



## Native Americans in the Military - World War II (1939-45)

by Val Niehaus

As most Americans know, the United States entered World War II after the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. The war had actually started in Europe in September of 1939, but it took this event to draw our country into the battle.

Following this attack on a naval base in Hawaii, there was a call to arms across the country. But, no other minority assembled as quickly to the defense of their country as did the Native Americans. When compared to all other groups, Native Americans were the largest contributors per capita to the armed forces with over 10 percent of the population and a third of the able bodied men between ages 18 and 50 serving during this war. Some tribes had as much as 70 percent participation in the war effort.

As listed on Pearl Harbor Day, there were 5,000 Natives in the military. By the end of this historic war, over 24,000 reservation Natives and another 20,000 off-reservation Natives had served. This was from a total population of about 350,000 as of 1940. In addition, another 40,000 left the reservations to work in the defense industry. It is speculated that by 1945, over 150,000 Native Americans had directly taken part in the war effort by their involvement in the industrial, agricultural, and military aspects. The response of the Native population in this country to the war effort was such that when the Pearl Harbor attack happened, it seemed that it awakened the



The Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington depicts the raising of the American flag at Iwo Jima. Native American Ira Hayes would be the soldier on the far left.

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ancestral “warrior” in many Native Americans. The definition of “warrior” is as follows: 1. a person engaged or experienced in warfare; soldier 2. A person who shows or has shown great vigor, courage, or aggressiveness, as in politics or athletics. (source: dictionary.com) This definition certainly seemed to apply!

It was noted that the Natives were willing to overlook years of disappointments and resentments to defend their own land as more than other ethnicities in the country, they understood the importance of doing so. Their “warrior” history evoked great respect in their military colleagues, and they were integrated into all branches of the service. The Marines in particular had great respect for the “warrior” abilities of the Natives though they distinguished themselves in all branches of the service.

Native Americans served on all fronts during this time and many distinguished medals and honors were awarded them including: Purple Hearts, Distinguished Flying Crosses, Bronze Stars, Silver Stars, Air Medals, Distinguished Service Crosses, and three Congressional Medals of Honor—the highest military award granted in the country. Even though

Congress granted Native Americans citizenship a bit over a decade before the war started, in 1924, there were more Natives who voluntarily enlisted for battle than were drafted. As has been repeatedly noted throughout the history of Natives in the military, this again shows that these men and women were ready to step up and battle for their land and country. One source commented that had the general populace volunteered with the same percentage rate as the Natives, the draft wouldn’t have been necessary.

In addition to the large number of men who took part in this war, there were many Native women who served in the armed forces as members of the WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service), WACS (Women Army Corps), and Army Nurse Corps. In addition, the women left at home took over many of the roles that the men previously handled becoming farmers, mechanics, lumberjacks, delivery personnel, and whatever other jobs needed to be handled on the home front.

One famous lady, Julia (Nashanany) Reeves, 1st Lieutenant, U.S. Army (42-45/51-52), was a member of the Potawatomi tribe in Crandon, Wis., and a member of the

Army Nurse Corps having joined in 1942. She was assigned to one of the first medical units shipped to the Pacific. She ended up transferring to the 231st Station Hospital in Norwich, England, where she was located during the invasion of Normandy. She remained there until the “Victory Over Japan Day”. She then returned to the United States though she subsequently served in a hospital during the Korean War.

Very little is known about these brave women who participated during this time of war but research continues to provide more and more information on their personal histories.

It is interesting to note that in addition to a strong commitment to their homeland, another strong incentive for Native American involvement in this war was tied to the past. In 1917, the Iroquois declared war on Germany; they never made peace with the country so they actually considered them to still be the enemy. Members of some tribes such as the Navajo were so ready to go to war, they stood in horrible conditions of weather just to sign their draft cards. Some took great offense if they were found not to be fit for duty for medical reasons.

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**Joe Medicine Crow in 2011**

photo by Glen Swanson, Smithsonian, The National Museum of the American Indian

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Native Americans had a great understanding of defending one's land and, as with the other wars discussed in this series, they stepped up to the plate in remarkable numbers to serve their country. Their superiors often commented on the fact that Natives excelled in basic training particularly in marksmanship, bayonet battling, and general endurance in that they were able to endure thirst and food deprivation better than the average recruit. They were superior soldiers. They are one minority that truly "gets" the fundamental concepts of fighting for land, life, property, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. No Native could better understand this than a man by the name of Joe Medicine Crow.

Crow is a member of the Crow Nation and is also a historian and author; he is the first member of his tribe to go to college and graduate and has also obtained a master's degree. He is the grandson of White Man Runs Him, a scout for George Armstrong Custer before the Battle of the Little Big Horn. His other Grandfather is a legendary Chief by the name of Medicine Crow.

Crow joined the Army and became a scout in the 103rd Infantry Division. According to his tribal tradition, to become Chief of the tribe one must follow through with these certain tasks: he had to touch a living enemy, take an enemy's weapon, steal an enemy's horse, and lead a victorious war party. Out of all those steps, Crow completed every one and this gave him the right to become War Chief as his grandfather was before him. Crow received many different honors such as the Bronze Star, Legion d'honneur;



**Lt. Julia (Nashanany) Reeves (center), 1942, receiving Ward 53rd Evac Hospital, New Caledonia, with a destroyed Japanese flag.**

photo submitted by son Lance Reeves

and he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama in 2009. Crow is still alive today at the age of 101.

Another well-recognized name of a Native American in WWII is a man by the name of Ira Hayes, a Pima Indian. Hayes entered the war at the age of 19 and was enlisted with the Marine Corp Reserves. After training, Hayes volunteered to become a paratrooper. He was given the codename "Chief Falling Cloud" and graduated on Nov. 30, 1942, from the Parachute Training School. After involvement in several campaigns, Hayes landed with his unit on a beach near Mount Suribachi. This location became well-known as the site where the infamous photograph of the raising of the American flag on Iwo Jima was taken—one of the most famous icons of WWII. Hayes became a national hero as a result of being one of the soldiers included in this photograph which was taken by photographer Joe Rosenthal. After this monumental photo was released to the public, Hayes was assigned to make public appearances with the association in charge of selling war bonds. This all became a very public affair which drew a great deal of attention, and Hayes was not at all comfortable with this being by nature a shy and conservative man. Not being one for public appearances and to dull the anxiety he felt from this role, Hayes turned to alcohol. Sadly, he spent the remainder of his life battling that demon with it being the cause of his eventual demise on Jan. 23, 1955. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. At his funeral, fellow flag raiser Rene Gagnon, said on Hayes' behalf, "Let's say he had a little dream

in his heart that someday the Indian would be like the white man—be able to walk all over the United States." It is significant that WWII marked a change in the Native American integration in this country. Many who left the reservation during the war to work in the "white" world found they were accepted into and became a part of the national society. Some stayed in that world while others did not like it and returned to the reservations. Regardless, things were never the same.

Another contribution of Native Americans to the WWII effort has only in recent years received a great deal of attention, and this was the role of the Navajo Code Talkers. These men are regarded as highly intelligent and incredibly brave. Their contribution to the war effort was huge. During WWI, the Choctaw served in a similar capacity, and in fear of such a thing in the future, the Germans actually infiltrated some of the tribes in the 1930s to try to learn the language. Not only did their attempts fail, it is felt that this may have actually encouraged the Natives to enlist in a battle against the Germans. The Navajos had a language that would go down in history as being "unbreakable" by the Japanese, in part because of its syntax and tonal variations. But also because it was an oral language with no written form.

The original code talkers were made up of 29 men from the Navajo Nation, though they numbered over 400 by the war's end. It was because of one of these men that my interest in Natives in the military was triggered. The result is this series of articles, "Native Americans in the Military." Chester Nez, the last of the original



**Chester Nez, the last member of the original Navajo Code Talkers.**

photo courtesy PTT

Navajo Code Talkers, passed away this past summer on June 14, 2014, of kidney failure. Nez was raised by his father because his mother passed away when he was only three-years-old. His father then heard of the free schools that took in Native children to teach and educate them. As we know now from history, these schools punished and disciplined these children for talking in their native tongue. Nez was sent to a school in Arizona that forbade him to use his own language for speaking. What a paradox that this very language—once highly forbidden—became a language that played a huge role in winning the war and saving the lives of thousands of American soldiers during this worldwide battle.

WWII marked a major break from the past for Native Americans. It was noted by one source to be an event that "caused the greatest disruption of Indian life since the beginning of the reservation era." It marked the first time many Native Americans had left their reservations. It affected their habits, their views, and marked a change in the economic well-being of individuals.

After the war, many remained in the cities, but a large number returned to the reservations as the life in the urban world did not appeal to them. Despite this, they had found they could actually live in both worlds, and the lives of Native Americans were forever changed after this war. As with other wars, despite previous years of oppression, the Native Americans distinguished themselves in WWII, both by their willingness to join the war effort and by their actions in all branches of the military. The rest is history.

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- Feb. 27: Rومان Cinema



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*God's Changing Seasons*  
*by Carole White*

Snow falls, swirling  
Flakes accumulating  
White...soft...cold  
Frozen.

~♦~

Spring comes...  
Banks disappear...  
Trickles...water running  
Somewhere.  
Birds gather...sing.

~♦~

Summer days  
Hot...humid...dry  
Lush rolling fields  
Green...blue skies  
Sunshine.

~♦~

Autumn  
Leaves changing  
rustling...  
Beds of beautiful colors  
Cool nights  
Feathered friends - leaving.

**CORRECTION:** There was a typo in the above poem as it appeared in the Feb. 1 issue. The word "Prickles" in line seven should have been "Trickles". PTT apologizes for the error.

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Accounting & Financial Analyst  
Hire date: 1/05/2015

Brian Shepard, HWC  
Maintenance/Housekeeping  
Hire date: 1/20/2015

Frederick Mathwig, HWC  
Physical Therapist  
Hire date: 1/06/2015

Carmen Ison Hoyt, Insurance  
Administrative Assistant I  
Hire date: 1/26/2015

### Department Transfers

Samantha Paulson, HWC  
Systems Support Trainer  
Hire date: 1/05/2015

Nicholas Doud, Rec Center  
Activities Assistant  
Hire date: 1/26/2015

## Family Nights are Important at Wabeno Elementary!

submitted by Caroline Coughlin Lampereur, Wabeno Elementary School

Over 125 students, parents, grandparents and friends attended the 4th annual January Family PJ Movie Night at Wabeno Elementary. Movie-goers spread out blankets and pillows on the gym floor and enjoyed the movie *The Emperor's New Groove*, along with popcorn and water, all for \$1.

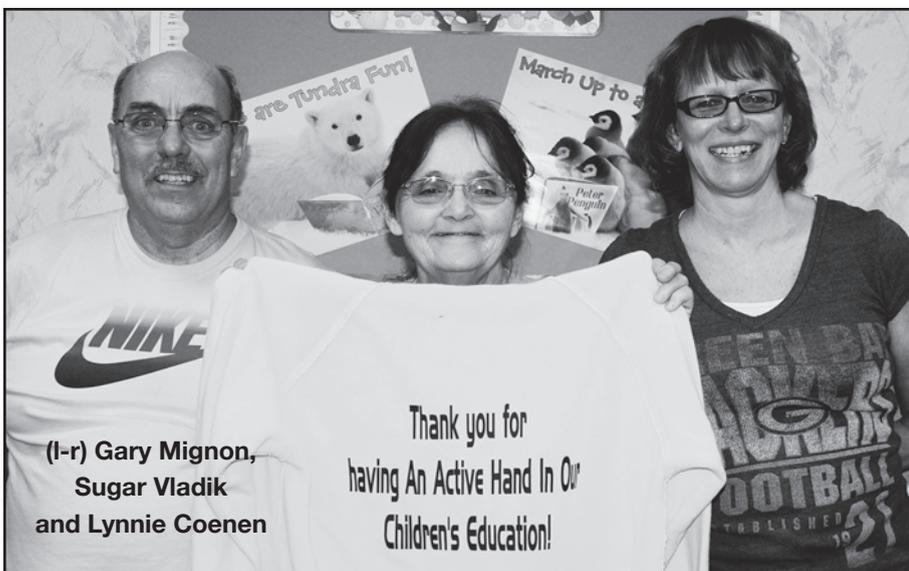
In addition, many students won raffles for fun-filled family activities. While Wabeno Home & School Association (WHSA) purchased most of the raffle items, a big thank you goes to those businesses who donated prizes: Wabeno Bowl (Rusty Harter) and Clara McKenna Aquatic Center (Jeff Neufeld). Other businesses that provided support for this family night were: Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel (Becky Roy, Brenda Spreeman, Wendy Braun, Darcy Bradley and Frank Shepard) and Antigo Wal-Mart (Austin Krueger and Lori Deissner).

The raffle winners were: Jayse D., Antigo Aquatic Center family swim pass; Summer M., Antigo Aquatic Center family swim pass; Ray Anne S., Knothole, Wabeno; Grace L., Knothole, Wabeno; Sadie E., Potawatomi

Carter Casino Hotel family swim pass; Destiny E., Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel family swim pass; Benny P., Best Western Crandon family swim pass; Sam L., Best Western Crandon Family swim pass; Cheyenne H., Wabeno Bowl gift certificate; Ellie L., Wabeno Bowl gift certificate; Hayden D., Ski Brule Gift Voucher; Pfeiffer B., Ski Brule Gift Voucher; Tyberius V., Rouman Cinema gift card; Abby F., Rouman Cinema gift card; Gatlin B., Best Western Crandon one night stay.

During the January Family Movie Night, WHSA honored Sugar Vladik with chocolate and a sweatshirt as a thank you to her for support of Home and School family nights. We will miss her, but we wish her all the best in retirement!

The Wabeno Elementary family nights are community and team efforts. We invite you to our next Home and School event which is the Family Open Gym and Game Night at the elementary school on Friday, Feb. 6, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you and your family there!



(l-r) Gary Mignon,  
Sugar Vladik  
and Linnie Coenen

## International Women's Day Event Planned

International Women's Day is March 8, 2015. I am in the process of organizing a special day for our tribal women and women in our community: A day of pampering, socializing, fun and much needed recognition of their achievements and accomplishments in life.

Please help with providing any information on all Forest County Potawatomi Native American Indian women and mothers of tribal children regarding background in education, college degrees, trainings and much more.

On this special day, we also want to recognize the women

who have served on Executive Council from the past to the present as well as the brave tribal women veterans who have served our country.

As Native American Indian people, we must take this time to honor all of our women - our center of life, strength and foundation. It's our time to say Migwetch for all you do for us.

Please help me gather information regarding our Forest County Potawatomi tribal women of history to present day, by calling Char White at (715) 478-2115. I don't want to leave anyone out on this special International Women's Day.

## ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION

From the Insurance Department



### TRIBAL MEMBERS

Now is the time to enroll your non-member spouses and dependents over the age of 19 into the Non-Tribal Dependents Health Plan. Don't miss this opportunity; **you have until March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.**

With the new plan updates you can now cover your dependents up to the age of 26.

**\*\* A note from the Forest County Potawatomi Insurance Department\*\***  
The Non-Tribal Dependent Health Plan has gained recognition as Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) from the Department of Health & Human Services. The recognition of MEC for the Non-Tribal Dependent Health Plan is retroactive to January 1, 2014 and there will be no tax implications for any of your family members that were covered under the plan during the full year of 2014.

Please call the Forest County Potawatomi Insurance Department at 715-478-7448 for details or an application.



# Pacifiers and Oral Health

submitted by FCP Health & Wellness Dental Department

Pacifiers can be great for children, especially during their first six months. In addition to its calming effect, pacifier use in infants can help decrease the risk of sudden infant death syndrome and aid in the development of jaw muscles. Although pacifier use is generally a healthy habit within the first two years of life, continued or improper use may ultimately have a negative impact on your child's oral and overall health.

### Potential pacifier problems

Pacifier use typically is acceptable after an infant is 1 month old and has had sufficient time to develop a healthy breast-feeding habit. However, experts recommend that children stop using pacifiers after age 2, when it becomes more of a habit than a developmental need. Research shows that continued pacifier use, especially after age 2, often is associated with:

- Increased risk of middle ear infection.

- Improper growth of the mouth.
- Misalignment of teeth.
- Dental crossbite and/or open bite.
- Development of a thumb-sucking habit.

Parents should aim to rid children of their pacifier habit before age 2 to avoid associated emotional and habitual attachments to the objects.

### Tips for correct pacifier use

For infants, correct use and care of pacifiers must be considered. Here are a few tips:

- Purchase orthodontically designed pacifiers.
- Clean pacifiers regularly.
- Check frequently for cracks, discoloration, or tears in pacifiers' rubber. Discard if damaged.
- Replace old pacifiers.



- Wash pacifiers prior to first use.
- Do not tie pacifiers around your infant's neck.
- Offer pacifiers after and between meals, before naps, or at bedtime.

Following these basic rules will help ensure your infant's pacifier use is both safe and healthy.

### Proper pacifier cleaning

The shape and materials of pacifiers make them susceptible to colonization by bacterial organisms, including Staphylococcus, which causes staph infections. To prevent the spread of bacteria and disease, clean your child's pacifiers at least once a day. They can be cleaned using mild soap and water.

When cleaning pacifiers, make sure to remove all excess water from the nipple, where it can collect and cause bacterial growth. Also, pacifiers that are dishwasher safe can be cleaned easily in the dishwasher; just follow the instructions on the pacifier package.

### Saying goodbye to the pacifier

For some infants, giving up the pacifier can be difficult, especially if they become emotionally attached to the habit. Parents looking to wean their children from the pacifier can begin by offering other alternatives, including:

- Rocking motions, singing, or music before naps or at bedtime.
- Activities and games.
- Toys.

### To further help break the pacifier habit, parents also can:

- Limit pacifier use gradually over time.
- Reduce pacifier satisfaction by piercing the pacifier's nipple.
- Dip the pacifier in a safe but undesirable flavor, such as white vinegar.
- Go "cold turkey" and refuse to offer the pacifier.

Your child's FIRST dental exam should be around the child's first birthday. Call your dental team at the Potawatomi Health and Wellness Dental Department at (715) 478-4313 to schedule your child's dental checkup.

# Fruit of the Month: Berries

submitted by Stephanie Mattson, B.S., C.D., L.P.N./Nutritionist – Community Health Department/Employee Health

Berries come in a variety of shapes, colors and flavors. Despite their many differences, they do have one thing in common – they are great for your health!

Berries contain fiber which not only promotes heart health, but also

helps you feel fuller, longer.

Berries contain a wide array of antioxidants and phytochemicals which protect your body against inflammation and free radicals, molecules that damage cells and organs. Antioxidants and phytochemicals are found in fruits

and vegetables and are believed to prevent certain types of cancers, diseases and promote overall health.

Some studies also suggest that eating dark berries, like cherries, blueberries and blackberries can improve

memory and promote brain health.

Since this month is Berry and National Pancake Month, try making this tasty and nutritious recipe in your home.

## Whole Wheat Blueberry Pancake Recipe

### Ingredients:

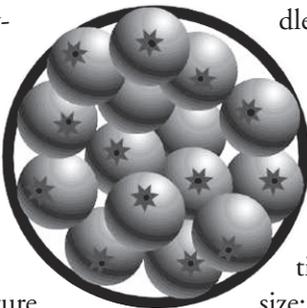
- 2 cups whole wheat pastry flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon fine sea salt
- 1 cup unsweetened plain almond milk, soy milk or rice milk
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1 ¼ cup fresh or frozen blueberries

### Directions:

In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. In a separate medium bowl, whisk together almond milk, ¼ to ½ cup water (or additional almond milk), honey and vanilla until blended. Pour milk mixture into flour mixture and stir until evenly combined. Set batter aside to rest for 10 minutes (the batter will be very thick).

Heat a cast-iron griddle or non-stick skillet over medium heat until

hot. Stir blueberries into batter. Ladle about ¼ cup batter onto the griddle and cook about two minutes or until bottoms are golden. Flip and cook one to two minutes longer, until pancakes are cooked through.



Nutritional Information Per Serving: Serving size: about 3 pancakes, 290 calories (15 from fat), 2g total fat, 0g saturated fat, 0mg cholesterol, 350mg sodium, 62g carbohydrate (10g dietary fiber, 13g sugar), 7g protein

[www.wholefoodsmarket.com/recipe/whole-wheat-blueberry-pancakes](http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/recipe/whole-wheat-blueberry-pancakes)

## Honoring Health, Healing, and Tradition

### February is National Children's Dental Health Month

The theme this year is "Defeat Monster Mouth". Have you ever noticed "dragon breath" on your child? The good news is there are ways to help you and your child "Defeat Monster Mouth":

- Brush two times a day for two minutes each time.
- Floss once a day.
- Visit your dental hygienist and dentist at least twice a year.
- Eat healthy foods and snacks.
- Use fluoride supplements.

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# LOCAL YOUTH BASKETBALL 2014-15

## Undefeated Lady Rebels Take on the Lady Cardinals

by Val Niehaus

Friday, Jan. 23, 2015, was a “pack the gym” night at Crandon High School as a crowd gathered to watch the Laona/Wabeno Rebels girls’ basketball team take on the Crandon Cardinals girls’ team. With the gym slowly but surely filling up after the JV game, two groups of high school girls representing the three communities came out onto the floor for their 20 minutes of warm up before the game. As the crowd was seated and friends and families were greeted, nearby a drum group by the name of Sweet Grass was preparing for what may have been a first-time- in-history event at Crandon High School: the

drumming of the Flag Song before the varsity game commenced. All stood at attention while this group of men sang their hearts out for the entire crowd to hear. With such great acoustics in the gymnasium, some couldn’t help but move to the beat of the drum. After this song was finished, very generous applause arose from fans throughout the gym and a similar response followed the presentation of the National Anthem. It was a powerful beginning to a game!

Following this moving opening, the Lady Rebels were ready to take on the Lady Cardinals. The game was competitive and the scoring was close throughout. During the first half of

the game, the score was either tied or one team was a few points ahead or behind, with the lead changing frequently. Everyone in attendance was intent on watching every move and emotions were high. Halftime then came - and as we all know from watching sports, that break time can either be good or bad for a team and its momentum. In this case, things remained pretty equal in the third quarter. But once that fourth quarter rolled around, the Lady Rebels stepped up its game. They brought whatever energy they had left into play and ended up beating the Lady Cardinals 42-33.

Both teams have some extremely

talented athletes, and they really did give their all in this well-matched competition. The result was that the spectators were treated to an excellent game!

*PTT* had a great time watching these young girls battle for the win and had an even better time having multiple opportunities to snap a few shots of them in action.

The Lady Rebels face another undefeated (at time of print) opponent when they take on Menominee in Wabeno on Feb. 10. Good luck ladies!

It should be noted that Brittany LaMere is an assistant coach for the Lady Cardinals and Waleli Frank is a manager for the Lady Rebels.



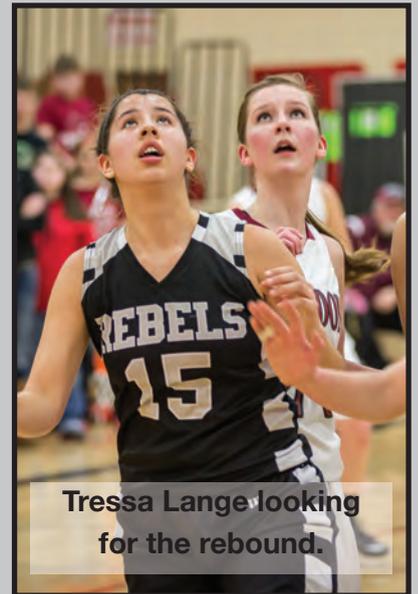
Presley Keeble bringing the ball up the court.



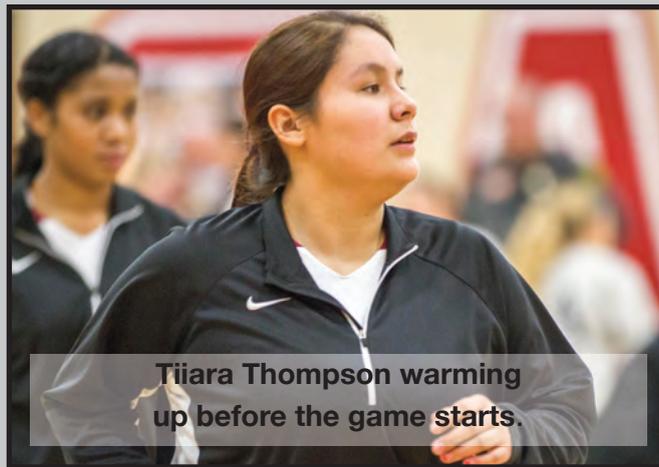
Helena Melchert (23) waiting for the play to start.



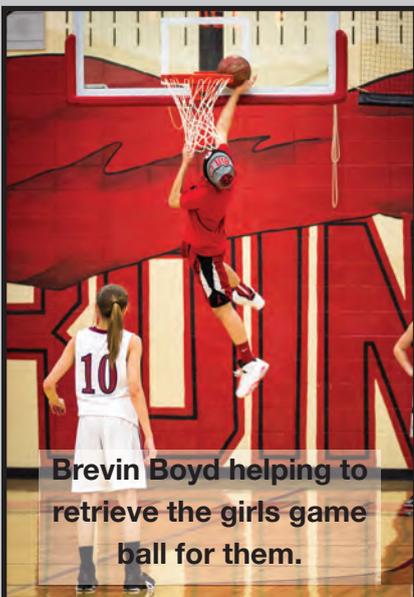
Holly Spaude looking to make a pass to her teammate.



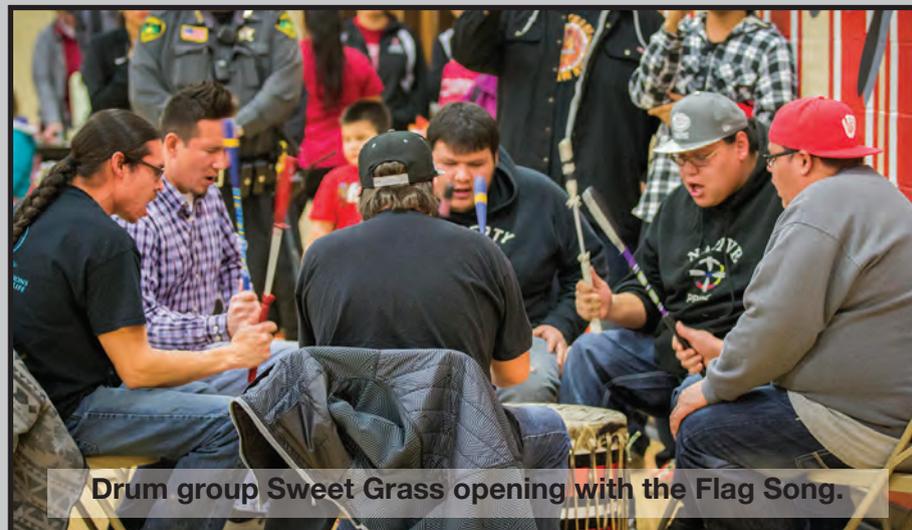
Tressa Lange looking for the rebound.



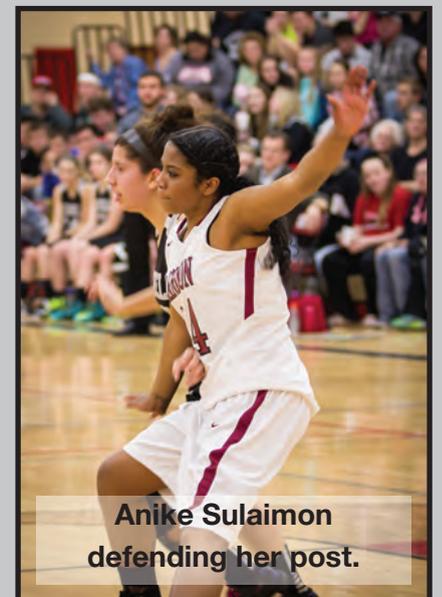
Tiiara Thompson warming up before the game starts.



Brevin Boyd helping to retrieve the girls game ball for them.



Drum group Sweet Grass opening with the Flag Song.



Anike Sulaimon defending her post.

# LOCAL YOUTH BASKETBALL 2014-15

## Rebels Play Against the Crandon Cardinals

by Val Niehaus

Jan. 30, 2015, was the game date of a much anticipated rivalry between the Laona/Wabeno Rebels boys' basketball team and the Crandon Cardinal boys' basketball team. This was a significant game for both teams considering that the Rebels had been undefeated in their conference this season - they clearly wanted to continue their winning streak.

For the Cardinals, a win against an unbeaten conference team would

be a real morale booster. Let's just say that the entire group of spectators was extremely involved in the game between these two athletic teams.

The game started out much like the girls' game had a week before. Donald Keeble, a work participant under the FCP Education Program, had the idea to open the games with a drum ceremony while singing the Flag Song. He had gone to both schools to talk with the superintendents and other personnel in charge.

With the "ok" from everyone, Keeble, along with the help of Brooks Boyd, FCP Native American Cultural Liaison, was able to arrange to bring a drum group into each game. The group's name again is Sweet Grass. With the participation of other schools along with the members of the group, they are hoping to make this an ongoing experience and cultural interaction within the communities.

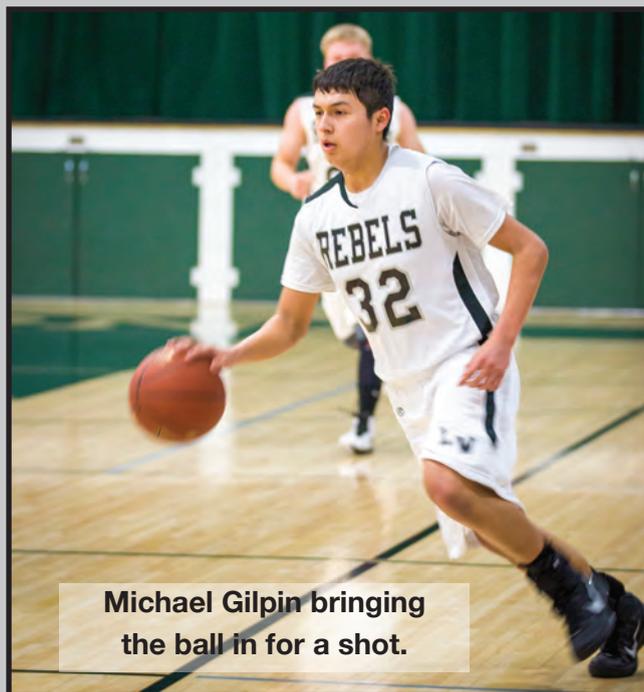
Back to the game! It was an excit-

ing one with both teams showing that they had plenty of talent. Both sides of the court showed that they were pretty evenly matched. The score was close and often tied throughout most of the game. At the end of the fourth quarter, the Rebels pulled ahead and were able to continue their standing as an undefeated conference team with a final score of 61-55.

Keep up the great work, fellas!



Israel Alloway defending his ground.



Michael Gilpin bringing the ball in for a shot.



Brevin Boyd taking a jump shot for the two points.



Kyle Harris shooting a three-point shot.



Sweet Grass drum group singing the Flag Song.



If you don't recognize these two ladies, they are also pictured on the other page, top row, second photo from the left.



Kordell VanZile meeting his team at the other end of the court.

# Forestry Department has a Productive Fiscal Year: Forest Inventory

submitted by Al Murray, FCP Tribal Forest Manager

The Tribal Forestry and Land Services Department consists of the Tribal Forest Manager, Al Murray; Tribal Forester, Kevin Makuck; Community Forest Coordinator/Service and Contract Supervisor, Scott Cleerman; and the Wildfire and Fuels Manager/Forestry Technician, Jim Gumm. The department is located in the FCP Natural Resources Building at 5320 Wensaut Lane, Crandon, Wis.

The forestry department is focused on seven separate priorities. These program priorities include timber management, forest development, forest inventory, forest protection and monitoring, the Tribal Assistance Program, the Northeast Wisconsin Forest Improvement Collaborative, and the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee. This article focuses on the Forest Inventory portion of the Forestry Department.

## Forest Inventory

Tribal forest lands are split into compartments which identify specific areas of tribal ownership and stands which are forest areas within a compartment which have different forest characteristics such as tree species composition, tree size based upon tree market product classes and tree density based upon basal area or regeneration stems per acre.

Tribal forestry has three separate inventory programs to monitor the forest across the tribal ownership. These inventory programs include stand examination, photo point inventory, and the continuous forest inventory. Each inventory has a separate use.

## Forest Inventory - Stand Exam

Stand exam is utilized for the tracking of specific stand conditions such as tree size classes, tree density and conditions of specific areas. Stand exam is completed on a 10-year rotation with a goal of revisiting each forest stand each 10 years, placement of sample plots on a one per stand or one plot per each 10 acres of the stand and measurement of stand specific data on a medium quality scale. Although a 10-year rotation is the goal, FCPC is only in its second phase of gathering information since the 1980s. In FY 2014, the forestry department completed review of stand exam inventory data on 307 individual stands encompassing 7,680 acres. In addition to re-

view, forestry completed GIS mapping and remapping of 117 individual stands encompassing 2,358 acres.

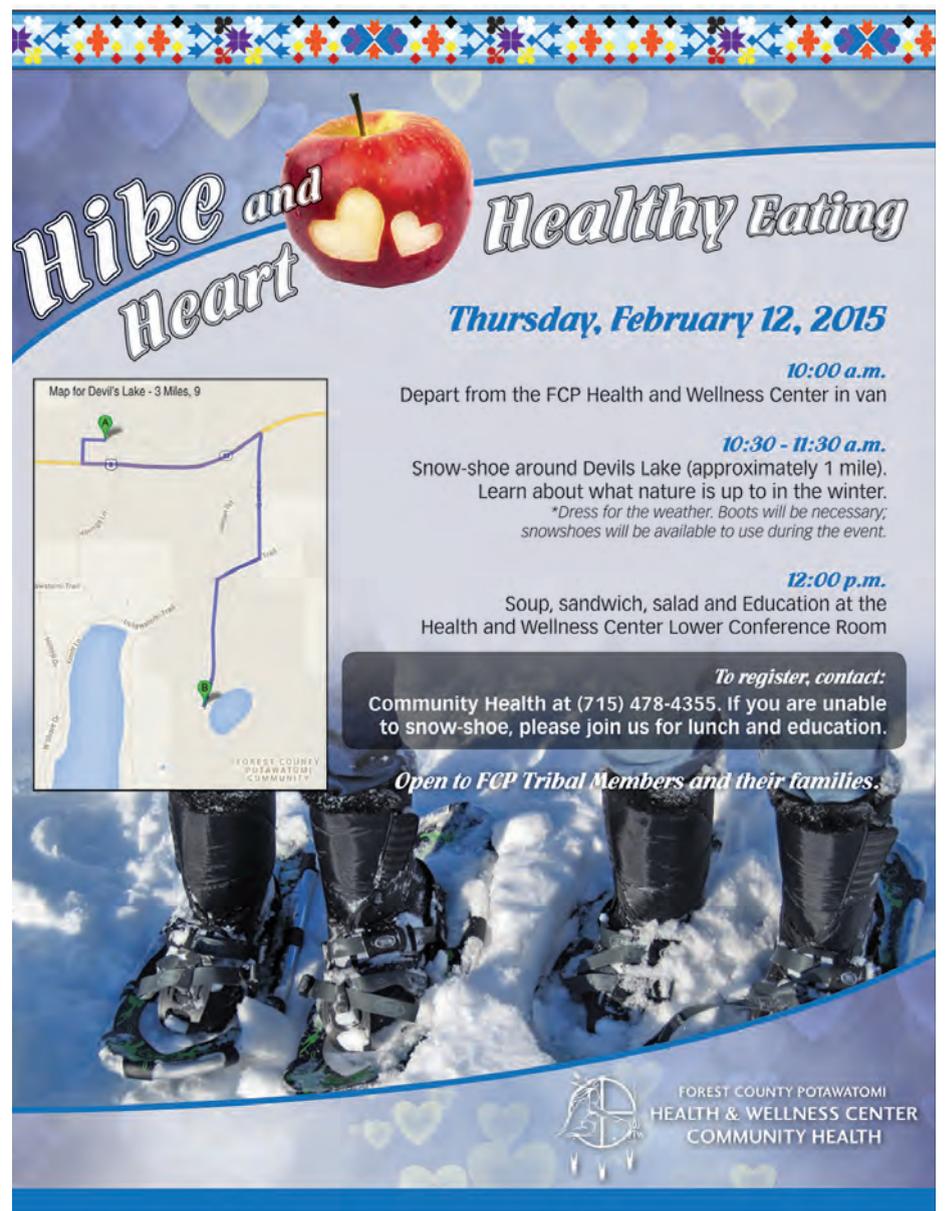
## Forest Inventory - Photo Point

Photo point inventory was established by the forestry department in 2010. This inventory establishes photos at locations of 10 percent of all stand exam plots or at least one photo within each forest stand. These photo points will allow for visual monitoring of forest stand conditions and also provide for photo evidence of forest changes across time. The photos will also provide for a way to visually describe proposed forest management to tribal members, tribal administration and Executive Council. In the future, forestry will provide an interactive map which will allow for designating a point on the map and direct connection to a photo to show what that area looks like on the ground. To date, 205 photo points have been established. In FY14, forestry completed photo points on 121 points with 484 photos placed in the file and 121 locational maps established on file.

## Forest Inventory - Continuous Forest Inventory

Continuous Forest Inventory (CFI) is a detailed inventory utilized to track forest growth as well as forest decline. This inventory consist of accurate re-measurement of specific plots with numbered trees across the reservation. Many people may have seen trees marked with blue numbers and aluminum tags in areas across the reservation; these numbers mark the CFI trees that are measured. A series of 70 CFI plots were established in the 1950s and 1960s and those have been re-measured on 10-year intervals since then. CFI data is used to determine sustainable harvest levels based upon growth. Sustainable harvest levels allow for harvesting that is slightly less than the forest growth rates across all tribal lands. The last re-measurement of CFI data was completed in 2008. Forestry is awaiting BIA review of the data collected in 2008. No CFI data was collected in FY14.

If you have any questions pertaining to the Tribal Forestry and Land Services Program, please contact Al Murray, Forest Manager, at (715) 478-4973 or by e-mail at al.murray@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov.



**Hike and Heart Healthy Eating**

**Thursday, February 12, 2015**

**10:00 a.m.**  
Depart from the FCP Health and Wellness Center in van

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**  
Snow-shoe around Devils Lake (approximately 1 mile).  
Learn about what nature is up to in the winter.  
*\*Dress for the weather. Boots will be necessary; snowshoes will be available to use during the event.*

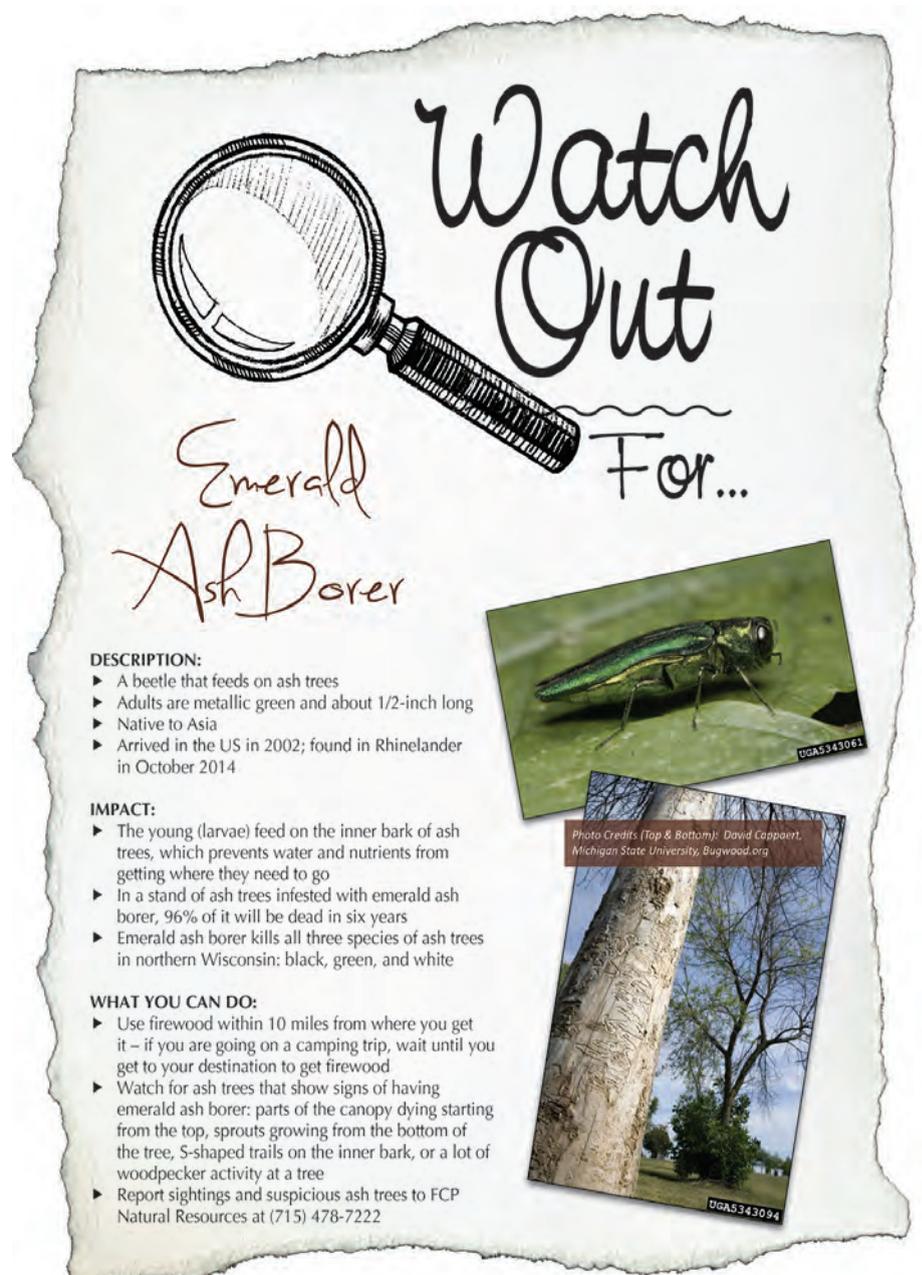
**12:00 p.m.**  
Soup, sandwich, salad and Education at the Health and Wellness Center Lower Conference Room

**To register, contact:**  
Community Health at (715) 478-4355. If you are unable to snow-shoe, please join us for lunch and education.

**Open to FCP Tribal Members and their families.**

Map for Devil's Lake - 3 Miles, 9

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY HEALTH



**Watch Out For...**

**Emerald Ash Borer**

**DESCRIPTION:**

- ▶ A beetle that feeds on ash trees
- ▶ Adults are metallic green and about 1/2-inch long
- ▶ Native to Asia
- ▶ Arrived in the US in 2002; found in Rhinelander in October 2014

**IMPACT:**

- ▶ The young (larvae) feed on the inner bark of ash trees, which prevents water and nutrients from getting where they need to go
- ▶ In a stand of ash trees infested with emerald ash borer, 96% of it will be dead in six years
- ▶ Emerald ash borer kills all three species of ash trees in northern Wisconsin: black, green, and white

**WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

- ▶ Use firewood within 10 miles from where you get it – if you are going on a camping trip, wait until you get to your destination to get firewood
- ▶ Watch for ash trees that show signs of having emerald ash borer: parts of the canopy dying starting from the top, sprouts growing from the bottom of the tree, S-shaped trails on the inner bark, or a lot of woodpecker activity at a tree
- ▶ Report sightings and suspicious ash trees to FCP Natural Resources at (715) 478-7222

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# Governor Announces Non-Concurrence with BIA on Kenosha Casino

submitted by the Office of Governor Scott Walker

MADISON, Wis. (Jan. 23, 2015) – Governor Scott Walker informed the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) at the Department of Interior (DOI) of his non-concurrence with their determination on the proposed casino project.

“After a comprehensive review of the potential economic impact of the proposed Kenosha casino project, the risk to the state’s taxpayers is too great,” said Governor Walker. “Due to the compacts negotiated by Governor Doyle, the current cost to taxpayers of approving the proposed casino project is up to \$100 million and the long-term economic hit to the state budget would be a potential loss of hundreds of millions of dollars.”

“We have had tremendous success in helping grow quality, family-supporting jobs in Kenosha, including the recent Amazon, InSinkErator, and Meijer Distribution Inc. expansions,”

continued Governor Walker. “We remain committed to using state resources effectively to continue growing the economy and creating jobs in Kenosha and around the state.”

The federal Bureau of Indian Affairs took more than nine years to review the proposed casino project. For over a year, Department of Administration Secretary Mike Huebsch conducted a comprehensive economic analysis of the potential impact of the proposed casino project. In an ideal scenario, jobs could have been created by the casino, the reality of Governor Doyle’s compacts with the tribes open the State of Wisconsin up to significant litigation risk, which would put state taxpayers on the hook for up to hundreds of millions of dollars.

Secretary Huebsch outlined the potential litigation risk in a recent memo to Governor Walker, which can

be found at <http://walker.wi.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1.20.15%20DOA%20Memo.pdf>.

In a report to Governor Walker, Secretary Huebsch explained the outstanding issues facing the proposed casino, which could have a devastating impact on the state budget:

Although the Kenosha casino could result in these positive economic benefits, approval also comes with substantial and significant risks. Our analysis shows taxpayers could lose out on hundreds of millions of dollars of tribal revenue sharing payments as a result of the compact negotiated by Governor Jim Doyle. Due to the legal exposure created by the Doyle compacts, beyond just losing future revenue, approving the Kenosha casino could require taxpayers to pay FCPC [Forest County Potawatomi Community] hundreds of millions of dollars in

refunds of previous payments made to the State. If the Kenosha casino is approved, there are a number of other issues that should be considered:

- The impact of possible expanded gaming in northern Illinois;
- The Menominee’s use of more than 220 acres that would likely be put in trust;
- The cost of litigation;
- The consequences of a delayed casino opening;
- The immediate and long-term impact on our state budget and consequently Wisconsin taxpayers; and,
- The cost of indemnifying FCPC.

The entire report can be found at <http://walker.wi.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1.22.15%20Proposed%20Kenosha%20Casino%20Report.pdf>.



## Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Mourns the Passing of Tribal Leader Gary E. Mitchell

submitted by Suzanne Heck

MAYETTA, Kan. (Jan. 23, 2015) - One of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation’s (PBPB) greatest tribal leaders, Gary E. Mitchell, 63, passed away surrounded by his family in Topeka.

Mitchell was serving as the chairman of the PBPB Gaming Commission at the time of his death and had been chairing the Gaming Commission off and on since 1997. Prior to that, he had been elected to serve on the Tribal Council as chairman, vice chairman, and treasurer for a total of 18 years of elected service. Academically, he possessed a bachelor’s degree in political science from Washburn University and a master’s degree in history from Baker University.

Liana Onnen, PBPB Tribal Council chairperson, said: “He was a good man and a well-respected member of the community. He understood the importance of preserving the culture, traditions and history of the Prairie Band Potawatomi people in a deeply profound way. He also took an active

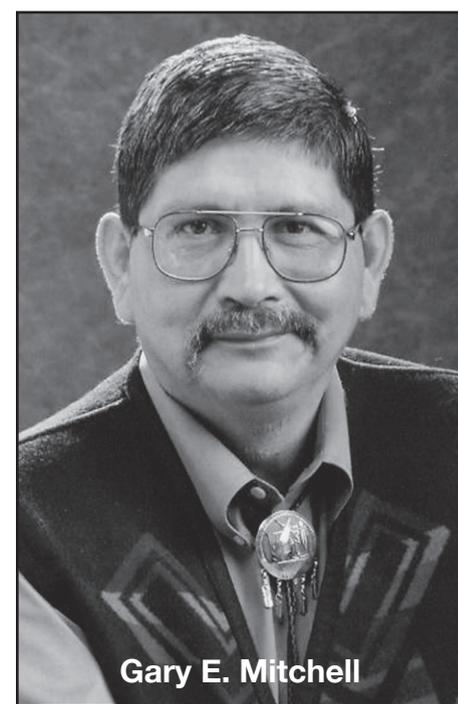
role in that preservation through not only his writings, but the way he lived his life. Gary served his people and his community through elected office for many years and his passing is a great loss for our people and for all the lives he touched. We offer prayers of support for his family during this time and will remember Gary fondly and with great respect.”

Rey Kitchkumme, who is on the Gaming Commission and had also worked with Mitchell on the Tribal Council, said: “On behalf of everyone who worked under his chairmanship, the Gaming Commission is deeply saddened by his loss. He honored our Nation through service with tremendous passion and integrity. He was a good friend, mentor, co-worker and boss. His intelligence, wit, guidance, and graciousness will be forever remembered. His love for the Tribe, traditional ways, and his family were evident in everything that he did. Our thoughts, prayers and deepest sympa-

thy are with the Mitchell family at this difficult time.”

During his tenure with the Nation, Mitchell was a driving force when the Tribal-State gaming compact was legislated in the 1990s and a casino was built on the Prairie Band reservation. Now known as the Prairie Band Casino & Resort (formerly Hara’s Prairie Band Casino), Mitchell was active in all phases of bringing gaming to the PBPB and overseeing the casino’s woodlands design.

In addition, Mitchell was a life-long reservation resident and dedicated to ensuring that his people’s traditions and language were maintained. He was a Potawatomi speaker and often gave invocations at powwows and other events. He was the tribe’s historian and wrote many historical narratives that appeared in books and magazines. Among his other accomplishments was being the founder of the *Potawatomi News*, the Nation’s newspaper that has been circulated to the tribal member-



Gary E. Mitchell

ship since 2000.

Funeral arrangements have been made with Mercer Funeral Home in Holton and can be found at [www.mercerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mercerfuneralhomes.com).



# NOTICES

## CULTURE

**Neshnabemwen** - The Potawatomi language has endured through the passage of time. At one time, it is said that we all spoke the same language. Later on, we started speaking different languages and forming tribes based on who was able to understand each other.

The Bodewadmi, Ojibwe and Odawa were all one tribe and spoke the same language. As the differences in the language grew, they each formed a separate entity. However, they maintained a close bond and formed the "Council of the Three Fires" to deal with any issues that might affect them. The Three Fires signified the alliance between the three, while their individual fires proclaimed their own identity.

Every Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., for FCPC and members, FCP Cultural Center, Library and Museum. Open to all Potawatomi students, Language & Culture Class every Thursday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Transportation for youth provided.

### Beading Group -

Open to all community members ages 13 and up from 5 - 8 p.m. in lower level of museum on Tuesdays. RSVP required.

## EVENTS

**Smoking Cessation Incentive Program** - Open to FCP tribal members and individuals eligible for Alternative Care Program. Services include: appointments with nurses and CHRs to determine a quit plan, kit filled with items that aid in the quitting process, educational materials and products, plus a reward upon completion of third smoking cessation appointment.

To learn more about the program or to schedule an appointment, contact Sara Cleereman, R.N., at (715) 478-4889.

### SPARKS Weight Management Program -

By appointment. S - Support; P - Program; A - Get Active, Stay Active; R - Reap the Rewards: feel better, be healthier; K - Know the basics of good nutrition; S - Stay focused on being healthy. Please call Lisa Miller, RD, CD, at (715) 478-4320.

### Diabetes Education -

By appointment. Including blood glucose monitoring, making healthy changes, psychosocial, complications, sick day and travel, planning for pregnancy, hypoglycemia, medications, diabetes in general, insulin and goal setting. Please call Anne Chrisman, RN, at (715) 478-4383, or Cathy Chitko at (715) 478-4367.

## HEALTH

### Women's Healing Circle -

Tuesdays, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Family Resource Center. Open to Native American women. Sponsored by FCP DV/SA Dept.

**Al-Anon Meetings** - Wednesdays, 5519 Kak Yot Lane, Crandon, 5:30 p.m. Why: Al-Anon is primarily for those who have known a feeling of desperation concerning the destructive behavior of someone very near to them, whether caused by drugs, alcohol, or related behavior problems. When you come into this room you are no longer alone, but among others who have experienced similar problems. We will respect your confidence and anonymity, as we know you will respect ours. Please call (715) 478-4933 for more information.

### AA Meetings - Lost Marbles

Saturdays at 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Dept. Contact Donald at (715) 889-6709 or Ryan at (715) 850-1265 for more information.

### Wellbriety - 12 Step Meeting

Held every Monday at 6 p.m. in the lower level of the FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum. ANYONE who is in recovery and searching for a sober way of living is more than welcome to attend! If you have any questions, contact Brooks Boyd at (715) 889-4902 or FCP Health & Wellness Center Behavioral Health at (715) 478-4332.

**Do You Feel Like No One Understands You?** You're not alone! Let your voice be heard! Let someone share your pain! If you are thinking of committing suicide or know someone who is, please get help! Help is only one touch or a phone call away.

*Crisis Line:* 1 (888) 299-1188 (Serving Forest, Vilas & Oneida counties: 24 hours a day/7 days a week); *Kids in Need:* 1 (800) 622-9120; *The Get-2-Gether Peer Support Drop-In Center:* (715) 369-3871; *Run-Away Hotline:* 1 (800) 621-4000; 1 (800) 273-TALK; TTY: 1 (800) 799-4TTY or visit [suicide-hotlines.com](http://suicide-hotlines.com).

### FCP Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Program -

The FCP Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Program is available 24/7. Crisis phone line is (715) 478-7201. Office hours are Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., or as needed for crisis intervention. Office phone numbers are (715) 478-4991 or (715) 478-7203 with confidential voice mail.

Work cell phone numbers are checked periodically after hours and holidays: (715) 889-3037 or (715) 889-0278. All services are free and confidential.

We are able to provide services to FCP enrolled members and tribally-affiliated members who have experienced past or present DV/SA. We will assist other victims in finding appropriate resources to meet their needs to the best of our abilities.



## SERVICES OFFERED

### Employment Skills Program

FCP Economic Support has an employment skills program for tribal members with resources/tools to help them overcome employment barriers. We are here to coach and encourage individuals to recognize their skills and to find occupations related to those skills and interests.

### Resource Room — New Location

Now located in the Family Resource Center (Old Tribal Hall), the room has four computers that are open to the community. These computers are equipped with the following software to assist in improving your job skills, completing or updating your resumé, brushing up on computer and typing skills, and for completing correspondence.

- Turbo Typing - interactive, fun practice available to increase your hand/eye coordination and typing speed.
- Quick Skills - hands-on, self-paced to learn and enhance your computer skills of Microsoft programs such as Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Access.
- WinWay Resumé Deluxe - it's easy to develop a resumé with more than 14,000 ready-to-use templates, more than 100,000 job-winning phrases and more than 350 different design themes. When complete, the auditor will evaluate your resumé.
- WisCareers Website - career exploration guide and opportunities on computer programs. Complete a variety of assessments based on interests, work values, career skills and workplace skills; help coordinate your work values into an exciting career; check out a variety of technical schools and colleges; use a guided program to set up your portfolio.

The FCP Economic Support staff is also available to assist with any of these computer programs. For additional assistance, please contact us at (715) 478-7206, 7292, or 7295.

## EDUCATION

**Crandon Indian Education Committee** - Monthly meetings are normally held the first Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at Health & Wellness Center. Contact these committee members with questions or concerns:

**Margaret Konaha - Chairperson**  
(715) 478-7347 (work)

**Hazel George - Member**  
(715) 478-5612 (home)

**Shari Alloway - Member**  
Number not available at time of print.

**Brenda Cornell - Secretary**  
(715) 649-3936

**Guadalupe Cisneros - Member**  
Number not available at time of print.

**Myra VanZile - Home School Coord.**  
(715) 478-6175 (home)

(715) 478-3723, Crandon School  
VANZILEMYR@crandon.K12.wi.us

**Wabeno Indian Education Committee** - Meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel.





**POTAWATOMI STONE LAKE  
C-STORE/SMOKE SHOP/DELI**

**Located 3 Miles East of Crandon off of Hwy. 8  
5326 Fire Keeper Rd., Crandon, WI (715) 478-4199  
Open 7 days a week: 6 a.m. - 10 pm.**

**POTAWATOMI CARTER  
C-STORE/SMOKE SHOP**

**Hwy. 32, Carter (Across from casino/hotel)  
Open 24 hours/7 days a week  
(715) 473-5100**

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- Blended Diesel
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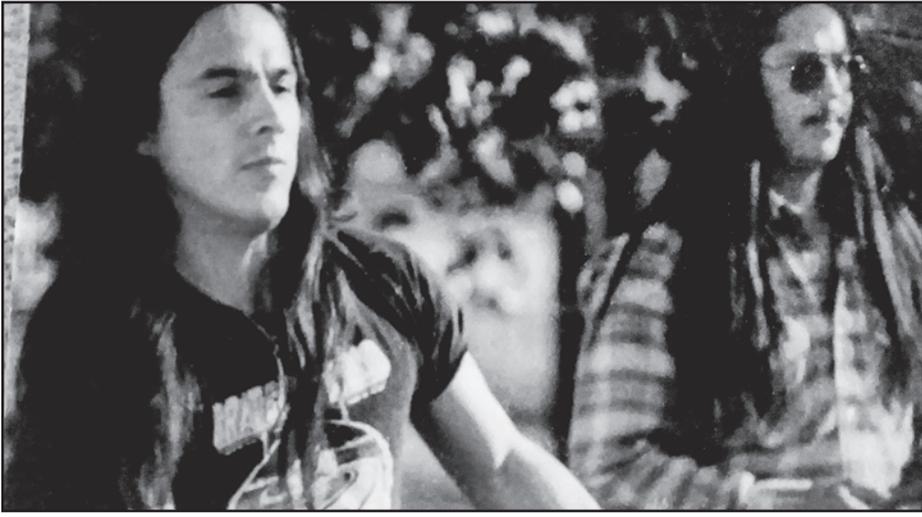


## Rebel Rumble Youth Invitational Wrestling Tournament Results

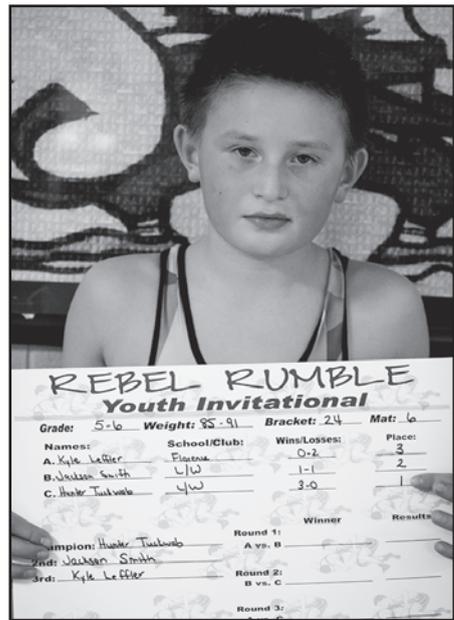
As promised in the Feb. 1 issue, here are the standings from the Laona School's Rebel Rumble Youth Invitational Wrestling Tournament held on Jan. 15, 2015, here are the standings:

Brady Shepard (52-54) 3rd  
Deegan Kircher (43-55) 2nd  
Geronimo Shepard (123-160) 4th  
Levi Shepard (40-43) 4th  
Frank Shepard (85-90) 3rd

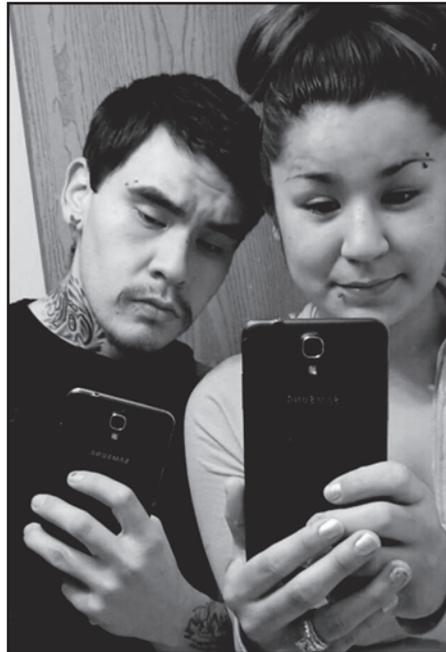
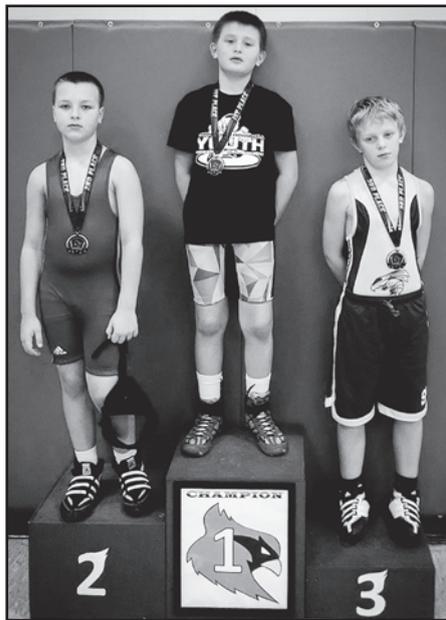
Galen Gutierrez-Daniels (100-112) 4th  
Hunter Tuckwab (85-91) 1st  
Basilio Milham (60-70) 2nd  
Sidney Daniels (58-64) 3rd



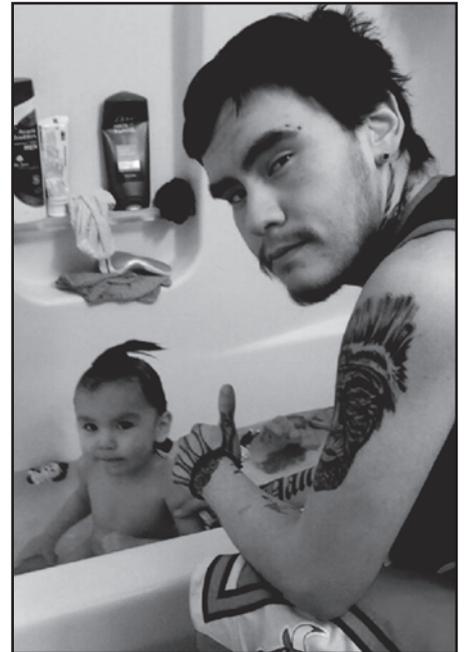
**Pitching horseshoes with my big brother. That's him on the right! Happy 60th Birthday, Bro!**



**Congratulations to Hunter Tuckwab, a.k.a. Potawatomi Anaconda, on his first place wins in Laona and Crandon. Proud of you son! Love, Dad**



I would like to wish my fiancé a happy 20th birthday. I thank you for everything you have done for me! I love you and I hope you have a good day! You deserve it! Love, your fiancé, Colleen Rae



I would like to wish the world's best dad a Happy birthday! I love you dad. Love, your son, Zayden Tommy.

## FEBRUARY 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Community Health

- Feb. 12, Hike & Healthy Eating (HWC): 10 a.m. - noon. See Event notices at left for more info.
- Women's Exercise Program (Rec Center): Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Beginner kickboxing Jan. 27 - March 5; Power Yoga March 17 - Apr. 23; Cardio/Strength Training May 5 - June 11

### FCP Family Resource Center

- New men's group "Creating a Process of Change": Feb. 9, 23, 1 - 3 p.m.
- Play Shoppe: Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 17, 24, 11 a.m. - noon
- Women's Healing Circle: Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 17, 24, beginning at 1:30 p.m.
- Life Skills Group: Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, 1 - 3 p.m.
- Positive Indian Parenting: Thursdays, Feb. 12, 19, 26, 10 a.m. - noon.
- 2nd Annual Native American Responsible Fatherhood Day: Date TBA - watch for flyers! Keep your eyes and ears open as there are some new and exciting changes coming! Call (715) 478-4837 with questions about any programs.

### CHOICES Program

- Life Skills (ages 10-12): Mondays, Feb. 9, 23, 3:30 - 5 p.m.
  - White Bison Group (ages 13-17): Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 17, 24, 3:30 - 6 p.m.
  - Team Building (ages 7-9): Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- The CHOICES program will be picking up the youth from school.

### Recreation Department

- Open gym now available noon - 8 p.m. on Saturdays.
  - Get Fit & Stay Active - fitness equipment available at We Care in Carter Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) and at Rec Center Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Open to FCP tribal members, their immediate families and FCP employees. Hours subject to change based on scheduled activities.
- For information on Rec Center activities, call (715) 478-7420.

**NERDS**

For the second year in a row, Jaiden Deschinny took first place in his school's computer science division and is off to the district-wide science fair. With a display titled "Robots - A Way of the Future" and a working robot he assembled, he will show how his robot can help, communicate, and work with people and for people. The working robot will blend the culture, language and technology with the help of his laptop, experiences as a kid on the reservation and knowledge of the language. All original exhibits are required to blend the various science areas such as Behavioral/ Soc Sci, Biology, Chemistry, Env Sci, Phy Sci, and Computer Sci with the language and culture. Jaiden is a 6th grader at Tsehootsooi Intermediate Learning Center in Ft. Defiance, Ariz. Good Luck Jaiden! Nerds Rule!!!

**RULE!**

### Free Class

Would You like to start your career in the Road Construction Industry?  
Transportation Alliance for New Solutions

### TRANS

#### Industry Awareness Class Includes:

- \* Physical Conditioning
- \* Hands on Projects
- \* Certified Flagging
- \* Construction Math
- \* Laborers Terminology
- \* OSHA-10
- \* CDL Temps Training
- \* Map Reading
- \* Resume Development



Classes: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday - Thursday, Feb. 23 to April 2. There are openings. Applicants must have a valid driver's license and able to obtain CDL temps by the end of the 6-week program.

#### Requirements; 18 years of age or older and the following:

- \* Valid Drivers License
- \* Reliable Transportation
- \* Minimum 6th grade reading and math
- \* Physical ability to be constantly active
- \* Ability to exert 100 pounds of force occasionally
- \* Ability to get to work Every Day and On Time

For more information call (715) 478-7633 or e-mail kkircher@fsc-corp.org

Women and minority men & women encouraged to apply.



Classes take place at 8000 Potawatomi Trail, Crandon.

# A Tale of Two Tribal Members: One Behind the Camera, One in Front

submitted by FCP tribal member Clarissa Friday

I am a tribal member and studying photography at MATC. I was invited by fellow tribal member Donald Keeble to attend a presentation he was doing at the Hmong American Peace Academy (HAPA) in Milwaukee on Monday, January 26. I had just met him but was very interested in seeing his presentation.

I went as just a viewer but thought it would be a good opportunity to apply my photography skills. I don't know a lot about photographing for newspapers yet, but I hope to learn more for future events. One class I will be taking in the future is photojournalism; I also have the chance to work with the MATC newspaper.

Keeble presented to approximately 100 five-year-old kindergarten students. During the presentation, he asked the children questions to engage them and to give them a chance to answer. By asking them questions, he was able to educate them about the Forest County Potawatomi and about the regalia he wore during part of his presentation. He passed around a number of different regalia items for the children to touch and view, which included his medallion. At the end of the presentation he played a song and encouraged the youth to get up and dance with him. It was an interesting and fun event for all involved.



Donald Keeble bends over to ask questions of some of the youth in attendance.



One little boy is able to see, touch and wear Donald Keeble's beaded medallion.



Donald Keeble dons his regalia and readies for an exhibition dance.



Two of the youth in attendance had the opportunity to dance with Donald...judging from their facial expressions, they were having a ball!

