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Raptor Education Group Inc. (REGI) Visits FCP Community



Abbey (left) letting Juliet (red-tailed hawk) say "hi" to the crowd.

by Val Niehaus

On Feb. 4, 2015, the Raptor Education Group Inc. (REGI) came to the FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum to discuss raptors: birds that hunt and eat other animals.

REGI is based out of Antigo, Wis., and is a non-profit organization that assists in the rescue, care and rehabilitation of any wildlife with feathers. They take in injured or orphaned birds

in need of extra help to get healthy or actually just to survive.

Marge and Don Gibson are the founders of this fine rehabilitation center and have come very far from where they once started bird rehabilitation in their own home. Marge has worked with these magnificent birds for over 30 years and still is involved with every bird that comes into the facility.

REGI offers many educational opportunities to the public such as presentations at schools and other community sites, special programs in different parts of the state, or tours (when available) through their facilities. They actually have one of the world's largest flight-training facilities for exercising injured birds, mostly eagles, as they recover from injuries or illness and learn to fly again.

The two educational staff who came this day were Abbey, director of education and avian trainer, and Joe, educational assistant. They both did a fantastic job controlling the raptors as well as the children from Gte Ga Nēs Preschool. The children were extremely intrigued by each raptor shown to them - so much so, that they wanted

to pet each one. However, to keep the birds calm and safe and the children safe, that was not allowed. The children all did very well maintaining their excitement and learned a great deal from each of the educators.

The four raptors that REGI brought along with them were a merlin, an American kestrel, and two red-tailed hawks—with slight differences between them.

The merlin is classified as a falcon under the raptor group. This is a super-fast bird. To make sure she wouldn't fly away, Abbey had the bird attached to her glove with a leg cord. Her name was Scarlet, and the educator showed the children all of her characteristics. Abbey explained that her nostrils had a spiral shape to them to help her breathe while flying so fast. She also explained how the merlin loves to catch its prey while flying, so what they usually eat is other birds that they catch in mid-flight.

The next falcon that Joe got out of the box was an American kestrel, which is the smallest falcon in the United States. Many similarities were pointed out between this bird and the

merlin, in wings, legs and nostrils. However, unlike the merlin, this bird actually eats insects.

The kestrel lives in Wisconsin year-round. And to survive in Wisconsin's cold winters, it switches its diet and eats smaller birds rather than insects as there are obviously not many bugs around in the wintertime. Joe remarked on this unique feature saying, "You usually don't see many birds who will switch their diets from season to season."

One other thing that is unique about the kestrel is they have the ability to hover, which means they can stay in one spot within the air. They also have the ability to move their body around their head while the head stays still—a useful talent for hunting. Joe demonstrated this very unique ability with the bird they brought, and it really was quite interesting to witness.

Next, they brought out two different types of raptors which were considerably larger than the kestrel and the merlin. These were two different-looking hawks, but it was interesting that both were the same species.

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FCP Caring Place

March Activities Calendar

EVENTS IN THE ACTIVITIES ROOM:
Tuesdays & Thursdays - Exercise at 9 a.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS (RSVP REQUIRED):

March 5: GLNAEA @ Carter Casino

March 10: Flambeau Casino Day

March 17: Bingo (catered lunch by Adam)

March 19: Shopping

March 27: Rouman Cinema

WINTER FUN WEEK MARCH 23-27

Monday - Jersey Day

Tuesday - Favorite Decade (scrapbooking)

Wednesday - Red Carpet Attire (mani/pedi)

Thursday - Beach Wear (making snow cones)

Friday - Color Day



Elder Board News

submitted by Clarice Ritchie, FCP Elder Board Secretary

It has been a while since I've written Elder Board news. I have had some personal medical issues and do apologize. However, the Elder Board has been busy.

Since Hartford Shegonee was elected vice-chairman, he has had to resign as chair of the Elder Board. The Board now has three members and will soon be replacing him with another board member.

The Board is working to up-grade our current Medical Alert System, a project we have worked on for several months. Hopefully, we will soon have the new system in place.

We also proposed and obtained the heating assistance the Elders have received this cold winter season.

Another project is to improve the parking for the staff and elders at the Caring Place. Bids have been submitted.

ted and this should take place this summer when weather is more favorable.

Together with the elder staff and our dietitian, we will also be a Nutrition Advisory Council and will look at improvement of the meals being provided. This is a requirement of our grant.

We had a fun luncheon on January 29. We played bingo, and we still don't know if it's a flower or a bath brush (you had to be there to understand!).

Hopefully in the future, we will have more persons attend our meetings and our luncheons. We are always open to hear your concerns and thoughts. Our next board meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2015, at the Caring Place.



• • • Attention Tribal Elders • • •

Wisconsin Judicare and Columbia Law School Present the 2015 Indian Wills Caravan. Judicare staff and Columbia Law School and U.W. Law School students will be visiting the following tribal community to assist ANYONE who wants to draft a will, a power of attorney, or other basic estate planning documents. This service is FREE OF CHARGE and there is no income limit eligibility.

March 30 - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Forest County Potawatomi Executive Building Auditorium, Crandon

Space is limited. Please call Ethel at (715) 478-4779 to make your appointment today.

This program is made possible by funding from the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians. This is a collaborative project of Wisconsin Judicare Inc., Columbia Law School, and the University of Wisconsin Law School.



March 2015 Elder Menus

Monday, March 2

Sauerkraut, Turkey Hot Dogs, Mashed Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Fruit Cocktail

Tuesday, March 3

Meatloaf, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Cauliflower, Cottage Cheese, Peaches

Wednesday, March 4

Chef Salad w/Ham, Turkey, Tomato, Cucumber, Onion & Cheese, Crackers, Cottage Cheese

Thursday, March 5

Swedish Meatballs over Noodles, Carrots, Orange Juice, Cranberry Walnut Cookie

Friday, March 6

Pea Soup w/Ham, Whole Wheat Dinner Roll, Blueberry Yogurt, Apricots

Monday, March 9

Pork Chop Suey, Rice, Egg Roll, Applesauce

Tuesday, March 10

Beef Tips over Noodles, Green Beans, Squash, Tropical Fruit

Wednesday, March 11

Baked Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Broccoli, Corn, Apple Pie

Thursday, March 12

Chili, Frybread, Crackers, Chocolate Cake w/Peanut Butter Frosting, Pears

Friday, March 13

Hamburger Vegetable Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Kiwi

Monday, March 16

Baked Chicken, Stuffing, Brussels Sprouts, Carrots, Dinner Roll, Pineapple

Tuesday, March 17

BBQ Pork on Bun, Baked Potato, Cauliflower, Broccoli, Peaches, Nutri-Grain® Bar

Wednesday, March 18

Stuffed Peppers, Refried Beans, Peanut Butter Cake

Thursday, March 19

Lemon Pepper Fish, Boiled Red Potatoes, Asparagus, Mixed Berries

Friday, March 20

Tomato Rice Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Grape Juice

Monday, March 23

Chicken Sandwich on Bun, Tomato Slices, Pickles, Squash, Green Beans, Peaches

Tuesday, March 24

Pork Chops, Baked Potato, Corn, Asparagus, Applesauce

Wednesday, March 25

Chicken Wings, Parsley Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Mandarin Oranges

Thursday, March 26

Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad, Corn, Jello® w/Fruit

Friday, March 27

Boiled Dinner, Dinner Roll, Oatmeal Cookie, Fresh Fruit

Monday, March 30

Ham & Swiss On Rye, Baked Sun® Chips, Carrots & Celery Sticks, Tomato Slice, Mixed Berries

Tuesday, March 31

Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Beets, Cornbread, V-8® Juice, Orange

Milk, juice or coffee with every meal.

**Menus subject to change.*

Message From FCP Veterans Post 1

Our primary goal is to honor all military veterans and their families. The FCP Veterans Post 1 is committed to serving and supporting our veterans and their families; to aid FCP and native veterans in both conventional and traditional values; to help guide, assist and refer our veterans to other venues when necessary.

The Color Guard will continue to take part in Veteran's funerals and other ceremonies and hope to add rifles and an electronic bugle to our equipment. The Color Guard participates in grand entries at pow-wows and other events around Wisconsin and surrounding states to promote the Forest County Potawatomi Community and to show support for other tribal nations.

Devon "Charlie" Charles Phillips Jr. "New kwe dek"

Devon "Charlie" Charles Phillips, Jr., "New kwe dek", 52, Crandon, Wis., passed away on Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, with his family by his side. He was born in Chicago, Ill., on July 22, 1962, to LaVera and Devon Phillips Sr.

Charlie graduated from Choctaw Central High School in 1981 and then attended Nicolet College. He then started to work bingo at the tribal center and then moved to Milwaukee to work as supervisor at the Potawatomi Casino, working his way up to assistant manager. Charlie resided in Milwaukee until he resigned in 2010, when he moved back home. He moved back once he realized he became ill to spend his last days with his loved ones. Charlie, alongside his sisters, started Dolly Vision.

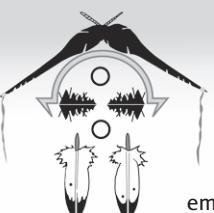
Charlie loved to golf, shuttle to the casino to gamble, loved to cook, travel and loved to sew. He had a big heart when it came to his dogs and bird. Charlie loved the Packers, but most of all, he loved spending time with his family, especially his grand-babies.

He is survived by: Wensey Phillips, Crandon, Wis.; Brenda Phillips, Philly, Mich.; Judy Murphy, Wabeno, Wis.; Leonore Phillips, Crandon, Wis.; Andrew Phillips, Laona, Wis.; Jack (Tania) Phillips, Crandon, Wis.; Morning Star Phillips, Milwaukee, Wis.; Isaiah Phillips, Crandon, Wis.; Theresa Johnson, Crandon, Wis.; grand-babies, nieces and nephews, and one fairy god-daughter, Lilly Hernandez, and one special friend, Lisa Engelhardt, whom he considered his sister.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents: LaVera and Devon Sr., sister: Doris Phillips, three brothers: Jeff, Glen and Samuel Phillips.

Visitation took place Feb. 16 and Native American service, led by Lorenzo Funmaker, was held Feb. 17, both at the Potawatomi Cultural Center. Interment was in the Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery. Weber-Hill Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements. Condolences to the family may be left at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

**Deadline for the March 15, 2015 issue
is Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015.**



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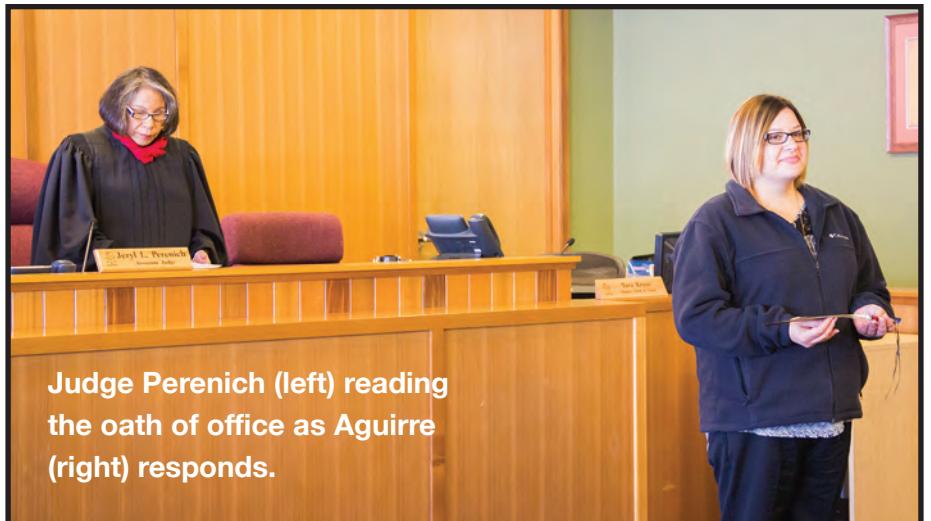
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Aguirre Sworn in as Gaming Commissioner

by Val Niehaus



Judge Perenich (left) reading the oath of office as Aguirre (right) responds.

On Feb. 9, 2015, a new Gaming Commissioner was sworn into office by Judge Perenich in the FCP Courtroom with many witnesses in attendance.

The new commissioner is Thomasina Aguirre, a resident of Milwaukee, which is also where she will be performing her newly-acquired duties.



FCPC Donates to American Cancer Society

by Val Niehaus

On Feb. 10, 2015, the FCP Community donated \$5,000 to the American Cancer Society. This donation will help with the Relay for Life held in

Forest County on July 24, 2015. According to Stacey Jameson, Forest County Relay for Life chair, the FCPC is the leading sponsor for the event.



(l-r) Kristin Herbes, community manager, Relay for Life, Midwest Division; Stacey Jameson, chair, Forest County Relay for Life; Harold "Gus" Frank, FCP chairman; James Crawford, FCP council member.





OUR MISSION: Potawatomi Business Development Corporation (PBDC) will generate wealth and improve the quality of life for the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Community by making strategic investments, acquisitions and prudent asset management and community development decisions. Resources generated by PBDC and its holdings will help diversify the tribal economy that supports FCP's tribal government and help improve the lives of FCP tribal members. Through trust, support, integrity, and mutual respect, PBDC is committed to building an economic engine that will support FCP for generations to come.



Advancia Corporation Awarded ELDERS Task Order on Oklahoma State ITSW1025 Contract

On Feb. 11, 2015, Advancia Corporation (AC) received award notice for the Oklahoma Department of Human Services Data Services Division ELDERS contract. This \$270K contract is to provide Analysis, Design, Documentation, Code Modifications, and Knowledge Transfer, IT Augmentation Support Services. The period of performance is five months.



Potawatomi Federal Solutions Promotes Kristen Richardson



Kristen Richardson has recently been promoted from Administrative Specialist to Business Development Analyst at the Potawatomi Federal Solutions office in Alexandria, Va. Kristen has been working with the PFS office since July and for the past couple of months has slowly been learning about the Business Development process within PBDC and its subsidiaries. She is looking forward to this new and challenging role and believes with the help of her directors this will be a smooth and valuable transition.

Together the two paths form a north-south road, the good Red Road. This is your spiritual path, the one where you will be happiest.

- Medicine Hawk,
Council Chief of the Shadowlight Medicine Clan



Potawatomi Training Awarded Task Order on Army Training & Doctrine Command's Fires Center of Excellence (FCoE) IDIQ

Incumbents since 2009 on the Electronic Warfare Task Order, Potawatomi Training (PT) executed on the contract exceeding all customer expectations. On 12/02/2014, the Government released a Task Order Request for Proposal (TORP) to solicit further EW services. Giving industry only 10 days to respond, the TORP had changed from an original Best Value evaluation to Lowest Price Technically Acceptable evaluation, which made it necessary for PT to develop a creative pricing strategy to lower costs, while still maintaining operational status. After 2 amendments and no extensions granted, PT submitted the EW proposal on time on December 12, 2014.

On 12/31/2014, PT received the notice to proceed on the EW Training Development and Execution Task Order. This \$8.8M contract's objective is to perform maintenance and updates to EW training materials, and instruction of EW institutional training for the U.S. Army Fires Center of Excellence (FCoE) at Ft. Sill, Okla. PT will provide a total of 28 Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) in support of this Task Order. The period of performance is for one base year, and two one-year options. Full contract performance starts April 1, 2015.

Potawatomi Training Has A New Website!

www.potawatomitr.com



REGI Visit

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Joe brought out a young red-tailed hawk which actually did not have a red tail. This is because it was only a year old. Joe explained to everyone that the tail on the hawk does not turn red until they are two years of age. Joe went on to say, "There are three main characteristics of a raptor that the red-tailed hawk shows. The first is the beak: this is a very sharp beak that can rip and tear their prey to make it easier to eat. The second thing is the feet: they have very sharp talons to help catch their prey. And the third thing is their eye sight: if you had vision like a raptor, you would be able to read a newspaper over a football field away. These are the three main things that make raptors, raptors."

Abbey then took out the last bird of the day which was also a red-tailed hawk named Juliet. She advised us that she was the very first bird to come to REGI, and that she was 26 years old.

Though of the same species, there were differences between this hawk and the other younger red-tailed hawk. These included the fact that she clearly had a red tail; she was bigger because she was a female; and her belly color was different because she is a western red-tailed hawk while the other is an eastern red-tail.

It was pointed out that with the raptors, the females are usually

bigger because of their role in laying and incubating the eggs.

Abbey then went on to tell the children different ways they could help keep wildlife safe within their own backyards. She explained it was important to clean up garbage that might be lying around. She emphasized the need to pick up fish line that might be found at the lake with instructions that they should take it home and cut it up as it could become tangled around the bird's feet or wings. She actually brought some line that had been taken off a bald eagle that had come into REGI. In addition, she explained that the rings that hold cans of soda should be cut so they couldn't become stuck on a bird; she also suggested putting up window clings to keep birds from hitting windows. She also further stated the importance of using mousetraps rather than mouse poison so that the birds that might eat a dead mouse don't become poisoned as a result.

At the end of the presentation, Abbey and Joe took questions from the children and adults who attended. The event went well with all of the children really paying attention to what the educators were saying about the birds. REGI did a fantastic job explaining each raptor and the ways we can all help protect these beautiful creatures in the wild.



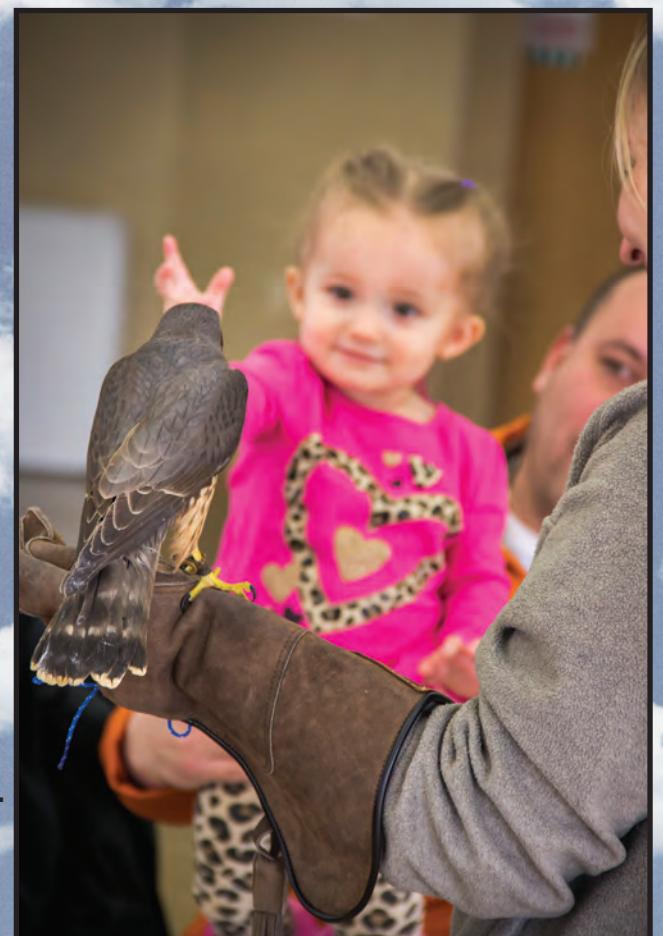
Children looking at the merlin.



The younger of the two red-tailed hawks (one year old). This was the eastern one.



(above) Joe talking about the American kestrel.



Jayden Tuckwab going in for the "grab".

Keeble Speaks to Wabeno Youth

by Val Niehaus

Donald Keeble, a work program participant under FCP Education Department, ventured to Wabeno Elementary School on Feb. 4, 2015, to talk with the students about Native American culture and history.

His first session was with K-3 students and was the most entertaining of the day. Not only was Keeble beyond excited to hear the questions these students had to ask, but the students seemed to be equally excited. PTT can say from experience that these young-minded souls have quite a curiosity about everything. A few of the questions asked were, "What is that?" referencing fur on parts of Keeble's regalia. Another was, "Do you know how to hunt with a bow and arrow?" Many other questions came throughout the day and Keeble did his best to answer them all.

The next group included the 4th - 6th graders, and they clearly were a little more mature in mind as their

questions were more specific to what Keeble was talking about. Keeble walked through his whole regalia and explained what each part meant to him and to his Native American culture.

Keeble was also able to take students from each group, and if they wanted to, could dance with him to at least feel what dancing at a pow-wow would be like. He also discussed pow-wows and the origin of this tradition: how they came to be and why Native Americans continue them to this very day. He spoke in Potawatomi at times and asked the children if they understood what he said. Some, in fact did; most did not. They all learned a few phrases to speak to one another.

Keeble is hoping to continue these presentations, not just in the local community but out of the area as well. He does an excellent job and he really kept the youths' attention as they sat and listened to all he had to say.



(above) Keeble and the students dancing to drum music.

(right) Keeble speaking about his regalia to the students.



Bullying Summit Held at Crandon School District

by Val Niehaus

Crandon School District held its second annual Bullying Summit at the High School cafeteria on Feb. 6, 2015. The event highlighted the effects of bullying, ways to prevent it if you are an adult or a student who sees others being bullied.

There was participation by all ages and each group had their own booth to represent different bullying scenarios such as recognizing what it is, reporting it to the right person, and ways to refuse to be bullied. There were also booths to show what bullying can do to a person's self-worth. A bully doesn't have to be a person who is a friend or acquaintance, but can also be a person that you love, such as a boyfriend or girlfriend. Student participation was excellent, and new ideas are already being thought of for next year's summit.



Darlaina Boyd posing next to her booth that she and her classmates participated on.

Did You Know That...

- 83 percent of girls and 79 percent of boys report being bullied either in school or online?
 - 75 percent of school shootings have been linked to harassment and bullying against the shooter?
 - Students who are bullies as young adults continue the trend of abuse and violence into adulthood? By the age of 30, approximately 40 percent of boys who were identified as bullies in middle and high school had been arrested three or more times.
- *source: <http://nobullying.com/bullying-statistics-2014/>

International Women's Day Event Planned

Incorrect phone number listed in last issue's notice. See correct number below.

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) 889-2115**. I don't want to leave anyone out on this special International Women's Day.

Still Undefeated

Lady Rebels Dominate Menominee Eagles

by Michelle Spaude

In a much anticipated game on Tuesday night, Feb. 10, the Wabeno/Laona Lady Rebels were eager to take on its undefeated opponent, Menominee Eagles, in a girls varsity match-up at the Wabeno High School gymnasium.

Going into the game, Menominee's conference record was 15-0 with an overall record 18-0. Wabeno/Laona's conference record was 13-0 with an overall record 20-0. Menominee is from the Central Wisconsin – Ten conference while Wabeno/Laona is from the Northern Lakes conference. *Potawatomi Traveling Times* (PTT) would like to give special recognition to the five tribal Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) community members who participate on the team: Presley Keeble, Tressa Lange, Holly Spaude, Helena Melchert and Waleli Frank (manager).

The bleachers were packed with fans from both sides, although a portion of local fans attended the Rebel boys game at Laona against number two conference-ranked Goodman-Pembine. The Rebel boys are a big cheering section for the Lady Rebels; nevertheless, the girls didn't let that affect their play.

"I am super excited," stated senior, Melchert, when PTT asked how she is feeling prior to the game. Keeble was excited as well. However, she admitted a little bit of nervousness. Keeble played on the same team with Menominee's leading scorer, Ania Smith, and teammate Monae Waukau in Canada this past summer at the Native American Indigenous Games (NAIG). "I know how they are - they can be physical. They are really good players," Keeble declared. Spaude and Melchert echoed these remarks, as they both watched the NAIG basketball games while representing Team Wisconsin in volleyball and track, respectively. The respect spoken of the Menominee's basketball abilities was undeniable.

To beat a good team like this requires preparation. "I have been practicing hard and longer," stated Lange, when asked by PTT how she prepared for this game and her basketball season. She often goes to the FCP Rec Center on weekends with her family.

That family would be the Keebles – Presley, father Jeff and brothers Donald and Jeffrey. Even when Presley goes to visit her brother, Lyle, in Green Bay, she doesn't leave without

bringing her basketball shoes and ball. "I work on my dribbling and driving in against them so I'm not afraid to during a game," stated Presley. She also practices a lot of shooting.

When PTT asked the girls, "What is your favorite part of playing basketball?" Lange replied, "Defense." Spaude stated that being with her team and playing together is her favorite as well as defense - specifically blocking. Keeble likes offense because

first quarter, the score was 19-8.

Keeble was better and back playing second quarter as she nailed another outside shot for two. Spaude entered play with 7:02 remaining. After the Eagles scored off a freethrow, Keeble swished for back-to-back field goals. Later in the quarter, Spaude drove to the hoop and was fouled. She netted both free throws for two points. With second quarter coming to an end, the score was 34-18. The Lady



ever we need a 3 pointer, she's the one who steps up and knocks it down. We rely on Presley's unselfish play on both ends of the floor, and she hasn't disappointed.

Tressa is a tough rebounder and defender. She almost always guards our opponent's best post player and often holds them under their scoring average. She gives our team a toughness on the glass and has been right around a double double many times. We count on Tressa to play strong defense and battle down low.

Holly is our spark off the bench. She is usually the first girl to come in when someone needs a rest or is in foul trouble. She gives us great energy on both ends of the floor, and often comes up with a few blocks or steals and some nice jump shots that get our offense going. Holly also adds to the senior leadership on our team; she is always positive and is constantly supporting her teammates.

Helena is another senior that gives our team tough minutes off the bench. If one of our two guards needs a breather or gets in foul trouble, Helena is always ready to step in and give us good minutes. She plays hard on defense, and is a great rebounder from the guard position. She doesn't take many shots, but she helps our offense by making smart passes and moving well without the ball in her hands.

Waleli (manager) is always willing to learn something new. I think the main reason she became the manager is to learn more about the game of basketball and see what she could pick up from our girls. She started the year videotaping our games, but now she has moved on to be our statistician. She is always willing to learn something new and she really likes to be a part of this team; we are happy to have her as a manager.

It was consensus of the girls that a team goal is to remain undefeated in regular season and to go as far in tournament play as possible – hopefully to state! The victory against Menominee could be a good indicator of how far the Lady Rebels will make it in tournaments since Menominee is in the same regional. Time will tell if there will be another match-up of the two teams!



(l-r): Holly Spaude, Helena Melchert, Waleli Frank, Tressa Lange and Presley Keeble after their win.

she is good at assists. "I like seeing Tressa and Ceanne score a lot," she smiled. Melchert added, "I like to be out there on the court with my second family and enjoy the time."

After PTT's interview, the girls met in the locker room with their team to go over the game plan against the Eagles.

Prior to the National Anthem, the Sweet Grass Hill drum sang an honor song. After the starting lineups were announced, the game began!

Lady Rebels were the first to score off a layup. Keeble then "twicked" an outside shot to make it 4-0 in a matter of seconds. With each team setting up an offense a few times up and down the floor, Keeble scored again from a teammate steal to run the score 8-0 and caused the Eagles to take its first timeout.

As play resumed, Keeble was limping and needed to come off the court. Melchert played the remaining of the quarter for her. Prior to the first quarter ending, Lange scored for two. Score was now 19-6. At the end of

Rebels may have just had the best first-half game ever this season!

Menominee was not willing to throw in the towel as they scored the first basket in third quarter. But as time ticked away, Lange got some offense action and scored a basket with a freethrow. Keeble also added another two points. The Eagles scored the final basket prior to third quarter ending with a score 51-29.

Fourth quarter was the highest scoring one for the Eagles with 12 points. But the Lady Rebels scored 13 points with three of those coming from Lange and another two points from Spaude right before the buzzer sounded to end the game. The official book had the score 64-41.

The Lady Rebels were very happy to improve its record to 21-0! Coach Eric Hoffman was pleased as well and had this to say about each player:

Presley is a very unselfish player; she is always looking to make the extra pass and leads our team in assists almost every game. She also makes big shots when we need them. It seems like when-

Employee Assistance Program: We Are Here For You

submitted by FCP Child Support Department

The main focus of the Forest County Potawatomi Tribal Child Support Agency has always been on children and families. In the words of the FCPC Child Support Ordinance, "The emotional, spiritual, and financial support of the Potawatomi children, along with their care and safety, is an important element of Potawatomi culture, tradition, and custom. Our children are the community's future and parents have the moral and legal obligation to provide for the health, welfare, and safety of their children." The Ordinance could not more clearly define what FCPC-TCSA is all about ... children, families and future. We are here for you.

Late last year FCPC-TCSA was one of five Tribes to be awarded a one-of-a-kind grant by the Administration for Children & Families to be funded through the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE). The Tribal Child Support Innovation Grant works to strengthen Tribal family-centered child support programs and help Tribes meet their mission and goals in a sustainable way.

"Community and family have long been at the heart of Tribal child support programs," said OCSE Commissioner Vicki Turetsky. "We are excited to offer our Tribal programs an opportunity to develop new family-centered programs as well as expand and update existing ones."

Receiving the grant has allowed the Forest County Potawatomi Community to create the Employee Assistance Program and to establish a satellite office at 3301

West Highland Boulevard in Milwaukee. This program will open doors to any employee that has a child support order. Through intervening early with direct outreach to the noncustodial parents who work with Tribal employers, our Agency expects to improve the accuracy of personal and financial information for non-custodial parents, leading to accurate, realistic orders and increased collections.

"Initiatives like these help noncustodial parents fully realize their financial and emotional responsibilities toward their children," said Turetsky. "Family-centered strategies play a key role in promoting the financial well-being of Tribal children and families."

Whether you reside in Forest County, Milwaukee, or someplace in between, we are here to help. Although FCPC-TCSA cannot modify an order from another jurisdiction, we can assist employees in seeking a modification based on wages and income, provide liaison services between the county and the employee, and answer general child support questions. We welcome and encourage anyone with child support concerns to call us at (715) 478-7260. In the end, it's all about you, and FCPC-TCSA is always here to help. While we are unable to provide legal advice, we will give you our dedicated assistance, along with the assurance that all information will remain strictly confidential. We are here for you, your children, and our future.

TRUE or FALSE?

Colorectal cancer is the 2nd leading cancer killer.

TRUE

FALSE

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TRUE

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TRUE

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- » March 11, 12 / Snow Shoeing
- » March 18, 19 / Jump Rope
- » March 25, 26 / Jump Rope
- » April 1, 2 / Exercises/Dice
- » April 8, 9 / Kick Ball
- » April 15, 16 / Kick Ball
- » April 22, 23 / Ticket Day

If school is cancelled/early release due to weather, Youth on the Move Program will be cancelled as well.

To register or if you have any questions, please contact:

Stephanie Mattson
Community Health Nutritionist
715-478-4161

Calli Victor
Community Health Representative
715-478-4398

Heather Robinson
Community Health Administrative Assistant
715-478-4317

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Forestry Has Productive Fiscal Year: Forest Protection and Monitoring

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 Cleereman; 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 included 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 Protection and Monitoring portion of the Forestry Department.

Forest Protection and Monitoring Program

The Tribal forestry program completes projects to protect tribal forest lands from wildfire, insects, and disease as well as monitoring for forest pests and storm damage. Projects for forest protection include wildfire and fuels projects and insect, pest and storm monitoring projects.

Wildfire and Fuels Projects

Wildfire Credentials

In FY14 fire and fuels projects included two staff maintaining wildfire credentials. One staff member worked on two western fire details to meet and maintain wildfire credential requirements.

Fuel Reduction and Access Improvement Projects

Forestry and Land Services staff also completed brush and tree removal projects near 14 homes and buildings to reduce fuel hazards and establish defensible space for fire protection from wildfires. Brush and tree removal from three separate forest road accesses also improved access to forestland to improve firefighting response in case of a wildfire in those areas.

Insect, Pest and Storm Monitoring Projects

A key to protecting the forest from invasions from insects and pests and capturing the timber value of trees lost to insects, pests and storms is regular monitoring of tribal forestlands. Two very dangerous forest pests are located in close proximity to tribal lands. These include the Gypsy Moth and the Emerald Ash Borer. A third prominent threat to tribal forestlands is a fungus which creates an issue known as Oak Wilt. And the fourth most important threat to tribal forest lands at this time are windstorms.

Gypsy Moth Monitoring

The gypsy moth has had epidemic

numbers in Marinette County just to the east of tribal lands. Gypsy moth creates mortality in many tree species when its numbers are high for a period of years and when the caterpillars defoliate trees. Severe winters in the last two to three years have leveled populations of gypsy moths. In FY14, the forestry department monitored stands in the eastern tribal ownership by visual inspection to insure gypsy moth were not having a severe impact on tribal forestlands.

Emerald Ash Borer Monitoring

The emerald ash borer (EAB) is an invasive species that will kill all ash trees when the insect reaches epidemic numbers. EAB has located in many counties throughout eastern and now western Wisconsin. In 2014, EAB was identified in Rhinelander which is approximately 20 miles from portions of tribal forestlands. Since 2008, the forestry department has completed monitoring for EAB in an effort to protect forestlands and improve capabilities to respond when EAB becomes established near tribal forestlands. In FY14, the forestry department installed and monitored 10 purple EAB traps which were placed across the tribal ownership. No EAB were detected on tribal lands in FY14. The forestry department also completed visual inspection of 96 forest stands containing ash which encompassed 1,360 acres; no mortality was observed.

Oak Wilt Monitoring

Oak wilt is a fungus that results in mortality of all species of oak trees. This fungus spreads through spores and also through root connections between trees. Oak wilt is well established in Marinette, Oconto and Oneida Counties. The closest Oak wilt occurrence that puts tribal forest at risk are in the southeast portions of Forest County. Although tribal forestlands contain scattered oak trees in the southeastern ownership, monitoring of individual oak trees is not possible. In FY14, the forestry department completed monitoring of four stands of tribal forestlands that had a prominence of oak; no oak wilt was indicated in those stands.

Storm Event Monitoring

Four major storm events occurred in FY14 with winds that created damage to property and forestlands. Following these storm events, the forestry department completed visual inspections of tribal forestlands to insure that no wind damage which would require timber salvage had occurred. These inspections encompassed approximately 3,000 acres. No major wind damage was noted in FY14 on tribal lands.

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.

CHOICES Celebrates Valentine's Day

by Val Niehaus

On Feb. 11, 2015, the CHOICES program decided to host a party for its youth to celebrate Valentine's Day. The time was designated to games, decorating a Valentine box and, of course, all the sweet goodies a child could want. With the help of Gary Pemrich, DV/SA program manager, and Craig Collins, United Native Americorps Associate, the decorating and games were a great success!



(above) Chris Collins helping out the youth with decorating.
(right, l-r) Nevaeh Alloway, Ryana Alloway, Cheyenne Alloway and Kerry Fox with their boxes.



Jacob Gomez-Johnson working hard at making his Valentine box.



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What's Going On in Carter?

submitted by Frank Shepard, PCCH General Manager

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 28, when we will be celebrating our '2015 Anniversary Car Giveaway'. Carter Club members will have their chance to win a 2015 Lincoln MKC AWD 4-door SUV on March 28, at 11 p.m. Carter Club members can start earning entries on Monday, Feb. 16. For every 250 same-day base points, guests can receive 10 entries or they may redeem 250 points for 10 entries. Five names will be drawn from the drawing bin at 11 p.m.; four of those people will win a consolation prize of \$1,000. One person will take home the new vehicle!

New members to Carter Club will receive 10 free entries. Cash drawings will lead up to the giveaway between 4 and 10 p.m., when 20 winners will be drawn to win \$100 cash each. Entry multipliers will be available on Friday, March 27 and Saturdays and Sundays throughout March.

Bingo players will receive 10 bonus entries for every Early Bird package purchased between Feb. 16 and March 28. They will also receive a certificate for 10 free entries to bring to the Carter Club booth for every intermission package purchased between Feb. 16 through March 28.

Table Games players will earn 10 bonus entries for every hour of consecutive play at the tables from Feb. 16 to March 27.

Ten free entries to new members of Carter Club the day they open an account.

Tier multipliers will be offered on Friday, March 27, as well as Saturdays and Sundays in March which include March 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22.

St. Patrick's Day is Tuesday, March 17. Carter Club members can earn 100 same-day base points for 10 entries or redeem 200 points for 10 entries into the St. Patrick's Day drawings from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. with one winner being selected each hour to win \$500.

Come in and try your luck on 'Wild Wednesdays'. Carter Club members will have the chance to be chosen as a winner between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. every Wednesday. Each winner is guaranteed \$100 cash. Then, if you think Lady Luck may be with you, select a card from our deck. If it is your wild card, we'll double your money and you will walk away with \$200! Just earn 100 same-day base points for 10 entries or redeem 200 points for 10 entries into the drawing. Limit of two wins per day per person. There will be one winner chosen every hour for 10 winners every Wednesday.

Livin' it up at 50' - Every Thursday, all Carter Club members over 50 years of age will receive a free entry into the drawing at the Carter Club booth. One winner will be drawn every hour from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. for \$100 cash. For every 250 points earned, receive 10 free entries into the drawings. Guests are allowed to win twice each day. Also, seniors can earn 100 same-day base points and get a \$5 off

coupon at The Flames Sports Bar & Grill or The Springs Restaurant. If you would like your meal free, just earn 250 same-day base points! Those that are not seniors can earn 200 same-day base points and get a \$5 off coupon for a dinner at The Flames Sports Bar & Grill or The Springs Restaurant or earn 450 same-day base points and get a free dinner.

Start earning entries on Monday, March 30, so you can participate in Carter Casino's 'Extra-Inning' Game. Earn 250 same-day base points for 10 entries or redeem 250 points for 10 entries. Ten Carter Club members will have the chance to choose cash or strikes at 11 p.m. on April 18. Using the punch board we will stuff the holes with baseballs. Each ball will have an amount on it or an X for strike. Each winner will have the opportunity to punch five holes on the board. Winners will punch in the order they are chosen from the bin. Once all five holes have been punched, the amount of balls will be totaled and the winner will take that amount of cash home with them. Strikes are 0. If a guest punches five strikes, a \$500 consolation prize will be awarded to the player.

Bingo players will receive 10 bonus entries for every Early Bird and Intermission package purchases from March 30 - April 18.

Table Games players will earn 10 bonus entries for every one hour of consecutive play at the tables from March 30 - April 17.

Ten free entries to new members of Carter Club the day they open an account.

Tier multipliers will be offered Friday, April 3 and 17, Saturday, April 4 and 11, and Sundays, April 5, 12.

Smaller cash drawings leading up to the 11 p.m. drawing will take place from 4 until 10 p.m. There will be 20 winners of \$100 each.

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The fun continues! On Friday, March 6, we will be playing 'Finally \$500 Fridays'. Buy-in for \$35 with 25 games including five games paying \$250 and 10 games paying \$500! Each guest will receive \$25 in Potawatomi Play with admission pack purchase! Limit one \$25 Potawatomi Play per guest per session.

Come in on Friday, March 27, and play 'Cosmic Bingo'. The theme for March is 'Basketball'. Admissions open at

9:30 p.m.; games start at 10:30 p.m. DJ Doc Gary plays from 10 p.m. to midnight. \$12 packs include eight games paying \$100; one game paying a prize and the last game paying \$1,000 - or a consolation prize of \$250. Free beer and snacks will be served.

Saturday, March 28, we will be holding a 'Mini Bash'. This will be a longer session with \$20 admissions packs and \$10 for extra packs. Prize drawings will be held throughout the session. Mini buffet included with admission pack purchase.

Sunday, March 29, is our Cash Drawing where one lucky winner will win \$500 CASH! Winner will be drawn during regular session; must be present and playing bingo to win. Earn entries for each admission pack purchased during the month. Limit one entry per person per day.

Happy Birthday to you! Play bingo during the month of your birthday and receive a free dauber with your paid admission. Limit one per guest. See the Money Room.

Paper Buy-In Options

Paper Pack A - \$20, six cards, one Game of the Month, one Bonanza, one Odd # Coverall, one large Pick 8

Paper Pack B - \$25, nine cards, one Game of the Month, two Bonanza, two Odd # Overall, one large Pick 8

Paper Pack C - \$28, 12 cards, two Game of the Month, two Bonanza, two Odd # Coverall, one large Pick 8

Paper Pack D - \$36, 18 cards, three Game of the Month, three Bonanza, three Odd # Coverall, three large Pick 8

Electronic Buy-In Options

Carter Combo 1 - \$60, 30 cards, one Jackpot Game, one Roulette, one Game of the Month, one Dbl. Daub Coverall, one Dbl. Daub Feather, one Winner Take All, one Triangle Game, 10 Odd # Coverall, 10 Bonanza

Carter Combo 2 - \$80, 60 cards, two Jackpot Game, two Roulette, one Game of the Month, two Dbl. Daub Coverall, two Dbl. Daub Feather, two Winner Take All, two Triangle Game, 20 Odd # Coverall, 20 Bonanza

Carter Combo 3 - \$120, 90 cards, three Jackpot Game, three Roulette, three Game of the Month, three Dbl. Daub Coverall, three Dbl. Daub Feather, three Winner Take All, three Triangle Game, 30 Odd # Coverall, 30 Bonanza

Carter Combo 4 (Best Value) - \$160, 130 cards, four Jackpot Game, four Roulette, four Game of the Month, four Dbl. Daub Coverall, four Dbl. Daub Feather, four Winner Take All, four Triangle Game, 40 Odd # Coverall, 40 Bonanza

Electronic packages include all games except Earlybirds, Pick 8 and Hotballs.

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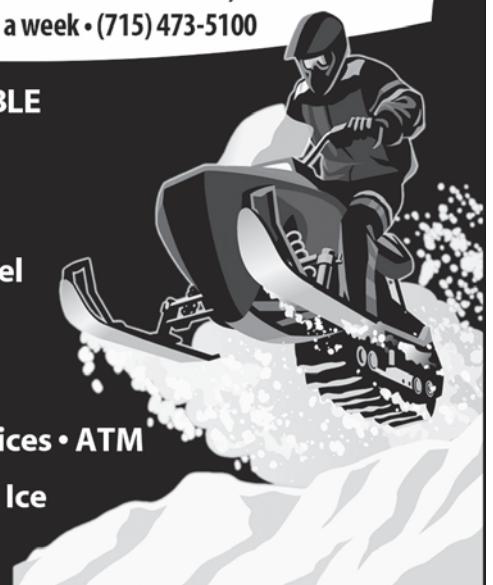
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2016 Budget Addresses Needs in Indian Country

submitted by U.S. Department of the Interior

The United States has a unique Nation-to-Nation relationship with each of the 566 federally recognized Tribes and strongly supports tribal self-determination and Federal treaty and trust responsibilities to American Indians and Alaska Natives. The United States also supports affiliated insular areas including the Territories of American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. In addition, Interior administers and oversees Federal assistance to the three Freely Associated States: the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau.

The Department of the Interior's programs maintain strong and meaningful relationships with Native and insular communities, strengthen government-to-government relationships with federally recognized Tribes, promote efficient and effective governance, and support nation-building and self-determination. These programs deliver community services, restore tribal homelands, fulfill commitments related to water and other resource rights, execute fiduciary trust responsibilities, support the stewardship of energy and other natural resources, create economic opportunity, expand access to education, and assist in supporting community resilience in the face of a changing climate.

The 2016 President's budget supports an all-of-government approach to addressing Federal responsibilities and tribal needs. Coordination of this work across the Federal government is being carried out through the White House Council on Native American Affairs, established by Executive Order on June 26, 2013, by President Obama and chaired by the Secretary of the Interior. The budget provides significant increases across a wide range of Federal programs that serve Tribes—education, social services, justice, health, infrastructure, climate resilience, and stewardship of land, water, and other natural resources—and supports improved access to Federal programs and resources, particularly focused on youth. The Department and the Bureau of Indian Affairs play an important role in carrying out the Federal trust responsibility and in serving Tribes. The budget capitalizes on the role of BIA as a broad ranging provider of Federal services by proposing to create a one-stop shop approach for facilitating tribal access to Federal funds and programs across the U.S. government. For insular communities, the 2016 budget provides additional resources to address climate resilience and empower insular communities by improving quality of life, creating economic opportunity, and promoting efficient and effective governance.

Creating Opportunities For Native Youth

The 2016 budget includes key investments to support the launch of Generation Indigenous, an initiative focused on addressing barriers to success for Native American youth. This initiative takes an integrative, comprehensive, and culturally-appropriate approach to help improve lives

and opportunities for Native American youth. Multiple Federal agencies, including the Departments of the Interior, Education, Housing and Urban Development, Health and Human Services, Agriculture, Labor, and Justice, are working collaboratively with Tribes to implement education reforms and address issues facing youth.

In today's global economy, a high quality education is no longer just a pathway to opportunity—it is a prerequisite to success. President Obama set out a vision for a 21st century education system, grounded in both high academic standards and tribal values and traditions. The Interior budget proposes a \$1.0 billion investment in Indian education to support a comprehensive transformation of the Bureau of Indian Education. This multi-year process will transform BIE into an organization that serves as a capacity builder and service provider to support Tribes in educating their youth and which delivers a world-class and culturally-appropriate education across Indian Country. The budget invests in improving educational opportunities and quality from the earliest years through college. The budget request supports this transformation with increased investments totaling \$94.0 million to improve opportunities and outcomes in the classroom; provide improved instructional services and teacher quality; promote enhanced language and cultural programs; enhance broadband and digital access; and provide funds to Tribes to incentivize creative solutions to school transformations. The budget also includes an increase of \$59.0 million to replace the Little Singer Community and Cove Day schools in Arizona and repair and rebuild other BIE schools. To foster public private-partnerships that will support improving student experiences at BIE funded schools, the 2016 budget proposes appropriations language enabling the Secretary to activate the National Foundation for American Indian Education. The proposed bill language will initiate a foundation focused on fundraising to create opportunities for Indian students in and out of the classroom.

Budget increases across other Federal agencies through the Generation Indigenous initiative will support educational outcomes and provide wraparound services to help address barriers and provide opportunities for youth, including behavioral and mental health, and substance abuse services. The Department of Education will expand support for Native Youth Community Projects from \$3.0 million to \$50.0 million in 2016 to support comprehensive community-driven strategies to improve college and career readiness of Native American youth. These new investments will build on current efforts to better coordinate and demonstrate results from across the Federal government to serve Native American youth.

The BIA also requests an additional \$3.0 million to support youth participation in natural resources programs that focus on the protection, enhancement, and conservation of natural resources through science, education, and cultural learning.

Tribal youth will benefit from the mentoring and positive role models provided by tribal personnel who work on-the-ground to manage and protect tribal trust resources. Programs aimed at tribal youth will pay future dividends by opening future job opportunities, instilling respect for resources, and developing an appreciation of the importance of natural resources to tribal cultures and livelihoods.

The request will support approximately 60 new tribal youth projects and training programs throughout Indian Country and supplement existing training programs within the forestry, water, and agriculture programs. In addition, the BIE budget includes a \$4.6 million increase for scholarships for post-secondary education, with a focus on recipients seeking degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Making advanced education opportunities available for tribal members is a high priority for Tribes, who see education as the path to economic development and a better quality of life for their communities through an educated and skilled tribal member workforce.

Supporting Indian Families And Protecting Indian Country

Supporting Indian families and ensuring public safety are top priorities for the President and tribal leaders. As part of the President's commitment to protect and promote the development of prosperous tribal communities, BIA will continue the Tiwahe initiative. The initiative promotes a comprehensive and integrated approach to supporting family stability and strengthening tribal communities by addressing inter-related issues associated with child welfare, domestic violence, substance abuse, poverty, and incarceration. Tiwahe means family in the Lakota language. The Tiwahe initiative directly supports the Generation Indigenous initiative, which is focused on addressing barriers to success for Native youth, by leveraging BIA programs in concert with other Federal programs that support family and community stability and cultural awareness.

Child abuse and neglect are serious and persistent problems among Indian populations in the United States. The impact of child maltreatment in many Indian communities has been devastating. It has disrupted extended family support networks and broken up families through placements outside the community. Children living in poverty are far more likely to be exposed to violence and psychological trauma, both at home and in the surrounding community. Many Indian communities face high rates of poverty, substance abuse, suicide, and violent crime. The U.S. Census Bureau recently reported that between the years 2007-2011, 23.9 percent of the American Indian and Alaska Native population lived in poverty—a figure that exceeded the national poverty rate of 14.3 percent.

Solutions lie in addressing the interrelated problems of poverty, violence, and substance abuse faced by many communities through a comprehensive, culturally-

appropriate approach to help improve the lives and opportunities of Indian families. This requires coordination of social service programs, taking steps to maintain family cohesiveness, preparing family wage earners for work opportunities, and providing rehabilitative alternatives to incarceration for family members with substance abuse issues.

The proposed increase of \$6.0 million for social services programs will support the Tiwahe initiative by providing culturally-appropriate services with the goal of empowering individuals and families through health promotion, family stability, and strengthening tribal communities as a whole. The budget also includes \$4.0 million for Law Enforcement Special Initiatives and \$5.0 million for tribal courts to implement a comprehensive strategy for providing alternatives to incarceration and increases in treatment opportunities across Indian Country.

The BIA will work with the Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services to provide comprehensive suicide prevention training to police officers and work with tribal courts to identify and make mental health services and support more widely available.

To promote public safety and community resilience in Indian communities, the 2016 law enforcement budget builds on recent successes in reducing violent crime and expands efforts to lower repeat incarceration in Indian Country, which is a Department priority goal. In 2016, a pilot program to lower rates of repeat incarceration will be expanded from three sites to five, with the goal of reducing recidivism by a total of three percent within these communities by September 30, 2017. To achieve this goal, BIA will implement comprehensive alternatives to incarceration strategies that seek to address underlying causes of repeat offenses—including substance abuse and social service needs—by utilizing alternative courts, increased treatment opportunities, probation programs, and interagency and intergovernmental partnerships with tribal, Federal, and State stakeholders.

The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act expands the jurisdiction of tribal law enforcement and justice systems to domestic violence altercations in Indian Country. The BIA Office of Justice Services is providing technical assistance to Tribes to change tribal legal codes to reflect provisions contained in the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act that provide stronger protections and safety for vulnerable populations. The BIA is also implementing training for direct service law enforcement program staff in the areas of law enforcement, social services, victim services, and courts and is making this training available to Tribes operating these programs under self-determination contracts and compacts.

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Tribal Nation-Building

Programs run by Tribes through contracts with the Federal government support tribal nation-building and self-determination. The 2016 President's budget request for contract support costs is \$277.0 million, an increase of \$26.0 million above the 2015 enacted level.

Priority Goal

Safer and More Resilient

Communities in Indian Country

Goal: Reduce repeat incarceration in Indian communities.

Metric: By September 30, 2015, reduce rates of repeat incarceration in three target tribal communities by three percent through a comprehensive "alternatives to incarceration" strategy that seeks to address underlying causes of repeat offenses, including substance abuse and social services needs through tribal and Federal partnerships.

The Department is proposing to extend this goal to five communities by the end of 2017. Based on the most recent analysis, the requested amount will fully fund estimated 2016 contract support costs. The budget also includes—for the first time—a new proposal to fully fund BIA and Indian Health Service contract support costs as mandatory funding, beginning in 2017. The BIA and IHS will continue to work together with Tribes and consult on policies to address long-term programmatic and funding goals to advance tribal self-determination.

Tribal leaders and communities need access to quality data and information as they make decisions concerning their communities, economic development, and land and resource management. The ability to access and analyze data to support such decisions is critical to understanding the benefits and impacts of policy and program decisions. The collection and analysis of data by the Federal government is also critical to ensuring that Federal agencies and programs are delivering effective services to Tribes to meet tribal needs and deliver on Federal responsibilities. The budget includes a total increase of \$12.0 million to help address long-standing concerns Tribes have expressed with the quality of data in Indian Country. This funding will enable Interior to work with Tribes to improve Federal data quality and availability, work with the U.S. Census Bureau to address data gaps for Indian Country, and create an Office of Indian Affairs Policy, Program Evaluation, and Data to support effective, data-driven, tribal policy making and program implementation.

To deliver on an all-of-government approach to delivering programs and funding to Indian Country, the BIA budget proposes an increase of \$4.0 million to establish a One-Stop Tribal Support Center to make it easier for Tribes to find and use the hundreds of services available to Tribes across the Federal government. The One-Stop Tribal Support Center will include an online portal and services to support Tribes in accessing Federal programs and resources at the regional and local levels. The

Center will make it easier for Tribes to find services and receive consistent information any time of day and reduce costs by eliminating duplication of outreach efforts and services by Federal government agencies. Initially, the Center will focus on programs that serve Native American youth, in support of the Generation Indigenous initiative and to pilot this new approach to serving needs in Indian Country.

The BIA budget includes \$4.5 million to establish an Indian Energy Service Center to facilitate energy development in Indian Country. It is imperative that tribal needs to permit energy development on reservation lands are met expeditiously. Income from energy is one of the larger sources of revenue generated from trust lands, with royalty income climbing to \$1.1 billion in 2014. Delays in energy development can result in delayed profits to Indian mineral rights owners. The Indian Energy Service Center will expedite the leasing, permitting, and reporting for conventional and renewable energy on Indian lands, and—importantly—provide resources to ensure development occurs safely, protects the environment, and manages risks appropriately by technical assistance to support assessment of the social and environmental impacts of energy development. The Center will be composed of staff from BIA, the Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Bureau of Land Management, and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians—all of which have responsibilities related to tribal energy development. Working with the Department of Energy's Tribal Energy Program, the Center will provide a full suite of energy development-related services to Tribes nationwide and meet the workload requirements of current demands for services. The Center will coordinate and enhance BIA's ability to process leases, BLM's responsibility for Applications for Permit to Drill approval and monitoring, and the ONRR responsibilities for royalty accounting, and will institute streamlined processes, standardized procedures, and best practices for all types of energy at various locations and bureaus.

Sustainable Stewardship Of Trust Resources

The BIA's trust programs assist Tribes in the management, development, and protection of Indian trust land and natural resources on 55 million surface acres and 57 million acres of subsurface mineral estates. These programs assist tribal landowners in optimizing the sustainable stewardship and use of resources, providing benefits such as revenue, jobs, and the protection of cultural, spiritual, and traditional resources.

Taking land into trust is one of the most important functions Interior undertakes on behalf of Tribes. Homelands are essential to the health, safety, social, cultural, and economic welfare of tribal governments.

The Administration set an ambitious goal of placing more than 500,000 acres of land into trust by the end of 2016. To that end, BIA processed more than 1,835 land-into-trust applications, accepting more than 281,755 acres in trust on behalf of Tribes since 2009. In 2014, Interior acquired 41,685 acres of land in trust on behalf of Tribes and individuals and

approved 290 fee-to-trust applications. The BIA intends to meet or exceed the 500,000 acre goal in 2016.

In December 2014, BIA announced a final rule that will allow the Department to accept land into trust for federally recognized Alaska Tribes. Previously, Interior regulations allowed tribal nations in the continental United States to seek to place lands into trust, but did not allow the same for federally recognized Alaska Tribes. Taking land into trust for a tribal nation makes the land eligible for certain Federal programs that can further tribal sovereignty and economic development related to agriculture, energy, infrastructure, and health and housing programs. The new rule confirms the Secretary's pre-existing statutory authority to consider applications to take land into trust in Alaska and also confirms this authority will now be exercised.

The BIA has taken several steps to support Indians in the stewardship and utilization of their lands. The budget includes a total increase of \$6.9 million for Trust Real Estate Services activities to bolster the stewardship of trust resources. The expanded capacity will address the probate backlog, land title and records processing, geospatial support needs, and database management. To foster utilization of tribal lands, BIA published a proposed new rule on June 17, 2014, to update BIA regulations—which were last revised more than 30 years ago—that govern rights-of-way across Indian land. The revised regulations will result in faster timelines for BIA approval and ensure seamless consistency with recently promulgated BIA leasing regulations. In addition, the proposed regulations will make the process more efficient and transparent, increase flexibility in compensation and valuations, and support landowner decisions on land use.

Land Buy-Back Program

In 2014, the Land Buy-Back Program continued to implement the land consolidation portion of the Individual Indian Money Account Litigation Settlement. In the Settlement, \$1.9 billion was set aside to consolidate fractionated ownership of land interests in Indian Country. Since December 2013, the Land Buy-Back Program has made more than \$750 million in purchase offers to nearly 46,000 owners of fractionated interests.

The program paid more than \$300 million to landowners and restored the equivalent of more than 500,000 acres of land to tribal governments. Currently, buy-back activities are scheduled to be implemented in 42 tribal communities—locations that represent 83 percent of all outstanding fractional interests—through the middle of 2017. The Land Buy-Back Program plans to increase the number of locations in the years ahead.

Under the terms of the Settlement, the Department of the Interior has until November 2022, to expend the funding to acquire, at fair market value, fractional interests in trust or restricted land from willing sellers. Fractionation has been identified as a key impediment to economic development and is a significant factor in the complexity and cost of managing Indian trust lands. Lands acquired through the program will remain in trust or restricted status and are immediately

consolidated for beneficial use by tribal communities, including energy development, farming, and cultural preservation. The program is focusing on the most fractionated locations and using a detailed mass appraisal method, where feasible, to achieve the most cost-effective acquisition of fractional interests.

Program sales are already making a significant difference for individuals, families, and tribal communities. For example, the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation recently announced the Tribe is embarking on a \$9.0 million housing program, aided by recent acquisition of land through the Land Buy-Back Program.

Supporting Climate Resilience in Indian Country

Tribes throughout the United States are already experiencing the impacts of a changing climate including drought, intensifying wildfires, changes in plants and animals important to subsistence and cultural practices, impacts to treaty and trust resources, and coastal erosion and sea level rise. In November 2014, the State, Local, and Tribal Leaders Task Force—established under Executive Order 13653, Preparing the United States for the Impacts of Climate Change—formally released recommendations to the White House. These recommendations called on the Federal government to partner with Tribes from across the U.S. in planning, preparing, and responding to the impacts of climate change.

Responding to these recommendations, which included input from hundreds of tribal leaders, the budget provides a total of \$50.4 million, a \$40.4 million increase over 2015, across nine BIA trust resource programs to support tribal communities in preparing for and responding to the impacts of climate change. Funds will provide support for Tribes to develop and access science, tools, training, and planning; and to implement actions that build resilience into resource management, infrastructure, and community development activities. Funding will also support Alaska Native Villages in the arctic and other critically vulnerable communities in evaluating options for the long-term resilience of their communities.

Tribal lands, particularly in the West and Alaska, are by their geography and location on the frontline of climate change, yet many of these communities face immense challenges in planning and responding to the far-reaching impacts of climate change on infrastructure, economic development, food security, natural and cultural resources, and local culture. Some communities are already experiencing increasingly devastating storms, droughts, floods, sea-level rise, and threats to subsistence resources. Strengthening access to information and resources, including technical and financial assistance to address the combined and cumulative effects, are among the highest priorities for supporting climate change adaptation and resilience.

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Examples of projects that may be funded include training, studies, scenario planning, natural resource and infrastructure projects, public awareness and outreach efforts, capacity building, and other projects. Criteria for tribal funding will be developed and prioritized in consultation with the Tribes and the interagency White House Council on Native American Affairs subgroup on environment and climate change.

Indian Water Rights

The 2016 budget request for Indian water settlements continues to demonstrate the Administration's strong commitment to resolve tribal water rights claims and ensure Tribes have access to use and manage water to meet domestic, economic, cultural, and ecological needs. Many of the projects supported in these agreements bring clean and potable water to tribal communities, while other projects repair crumbling irrigation and water delivery infrastructure on which tribal economies depend. These investments not only improve the health and well-being of tribal members and preserve existing economies but, over the long-term, also bring the potential for jobs and economic development.

The 2016 budget request for technical and legal support and for tribal water rights settlements totals \$244.4 million, an increase of \$73.0 million over 2015. This includes a total of \$40.8 million for Interior-wide technical and legal support and \$203.7 million for settlement implementation.

Of the request for settlement implementation, \$136.0 million is funded in the Bureau of Reclamation and \$67.7 million in BIA. In 2016, Interior will complete the funding requirements for the Taos Pueblo Indian Water Rights Settlement Act.

To strengthen the Department's capacity to meet its trust responsibilities and more effectively partner with Tribes on water issues, the 2016 budget includes a \$16.9 million increase across the budgets of BIA, Reclamation, BLM, the Fish and Wildlife Service, and U.S. Geological Survey. This funding will support a more robust, coordinated, Interior-wide approach to working with and supporting Tribes in resolving water rights claims and supporting sustainable stewardship of tribal water resources. Funds will strengthen the engagement, management, and analytical capabilities of the Secretary's Indian Water Rights Office; increase coordination and expertise among bureaus and offices that work on these issues; and increase support to Tribes.

Empowering Insular Communities And Improving Quality Of Life

Interior works with insular governments to improve quality of life in the Territories and Freely Associated States by providing technical assistance and pairing access to financial resources for capital improvements and public services with robust oversight.

The 2016 budget requests additional funding to increase the grant management staff needed to improve oversight of funding.

Over the past few years, island leaders have reaffirmed that climate change remains the single greatest threat to their livelihoods, economies, security, and well-being. A \$7.0 million increase is requested to address needs in the insular areas related to sea level rise by supporting development of infrastructure and community resilience initiatives.

The Office of Insular Affairs will work with insular governments to identify the most efficient and effective projects for collaboration with Interior bureaus, the Pacific Island Climate Change Cooperative, and other Federal and local partners.

Insular communities face unique economic development challenges due to their geographic isolation, finite resources, and dependence on imported oil for energy needs. To assist the islands in meeting these challenges, the OIA is working to strengthen the foundations for economic development by addressing energy needs through building sustainable energy strategies that are not reliant on oil. With sustainable energy plans completed for each of the Territories, the 2016 budget requests a total of \$4.4 million to test these strategies through sustainable energy pilot projects. Expected areas of emphasis include power transmission and consumer efficiency, geothermal test drilling, solar installations, test wind turbines, and grid integration studies.

The request includes an increase of \$3.9 million to improve health and safety conditions in insular school facilities. The Insular Assessment of Buildings and Classrooms initiative represents a partnership between OIA and the four U.S. Territories of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands to improve the physical condition of K-12 public schools. The OIA and the insular areas will establish a five-year timeframe to substantially remove the deferred maintenance backlog, establishing priority lists and strategies for addressing and correcting health and safety-related deferred maintenance issues as a first step. A critical step is resolving school site deficiencies—such as site drainage, pavement conditions, and fencing—with particular emphasis on those problems related to health and safety.



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- Make tobacco pouches and learn about their cultural significance.
- Learn about the consequences of substance abuse during pregnancy.

**Thursday,
April 2,
2015**

1-3 p.m.

**FCP
Recreation
Center**

Speakers:
 Jodie Harris, BSN,
 Maternal Child Health Nurse
 Jeff Keeble, AODA Director

 Contact the
 Community Health Department
 at 715-478-4355
 to R.S.V.P.

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 and AODA departments.

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NEW DVDs DOCUMENTARY

- Indian Relay
- Medicine Game
- Racing the Rez
- Urban Rez

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- Jimmy P.
- Warrior's Heart

COMEDY

- Tatanka Means:
Red Friday

NEW CDs POWPOW

- No. Cree & Wild Band of Comanches: Breaking Boundaries
- Smokeytown: 40th Anniversary
- Young Bear: Live
- Northern Cree: Ewipihcihk Round Dance Songs

TRADITIONAL

- Brian Stoner: Peyote Songs
- Songs of the Native American Church
- Grandfather Peyote: Creators Gift
- Louie Gonne: Spiraling, Ascending with Prayer

FLUTE

- Marina Raye: Return to Innocence
- Duncan & Yazzie: Singing Lights

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.

EDUCATION

Crandon Indian Education Committee - Monthly meetings held the first Wednesday of each month, 5 p.m. at HWC. 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 held every second Tuesday of each month, 6 p.m. at Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel.

EVENTS

Youth on the Move Youth Activity Program - Eight week program for Wabeno and Crandon beginning March 4 & 5. Includes snow shoeing, jump rope, kick ball and other activities. See flyer on pg. 8.

Cabbage Taste Test Day - Tuesday, March 17, 1 - 4 p.m., HWC main lobby. Sample coleslaw recipes, receive recipes and health info., enter to win prizes.

FCP Diabetes Program Luncheon - Wednesday, March 25, noon - 1:30 p.m., HWC. See flyer on pg. 8.

FCP Women's Beginner Kickboxing Class - Rec Center - Feb. 27 – March 5, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. For more info, contact Leah Littleton or Kristin Bath at (715) 478-4355.

FCP Women's Power Yoga Class – Rec Center - March 17 – April 23, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. For more info, contact Leah Littleton or Kristin Bath at (715) 478-4355.

Healthy Pregnancies Event - Thursday, April 22, 1 - 3 p.m., FCP Rec Center. See flyer on pg. 13.

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.

HEALTH

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.

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SERVICES OFFERED

These computers are equipped with the following software to assist in improving your job skills, completing or updating your résumé, 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 Résumé Deluxe - it's easy to develop a résumé 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 résumé.

- 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.



MARCH 1, 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Community Health

- March 3, Infant Nutrition (HWC): 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- March 5, Infant Nutrition/WIC (We-Care): 1 - 4 p.m.
- March 10, WIC (HWC): 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- March 31, CPR (HWC): 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

FCP Family Resource Center

- New men's group "Creating a Process of Change": Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 1 - 3 p.m.
 - Play Shoppe: Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 11 a.m. - noon
 - Women's Healing Circle: Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, beginning at 1:30 p.m.
 - Life Skills Group: Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 1 - 3 p.m.
 - Positive Indian Parenting: Thursdays, March 5, 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, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:30 - 5 p.m.
 - White Bison Group (ages 13-17): Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 3:30 - 6 p.m.
 - Team Building (ages 7-9): Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- 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.*



**Wabeno School District
2nd Quarter Honor Roll**

7th Grade: Skylar Anwash, Waleli Frank
8th Grade: Olivia Pemma, Jennifer Shopodock
Sophomore: Rae-Jean Frank, Michael Gilpin, Kelly Spaude
Junior: Presley Keeble, Tressa Lange, Monique Tuckwab, Kordell VanZile, Samantha Vogel
Senior: Danette Huettl, Holly Spaude

**Wabeno School District
2nd Quarter Attendance**

100 Percent
2nd Grade: Cheyanne Blasing
Junior: Samantha Vogel
95-99 Percent
Kindergarten: Brock Gouge
1st Grade: Rihanna DeHoyos, Arliss Marvin, Nolan Milham, Shania Shepard
2nd Grade: Nathaniel Gilpin, Alessia Mahony
3rd Grade: Jeremiah Alloway, Bailey Blasing, Cheyenne Huettl
4th Grade: Laney Peters
5th Grade: LaVara Gilpin
6th Grade: Khia Marvin, Elias Saddler
8th Grade: Kiana Marvin, Olivia Pemma

**Crandon School District
2nd Quarter Honor Roll**

6th Grade: Juanita Alloway, Isabella Daniels, Gzhgobneshikwe Daniels, Josephine Daniels, Cassidy Frank, Keanu Yazzie
7th Grade: Fred Shawano
8th Grade: Micasslyn Crawford, Maskwankot Daniels, Darlaina Boyd, Kaitlyn McGeshick, Sylindria Thunder
Freshman: Ryon Alloway, Isreal Alloway
Sophomore: Alyza Ford
Junior: Anike Sulaimon

**CONGRATS
TO ALL THE
STUDENTS!****Crandon School District
Attendance 2nd Quarter**

100 Percent
Kindergarten: Elyssa Bailey
3rd Grade: Liliana VanZile
4th Grade: Curtis Ritchie, Tehya VanZile
6th Grade: Gzhgobneshikwe Daniels, Petewonket Daniels, Clara Jacobson, Keanu Yazzie
8th Grade: Micasslyn Crawford, Maskwankot Daniels
Freshman: Bishbeneshikwe Daniels, Albert Jacobson
Sophomore: Autry Johnson, Victor Soman
Senior: Amberlyn Jacobson, Jenna Jacobson
95-99 Percent
Kindergarten: Wynter Montgomery, Mckenna Robinson
1st Grade: Stewie Daniels, Ebony Jackson, Jaivon McGeshick,

Gage Milham-Queen, Ariyanna Soman, Samuel Tomlin III, Zurielle VanZile

2nd Grade: Louis Olivas, Starz Tomlin, India Vancleve

3rd Grade: Ryanna Alloway, Jerome Daniels, Isaac Frank, Basilio Milham, Waylon Montgomery, Gracie Ritchie-Jackson, Geronimo Shepard

4th Grade: Austin Daniels, Abey VanZile

5th Grade: Zakk Soman

6th Grade: Frank Daniels, Isabella Daniels, Saidee Soman

7th Grade: Jennifer Daniels, Albe Thunder, Dawson VanZile

8th Grade: Redmenn LeMieux, Sylindria Thunder

Freshman: Isreal Alloway, Brevin Boyd, Hayley Seidler

Sophomore: Santos Alloway

Junior: Anike Sulaimon

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Happy Birthday, Mimi!

I love you!

Mariah A.K.A. "Fuzzy"

L **V**

Happy Birthday,

Mom!

We love you!

Janie, Shawn, and the kids

L **V**

Happy Birthday,

Grandma Babe!

We love you!

**Riah, Wabz,
and Wabmigwen**

L **V**

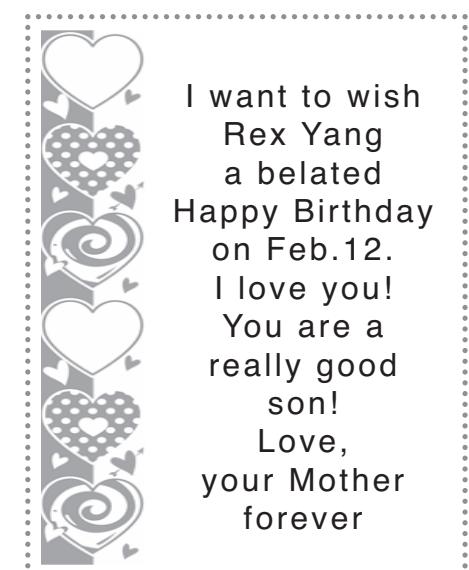
Happy Birthday,

Tanesha!

We love you!

**Auntie Janie, Uncle
Shawn, Riah, Shawn
and Alayna**

L **V**



I want to wish Rex Yang a belated Happy Birthday on Feb. 12. I love you! You are a really good son! Love, your Mother forever



Congratulations, Hunter Tuckwab (aka Potawatomi Anaconda), on your win at Florence. I'm proud of you! Love, Dad

FCP Tribal Members - We Need Your Input.
 Please Join Us for a FCP Tribal Member/Community Meeting



Informational Meeting about the

Campbellsport House & Our Own Healing Place

Tuesday, March 3, 2015
5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
FCP Museum Lower Level

Food Will Be Provided. Please Bring A Dish To Pass

Contact Shanna: 715.478.4820


**FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI
Keeper of the Fire**



