



Soft Opening of New FCP Community Center Held



Chairman Daniels, Council Member Boyd and FCP youth cut the ribbon into the building in which this community will thrive!

by Val Niehaus

The time had finally come... and what a magnificent time it was! The Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Community Center held its official soft opening on Sept. 18, 2021, on a beautiful, sunny fall day.

The opening was held in conjunction with a General Council meeting, and there couldn't have been a better time for this momentous event. FCP tribal members and their families had the opportunity to see every aspect of their new facility, and many took the opportunity to tour every section of this incredible building - something that will serve the tribe for years to come.

The event started off with opening remarks from FCP Chairman Ned Daniels Jr., Council Member Nickolas Shepard and Council Member Brooks Boyd.

Chairman Daniels was first to the podium, displaying his excitement and happiness that this day was finally upon his people. He said, "This is so much more than the concrete, glass and beams that make up this beautiful building. This project is much more than just another building on our reservation - it is bigger than that. Each of you have contributed to something that will forever change our people and this greater community." He went on to say even more: "This building will be a place where our young ones can gather and learn a new skill. It will be a place where they can develop their dreams and help further them to become a reality. And it will be a place that

will allow everyone within the greater community to gather and experience everything that makes our little corner of Wisconsin so great. As I said in the beginning, words cannot express the thanks and gratitude I have for this building, and the exciting things it will bring for our people and the next generations!"

Council Member Nikolus Shepard then approached the podium with his small son. He spoke of how he and his family are looking forward to enjoying all that will be offered within this building. He said, "Migwéth to everyone that made this event possible. This is a very special day for our tribe...I'm very happy and proud to be here today. We felt it was necessary to build this building for our people here at home. It's been a long time coming. This building is healing for our tribe!" He then held up his son and said, "This building is for them!"

Council Member Brooks Boyd was last to share his thoughts. "I just want to say how EPIC this is! This right here - what we are experiencing ladies and gentlemen - is a game changer for our people and for the next generations to come. This will provide great things for us all. We were focused on our children when thinking of this. We wanted a place for them to go to and feel good, feel safe and have a good time all around. This is a dream that came true. I'm extremely humbled and honored to have this here for you all. We are going to start feeling these impacts of this building immediately, and I am just very excited for that!"

FCP elder Louie Spaude was then given sema to come forward to bless the building and to ask the Creator to protect the children when they come in to use the facility.

It was then time for the BIG moment for any FCP youth in the audience to come forward and cut the ribbon into their new building of hope, healing and honor!

From there, everyone in attendance piled into the building with smiles, laughter, astonishment, and with eyes scanning all over the place. The feelings were strong and happy! Once inside, children, parents and grandparents walked around looking at everything from the field house to the gymnasium, aquatic center, rock wall, weight room and every nook and cranny in between. Many youth and members just said simply, "This is amazing!" with the biggest smile on their faces.

Soon it was then time for FCP Post I Veterans to bring in the staffs and flags with Fire Nation singing a welcome honor song. Veterans then posted the colors, and the flag song was sung, and everyone moved onto a prayer before eating. Once things were settled down and people had full bellies, the meeting was called into session.

Later in the evening, a Family Fun Night event was held at the community center. Families had the option of sticking around after the meeting or returning later in the night to enjoy the activities. The movie that was played in the field

house was "Jungle Cruise", and families brought their lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. It was an indoor/outdoor experience. There was popcorn, nachos, prizes, raffles, and all the center had to offer was open, including the pool and gymnasium. It really was an enjoyable evening for members and their families as they had their first chance to enjoy their new building with friends and family.

This new facility really will be a center of attention and activity for the tribe and surrounding communities for years to come. It has so much to offer for mind, body and spirit, and hopefully, will be important in contributing to a different direction of physical and mental health for people of all ages! And let's face it... those walls will be calling our names during those long winter days. The warm and welcome atmosphere, and the many activities will be a welcome refuge when the cold and snow cover the land.

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Council Members Shepard and Boyd look on as Chairman Daniels addresses the crowd.

More Soft Opening Photos



FCP Community Facebook Live Session Recap - Sept. 15, 2021

Ned Daniels Jr., FCP Chairman

Good morning, Forest County Potawatomi! Thank you all for tuning in today. My name is Ned Daniels Jr., Chairman of the Forest County Potawatomi and I'm very happy to be here today.

We can already see it happening; another season is upon us. The leaves are beginning to change, the temperatures are dropping, the Packers are playing each Sunday (and hopefully winning – unlike this past Sunday), and soon hunting season will be upon us. Yes, the fall season is officially at our doorstep.

The change in seasons means new experiences and new things to do in our community, and we have some great events coming up for you and your family.

Bring the family out to Bodwewadmi Ktegan for the annual Fall Fun at the Farm! You and your kids will be able to do some fun events like a corn maze, apple sling shot, hay bale slide, hay maze and more! The events will be held at the Farm on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. starting Sept. 18 through Oct. 31. The cost is only \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids 6 and older, and free for kids under 5. And while you are there, make sure you check out their farm store for the BEST meat and produce in the area. They have everything you need to stock your freezer to keep your family happy and healthy this year.

This Saturday, Sept. 18, will be the Community Center soft opening and special General Council meeting. The event will begin at 11 a.m. This is your chance to see the great things available to our families at the new Community Center and to vote on the 2022 budget. Please plan to come out on Saturday to celebrate this great new facility with your family and fellow tribal members.

The Grand Opening of the Community Center will be held Friday, Sept. 24. We will be welcoming the entire community to see first-hand the positive things our new facility will bring to our area. This new facility will not only benefit our tribal families, but all of Forest County and beyond.

I can't tell you how excited I am to officially open the doors of our new Community Center. This project was years in the making, and it would not have happened without the support of the entire Executive Council. Migwetch to our Executive Council for their ongoing support and excitement for this project. There is no doubt that this was a big investment by the tribe, but it will continue to pay dividends when we see the smiles and hear the laughter from our children. We built this facility for our next generations, and I know they will look back and thank us for making this important decision.

And finally, this week's "Good News" spotlight is on tribal youth Abey and Hunter VanZile.

Abey has been on varsity volleyball since freshman year and is entering her junior year. The team has a new head

coach, and the season is looking very promising. The team has already placed 2nd in the past two tournaments and has several more scheduled in the future. The Crandon volleyball team is currently 1-1 in conference with their next match against Laona/Wabeno. Abey also plays club volleyball during off season as well as summer league volleyball. Congratulations and good luck Abey!

Hunter is one of our up-and-coming racers. He spent three years in the Championship Off Road Short Course Kart #27, with his final year finishing in the top three in points. Hunter is now in his rookie season of the Mod Kart #270. Hunter's best finish for this year was in Bark River where he finished 2nd. He also finished 3rd in his last race on Labor Day weekend in Crandon. In his Mod Kart rookie season, he already has two podium finishes. He wants the Tribe to know that he is very thankful for their continued support of his racing career. We are glad to support you, Hunter, and look forward to watching you on the podium.

Parents George and Jennifer VanZile are proud of their children's accomplishments, and their dedication to being and doing their best! We are proud of you too, Abey and Hunter. Please keep up the hard work and we know you will continue to go far. We can't wait to see what is next for both of you.

One more addition to Good News: FCP tribal member Autry Johnson is a new employee working at the Executive Building as the main lobby receptionist. He just graduated from Michigan State University, James Madison College Class of 2021 with a double major International Relations and Comparative Cultures in Politics, with minors in European Studies and International Political Economy. Congratulations - we're proud of you!

Abbey Dall, FSD Administrator

Community Advocacy has orthopedic shoes; sizes range from 8-13. These quality shoes are available to those who need them. Please call (715) 478-4433 to pick up a pair or two.

Are you feeling out of sorts – just need someone to talk to? Please remember help is available 24/7. The pandemic was and has been hard, causing anxiety, social disconnect, mental and emotional concerns. And sometimes it's hard to talk about these things with those you love most. If you are feeling suicidal, please call the Hopeline at 1 (800) 273-8255. You may also text hopeline to 741741 to reach a crisis counselor.

Rising Sun Day Care celebrates just under 100 days COVID-free. The center is open and there is plenty of space for your children. Please contact us to get your applications in and talk about the process.

We have plenty of opportunity to get you back to work. Please get in contact with Kathy Tupper at (715) 478-4433 to get your Tribal Employment Skills application. Tribal Employment Skills offers

a training stipend to assist you while you learn.

Ready to work? The Family Services Division has some great job openings. Contact Human Resources to apply and discuss if you might be a good fit. They can be reached at (715) 478-7200.

For non-emergency service requests, our business hours are Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., and we can be reached at 715-478-4433. 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. We'd invite you to apply at <https://access.wisconsin.gov>. We know that filling out large applications can be overwhelming. Please call us at (715) 478-4433 to schedule an appointment to receive assistance.

Bobbie Irocky, EM Manager

The Incident Command System is at a Level 1 of a virtual Full-Scale Activation. COVID cases within the FCP Community and Forest County are being actively monitored on a daily basis.

The United States recently surpassed 40 million COVID-19 cases since the start of the pandemic, with more than 4 million of these cases reported in the past few weeks. COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths have generally increased throughout most of the country since the beginning of summer, fueled by the spread of the highly-contagious Delta variant. Low vaccination coverage in many communities is driving these increases.

Although most people with COVID-19 get better within the weeks following illness, some people experience post-COVID conditions. A recent CDC study shows that adults who had COVID-19 may experience ongoing health problems that can last four or more weeks after COVID-19 infection. Health problems may include shortness of breath, fatigue, difficulty concentrating, headache, fast-beating or pounding heart, cough, joint or muscle pain, dizziness/lightheadedness, or mood changes, among other symptoms. Even people who did not have significant COVID-19 symptoms in the days or weeks after they were infected can have post-COVID conditions.

The best way to prevent post-COVID conditions is by getting vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as you can. CDC recommends all people ages 12 years and older get vaccinated, including people who have had COVID-19 or a post-COVID condition. The COVID-19 vaccines recommended for use in the United States continue to offer protection against severe illness, hospitalization, and death. If you are not yet fully vaccinated, you can reduce the risk of long-term complications by taking steps to protect yourself and others from getting COVID-19. So, if you have not already done so, please get your vaccine for the safety of yourself and

others.

As always, if you have an emergency, please reach out to us at Emergency Management at (715) 478-4428 and we will either assist or put you into contact with the proper department that fits your needs.

Brian Tupper, Community Center Director

FCP Education after-school tutoring has now begun at the Community Center. If you're interested in signing your child up for after-school tutoring, please contact Courtney Crum at (715) 478-4390 or Myra VanZile at (715) 478-7395.

We are hiring for a Group Exercise Instructor to lead a variety of fitness classes such as step aerobics, yoga, muscle conditioning, cardio, and more! This position will be required to have a current industry recognized group exercise certification and obtain a CPR/AED/First Aid certification prior to hire. If you or someone you know would be interested in motivating others and wants to work in an enthusiastic environment, please contact the Fitness & Wellness Manager Desiree at (715) 478-6512.

Family Fun Night for tribal members/descendants will be on Saturday, Sept. 18, from 5:00 – 9 p.m. There will be games, prizes, food and snacks, batting cages, and golf simulator. The Aquatic Center will be open from 3 – 8 p.m. We will be showing a moving in the Field House (turf area) starting at 7 p.m. Remember to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on.

Clothing stipends are due and need to be postmarked by this Thursday, Sept. 16. If you have any questions, contact Barb Roberts at the Education building. Her number is (715) 478-4316.

If you have any questions in regards to the Community Center or want information, please call (715) 478-6500.

Bob Sookochoff, HWC Chief Medical Officer

I wanted to provide some information today on several topics.

Although all the focus has been on COVID recently, we need to also consider the upcoming influenza season. Typically, influenza cases start around November and last through February. Last year, there were very few cases of flu due to COVID precautions. Nationally, we expected about 200,000 hospitalizations per year for influenza. Last winter there were only 2,000 – the steps to prevent COVID also prevented influenza, strep and RSV. Since the CDC relaxed the mask mandate, we have seen a resurgence of these other diseases with some flu and RSV cases this summer, which is very unusual. So, we don't really know what to expect of the flu season this year, but we know how to prevent flu. We have started to receive our flu vaccine for the year. This year, the vaccine prevents four types of flu: three strains of Influenza A and one strain of Influenza B. We are recommending that everyone, adults and children, receive flu vaccine.

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Sweetgrass 101

by Val Niehaus

The Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Outreach & Engagement department held an event on Sept. 9, 2021, aimed at educating the community about Wishk-bemishkos, also known as sweetgrass.

Biologist of Botany/Wetlands Alyssa Grelecki was the planner of the event. She opened with a discussion about the places of origin of sweetgrass, how to harvest it, and touched on the uses of it in cultural purposes. She even spoke on the book "Braiding Sweetgrass" by Robin Wall Kimmerer - a botanist and professor of plant ecology who is also Potawatomi. This work is a very well-known piece of literature detailing the plant's specific uses and the science behind this healing grass.

Following her discussion, Grelecki then took questions from the attendees about the scientific aspects of sweetgrass and how to grow it properly.

Next to offer a bit of knowledge about this medicine was FCP tribal member Roberta Alloway. She introduced herself in Potawatomi and went on to share stories and lessons about this medicine. She proceeded to cleanse herself with the sweetgrass, and had her nephew go around the room and cleanse off those present. She went on to talk about how this sweetgrass helps Native people feel good inside and how it helps cleanse out

any bad feelings that may be within their spirit.

She said, "This was the first medicine the Creator put on the Earth for us, and it represents our Mother Earth's hair... the reason it is braided." Alloway then proceeded to take questions from the audience and was impressive in her knowledge of this plant and its uses in tribal culture.

Next, the floor was open to anyone wanting to share personal stories of their experience with sweetgrass or how they themselves use it in their own life. FCP tribal member Walter "Wally" Johnson was in town, and made a special stop at the event. He proceeded to speak about his mother and their uses of sweetgrass in their homes when he was young and how he uses it consistently in his everyday life. He then gave the people in the room a treat with his Native American flute playing.

There were snacks from the Farm and a raffle prize at the end, which was filled with goodies from the museum including many scented sweet grass items. Everyone also received a piece of braided sweetgrass to take home.

It was a nice educational and teaching event.



Alyssa Grelecki explains the growth of sweetgrass.



Roberta Alloway speaks to the spectators about her stories and uses of sweetgrass.

Daniels Receives CDL

by Val Niehaus



Daniels stands next to the Transit van

Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) tribal member Patrick "PJ" Daniels recently completed his training and testing to obtain his CDL on Aug. 30, 2021, from Karl's Transport CDL Training in Antigo, Wis.

Daniels was enrolled in the Tribal Employment Skills (TES) program that's supported by Executive Council, whereby tribal members have the opportunity to acquire the necessary skills required for a particular career path they are pursuing. TES helps guide them and pays for the training as well. Those interested may contact FCP Family Services Division.

Not only did Daniels end up achieving his goal in getting his CDL, but he is now part of the FCP Fleet department and working for his tribe. He said, "There was a point where I thought, can I really pull through and do this? It got tough at times. But, here I am, working for my tribe and that's RIGHT where I want to be!"

Daniels mentioned how enjoyable it is to see community member's smiling faces while he's driving the transit bus, and how comfortable they are seeing him

as well.

This just goes to show that with a bit of help, asking the right questions to receive that help, and getting the guidance to move forward, the TES program is a great resource for those FCP tribal members wanting to pursue a new career option.

Daniels is extremely happy in what he is doing, and it shows that with a bit of self-determination you can do anything. You will find Daniels driving the transit bus, vans, and shared that he will soon be driving buses as well.

Daniels wanted to give thanks to the Forest County Potawatomi tribe, Kathryn Tupper from FCP family services department economic support and her people (without them he couldn't have done the programing), Wade DeVerney for giving him the opportunity and working with him, and Tim Kordula and Tim Swanson, CDL instructors at Karl's Transport.

Congratulations to Daniels. The FCP community looks forward to seeing you on the road!

Facebook Live Session Recap

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We have good news to report at the FCP Health & Wellness Center. We have hired an additional Nurse Practitioner to improve health access in the FCP community. We welcome Laura Meverden to our staff. She joins Jackie Sailo and Jennifer Walloway. She is a knowledgeable, kind and culturally-sensitive NP who can meet all your healthcare needs. You can make an appointment today at (715) 478-4300.

Since Labor Day, we have seen an alarming number of new COVID cases in the FCP community - last week saw 27 new cases in a two-day period. This is likely due to unmasked carriers at big events, such as the Brush Run, spreading the dangerous Delta variant. This has led to a large increase in the demand for COVID testing. We have moved our medical trailer to the parking lot in front

of the old rec center to provide improved access to testing. You can easily drive up to the trailer, get tested, and drive through. You can make a same-day testing appointment by calling the main switchboard at (715) 478-4300.

As I've said before, there is no cure for COVID once you get it, but there is excellent prevention from the COVID vaccines. Tens of millions of people have received the vaccine safely, including many of your friends and neighbors. I personally received the Pfizer vaccine with nothing more than a sore arm and 24 hours of headache and generalized achiness. Vaccination provides you with increased freedoms to travel, attend sporting and entertainment events, and access restaurants and other venues. Get protected today by calling the switchboard at (715) 478-4300 for same-day vaccination service.

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Toxoplasmosis

Toxoplasmosis is a zoonotic parasite, meaning it spreads between various species. One way humans can be infected is by eating raw or undercooked meat from infected animals.

Symptoms

Many people will not have any symptoms once the parasite has been ingested. Others will have a flu-like experience, which includes muscle aches, headache, fever, sore throat, tiredness, swollen lymph nodes. Individuals with a weakened immune system may experience more severe symptoms and should seek medical attention.

Pregnant women should be especially careful. Fetal infection can result in developmental damage.

Warning To Hunters

With the fall hunting season quickly approaching, the FCP wildlife biologist is letting the community know of the potential risk of eating undercooked game. Game species that can carry the parasite include ducks, deer, bobcats, black bears, foxes, and many bird species.



Photo Credit: Cambridge University Press.

How can I safely eat game meat?

- "Cook all wild game meats to an internal temperature of at least 160°F. Use a meat thermometer to check the temperature.
- Don't rely on freezing, microwaving, curing (salting), smoking, or drying meat to make game meat safe to eat—some species of another parasite, *Trichinella*, can survive all of these methods.
- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling raw meat.
- Wash all materials that come in contact with raw meat thoroughly with soap and water after use" (Department of Health Services, Wisconsin)





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COMMUNITY COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

In an effort to increase access to the COVID-19 vaccine for community members, the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Health & Wellness Center, in partnership with the Forest County Health Department, will be holding a community COVID-19 vaccine clinic on Friday, Sept. 24, at the FCP Rec Building across from the clinic by the medical trailer. The clinic will be from 4 to 7 p.m. We will be offering the FDA approved Pfizer vaccine. This will be a COVID-19 vaccine clinic only.

With the rapidly increasing cases in our community, hospitalizations and deaths, we are urging community members to please get vaccinated to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

When: Sept. 24, 2021
4 to 7 p.m.

Where: FCP Rec Building (across from clinic)
5442 Everybody's Rd. Crandon, WI

Please share this opportunity with anyone you know who still needs the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect people from serious illness and death.

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OCTOBER ELDER MENUS

Friday, 10/2

Mushroom Wild Rice Soup,
Fry Bread, Cake

Monday, 10/4

Cheesy Beef & Shells Casserole,
Broccoli, Buttered Bread,
Nutri Grain® Bar

Tuesday, 10/5

Chicken Alfredo over Noodles,
Asparagus, Cherry Tomatoes,
Garlic Bread, Tropical Fruit

Wednesday, 10/6

Hamburger Gravy over Mashed
Potatoes, Carrots, Buttered Wheat
Bread, Dessert Bar

Thursday, 10/7

Brat Patty on Bun, Potato Salad,
Baked Beans, Baked Chips,
Jello® w/Fruit

Friday, 10/8

Tuna Sandwich w/Lettuce, Tomato &
Cheese on a Croissant, Cucumbers,
Pineapple Fluff

Monday, 10/11

BBQ Chicken Wings, Macaroni &
Cheese, Corn, Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, 10/12

Spaghetti & Meatballs, Green
Beans, Side Salad, Cottage
Cheese, Orange

Wednesday, 10/13

Oven Roasted Pork, Ranch Fried
Potatoes, Green Pepper Strips & Dip,
Brownie, Mixed Berries

Thursday, 10/14

Fish Burger w/Cheese on a Bun,
Pasta Veggie Salad w/Tomatoes &
Cucumbers, Bean Dip
& Crackers, Peaches

Friday, 10/15

Chicken Gravy over Garlic Mashed
Potatoes, Corn, Buttered Bread, Pears

Monday, 10/18

Mushroom Swiss Burger, Sweet Potato
Fries, Baked Beans, Peaches

Tuesday, 10/19

Egg Salad Sandwich on Wheat Bun,
Pasta Cold Salad, Carrot and Celery
Sticks w/Ranch Dressing, Kiwi

Wednesday, 10/20

Beef Tenderloin in Gravy over Rice,
Peas & Carrots, Bread Stick,
Jello® Cake

Thursday, 10/21

Pork Chop, Garlic Parmesan Noodles,
Squash, Buttered Bread, Apple

Friday, 10/22

Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap,
Cucumber Salad, Fresh Fruit

Monday, 10/25

Chicken Parmesan w/Marinara
Sauce & Cheese over Noodles,
Garlic Bread, Cookie

Tuesday, 10/26

Hot Dog on a Bun, Baked Beans,
Potato Salad, Baked Chips,
Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, 10/27

Chicken Chimichanga, Mexican
Rice, Refried Beans, Sour Cream &
Salsa, Pineapple

Thursday, 10/28

Lasagna Casserole, Garlic Bread,
Spinach Salad, Mixed Fruit

Friday, 10/29

Chunky Tomato Soup, Cold Cheese
Sandwich, Crackers w/Peanut Butter,
Applesauce

Menu is subject to change

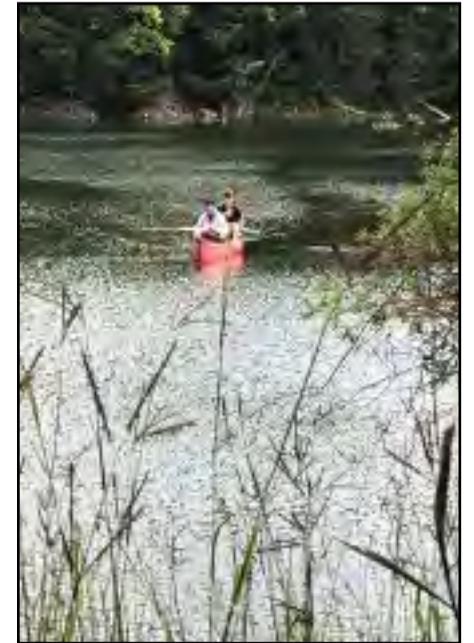
Top Fisheree Winners Named!

This past weekend, Land & Natural Resources held its Summer Fisheree at both Devil's Lake and Bug Lake. Those that participated had a beautiful day of fishing.

The biggest fish caught on Saturday was by Joe Shepard – a 17-inch northern pike, which took home the grand prize! The biggest youth fish caught was a 13 ¼ rainbow trout, hooked by Jordy Shepard.

Congrats to all those that caught fish and won prizes! Thank you to those that participated in the event and the LNR staff for their help in putting on this event. Stay tuned for updates on the winter fisheree!

text and photos submitted by FCP Land & Natural Resources



Twelve Tribes Selected for Participation in TAP Program

submitted by The United States Department of Justice

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Sept. 16, 2021) – The Department of Justice has selected an additional 12 federally recognized tribes to participate in the expansion of the Tribal Access Program for National Crime Information (TAP), a program that provides tribal governments with means to access, enter and exchange data with national crime information systems, including those maintained by the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division and the states.

“Timely access to federal criminal information can help protect domestic violence victims, place foster children in safe conditions, solve crimes and apprehend fugitives on tribal land, among other important uses,” said Deputy Attorney General Lisa O. Monaco. “Increasing tribal access to criminal databases is a

priority of the Justice Department and this Administration, and essential to many tribal government efforts to strengthen public safety in their communities.”

The program provides training as well as software and biometric/biographic kiosk workstations to process fingerprints, take mugshots and submit information to FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) systems. With these additional tribes, there are now 108 federally recognized Tribes participating in TAP.

TAP has been an important resource for the department's Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Initiative and the Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives known as Operation Lady Justice. The Department of Justice began TAP in 2015 in response to concerns raised by

tribal leaders about the need to have direct access to federal systems.

Using TAP, Tribes have shared information about missing persons; registered convicted sex offenders; entered domestic violence orders of protection for nationwide enforcement; run criminal histories; identified and arrested fugitives; entered bookings and convictions; and completed fingerprint-based record checks for non-criminal justice purposes such as screening employees or volunteers who work with children.

The following tribes have been newly selected for participation in TAP:

- Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua
- Fort Belknap Indian Community
- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and

Chippewa

- Havasupai Tribe
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
- Menominee Tribe
- Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe
- Muckleshoot Tribe
- Passamaquoddy Tribe
- Shingle Springs Band of Miwok
- United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee

TAP is managed by the Justice Department's Office of the Chief Information Officer and the Office of Tribal Justice. It is funded by the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking (SMART), the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

Please join us for the
**GRAND
OPENING**



of our new Community Center

September 24, 2021

11:00am to 3:00pm

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(5471 The Place Where Everyone Plays Road)

Crandon, WI 54520

◀ OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ▶

- ◀ *Prizes & Promotions* ▶
- ◀ *Food & Beverages Served at Noon* ▶
- ◀ *Tour the Facility & Meet the Staff* ▶



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WCPD: SIMPLE STEPS FOR AN EXTRA SAFE HALLOWEEN



Happy Halloween!!!

It is almost that time of year again. Ghost, Goblins, Monsters, and all things that go bump in the night are upon us. From the candy to the costumes, Halloween is a fun-filled time for kids and parents.

To help make your Halloween a trick-free treat, Chief Jeremy Moore and Wgema Campus Police Department would like to share safety tips for trick-or-treating and alternative Halloween activities to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Consistent with the Halloween activity guidance released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, some things to keep in mind in celebrating Halloween this year include:

- Enjoy Halloween outside rather than attending indoor events.
- Instead of traditional trick or treating, opt for one-way trick-or-treating, with treats placed outside of the home for trick-or-treaters as a "grab and go" while keeping distance from others.
- Consider leaving hand sanitizer by any treats left out for trick-or-treaters to use.
- Wear a facemask or face covering even if your child's costume has a mask, either underneath or over the top of it.
- Refrain from touching your face.
- Decorate your yard for others to enjoy from their car or while on a socially distanced walk.
- Hold virtual costume contests or pumpkin carving events.
- Celebrate with members of your household with a Halloween-themed meal, Halloween movie night, or by preparing a Halloween scavenger hunt.

Families should avoid the following:

- Attending crowded costume parties held indoors, or any gatherings that exceed indoor or outdoor gathering limits;
- Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming; and
- Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household.

Families participating in trick-or-treating should be mindful of the following additional safety tips:

- Fasten reflective tape on costumes and bags to help drivers see you.
- Hold a flashlight while walking to ensure that you are visible. Walk and don't run from house to house. Look both ways before crossing the street.
- All props should be soft, and no part of the costume should impair vision or movement.
- Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before you eat them. Eat only factory-wrapped candy. Avoid eating homemade treats offered by strangers.

Stay home and refrain from Halloween activities, including handing out Halloween treats, if you feel unwell, you have tested positive for COVID-19, or you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.

The Wgema Campus Police Department would like to wish everyone a very safe and happy Halloween!

Summerfest Tech: DATA HOLDINGS PRESENTING SPONSOR

Data Holdings was a presenting sponsor of the fourth annual Summerfest Tech event held on September 8 and 9, 2021 virtually and in person on the Summerfest grounds in Milwaukee, WI. The event supported growing tech initiatives in the State of Wisconsin and included participation from technologists, business leaders and innovators. Presentations and breakout sessions focused on making Milwaukee a Tech Town, Diversity Equity and Inclusion in Tech and Building High Performance Teams. Finally the event included a pitch competitive for new technology companies which was won by Debtle technology firm who developed to help consumers and businesses resolve financial obligations. Data Holdings and the Potawatomi Business Development Corporation are proud to support Summerfest Tech and position themselves as a technology leader in Milwaukee and beyond.



Top Photo – Chelsie Bath of PBDC and Ben Slife of Data Holdings promote the Data Holdings business at Summerfest Tech.

Left Photo – Kip Ritchie, COO of PBDC and President of Data Holdings speaks at the Summerfest Tech.

OCT 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS						

WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$10,000 CASH!

Pumpkin Patch Cash

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

Two winners each hour!
\$750 - \$1,500 CASH!

QUADS & BLAST

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

GET YOUR MOTOR RUNNING AND READY TO WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$35,000 CASH & PRIZES!

ENTRY MULTIPLIER ON WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER

CAMO CAP CRAZE

THURSDAYS
FRIDAYS &
SATURDAYS
IN OCTOBER

EARN 500 SAME DAY POINTS TO RECEIVE A CAMOUFLAGE HAT!

EARN & REDEEM SAME DAY POINTS FOR C-STORE VOUCHERS EVERY DAY!

PUMP PERKS

Travel Tumbler

TUESDAYS IN OCTOBER | 11 AM - 7 PM

EARN 250 SAME DAY POINTS TO RECEIVE YOUR HEATED TRAVEL TUMBLER.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

BINGO'S HALLOWEEN BASH

REGULAR GAMES: \$175 | ONE SPECIAL PAYS: \$300
THREE SPECIALS PAY: \$400 | LAST GAME PAYS \$600

Zip Code

FREE PLAY
Evens - & - Odds

WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER

Earn 50 same day points to receive \$10 Potawatomi Play!

For participation eligibility, visit our website.

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WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER

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