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2016 Meno Keno Ma Gē Wen



submitted by Holly Spaude

What draws one to a pow-wow? Is it to dance? To watch? Is it the vendors, the drum groups? Or is it the fry bread? The Meno Keno Ma Gē Wen's committee did an excellent job of meeting expectations in all of these attracting categories.

This year, the pow-wow was put together by a new group of people: Lateachia Pemma, Ruth Pemma, Jonathan Johnson, Ira Frank, and Pwagen Frank. All of these individuals were hand-picked by the pow-wow advisor, FCP Council Member Brooks Boyd. According to Boyd, Brian (Nodin) Thunder was also a big contributor in terms of helping get the pow-wow to where it was.

Other people who helped make the pow-wow successful were the arena director, Dylan Prescott, and the em-

PRSRT STD US POSTAGE PAID WAUPACA, WI cee, Artley Skenandore. The weekend's host drum was Northern Cree; Fire Nation was the co-host drum. The other invited drums included Smokey Town, Lake Delton, Tomahawk Circle, and Savage Nation. Candice Johnson and Tony Wahweotten were the head dancers.

The pow-wow was kicked off on Friday night with the annual princess competition. Altogether, five brave, beautiful young ladies participated in the interview and dance requirements. Lovey VanZile, Gloria Emma Skenandore, and Nimki Kwe Daniels competed for the Junior Princess title. Afterwards, Sarah Jacobson and Alexandria Decorah ran for the Senior Princess title. The three judges – Gabrielle Doud, Presley Keeble, and Gina Boychief – had a tough time deciding between these five deserving contestants but did a good job keeping their decisions a secret until the next day.

Anticipation continued to build throughout the day on Saturday. First grand entry began at 1 p.m. and was followed by a mixture of inter-tribals and specials. A total of 333 dancers graced the arena. Finally, shortly before exhibitions and dinner break, visiting royalty introduced themselves to the crowd and then the new princesses were announced. An equally surprised and delighted Lovey VanZile was crowned as the 2016 Junior Princess by the reigning Symone Pemma. Then, first-time competitor, Alexandria

Decorah, was crowned as the newest Senior Princess by Ceyenna Boychief. After all of the initial excitement, *PTT* was able to interview each winner in order to get to know a little bit more about each of them.

Lovey VanZile is the daughter of Heather and Josh VanZile, the granddaughter of Grandpa Rudy, Grandpa Al, Grandpa Rob, Grandpa Sonny, Grandpa Cha-Cha, Grandma Mann, Grandma Rosie, and Grandma Myra. VanZile is eight years old and is a third-grader at Laona this year. When asked how she felt about her win, VanZile responded with a big smile, "Surprised!" This is not VanZile's first time being royalty, so she knows what is expected of her. She plans to dance in many pow-wows this upcoming year, including one in Michigan and the Winter's End pow-wow. Aside from dancing jingle dress since she was five, VanZile shared other cultural activities she enjoys: language class and helping her mom and grandma make her dresses. Outside of the culture, VanZile enjoys running, basketball, baseball, and swimming.

Alexandria Decorah is the daughter of Rhiannon and Foster Decorah and the granddaughter of Paul and Rose Cloud and Bill and Cindy Evans. Decorah is 14 years old and is a freshman at Reedsburg High School. When asked about her win, Decorah explained that this was her first time competing. "My dad kept asking me

and then I finally decided that I wanted to try." She told *PTT* that she was very excited about her win. Although this was Decorah's first time competing for princess, she is definitely not new to the pow-wow scene. She shared that she attends pow-wows every weekend and even travels as far as New Mexico and Las Vegas to dance. When she is not dancing, Decorah keeps herself very busy with many different activities: student council, soccer, track, choir, violin, clarinet, and figure skating, all while maintaining a 3.9 GPA in school.

After the excitement of the first half of the pow-wow, a delicious dinner made by members of the Menominee tribe was served to all.

The rest of the weekend was filled with lots of dancing, drumming, singing, and visiting. A good time was had by all who attended, and *PTT* heard nothing but good reviews. All the hard work put into the Meno Keno Ma Gē Wen by many definitely paid off.

Boyd added, "A new pow-wow committee was formed this year comprised of tribal members, all of which have an extensive background and experience of the pow-wow circuit. Needless to say, they went to work. The pow-wow was run exceptionally well. My hat's off to the new committee as they did an excellent job at ensuring this year's pow-wow was a great success."

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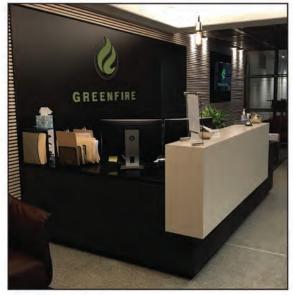


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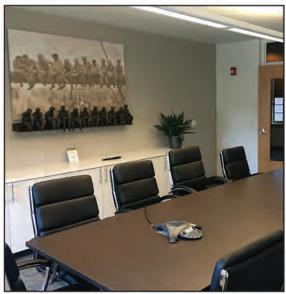


Greenfire Moves to New Office Space on Wgema Campus

As a result of Greenfire's success and continued growth, it has relocated to a larger office space to accommodate its needs. The newly renovated space is located on the second floor of the Bgemagen building at Wgema Campus. This space will better support their growing business and expanding team.







Main lobby area

Sitting area in hallway

Conference room







PHC Classic Hole Sponsorship

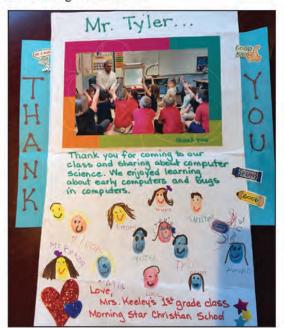


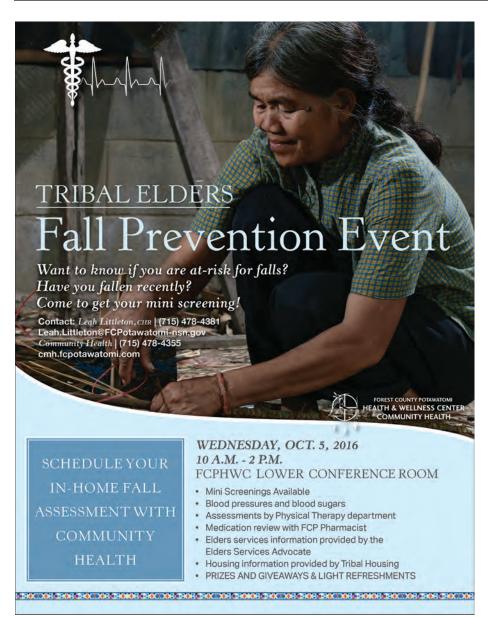
Potawatomi Business Development Corporation sponsored a hole at the second annual PHC Classic August 17 at the Brown Deer Golf Course.

Redhawk Visits First-Grade Class

Redhawk Senior Security Analyst, Tyler Hardison, recently visited first-grade students at Morning Star Christian School, a local private school in Bend, Ore.

Mrs. Keeley's first-grade class was learning about basic computer science, and Hardison taught them about bugs and software development as well as tips for staying safe while working on the Internet.









Deadline for the Oct. 1, 2016 issue is Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2016.



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Josh's Story

by Winda Collins

Jackie Pische and her husband Mike came face-to-face with the dark side of humanity when, in December 2013, their son Joshua Richards, died from a gunshot wound he suffered at the hand of another. Only parents who have lost a child can understand how deep grief can be, especially under such tragic circumstances. But being the strong people they are, and knowing the kind of man their son was and what he would have wanted, Josh's story is still unfolding.

The reason that the *Potawatomi Traveling Times* (*PTT*) is sharing this story with the community is, on the surface, pretty simple. A chance encounter with Jackie and a single question she asked set this process in motion. You see, both Jackie and her husband Mike are employed by the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP). Jackie, a 12-year employee, is director of the FCPC Tribal Child Support Agency; her husband, Mike, is a three-year employee who works for the Housing Department.

The question Jackie asked was, "Does the *Traveling Times* ever do stories on the different events the tribe

sponsors?" The answer is, of course, yes. Scores of stories have been done on racing partnerships over the years. There have been many photos of donations made by the community to area schools, fire and rescue departments, etc. What many might not realize is how much good the FCPC does behind the scenes – away from the limelight.

But, back to the story.

Although no one could have known it at the time, a pivotal point in Josh's life came when he chose to become an organ donor at the age of 16 when obtaining his driver's license. This act would very literally allow Josh's kind and giving spirit to live on long after his death.

Being an organ and tissue donor, Josh has helped seven through gifts of organs, aided two in regaining sight, and there have been over 239 tissue grants. One of those 239 was Jackie who was able to use Josh's tissue when she had back surgery. In a 2014 story by another publication, Jackie made the statement, "He'll always be with me, but this will be a different piece. He'll help me heal and make my back



Pictured are (inset and I-r): Joshua Richards, Jackie Pische, Joshua's mother; Matthew Dickman, grandson of Larry Hart who received Joshua's lungs; and Ben Adler who received Joshua's heart. photo courtesy UW Health Transplant Program and UW Organ and Tissue Donation 2016 Calendar

better, which is something he would have wanted."

Family and friends founded the Joshua J Richards Charitable Foundation (Josh's Foundation) to "... keep his good name alive by raising awareness for the organ, eye and tissue donations programs, and to raise funds to help children who may not have the resources available to participate in sports and extracurricular activities."

In those efforts, two annual events were created:

Hit 'er Whiff Golf Outing held in June at the Mid Vallee Golf Course in DePere, the last of which, the third annual, raised almost \$18,000 thanks to 27 volunteers and 96 golfers! Three of those four-person teams consisted of FCP community members and the event's major sponsor was the FCPC.

The other is the Stringer Poker Run scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 17. Almost 70 participated in last year's run raising \$3,400. The poker run begins and ends at Mountain Springs Motel in Mountain with stops at Spirits of Gillett, Eagles Nest in Suring, AA Bar in Breed, Everbreeze in Chute Pond,

The School House in Mountain and Mulligans in Mountain. All stops are accessible by ATV trails, and everyone is welcome to travel by car or motorcycle. For those not wishing to drive, there is a bus available. Free food and raffles await at Mountain Springs

To date, the Foundation has raised over \$55,000. Those who have benefitted from these funds include the University of Wisconsin Organ Donor Program, Gillett School District, Oconto River Kids, Menominee Tribal Hoops Program and other individuals in need.

Anyone interested in learning more about Josh's Foundation, its events, or perhaps about organ/tissue donations, please feel free to inquire at joshuarichardsfoundation@gmail.com.

As Josh's story continues to unfold and to bless others, there's only one thing left to share: the heartfelt gratitude of Jackie and Mike to the FCPC for being such a positive and supportive leader, not only in Forest County, but across the state of Wisconsin. Chi Migwetch!



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Message From FCP Veterans Post 1

We consider it an honor and a privilege to be of service to the Potawatomi community. Membership in FCP Veterans Post 1 is open to all veterans and spouses of Potawatomi tribal members. Meetings take place on the first Monday of each month at 5 p.m. at the old tribal hall located at 8000 Potawatomi Trail in Crandon. Please join us!

It was a Busy Summer at Rising Sun Daycare

submitted by Mary Fatla, Rising Sun Daycare

Rising Sun Daycare had a great summer with a great bunch of children. The older children were great helpers wherever they were needed and seemed to enjoy being able to help. The children had a chance to take advantage of going to the FCP Library on Mondays and participate in its summer reading program. The program was to encourage the children to read whenever and wherever they had a chance. There was a bingo card to fill out to enter in a weekly drawing. We also had Amy Marvin come to the daycare once a week to read to the children. THANK YOU AMY! We are always happy to have her read to the children - they are so attentive and such good listeners. She had several activities for them; they enjoyed a snack and each child was able to pick out a book to take home.

Thanks to Connie Stamper for being able to drive the bus as we were also able to take in several movies at Rouman Cinema in Rhinelander.

The children had a chance to see

how pasties were made and make their own personal pasty for lunch. (I think it was the best lunch ever!)

The children had hours and hours of fun playing in the water sprinklers, the pools, and actually creating a water slide with the playground equipment. Very creative children! Unfortunately, summer has to come to an end. I'm pretty sure most of them are ready to return to school and get back with their friends, and, of course, meet their new teachers. It was another great summer at Rising Sun Daycare!

The powwow event Rising Sun planned had to be canceled, but we are rescheduling it for the week of Nov. 20 - 26. The plan as of now is Nov. 22 until further notice.

















FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI TRIBAL COURT

IN THE MATTER OF CHANGE OF NAME OF:

NOTICE OF HEARING

GRIAG MICHAEL COOPER

Case No.: 16-NC-0118

DOB: 02/15/1973

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-captioned matter shall be heard in the Forest County Potawatomi Tribal Court on the matter of the application of Griag Michael Cooper for permission to change his name and legal designation to Craig Michael Cooper and for the consideration and determination of any further relevant matters. PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

WHEN:

2:30pm on September 7th, 2016

Tribal Courtroom WHERE:

2nd Floor, FCP Executive Building

5416 Everybody's Road, Crandon, Wisconsin

DATED THIS BOAY OF August, 2016

Associate Judge Jeryl L. Perenich FCP Tribal Court



Welcome to the World, Baby!

Jaycee Marie Tuckwab was born on July 23, 2016, weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 inches long. Proud parents are Val Niehaus and Jamie Tuckwab, Crandon, Wis. Grandparents are Tom and Becki Perry, Crandon, Wis.; Dan Niehaus, Marshfield, Wis.; and Debbie Tuckwab, Crandon, Wis. Great-grandparents are Steve and Bette Conway and the late George



and Alice Tuckwab. Jaycee has five older siblings: Mariya, Monique, Hunter, Allisia and Jayden Tuckwab.



Attention FCP Tribal Members and Community Members...

If you'd like some maple syrup, contact Billy Daniels Jr. at (715) 478-7374 or Brian Franz at (715) 478-4430 at the Language & Culture Department located at the lower level of the FCP Museum.

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