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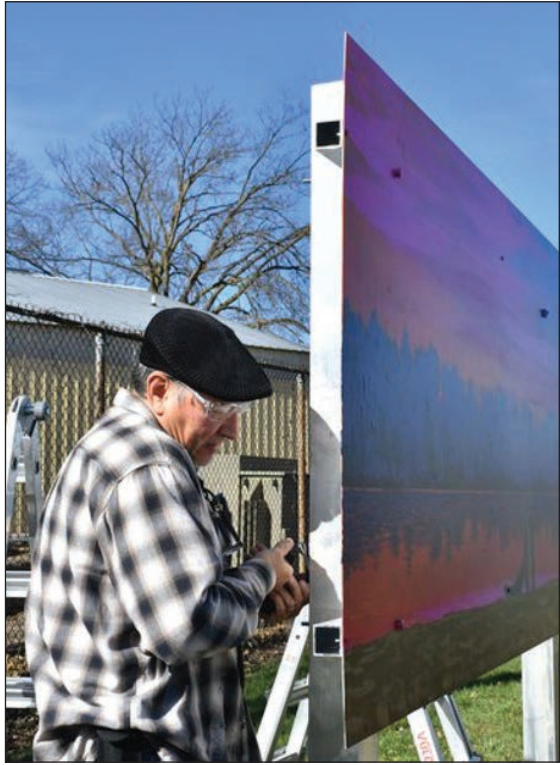
Hooçak (Ho-Chunk)/White Earth Ojibwe artist Christopher Sweet installs mural in Sauk City

Paul Arentz
DriftlessNow.com

The timing couldn't have been better for Hooçak (Ho-Chunk)/White Earth Ojibwe artist Christopher Sweet, as November is National Native American Heritage month.

Last week, the Great Sauk Trail received yet another mural along its route for people to enjoy while recreating. Sweet, who has yet to give a final title to his mural, is leaning towards giving it a name that portrays the connection people have to the land. Another mural made of ceramic tiles titled, "Earth, Sky, Water", was installed on the trail back in October of 2020. Created by Little Eagle Arts Foundation (LEAF), the collaborative effort was intended as a gift of appreciation and in recognition for the generous donation from the Hooçak Nation in finishing the trail.

Sweet's mural, located on the
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Ho-Chunk Nation Election Results
Special Election - District 3
October 27, 2023

LEGISLATOR - DISTRICT 3	MADISON	WISCONSIN RAPIDS	WITTENBERG	GREEN BAY	MILWAUKEE	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
LAMBERT CLEVELAND, JR.	17	55	10	6	12	3	103	54.79%
ANDI CLOUD	28	10	12	20	14	1	85	45.21%

ELECTION CERTIFICATION

WE THE UNDERSIGNED ELECTION OFFICIALS OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE ABSTRACT OF THE VOTES SHOWN HEREIN FOR THE ELECTION HELD ON THE TWENTY SEVENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023. WE FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THIS ELECTION WAS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION.

SIGNED AND DATED TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

CHAIRPERSON: *Myrna Stettin* MEMBER: *Patrick C. Reed*

MEMBER: *John Mancey* MEMBER: *Bruce Johnson*

MEMBER: *Leslie Johnson* MEMBER: *Masha Smith*

MEMBER: *Ethel Fumker* MEMBER: *Myrna Stettin*

MEMBER: *Mary Lopez* MEMBER: _____

MEMBER: *Oliver Lopez* MEMBER: _____

MEMBER: *Jugany Smith* MEMBER: _____

The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board has certified the results declaring Lambert Cleveland, Jr. the winner of the District 3 Special Election. A Swearing-In Ceremony is scheduled for Nov. 22 at 9:00 a.m. at the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls.

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trail about a block North of Water Street in Sauk City, Wisconsin, was commissioned by the Friends of the Great Sauk Trail and coordinated by former Executive Director of River Arts, Inc., Lindsey Giese.

When the friends group put the call out for artwork proposals, they received numerous proposals from different artists including Sweet. "I believe there were 45 artists that applied, and

then it was scaled down to like 40. So, he was chosen out of 40 other artists and artists' proposals for this project," said Sweet's wife Chrissy. Sweet added, "We were up in Stevens Point researching for another project, and we got the call from Lindsay telling me my mural proposal was chosen." Sweet said he was overjoyed and ready to get going on the project right away.

Not Sweet's first mural, this one would be by far the

largest one he has created. Sweet designed a scale model of the mural consisting of 12 four-foot by eight-foot panels spanning over 96 feet.

Sweet, a LEAF roster artist, painted the panels at LEAF's art studio at Maa Wákąčąk (Hoočąk language meaning Sacred Land), and at their home at Louis' Bluff in Lyndon Station, Wisconsin. LEAF Founder and Director Melanie Tallmadge-Sainz said that as one of their roster artists, the organization supports Chris' growth and entrepreneurship in his art.

As mentioned before, Sweet will soon give the mural its final title, alluding to having the title incorporate connectedness. "Connections, connected. Just kind of something you know, in regards to the Hoočąk and our connectedness to this area. That's kind of what the goal is. This area with all its beauty, you see the birds, the activity on the trail, and my love for sunsets, just the beauty of the sky. I wanted to incorporate all of that, and put the Hoočąk presence in there. That's where the connection comes in." Chrissy added, "I know Chris touched on a little bit about this being the ancestral homelands of the Hoočąk, but I wanted to mention that there's a

couple Ciporoke (traditional Hoočąk dwelling) put in the painting. That's to represent the ancestors passing down their knowledge and also the connection to home and family."

Sweet's mother Lenore, an artist herself and one of his biggest supporters, played a role in the mural. "We actually worked with her on this in the initial design. So, we were getting input from her. I did some sketches and stuff and she pretty much signed off on it," he said. Chrissy also noted that Sweet received feedback from his sister Angie Sweet-Lowe on the mural, and Angie's son Austin Azevedo helped install the mural. Sweet said in future projects like this mural that it would be cool to have other Hoočąk get involved.

I asked Sweet if there were any of the panels that he favored, he responded, "I can't remember which number panel it is, but I put a couple on there. It was just a husband and wife and it felt like it was missing something. So, I added a son, and that felt really good putting him in there. But it was still missing something. Finally, two days ago, I decided to add a daughter. So, it ended up being a small family. Mother, father, son,

and daughter. It all just kind of came together. That's my favorite panel. Chrissy said she loves the whole mural saying, "I love all the artwork and the colors. The vibrancy of the colors is amazing on this and I think guests that visit the Great Sauk Trail will really appreciate that. But there is one panel that has two boys near the riverbank and there's a canoe there. When I see that, I think about the relevance of those canoes that were found in Lake Mendota. It's just a reminder that there should be no question about ties of the Hoočąk to this to this land, then, and throughout time until now and into the future. So, that's one of my favorites".

Chrissy stressed that the mural isn't flat but rather the panels making up the entire mural are staggered. "So, each panel helps to create this formation of a bird in flight. That is to pay homage not only to the eagles in this area, but all of the wildlife that makes up the ecosystem in this area."

On his art Sweet said, "People see things differently and it makes them feel different ways. It's supposed to be healing. So, when they look at it, I want it to bring them comfort and a connectedness to the land."



Panels in progress in LEAF's art studio at Maa Wakacak. Photo by Chris Sweet.



Chris' nephew Austin Azevedo helping install the first of 12 panels.



L-R Austin, Chrissy, and Chris, holding up the scale model of the proposed mural.

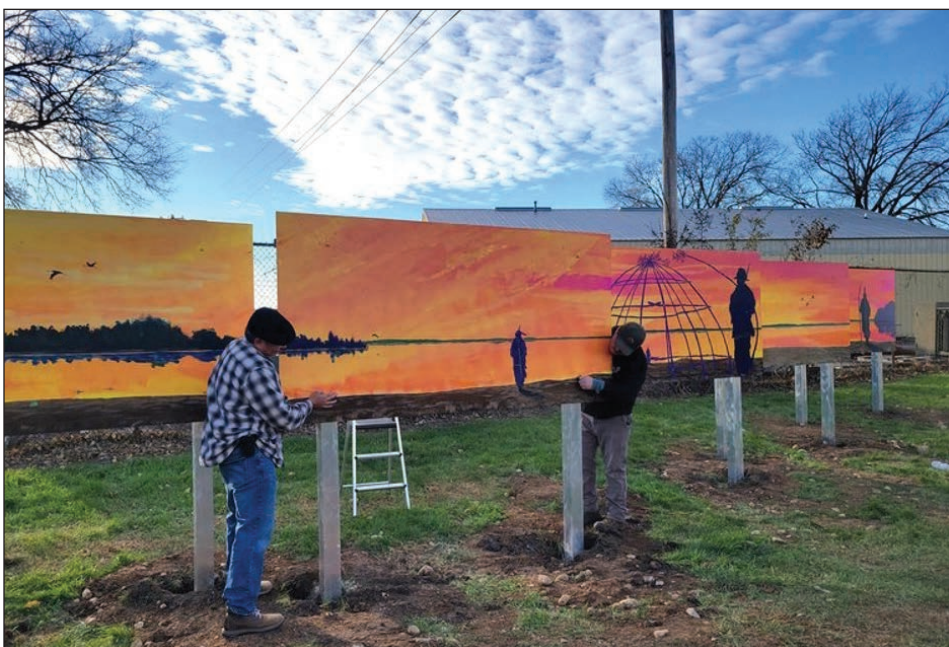
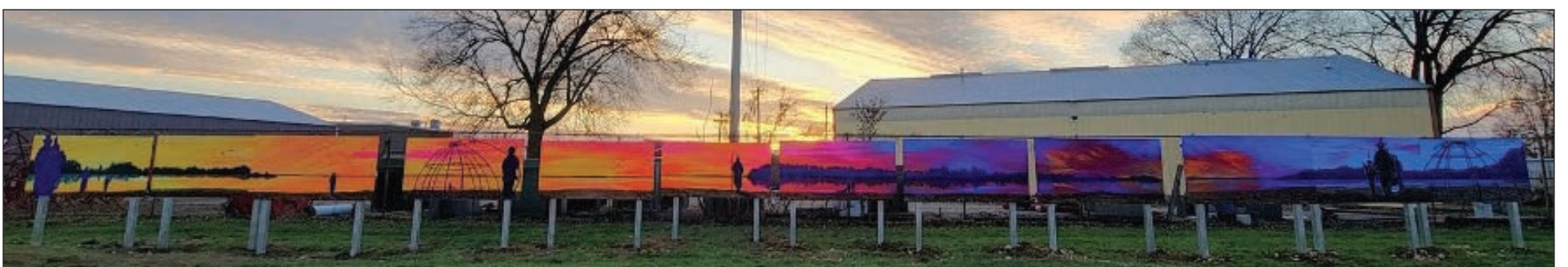


Photo by Chris Sweet



Chris' mother Lenore with the mural installed. Photo by Chris Sweet



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Legislature Begins Redistricting Process

By: Representative Shelby Visintin (District 3) and Representative Stephanie Begay (District 2)

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature has started the process to redraw legislative districts under Article V, Section 4 of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution. The Legislature, and the Nation, have gone through this process (referred to as redistricting) several times in previous years under the Constitution. The last redistricting was completed in October 2018, when a Special Election was held and the voters of the Nation selected the current map of four districts that are in place now.

Redistricting is the way the Nation changes the districts that determine who represents tribal members in the Legislature. Every elected Representative of the Nation's Legislature is elected from districts. These districts divide areas and the people who live

there into geographical territories. Following Article V, Section 4 of the Nation's Constitution, the Legislature has developed a process to decide where and how the lines will be drawn. Ultimately, the Legislature will develop a final proposal for new legislative district lines, which will then go to the voters of the Nation decide through a Special Election.

Constitutionally, the Legislature is given the responsibility of redistricting at least once every ten years. Article V, Section 4 of the Nation's Constitution states that "[t]he Legislature shall have the power to redistrict or reapportion including changing, establishing, or discontinuing Districts. The Legislature shall maintain an accurate census for the purposes of redistricting or reapportionment. The Legislature shall redistrict and reapportion at least once every ten (10) years beginning in 1995, in

pursuit of one-person/one-vote representation. The Legislature shall exercise this power only by submitting a final proposal to the vote of the People by Special Election which shall be binding and which shall not be reversible by the General Council. Any redistricting or reapportionment shall be completed at least six (6) months prior to the next election, and notice shall be provided to the voters." At the August 22, 2023 meeting of the Legislature, a motion carried to refer the issue of redistricting to

the Legislative Workgroup on Redistricting for further consideration. The Legislature's internal Workgroup on Redistricting determined to move ahead with a goal to complete legislative redistricting at least six months prior to the Nation's next general election in June of 2025. To further this, the Legislature then approved a motion on September 26, 2023 to request mapping and eligible voter information from the Executive Branch.

The Legislature has started to share information with tribal members at District

meetings about redistricting and the process of drawing new, proposed scenarios for Legislative Districts. The Legislature encourages input from tribal members during this process and gives an opportunity for proposals to be submitted for consideration. There will be certain legal requirements that any proposed scenario must meet. The Legislature will make more information available to tribal members on the Ho-Chunk Nation website as the process moves ahead.

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Attention: The Next Deadline of the Hocak Worak will be November 17th which will be published on November 24th. Please contact Hocak Worak at ext. 11004 if you have a change of address or would like to be placed on the mailing list.

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Submissions deadlines for the Hocak Worak are by 4:30 PM. We cannot guarantee the publication of submissions meeting these deadlines if the space is not available. No part of this publication may be produced without express written consent from the Editor.

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Introducing Social, Emotional, Financial Literacy, and Career Exploration Course Work



The Ho-Chunk Nation has partnered with Financial Fitness Group and The SAFE Steps to provide an opportunity for Nation Youth to learn the financial skills and the human skills they'll need to survive and thrive today and in the future.

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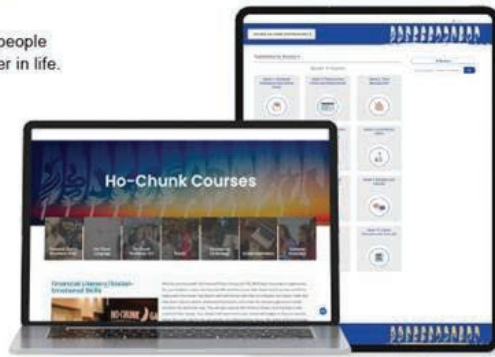
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It takes only 30 minutes each week. The course runs 6 weeks for K-6th Grades and 12 weeks for 7th-12th Grades. Course content comes with short lessons, talking points for family discussion, and projects that help youth apply the lessons learned.

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READY TO ENROLL IN THE PROGRAM? CONTACT US TODAY!

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GRADES K-6

An introduction to age-appropriate financial concepts. Examples include exercises in these important topics:

- How we earn money
- Needs vs wants
- Setting simple financial goals
- Charity and sharing
- Saving and spending money

GRADES 7-12

An introduction to several age-appropriate concepts from a broad selection of topics. Examples include exercises in these important topics:

- Setting financial goals
- Learning good money habits
- Clear communication
- Higher education and career
- Time management
- Home and auto
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- Preventing fraud and identity theft
- Teamwork

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Employee Appreciation and Economic Assistance for Adults and Minors Distribution

The Ho-Chunk Nation Executive Branch and Ho-Chunk Nation Legislative Branch have collaborated to identify funds for the Employee Appreciation and Economic Assistance Tribal members.

entities will only receive one of the distributions, that being the higher of the two.

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Ho-Chunk School Survey

Open to all Tribal Members!

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Survey is available through February 29, 2024.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION & ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR ADULTS & MINORS DISTRIBUTIONS

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislative Branch has approved two separate distributions to be paid on or before November 22, 2023.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION	
FT Employee \$500	PT, QT, LTE Employee \$200
<i>*Includes Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency (HHCDA), Ho-Chunk Transportation Authority (HTA), First Nations, and the Children's Learning Village Montessori Academy. Must be employed by November 15, 2023.</i>	
ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR ADULTS & MINOR CHILDREN	
Tribal Adult \$1000	Tribal Minor \$400
<i>*Members of the Ho-Chunk Nation as of November 15, 2023.</i>	

The Great Midwest Hemp Fest

October 1
Madison, WI

Our Founder, Rob took to the steps of the Wisconsin State Capitol to advocate on behalf of Indigenous Cannabis at the 54th annual Great Midwest Hemp Fest. Rob and Kristin White Eagle (Ho Chunk) provided a land acknowledgment and delivered remarks in support of normalizing this plant medicine, which is also a climate smart industrial agricultural commodity!

The Great Midwest Hemp Fest is the longest-running cannabis rights festival in the United States, held annually in

Madison, Wisconsin since 1971. It originally began as a smoke-in at the Wisconsin State Capitol to protest the cannabis-related arrests of legalization activists in the 1970's.

The Great Midwest Hemp Fest places a strong emphasis on education and advocacy, aiming to dispel misconceptions and promote evidence-based information about cannabis. This festival gives speakers, professionals and advocates a chance to network, learn, shop and join the community in opposition to cannabis prohibition in the State of Wisconsin."

District 4 Chicago Tribal Members

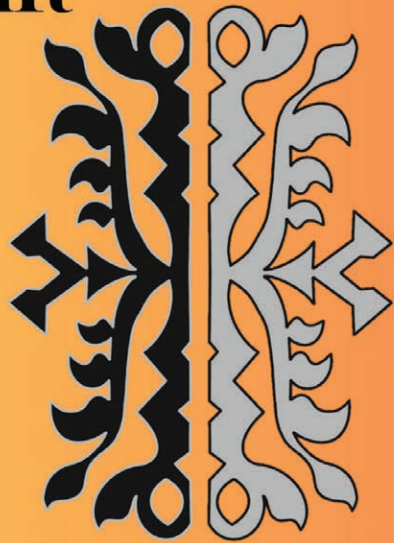
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- School Distribution Registration (Date & Time).
- And MUCH MORE!

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Location:
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For more information please contact: Ian Whitegull at ianjameswhitegull@gmail.com

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NOVEMBER 2023

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6 OPEN BRF	7 OPEN BRF	8 WIS. DELLS DISTRIBUTION 10:00 AM-1:30 PM	9 WIS. DELLS HOME DELIVERIES OPEN BRF	10 CLOSED VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY
13 OPEN BRF	14 OPEN BRF	15 TOMAH DISTRIBUTION 12N-1:00 PM	16 OPEN BRF	17 LACROSSE PICKUPS OPEN BRF
20 OPEN BRF	21 RECIPE DEMO WITH KATHY OPEN IN BRF	22 NEKOOSA DISTRIBUTION 12N-1:00 PM	23 CLOSED THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	24 CLOSED HO-CHUNK DAY
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7th Annual House of Wellness

Chili Cook-Off

Updated 11/03/23



Rules:

- 1) Entry of \$50 per contestant – limit 15 contestants. Must call Gary Lonetree at 1-888-560-4616 ext. 5514 or email gary.lonetree@ho-chunk.com to reserve your slot by 4 p.m. on **Wednesday December 13, 2023.**
- 2) Entries must be ready for judging at 10:30 a.m. and serving at 11 a.m. day of cook-off. Price for sales of chili is \$7 per bowl with crackers, onions and cheese for topping (provided by the HOW). Entry fees and sales will be combined and used for **CASH PRIZE** payouts!
- 3) **Red Chili only eligible.** Chicken, beef and vegetarian allowed (may contain beans). Enough is made for judging as well as sale after judging is completed.
- 5) Chili must have a name for judges to know which chili they are eating and for voting purposes. Contestant provides name placard/label.
- 6) Judging panel (TBA) will make determination of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Trophy winners.
- 8) House of Wellness, Ho-Chunk Nation and/or employees or officials are not responsible for illness, loss, damages, injury, or other negative circumstance.

When: FRIDAY December 15th, 2023

Where: House of Wellness Food Court

Judging: 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Sale Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Awards Announcement & Payout @: 1:45 p.m.]

PRIZES!

1st Place Trophy & Cash Prize

2nd Place Trophy & Cash Prize

3rd Place Trophy & Cash Prize

Cash prize determined by number of entrants and total of sales. 75% Pay-out. 25% goes to the HOW as fundraising.]

UW-Madison Unveils New Ho-Chunk Banners

Kaili Berg

The University of Madison held a celebration at Bascom Hill to unveil new Ho-Chunk Nation banners as part of the Our Shared Future initiative, the University’s commitment to respect the tribal sovereignty of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

“The importance of the celebration goes beyond the physical banners. The celebration is just one small part of a larger effort for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to coexist in the same space,” Ho-Chunk Nation President, Jon Greendeer said.

The three banners are called “Seed by Seed.” and incorporate images that create the effect of bead work, and showcase traditional colors and symbols of the Ho-Chunk Nation. The banners honor those whose ancestral land UW-Madison occupies.

The banners were created by UW-Madison doctoral student Molli Pauliot (Ho-Chunk Nation), School of

Human Ecology associate professor Marianne Fairbanks, and digital arts professor Stephen Hilyard.

“I cannot express enough appreciation for Molli and what she’s done. I have no idea what kind of work went into putting something like this together, but I will tell you that by looking at this and seeing our clans represented, seeing the art and that every symbolism in there is deliberate and means something, I am so happy” said Greendeer.

The banners will hang through the month of November, as part of Native November on the UW-Madison campus. The banners will come back in the spring time as part of regular rotation of themed banners on Bascom Hall.

Ho-Chunk Nation President Jon Greendeer, UW-Madison Chancellor Jennifer L. Mnookin, and Molli Pauliot all spoke at the event Tuesday, Nov. 7.



William “Speedy” Larsen

Maaṅape hucc kiriga (Bear Warrior who returned), William “Speedy” Larsen, passed away on October 31, 2023. Speedy was a proud Marine Corp. veteran, serving in Special Forces.

Speedy is survived by his life partner, Jean Androsky, as well as her children and grandchildren whom he adored, his sister Rhonda Funmaker, and her children; Sarina Falcon, Christian Holst, Sequoia Garvin, John Holst Jr., Molly Quaderer, and Sampson Funmaker.

Speedy is preceded in death by his father Lenard Larsen of LCO, and his mother Lilac Goodbear of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Along with his maternal grandparents Bill and Edna (Decorah) Goodbear.

Traditional burial services will be held at 10am Sunday, November 5 at the LCO Big Drum Hall: 8831N N Round Lake School Rd., Hayward, WI 54843



Selina Doris Joshua

August 11, 1938 - November 4, 2023



Selina Doris Joshua passed from this earth on November 4, 2023, in Black River Falls, Wisconsin, at the age of 85.

Selina was born to Westley and Ethelene (Free) Bradford on August 11, 1938, in Winnebago, Nebraska. Selina attended high school in Black River Falls and later studied college in Chicago. Selina worked for over 20 years at the Indian Health Service as a contract specialist, followed 15 years of service with the Ho-Chunk tribal court.

Selina later moved to Tyonek, Alaska with her husband for 20 years where she met the father of her children, Seraphim Stephen. Selina was a pillar of her

community, helping at fundraisers and assisting others in any way possible. In her free time Selina loved to play bingo and solve Sudoku puzzles.

She is survived by her children, Robert (Jenny Ann) Anthony and daughter Michaelene (Nial Masuda) Stephan; brothers William Youngthunder and Robert Mudd; sisters Patricia Youngthunder, Anna Reichenbach, Gloria Ward, Jean Mudd, and Sandy Lanier; grandchildren Billy Gene Stephan, Toni Bismark, Bradford (Janelle) Stephan, Sally Stephan, Robert (Christy) Jr., Wesley, Brian (Brittany) Masuda, Nial Masuda Jr., and Seraphim Stephan Jr.; ten great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Jennie and Mary Ellen Allowan, her sons Seraphim Jr., Wesley, and Benjamin Stephan and daughter Cindy Poss.

Funeral Services will be held at the Buswell Funeral Home, 106 S 2nd Street, in Black River Falls on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 12 p.m. Clayton Winneshiek will officiate with burial to follow at Decorah Cemetery. Friends may call on the family during the visitation from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. prior to the service.

Buswell Funeral in Black River Falls is serving the family (715) 284-2231.

Share your creations on social media using the hashtag #HCLang30DayChallenge

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ONLINE

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- PLAY A GAME IN THE LEARNING MATERIALS SECTION AT WWW.HOOÇAK.ORG
- SUBSCRIBE TO THE “HOOÇAK ACADEMY” YOUTUBE CHANNEL.
- CREATE A WORD MAP: [HTTPS://YOUTU.BE/ FLED4UFT_9U](https://youtu.be/fled4uft_9u)
- CREATE A MEME OR COMIC IN HOOÇAK SHARE ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA.
- WATCH ONE EPISODE OF WOORAK WEDNESDAY WITH WANJK. FIND THESE ON HOOÇAK ACADEMY YOUTUBE CHANNEL UNDER PLAYLISTS.
- GO TO WWW.QUIZLET.COM SEARCH “HOOÇAK” AND LEARN ONE SET.
- GO TO WWW.QUIZLET.COM AND REQUEST TO JOIN A CLASS

FAMILY TIME

- LABEL 25 THINGS IN YOUR HOUSE WITH STICKY NOTES IN HOOÇAK.
- READ OR LISTEN TO A CHILDREN’S BOOK IN HOOÇAK.
- MAKE A COLLAGE OF CLOTHING ITEMS, LABEL THEM IN HOOÇAK.
- PLAY AN “I SPY” GAME IN HOOÇAK WITH YOUR FAMILY OR PEERS.
- COLLECT 3 THINGS FROM NATURE LABEL THEM IN HOOÇAK, POST.
- TEACH SOMEONE 5 WORDS IN HOOÇAK. POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA.
- PLAY “DRAW WHAT YOU HEAR”. FOR INFO: [HTTPS://YOUTU.BE/ I0R9VLVGCIK](https://youtu.be/i0r9vlvgcik)
- COUNT FROM 1 – 10 IN HOOÇAK FORWARD AND BACKWARDS.
- PLAY Pictionary OR CHARADES USING HOOÇAK ONLY!
- MAKE A TIKTOK OR A VIDEO TO SHARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA. YOUR TOP 5 FAVORITE TASKS FROM THIS 30 DAY CHALLENGE.

Projects/Activities

- TEXT OR CHAT WITH A FRIEND IN HOOÇAK.
- CREATE WORD ART OF YOUR HOOÇAK NAME, FRAME & DISPLAY!
- POST AN INSPIRING MESSAGE IN HOOÇAK. SHARE IT ON SOCIAL MEDIA.
- CREATE A VIDEO IN HOOÇAK. I.E. YOUR INTRODUCTION OR COUNT OR COLORS.
- TAKE A PICTURE, LABEL AS MANY THINGS IN THE PICTURE AS YOU CAN.
- PICK ONE (WAKING) HOUR OF THE DAY AND TRY TO ONLY USE HOOÇAK.
- FIND A HOOÇAK SONG, LISTEN WHILE YOU READ THE LYRICS. IF YOU DON’T HAVE THE LYRICS WRITE THE WORDS YOU HEAR IN THE SONG.
- ATTEND A LUNCH & LEARN SESSION. REQUEST A FLYER IF NEEDED
- FIND A LANGUAGE LEARNING BUDDY TO LEARN THE LANGUAGE WITH.
- JOIN THE EMINENT SPEAKER ZOOM SESSION. WEDNESDAY’S, AT 11:00 A.M. LINK TO JOIN IS ON FACEBOOK

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Check off each Activity completed in the month, Email your completed Challenge Form & mailing address December 8th, 2023 to HooçakAcademy@ho-chunk.com by December 9th.

FTC and Wisconsin Take Action Against Rhinelander Auto Center for Illegally Discriminating Against American Indian Customers and Charging Unlawful Junk Fees

Current and former owners agree to settlements that will stop unlawful actions, return \$1.1 million for consumer refunds

The Federal Trade Commission and State of Wisconsin are taking action against Wisconsin auto dealer group Rhinelander Auto Center, its current and former owners, and general manager Daniel Towne for deceiving consumers by tacking hundreds or even thousands of dollars in illegal junk fees onto car prices and for discriminating against American Indian customers by charging them higher financing costs and fees.

The defendants have agreed to proposed court orders that will require Rhinelander's current owners and Towne to stop their unlawful practices and provide \$1.1 million to be used for refunds to consumers.

"Working closely with the State of Wisconsin, we are holding these dealerships accountable for discriminating against American Indian customers and sneaking junk fees onto consumers'

bills," said Samuel Levine, Director of the FTC's Bureau of Consumer Protection. "A vehicle is one of the most expensive purchases families make, and we are fully committed to ensuring that all consumers navigating the car-buying process can do so without facing unlawful discrimination or paying for products and services they do not want."

"Companies must not be permitted to engage in discriminatory practices or improperly charge customers for 'add-on' products or services," said Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul. "Thank you to those at Wisconsin DOJ, the FTC, and other agencies whose work led to the filing of this complaint."

In their complaint, the FTC and Wisconsin DOJ say that Rhinelander and Towne regularly charged many of their customers junk fees for "add-on" products or services

without their consent. The complaint cites one survey of Rhinelander customers that shows half of the dealer's customers said they were charged for add-ons without authorization or through deception. One consumer was told—deceptively—that Guaranteed Asset Protection (commonly referred to as "GAP," or "GAP insurance") was required for her car purchase, even though she didn't want to buy it; it cost her more than \$1,000 in fees and additional interest on her loan.

Rhinelander and Towne discriminated against American Indian customers in the cost of financing by adding more "markup" to their interest rates, according to the FTC's complaint. This additional markup cost American Indian customers \$401 more on average compared to non-Latino white customers. The complaint also notes that, since Rhinelander

changed ownership in 2019, the disparity has only increased.

In addition, the complaint alleges that American Indian customers were charged for unwanted add-ons at a higher rate than non-Latino white customers. These additional junk fees can significantly drive up the amount that customers finance when they purchase their vehicle, which in turn leads to higher cost over the life of the loan. In total, American Indians paid on average approximately \$1,362 more for add-ons in credit transactions than non-Latino White customers since 2016, and \$1,374 more since the new ownership took over, according to the complaint.

The proposed settlement with Rhinelander's current owners and Towne will require the company to stop deceiving consumers about whether add-ons are required for a purchase and obtain consumers' express

informed consent before charging them for add-ons. The settlement will also require the defendants to establish a comprehensive fair lending program that, among other components, will allow consumers to seek outside financing for a purchase and cap the additional interest markup Rhinelander can charge consumers. The current owners and Towne will also be required to pay \$1 million to be used to refund affected consumers.

The former owners, Rhinelander Auto Center, Inc. and Rhinelander Motor Company, have agreed to a separate settlement that would require the companies to permanently wind down the businesses and pay \$100,000 to be used to refund affected consumers.

The Commission vote to authorize FTC staff to file the complaint and to approve the proposed stipulated final

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HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION Special Request—Computer and Technology Grant

Academic Year 2023-24

\$1,200.00

- Computer/laptops
- Monitors
- Desks
- Computer Keyboards
- Laptop/backpacks
- And more



Attending College?

You may be considered for this grant

- Degree seeking students @ a non-profit title IV school (federal aid eligible)
- **Ho-Chunk Scholarship & Special Request Application** required
- Provide a print out/shopping cart of what you are interested in purchasing

All awards are processed through the financial aid office at the school

Questions Contact: higher.education@ho-chunk.com or 715-284-4915

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- * LOANS UP TO \$1,000
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- * INCOME NEEDED BEYOND HO-CHUNK TRIBAL MEMBER GWE
- * EMPLOYMENT FOR MINIMUM 6 MONTHS
- * NO INTEREST, FLAT \$100 FEE
- * LESS THAN \$10,000 IN COLLECTIONS
- * FOR HCN EMPLOYEES WE ASK FOR VOLUNTARY WAGE ASSIGNMENT

WE PULL A CREDIT REPORT TO EVALUATE COLLECTIONS, BUT YOUR CREDIT SCORE WILL NOT BE USED TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR THIS LOAN

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Native American village found during a construction project in Oshkosh

Kaili Berg

A road construction project in Oshkosh, Wisconsin has led to the discovery of an ancient Native American village dating back between 900 A.D. and 1600 A.D. City officials say it is the largest discovery of artifacts in the area.

During the removal of the existing road bed, the historic village was found preserved under the roadbed in Menominee Park. Team members from the Cultural Resource Management program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee are carefully digging beneath the roadway to preserve the archaeological history.

The city has been working with leaders of the Ho-Chunk and Menominee Nation, as well as the Wisconsin Historical Society and

Wisconsin DNR in order to document and preserve the artifacts.

“This project was slated to take place in an area that was known to have heavy occupancy from Ho-Chunk and Menominee through the historic period. Ho-Chunk more predominantly before the 1600s all the way back into our history,” said Bill Quackenbush, Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Officer.

Quackenbush said that where the road construction was going to take place, they found heavy components of village contents of prehistory throughout the area.

“If artifacts are culturally sensitive, we are going to request that they are either left in place, covered, and have the footprint of the road be moved or shut down all together. If they are not culturally sensitive we will ask

the city to gift them over to the tribal nations or have a reburial onsite,” said Quackenbush.

Teams are working on mapping out the village, while collecting some of the deposits as well. It will then be preserved once the road surfacing

project resumes. The hope is the resurgence project can continue in the spring of next year.

Menominee Park is still open during the archeological work, but visitors are required to respect the restricted areas of the park.




ALL NATIVE CRAFT SALE

Come shop our vendors for your Christmas needs

Food available from Mama Krissy's

Saturday Nov 25th and Saturday Dec 16th

9am-3pm

DICC
7261 Warrior Ave, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Contact: dekaydeboer@gmail.com for more information

HANDS-ON Apple CANNING CLASS

Thursday, November 16th
4-6 pm at House of Wellness
S2845 White Eagle Rd, Baraboo WI

Take home a jar of apples!

Get hands-on canning experience!

Class provided by UW-Extension
Sponsored by HCN Health & Wellness Division
Contact Nutritionist Kyle Ripp to RSVP for your jar of apples
kyla.ripp@ho-chunk.com OR 608-355-1240 ext. 35554

Updated 10/26/23 KR

Know The Hunting And Trapping Seasons Opening In November

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds hunters to prepare for the opening of several hunting and trapping seasons in November. Likewise, recreators should be aware that they may encounter more hunters on state properties.

There are four dates throughout November when seasons open, so hunters are encouraged to double-check these dates. Below is a list of hunting seasons that open next month:

- Nov. 4
 - Beaver (Zones A, B And C, trapping only)
 - Mink and Muskrat

(Southern Zone, trapping only)

- Otter (trapping only) Nov. 13
- Mink and Muskrat (Mississippi River Zone, trapping only) Nov. 18
- Deer Gun Nov. 27
- Deer Muzzleloader

Please note that the statewide turkey season ends Nov. 17, but zones 1-5 remain open after Nov. 18.

Check season end dates on the DNR's Season Dates webpage.

The DNR also reminds hunters of the online resources available on our Hunting webpage. In addition to

hunting regulations, season dates, hunting hours and other useful resources, a list of public lands open to hunting is available on the Public Access Lands webpage. This resource lets hunters plan their next adventure from the comfort of home.

As Wisconsin's most popular hunting seasons ramp up, it's important for all hunters to do their part to keep Wisconsin a safe place to hunt by following these firearm safety rules:

- T - Treat every firearm as if it is loaded.
- A - Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.
- B - Be certain of your target, what's before it and

what's beyond it.

- K - Keep your finger outside your trigger guard until you are safe to shoot.

Please note that at least 50% of all hunters' clothing above the waist must be blaze orange or pink any time a firearm deer season is taking place. This requirement includes archery and small game hunters. Waterfowl hunters are exempt from this rule.

Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1973, must have a hunter education certification to purchase a hunting license, unless hunting under the Mentored Hunting Law. Learn more about safe hunting in Wisconsin and register to take

a hunter education course on the DNR website. The DNR wishes all our hunters and trappers a safe and successful season.



There are four dates throughout November when seasons open, so hunters are encouraged to double-check these dates. | Photo Credit: Wisconsin DNR

HO-CHUNK NATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PHARMACY DIVISION

From: Eileen Romasanta, PharmD BCACP, Director of Pharmacy
Date: 11/3/2023
Re: Compounded medications at Ho-Chunk Nation Pharmacies

Effective immediately, Ho-Chunk Nation Pharmacies will no longer be able to compound medications due to changes in compounding standards and regulations. Compounded medications are medications that are made by the pharmacy by mixing or combining medication ingredients to be made by the pharmacy as they are not made by a pharmaceutical company. Our pharmacies will also be no longer able to flavor liquid medications. Compounded medications are not commonly prescribed or dispensed by our pharmacies. Some examples of compounded medications:

- Magic mouth wash (lidocaine/maalo/xylocaine)
- Bootie Paste (sic maka)
- GI cocktail (lidocaine/maalo)
- Nystatin/Zinc/Hydrocortisone cream
- Triamcinolone/Coal tar Ointment
- Naltrexone suspension
- Betamethasone/Mupirocin/Miconazole cream
- Betamethasone/Clotrimazole/Nystatin cream
- Salicylic acid/petrolatum
- all First Compounding kits

Our pharmacies will continue to be able to dispense all non-compounded medications, including liquid antibiotics that are mixed with water. If you need a compounded prescription, our pharmacy staff will assist with either transferring the prescription to an outside pharmacy or with your doctor to find a non-compounded substitute.

Respectfully,
Eileen Romasanta
Eileen Romasanta PharmD, BCACP
Director of Pharmacy

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
52845 White Eagle Rd
Baraboo, WI 53913
Ph. 888-552-7889 FAX 608-355-9643

Diabetes Management Conversation Maps
December 2023

Tomah Health Office - Dec 4th - 1 to 2:30 pm
La Crosse Three Rivers House - Dec 6th - 12 to 1:30 pm
Wittenberg Siga Center - Dec 6th - 1 to 2:30 pm
Madison Branch Office - Dec 6th - 1:30 to 3 pm
Black River Community Health - Dec 13th - 12 to 1:30 pm
HOW Alberta Day Room - Dec 13th - 1 to 2:30 pm
Black River Community Health - Dec 19th - 3 to 4:30 pm

Only 6 per class! Sign up now!

A one time, 90 minute session providing information on lifestyle changes such as healthy eating, medication management and physical activity in a supportive group setting.

To sign up please contact one of the Program Recruiters below.

Rachel Montana Program Recruiter
715-284-9851 Ext 35039
rachelmontana@ho-chunk.com

Lyndsey Killian Program Recruiter
715-284-9851 Ext 35068
lyndsey.killian@ho-chunk.com

Partners in Parenting
Black River Falls area

Specific to parents and grandparents of infant to school-aged children

When: Wednesday November 15
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Where: District 1 Community Center
Multipurpose Room

GUEST SPEAKER:
BEV BANECK, CHR

Car Seat Safety

EVENT INCLUDES FREE LUNCH AND RAFFLE

MUST ATTEND PRESENTATION TO RECEIVE RAFFLE AND INCENTIVES

TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR LUNCH RESERVATION: CONTACT

KATHY BRAATEN REGISTERED DIETITIAN
PHONE: (715)-284-9851 EXT 35335
KATHY.BRAATEN@HO-CHUNK.COM

BEV BANECK COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE
PHONE: (715) 284-9851 EXT 35032
CELL: (715) 896-0178

HO-CHUNK HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HO-CHUNK HEALTH CARE CENTER
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI

Updated 10/23 KB

Covid & Flu Vaccination Clinic

For: Ho-Chunk Tribal Members/Descendants, and Ho-Chunk Employees covered by Auxiant

Thursday, November 16th, 2023
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Three Rivers House
724 Main Street
La Crosse, WI 54601
Call Adam at 608-783-6025

HHCDA ADMINISTERING

HO-Chunk Nation Energy Assistance Grant

Monday, October 16, 2023, HHCDA will begin accepting HCN Energy Assistance Grant applications. The grant provides a one-time payment of \$650 for energy assistance, limited to one per household/dwelling.

Eligible Applicants: Enrolled Ho-Chunk tribal members, ages 18+. Must provide a copy of your tribal ID or CDIB.

STEP 1 APPLY EFFECTIVE 10.16.2023.
Applications are available at www.HHCDA.com. [Click here for the application](#), or use the QR Code.

STEP 2 SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION
Completed applications and backup documents can be submitted:

- Online through the application
- Email 2023heatingassistance@ho-chunk.com
- Fax (608)374.1251
- Mailed to: HHCDA, P.O. Box 730, Tomah, WI 54660
- Hand-delivered to: HHCDA, 1116 East Monowau Street, Tomah, WI 54660

Questions? Call the Energy Assistance Grant Specialist
(608)374.1245 x 18825 or 18821

Eligible sources for heating include LP (propane) gas, fuel oil, electric, or natural gas.
* Wood or wood pellets are allowed if it is the primary heat source. Submit invoice and W9 for payment to the vendor.

HHCDA

THIS ONE TIME GRANT OF \$650 CAN BE DIVIDED BETWEEN UTILITY AND HEATING COSTS IF REQUESTED
**ONLY THE APPLICANT AND CO-APPLICANT MAY INQUIRE ABOUT AN APPLICATION STATUS.

Ho-Chunk Nation • Community Health Department

NOV. FOOT CLINIC

Clip/file nails, dremel as necessary
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Madison Branch Office • 11/7
4724 Tradewinds Pkwy, Madison
(608) 277-9964

Tomah Tribal Aging Unit • 11/9
358 Eos Road, Tomah
(608) 372-5202

La Crosse Three Rivers House • 11/16
724 Main Street, La Crosse
(608) 783-6025

Wittenberg Tribal Aging Unit • 11/28
W17956 Witt-Birn Townline Road, Wittenberg
(715) 253-2382

Nekoosa Health Office • 11/30
1021 County Road G, Nekoosa
(715) 886-5444

Please call local contact to schedule an appointment or for more information.

11/7/23 MH

The following individual applicants have met the requirements of the HO-CHUNK NATION CODE (HCC) TITLE 2 – GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7 – TRIBAL ENROLLMENT AND MEMBERSHIP CODE, Enacted by Legislature: October 16, 2007 in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Tribal Enrollment and Membership Code. The Enrollment Officer will certify a Notice of Eligibility for Membership and will publish such Notice in the Nation’s newsletter and on the Nation’s website. Upon publication a sixty (60) Day notice period begins. The Notice of Eligibility for Membership must include the Applicant’s name, date of birth, Base Roll ancestry, Ho-Chunk Blood and parent. In cases of adopted Applicants, certain identifying information will be neither published nor released pursuant to Wisconsin and other States’ Laws. **This determination may be appealed to the Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary by any adult enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation Member within sixty (60) Days after the date on which the Office of Tribal Enrollment publishes the Notice of Eligibility for Membership.**

EOPUB 11102023

APPLICANT NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	BLOOD QUANTUM	ANCESTOR	FATHER	MOTHER
1. Triplett, Ky-Mani Anthony	11/06/2020	1/2	Paul Spear Smith Ha Na Kah 1901 – 00581	Non-Indian	Elissa Bridget Smith

I, **Eliza Decorah /s/**, Enrollment Officer for the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the above Enrollment Eligibility List is an accurate presentation of enrollment applications reviewed and processed by the Office of Tribal Enrollment. Signed and dated this 6th day of November, 2023.



HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT, For Official Use

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Jan Fredric Brown Amended

Notice of Hearing on Petition for Probate

Case No. PR 23-07

NOV 03 2023
Clerk of Court / Assistant

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

- A *Petition for Probate* was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth 07/04/1954 and date of death 06/02/2021 was domiciled in Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio with a mailing address of 14830 Terrace Road, Cleveland, OH 10
- The names or addresses of the following interested person are not known or reasonably ascertainable:
Lori Jeanne Gamble 24609 Delight Avenue, Tomahawk
Liane Jay Brown 24589, Delight Avenue, Tomahawk WI 54660
- The petition will be heard at Wa Ehi Hoci, W9598 Hwy 54 E, Black River Falls, WI, 54615, before Judge Huling, on (Date) 12/14/23 at (Time) 10 AM

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.

Mary Thunder
Clerk of Court
Name Printed or Typed
11/3/23
Date

ORIGINAL

HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT, For Official Use

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Lucinda Vivian Littlesoldier Amended

Notice to Creditors

DOD: 3/18/2023

Case No. PR 23-05

OCT 04 2023
Clerk of Court / Assistant

Notice to Newspaper and Personal Representative:

The personal representative is responsible for providing the deadline for filing a claim against the decedent’s estate to all known or reasonably ascertainable creditors.

This notice shall be published for three (3) consecutive issues; the first publication date must be within 15 days from the date underneath the Clerk of Court’s signature.

Here is the language that should be published in the newspaper:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF: Lucinda Vivian Littlesoldier
A *Petition for Probate* was filed in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court. You have 90 days from the date of the first publication of this notice to present your claims to the personal representative, Trevor Littlesoldier, or the Clerk of Court at P.O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The deadline for filing claims is January 12, 2024. Only those claims so presented may be paid from the estate.

Mary Thunder
Clerk of Court
Name Printed or Typed
10/04/2023
Date

Form completed by: (Name)
Atty Christian Fox

Address
107 Main Street
PO Box 789
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Telephone 715-284-1234 Bar Number (if any) 17F-20217C-55

PR14_04/18 Notice to Creditors §8 HCC 13, HO-CHUNK NATION PROBATE CODE

This form shall not be modified. It may be supplemented with additional material.

SUMMONS
(First Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and Wisconsin Kinship Care, Petitioners, v. Skyler Medicinehorn, Respondent.

Case No.: CS 23-03

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED: Skyler Medicinehorn

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

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

The court shall commence a proceeding no sooner than twenty-five (25) days from the date of service. The **Initial Child Support Hearing** shall be held at **2:00 p.m. CST** on the **7th day of December, 2023**. The Court also provides notice of the potential of being held in contempt of court:

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

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

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orders was 3-0. The complaint and proposed final orders were filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin.

In addition to its partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Justice in this case, the FTC also thanks Wisconsin’s Department of Transportation; Department of Financial Institutions; and Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, as well as the Better Business Bureau of Wisconsin, for their assistance with this matter.

NOTE: The Commission authorizes the filing of a complaint when it has “reason to believe” that the named defendants are violating or are about to violate the law and it appears to the Commission that a proceeding is in the public interest. Consent judgments

have the force of law when approved and signed by the District Court judge.

The FTC attorneys on this matter are Nathan Nash, Rachel Sifuentes and Rachel Granetz of the FTC’s Midwest Region.

The settlement with the State of Wisconsin is dependent on approval by Wisconsin’s Joint Committee on Finance per the requirements of 2017 Wisconsin Act 369.

The Federal Trade Commission works to promote competition and protect and educate consumers. Learn more about consumer topics at consumer.ftc.gov, or report fraud, scams, and bad business practices at ReportFraud.ftc.gov. Follow the FTC on social media, read consumer alerts and the business blog, and sign up to get the latest FTC news and alerts.

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE
OFFICES
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
OCTOBER 11, 2023**

Call to Order: President Jon Greendeer called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Jon Greendeer-P
Vice President Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Rodney Rave-P
Rep. Phyllis Smoke-P
Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr.-P
Rep. Stephanie Begay-VC
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-VC/P
Vacant
Rep. Shelby Visintin-EX
Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle-VC
Rep. Danielle DeLong-P
Rep. Robert Pilot-P
Rep. Paul Fox-P
Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah-VC

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

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

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. **MOTION IS AMENDED** to move New Business: A-D. Trust and Investment Committee Appointments to after Executive Session. Second concurs. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Legislative Meeting-October 3, 2023

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to approve the October 3, 2023 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commission Reports:

Gaming Commission Report

Toni Blackdeer, Gaming Commissioner was present via video conference and gave an update. A written report was received.

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud

to accept the Gaming Commission Report. Second by Rep. Rodney Rave. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Reports:

EDA Update

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to accept the EDA Update. Second by Rep. Paul Fox. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Branch Monthly Reports:

Department of Heritage Preservation

A written report was received.

Department of Justice

A written report was received.

Department of Natural Resources

A written report was received.

Department of Agriculture

A written report was received.

Department of Treasury

A written report was received.

Unfinished Business: No items under Unfinished Business.

New Business:

Resolution-Authorizing Affiliation Agreement with Arkansas State University

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 A**, Authorizing Affiliation Agreement with Arkansas State University. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of Black River Falls School District 4 Year Old Kindergarten (4K) 2023-2024 School Year Agreement

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 B**, Approval of Black River Falls School District 4 Year Old Kindergarten (4K) 2023-2024 School Year Agreement. Second by Rep. Robert Pilot. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D2 Wisconsin Dells Halloween Party Request

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to approve \$1000 for the D2 Wisconsin

Dells Halloween Party from District 2 Community Improvement Fund. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Cultural Resources Division Restricted Account-Vice President Karena Thundercloud

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to refer Resolution-Cultural Resources Division Restricted Account to Legislative Legal and Treasury. Second by Rep. Robert Pilot. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 C**, Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program. Second by Rep. Danielle DeLong. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Assistant III New Job Description

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to approve the Executive Assistant III New Job Description. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Recognition of Significant Sacrifices and Contributions of Our Hoocak Ancestors and Declaration of Intent to Continue Forward Progress Fostered in the Foundational Core Values of the Ho-Chunk Nation

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 D**, Recognition of Significant Sacrifices and Contributions of Our Hoocak Ancestors and Declaration of Intent to Continue Forward Progress Fostered in the Foundational Core Values of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Robert Pilot. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Restatement of the motion for the plaque in memory of Rev. Marlene Helgemo

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to restate the motion from August 30, 2023 Finance Commission Meeting to increase the amount to \$500 for the plaque using the D4 Community Improvement Fund. Second by Rep. Robert Pilot. 11-0-0 **MOTION**

CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorization to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency for the 2023/2024 Heating Assistance Program

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 E**, Authorization to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency for the 2023/2024 Heating Assistance Program. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Establishment and Funding of Economic Development Restricted Account

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-11-23 F**, Establishment and Funding of Economic Development Restricted Account. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to move to Executive Session for Business Matters, Criminal Matters, Inter-governmental Relations, Land, Law Enforcement, Legal Advice, Personnel Matters, Public Safety or Well-Being. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting moved to Executive Session at 10:43 a.m.

Rep. Kristin White Eagle arrives to the meeting in person at 11:14 a.m.

The Executive Session recessed for lunch at 11:54 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Vice President Karena Thundercloud called the Executive Session to order at 12:33 p.m. Quorum was established at 12:33 p.m.

President Jon Greendeer arrived to the meeting at 12:37 p.m.

Rep. Shelby Visintin is online at 12:54 p.m.

Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah is excused for the remainder of the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to return to Open Session. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle.

11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting returned to Open Session at 2:40 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Release to Open Session:

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to release to Open Session adding Becky Albert-Breed to the list of candidates to the Trust and Investment Committee and to request Department of Justice to return with updated credit check and background check. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

New Business: (Continued)

Resolution-Appointment of Amanda DeCora to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

Resolution-Appointment of Felicia White to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

Resolution-Appointment of Paula Mike to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

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

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to **TABLE** Resolution-Appointment of Amanda DeCora to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee, Resolution-Appointment of Felicia White to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee, Resolution-Appointment of Paula Mike to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee, Resolution-Appointment of Cameron Savage to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adjourn the Legislative Meeting to October 24, 2023 at the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative Meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

**HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE
OFFICES
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI
OCTOBER 24, 2023**

Call to Order: President Jon Greendeer called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

President Jon Greendeer-P
Vice President Karena Thundercloud-P
Rep. Rodney Rave-P
Rep. Phyllis Smoke-P
Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr.-P
Rep. Stephanie Begay-P
Rep. Kristin White Eagle-P
Vacant
Rep. Shelby Visintin-VC
Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle-P
Rep. Danielle DeLong-P
Rep. Robert Pilot-P

Rep. Paul Fox-P
Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah-VC/P
10:12 a.m.

VC-Video Conference

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

Opening Prayer: Chief Clayton Winneshiek offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. **MOTION IS AMENDED** to move Unfinished Business: A-D. Trust and Investment Committee Appointments, and New Business: A-B. Trust and Investment Committee Appointments to after Executive Session. Second concurs. 12-0-0 **MOTION**

CARRIED.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Legislative Meeting-October 11, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to approve the October 11, 2023 Legislative Meeting with corrections. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-1(Rep. Shelby Visintin) *Continued on Page 12*

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MOTION CARRIED.

Rep. Shelby Visintin mentioned on October 11, 2023 she was attending a conference and was only present for half of the Legislative Meeting.

Executive Branch Monthly Reports:

Department of Business

A written report was received.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay if the Department of Business intends to make the buffet area a food court, that the kitchen be redone to be more suitable for a food court type venue. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Department of Education

No written report was received.

Department of Housing

A written report was received.

Department of Labor

A written report was received.

Rep. Brianna Tahdooahnippah arrived to the meeting in person at 10:12 a.m.

Unfinished Business:

Resolution-Establishment and Funding of a Capital Project, Tribal Heritage Preservation Program-Construction of Cultural Resources Office Building/Cultural Center

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 A**, Establishment and Funding of a Capital Project, Tribal Heritage Preservation Program-Construction of Cultural Resources Office Building/Cultural Center. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

New Business:

Resolution-Selection of Third Party Administrator of the Ho-Chunk Nation Health Insurance Plans

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 B**, Selection of Third Party Administrator of the Ho-Chunk Nation Health Insurance Plans. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization for the Department of Social Services to Apply for the 2024 Tribal Elderly Transportation Program

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 C**, Authorization for the Department of Social Services to Apply for the 2024 Tribal Elderly Transportation Program. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Cancellation of Lease #1888 on Lot #7 of Joe Wolf Subdivision #439 T 104

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 D**, Cancellation of Lease #1888 on Lot #7 of Joe Wolf Subdivision #439 T 104. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization of Residential Land Lease on Lot #7 of Joe Wolf Subdivision #439 T 104 for Nicole Thunder

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 E**, Authorization of Residential Land Lease on Lot #7 of Joe Wolf Subdivision #439 T 104 for Nicole Thunder. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Granting Consent as an Interest Holder for a BIA Residential Lease for Robert La Mere on the Charles Blackdeer Purchase Restricted Tract #439 2013

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 F**, Granting Consent as an Interest Holder for a BIA Residential Lease for Robert La Mere on the Charles Blackdeer Purchase Restricted Tract #439 2013. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization for 638 Contract Agreement for Forest Pest Management Project Between the Ho-Chunk Nation and the United States Department of Agriculture-United States Forest Service

MOTION by Rep. Rodney Rave to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 G**, Authorization for 638 Contract Agreement for Forest Pest Management Project Between the Ho-Chunk Nation and the United States Department of Agriculture-United States Forest Service. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorizing Acceptance of Wisconsin Department of Health Services Public Health Workforce Development Grant Award

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 H**, Authorizing Acceptance of Wisconsin Department of Health Services Public Health Workforce Development Grant Award. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Warehouse Distribution Supervisor NEW Job Description

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to approve the Warehouse Distribution Supervisor NEW Job Description. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-1 (Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr.)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization

for the Health Department to Apply for Environmental Protection Agency 2024-2026 Clean Air Act Section 103 Program Funding

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 I**, Authorization for the Health Department to Apply for Environmental Protection Agency 2024-2026 Clean Air Act Section 103 Program Funding. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization for 638 Contract Agreement BIA Tribal Priority Allocation FY23 Funding for Water Resources

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 J**, Authorization for 638 Contract Agreement BIA Tribal Priority Allocation FY23 Funding for Water Resources. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Jackson County

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 K**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Jackson County. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY20 Law Enforcement Agreement for Monroe County

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 L**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Monroe County. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Juneau County

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 M**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Juneau County. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Sauk County

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 N**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Sauk County. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Shawano County

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle

to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 O**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Shawano County. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Wood County

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 P**, Approval of the CY2024 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Wood County. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization for the Department of Labor to Apply for the Wisconsin Emergency Management Performance Grant

MOTION by Rep. Rodney Rave to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 Q**, Authorization for the Department of Labor to Apply for the Wisconsin Emergency Management Performance Grant. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization for Paid Administrative Leave for Hoocak Ruus'gap

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 R**, Authorization for Paid Administrative Leave for Hoocak Ruus'gap. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. **MOTION IS AMENDED** to include correction in the title **Resolution 10-24-23 R**, Authorization for Paid Administrative Leave for Hoocak Wag'ig'i Ruus'gap. Second concurs. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hoocak hoit'e in Legislation

Rep. Kristin White Eagle mentioned Hoocak hoit'e in Legislation is to update and create laws using our Ho-Chunk language.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to advance our self-determination through the Legislature's law making authority by furthering our interest in the use Ho-Chunk language to title our laws, use within the laws as applicable and whenever we are able to, and when Legislature moves forward updating, and creating new Ho-Chunk Nation laws. Second by Rep. Danielle DeLong. **MOTION IS AMENDED** to include the English word in parentheses. Second concurs. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Adoption of Amendments to the Charitable Request Act

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 S**, Adoption of Amendments to the Charitable Request Act. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization to Place the Tribal Lands Lending Act out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 T**, Authorization to Place the Tribal Lands Lending Act out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Authorization to Place the Water Utility Ordinance out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment

MOTION by Rep. Phyllis Smoke to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 U**, Authorization to Place the Water Utility Ordinance out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

District Meetings:

D1 Howasa – October 18, 2023

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to refer to the Office of the President, Legislative Legal and Department of Justice the **MOTION** by Nate Longtail for Legislature to consider creating a Law Enforcement Act to the Criminal Code with penalties for non-enforcement. Second by Rep. Phyllis. Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to refer to the Office of the President and the Department of Justice the **MOTION** by Penny La Mere Smart to have Ho-Chunk Police Department be present at the next Wausau District meeting to give a report. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D1 Niioxawani – October 11, 2023

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to refer to the ERA Workgroup the **MOTION** by Kelly Jo Funmaker to have legislature change the ERA, so full-time employees are allowed to receive over 40 hours per week and have a part time job within the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to refer to Legislative Legal and Broadband Workgroup the **MOTION** by Larry Littlegeorge to have Legislature look into leasing space/top of the water towers for cell phone carriers to be placed on out tribal lands. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Henrietta Funmaker to accept the Jackson County Law Enforcement Agreement.

D2 Hinukwas– October 16, 2023

MOTION Rep. Stephanie Begay to refer to the Finance
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Commission the MOTION by Tracy Littlejohn to have the tribal revenue allocations plan to be reviewed and to make changes as needed for the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to refer to Legislative Legal the MOTION by Marsha Smith calls for an external audit to review the HHCDA Down Payment Assistance and HHCDA General Maintenance on rental units. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Henry Greengrass to have Marsha Smith represent the La Crosse area with their concerns at the HHCDA Board of Commissioner's next meeting on October 26, 2023. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Adam Kruse that the report by the Office of General Council will not be accepted until it is read in by the staff from the Office of General Council.

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Adam Kruse to deny the request for the Heritage Center presentation.

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to refer to Legislature and Legislative Legal the MOTION by Henry Greengrass to confirm that the Ho Chunk Nation is still interested in obtaining Red Cloud Park at its current status from the City of La Crosse. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. MOTION IS AMENDED to include Heritage Preservation for cultural relevance. Second concurs. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to refer to District 2 Representatives the MOTION by Adam Kruse to look into purchasing a new property in the La Crosse area for development of a new branch office with one option being located at St. Andrew and Lang St, and any other location that may be suitable site in the City of La Crosse to be investigated. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D2 Ho'uni Xununik – October 17, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to refer to Department of Justice and the Office of the President the MOTION by Hilary Green to approve the Monroe County Law Enforcement agreement 2024 as presented while adding La Grange Hills to the Ho-Chunk locations to be patrolled by the Monroe County Sheriff Department. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION by Hilary Green to approve the funding request for the Native American Heritage Month event in the amount presented of \$2,350.00. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to refer to Finance Commission the MOTION by Hilary Green to request funding up to \$5,000 for Blue Wing Community Building new furniture and fixtures. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to refer to HHCDA the MOTION by Liane Brown to have HHCDA replace the interior ceiling tiles, paint the interior and update the kitchen at the Blue Wing Community Building. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D2 Hoxaikeja/Hoguceja/Nižhakisuc – October 19, 2023

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Claris Funmaker to approve the Sauk County Law Enforcement agreement as it was presented.

MOTION by Cindy Tack to approve the Juneau County Law Enforcement agreement as it was presented.

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President, Department of Housing, HHCDA and Legislature the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to have HHCDA and Department of Housing review, and implement their policies in regards to Drug Use that if tenants are found in violation of the drug policy that they're removed from the property for the safety of the community. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to request admin leave for the elders attending the elder conference.

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President, Department of Administration and Legislative Legal the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to keep the powwow grounds in its current location with improvements with a new Legion post located near the same property of the powwow grounds. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to support the Christmas party request

of an amount up to \$1,000 for a community party once the budget has been received. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of President and Department of Business the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to have marketing department be investigated looking at how much they make and how much they bring into the casino. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President and Department of Business the MOTION by Lisa Nichols to have Legislature inquire with the President's office about the job descriptions for non-gaming employees that have been submitted over a year ago with the Department of Business. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President and Department of Business the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to have Food and Beverage to re-open the buffet operated by Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President and Department of Business the MOTION Lisa Nichols to not allow any non Ho-Chunk vendors inside Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President and Department of Business the MOTION by Christine Funmaker-Romano to have EDOB attend the next area meeting on November 15, 2023. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to refer to the Office of the President and Department of Business the MOTION by Kirk Hopinka to return the Elder hotel rate of \$59 for Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Kristin White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D3 Pac cinak – October 16, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to the Election Board the MOTION by Fran Littlewolf to accept Alana Hansen as the alternate for the Election Board. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Lanette Walker to accept the 2024 Shawano

County Law Enforcement Agreement.

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to Heritage Preservation and the Office of the President the MOTION by Lanette Walker to get two Language Apprenticeship positions for the Wittenberg community. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D3 Tee hoikšek – October 17, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer Heritage Preservation and the Office of the President the MOTION by Clarissa Haapala to get a Language Apprentice in the Green Bay area. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D3 Tejop – October 18, 2023

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Saresa Ryckman to request Rep. Visintin's virtual, in person and absent attendance to area meetings and Legislative meeting since the beginning of her term to be presented at the next area meeting.

Rep. Shelby Visintin mentioned she is working with Legal, Legislative Clerks, and the District 3 Aide to compile the information requested by the next area meeting, if not then the next meeting.

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to Heritage Preservation and the Office of the President which includes the Milwaukee area the MOTION by Saresa Ryckman to request a language apprentice for the Madison. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D3 Cexhaci – October 19, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to Department of Social Services and the Office of the President the MOTION to have 2 estimates instead of 3 estimates for repairs. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to Department of Labor and the Office of the President the MOTION to have an Elder Worker for our community. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION to give Wallace Greendeer \$150 per class. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION to request funding for supplies and equipment for community classes. Second by Rep.

Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION for Regina Hindsley to get paid for her craft class. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

D4 Guušgonak – October 16, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Robert Pilot to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION by Tammy Whitewing to request \$1,500 for a Chicago Branch Office open house & resource fair on November 16, 2023 from the Community Improvement Funds on an emergency basis to receive the funding prior to the event date. Second by Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Pilot to refer to the Finance Commission the MOTION by Dolly Finn to request \$3,000 for a Chicago Branch Office Christmas Event from the Community Improvement Fund. Second by Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Pilot to refer to Enrollment, Office of the President, and Heritage Preservation the MOTION by Samantha Hawk to request Enrollment Department to include the cost of DNA testing in the application fee of \$300. Second by Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah. 11-0-1 (Rep. Rodney Rave) **MOTION CARRIED.**

D4 Maanico Horuzra – October 19, 2023

MOTION by Rep. Danielle DeLong to refer to Finance Commission the MOTION by Sandra Garzon to approve the Youth Services UNITY Funding request in the amount of \$92,924, the MOTION IS AMENDED to include all cost associated with the travel request. Second by Rep. Brianna Tahdoahnippah. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive Session:

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to move to Executive Session for Business Matters, Criminal Matters, Inter-governmental Relations, Land, Law Enforcement, Legal Advice, Personnel Matters, Public Safety or Well-Being. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting moved to Executive Session at 11:04 a.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:58 a.m. until 12:45 p.m.

President Greendeer called the Executive Session to order at 12:47 p.m. Quorum was established at 12:48 p.m. Rep. Danielle DeLong and Rep. Robert Pilot are in attendance online.

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is online at 2:41 p.m.

MOTION by Rep. Paul Fox to return to Open Session. Second by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting returned to Open Session at 3:25 p.m.

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

Release to Open Session:

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to request Legislative Legal, Legislative Legal Team and Department of Justice to consider including a conflict of interest clause in each NDA, SPA and contract in regards to protecting the Nation's information and prohibiting individual gain from that information. Second by Rep. Rodney Rave. **MOTION IS AMENDED** to include release to Open Session. Second concurs. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Release to Open Session (Continued):

MOTION by Rep. Kristin

White Eagle to request follow up letter regarding the zoning change for the Village West Housing Development and to signify that with their agreement from HHCDA to forward with the lease for that property and release to Open Session. Second by Rep. Stephanie Begay. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr. to designate Rep. Paul Fox as the Southland Center Liaison. Second by Rep. Rodney Rave. 10-0-2(Rep. Phyllis Smoke, Rep. Paul Fox) **MOTION CARRIED.** *Vice President released this motion from Executive Session pursuant to Section 49 c (2) of the Legislative Organization Act*.

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to authorize the Vice President to sign the Naloxone Interest Form and release this motion to Open Session. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Kristin White Eagle to request the Vice President to post the Legislative CFO and PRO positions and release this motion to open session. Second by Rep. Danielle DeLong. 7-5(Rep. Rodney Rave, Vice President

Karena Thundercloud, Rep. Stephanie Begay, Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle, Rep. Robert Funmaker, Jr.)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

New Business (Continued):

Resolution-Appointment of Amanda Decora to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to deny Resolution-Appointment of Amanda Decora to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Appointment of Felicia White to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to deny Resolution-Appointment of Felicia White to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-1(Rep. Kristin White Eagle) **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

MOTION by Vice President

Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 W**, Appointment of Cameron Savage to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Rep. Paul Fox. 11-0-1(Rep. Kristin White Eagle) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Appointment of Paula Mike to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Vice President Karena Thundercloud to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 X**, Appointment of Paula Mike to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Rep. Phyllis Smoke. 11-0-1(Rep. Kristin White Eagle) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Appointment of Becky Albert-Breed to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 Y**, Appointment of Becky Albert-Breed to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-1(Rep. Kristin White Eagle) **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution-Appointment of Julian Kehe to the Ho-

Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adopt **Resolution 10-24-23 Z**, Appointment of Julian Kehe to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee. Second by Vice President Karena Thundercloud. 11-0-1(Rep. Kristin White Eagle) **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay for the Legislative Budget Analyst to post the vacant seat on the Trust and Investment Committee with a deadline of November 17, 2023, and to be added to the November 21, 2023 Legislative Agenda. Second by Rep. Sarah Lemieux-White Eagle. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment:

MOTION by Rep. Stephanie Begay to adjourn the Legislative Meeting to October 31, 2023 at the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. Paul Fox. 12-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative Meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.



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Teejop & Beyond: Celebrating Native Nations



»»» Upcoming Events: «««

Language Revitalization

Nov 14, 6:30-7:30pm | Central Library

Decolonizing Gender and Sexuality

Nov 20, 7-8pm | Central Library

In Language Revitalization, T Clearwater will share how communities can help support the revitalization of stolen languages. In Decolonizing Gender and Sexuality, T will introduce ways to rethink gender and sexuality through an Indigenous cultural lens, share key terminology and explore the history between colonizers and Indigenous peoples.



*Beaded Keychain Workshop

Nov 18, 11am-1pm | Goodman South Madison Library

Learn the basics of making Indigenous beadwork, and create a beaded keychain! Indigenous beadwork is an expression of identity, creativity, and healing. Workshop attendees will learn how to make a wrap-stitch beaded keychain, and learn the importance of Indigenous beadwork history. All materials provided. [Register to attend online.](#)



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Teejop & Beyond at Madison Public Library welcomes a variety of Native artists, storytellers, and community leaders for a series of programs celebrating Indigenous people in and beyond Teejop (Four Lakes, or Madison). We invite you to attend programs!



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