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Forest County Potawatomi Leaders VI

by Val Niehaus

On to the next two tribal chairs: Hoffman Alloway and Max Keshick. There wasn't much in the data base for either of these two, but *PTT* will share what was found.

Hoffman Alloway was the son of Jack and Annie Alloway. He was born Nov. 4, 1912. He had several siblings, one of whom died at the age of 8 at the Lac du Flambeau School when Hoffman was 11 years old.

Hoffman and his wife, Josephine, married in 1929 and had a son, Herman. The marriage ended in divorce in 1941.

Hoffman served in the Army from

July 7, 1942 - Jan. 25, 1946, and was honorably discharged.

On April 5, 1948, he was elected temporary chairman of the Forest County Potawatomi. On Nov. 17, 1948, he was elected permanent chairman. However, in a handwritten letter dated Jan. 24, 1949, he announced his resignation as chairman. He would be succeeded as chairman by Max Keshick (Kezick).

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Max Keshick (Kezick) was born May 3, 1918, the son of Billy Keshick (Kezick).

Max served in the Army from Oct. 21, 1942 - March 21, 1946, and received

an honorable discharge.

He was married to Florence Keshick. Before he served as tribal chairman, he lived in Cincinnati, Ohio for a time. After Hoffman Alloway resigned in 1949, Keshick succeeded him as tribal chairman. He held that position until the spring of 1951, when Isaac George succeeded him.

**If family members of these tribal chairs (or others) would like to speak to PTT about their family members, feel free to contact Val Niehaus at (715) 478-7498 with more information.*



Pictured above is Max Keshick. A photo of Hoffman Alloway was unavailable at time of print.

FCP Community Facebook Live Session Recap - March 31, 2021

Family Services Division Administrator Abbey Dall

Good morning, Forest County Potawatomi Community.

My name is Abbey Dall, Family Services Division Administrator. Chairman Daniels was tied up this morning so I'm temporarily filling in today.

As always, we hope you and your families are happy and healthy. We have a few general updates for you this morning.

Free commodity food boxes will be available for FCP tribal members, descendants, and community members at Bodwéwadmi Ktégan Farm, 3389 CO HWY, Laona, on April 5, 12, 19 and 26. Commodity boxes are one per household and the order of distribution will be as follows:

- Tribal members 9 – 10 a.m. *Tribal members may still pick up a box from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., but distribution is on a first come, first serve basis.
- Descendants 10 – 11 a.m.
- Open to all 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The FCP community needs your feedback about a proposed walking and biking pathway to connect the city of Crandon and the Stone Lake community and the Otter Springs recreation area. The Pathway to Wellness survey is quick, easy, and can be found by using the link shown on the bottom of the screen.

Don't forget that the FCP community Easter at the Farm event is coming up. It's on Saturday, April 10, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. There'll be multiple, small-group egg hunts, games, photos with the Easter Bunny, and a to-go meal as you leave. Masks are required and bring your boots as it may get muddy! Call (715) 478-4545 with any questions.

Feeling creative before the Easter at the Farm event? Make some art and bring it with you! Before the event, draw or

create something that represents:

- What the Easter bunny does after Easter
- What you find on the farm
- Spring in the Northwoods
- or, make whatever inspires you for our "anything goes" category.

Judging and prizes will happen during the Easter event.

From Family Services Division, we have had some good news in the community, and with that good news has come opportunity. Businesses and offices are beginning to open, slowly and safely. But it does not mean we are not still feeling the impact of the continuous isolation. While we have been fortunate to have a mild winter, allowing for plenty of outdoor play, etc., we are experiencing a mental health impact that we may have never considered. Perhaps we have not spent much time with our family or friends as we continue to practice social distancing. The bottom line is, we know that COVID has been hard, especially mentally. Those challenges may be leaving you with some darker, unexpected thoughts. We are available and will respond to emergencies and safety concerns accordingly. If you are feeling suicidal, please call for help: 1 (800)-SUICIDE or 1 (800) 273-TALK.

Teens – are you feeling really down, maybe even considering harming yourself? There is a specific line just for you! Text TEEN to 839863 or call 1 (800) 852-8336.

We still have some shoes available for our elders and community members. Please call Sara at (715) 478-4433 and ask for assistance.

ICW desperately needs three foster homes that are physically and mentally capable of supporting high levels of care. Current youth needs include regular

transportation to mental/behavioral/emotional health appointments and general steady love and support. If you know someone who can help, please have them reach out.

Rising Sun Daycare is open and we've got plenty of space for your children. Please contact us to get your applications in and talk about the process.

We do remain in need of in-home child care providers. If you're interested in becoming a certified child care provider, please contact Kathy at (715) 478-4433.

Commodity boxes resume on Mondays in April on these dates: 5, 12, 19, 26. Boxes will be dropped at the Potawatomi Farm. If you have family members or community members that you'd like to deliver to, please let us know. We can certainly send you with more boxes to get out to these families.

Are you interested in getting back to work, but need to brush up on your employment skills? We have lots of opportunity to do so! Please contact Kathy at (715) 478-4433 to get your applications in. Tribal Employment Skills offers a training stipend to assist you while you learn.

For non-emergency service requests, our business hours are Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you should call outside of these hours, please leave a message with your full name and a working phone number so that we may return your call.

Assistance is available for qualifying applicants for food, medical and child care expenses. You may apply at <https://access.wisconsin.gov>. Please call us to schedule an appointment to receive assistance. Kiosks are ready and available to serve you.

Wishing you a safe weekend and see you soon. Ba Ma Me Na!

Family Services (715) 478-4433
Indian Child Welfare (715) 889-1446
Com. Advocacy (715) 478-7201
Child Support (715) 478-7260

Clinical Director Michelle Stoffregen

Greetings, FCP Community.

COVID continues to remain a concern for the health and safety of the community; however, active cases locally have decreased, and as of today, we do not have any active cases in the FCP community. This low incidence is due to your part in following social distancing, masking, good hand washing, and avoiding crowds outside of your immediate household.

Another topic, COVID vaccines, continues to be available for you, your family, and household members. Prioritization for FCP members remains our goal in these vaccination efforts. All the vaccines are very safe and great at preventing hospitalization and death from COVID 19. We continue to stay on top of the guidelines and science updates of the vaccines so that we can give you the most current information to help you decide on getting vaccinated.

I would like to review the three vaccines that we have available for you at the HWC:

The first vaccine, Moderna, is approved for individuals 18 years and older. This vaccine is an mRNA vaccine given in two doses, 28 days apart. The latest information on its effectiveness is a decrease in the risk of moderate to severe COVID 19 disease by 94.1 percent, and hospitalization by 89 percent.

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Facebook Live Session Recap ...cont. from pg. 1

The second vaccine, Pfizer, is available to help vaccinate individuals 16 years and older. This is the only vaccine approved for individuals under the age of 18. This, too, is an mRNA vaccine given in two doses, 21 days apart. The Pfizer vaccine reduces moderate to severe COVID 19 disease by 95 percent, and hospitalization by 100 percent.

The third and most newly-released vaccine is Janssen. This vaccine has been created differently than the mRNA vaccines and is called a vector vaccine. This is approved to give to individuals 18 years and older. This vaccine is only given once! It decreases the risk of moderate to severe COVID 19 disease by 72 percent in the United States, reduction of severe disease across all regions by 86 percent, and reduced risk of hospitalization and death by 100 percent.

The distribution of the vaccine from IHS has been excellent in tribal jurisdictions within Wisconsin and the Bemidji area. Although the amounts we were getting initially were small, we now have a larger amount available. An important reminder when scheduling for your vaccines is to plan on returning if you will need a second injection. If you fall outside of the required return date, we are not authorized to give you the injection due to the manufacturer's guidelines. We do not want you to miss out on the ability to receive the full immunity the vaccine has to offer.

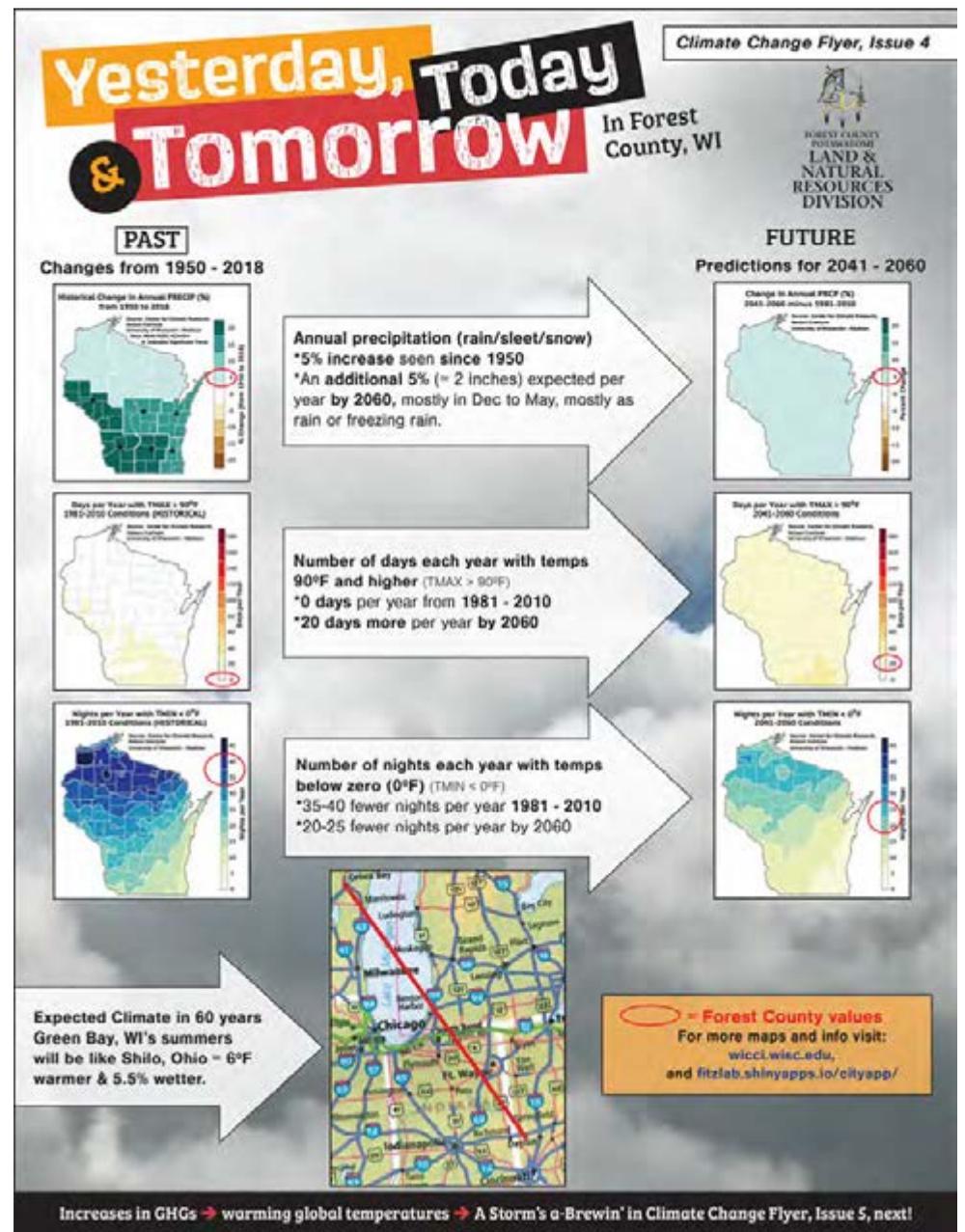
Please keep an eye on your mailings from the Health Division, texts, email messages, and the FCP Community Facebook site for clinic dates and numbers to call. We do have a COVID vaccine number available for you to call to schedule an appointment: (715) 478-4450.

Other services that continue to be of benefit to the community are those from the Community Health Department. The maternal child health program provides support throughout pregnancy and after delivery; we also have WIC services available to help support good nutrition and growth in infants and children. Call (715) 478-4355 to see how we can help you!

Other services of benefit include medication deliveries, home visits for blood pressure checks or other needs, and vaccinations if it's difficult for you to come to the Health & Wellness Center.

The diabetes program is available as well. We have a full-time RN, a casual position RN, and other staff to make up a team of professionals to help. We can help with meter downloads, dietary support from a dietitian, communication to and from your providers as advocates, setting up follow-up visits, and support with medication management and deliveries. Please call (715) 478-4355 for questions or assistance.

In closing, please keep doing your part in preventing COVID 19 disease. Stay safe and healthy! Migweh.



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI PUBLIC TRANSIT

***MASKS REQUIRED FOR ALL TRANSIT PASSENGERS!

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

WE ARE BACK!!

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI PUBLIC TRANSIT

To schedule a ride, call Transit Dispatch at 715-478-4779!

Hours of Operation:

- Monday thru Thursday 7am - 5pm

Fares:

- Daily Pass (Ages 6-54) - \$1.00
- Youth (Ages 0-5) - FREE
- Elder (Age 55+) - \$0.50

***Please bring exact amount for pass as transit drivers will not be carrying change
*** MASKS REQUIRED!

Climate Change Flyer, Issue 5

A Storm's A-Brewin'!

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

Natural "disasters" are the result of either:

- **Geologic "events"**, such as earthquakes and volcanoes or
- **Weather-related "events"**, such as severe storms, flooding, extreme temperatures, drought and wildfires.

The graph shows geologic-related disasters (tan bars) - that are not affected by climate - have changed little since 1950. However, driven by a changing climate, the number of weather-related disasters (blue bars) are on a rising trend (purple line), having increased from less than 50 per year in the 1950s to over 350 per year world-wide since 2000! The economic damage of these disasters is shown by the red line, and is also on the upswing.

Image by EPI-CAT International Disaster Database, Center for Research on Epidemiology of Disasters, University of Louvain

Photo Credit: Church at Bad River, Civil Air Patrol, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Wisconsin July 2019 derecho wind storm will affect economy for decades. Photo Credit: US Forest Service

Here in northern Wisconsin, we have experienced our own extreme weather disasters, including the July 2016 storm that dumped 8-10 inches of rain in 8 hours. Flood waters spread far beyond the banks of the Bad River, completely cutting off all road access to the Reservation Community.

In July 2019, a derecho - "a widespread, long-lived straight-line windstorm" (Wikipedia) hit northern Wisconsin, uprooting trees, snapping off treetops and flattening hundreds of thousands of acres of forests, with winds at 100 mph in the hardest hit areas.

There are many more impacts due to climate change, and they will continue to increase as human contributions to greenhouse gases (GHGs) continue to grow and global temperatures continue to rise.

NOW is the time to take action, plan ahead and be prepared.

For more maps and info on the July 2016 flood at Bad River Reservation visit: [Bad River 2016 Flood \(usgs.gov\)](http://BadRiver2016Flood.usgs.gov)

What other impacts can we expect here in Forest County from a warming planet? Up next in flyer 6!

FROM HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will provide regularly scheduled services in person or virtual visit. Please call (715) 478-4332 with questions or concerns.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday
Services include contact tracing for COVID-19, medication deliveries, case management and urgent home visits.

DENTAL

Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday
Dental services including orthodontic care and dental cleanings now available. Please call (715) 478-4313 to schedule.

MEDICAL/LAB/IMAGING

Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
Primary care services will provide regularly-scheduled services in person or virtual visit. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule.

OPTICAL

Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday
Optical will provide regularly-scheduled services in person. All visits will require an appointment to be made, which includes glasses repairs or adjustments, retail shop, contact lens fitting, pick-up glasses/contacts. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule any of these services.

REHAB

Hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday
Physical Therapy, Chiropractic and Dry Needling services now available. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule.

PHARMACY

Hours are subject to change. Please call the pharmacy ahead of time to ensure your medication is ready prior to arriving for pick up and options for pick up at (715) 478-4347.

FCP COMMUNITY

Easter

AT THE FARM
BODWÉWADMI KTĒGAN

BRING YOUR BOOTS!
Things might get muddy

MASKS REQUIRED



Saturday, April 10, 2021

3389 CTY. HWY. H | LAONA, WI 54541

10 am - 1 pm

Egg HUNT

There will be multiple small-group egg hunts. Families will get a time slot at the event.

Photos

WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

Easter MEAL

Easter meal will be a ham dinner to-go, for families to take as they're leaving.

Games



Questions? Call 715-478-4545

PATHWAY TO WELLNESS SURVEY

This 5 - 13 question survey should take 5 - 10 minutes to complete

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI Keeper of the Fire

Pathway to Wellness Project Location

The FCP Community needs your feedback about a proposed 4.5-mile walking and biking pathway to connect the City of Crandon to the FCP Stone Lake Tribal Community and the Otter Springs Recreation Area, which could soon feature 6 miles of hiking and biking trails.

Please visit www.fcpotawatomi.com/ptw to fill out the survey

or use this QR Code:

SURVEY IS OPEN MARCH 22 - APRIL 11 2021

Easter AT THE FARM
BODWÉWADMI KTĒGAN

ART CONTEST

BRING YOUR ARTWORK TO THE EVENT APRIL 10TH TO ENTER

AGES 0-17 FCP COMMUNITY

CATEGORIES:
Easter Bunny After Easter
Spring in the Northwoods On the Farm
Anything Goes - Draw Whatever Inspires You

Residential Leases

— By Appointment —
8 AM - 5 PM

MONDAY • TUESDAY • THURSDAY
• LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES
5320 Wensout Ln., Crandon, WI 54520

SPECIAL WEDNESDAY LOCATIONS:
• BODWÉWADMI KTĒGAN
3389 Cty. Hwy. H, Laona, WI 54541
• WE CARE
612 Hwy. 32, Wabeno, WI 54566

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

CONTACTS
Jessica Jacobson
(715) 478-4988 / (715) 889-0076
CALL OR TEXT
Land & Natural Resources:
(715) 478-478-7222

MASKS REQUIRED

FCPC Executive Council Contact Information



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- In the office Monday-Thursday
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- Committees
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SIERRAH CRAWFORD

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Records Administrator

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- Records Requests
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- Desk Phone: (715) 478-4847

NEW DELI HOURS



MONDAY - THURSDAY
8 AM - 6 PM

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY
11 AM - 5 PM

CALL AHEAD FOR LARGE ORDERS



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SMOKE SHOP/DELI

5326 Fire Keeper Road
Crandon, Wisconsin
(3 miles East of Crandon)

715-478-4199

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- Main Phone (715) 478-7255
 - Email CourtEmail@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov
- Please leave a detailed message including your name and phone number. Phone calls and emails will be returned asap.

Behavioral Health Resources:

- Online at fcpchelp.com
 - 24-hour crisis hotline at 888-299-1188
 - Text Crisis line - text "HELP" to 741741
 - If needed, 9-1-1 can always be called for immediate emergency services
- FCP Behavioral Health encourages all community members who may be struggling or who have family members in crisis to reach out to a member of our team or others for help.
- FCP Team – (715) 478-4332
 - Jeff Keeble Sr. – Recovery Coach (715) 889-1951
 - Ed Cover – Recovery Coach (715) 889-2884
 - Jorge Cisneros – Community Advocate (715) 846-7957 or (715) 889-9368

Message from FCP Veterans Post I

Meetings take place the first Monday of the month at 5 p.m. in the Old Tribal Hall on Potawatomi Trail.

We consider it an honor and a privilege to be of service to the Potawatomi Community. Membership in FCP Veterans Post I is open to all veterans and spouses of Potawatomi tribal members. Please join us!

Administrative Services Contact List

Division Administrator: Jayme VanZile – (715) 478-7435 or (715) 889-0014
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 Stone Lake C-Store (715) 478-4199
 Stone Lake C-Store Kitchen (715) 478-4186
 Carter C-Store (715) 473-5100

Emergency Management: Manager Bobbie Irocky – (715) 478-4428

Employee Health: Chandas Bissonette – (715) 478-4183

Enrollment: Manager Calli Victor – (715) 478-7253
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 or (715) 889-0077 and/or (715) 889-0078 for patrol



PO Box 340
 Crandon, WI 54520

Updated Public Works Contacts during COVID-19!

All Tribal Member Rentals, On Reservation Homes, and Government Facilities:
 Jeff Thorpe: 715-889-2136
Plumbing/HVAC: Dan Gruber: 715-889-3276

General Housing or Rental Related Questions:
 Nate Guldán: 715-889-1796
 Allison Daniels: 715-889-3149

Roads:
 Todd Mulvey: 715-902-0201

Drinking Water and Wastewater Issues:
 Operator on Call: 715-889-9345

Solid Waste:
 Tony Daniels: 715-889-6028

Transit (Medical Transports Only):
 Wade Deverney: 715-478-4940 or 715-889-0087

FAMILY SERVICES DIVISION CONTACT NUMBERS

Indian Child Welfare
 Main Line: (715)-478-4812
 24 Hour Emergency Hotline: (715) 889-1446

Economic Support
 (715) 478-7206

Community Advocacy
 24 Hour Emergency Hotline: (715) 478-7201

Child Support
 (715) 478-7260

Family Services
 Main Line: (715) 478-4433

If you don't get an answer on one of the these phone numbers, please leave a voicemail and your call will be returned shortly.

For additional information including applications and forms for each of our departments, please go to FCP's website at FCPotawatomi.com.

Greenfire is Growing and is Looking to Expand its Wausau Team!

Greenfire's Wausau office is looking to hire a Regional Business Development Manager and Project Engineer. Potential candidates may send resumés for Regional Business Development Manager to Jeb.Meier@greenfire.com. Resumés for Project Engineer can be sent to Michael.Murphy@greenfire.com. Please visit <https://greenfire.com/careers> for more information.



GREENFIRE
 BUILDERS OF THE FUTURE

If you or someone you know feels unsafe, please consider using one of these resources. They're free, available 24/7, and confidential!

- FCP Community Advocacy (715) 478-7201
- Tri-County Council on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault 1 (800) 236-1222
- National Domestic Violence Hotline 1 (800) 799-7233

Interim CEO/GM of Potawatomi Hotel & Casino Named

submitted by Ryan Amundson, PHC Public Relations Manager

MILWAUKEE (April 2, 2021) – The Forest County Potawatomi Community (FCPC), owners of the Potawatomi Hotel & Casino (PHC) in Milwaukee, has named Sheryl Schnering as interim CEO/General Manager of the property.

Schnering currently serves as the Chief Financial Officer of PHC. She has worked at the property for 13 years, including the last six as Chief Financial Officer.

“Sheryl has been an integral part of our team at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino for well over a decade. She has been with us throughout our growth and has helped

us successfully navigate through this pandemic,” said Ned Daniels Jr., FCPC Chairman. “Sheryl has been nothing short of exceptional during her tenure at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino, and we know that success will continue while we transition to the next era of our operations.”

Schnering replaces Rodney Ferguson who recently stepped down to take a new position in his home state of Virginia.

Prior to joining PHC, Schnering spent 25 years working in finance with several Wisconsin-based companies and organizations.

FCPC is currently conducting a national search for new CEO/General Manager of PHC.

About Potawatomi Hotel & Casino
Set in the heart of Milwaukee, Potawatomi Hotel & Casino is Wisconsin's premier entertainment destination, offering guests the best in gaming, dining and entertainment. The property features a luxurious 500-room hotel, the intimate 500-seat Northern Lights Theater, and more than 60,000 square feet of event space. To discover more, visit www.paysbig.com.



Justice for Missing or Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives

submitted by Office of Public Affairs - Indian Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. (April 2, 2021) – Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced the formation of a new Missing & Murdered Unit (MMU) within the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Justice Services (BIA-OJS) to provide leadership and direction for cross-departmental and inter-agency work involving missing and murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives. The MMU will help put the full weight of the federal government into investigating these cases and marshal law enforcement resources across federal agencies and throughout Indian country.

“Violence against Indigenous peoples is a crisis that has been underfunded for decades. Far too often, murders and missing persons cases in Indian Country go unsolved and unaddressed, leaving families and communities devastated,” said Interior Secretary Deb Haaland. “The new MMU unit will provide the resource

es and leadership to prioritize these cases and coordinate resources to hold people accountable, keep our communities safe, and provide closure for families.”

Approximately 1,500 American Indian and Alaska Native missing persons have been entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) throughout the U.S., and approximately 2,700 cases of murder and non-negligent homicide offenses have been reported to the Federal Government’s Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

A task force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives — Operation Lady Justice (OLJ) — was formed in 2019 to pursue these unresolved cases. This announcement builds on that work by designating new leadership and support positions, including a Unit Chief responsible for stakeholder collaboration, continued policy development, and overall performance of the

unit. The Department is also designating new positions with existing federal funding to support the investigative needs of the MMU, including the collection and analysis of performance data and coordination of services with the families of victims.

Investigations remain unsolved often due to a lack of investigative resources available to identify new information from witness testimony, re-examine new or retained material evidence, and review fresh activities of suspects. The MMU, in addition to reviewing unsolved cases, will immediately begin working with Tribal, BIA and FBI Investigators on active Missing and Murdered investigations.

The MMU will also enable the Department to expand its collaborative efforts with other agencies, such as working to enhance the DOJ’s National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs), and developing strategic

partnerships with additional stakeholders such as the FBI’s Behavioral Analysis Units (BAU’s), the FBI Forensic Laboratory, the US Marshals Missing Child Unit (MCU) and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

“Whether it’s a missing family member or a homicide investigation, these efforts will be all hands-on deck,” Secretary Haaland continued. “We are fully committed to assisting tribal communities with these investigations, and the MMU will leverage every resource available to be a force-multiplier in preventing these cases from becoming cold case investigations.”

For more information, please visit Missing & Murdered Unit (MMU) – Operation Lady Justice.

Resolution Honors Native Women During Women’s History Month

submitted by U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. (March 24, 2021) – The U.S. Senate passed a resolution led by Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and Brian Schatz (D-HI), Chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, honoring the achievements of Native women throughout American history and present day.

“Each year during March, the Senate celebrates National Women’s History Month. It is especially important to recognize the many achievements that Alaska Native, American Indian, and Native Hawaiian women have contributed to the United States and its history. These are just some of the women who have made their communities and this nation a better place and for that, we honor them, whether through their

military or public service, their advancements in the fields of business, education, arts, law, and sciences, or their efforts in protecting traditional ways of life,” said Vice Chairman Murkowski. “It should be noted that this year we have added two strong, resilient Alaska Native women. The resolution recognizes Ahtna Athabaskan Katie John of Mentasta Lake, who was the lead plaintiff in lawsuits that strengthened Native subsistence fishing rights in Alaska and helped in creating the first alphabet for the Ahtna language. Another addition is Mary Jane Fate of the Koyukon Athabaskan village of Rampart. She was the first woman to chair the Alaska Federation of Natives, a founding member of the North American Indian Women’s Association, an advocate for the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and the first Alaska Native to serve on the

Alaska Judicial Council. We remember and celebrate the ways they and the other women in the resolution have paved the way for future generations.”

“As we celebrate Women’s History month, it’s critical that we acknowledge the impacts Native women in particular have had on our shared American history – including Mary Kawena Pukui, a noted scholar and Native Hawaiian linguist, and Kaahumanu, a champion of Native Hawaiian women in leadership, and so many others,” said Chairman Schatz. “I’m proud to partner with Senator Murkowski to honor Native American women and their legacies in this resolution.”

In addition to Vice Chairman Murkowski and Chairman Schatz, the following 33 senators are co-sponsors to the resolution: Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Michael Bennet (D-CO), Rich-

ard Blumenthal (D-CT), Cory Booker (D-NJ), Maria Cantwell (D-WA), Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), Steve Daines (R-MT), Tammy Duckworth (D-IL), Martin Heinrich (D-NM), Mazie Hirono (D-HI), John Hoeven (R-ND), Tim Kaine (D-VA), Mark Kelly (D-AZ), Angus King, Jr. (I-ME), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM), Jerry Moran (R-KS), Robert Menendez (D-NJ), Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Alex Padilla (D-CA), Jacky Rosen (D-NV), Mike Rounds (R-SD), Bernard Sanders (I-VT), Charles Schumer (D-NY), Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), Tina Smith (D-MN), Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Dan Sullivan (R-AK), Jon Tester (D-MT), Mark Warner (D-VA), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), and Ron Wyden (D-OR).

Project Spotlight: 37TH STREET SCHOOL SENIOR APARTMENTS

The 37th Street School Senior Apartments project is a rehabilitation and reconfiguration of a former Milwaukee Public School into senior living apartments. The historic school, originally built in 1903, is located in Washington Park and is one of three Greenfire projects converting a former MPS school into residential housing.

The adaptive reuse includes new construction of 49 apartments intended for low to moderate income, transforming the third floor gymnasium into a community room, and installation of modern amenities like air conditioning and elevators. Exterior work includes façade tuckpointing and new landscaping. Construction began in August 2020 with substantial completion expected July 2021.

The project relies on a number of funding sources which requires detailed coordination and communication with various governing agencies, like the National Parks Service, which has jurisdiction over buildings that earn historic tax credits.

Managing renovations of former historic buildings is never an easy task. Project challenges include navigating tight elevation heights; identifying and correcting structural issues; and installing all new MEP, trash, and elevator systems and windows while maintaining and preserving historic character.

Construction is split into three different sections due to structural issues identified at project onset and subsequent repairs. The north and south sections have been progressing simultaneously while the east section follows closely behind. Currently, crews are removing and installing new windows throughout the building. On the third floor, finish and trim installation is ongoing in all sections. On the second floor, painting and finishes are nearing completion in the north and south sections as drywall installation is wrapping up in the east section. On the first floor, drywall installation is ongoing throughout all sections as rough installations recently passed inspections on the east side. On the garden level, trenching and below grade piping in the east section is complete and passed inspections as crews begin filling trenches and leveling and sealing floors. Rough carpentry is complete in the south section and progressing into the north section. All utilities are tied into the building and majority of exterior tuckpointing is complete as crews are nearing completion at grade level.

The Greenfire team remains vigilant throughout the historic renovation and we would like to recognize the outstanding work demonstrated on a consistent basis. The team includes Andrew Ziebell, project manager, and Damon Decorah, superintendent. The owner is Heartland Housing Alliance, and the architect is Landon Bone Baker Architects.



Photo: (1) Garden level trenches for below grade piping. (2) Detailed look at exterior tuckpointing with the baby blue paint over cream city brick. (3) Interior view of the community room.

Greenfire Project Wins: 2021 REAL ESTATE AWARDS



Photo: (1) Reception desk at Badger Mutual Insurance office build-out. (2) Exterior view of St. James 1868.

Two Greenfire projects were recently named winners of the Milwaukee Business Journal's 2021 Real Estate Awards. St. James 1868 was selected as a winner for Best Renovation: Retail/Hospitality and Badger Mutual Insurance office build-out was selected as a winner for Best New Development: Office. Profiles of each project will be published in a special edition in April, with winners being recognized during a virtual awards luncheon. The 2021 Real Estate Awards will be named during the event.

St. James 1868 is an historic renovation of Milwaukee's oldest stone church built in 1868 in Kilbourn Town along Wisconsin Avenue. The project converted the historic building into two event venues which formerly served as the church and parish hall.

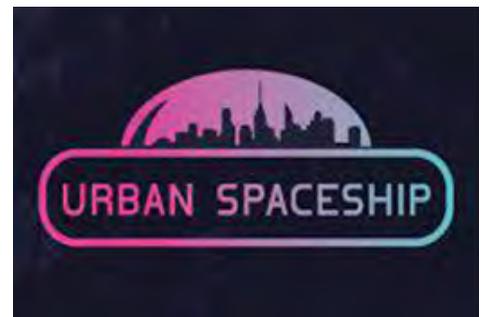
The Badger Mutual Insurance office build-out reimaged two floors of The 42 Building to reflect its workspace around the company's family-like culture. The modern design used innovative materials to optimize offices and workflow to create an inviting community. The collaboration areas are highlighted by a golf simulator bay and a stepped seating stairway that connects both floors.

We thank all of our project partners for the amazing opportunity to build your award-winning projects!

Urban Spaceship: THE PODCAST UPDATE

The Urban Spaceship podcast is becoming a popular source for localized stories focused on urban development, discovery, and engagement. This month's podcast (episode 3) focused on the proposed I-94 Expansion project. Topics of discussion included an overview of the contentious project, the financial and demographic impact of interstate infrastructure, and the long-term effects this project could have on the area. The podcast continues to spark interest among the industry and the audience grows with each episode.

For past episodes, visit: www.naiop-wi.org/urban-ism-spaceship



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