENT
LONG HAULER

32.5
AVERAGE # OF WEEKS
SYMPTOMS EXPERIENCED

42.1
AVERAGE AGE
RANGES FROM 1-82 YEARS

! Did you know? The World Health Organization estimates that globally, 10-20% of persons are COVID long haulers.¹ Since July 2021, being a long hauler was included as a disability under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA).

¹WHO. 2021, December 16. COVID-19: Post COVID-19 Infection.

WHAT NOW?

It's important we receive community input how stories should be used to create change. Now that results have been shared, how do you think the Department of Health can most effectively apply the findings? Share your feedback below by phone, email, or through area meetings by June 30. Stay tuned for updates and a more detailed data report. Pinagigil!

CALL: (715) 284-9851 ext. 35384
EMAIL: covidstudy@ho-chunk.com

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POP UP COVID-19 TESTING

All Events 10am-2pm

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

June 7th: Ho-Chunk
Gaming Wittenberg

June 14th: Madison
Branch Office

June 21st: Ho-Chunk
Gaming Nekoosa

June 28th : Ho-Chunk
Gaming WI Dells

FREE

Testing for Tribal Members and HCN Employees and
their families

Ho-Chunk Health Care Center
N6520 Lumberjack Guy Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615
Ph. 715-284-9851 FAX 715-284-5150

House of Wellness
S2845 White Eagle Rd
Baraboo, WI 53913
Ph. 888-552-7889 FAX 608-355-9643

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people and what they need to get done."

Then, President White Eagle was asked if he would restore all the positions that were there, pre-pandemic.

"It was up to me," President White Eagle said. "You know, that's what we when we go through this budget process, you know, the last few years here, you know, the, the legislature gives us a spending cap, and then our goal is to stay under the spending cap. And that's kind of what we've been doing."

This statement began a discussion on the budget process. The budget process turned into business revenue. Dialogue on business revenue covered Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison specifically.

Karen Michele asked Bettina Warner to explain her job, why it was created, and her plans to approach her new position.

"Legislative branch pursued the USDA grant to find alternative economic development endeavors," began Warner. "And the legislature was awarded with a grant. So that's the creation of my position, economic diversification director. My primary job is to work with economic diversification and development firm to complete a Said's a comprehensive economic diversification and strategy plan. So we just recently acquired a contractor, a native-owned entity, she came on board this week. So I had my meeting with her yesterday. So it was a pre meeting wasn't those kickoff meeting, but it was a pre meeting to get to know one another. And ask questions, Scope of Work, work sessions, expectations, so on and so forth."

Michele asked both Brown and Warner about obstacles they thought may have prevented the Nation from diversifying up until now.

Dan Brown spoke up first, "I mentioned that earlier. It's structural. It's systemic. The fact that we continue as people as tribal people continue to think that the legislator has the acumen and the ability to take us into a different direction. And that's just not the case. You know, they just lacked that kind of wherewithal. And it's mocking the legislature. It's not the point of it at all. It's just the fact

that one has to realize, if you look in the mirror and said, I don't know what I don't know. And our legislature, I mean, past legislators, not just the current but have not had that wherewithal, just to understand we've got to do something different.

"This is, again, its 30 years, 30 years July 30. And we've done almost nothing in terms of diversifying our economic development. It's, it's totally absent. And it's really up to us as tribal members to start messaging back to our legislature that we really have to do this and move the needle that we have for right now. If you look at there's a Harvard paper regarding the different types of corporations, and our section 17 or 12 Clans right now is a perfect opportunity.

"It completely separates business from government, as was, you know, voted on in 2013. So it's time to, you know, it's time for us to move in that direction and legislature just has to put themselves and say I just don't know, relinquish the businesses to the business allow for efficiency, the 12 or the 12 Clans a section 17 has the wherewithal financially they'll have leverage available, they'll be able to take on loans, they'll incur the debt. They'll take the risks, as opposed to the government.

"Every time the government does something and we wind up in debt and everybody's a little scared to put that gets cut like whatever, we just have to move in a different direction. You know, and it's past time that we move towards a separation."

Bettina Warner spoke second, "And I also think that we need to think outside the box. I mean, primarily, our tribal membership has worked for the nation and the nation, that alone. So they have no real world application. And he's saying section 17. I'm saying section eight, A as well, for diversity for consulting, engineering consulting for firms for cybersecurity consulting firms, industrial services, government services, we can go after multimillion dollar contracts, you know, utilizing the federal government's funding. So that's another way of establishing diversity as well. So I'm thinking millions of dollars."

Karen Michele asked the

following question. What do you think are the biggest opportunities that are out there?

The group got off topic a bit, and then Warner said, "Back to back to the original question. Okay, so my list for biggest opportunities for diversification. What my intentions are, these are just suggestions for everybody is I want to build up our corridors going to our casinos with franchises, franchises, so our corridors, we own lots of property with nothing on them and we're paying taxes, for just having leases.

"We need to start building. So if we develop a multitude of LLCs for franchises, franchises would include like Tires Plus, and O'Reilly's a NAPA, Caribou Coffee, Chick

fil A, Buffalo Wild Wings, Trader Joe's just start making our own little communities instead of going elsewhere going to Walmart. Their proven systems marketing's already completed for you, you know what they're about, as I stated previously, engineering consulting firm AA certified and cybersecurity. Then we can also go into technical services, information technology, medical life sciences, even broadband and that's part of the EDA grant that I'm working on as well as broadband internet fibers.

"My emphasis would be renewable energy, solar, and wind turbines. I've contacted Alliant Energy and discussed the three tariffs that we could utilize with them as well.

Electric charging stations, you know, electric cars are now becoming popular. I have a couple of friends in Baraboo that bought electric cars that are now going to hybrids because aren't a new charging stations. They've had to get towed since they ran out of juice. A lithium battery recycling plant everything electric cars, all your electronic needs, everything your tools, everything is generated with lithium batteries, made these batteries.

"If we started recycling, that would put us into a multi-million-dollar industry. I was contemplating there's only several nationally, probably five to 10 recycling plants nationwide. So is interested *Continued on Page 14*

WOJAPI

woh - zjah - pee

Wojapi

Ingredients:

- 1/4 to 1 cup water
- 1-2 T thickener such as cornstarch or flour (optional)
- 4 cups berries, fresh, frozen, or dried
- Sweetener of your choice, to taste

Directions:

In a saucepan, whisk together water and thickener before heating. Stir in berries and simmer over low heat, stirring regularly. Add sweetener and continue to cook until desired thickness is reached. Enjoy!

Wojapi is a delicious berry sauce with a thin, syrup-like consistency. It's traditionally made with different wild berries (chokecherries, chokeberries, blueberries, etc.) regional to the area, and these berries were often used dried instead of fresh.

It makes a delicious sweet treat all on its own or you can add it to other foods like pan or skillet bread, oatmeal, pancakes, toast, or yogurt for a little something extra!

Adapted from <https://forksgetchef.com/wild-berry-thin-syrup-wojapi/>
<https://www.firstnations.org/recipes/wojapi-dakota-berry-sauce/>

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OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 8AM-5PM

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motor movement; social/emotional disturbances that interfere with function; and oral motor/feeding and other self-help skills;

- Physical therapist, who looks at the child's large muscle movements (such as sitting, rolling, walking) in addition to balance and coordination;

- Speech and language pathologist, who works on a child's verbal communication and understanding of language.

Services for the program are provided in the child's natural environment. Services can occur in the child's home, daycare, or any place the child would normally be.

The Jackson County Birth to 3 service coordinator is

Anita Leis. She works closely with family members and the other team members from the time a child is referred to the program until the child and family no longer need early intervention services, or until the child reaches age three and transitions from the program.

If you, as a caregiver, are worried about the way an infant or toddler is developing, contact **Anita Leis, CSW, ECSE, IMH-E® (II)**

at Jackson County Health and Human Services Department at 284-4301 extension 301 or email Anita.Leis@jacksoncountywi.gov.

If the child lives in another county, please call 211 or search your for county contact at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/birthto3/contacts.htm>

**HO-CHUNK NATION
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BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
MAY 11, 2022**

Call to Order: Vice President Karena Thundercloud called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Marlon WhiteEagle-EX
Vice President Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. George Stacy-VC
Rep. Phyllis Smoke-VC
Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr.-VC
(P 10:25)
Rep. Stephanie Begay-P
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-VC
Rep. Darren Brinegar-VC
Rep. Shelby Visintin-VC
Rep. Sarah Lemieux-VC
Rep. Danielle DeLong-VC
Rep. Robert Pilot-VC
Rep. Paul Fox-EX
Rep. Brianna Littlegeorge-VC

VC-Video Conference

Determination of Quorum: Quorum is established at 10:01 a.m.

Opening Prayer: Greg Blackcoon offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Legislative Meeting-May 3, 2022

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to approve the May 3, 2022 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Brianna Littlegeorge. 12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

NOTED FOR THE RECORD:

Rep. Visintin would like to change her vote to abstain, since she was excused from the May 3, 2022 Legislative Meeting.

Commission Reports:

Special Finance Commission-May 4, 2022

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to approve the May 4, 2022 Special Finance Commission Minutes with corrections. Second by Rep.

Darren Brinegar. 11-0-1(Rep. Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.

Sharice's Big Voice, A Native Kid Becomes a Congresswoman

MOTION by Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. to TABLE until after Executive Session today. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED. Rep. Robert Pilot was not available during the vote.

Reports:

Tribal Enrollment Numbers-Enrollment Office reports the first Legislative Meeting of every month-TABLED

Gaming Commission Report

Gaming Commissioner Chairperson Samantha Day was present via video conference and gave the Commission update. A written report was submitted.

Vice President Thundercloud mentions the Gaming Commission will report at the second meeting of each month.

Executive Branch Monthly Reports:

Department of Heritage Preservation

Executive Director of Heritage Preservation Samson Falcon was not in attendance, and no written report was submitted.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to TABLE the Department of Heritage Preservation report and request a written monthly report be sent to the Legislative Chief Clerk in a timely manner. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Department of Justice

Attorney General Scott Seifert mentions changes in regard to Compliance, he wants to make sure the background check issue is still on the forefront as this effects outside departments as well. A written report was submitted.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to request a meeting with Department of Justice outside of session to discuss the Compliance matter. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Department of Natural Resources

Department of Natural Resources Tina Brown was present via video conference and gave a brief update, and mentions DNR is working with Department of Justice on the Hemp Law. A written report was submitted.

Department of Treasury

Finance Director Jeriah Rave was present via video conference and gave the Treasury update on behalf on Ms. Overboe. A written report was submitted.

Unfinished Business:

COVID-19 Executive Branch Updates

Department of Health-Reported at the first and third meeting of the month-TABLED

Department of Business

Executive Director of Business Michael Rave was present via video conference and stated there was nothing further to add to the report. A written report was submitted.

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Continued from Page 13 in contacting them and maybe doing a partnership. Logistics, trucking company. That's an industry-wide bottleneck. That's why we have not a whole lot of supplies on the shelves right now in major retail chains.

"Just partnering with other companies, other tribes universities do research and development, biotech, robotics, information computer tech-

nology, artificial intelligence, AI, automation, semiconductor manufacturing computer chips, why focus on China? We can start doing that. Do something locally, semi-truck stops. I mean, putting Loves or whatever it is down in the Dells or wherever.

"We have people that want to be diesel truck drivers. We have people that want to be diesel truck mechanics. Daycares. Large-scale rental

properties with businesses underneath. There's so many things that we can do. We can really diversify. Agriculture.

"So those are my thoughts. I'm putting this all into a community assessment to get everybody's input, and see where everybody else because every community is different. And we need to know what every tribal member thinks and feels for their own particular area community. So that's

what I'm working on."

The discussion then turned into a Question and Answer session, and the group began to end the gathering.

"Well, I'd like to say thank you to everybody for your great questions and your participation and for being here," concluded Karen Michele. "I'd like to thank our panelists for your vision and insights economic outlook for the nation. So if you all give a round

of applause for all our candidates this evening. Thank you for Wisconsin Watch for hosting, this is very important. And I hope that this isn't the last step. So with that said thank you to everyone, have a great evening."

Wild Bearies provided appetizers and refreshments.

Wisconsin Humanities sponsored the event.



**HO-CHUNK NATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**



MONKEYPOX

Monkeypox is usually experienced in Central and Western Africa. Cases outside of this area are usually due to travel or imported animals. There are clusters in Europe and US, in which the source has not been identified. CDC does not think that Monkeypox will rise to pandemic levels that COVID has.

Monkeypox is similar to smallpox, but generally less severe. In Africa monkeypox has been shown to cause death in 1 in 10 people who get it.

Incubation period can be 5-21 days. Most commonly 7-14

Early symptoms begin with fever, headache, muscle aches and exhaustion. Later symptoms include Backache, swollen lymph nodes, chills, rash. The rash usually begins on the face and spreads to other parts of the body. With the recent outbreak the rash has been starting on the hands and genitals, however is NOT an STI. The rash starts as flat red spots and then the spots become raised, eventually fluid filled which leaks from the spots and then they scab over.

Duration of illness usually lasts 2-4 weeks.

Transmission: large respiratory droplets, contact with fluid from the rash.

Prevention: masking, hand washing, avoiding sick animals, people and contaminated materials.

Treatment: smallpox vaccine and antivirals.

If you think you have monkeypox please contact your provider.

HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT,

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Justine D. Hill Roybal

Amended
Notice of Hearing on Petition for Probate

FILED
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL/SUPREME COURT

APR 26 2022

Julie A. Ostrom
Clerk of Court/Assistant

Case No. PR 22-03

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. A Petition for Probate was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth JAN 9, 1995 and date of death Nov 14, 2021, was domiciled in CLARK County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W8270 Pine Road Witten, Wisconsin 54498.
3. The names or addresses of the following interested person are not known or reasonably ascertainable:

4. The petition will be heard at Wa Ehi Hoci, W9598 Hwy 54 E, Black River Falls, WI, 54615, before Judge Lowe, on (Date) June 30, 2022 at (Time) 1:30 pm.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-284-2722 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

May Strunk
Clerk of Court
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Name Printed or Typed
04/26/22
Date

DO NOT PRINT the following text when publishing this notice.

* IF not all of the addresses of the interested parties are known, give this form once it is returned to you filled out by the Clerk of Court to the newsletter staff for publication *

Notice to Petitioner:
The petitioner is responsible for providing a copy of this notice, a copy of the will and codicils (if any), and a copy of the petition to all interested persons by certified mail or personal service at least 45 days before the hearing. If the address, or identity of any person is not known and cannot be ascertained by reasonable diligence, the petitioner must post a copy of the notice in at least three (3) conspicuous public places within the Nation at least forty-five (45) days before the time set for the hearing and publish the notice in the official newsletter of the Ho-Chunk Nation, currently known as the Ho-ak Worak, for three (3) consecutive issues. See 8 HCC § 13.65a(2).

Notice to Newspaper:
Notice must be given by publication of this form in the official newsletter of the Ho-Chunk Nation for three (3) consecutive issues with the first publication occurring at least forty-five (45) calendar days prior to the hearing date noted in Section 4.

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Report

The last written report received from the Office of General Council was November 23, 2021.

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to add under Office of General Council, when the last verbal report date that the Office of General Council reported at a Legislative meeting. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** Rep. George Stacy was out of the room at the time of the vote.

American Rescue Plan Funding

Department of Treasury Infor-Lawson Proposal \$3,898,737

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to deny the Department of Treasury Infor-Lawson Proposal as an ARPA request and refer to Executive Branch to propose this as a Capital Request. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-1 (Rep. George Stacy) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Department of Labor Budget Modification

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to approve the decrease to the Department of Personnel line item in the amount of \$12,346.00, and approve the increase to the Department of Labor budget of \$12,346.00. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

New Business:

RFP Class and Comp

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to request the Department of Personnel draft and send out an RFP to conduct a Class & Compensation Study as considerable time has passed since the last RFP responses were submitted. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux. 10-2(Rep. George Stacy, Rep.

Darren Brinegar)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Nomination Hearing for Executive Director of Personnel Nominee

Legislative Counsel Michael Murphy stated the President nominated Kimberly Lonetree who previously served in this position, Legislature is at the step to either accept or deny the nomination.

Executive Legislative Information Officer Nathaniel Longtail mentioned Ms. Lonetree was going to attend on May 10, 2022, unfortunately she has a class and is not able to attend today.

Resolution-Acceptance/Denial of Application of Kimberly Lonetree to be Interim Director of the Department of Personnel

MOTION by Rep. George Stacy to adopt **Resolution 05-11-22 A**, Denial of Application of Kimberly Lonetree to be Interim Director of the Department of Personnel. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 11-0-1(Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr.) **MOTION CARRIED.**

NOTED FOR THE RECORD:

Rep. Greendeer, Jr. would like it noted he abstained because Ms. Lonetree is a relative.

Resolution-Authorization to Enter into Agreement with the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. for the 2022 Women, Infant and Child Program

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux to adopt **Resolution 05-11-22 B**, Authorization to Enter into Agreement with the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. for the 2022 Women, Infant and Child Program. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the 2022 Title III Grant Agreement between the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources-Rep. Sarah Lemieux/Gregory Blackcoon

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux to adopt **Resolution 05-11-22 C**, Approval of the 2022 Title III Grant Agreement between the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Health Board of Directors

Rep. Stephanie Begay mentioned the President submitted seven nominees when only five are needed.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to request that the President submit five nominees for the Department of Health Board of Directors, since the Department of Health Establishment Act states there shall only be five Directors. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Session: (Business Matters, Criminal Matters, Inter-governmental

Relations, Land, Law Enforcement, Legal Advice, Personnel Matters, Public Safety or Well-Being):

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to move to Executive Session. Second by Rep. Robert Pilot. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting moved to Executive Session at 10:47 a.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:16 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Karena Thundercloud at 1:04 p.m.

Quorum is established at 1:04 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. to move to Open Session. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

1:59 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commission Reports:

Special Finance Commission-May 4, 2022

Sharice's Big Voice, A Native Kid Becomes a Congresswoman

Legislative Public Relations Officer, Ryan Greendeer requests to order books from Sharice Davids publisher, and a funding source has been identified, and a distribution plan has been drafted.

MOTION by Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. to approve on Emergency Basis Motion for the purchase of Sharice's Big Voice, A Native Kid Becomes a Congresswoman \$4,601.55 from Charitable Contributions and \$4,601.55 from Youth Assistance. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. MOTION IS AMENDED that this is not an emergency motion. Second concurs. 8-1(Rep. Darren Brinegar)-3(Rep. Phyllis Smoke, Rep. Shelby Visintin, Rep. Brianna Littlegeorge) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adjourn the Legislative Meeting to May 17, 2022 at the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

SUMMONS
(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Housing- Rental management Office, Plaintiff(s), v. Skylar WhiteEagle, Defendant(s).

Case No.: CV 21-09

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Skylar WhiteEagle

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 second published issuance of this *Summons* in the Hocak Worak. 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.

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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MAY 13, 2022**

Call to Order: Vice President Karena Thundercloud called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Marlon WhiteEagle-EX
Vice President Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. George Stacy-VC 10:05 a.m.
Rep. Phyllis Smoke-VC

Rep. Conroy Greendeer, Jr.-VC
Rep. Stephanie Begay-P
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-VC
Rep. Darren Brinegar-VC
Rep. Shelby Visintin-VC 10:05 a.m.

Rep. Sarah Lemieux-VC
Rep. Danielle DeLong-VC
Rep. Robert Pilot-VC

Rep. Paul Fox-VC
Rep. Brianna Littlegeorge-VC

VC-Video Conference

Determination of Quorum:
Quorum is established at 10:03 a.m.

Opening Prayer: Rep. Paul Fox offered a word of prayer.

Inter-governmental Relations, Land, Law Enforcement, Legal Advice, Personnel Matters, Public Safety or Well-Being:

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 12-0-1(Rep. Shelby Visintin) **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting moved to Executive Session at 10:07 a.m.

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to move to Open Session. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** Rep. Sarah Lemieux did not vote during vote count.

Executive Session (Business Matters, Criminal Matter, Inter-governmental Relations, Land, Law Enforcement, Legal Advice, Personnel Matters, Public Safety or Well-Being):

MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to move to Executive Session to discuss Business Matters, Criminal Matter,

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** Rep. Sarah Lemieux did not vote during vote count.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adjourn the Special Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** Rep. Sarah Lemieux did not vote during vote count.

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