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Woodland Sky Native American Dance Company with drum Crazy Boy and FCP Young Warriors drum group.

by Val Niehaus

A Healthy Living Powwow was held on Nov. 30, 2017, at both the Laona and Crandon School Districts to educate and inspire youth in a healthy living lifestyle. Both of these events really were an informative tool for those who are not familiar with Native American powwows: the reasons behind them, and the reasons behind some of the dances.

The first part was the traditional powwow itself. There was a grand entry with the veterans bringing in the colors and staff along with head dancers, Brevin Boyd and Waleli Frank. Next was royalty and then the dancers. Drum group for this was the Young Warriors, and they did an amazing job as always. It was a great thing to witness these young men stepping up to the plate and learning their drumming and singing skills.

There was great participation from the students in the crowd at both schools. PTT was only able to attend the powwow held at the Laona School District which included Laona, Wabeno and Goodman schools. During a few of the songs the students were able to come out onto the floor and learn a bit of the sneak-up dance and the crow hop. Everyone really did have a great time in dancing and releasing their good energy into the area.

After the traditional powwow was done, everyone was in for a very special treat from Woodland Sky Native American Dance Company. Established in 2013, the group consists of Native American dancers from the Ojibwe, Sioux, Potawatomi and Apache tribes. The group portrays all styles of dancing

in this region which include traditional, fancy, jingle, grass and hoop.

The Company's mission statement is: *To provide a quality, authentic and respectful Native American dance performance/ demonstration with experienced Native American dancers. To educate the viewer on traditional Native American stories, culture and values using authentic songs, music and dance.*

Not only will your eyes and senses be awed with the talent of these dancers, through

their regalia and dancing you will learn what it means to be Native American, and why they hold so true to themselves and their ethnicity. This is an extraordinary company to learn from and they teach it all so well that everyone will take a way a bit of history no matter what.

Kimberlee Soldier, tribal AmeriCorps member, said, "The Community Coalition of Forest County and The Mole Lake Coalition have come together the past two years to unite our community for a healthier living in sponsoring the

Healthy Living Powwow. This year we wanted to hold the event in November during Native American Heritage Month and will hopefully continue to do so in the years to come. I have to give a huge shout out and thank you to: ALL of the wonderful youth and adult dancers in our community, Forest County Potawatomi youth drum, the Young Warriors, Sokaogon veterans and flag carriers, Crandon, Laona, Wabeno and Goodman School Districts, Woodland Sky Native American Dance Company, and Adrian King for helping to bring this event to our community again this year. I absolutely loved that all the youth from both events came out into the dance arena again this year. We had dancers of all ages with smiles on their faces enjoying themselves. It was beautiful."

If you would like to learn more about Woodland Sky Native American Dance Company or are interested in booking a performance, they can be found at www.facebook.com/nativeamericandancecompany/ or you can email Chad or Michelle Reed at Woodlandskydancecompany@yahoo.com.

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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.



Wgema Campus Updates: Parking Structure

The Wgema Campus parking structure is nearing completion!

This project is part of a five-year strategic redevelopment plan of the campus, formerly Concordia College Campus. Now owned by the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP), Wgema Campus is home to the Potawatomi Business Development Corporation, its subsidiaries: Greenfire Management Services

and Data Holdings, the Milwaukee Police Department, Woodlands East Charter School, FCP Legal Department, FCP Gaming Commission, FCP Foundation and additional tribal offices.

The structure consists of a surface-level lot with one level of underground parking, for a total of 118 stalls.



GREENFIRE

Project Update: Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center



Here is a sneak peek of the recently completed Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center located in Milwaukee, Wis. Not only did Greenfire manage the renovation of its medical clinic, but a dental office and pharmacy was also added. Congratulations to all involved and our very own Project Manager Josh Bruesewitz. Stay tuned for the grand opening January 2018!

Happy Holidays!

from all of us at Potawatomi Business Development Corporation



Cousin

Pose little *nidgek*
pose,
in that sequin coat,
squinting *grama's*
eyes,
highlighting your *pa-pa's nose*

You are the two of them
in one half
and my heart
is glad

My *roots spread out* as if
to raise you up
in love,
no tree exists to serve
itself:
our purposes cross
and
weave,
nurturing

You are the two of them
in one half,
a quarter and a half of
me

we exist as many
many beings,
our eyes are
a galaxy of those
that came before
us



Artwork & Poetry by Veronica Mann-Pemma

FCP Community Meets with United States Fish and Wildlife Service

submitted by Michael LaRonge, THPO

On Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2017, members of FCP Executive Council, FCP Legal Department, and FCP Natural Resources met with representatives from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss issues related to compliance with Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act when USFWS funding is provided to state agencies.

Due to the potential effect on undocumented cultural resources, a government-to-government consultation was organized with USFWS to discuss the issue and potential solutions. Ultimately, the meeting was very productive and outlined a strategy for clearer communication and collaboration on tribal cultural resources concerns with their ceded ancestral lands.



(r-l) FCP Chairman Harold “Gus” Frank, USFWS Regional Director Chuck Traxler, FCP Treasurer Joseph Daniels Sr., USFWS Tribal Liaison Ted Koehler, FCP Councilmember Brooks Boyd, FCP Councilmember Nickolas Shepard, USFWS Regional Historic Preservation Officer James Myster, FCP Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Michael LaRonge. (photo courtesy Alejandro Morales, USFWS)

Deadline for the January 1, 2018 issue
is Wednesday, December 20, 2017.

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ktthi migwetth

We, my family and I would like to say ktthi migwetth to those that came out and supported me. I am truly grateful for you taking the time to come and vote. I would like people to know that in talking with a few tribal members and hearing their opinions on our tribal court system and understand that there are a lot of adversities that our people face. And I myself have had the same struggles. But I know that anything I needed was here in arm’s reach right in our own community. Our traditional ways are strong and have helped our people since the beginning and we are our best teachers, and this is what we need to be taking advantage of. What we have here cannot be taught away from here and have the same meaning. If you come vote and your voice is heard and I am elected I will represent the people - our people - so please come and be heard December 16th. ktthi migwetth, thank you, I love you.

CORRECTION: In the article “Honoring our Children Feast Held” as it appeared in the Dec. 1, 2017 issue, one of the photos incorrectly identified one of the youth as Malakhi Alloway. His correct name is Malakhi VanZile. PTT apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Veterans Cemeteries to Participate in Wreaths Across America

submitted by WDVA

MADISON, Wis. - The Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemeteries at King, Spooner, and Union Grove will participate in National Wreaths Across America Day with ceremonies to honor and remember our nation’s veterans. The nationally-coordinated, wreath-laying ceremonies will be held simultaneously at over 1,200 locations throughout the United States at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017.

At 10 a.m., at the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery (King), the American Legion Riders District 8 will coordinate placement of wreaths. A ceremonial program at the cemetery pavilion will begin at 11 a.m.

The American Legion Riders District 8 lead the effort to cover every headstone at King Cemetery with a wreath. In 2016, 6800 wreaths were laid. This year, the challenge has grown to 7100 wreaths. Meeting this challenge has been possible thanks to donations from veterans groups, businesses, and others.

Ceremonies at the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery (Spooner) and Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery (Union Grove) will begin at 11 a.m., coordinated by the Civil Air Patrol. Following a brief ceremony, donated wreaths will be placed on the grave sites.

All ceremonies will honor veterans of each branch of military service, the Merchant Marines and Prisoners of War as well as those still missing-in-action. The programs will take place outdoors on the cemetery grounds.

In 2016, the Worcester Wreath Company, through a campaign called Wreaths Across America, and its national network of volunteers, laid over 1.2 million wreaths at 1,228 participating locations in all 50 states and overseas.

National Wreaths Across America Day is a free event, open to all. For more information, to donate, or to sign up to volunteer, please visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org.

For additional information, contact:

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About the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs
The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs works on behalf of Wisconsin's veterans community - veterans, their families and their survivors - in recognition of their service and sacrifice to our state and nation. For more information, visit www.WisVets.com.

Governor Signs Bills into Law Supporting Veterans

submitted by Office of the Governor

MADISON, Wis. (Dec. 6, 2017) – Gov. Scott Walker signed three bills into law at Applied Fab & Machining, a certified “Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business” in Wausau. The bills increase support for veteran farmers, disabled veteran business owners, and tuition grants for National Guard members.

“The proven skills, dedication, and work ethic of our veterans and service members illustrate their key role in keeping Wisconsin’s workforce strong and successful,” said Gov. Walker. “These new bipartisan bills make it easier for veterans to access the resources they need to excel in education, business, and farming so

they can pursue their passions and keep moving Wisconsin forward.”

Senate Bill 224 – This bill creates a collaborative program to integrate veterans into agriculture and provide supporting resources. The program will assist veterans by providing employment, mentorship, and educational opportunities in both the University of Wisconsin and technical college system and will also connect veterans with local, state, and federal resources. Authored by Senator Patrick Testin (R - Stevens Point) and Representative Evan Goyke (D - Milwaukee), the bill passed the Senate on a voice vote and was concurred in the Assembly by a voice vote. It is Act 121.

Senate Bill 47 – The bill brings consistency in eligibility for disabled veteran-owned business status between state and federal programs. Authored by Senator Roger Roth (R - Appleton) and Representative Evan Goyke (D - Milwaukee), the bill passed the Senate on a voice vote and was concurred in the Assembly by a voice vote. It is Act 122.

Senate Bill 410 – The bill clarifies that the Department of Military Affairs shall include all differential tuition costs in calculating the maximum amount for tuition reimbursement at qualifying schools for eligible National Guard members.

Additionally, the department must reimburse an applicant no later than 30 days after the department receives the certification of course completion. Authored by Senator Leah Vukmir (R - Wauwatosa) and Representative Mike Kuglitsch (R - New Berlin), the bill passed the Senate on a voice vote and was concurred in the Assembly by a voice vote. It is Act 123.

Applied Fab & Machining is a custom metal manufacturer, machinery, and assembler focusing on original equipment manufacturer (OEM) and military markets.

Governor Announces \$400,000 in Grants for Non-Profits to Help Veteran Entrepreneurs

submitted by Office of the Governor

MADISON, Wis. (Dec. 1, 2017) – Gov. Scott Walker and Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) Sec. Dan Zimmerman announced \$400,000 in grants for non-profit organizations that provide entrepreneurship training or technical, business or other assistance to veteran entrepreneurs to improve employment outcomes.

“Veterans are a major component in our workforce and our economy: when they succeed, we all succeed,” said Gov. Walker. “That’s why we’re allocating more support to organizations which help veterans drive economic success and pursue their passions with knowledge and purpose.”

“Because of their training and other intangible qualities, veterans hold one of the keys to Wisconsin’s economic success,” Sec. Zimmerman said. “We are proud to join together with these organizations that will help give veterans the tools they need to be successful business owners.”

Earlier this week, Gov. Walker announced his Workforce Agenda that focuses on enhancing Wisconsin’s workforce, removing barriers to work, and meeting the state’s current and future workforce needs. The Workforce Agenda specifically aims to support veterans’ post-military career goals.

There are more than 390,000 veterans living in Wisconsin, about half of those are working-age. Approximately 11 percent of all businesses in the state (or 65,000) are veteran-owned and account for about \$20 billion in annual sales.

Grant recipients include:

Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, Inc., Appleton, is awarded \$89,400 to expand the high-demand E-seed Entrepreneurial Training: Veterans Edition (ENVoy) at Fox Valley Technical College, a program designed to help veterans start or expand their own business. The grant will be used to provide entrepreneurial training and technical support, networking opportunities, one-on-one mentoring, and assistance with accounting and legal fees, etc., for veterans.

Great Lakes Dryhooch, Milwaukee, is awarded \$54,848 to support its Deployment to Employment program. The grant will be used to build community awareness of the unique skills and talents of veterans and the benefits of hiring them as well as to provide peer support for veterans.

Horse Sense for Special Riders, La Crosse, is awarded \$25,000 to offer career-building skills such as volunteer management, fundraising, scheduling, marketing, and non-profit administration, as well as lessons in therapeutic horsemanship for veterans.

Indianhead Community Action Agency, Inc., Ladysmith, is awarded \$19,000 to provide veterans with the technical assistance necessary to start or expand small businesses, as well as to provide outreach to veteran entrepreneurs in northwestern Wisconsin.

UW-Milwaukee Foundation, Inc.,

Milwaukee, is awarded \$186,752 for its VUB-Veteran Entrepreneurship Readiness and Support program. The grant will be used to expand the program to additional sites with education labs that will provide veterans with business core classes, business-skills assessment, educational workshops, instructional support services, field experience, peer support, business mentoring, and information and referral services.

Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, is awarded \$25,000 to expand economic opportunity for Wisconsin veterans, military service members and military families. The grant will be used to help veteran entrepreneurs leverage existing resources, offer educational programming to veterans, help veterans address the unique challenges as they start and grow a business, and organize a new market of consumers.

NB3 FIT

submitted by Melanie Tatge, Community Health

During the week of Nov. 5-11, 2017, thousands of Native American youth participated in NB3 Fit Week. This week was created by the Notah Begay III Foundation to promote the recommended amount of physical activity for youth (60 minutes), healthy eating and drinking clean water. The Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Community Health, Recreation, and Education departments partnered to host this weeklong event by providing snacks, dinner, physical activity, and education. Myra VanZile shared the importance of respecting and keeping water sacred, and Ira Frank shared his experience of being a boxer. Fun was had by the 49 FCP youth, between the ages of 7 to 13, who participated in this event. The Recreation department took the youth, who participated all three days of physical activity, to a movie.



Free Energy-Saving Products Available

submitted by Jenni Mabrier, Environmental Education Coordinator

If you're a Wisconsin utility customer, you may be eligible to receive a pack of FREE energy-saving goodies! There are six packs to choose from, containing things ranging from LED light bulbs to powerstrips and showerheads. Customers can request a box once every three years, as part of the Focus on Energy program. To see if your utility company is part of the program or to request your pack, visit <https://focusonenergy.com/residential/simple-energy-efficiency> or call 800-230-4701.

> NOTICE <

FCP Fleet department has a 2007 Chevrolet Malibu with 139,594 mile up for bid to tribal members. Vehicle can be seen at the Fleet Department. If you have questions about the vehicle, contact Wade or Mike at (715) 478-4940.

There's a reserved bid of \$1500. Vehicle will go to the bidder with the highest bid over this amount. Bid forms can be obtained at the Fleet Department. Bidding will open on Dec. 15, 2017 and close at 5 p.m. on Jan. 15, 2018.

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For additional information on the topic of grief and grieving, contact the FCP Behavioral Health Department at (715) 478-4332.

For topics related to AODA and sobriety, please contact the FCP AODA Services Department at (715) 478-4370.

Lunch with FCP Elders



Corlis Daniels (standing to the left) introducing the FCP Elder Board.

by Val Niehaus

The Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Elder board held a holiday luncheon on December 4, 2017, in the lower level of the FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum.

This was a chance for community members to come and socialize with FCP Elders and to have a bit of holiday cheer added to the occasion. Norman Tribbett, FCP elder board secretary, said, “This is an opportunity for people to come and meet their elders, have lunch with them and get to know them a bit more.”

Lunch was catered in by Debbie Tuckwab and was raved by many of how good it was. Corlis Daniels, FCP elder board chairman, said, “Thank you to Debbie Tuckwab for making this delicious food.” The meal was complete with venison gravy, potatoes, green beans, fry bread, wild rice casserole and four different deserts. It really was a great feast! Jesse Jacobson officiated the pray before digging in.

Another treat for people that came was seeing the “big man” in red himself, Santa. Elders and guests could get their photo taken with him and, of course, tell him what they want for Christmas. Even FCP executive council members got their photo taken with the “big man”.

FCP Chairman Harold “Gus” Frank gave a bit of a history lesson behind how Santa came to be, which really was a surprise to some. He also relived some childhood memories of the holiday season. A few other elders also recalled some stories of when they were children during

the Christmas season. All great stories to hear, to say the least.

Frank said before ending, “I want to say thank you to the elder board for inviting us (Executive Council) over for this delicious lunch and let us remember the real meaning behind this holiday - that the Creator gave us the best gift, the gift of his own son. Merry Christmas everyone!”

Tribbett also wanted to say at close, “I want to thank everyone who came and thank you to Council for the generous support to have this gathering hosted.”

This luncheon really was a nice time to just sit and eat some great food and to converse with the elders in the community.



Norman Tribbett and Santa



(l-r) Brenda Shopodock, Santa and Jesse Jacobson

Grandparent Cookie Event

by Val Niehaus

The 2nd annual grandparents & grandchildren cookie-decorating event took place on Dec. 6, 2017, in the lower level of the FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum and was open to tribal members and their families.

This event was hosted by FCP Community Health department and was a festive-holiday happening that involved decorating cookies, making DIY ornaments out of dried fruit, having a holiday photo taken and different stations promoting healthy living.

The attendance for this event was wonderful. Many families together with grandparents attended and all had a great

time spending it with their children and grandchildren. The hottest area was the cookie station where some of the older children got pretty creative with their decorating skills - would have thought you were in a professional bakery at times. The best part was gobbling up the cookie and frosting right when it was finished.

The DIY station for making your own tree ornaments was also a huge hit. Something new and inventive to add to these events is always a plus for everyone and keeps people and children engaged.

The event was a success and hopefully next year there will be new stations to have fun at and to learn something from.



(l-r) Penelope, Migwen and Lanny all having a fun time showing off their decorating skills.



(l-r) Jayla Frank, Gramma Kathie, and Zayden Daniels decorating.



Niya Frank



Arthur Kitchell

Powwow Photos *cont. from pg. 1*



Veterans carrying in the staff and flags.



Shield Dance



Deer Dance



Brevin Boyd dancing with Woodland Sky Dance Company

Develop a Dream and Set
S.M.A.R.T. Goals

Having good dreams and setting good goals is an important part of a person's health and wellness life journey. Dreams and goals give direction and motivation. They provide focus. Think of an eagle. They have amazing eye sight. They can see fish in the water from hundreds of feet in the sky. They soar and watch and plan.

Start by describing a goal and then take time to sort through all of the S.M.A.R.T. steps to achieve that goal. Do you want to increase the possibility that you will actually achieve a dream or goal? If you do, write it down or create something to remind you of the goal. Then share your dream and plans to reach it with someone. You are five times more likely to achieve your goal.

S: specific, simple, stretching
M: measurable, meaningful
A: attainable, achievable, action-oriented
R: realistic, rewarding, relevant
T: time-based, tangible, trackable

More Tips For Goal Setting

- Make your goal your own. You are your own unique person. People in your life may want to influence the goals you set. But it's important to know yourself – what is stretching, meaningful, achievable, rewarding and timely to you in your life.
- Appreciate failure. Failure can be one of the best teachers. It can contain lessons that may change your life for the better. Have courage to learn from mistakes and don't be too upset if you fail to achieve your goals, recognize what went wrong and learn from that to reach your goals next time around.
- Ask for help. We all need to be part of a community. Find a supportive group that encourages you. Find tools and resources to help you. Don't be afraid to ask.

FCP Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
Obesity Prevention Vision: Forest County Potawatomi Tribal Members will make healthy lifestyle choices related to nutrition, physical activity and weight management.
Obesity is defined as having a Body Mass Index (BMI) greater than 30. BMI is a screening tool used to estimate a person's overall body fat. Overweight and obesity are major factors for chronic conditions including heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and certain types of cancer, which happens to be the leading causes of preventable deaths in the U.S.
Exercise 150 minutes per week for adults, 60 minutes a day for youth.
Eat adequate amounts of fruits and vegetables.
Move toward or achieve a healthy BMI.
For more information on nutrition, physical activity, and weight management, please contact Lisa Miller, RDN, CD or Kate Richlen, CH Nutritionist at (715) 478-4355.

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Eagle Dance



Hoop Dance

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
PL81-874 Impact Aid Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018 - 6 p.m.
Library - Wabeno Area Jr/Sr High School**

AGENDA

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Attendance
- 3. Discuss the Minutes of the Jan. 4, 2017 Meeting
- 4. Explanation of the Impact Aid Program
- 5. Review and Revise School Board Policy 2112.01 - Tribal and Parental Involvement
- 6. Building Updates
 - * Elementary School Principal will Report on Native American Participation, Events and Goals at the Elementary School
 - * Junior/Senior High School Principal will Report on Native American Participation, Events and Goals at the Jr/Sr High School
- 7. Public Input — Future Goals
- 8. Any Other Business Allowed by Law
- 9. Adjourn

Dreams Come True for Native Artists

submitted by Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation

In 2018, Native performers, artists, and culture bearers can make their dreams come true by applying for six exciting Cultural Programs at Crazy Horse Memorial, in Custer, S.D., which include Performers, the Talking Circle Speaker's Series, Artist in Residence Fellowships, Artist Marketplace, the Mentor/Mentee program, and the Gift from Mother Earth Native and Western Art Show and Sale. Applications for these programs can be found at <https://crazyhorsememorial.org/the-museums.html> on the Crazy Horse Memorial website. Please return application materials, by email, to: loni.manning@crazyhorse.org or send to Loni Manning, Cultural Programs Manager, 12151 Ave of the Chiefs, Crazy Horse, S.D., 57730-8900. The deadline for all Cultural Program applications is Jan. 31, 2018, excepting the Mentor/Mentee program which has a rolling deadline.

Performers

Individual or group dancers, musicians, singers, and other performers are invited to apply. State/federally-enrolled tribal members from North America, including Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians, or First Nations of Canada, and Mexico are invited to apply. Performers are needed from May through September for daily performances and for other special events.

Talking Circle Speaker's Series

Native artists, musicians, actors, historians, cultural bearers, writers, and educators are encouraged to share their cultural knowledge and skill with visitors at Crazy Horse Memorial, through a 40-60 minute presentation on Thursday evenings from June through August.

Artists in Residence Fellowships

Another exciting program being offered is the Artist in Residence Fellowship program for Native artists, musicians, and writers. Artists in Residence Fellows can sell their art to thousands of visitors, while sharing their art and culture in a

workshop or lecture to the public. Artists may apply for one of the four one-month sessions between June and September. The artist is required to be present at the museum a minimum of 120 hours for the month.

Artists Marketplace

We are looking for highly-qualified Native American artists, 18 years or older, to sell their authentic and reasonably-priced artwork to thousands of international visitors each day. Applicants must be members of a federally-recognized tribe, a state-recognized tribe, or certified as an Indian artisan. Indigenous artists from outside the United States are also encouraged to apply for one or more of the five summer sessions between May and September. Artists are required to be onsite from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., five days each work week, with at least one of those days being Saturday or Sunday. Booth space in the Artist's Marketplace is FREE.

Mentor/Mentee

This is a great opportunity for selected Native high school and/or college students to work with respected Native artists or culture bearers. Mentors will work with mentees for 100 hours of one-on-one or one-on-three learning in Traditional Arts, Storytelling, or Studio Arts. Applicants must be residing in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota or Wisconsin or be enrolled members of a state- or federally-recognized American Indian tribe from those states.

Art Show and Sale

The 28th annual Gifts from Mother Earth Native and Western Art Show and Sale juried competition will be held June 15, 16 and 17, 2018. The show is open to all artists, 18 years or older, working in a western or Native-inspired theme.

If you have any questions regarding the application or the review process, please call Loni Manning at (605) 673-4681, ext. 286.





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New Mexico Delegation Announces Senate Passage of Bill to Promote Preservation of Native American Languages

submitted by Tom Udall Press Office

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Nov. 30, 2017) — U.S. Senator Tom Udall, vice chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, U.S. Senator Martin Heinrich and U.S. Representatives Steve Pearce, Ben Ray Luján, and Michelle Lujan Grisham announced that the full Senate passed the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act by unanimous consent. The bill, S. 254, is backed by the full N.M. delegation and provides grants to Native American language educational organizations to maintain and revitalize endangered Native languages in Indian Country. The bill will reauthorize federal Native American language programs until 2023 and includes improvements to expand eligibility to smaller-sized Tribal language programs and allow for longer grant periods. S. 254 is now headed to the U.S. House of Representatives, where Luján and Pearce introduced companion legislation.

The Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act is named for an Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo traditional storyteller and language advocate. It amends existing law to strengthen Native language revitalization programs that expand and

fund Native language nests, Native language survival schools, and Native American language restoration programs.

“I am enormously proud that the Senate passed our bipartisan legislation to honor – and carry on — Esther Martinez’s fight to keep Native American languages and cultural heritage alive,” Udall said. “Native language revitalization builds connections between generations of Native Americans and promotes higher academic achievement outcomes among Native youth. The grants made possible by the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act devote needed resources to the revitalization of Native languages in Tribal communities.”

“Preserving Native languages is central to maintaining cultural identity,” Heinrich said. “I’m proud to honor Esther Martinez’s legacy by ensuring that Native students are connected to their language and that their rich culture and traditions can be handed down to future generations.”

“The preservation of Native American languages is essential in protecting the rich culture and history of the various tribes in New Mexico. The grant money provided through the Esther Martinez Native Amer-

ican Languages Preservation Act is critical to accomplishing this goal,” said Pearce. “I’m pleased to see this legislation pass the Senate to preserve Native languages in New Mexico, and across the country, so that it can be passed down to future generations.”

“The preservation of culture depends upon the endurance of native languages that have been an integral part of tribes in New Mexico and across the country,” said Luján. “I am proud to have partnered with tribal communities to introduce the Esther Martinez Native American Language Preservation Act in the House because it will help expand fluency in Native languages, and in turn, will help tribal communities preserve their cultural traditions and ensure that these languages will continue to provide meaning and value to future generations.”

“New Mexico is a special place because we value our heritage, and we work to preserve Native American languages that reflect our unique cultural identities,” Lujan Grisham said. “We need to invest in robust educational programs so those languages live on and live through future generations. I am proud to join New

Mexico’s delegation in honoring Esther Martinez for her incredible advocacy to preserve Native languages and traditions.”

The Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act was part of a legislative package, which also included the following bills:

- H.R. 228, Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act of 2017
- S. 343, Repealing Existing Substandard Provisions Encouraging Conciliation with Tribes Act
- S. 669, Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act
- S. 1285, Oregon Tribal Economic Development Act
- S. 245, Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2017
- S. 772, AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2017
- S. 825, Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Land Transfer Act of 2017
- S. 302, John P. Smith Act

Bill to Expand AMBER Alerts in Indian Country Passes U.S. Senate

submitted by Heitkamp Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Nov. 30, 2017) – U.S. Senators Heidi Heitkamp and John McCain announced that her bipartisan bill to expand AMBER Alerts in Indian Country has passed the U.S. Senate.

The duo introduced the AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2017 earlier this year to expand the child abduction warnings in Indian Country. Such alerts are critical for law enforcement efforts to quickly disseminate information to the public about abducted children to generate leads as quickly as possible, but currently such alerts in many parts of Indian Country are limited to tribal lands – if they exist at all. By making tribes eligible for AMBER Alert system resources, law enforcement in state, local, and tribal governments will better be able to coordinate to find and rescue missing or abducted children, particularly if they have been taken off of their reservation.

“Native American children are some of the most vulnerable children in the country, yet there isn’t an AMBER Alert system in much of Indian Country, and that makes it very difficult to recover children who have been abducted or who have run away,” Heitkamp said. “The Senate passing this bill is an important step forward, and I encourage the House of Representatives to pass it as soon as possible so the president can sign it into law. This is part of a broader effort to

raise awareness and bring better systems of justice to Indian Country, and to give law enforcement agencies at all levels the tools they need to prevent crime and bring criminals to justice so we can keep all our communities strong and safe. Both this bill and Savanna’s Act which I introduced to help address the crisis of missing and murdered native women and girls would make important strides.”

“Last year, Navajo Nation was devastated by the abduction and murder of 11-year-old Ashlynn Mike,” said McCain. “In that high-profile case, authorities did not issue an AMBER Alert for Ashlynn until the day after family members reported her abduction. According to FBI statistics, more than 7,500 Native American children are listed as missing in the United States today.”

The House version of the AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act recently passed out of the House Judiciary Committee. The legislation must now pass the full House before being sent to the president’s desk to be signed in to law.

Heitkamp has long been working to build a more robust response to addressing crime and human trafficking in Indian Country and of Native Americans. Heitkamp launched a social media campaign using #NotInvisible to raise awareness about the crisis of missing and murdered indigenous women and bring it out of the shadows. She has also featured the stories

of missing and murdered women on her Facebook page to raise awareness about the crisis.

In October she introduced Savanna’s Act to ensure North Dakota’s tribes have the information and resources they need to protect women and girls from violence, abduction, and human trafficking. The U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs held a hearing on the legislation, and it has attracted strong bipartisan support. In September 2013, Heitkamp led an initial hearing to sound the alarm on the prevalence of human trafficking, especially in Indian Country. Since then, Heitkamp has pushed for legislative action to fight human trafficking, playing a key role in introducing and passing bipartisan legislation on the issue in 2015 in the U.S. Senate, and continuing to introduce more bills on the issue.

In September of this year, Heitkamp and a group of nine bipartisan senators called for federal agencies and organizations to provide specific training to federal government employees in Indian Country to spot, stop, and respond to human trafficking and domestic violence in the communities they serve.

Building on her work to protect every Native child and community from criminals seeking anonymity on their lands, Heitkamp brought then-Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Director James B. Comey to Fort Berthold in 2016 to

continue to press him on the urgent need for a permanent federal law enforcement presence and an improved federal response on the ground in Indian Country, as she had been doing for years.

As North Dakota’s former Attorney General, Heitkamp has worked to raise awareness about the need for a permanent federal law enforcement presence across Indian Country. Since joining the U.S. Senate, she has continued to call for a permanent FBI office in western North Dakota and Indian Country. There is now an FBI office in Williston, and she continues to press for an office on tribal lands.

The first bill Heitkamp co-sponsored was the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act, which she played a major role in pushing through Congress in 2013. Heitkamp worked to include a key provision in VAWA to address the continuing crisis of violence against women in tribal communities. The provision strengthens the existing programs and provides tribal governments the force they need to prosecute non-Indian perpetrators who commit these crimes on tribal land.

Through her Strong & Safe Communities Initiative, which Heitkamp launched in September 2014, she has worked to address the emerging challenges in North Dakota as a result of the state’s population boom, including crime, exploitation, and trafficking issues in Indian Country.

Trilateral Summit on Violence Against Indigenous Women and Girls

submitted by USDOJ - Office of Public Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Dec. 1, 2017) – Associate Attorney General Rachel Brand traveled to Ottawa, Canada on Nov. 30, to lead the United States delegation in the Trilateral Summit on Violence Against Indigenous Women and Girls. This is the second meeting of the trilateral working group; the first was hosted by the U.S. in 2016.

Brand met with Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Canada’s Crown-Indigenous and Northern Affairs, and Ismerai Betanzos Ordaz, Indigenous Rights Coordinator, Mexican Commission on the Development of Indigenous Rights.

“Tackling the issue of violence against Indigenous women and girls in our region and in the United States is not only a matter of criminal justice, but a moral imperative,” said Brand.

During the event, the three countries agreed to continue to prioritize the discussions, committing to continue the dialogue in 2018. Government representatives, in partnership with Indigenous women from across North America, will participate in events during the upcoming year, in preparation for the next meeting, which will be hosted by Mexico in the fall of 2018.

Themes discussed at this meeting were the importance of meaningful consultation with Indigenous women regarding solutions to violence; promising practices for improving criminal justice responses to violent crimes against Indigenous women and girls; and the need for rigorous data collection to understand the full extent of domestic and sexual violence and human trafficking in Indigenous communities.

To address this need for data, Brand has directed the Department’s National Institute of Justice to adapt an ongoing study on violence in Indian Country to add an inquiry about the prevalence rates of human trafficking of American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls.

Canada, Mexico and the United States of America were also pleased to welcome Indigenous women from their respective countries to attend the event as full partners in order to ensure that their voices were included in the discussions. Indigenous women shared their experiences and perspectives, contributing to the development of outcomes for the working group.

The Department of Justice remains committed to addressing violence against indigenous women and girls in all of its forms through aggressive law enforcement and programs that serve victims. The Department is committed to working with our international partners to share information and develop capabilities to address cross-border crimes like sex and labor trafficking together.

Brand’s visit supports the Justice Department’s continuing efforts under the Task Force on Crime Reduction and Public Safety.

Tribal First Acquires American Indian Health Services

submitted by Businesswire

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (Nov. 28, 2017) - Tribal First, a division of Alliant Specialty Insurance Services, has acquired American Indian Health Services (AIHS). The acquisition pairs Tribal First, the nation’s largest tribal insurance brokerage, with one of Indian Country’s leading providers of healthcare services and financing tools.

“Access to quality, affordable healthcare continues to play a significant role in Tribal First’s mission as we expand our reach and service profile,” said Sean McConlogue, President of Alliant Specialty Insurance Services. “AIHS is an organization that has consistently improved the lives of Native Americans nationwide by reducing healthcare costs and developing strategies that have a significant positive impact on the community.”

Founded in 2005, AIHS is an American Indian-owned organization dedicated to promoting tribal sovereignty to obtain best-in-class healthcare products and services. The AIHS team is comprised of dedicated specialists with experience identifying and addressing the distinct healthcare needs of American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes and related enterprises. This includes expertise in Indian health law, healthcare design, provider networks, and tribal and federal Indian Health Service (IHS) programs.

AIHS will provide additional strength and expertise to Tribal First’s Tribal Care program, a dedicated healthcare solution that coordinates with the IHS to deliver cost-effective healthcare coverage for tribes nationwide. Tribal First provides insurance, risk management, and employee benefits consulting services to more than 400 tribal nations throughout the United States and is a specialized program of Alliant Specialty Insurance Services, Alliant’s growing MGA and program administrator.

“Our mission at AIHS is simple: to improve the lives of American Indian and Alaska Native people through the timely access to appropriate healthcare,” said Brendan McKenna, President of AIHS.

“Tribal First, with its reach and scale, will enable us to further this mission through the deployment of high-caliber people and products that directly address the needs of tribes and their respective communities.”

McKenna and the AIHS team will join Alliant and continue to service clients from its Sammamish, Wash., location. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

December 2017 Calendar of Events

Community Health

12/20 - The Healing Journey: Storytelling (FCP Museum) 6 p.m.
12/21 - Free Hepatitis C Testing (HWC) noon – 4 p.m.
12/26 - WIC (HWC) 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Family Resource Center

• Healthy Relationships: Mondays (18), 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
• Play Shoppe: Tuesdays (19, 26), 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
• FRC Girls 10-17: Wednesdays (20, 27), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
• Circle of Sisters: Thursday, (14), 1 - 3 p.m.
• Community Women’s Talking Circle: TBA
• PIP: Thursdays (14), 10 a.m. - noon.

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 (18), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
• Youth 13 - 17: Tuesdays (19, 26), 3:30 - 5 p.m.
• Youth 7 - 9: Wednesdays (20, 27), 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Youth picked up from Crandon School at 3 p.m. and delivered home between 5 and 6 p.m. Call (715) 478-4839 for more info.

Recreation Department

• Open Gym: Rec Center, Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
• Carter We Care: Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.
• Language classes offered at Carter We Care, Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - noon.

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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.
• Language classes also offered at Carter We Care, Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - noon.

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 Wej mo gek 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.



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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 CHR's 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.

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.

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Economic Support Programs
Tribal Employment Skill Program - available to adult tribal members who can be placed on a paid work experience opportunity in various tribal departments for up to six months. This allows tribal members to test drive different areas to find a good fit. The staff can assist with:

- Direct connection between DMV to obtain, reinstate and/or determine what is needed to obtain the driver's license
- Work-related expenses
- Resumé development and resumé critiquing
- Mock interviews (practice before a job interview) and tips.
- Job-seeking skills/soft skills
- Employment guidance/advocacy
- Fidelity bonding available

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Work Study Program - for students that are in their senior year. Students can be on a work experience but must have good standings in all their school classes. We work with the FCP Education Department to set this up.

Badgercare - a state/federally-funded program that provides health coverage for individuals living on the reservation or within Forest County, tribal children and affiliated-tribal members.

Foodshare - a state/federally-funded program that provides an EBT food card to eligible individuals living on the reservation or individuals that have tribal children living in Forest County. The program has eligibility requirements that also considers shelter/housing expenses.

Foodshare Employment & Training Program (FSET) - individuals that are eligible for Foodshare would be eligible for this program which can assist with gas voucher, job train-

SERVICES OFFERED

ing costs and other expenses relative to the goals that are set for securing employment.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) - this work program is funded through the Administration for Children and Families with an income limit of 125 percent of federal poverty level for individuals living on the reservation or individuals living in Forest County that have FCP tribal children. Individuals get a cash payment each month providing that they completed their work activities each month.

General Assistance (GA) - this work program is funded through the Bureau of Indian Affairs and is available for federally-recognized tribal members living on the reservation. Eligible individuals will get a cash payment each month providing that they are complying with the work plan developed with their case worker.

Native Employment Works (NEW) Program - this work program is funded through the Administration for Children and Families for individuals living on the reservation or within the service area. The paid work placement opportunity is for three months at 24-35 hour per week and we have limited slots available based on funding.

Resource Rooms - located at the old tribal hall and at the Family Services Building. Each area has computers that individuals can utilize to complete their resumé, type correspondence, work on the self-paced Microsoft Computer Training Program, apply for jobs, or apply online for healthcare coverage programs.

The FCP Economic Support staff is available to provide services for resumé building, computer training programs, and for any other economic support program information. If you want more information on any of these programs, please stop by the Family Services Building or call (715) 478-4433.

PERSONALS

Welcome to the World, Baby!

Camilla Renee Frank was born Nov. 20, 2017, weighing 7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19.25 in. long.

Proud parents are Ira and Jessica Frank. Grandparents are LaVonne Frank and Harvey Frank Sr. of Blackwell; Kathleen Wilcox of Arbor Vitae, and Santiago Perez of Racine. Great-grandparents are Fayne Brisk, David Diver, Delphine Frank, Harry Frank, Dan & Laverne Clemmenson, Juanita Perez and Sisto Perez.

Camilla has several siblings: Sean (19), Tashina (19), Elijah (16), Onkot (16), Bluesky (11), Niya (9), Eva (7), Gemma (6), Zayden (4), Jayla (3) and Josephine (1). :)



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