



Elder's Prom 2017



Just a few of the elders and guests who attended this year's prom.

by Val Niehaus

A night of fun and elegance was had on April 8, 2017, at Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel (PCCH) for the annual Elder's Prom night. This event was open to FCP elders and their guests to attend and is usually a great night to kick back, visit with friends, enjoy a meal and to be entertained by the band—Lovin' Country.

The conference room was decorated very nicely and with obvious class by the Caring Place staff. The dinner choice was either a steak dinner or shrimp alfredo

prepared and served by the PCCH kitchen. For dessert, Jennifer Sue's Cupcakery from Crandon, Wis., provided an abundance of many different-flavored cupcakes for the elders to top off their meal. There were plenty extra for them to take home for future enjoyment. This was a huge hit and a real treat for all who attended! Along with the excellent food, there were also many door prizes for the elders and guests to have a shot at winning with prizes that included everything from brand new luggage to Pendleton blankets/accessories and many gift cards.

Jason Townsend, elder program activities coordinator, did a great job of keeping people informed as to what to expect next, and he kept the punch lines rolling while on the microphone as he announced the winners of the prizes. Jenna Paradies, elder program activities assistant, also did a fantastic job of making sure all the raffles were going smoothly and making sure all elders had their needs met. A huge thank you goes out to the rest of the Caring Place staff who all worked together to help to make this night wonderful for all the guests.

Both Townsend and Paradies would like to thank all the elders who attended. Without them, of course, this would have never been such a successful night. It really was a great turnout for this year's Elder's Prom. They want to thank Judge White-Fish for the prayer before dinner, the PCCH staff for the meal and PTT for capturing the moments on camera.



(above) Dancing the night away! (below) Caring Place staff that helped make the night possible and go smoothly.



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Near West Side Partners Meet with Gov. Scott Walker

CEO's from each of the Near West Side Partner's anchor institutions met with Gov. Scott Walker in early April to discuss future plans and opportunities in Milwaukee's Near West Side.



Pictured above: Kelly Grebe, Chief Legal and Corporate Services Officer MillerCoors; Mike Lovell, President Marquette University; Gov. Scott Walker; Tom Devine, CEO Potawatomi Business Development Corporation; Matt Levatich, CEO Harley-Davidson; and Keith Stanley, Executive Director Near West Side Partners.

Wgetthta Renovation Honored at the 2017 Real Estate Awards



The Wgetthta Building Renovation at Wgema Campus was honored at the Milwaukee Business Journal's 2017 Real Estate Awards Luncheon. The event took place on Thursday, April 13, at the Pfister Hotel.



Pictured above: Stephanie Omdoll, PBDC Chief Administrative Officer, and Kip Ritchie, Greenfire Management Services President, accepting the Wgetthta building's award for best office renovation.

Wgema Campus Hosts Near West Side Partners Spring CEO Symposium

The Near West Side Partners Spring CEO Symposium was held on Wednesday, April 12, at the newly-renovated Wgetthta building at Wgema Campus. Roughly 120 representatives from the Near West Side Partners attended the event to discuss the recent initiatives and achievements made in the Near West Side Neighborhood. The CEOs of each anchor institute spoke about positive changes made within their respective companies, the impacts made in the neighborhood over the past seven years, and a look ahead to the upcoming seven years.

Pictured right: Tom Devine, Potawatomi Business Development Corporation CEO, on stage speaking about the many positive impacts the Forest County Potawatomi Community has made in the Near West Side neighborhood over the years and the continued redevelopment of the Wgema Campus over the next five years.



Betty Jean Poler

Betty Jean Poler, gwe ka bnok "clouds turning back", 70, of Crandon, Wis., passed away on April 9, 2017, at her home under the care of her family and Ministry Hospice. She was born on Oct. 9, 1946, in Hayward, Wis., to Jessie and Margaret (Thunder) Jacobson.

Betty was a graduate of Elcho High School. She married George Alloway Sr. The couple divorced; she then married Virgil Poler. He preceded her in death shortly after their marriage. Throughout her life, Betty worked as a cook for the elderly, cashier at the casino, and in the cranberry bogs.

Betty is survived by her children: Jean Jacobson of Madison, Wis., Angel Alloway of Crandon, Tim Alloway of Crandon, Bill (Cassandra) Alloway of Crandon, Cleveland (Candice) Holmes of Las Vegas, Nev., and Chad Holmes of Green Bay, Wis. She is further survived by many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and brothers and sisters. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, son George Jr., two grandsons, Lamar Jay Alloway and Shawnegishek Daniels, and granddaughter, Jennifer Lynn Jacobson.

Funeral services for Betty were held April 12, 2017, at the Lake Lucerne Gospel Chapel. Rev. Don Dewing officiated. Burial services were held at the Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery in Stone Lake. Weber-Hill Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com

Happy May Birthday to These Elders!

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| 5-1 Marilynn Alloway | 5-13 Theresa Johnson |
| 5-4 Betty Jo Keeble | 5-19 Nellie Kezick |
| 5-6 James Alloway | 5-19 Leland White Sr. |
| 5-7 Joseph Brown Sr. | 5-21 Donald Cornell |
| 5-9 Donna Weso | 5-22 Henry Ritchie II |
| 5-9 Julius Daniels Jr. | 5-25 Loretta Snow |
| 5-10 Elizabeth Daniels | 5-25 James Thunder Sr. |
| 5-11 Kenneth Alloway Sr. | 5-27 Valerie Nah Bah Kah |
| 5-11 Cynthia Tyler | 5-29 Gordon Waube |
| 5-12 Arlene Alloway | 5-31 Wallace Ritchie |

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Elder Menus

MAY 2017

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| <p>Monday, 5/1
Meatball Sub w/Cheese, Onions & Peppers, Red & Green Grapes, Cucumber Salad</p> <p>Tuesday, 5/2
Pork Loin & Gravy, Baked Potato, California Blend Veggies, Applesauce</p> <p>Wednesday, 5/3
Pasta Crab Salad, Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Crackers, Cottage Cheese, Peaches</p> <p>Thursday, 5/4
Chicken Breast Sandwich w/ Lettuce & Tomato, Broccoli/ Cauliflower Salad, Cranberry Sauce, Brownie</p> <p>Friday, 5/5
Bean Soup, Corn Bread, Tropical Fruit</p> <p>Monday, 5/8
Creamed Chicken over Biscuits, Peas & Carrots, Jello® w/Fruit, V8® Juice</p> <p>Tuesday, 5/9
BBQ on Bun, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Sliced Cucumbers, Cranberry Walnut Cookie</p> <p>Wednesday, 5/10
Hot Pork Sandwich, Country Blend Veggies, Apple, Nutri-Grain® Bar</p> <p>Thursday, 5/11
Boiled Dinner, Wheat Roll, Oranges, Blueberry Muffin</p> <p>Friday, 5/12
Fish Sandwich, Sweet Potato Fries, Coleslaw, Mixed Melons</p> <p>Monday, 5/15
Ham & Swiss on Rye, Baked Sun Chips®, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Tomato Slice, Pistachio Fluff, Grape Juice</p> <p>Tuesday, 5/16
Meat Loaf, Baked Potato, Asparagus, Pears, Yogurt</p> | <p>Wednesday, 5/17
Italian Pasta Salad, Breadsticks, Fruit Cocktail</p> <p>Thursday, 5/18
Baked Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Beets, Cottage Cheese, Roll, Orange</p> <p>Friday, 5/19
No Lunch – Closed for Holiday</p> <p>Monday, 5/22
Chef Salad w/Ham & Turkey, Assorted Crackers, Dinner Roll, Watermelon</p> <p>Tuesday, 5/23
Beef Tips over Noodles, Spinach, Bread & Butter, Orange Juice, Chocolate Chip Cookie</p> <p>Wednesday, 5/24
Chicken Wings, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Apricots</p> <p>Thursday, 5/25
Baked Fish, Potato Puffs, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Rye Bread, Pineapple</p> <p>Friday, 5/26
Cream of Asparagus Soup, Beef & Cheese Sandwich on Wheat, Strawberries</p> <p>Monday, 5/29
No Lunch – Closed for Holiday</p> <p>Tuesday, 5/30
Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Red Grapes</p> <p>Wednesday, 5/31
Ham Pasta Salad, Breadsticks, Carrots & Celery Sticks w/Dip, Cherry Yogurt, Cranberry Juice</p> <p>Thursday, 6/1
Baked Turkey, Stuffing, Gravy, Corn, Dinner Roll, Peach Pie</p> <p>Friday, 6/2
Chili, Fry Bread, Side Salad, Apple</p> <p>*Menus subject to change.</p> |
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FCP CARING PLACE

May 2017 Activities Calendar

EVENTS IN THE ACTIVITIES ROOM: Activity room is open daily for activities at the Caring Place. Exercise is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 a.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS (RSVP REQUIRED):

- 5/9: Casino Day
- 5/16: Shopping
- 5/19: Rouman Cinema
- 5/21: Bingo Carter Casino at 10 a.m.
- 5/30: Birthday Bingo at 12:30 p.m.

Foster Care Awareness

by Val Niehaus in collaboration with FCP Family Services

May is Foster Care Awareness Month. With that said, the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Indian Child Welfare (ICW) department is in great need of foster homes and family placements for children in need of care. When placement is necessary, it's always in the best interest to place FCP children in family/tribal member homes on or near the Potawatomi Reservation. This is when ICW workers seek the community's assistance.

Currently, ICW is seeking additional Potawatomi families to become tribally-licensed foster homes. In order to be a tribal placement, families must be able to pass a drug screen, pass a background check, and complete necessary application processes. This includes a home study/visit, paperwork, and, most importantly, a Potawatomi family's desire and compassion to take children in need of care into their home.

The ICW Department continues to show a steady increase in out-of-home placements. The steady increase is outgrowing the current available number of licensed homes in the community. Deanna Collins, ICW placement specialist, says, "It's important to understand that oftentimes children are placed out of home at no fault of their own. Sometimes families are dealing with some struggles, such as consistent drug use, mental health concerns, and lack of attention to important things like school attendance and health. Our job is to keep the children in our community, with their family and tribe. ICW wants to do everything in their power to keep FCP children with family, or if not with a family member,

at least a tribal member that can keep the child connected to the FCP culture."

The FCP ICW department envisions a future of happiness, health and stability for all FCP children. They use both traditional and innovative practices to provide for a safe, nurturing and culturally-connected childhood to FCP children. They provide legally-directed and culturally-appropriate protective services to FCP children. The department continues to appreciate the support they receive from the community for the purpose of keeping our future generations healthy, while assisting the current generations within becoming healthy. To do so, the department recommends keeping children as close to their reservation and family as possible.

"As a licensed foster home and/or family placement, you'll be making a difference. It's not always easy, as children placed out of home have often experienced some traumatic events. But as a foster home, you're able to see the positive changes that come from consistent love and compassion. Our licensed foster homes and family placements are so very much appreciated," states Family Service Division Director Abbey Lukowski.

Children placed out of home often need a family member willing to provide them long-term stability while their parents work to become healthy. If you're interested in making a commitment to our future generation by means of becoming a tribally-licensed foster home and/or family placement, please reach out to Deanna Collins, ICW placement specialist, at (715) 478-4957.



MAY IS
MENTAL HEALTH
- AWARENESS MONTH -

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID
CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
Evidenced-Based and Internationally Recognized

FCP Behavioral Health Department is offering FCP Tribal Members and their adult relatives a chance to learn about mental health problems and how to help.

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Come for one or all sessions, but must attend all four sessions to be certified in Mental Health First Aid

Space is limited – RSVP required for EACH SESSION you plan to attend: (715) 478-4332

Not appropriate for children; must be 18 years or older

Light snacks and beverages provided

TIME AND LOCATION:
12:30 - 3 p.m.
Health & Wellness Center
Upper Conference Room

2017 TUESDAY DATES AND SESSIONS:

May 2: General mental health overview; understanding depression and anxiety

May 9: How to help someone with depression or anxiety; suicide and self-injury

May 16: Understanding and helping someone with panic, trauma, or psychosis

May 23: Understanding and helping someone with substance abuse

Elders Presented with Syrup

(l-r) Cassie Cornell, Marie Polar, Jordan Keeble, Billy Daniels Jr., Brian Franz, Wally Ritchie, Al Petonquot

by Val Niehaus

On April 6, 2017, Billy Daniels Jr., in conjunction with the FCP Language & Culture department, presented this year's harvest of maple syrup to the elders at Caring Place. The syrup was also distributed on the meal route.

Honoring Health, Healing, and Tradition

Welcome
DR. ERIN TENNEY,
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Certified Nurse-Midwife
& Women's Health Nurse
Practitioner

Dr. Tenney is our new women's healthcare provider who cares for women throughout their lifespans, including during pregnancy and postpartum. Currently, she provides women's health services weekly on Wednesdays at the FCP Health & Wellness Center. In addition, she enjoys educating families and professionals as an Evidence Based Birth and DONA Birth Doula trainer.

Appointments can be made by calling (715) 478-4339.
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Rising Sun Daycare News

submitted by Mary Fatla, Rising Sun Daycare Director

Easter week was very busy. The children colored eggs and decorated bags in which to put their findings when it came time. Although each classroom colored eggs in a different way, in the end, each had the same results: a pretty egg to take home. On Wednesday, April 12, Rising Sun held its annual Easter egg hunt. Parents and families were invited to join their

children for the event. We were able to hold the event outside, which made it a little more fun to find the eggs the Easter bunny had hidden. The children gathered up their eggs and returned them to their teacher or their parent to see what the bunny had put in them. Refreshments were served to the wonderful turnout!



Olivia Shepard tries mellow yellow.



Danica Robinson gives green a go.



Carson McCorkle plays with pink dye.



(l-r) Jayla Frank, Miss Jeanie and Wylder Shepard try out the blue and purple dyes.



Who's behind those Foster Grants? Why, it's four funny bunnies!

FCP Land & Natural Resources Celebrates Earth Day

photos by Val Niehaus

On April 20, FCP Land & Natural Resources celebrated Earth Day by planting pots with wishkbemishkos (sweetgrass) and gizhkey (white cedar). These pots were then given to those who visited the LNR booth at the Stone Lake C-Store in Crandon. Information on the FCPC Farm was made available as well.



Jennifer Mabrier, FCP LNR Environmental Education Coordinator, busy potting plants.



Celeste Schuppler, FCP tribal member, accepts her potted plant.

FCPC Farm

To provide a sustainable source of vegetables, fruits, greens, fish and animal proteins.

Photo: Alan Levine CC 2.0

Provide food for the daycare, pre-school, elderly services, and community events. As we grow we will supplement the elders and tribal members.

Photo: FCP Land & Natural Resources

Initial plant growing will start in high tunnels. The farm will also raise some cows, pigs, chickens, turkeys, and egg laying hens.

Photo: Neil Barnwell CC 2.0

The farm will also have an aquaponic operation to raise fish and greens.

Photo: Alexander Serevich CC 2.0

General info on the new FCPC farm was made available.

FCP Youth Receives Honor Award

by Winda Collins and Michelle Boor, Wabeno High School Band Teacher

On April 3, 2017, the Wabeno Lions Club held its 42nd Annual Student Honors Banquet at Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel. Nominated by their teachers, this event celebrates those Wabeno High School students who exhibit excellence in one of 13 categories - from mathematics and science, to physical education and technology, to social studies and music, plus several more.

This year, one of the recipients was FCP tribal member Jennifer Shopodock for her outstanding performance in instrumental music. Surrounded by juniors and seniors, Shopodock was the only sophomore honored.

Band teacher Michelle Boor had this to say in her speech at the event:

"I am honored to nominate Jennifer Shopodock as this year's recipient of the Lions outstanding band student.

"Jennifer sets an example daily for what leadership and positive behavior looks like in the classroom. Jennifer has stepped up to expand her role in the band by learning new instruments and volunteering for a production that will require numerous hours of practicing and rehearsing. It's a rare find to have a student that encourages others to share and contribute, despite being nervous

or unsure of themselves. Perhaps that's because Jennifer herself was that student.

"In the last couple of years, I have witnessed the transformation of a very shy, reserved young lady into a student that isn't afraid to put herself out there and volunteer when needed or search out opportunities that will help her grow and improve. Jennifer has grown into a person that possesses the inner motivation to be something more. Her determination and will to play her best set her aside from others. It's not uncommon for Jennifer to practice every day without prodding or encouragement from me. She knows when she needs to spend extra time on a part and she gets it done.

"Jennifer has a touch of saltiness that gives her an edge. It makes her peers say, "Here comes Jen, skirrrrrrrt."

"Jennifer, the courage and success you have found comes from deep within. Now that you have found it, no one can ever take it from you. Continue to broaden your experiences and don't be afraid to let others hear you roar."

Proud parents Phil and Brenda Shopodock have every reason to feel that pride! *PTT* congratulates Jennifer on her success thus far, and encourages her to continue reaching for the stars.

(right l-r) Wabeno High School band teacher Michelle Boor poses for a photo with FCP tribal member and honoree Jennifer Shopodock.



(below) Jennifer (front row far right) poses with the rest of the honorees and Lions Club President Gregg Tallier.



Tribal Member Breaks Point Records on the Court

by Val Niehaus

FCP tribal member Bethany Baldwin had another great basketball season playing for Watersmeet High School. She is just a junior this year, and has already surpassed the 1,000-point milestone that most players can only dream about attaining in their high school career!

Baldwin is the daughter of David Baldwin and Joette Pete-Baldwin and the granddaughter of Patrick Pete and Hazel George. *PTT* previously did a story about Baldwin in the March 1, 2016, issue of the newspaper, and it contains more information about this talented young lady and her successes.

Baldwin spoke to *PTT* via email quoting, "I averaged 30.7 points per game and reached the 1,000-point mark in the fifth game of my season."

She also told *PTT*, "I hold the record for most points in a game. I have 1,425 points so far and I still have one year left!"

If that was not shocking enough for a junior in high school to do, Baldwin also set a new personal career record high with 52 points in one game and 56 points in the district tournament game.

She is Watersmeet High School's highest scoring athlete and that is a great achievement in itself! She finished with 583 points this year, which beat the previous record set by another student at 440 points.

PTT congratulates Baldwin on this year's triumphs and we look forward to hearing what she does during her senior year - maybe 2,000 points?



This photo captures Bethany Baldwin's 1,000th point. submitted photo



Annual Awards Banquet Held

submitted by Sarah Thomaschfsky, FCP Education Department

The 12th Annual Teen Character Awards Banquet was held on Monday, April 10, 2017. The Teen Character Awards recognize teens in the tri-county area who display honesty, caring, respect, and responsibility while making a difference in someone's life. This year, 30 students were recipients of the award. Students are nominated by a family member, school faculty, coach, or someone who has seen the nominee acting in a way that represents the Y's four core values.

This year, Micasslyn Crawford, FCP tribal member and Crandon High School student, received the award for her character. Crawford leads by example and shows responsibility in school and out. She was recruited to serve on an FCP leadership group that will work with tribal students to make their school and community a better place. Crawford also worked very hard to get a spot on the basketball team for the North American Indigenous games and will represent Wisconsin and her community this summer in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

The guest speaker for this year's banquet was retired Capt. Jason Church, U.S. Army, who spoke about the "Power of a Positive Attitude". He was the recipient of the Purple Heart for his service in Afghanistan. On Aug. 23, 2012, Jason and nine members of his platoon were involved in an IED explosion. The blast resulted in the amputation of both of Church's legs below the knee. He endured 21 surgeries before receiving prosthetics. He was promoted to Captain and medically-retired from the Army on July 31, 2014.

He gave three key points he hoped the students would take from his presentation: The first was to never give up, the second was to be a good teammate and to know your role, and finally, to take total responsibility for your attitude and find what makes you happy and pursue it until you accomplish it.

The awards banquet is always such a fun and exciting night because you get to see and hear all of the wonderful things young adults in the Northwoods are



Jason Church and Micasslyn Crawford

doing that do not make the news or get talked about like they should. All of the recipients are great kids that have very

bright futures ahead of them. Keep up the great work!

Tuplu Kain
Tuplu Kain

Inspiration tastes like color

I fight with my left hand cradling tobacco

I love in seclusion gazing into each direction

Inspiration tastes like color

Sherbert tones in the the smoke of ceremony

Microphone thuds words like a drum

Song of Songs I belong to land, people, history, great mystery

I breath in inspiration it tastes like colors unseen

*poem and artwork
by Veronica Ergeson*

Column Three

submitted by Veronica Ergeson "Noden Kwe"

April has been full of inspiration for and opportunities to native pride in the Milwaukee area. Winona LaDuke spoke at Marquette University on April 6. It was my first time seeing Auntie LaDuke, a dream come true, and the take-away was that the justice is green, and the revolution is a seed. Literally and figura-

tively. Honor the Earth is in the business of reclaiming as much indigenous seed as possible (in the figurative sense - we sow the seed of revolution in this time, for those to come in generations ahead).

The following week I had the pleasure of listening to renown water walker and elder Grama Josephine Mandamin. She

led April's Grandmother Moon ceremony, which was my first. It was all so life-giving and rich, but the most exciting take-away from her was simple: "Get together to do the traditions. You don't need a big group; just you and one or two other people is enough".

That same week, UWM had "Dancers

in the Concourse". I missed this event but did check out Gyasi Ross's Breakdances With Wolves podcast which has been off the chizain. This week I'm taking my friend from NYC to check out Native Artist Gregg Deal's exhibition, Existence as Resistance.

REAL RECOGNIZE REAL

Every tribal member's story is valuable. Our differences make us unique and shape the ways that we can be leaders in the community. As an out-of-state tribal member for most of my life, I was super jealous of the resources that existed on reservation: the history, the language, the traditions. I can't deny that living in various places and growing up outside of the culture has nurtured a different type of struggle and creativity within me. I might not know the struggles that come with being a born and bred Northern Woods baby, but I sure know what displacement from the land and home you love feels like. The more I get to know people from the community, the clearer it becomes that our differences are just details. Like embellishments on regalia, details describe us, but they don't define why we dance. We dance because of what is running through our blood. Because I believe in what I am saying, I'm writing tribal member profiles. As I continue to meet more tribal members in my neck of the woods and beyond, more profiles will be published.

Veronica Ergeson "Noden Kwe"

FCPEEP: Skye Alloway

PARENTS: Linda & John Charles

RESIDENT OF: Milwaukee

OFFSPRING: Aiden, Tegan, Luka, Liam

GOAL: Be a resource for family, tribal members and employees

I've been running into Skye for over a year now. At the ribbon-cutting event for the Wgetthta Building, she was sitting so elegantly in her business attire. Her strong facial features and long locks sort of glowed. Some people can step into business environments with a natural duality. Kinda classy, and kinda Rez, Skye isn't hanging around the enterprise to boost her own ego with a fancy title. She is mama-bear-protective of tribal members, and it became clear to me early on in meeting her that her root desire is to see continued healing in our community (be it from intergenerational trauma or the drug epidemic). So last Saturday, Skye and I met in Milwaukee's hipster neighborhood, Bay View, for some coffee and good conversation. This was the same Skye, but in her at-home skin: her niece Quinn was hanging on her hip and baby handprints made from cookie crumble were all over her shirt.

We sat at the largest wooden table next to the open and airy patio and

began the chat-athon. I was shocked to learn that Skye and her sister had a very off-grid upbringing. "I grew up deeply rooted in living off the land: baking cakes over an open fire, foraging, making my own clothes. We had sort of a nomadic Northern Woods existence, but we also lived in a variety of unique off-grid dwellings (hippie commune, mining cabin, plastic house). We stayed in Oregon for a year and a half, and in my adult life I even lived in the suburbs of Texas, so I have a lot of different experiences that have shaped me up to this point."

Skye's mother dedicated much of her and her sister Keziah's upbringing to the tribe's culture. "She instilled a sense of purpose into us from a very young age. I knew early on that it was going to be my turn to make a contribution to the tribe someday." This blew my mind! In the past two years, I've met handfuls of tribal members who grew up disconnected from the culture. Despite a feeling of purpose and a desire to give back to the tribe,



Skye Alloway and her niece, Quinn (photo used with permission)

they had a common uncertainty about where to start (that I could very much relate to at the time). I feel compelled to give major kudos to Skye's mama for doing what she did!

Skye was still living in the Texan suburbs when she described feeling pulled to the PHC (Potawatomi Hotel Casino) location. "In June of 2016, I was at the Career Exploration Event when I learned that the American Indian population working at PHC was a mere six percent and the FCP member population was one percent or a mere three people (out of 3,500). So I researched, soul-searched and eventually made the choice to move to Milwaukee with my four children." Skye started the PHC internship immediately and went on to complete the standard 11-week on-the-floor experience. Skye's inquisitive nature compelled her to ask for an additional 11 weeks with the departments in the back of the house, which she completed this April. She has since been using her 22-week experience to build leadership opportunities for other tribal members who want to get involved.

"At earlier points in my life I hesitated to get involved because I thought my past might derail potential opportunities, but

my uncle encouraged me to be bold. He told me that our pasts make us relatable and better connect us to people that will look up to us one day. It was ingrained in me that I have a purpose and that I need to contribute, but the 22-week experience showed me how I want to contribute. It's the people that I care about. I learned so much from the employees that have been with the tribe since the beginning. If it wasn't for their work and dedication, we wouldn't have what we have and they really love the tribe."

In the finale of what turned out to be an amazing conversation on a gorgeous spring day, I asked Skye what her vision is and where she sees herself in 10 years: "I want to be an excellent resource for my family, tribal members and even employees. I want to be the person that people can come to and ask questions. I don't want to be a leader; I want to be someone that builds others up to lead."

So there you have it. A little bit about Skye Alloway. My overall take-away from our conversation for anyone reading: embrace the experiences that are unique to you. They might not feel "good enough" if you compare them to someone else, but they are valuable.



What's Going on in Carter?

submitted by Frank Shepard, PCCH General Manager

Summer Cash Bash, May 26, 27, 28 - Start earning entries on Monday, April 17. Carter Club members can earn 250 same-day base points for 10 entries or redeem 250 points for 10 entries. During the three-day promotion, \$40,000 cash will be given away using the punchboard. All three days the drawings will take place from 6 - 10 p.m. Entries will stay in the bin until the promotion is over. There will be 17 winners on Friday, 17 winners on Saturday, and 16 winners on Sunday.

- Bingo players will receive 10 bonus entries for every early bird package purchased between April 17 and May 25.

- Table games players will earn 10 bonus entries for every hour of consecutive play at the tables from April 17 to May 25.

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

- Tier multipliers will be offered April 19 and 26, and May 2, 9, 14, and 16.

- Cash prizes are in the following amounts: (8) \$300; (11) \$500; (9) \$700; (8) \$750; (3) \$1,000; (2) \$1,250; (2) \$1,500; (2) \$2,000.

- The five prizes that will be on the double prize cards will be: (1) \$500 = \$1,000; (2) \$700 = \$1,400; (1) \$750 = \$1,500; and (1) \$1,000 = \$2,000.

- Entries will no longer be issued after 9:30 p.m. for these drawings.

- All entries must be in the bin 25 minutes prior to posted ending time of the promotion on Sunday, May 28.

- Random drawings: Entries will be issued until 30 minutes prior to posted end time of promotion. All entries must be in the bin 30 minutes prior to posted end time of promotion. All entries must be in the bin 25 minutes before the final drawing.

Sweet Grand, Tuesday, May 23 - Car-

ter Club members will have the chance to win a \$1,000 cash prize and enjoy fresh-baked cookies at select times throughout the day. Receive 10 entries for every 100 points earned or for every 200 points redeemed from your comp rewards balance. Free entry by written request.

There will be two bins labeled with drawing times from which guests may choose. After the 3 p.m. drawing, one bin will be removed from the floor. There will be a total of four winners for this promotion: at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 6 p.m. and again at 8 p.m., with each winning \$1,000! Limit one win per person per day. Fresh-baked cookies will be served on the floor at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

May Daze Drawings, Wednesdays In May - Each Wednesday in May, Carter Club members can be selected as one of 10 winners of a \$250 cash prize. Receive 10 entries for every 200 points earned or redeemed; one free entry.

Flashback Friday - Lucky Partner, Friday, May 19. Join us as we take a step back in time to revisit an old promotion from October 2008 with a chance to win up to \$1,000 in cash prizes for you and your 'Lucky Partner'. Stop in at Carter Club Booth for details.

Derby Hat Contest, Saturday, May 6 - Guests must register at the Carter Club booth between 3 and 8 p.m. Carter Club booth will have all details for this contest.

Sweet Surprise Saturday, April 29 - Carter Club members are able to visit the booth to receive a free gift starting at 7 a.m. until 10 p.m. or until supplies are gone.

Race Day Giveaway, April 1 through Aug. 5, 2017. We will give eligible guests the opportunity to win one of two sets of two tickets to the Sept. 17, 2017, race in Joliet, Ill.

BINGO!

Come in, check us out, and be prepared to have some fun with bigger, better package deals along with higher payouts! Intermission wheel spin is back!

Regular Program: All packs \$5. Regular games pay \$125; specials pay \$150; progressives pay \$125; last game pays \$250 or \$500 in 52#s or less.

\$500 Cash Drawing, Wednesday, May 31 - Must be present and playing bingo to win. Earn entries for each admission pack purchased throughout the month. Limit one entry per person per day.

Paper 'Only' Session, Thursday, May 11 - \$10 packs; regular games pay \$75, progressive pays \$100; specials pay \$125; last game pays \$500! *No coupons will be accepted for this session.*

Fridays in May:
\$500 Fridays, May 5 and 19 - \$35 packs; five regular games pay \$250; 10 games pay \$500; specials pay \$150. Guests receive \$25 in Potawatomi Play with the purchase of admission pack. Limit one Potawatomi Play per session. Purchase Package 3 or 4, get Package 1 for \$50!

Black Light Bingo, Friday, May 26 - 70s Theme! Admissions opens at 9:30 p.m.; games start at 10:30 p.m. DJ from 10 p.m. - midnight; free beer. \$12 packs and machine specials. Games pay \$100;

one game paying a prize; last game pays \$1,000 - consolation \$250. Costume contest prizes: 1st Place - \$100 cash; 2nd Place - \$75 Potawatomi Play; 3rd Place: \$50 Potawatomi Play.

Saturdays in May:
Electronic 'Only' Session, Saturday, May 13 - \$60 package buy-in; limit three. Buy-in includes all of the games played (45 cards each): 29 regular games pay \$125; last game pays \$500. No Early Birds or Progressives (excluding Hot Balls) will be played. Faster-paced calling for more excitement! *No coupons will be accepted for this session.*

Bingo Bash, Saturday, May 27 - \$20/10 packs; regular games pay \$175; one special pays \$300; three specials pay \$400; the last game pays \$600! Free beer and food with admission pack purchase.

Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14 - Complimentary dauber for all bingo guests. Three lucky winners will receive \$25 gas, \$25 cash and \$25 in bingo play.

May Birthdays:
Come and play bingo with a birthday in May and receive a free pack along with a complimentary dauber of your choice (only valid at regular session).

New Machine Specials:
\$10 machine minimum - New packages available. More bingo for your dollar!

PERSONALS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Holly Spaude on May 6 & Marcus Daniels on May 28
Love, Mom, Dad, Kelly, 🐾 Jenna and Armani 🐾

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NOTICES

CULTURE

Language Classes

Offered every Tuesday & Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., for FCPC and members at the 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.

HEALTH

Wellbriety -

12-step meeting, Mondays at 6:30 p.m., FCP Museum lower level. Walking in a good way...a sober way. ALL ARE WELCOME! If you have any questions, call FCP AODA at (715) 478-4370 or Isaiah Phillips at (715) 889-4945.

7 Directions Men's Group -

Open to all Mondays, 1 p.m., at HWC AODA upper level. Tired of hurting the ones you love? Learn how to respect yourself. Join our group which include topics related to everyday life. Call (715) 478-4370 with questions.

Principles of Recovery -

A guide to living well on the road to recovery. Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to noon. at HWC AODA. Call (715) 478-4370 with questions.

NA Meetings "The Good Life" -

Tuesdays, AODA Building, 5519 Wejmogek Court, 7 p.m. For info or questions, contact Ira F. at (715) 889-0527.

Kwe Kenomagewen -

Women's support, Wednesdays, 2 p.m. HWC AODA. Call (715) 478-4370 with questions.

Hour of Power -

Big Book, NA Book or Wellbriety Book, Thursdays, 2 - 3 p.m. HWC AODA. Call (715) 478-4370 with questions.

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

PROGRAMS

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 Cleerman, R.N., at (715) 478-4889.

SPARKS Weight Mgmt. 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.

PROGRAMS

Diabetes Education Program -

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.

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. This program can assist in:

- A direct connection between DMV to obtain, reinstate and/or find out what is needed in driver's license reinstatement.
- Résumé development and résumé critiquing.
- Mock interviews.
- Work experience within tribal entities.
- Job-seeking skills and employment guidance/mentoring.

Resource Room — we now have two locations within the Family Resource Center (Old Tribal Hall). The room has four computers that are open to the community, and there are two computers located at the Family Service Building in the upper level.

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.

May 2017 Calendar of Events

Community Health

- 5/2 - Infant Nutrition: (HWC) 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- 5/4 - Infant Nutrition/WIC: (Carter We Care) 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- 5/9 - WIC: (HWC) 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- 5/19 - Free Hep C Testing (HWC) Time to be determined
- 5/24 - The Healing Journey Event: (Museum) 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Family Resource Center

- Healthy Relationships: Mondays (1, 8, 15, 22), 10 a.m. - noon.
- Play Shoppe: Tuesdays (2, 9, 16, 23, 30)
- FRC Girls 10-17: Wednesdays (3, 10, 17, 24, 31), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- Community Women's Talking Circle: Thursday, (25), 1 p.m.
- PIP: Thursdays (4, 11, 25), 10 a.m. - noon.
- Life Skills Class: Wednesdays (3, 10, 17, 24, 31)
- Open registration for Nurturing Fathers parenting class: 13-week curriculum; two-hour, one-on-one sessions.
- Child care is available for all classes except Play Shoppe, which is a parent/child interaction activity. Please RSVP if child care is needed. Call (715) 478-4837 with questions about any programs.

CHOICES Program

- Youth 10 - 12: Mondays (1, 8, 15, 22), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
 - Youth 13 - 17: Tuesdays (2, 9, 16, 23, 30), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
 - Youth 7 - 9: Wednesdays (3, 10, 17, 24, 31), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- Youth picked up from Crandon school at 3 p.m., delivered home between 5 and 6 p.m. Call (715) 478-4839 for more info.

Recreation Department

- After-School Program: We Care, Mondays (1, 8, 15, 22), 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- Open Gym: Wabeno Elementary, Wednesdays (3, 10, 17, 24), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- After-School Program: Rec Center, Wednesdays (3, 10, 17, 24), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
- Open Gym: Rec Center, Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- Carter We Care: Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- Crandon school off Friday, 5/26, movies at noon.

Stone Lake Rec & Carter We Care closed Thursday, 5/18 & Monday, 5/29



Attention TRIBAL DOG OWNERS

FREE Rabies Clinic

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Back-up date is June 21, 2017

Carter
We Care Building
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Stone Lake
Land & Natural Resources Building
2 - 4 p.m.

Rabies vaccine for dogs 4 months and older and "5-way" shot will be given to dogs 8 weeks and older.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR DOG RESTRAINED ON A LEASH, OR REMAIN IN YOUR CAR AND YOU WILL BE HELPED.

Call Becky Meinert @ (715) 478-4366 with questions or Community Health @ (715) 478-4355.



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Powwow Trail May 2017

May 5-7
12th Lumbee Dance of the Spring Moon*
Cultural Center
Lumberton, N.C.
(910) 521-7861 or 522-2190
mlocklear@lumbeetribe.com
www.lumbeetribe.com

May 13-14
Dartmouth College*
The Green
Hanover, N.H.
(603) 646-2110
www.dartmouth.edu/~nap/powwow/

May 5-6
11th AIHREA*
Johnson Co. Community College
Overland Park, Kan.
(913) 945-7821 or 945-7822
jhale@kumc.edu or
clewis4@kumc.edu
www.aihrea.org

May 19-21
8th Susanville*
Lassen County Fairgrounds
Susanville, Calif.
(530) 249-7192
www.sir-powwow.com

May 6
6th Powwow for Hope
Bass Camp Facility
Minneapolis, Minn.
(612) 314-4848

May 20
32nd In Honor of Our Children*
Kelso High School
Kelso, Wash.
(360) 501-1655 or 425-0806

powwow@aicaf.org
www.powwowforhope.org

May 20
Graduation Honor Dance*
Tahlequah Community Building
Tahlequah, Okla.
(918) 207-9916

May 6
P.A.A.W. 4 Healing*
CEFCU Stadium
San Jose, Calif.
(408) 396-0992
Jennifers408@yahoo.com
facebook.com/PAAW4healing

May 20
Miss & Jr. Miss Indian Oklahoma Honor*
Choctaw Resort & Casino
Durant, Okla.
dlhill052010@yahoo.com or
jnyankton@yahoo.com

May 6
Restoring Harmony*
Westside YMCA
Tulsa, Okla.
(918) 382-2217 or 382-1231
www.ihcrc.org

May 26-27
Southern Ute Bear Dance*
Sky Ute Fairgrounds
Ignacio, Colo.
(970) 563-0100 ext. 2301 or
799-3149
www.southernute-nsn.gov

May 7
Water is Life*
Socrates Sculpture Park
Long Island, N.Y.
(718) 686-9297
native@redhawkcouncil.org
https://redhawkcouncil.org/

May 27-28
Oroville's Jim Preston Memorial*
Berry Creek Rancheria
Oroville, Calif.
(916) 832-8916
orovillepowwow@gmail.com
www.orovillepowwow.com/
2017-pow-wow-info~.html

May 12-14
46th Stanford*
Eucalyptus Grove
Palo Alto, Calif.
(650) 723-4078
powwow-cochairs@
lists.stanford.edu
http://powwow.stanford.edu

May 29
22nd Memorial Day Powwow
Mille Lacs Indian Museum
Onamia, Minn.
(320) 532-3632
bradley.sam@mnhs.org
www.mnhs.org/millelacs

May 13-14
28th Cherokee Co. Indian Fest*
Boling Park
Canton, Georgia
(770) 735-6275
rollingthunder34@ymail.com
www.rthunder.com

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Tamarr Vollmar: 715.473.6766 or tamarr.vollmar@cartercasino.com

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Important Reminders from FCP Housing

FCP HOUSING LAWN CARE NOTICE

Effective summer of 2017, the Housing Department will be providing lawn cutting services to Tribal Elders and handicap tribal members only.

This notice is to inform the FCP community that all other tribal members will be responsible for the care and upkeep of their own individual lawns.

As a reminder, please make the necessary arrangements needed for the mowing season which typically begins in the month of May each year.

Working together, we can keep our communities looking clean and green!

As a courtesy, the Housing Department will provide contact numbers of who will provide lawn service at cost.

For further information, contact Housing at (715) 478-7403.



DUMPSTERS



WATCH FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD DUMPSTERS. PLEASE GATHER YOUR UNWANTED ITEMS AND THROW THEM OUT.

SOLID WASTE (715) 478-7300

Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- If you have smoke/carbon monoxide detectors, please change the batteries at this time and test your detector by pushing the test button on the alarm.

- For those that do not have smoke/carbon monoxide detectors in their homes, you should have one on each floor of the house, one on the wall or ceiling next to your bedrooms, and in the kitchen area.

Please do not overlook smoke/carbon monoxide detectors...they can save your life!

Reminder: Please check your furnace filters and change them out every six months for best air quality and efficiency of the furnace.



Fire Extinguishers

Each home should have a fire extinguisher on each floor, and everyone should know how to use one. Use PASS as a quick reminder: PULL, AIM, SQUEEZE, SWEEP.



Housing Department Helpful Hints

- Please make sure your sump pumps are plugged in and working.
- Watch for water entering into your basement throughout spring and summer.
- Keep rain gutters clear of debris and the gutters extending away from your house as pictured below.

HELP: Keep the neighborhood and your yard looking clean by picking up any garbage that is laying around now and the rest of the summer season.



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