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2023 North American Indigenous Games

by Amber Haseman

After a six-year wait, the 10th North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) were held in Kijipuktuk (Halifax), Nova Scotia, July 15-22. Pijilá'si flags and signs were displayed throughout the community welcoming visitors from across Turtle Island (North America) to the 2023 games. More than 5,000 athletes, coaches, teams and staff from over 750 Indigenous Nations came together to celebrate this year's events and competitions.

Celebrating culture is a large part of the games. With Nova Scotia being home to the Mi'kmaw people, their culture was incorporated throughout the events. Values, customs, and traditions were expressed through art, music, spirituality, and language.

The general area for this was the Cultural Village. Located in the Halifax Common, the village offered a variety of food trucks, wigwams, sacred fire, and several cultural demonstrations featuring drum-making, basket-weaving and sacred medicines. Throughout the event, approximately 40 mainstage performers entertained visitors. A marketplace featured 50 Indigenous artists and artisans, showcasing their jewelry, beadwork, clothing, NAIG apparel, crafts and more.

As everyone was settling into their hotel rooms and getting ready for the evening after an eventful weekend of exploring, shopping, and delicious food, there was one last thing on their agenda before Monday's competition. Family, friends, and spectators across North America, joined the streets of downtown Halifax to watch the

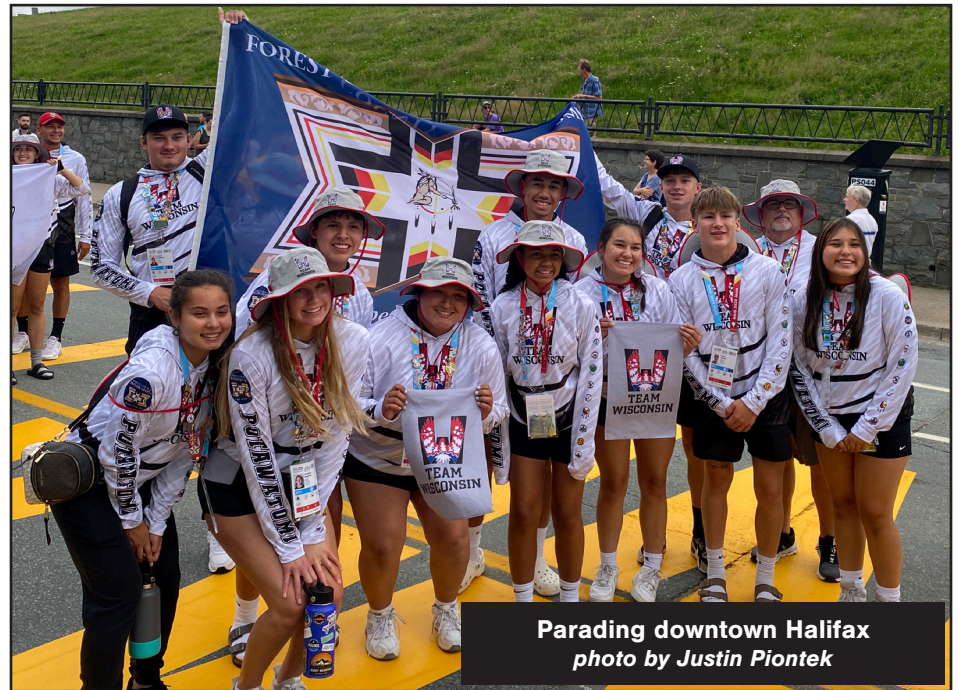
athletes parade the streets, making their way to the Opening Ceremony at Scotiabank Centre. Each team entered the arena with smiles on their faces, proudly representing their home nations and regions.

Teams across the continent kicked-off a week of sport, culture and celebration with Mi'kmaq culture and tradition. The ceremony was a wonderful opportunity for the athletes to come together as one, celebrate the language, traditions, wisdom, and culture of the Mi'kmaq Nations. Over a dozen performers and speakers joined in welcoming the athletes, their families and friends. Although it was a late night for all, the arena was ready for the games to begin!

Competitions began Monday morning. They were held across 21 venues throughout Nova Scotia in the areas of Halifax, Dartmouth, Millbrook First Nation and Sipekne'katik. The venues held a total of 16 sports including baseball, softball, volleyball, track and field, swim, wrestling and more. Our athletes performed at the Dauphinee Centre, which hosted the wrestling competitions, Canada Game Centre for Volleyball, Dalplex featuring an eight-lane, 50-meter pool for swimming competitions, Halifax Common hosting softball competitions, Bedford Hammonds Plains Community Center for basketball, and Beazley Complex, featuring an eight-lane, 400-meter track and baseball diamond for track and baseball.

Aside from the humidity, heat, rain, thunderstorms, and flood warnings, the competitions held strong. It was an extremely competitive week for the athletes. They worked hard and gave it everything they had, leaving it out on the field. You could feel the emotion and excitement throughout the crowd. The support each athlete shared with one another was indescribable. They came together as one in team spirit, support, unity, and strength. They hyped each other up, supported one another and shared this time together as one. They created new friendships, learned about their culture, danced like no one was watching, shared laughter, tears, excitement, and joy, and made memories that will last a lifetime. It was an experience unlike any other and one they'll never forget.

As the week came to an end, the athletes reflect on how far they've



Parading downtown Halifax
photo by Justin Piontek

come since the very first day and all the achievements they have made. They fought their hearts out and performed to the best of their ability, leaving it all in Halifax. Although Team Wisconsin was much smaller than some of the Canadian teams, Wisconsin stood tall with approximately 250 athletes who participated in the games this year.

Twelve of the athletes represented Forest County Potawatomi including: Ryker Schingeck, LaVara and Nate Gilpin, Omar and Elyssa Bailey, Isabel and Lucy Young, Frank and Brady Shepard, Abishea Winnicki, Asalia Williams and Elias Glinski. Team Wisconsin brought home a total of 56 medals – 21 gold, 18 silver and 17 bronze. They ranked seventh in the games and were the highest-ranking U.S. team.

Athletes and medals are as follows:

GOLD:

- Asalia Williams** (19u Female):
- Athletics 100m
 - Athletics 200m
 - Athletics 400m

- Abishea Winnicki** (19u Female):
- Swimming 50m Freestyle
 - Swimming 200m Freestyle
 - Swimming 200m Individual Medley
 - Swimming 100m Freestyle
 - Swimming 100m Backstroke

- Nathanial (Nate) Gilpin** (16u Male):
- Wisconsin Basketball

- Isabel Young** (16u Female):
- Wisconsin Volleyball

- Lucy Young** (16u Female):
- Wisconsin Volleyball

SILVER:

- Omar Bailey** (19u Male):
- Wisconsin Athletics 4x100 Relay

- Abishea Winnicki** (19u Female):
- 4x100m Freestyle Relay 19u
 - Wisconsin Swimming 4x50 Freestyle Relay

- Ryker Schingeck:**
- Wrestling 52 KG/114.6 lbs Male

- Elias Glinski:**
- Wrestling 66 KG/145.5 lbs Male

- Frank Shepard** (19u Mix):
- Wisconsin Baseball

- Brady Shepard** (19u Mix):
- Wisconsin Baseball

BRONZE:

- Omar Bailey** (19u Male):
- Wisconsin Athletics 4x400m Relay

- Abishea Winnicki** (19u Female):
- Swimming 100m Breaststroke
 - Wisconsin 4x50m Medley Relay

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Josephine “JoJo” Rose Alloway

Josephine “JoJo” Rose Alloway of Crandon passed away unexpectedly on July 24, 2023, at home. She was born May 25, 1977, to Edward Sr. and Gloria (Llanas) Alloway in Milwaukee.

JoJo was very artistic, expressing herself through her Native American regalia and beadwork. She was once offered a job as an instructor for beadwork, of which she was immensely proud. She enjoyed attending powwows, camping; following the powwow trail, cooking especially fry bread and chili (but she couldn't make biscuits jokingly stated by her family). Later in life, she became a talented seamstress. She liked to take an occasional trip to the casino to play Keno. Her laugh was infectious, and personality was large. More than anything else, her family was of utmost importance to her.

Surviving JoJo is her mother Gloria Alloway; daughters: Grace Alloway, Juanita Alloway, Sophrona Malone, Autumn Malone, Yolonda Alloway; sons: William (Tricia) Alloway, Joseph Alloway, Santos



Alloway, Sisters Consuela Alloway, Dina (Ronald) Lemieux; brother Edward Alloway Jr.; 10 grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father Edward Alloway Sr.; sister Tanya Alloway; and nephew Howard Lemieux.

Visitation was held at the Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center on July 26, 2023 with services being held on July 27, 2023, at the Cultural Center with Mr. Joe Daniels presiding.

Online condolences can be made by visiting www.weberhillfuneral-home.com

Daniels Wins Again!



submitted by Lindsay Daniels, photos Roman Photography

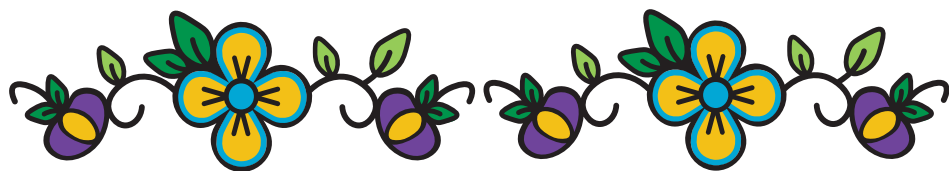
FCP tribal member and Wisconsin Middleweight State Champion, Mark Daniels Jr., has done it again! On July 22, 2023, Mark fought his first fight in a new weight division at the Riverside Ballroom in Green Bay, Wis. His opponent was the seasoned Super Middleweight boxer out of Kansas City, Mo., Antonio Louis Hernandez. This was Mark's toughest challenge yet, going the distance with a total of six rounds. Two judges scored in favor of Daniels and one scored the battle a draw, bringing Mark out on top with the majority decision WIN!

This was a great start to Daniels's jump into the new weight division and his next fight has already been slated for November 11, 2023! The fight will take place at the Marinette Recreation Center in Marinette, Wis. Daniels will be fighting for the International Boxing Organization Championship Title!

Daniels's Boxing career is taking off, and there are so many people and organizations that have played a tremendous role in helping him achieve his dreams. First and fore-

most, Daniels always wants to thank the creator for all of the blessings and ability to do what he loves, his family, friends, and fans for all of the continued support and love with every well-wish, good luck, and congratulations sent his way. Second, Mark thanks his team: Cainen Shooter, Cleveland Holmes, Ryon Alloway, newly added Coach Eric Dixon, Skylar Thompson of International Boxing Promotions, lian Zoellner of Zoellner Media, Rafael Roman of Roman Photographer, Drop Out Fight Club, Zach Harley, Nathan Ante and the singers/drummers of Bad River, Brooks Boyd Sr., Reddman Lemieux, and Brevin Boyd Sr. Next, Mark is always grateful for the support of the FCP General Council and Potawatomi Community Center, and his sponsors: Yeti's Drive In, Alloway Outdoors, Locate-N-Eliminate, and Wall-R-Us. Mark would also like to thank Eugene Webster Jr. for his gift of a new Dog Soldier headdress specially made for his son, Marley Daniels.

Keep your eye on this guy, he is going straight to the top!



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Elder Menu

Sunday 8/13	Monday 8/14	Tuesday 8/15	Wednesday 8/16	Thursday 8/17	Friday 8/18	Saturday 8/19
Sausage skillet (4oz) and scrambled eggs (2 eggs), toast (1 slice W.G. bread w/ 1 tsp. S.F. jelly), fresh fruit (1 cup)	French toast (2 slices W.G. w/ sugar free syrup), bacon (2 slices), fresh fruit (1 cup)	Cheese (1oz) and sausage (2oz) omelet (2 eggs), fresh fruit (1 cup)	Fried eggs (2 eggs), hash browns (1/2 cup), sausage (2 patties), fresh fruit (1 cup)	Boiled eggs (2 eggs), biscuit (3oz) and gravy (1/3 cup) fresh fruit (1 cup)	Oatmeal (1 cup), sausage (2 links), fresh fruit (1cup)	Egg (1 fried egg), ham (2oz) and cheese (1 slice Colby) sandwich on W.G. English muffin, fresh fruit (1cup)
Bison tenderloin (4oz), with fingerlings potatoes (1/2 cup), quick pickled cabbage (1/2 cup), Fruit (1 cup)	Chicken & Garden veggie Sloppy joes (4oz) on W.G. bun, sweet potato French fries (1 cup), pickle, fruit (1 cup)	Beef stew (1 cup), (beef tips, carrots, onions, celery, and potatoes (less potatoes for C.P.) in gravy), over biscuit (1-4oz biscuit), strawberries (1 cup)	Brat (4oz) on a W.G. bun, calico beans (1/2 cup), watermelon (1 cup)	Fish fillet (4oz), w/ tartar sauce (2oz), sheet pan potatoes (1/2 cup), carrots (1/2 cup), Pineapple (1 cup)	Pork (4oz) and sour kraut (1/2 cup), fried potato (1/2 cup), peas (1/2 cup), fruit (1 cup)	Chicken bacon ranch casserole w/ noodles (1 cup), side salad w/ tomatoes, blackberries (1 cup)
chicken and veggie soup (1 cup), (1 slice bologna) bologna sandwich (whole sandwich on W.G. bread (4oz) ham), fruit (1 cup)	Bibimbap bowl (1 cup) w/ carrots, bean sprouts, cucumber, mushrooms, spinach, fried egg, over brown rice (1/4 cup), fruit (1 cup)	Shrimp tacos (4oz), (shrimp, soft shell (W.G. tortilla shell), cheese (2oz), cabbage, mango salsa (2oz), Mexican rice (1/2 cup), fresh berries (1 cup)	Chicken (1/2 cup) and pineapple stir fry (1/2 cup) over wild rice (1/2 cup), fruit (1 cup)	Italian chicken salad w/ chicken strips (4oz), cheese (2oz), tomato, baby spinach, cucumber, zucchini, avocado, onion, fat free Italian dressing (2 oz), sugar free jello w/ fruit (1 cup)	Southwest sweet potato black bean and rice casserole (1 cup), fruit (1 cup)	Cold smoked turkey sandwich (1/2 sandwich on W.G. bread 4oz turkey), cold three bean salad (1/2 cup), fresh fruit (1 cup)

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photos by Amber Haseman



The FCP athletes entering the arena representing Team Wisconsin



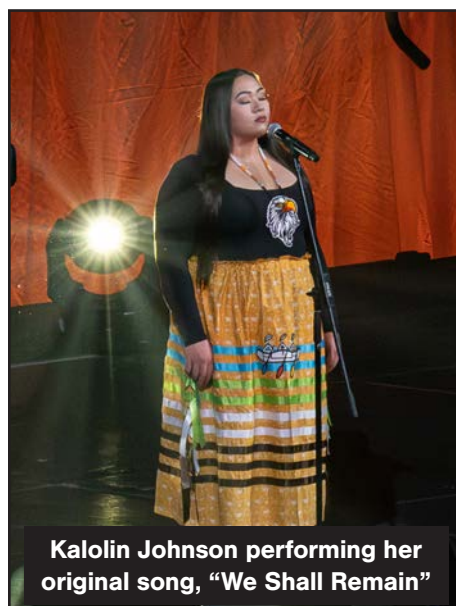
Emma Stevens singing the U.S. National Anthem



Norman Sylliboy, Grand Chief of the Mi'kmaq Grand Council



Chief Norman Bernard, President of the Mi'kmaq Sport Council



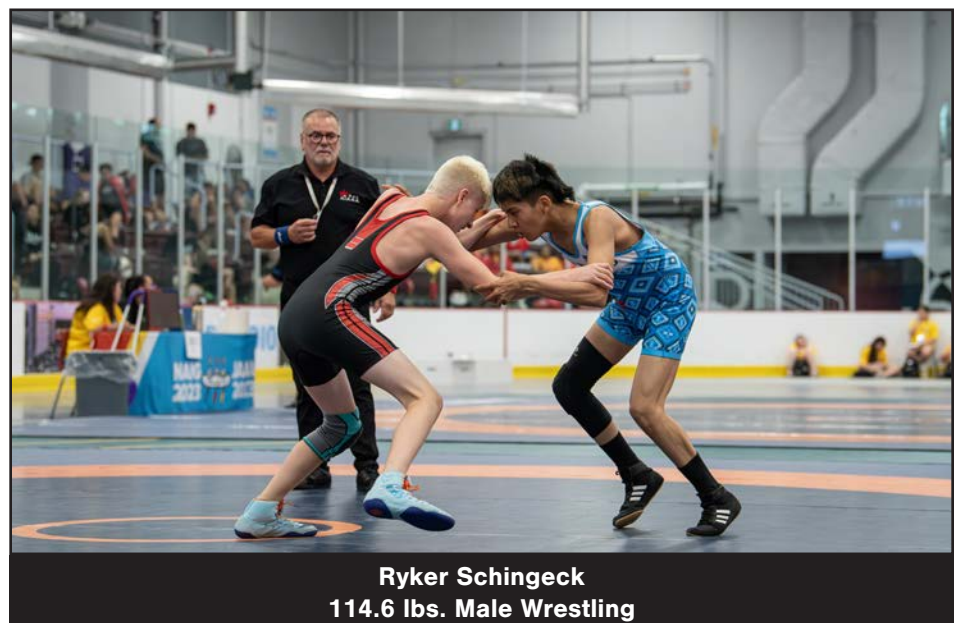
Kalolin Johnson performing her original song, "We Shall Remain"



Welcoming the flag of the NAIG, celebrating The Spirit - Strong, Brave and True



Elias Glinski
145.5 lbs. Male Wrestling



Ryker Schingeck
114.6 lbs. Male Wrestling



Abishea Winnicki
19U Female Swimming



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19U Male Athletics



Nate Gilpin
16U Male Basketball



Elyssa Bailey
16U Female Athletics



Lucy Young
16U Female Volleyball



LaVara Gilpin
19U Softball



Abi Winnicki receiving one of her many medals



(l-r) Frank Jr. and Brady Shepard after winning silver in baseball



Asalia Williams receiving gold



(l-r) Lucy and Isabel Young after a big Wisconsin win

Potawatomi Gathering of Nations 2023

by Val Niehaus

Hosted by the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi (NHBP), on the Pine Creek Reservation and FireKeepers Casino near Fulton, Mich., this year's Gathering of Potawatomi Nations kicked off on July 24 and ended on July 29, 2023.

The Gathering of Potawatomi Nations is hosted each summer by one of the nine tribes of Potawatomi, providing an opportunity for members of all tribes to come together and celebrate their Potawatomi heritage. It includes a language conference, cultural workshops, youth events, crafting classes, sporting events, and language classes.

The Gathering begins with the lighting of the fire that burns for four days. The first day often begins with a tribal council meeting between officials in attendance. A sunrise ceremony is held each morning, giving members from different Potawatomi communities an opportunity to meet and connect with one another. The Gathering has myriad activities for all ages and interests.

Each host community facilitates Potawatomi Gathering in their own unique way, highlighting their heritage and teaching other tribes the facets of their culture that distinguish them from other Potawatomi communities. Source: www.potawatomiheritage.com/encyclopedia/gathering-of-potawatomi-nations

The nine tribes include U.S. Tribes: Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians, Hannahville Indian Community, Forest County Potawatomi, Math-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indian of Michigan (Gun Lake Tribe), Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi. Canadians First Nations: Walpole Island First Nation (Bke-

jwanong), Wasauksing First Nation. Since 2010, Potawatomi Leaders recognized to more Canadian First Nation tribes, Beausoleil First Nation (G'Chimnissing) and Chippewas of Nawash (Cape Coker).

The week started off with the opening of the language conference. This is a highlight to many First Nations people as it provides opportunities and resources to keep their Native language flowing through history. As the elders say, "Our language is who we are."

During the language conference, participants learned about a variety of language-based activities such as Potawatomi Voices of History Project: Elders & Ogitchidaw, Language Conference: Youth Track, Youth Music & Laughter Therapy, and a Red Road Meeting. To end it the final night, there was a Super Mario Brothers movie.

Once the two-day language conference wrapped up, it was then time to start engaging in the cultural workshops that many look forward to. It's also a time for relaxing, meeting up with old friends, or meeting new ones.

Wednesday, July 26, started with the Sunrise Ceremony, followed later by a FireKeeper Conference. Other activities this day included Canoe Tours, Youth Shishibé, Golf Outing, Elders Picnic & Shishibé, Youth Fitness & Fun, a Cooking Competition, an Archaeological Workshop, a tour of the Pine Creek Indian Reservation, LGTBQ Listening & Learning Circle and an AA Meeting was held to end the evening.

Thursday, July 27, many events were the same as the day before, but a few new ones included Judicial

Conference, Art Gala, Tie-Dye Tent for Youth, Tribal Council Summit, Guided Meditation, and a Cedar Oil Distilling Demonstration. Many events had to be canceled or moved during this day and the previous day due to thunderstorms in the area, but the NHBP community ran everything smoothly as possible and had great communication for their visitors during these unstable times. A special performance by Supaman was held at the FireKeepers Casino Hotel Ballroom at the end of the night. The place was packed with youth and elders both with many smiling faces enjoying his performance.

Friday, July 28, there were still many activities happening from the days before, but some new ones included a Family Fun Day. This was a mini carnival set up with horse rides, bouncy houses, face painting, and all the goodies one would find at a carnival. The children and adults both enjoyed this entertainment to pass the time in the morning. There were again some events that had to be canceled due to weather such as the Fishing Event and Youth Craft Beading. The Basketball Tournament was moved indoors at a local school compared to the outdoor courts. There was an Economic Development Summit, and a Gaming Commission Symposium held at the casino. The highlight of this day was the beginning of the traditional powwow held at each Gathering. This began at 8 pm with Grand Entry and was moved to the FireKeepers Casino Ballroom due to weather in the area. Many were so thankful for this since the temps were in the high 90s with thunderstorms unpredictable. Again, NHBP accom-

modated everyone present very well.

Saturday, July 29, was the final day of the Gathering for the week. On this day there was a Sobriety Walk that was held with Grand Entry then at 12 p.m. at the Powwow Grounds since the weather was corruptive again — even though hot! A traditional meal was then had for those still in attendance and the final Grand Entry happened at 7 p.m.

The newly-crowned Miss Potawatomi was announced as well being Panno Wahwassuck, she is 14 years old, enrolled Prairie Band and lives in Mayetta, KS. Her parents are Raphael and Adele Wahwassuck and are extremely proud their daughter will be representing the Potawatomi Nation in this coming year.

Sunday, July 30, the ashes of the sacred fire were then passed onto the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi who will be hosting the Gathering of Nations in 2024.

Craft workshops that were held during this year's Gathering included: Moccasin Making, Applique Bags, Beaded Hair Clips, Hair Pipe Necklaces & Shakers, Medicine Bags, Parfleche Earrings, Chokers, Black Ash Baskets, Ribbon Skirts, Cradle Boards, Birch Bark Medallions, Beaded Hair Clips, Hand Drums, Brick Stitch Earrings and Crochet Classes.

Chi Migwéth to NHBP for hosting this year's Gathering of Nations. It was an obstacle at times dealing with the weather and heat, but you sure did help where needed. From the Forest County Potawatomi Community, we look forward to the next time we can all be together as one again!

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Shawn & Lisa Milligan along with Secretary Aiyana VanZile participating in making Hair Pipe necklaces



Ahshoni and Herb Daniels teaching a medicine bag class





Ernie Wensaut and Peyton had their own Cedar Featherbox stand



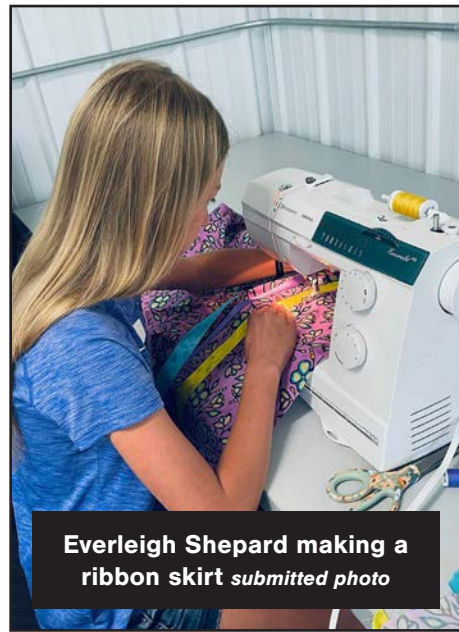
Ruth Pemma was so happy to run into her friend Goffey, as many others were



Joe and Jordy Shepard making Hair Pipe necklaces



Sam & Terri Alloway enjoying their time spent together at the Gathering



Everleigh Shepard making a ribbon skirt *submitted photo*



Jayden Tuckwab tie dying



Chairman Crawford and family



A small part of the Shepard family enjoying their time together



Newly-crowned Miss Potawatomi 2023 Panno Wahwassuck *submitted photo*



Baby Willow enjoyed her first Gathering



Richelle Mexico working on Parfleche earrings



Ernie Wensaut receiving a gift from Sam Alloway *submitted photo*

Welcome Home Athletes

by Amber Haseman

The 2023 North American Indigenous Games participants were officially welcomed home July 31, 2023. Family, friends, and fans joined the athletes at the Potawatomi Community Center (PCC) cafeteria for ice cream and questions. Brian Tupper, Community Center Director, introduced this year's participants and medalists. A few former NAIG participants joined to celebrate this year's athletes, including Callie Victor (2002 Winnipeg Silver Medalist - Basketball), Evan Shepard (2006 Denver Silver Medalist - Wrestling), Carlton Stealer (2002 Winnipeg Bronze Medalist - Baseball and 2006 Denver Silver Medalist - Baseball), and Anike Sulaimon (2014 Regina Gold Medalist - Basketball and 2017 Toronto Bronze Medalist - Basketball).

After introductions, the audience had the opportunity of asking the athletes questions, such as the difference between playing the Indigenous Games compared to high school sports, how they prepared for the games, their favorite memories, when they started the sports and any words of encouragement they may have for future athletes.

Many of the athletes have been playing since they were very young while others began just this year. Each athlete has worked very hard up until the games, practicing their running form, building fundamentals, swimming all year round, understanding and learning distance in meters, practicing at the gym, and assistance and support from their parents.

A majority of the athletes' favorite memories were the exchanging of pins, meeting different people, making friends, and the entire experience as a whole. Words of encouragement

included dreaming big, working hard, doing your best, lead by example, and give it everything you got.

Tupper stated that Wisconsin was the largest state competitor. "This year was quite an accomplishment for us as there were many provinces that were larger. As far as Wisconsin, we are strong in team sports." While some of the athletes were selected as alternates, they continued to practice and were eventually brought on as key members.

PCC's Youth Sports Performance Coach Dixon made a statement to the audience how he is working toward establishing the sports clubs and sports education programs for coaches. He will be building this program to help athletes to not only represent the nation, but across the U.S. as well.

PCC's Division Administrator Matt Steingraber closed the ceremony with a big thanks to Shannon Howerton, PCC director and Potawatomi rep for Team Wisconsin, and Tupper. "Brian not only represented FCP, but the entire state of Wisconsin." He assisted with the preparation of the games, making several trips to Canada, ensuring the athletes were ready for the games up until their departure home.

Most importantly, the parents and grandparents that brought their kids to practices and everything they've done for the athletes to be a part of the Indigenous Games. They wouldn't be where they are today, without you and your support. Let's send a big congratulations and a welcome home to the team, the supporters and to everyone involved with the success of this year's games. You sure made your community proud and you should be proud of your accomplishments!



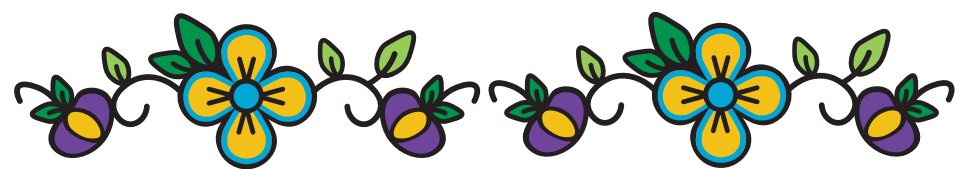
Siblings Michael, Nate and LaVara Gilpin with their NAIG basketball medals, ft. Nate's 2023 Gold Medal



Former NAIG athlete Carlton Stealer sharing his bronze and silver medals of 2002 and 2006



Brian Tupper explaining the exchanging of pins while sharing Abi Winnicki's lanyard



Gemma's Fundraiser

by Amber Haseman

Gemma Frank, 2022 Meno Keno Ma Ge Wen's junior princess held a fundraiser Aug. 3, 2023, from 12-2 p.m. at the Stone Lake C-Store Food Shack. Frank raised funds for this year's outgoing princess special for first through fifth place winners. Prizes are as follows: First - \$400, second - \$300, third - \$200, fourth - \$100, fifth - \$75. This year's event will be held August 25-27 at the Ka kēw sē Gathering Grounds in Carter, Wis.

Items on the menu included Carnitas Plates featuring two carnitas tacos, side of rice and charro beans; Picky Queen with four tacos, a side of Mexican rice; and a Gordo plate with four carnitas tacos, side of rice and beans. Refreshments were also offered. What a delicious way to raise funds for this year's contestants. Good luck to this year participants!



Miss Gemma Frank



Athletes were able to look at past photos of the game...maybe recognizing some family members from year's past



LNR Open House

by Amber Haseman

The Land and Natural Resource Division beat the heat as they held their Open House Aug. 2, 2023, from 2-7 p.m. Each department displayed their own informational booths regarding services they offer, the variety of programs and projects available, natural resources and all that's provided to the community.

Some of the programs and projects offered include the following: LNR Botany and Wetlands, which incorporates emerald ash bore monitoring, seasonal vegetation surveys, GIS map development and more. Land & Natural Resources Garden Project, taught what compost is, the utilization of conserving water with a rain barrel, determining what is a weed, and planting a variety of vegetables like squash, tomatoes, bell peppers, pumpkins, and cucumbers.

LNR Wildlife Program features the safety of wildlife providing bat houses throughout the community, remodeling with bird-safe windows to prevent collisions and turtle crossing signs. The Outreach and Engagement

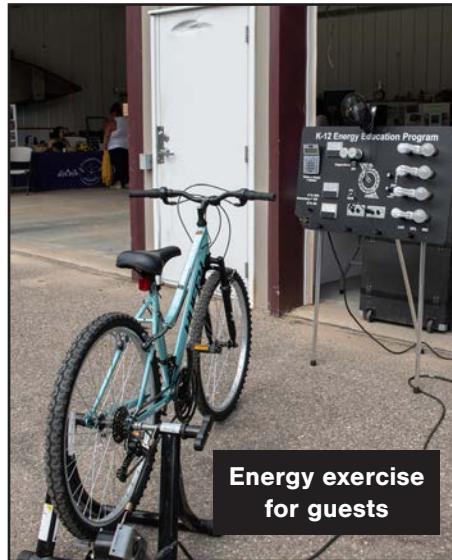
Department provides the community with seasonal events, after school programs at the Potawatomi Community Center, photo contests, cultural collaboration events, farm-to-table cooking classes, facility tours, and monthly environmental education school visits to local schools.

Visitors gained awareness and knowledge attending the open house. It was an opportunity to understand the work Land and Natural Resource puts in on a day-to-day basis, and the benefits of having the division. A couple booths offered raffles for guests and interactive activities including, identifying the bugs for a chance to win a fishing package, outdoor activities such as axe throwing, cornhole and skeeball, and a visit from cocoa the pig!

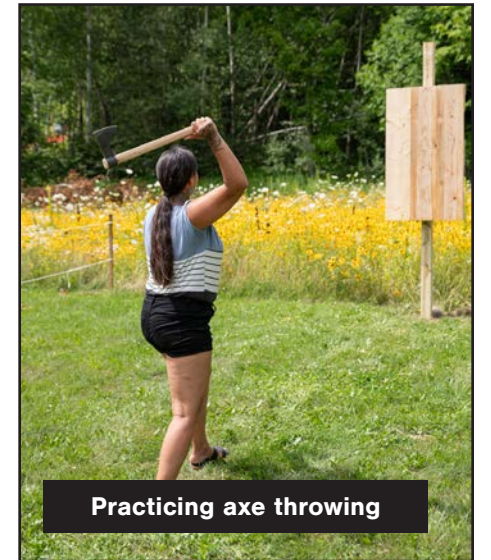
The evening ended with a prayer and dinner, featuring farm-fresh ingredients prepared by the one and only Nona Siggelkow. Dinner consisted of pulled pork, beans, pasta salad with fresh veggies, a side of pickled veggies and chips. What a great way to end the day!



Visitors checking out the booths



Energy exercise for guests



Practicing axe throwing

Safety Fair

by Amber Haseman

The community gathered for the FCP Safety Fair at the Carter Powwow Grounds July 27, 2023, from 12-3 p.m. The fair was hosted by Health & Wellness Center Community Health Staff and Emergency Management.

Upon arrival, a helicopter landed in a field nearby to join the event. Tours were given to those who were interested. Car safety checks were provided by Child Passenger Safety Technicians to parents who had them available. There was a variety of safety education booths displayed by Community Health, Emergency Management, Land & Natural Resources, Potawatomi Community Center, the Farm and more.

Local first responders were on-site, along with the Laona Rescue Squad and Wabeno Fire Department. Officers from the Forest County Sheriff's Department also joined. Emergency vehicles and an armored sheriff's

vehicle was on display for visitors to check out.

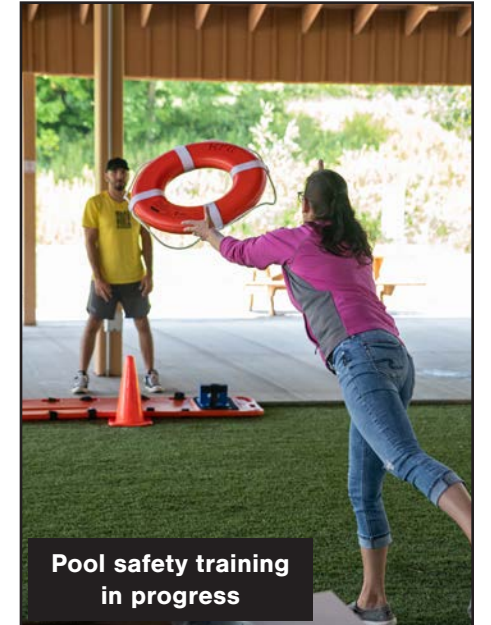
Booths displayed information regarding safe disposal of needles and other sharps, kitchen safety tips for families with young children, proper cleaning of vegetables to avoid botulism, bike safety, air pollution, wildland fire safety, summer safety, CPR basic trainings, and Narcan training.

There were many raffle prizes available for adults and children including water bottles, a Nutribullet basket, and bigger raffles for the children featuring a Mongoose skate bike, two bicycles, a helmet, exercise mat and a splash and slide.

Despite the heat, the fair had a decent turn out. Guests left with a bag of items to take home, including safety locks and covers, first-aid kits, fire extinguishers, sunscreen, flashlights and more. Everyone left with a more knowledge, tips, and tricks they'll be able to utilize in the future.



Helicopter landing at 12 p.m. sharp



Pool safety training in progress



Some of the displays at the event



Fun giveaways

Greenfire Business Spotlight: Building A Legacy of Excellence and Sustainability



Since its inception in 2010, Greenfire Management Services, LLC, has been at the forefront of the construction management industry, driving sustainable solutions and making a positive impact in the communities it serves. With offices in Milwaukee and

Wausau, Greenfire's vision aligns with its commitment to improving the places where people live, work, and play.

At the heart of Greenfire's success lies its team of skilled construction professionals, each possessing a wealth of experience across various markets. This expertise has cultivated a culture of excellence and integrity, giving Greenfire an edge in the industry. Clients value the company's emphasis on trust, transparency, and open communication, which fosters strong partnerships and successful project outcomes.

With 56 employees, Greenfire is a construction manager that helps owners understand their project from a budget, schedule and quality point of view. They can provide insight early

in the design process to make sure the project is designed within budget and can be built within the schedule. When it comes to bidding the project to subcontractors, it is a completely open book process.

As Greenfire doesn't self-perform any trades, they invite qualified bidders for each discipline and share those bids with the owner to make an informed decision about subcontractor awards. This transparent process gives the owner the best value for their project. Greenfire's core markets encompass a diverse range of sectors, including tribal, multi-family, health-care, senior living, public sector, industrial, corporate offices, retail, tenant improvements, and education.

Throughout its 13-year journey, Greenfire, its team, and projects have received numerous awards and accolades, including the prestigious American Institute of Architecture Award,

BizTimes Milwaukee Notable People recognition, and Midwest Real Estate News Magazine's Top Projects. These honors underscore the company's dedication to delivering exceptional results and pushing the boundaries of innovation in the construction field.

Greenfire's status as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) with the State of Wisconsin highlights its commitment to diversity and inclusion, while its ownership by the Potawatomi Business Development Corp connects the company to the values and principles of the Forest County Potawatomi Community.

With a forward-looking approach and an unwavering commitment to excellence, Greenfire is well-poised to leave a lasting legacy of positive change in the construction industry and beyond.



Greenfire Employee Spotlight: Michael Moe



As the Business Development Coordinator at Greenfire, my team and I play a pivotal role in identifying and securing new construction opportunities across diverse markets. I began my journey with Greenfire as a marketing intern, actively contributing to the

development of promotional materials, website management, and refining the proposal process. What makes my work even more meaningful is being a member of the Forest County Potawatomi Community, as it allows me to contribute to our tribe and collaborate with other tribally-owned businesses, all while honing my skills in marketing, business, and community development.

Before joining Greenfire, my family's real estate company provided me with a valuable introduction to the industry. Through our endeavors, I cultivated a strong work ethic and gained a foundational understanding of real estate skills. Our projects had a positive impact on the economic growth of neighborhoods, igniting my passion for the real estate field.

During my pursuit of higher education at UW-Milwaukee, with the support of the Forest County

Potawatomi Community, I sought to deepen my knowledge in economic diversification, which led me to qualify for multiple internships with the tribe and eventually secure my full-time position at Greenfire.

As a member of the Business Development team, I continuously enhance my industry knowledge and align myself with Greenfire's mission, vision, and values. This enables me to effectively identify and pursue new leads, while my analytical skills have become crucial in understanding the intricacies of the real estate market.

Though my career is still in its early stages, my ambition to pursue real estate as my chosen path remains steadfast. My aspirations extend beyond personal growth; I aim to be a valuable resource for tribal and minority real estate professionals, supporting them in developing impactful projects that benefit their commu-

nities. Additionally, I am passionate about guiding and empowering future generations interested in real estate.



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Dr. Ann Novak, MD, by calling (715) 478-4339. Appointments are available Monday - Friday 7 am - 5 pm

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8201 Mish ko swen Dr. Crandon, WI
health.fcpotawatomi.com

ASPIRUS NETWORK OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Join us at American Family Field to watch the Brewers take on the Twins!

August 23, 2023 @ 1:10pm

AMERICAN FAMILY FIELD
1 BREWERS WAY • MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Transportation is provided
Bus leaves at 7:30am **SHARP**

ONLY 50 TICKETS AVAILABLE!


Open to FCP Tribal Members, Descendants, & Their Families
Minors **must** be accompanied by an adult.

To sign-up visit our front desk.
A deposit of \$10 is required for each ticket.

POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER RECREATION
5471 Thayék Ethé Dnėkmėgžėk Myėw (The Place Where Everyone Plays Road) Crandon, Wisconsin

For more information contact Recreation Manager Shannon Howerton at 715-478-6514

INFORMATIONAL BUDGET MEETINGS



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI
Keeper of the Fire

The Forest County Potawatomi Executive Council and the 2024 Budget Panel members: Richard Gougé, Donnie Gilligan, Nick Shepard, Alex McCorkle, Mike Goodrich, Calli Victor, Briana Davies, Eugene Shawano Jr., and Nate Gilpin, **CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THE FOLLOWING 2024 INFORMATIONAL BUDGET MEETINGS:**

<p>Wednesday, Sept. 6 2023 6 p.m.</p> <p>Comfort Suites Appleton Airport 3809 West Wisconsin Ave. Appleton, WI 54914 For directions, call 920-730-3800 MEAL SERVED</p>	<p>Thursday, Sept. 7 2023 1 p.m.</p> <p>Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center, Library & Museum 5460 Everybody's Rd. Crandon, WI 54520 FRY BREAD & CHILI SERVED</p>	<p>Wednesday, Sept. 13 2023 6 p.m.</p> <p>Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott 7100 Stone Ridge Dr. Weston, WI 54476 For directions, call 715-241-8400 MEAL SERVED</p>
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Detailed budget available for viewing at Finance in September

Please direct any questions to **Manny Johnson II: 715-889-0636**

AQUATIC CENTER

5471 thayék êthë dnêkmëgzêk myéw
(The Place Where Everyone Plays Road)
Crandon, Wisconsin



**POTAWATOMI
COMMUNITY CENTER**

For more information please contact
Aquatics Manager Kimberly Shawano
715-478-6513 • Kimberly.Shawano@FCP-nsn.gov

AUGUST AQUATIC SCHEDULE

	SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
Yard Pool	Lap Swim 10am-5pm	Lap Swim 5:30am-8pm Swim Clinic 4:15pm - 6:30pm (LL)	Lap Swim 5:30am-8pm Aqua Jogging 10:15am-10:45am (LL)	Lap Swim 5:30am-8pm Swim Clinic 4:15pm-6:30pm (LL)	Lap Swim 5:30am-8pm	Lap Swim 5:30am-8pm	Lap Swim 12pm-8pm
Activity Pool & Hot Tub	Family Swim 10am-5pm	Open Swim 5:30am-9am 10am-5:30pm 6:15pm-8pm Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Camp Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm Aqua ZUMBA® 5:30pm-6:15pm	Open Swim 5:30am-9am 10am-8pm Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Camp Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm	Open Swim 5:30am-9am 11am-8pm Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua HIIT 10:15am-11am Camp Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm	Open Swim 5:30am-8pm Camp Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm	Open Swim 5:30am-8pm	Family Swim 12pm-8pm
Slide & Features	Slide & Features 12pm-4pm	Available upon request during Open Swim hours Monday thru Thursday				Slide & Features 4pm-7pm	Slide & Features 12pm-5pm

ATTENTION
August 3rd & 17th
Hot Tub will be closed
for maintenance

ATTENTION
Camp Swim
ends August 17th

To register for classes visit our front desk or online at: community.fcipotawatomi.com. All classes subject to change.



PLEASE NOTE



You **MUST** register for all classes. Visit our front desk or scan this QR Code.

Summer Session 2 Group Exercise Schedule July 23 - September 2, 2023

Class Location Key

AQUATIC CENTER
GROUP EXERCISE ROOM
COMBATIVE ROOM
TURF FIELDHOUSE
FITNESS ON DEMAND
OUTDOORS

Land Classes

SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
Stretching 11am-11:30am	Senior Fit 9am-9:45am Abs & Core 10am-10:30am	Bootcamp 5:45am-6:15am Yoga 9-9:30am Bar-League 5:15pm-6pm	Sunrise Spin 5:45am-6:30am Full-Body Fitness 8:30am-9:15am Outdoor Walking Club 12:30pm-1pm ZUMBA® Toning 5:30pm-6:30pm (begins 8/9)	Mobility & Core 9am-9:30am HIIT 10am-10:30am Lunch Crunch 12pm-12:20pm Barre-less 5:15pm-6pm Yoga 6:15pm-6:45pm	Tabata 8:30am-9am Mind & Body 9:15am-9:45am	NO CLASSES

Aquatic Classes

SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
NO CLASSES	Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua ZUMBA® 5:30pm-6:15pm (8/7, 8/14, 8/28)	Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua Jogging 10:15am-11am	ELDERS ONLY Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15-10am Aqua HIIT 10:15am-11am (begins 8/2)	NO CLASSES	NO CLASSES	NO CLASSES

Fitness Promotions

GROUP FIT PLAN

Members = \$20
Non-Members = \$40

Includes unlimited Group Exercise Classes for 55 days, access to world-class workouts on our in-studio Fitness On Demand kiosk, and discounted pricing on Specialty Classes!

DROP-IN FEES

Members
\$3 per class

Non-Members
\$10 per class

For more information please contact Group Exercise Coordinator
Abigail Messing at 715-478-6528, or email her at: Abigail.Messing@FCP-nsn.gov.

All classes and prices subject to change. Specialty Classes require separate fees.





CHILL & GRILL

FRIDAYS IN AUGUST

DRAWINGS: 6-10 PM
ONE WINNER EACH HOUR

WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$17,000 IN COOLERS & MEAT!

WIN YOUR SHARE OF
\$12,000 CASH

HOT SEAT SATURDAY

SATURDAYS IN AUGUST
DRAWINGS: 5-10 PM

\$500 CASH WINNER EVERY HOUR!



THE FLAMES SPORTS BAR & GRILL

GRAND SLAM GIVEAWAY

DRAWING: AUGUST 31

HOW TO WIN: Receive one entry for each \$2⁵⁰ Miller Lite[®] purchased between August 1 and 6:30 pm on August 31, 2023.

WIN A SET OF THREE OR FIVE TICKETS TO THE SEPT. 15 BASEBALL GAME MILWAUKEE VS WASHINGTON

Black Light
BINGO

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25
BEACH PARTY THEME

ADMISSIONS: 9:30 PM | GAMES: 10:30 PM
— DJ: 10 PM - 12 AM —

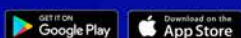
\$12 PACKS • MACHINE SPECIAL
40 CARDS FOR \$40

Games pay \$100 • One game pays a PRIZE
Last game paying \$1,000 (consolation of \$250)

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FUN EXTRAS | GLOW PAPER & LIGHTS
18 AND OLDER TO PLAY



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End of Summer

RECOVERY BASH

August 18~20, 2023

CARTER POWWOW GROUNDS

3912 Ferry Ranch Ln • Wabeno, Wisconsin

On-site camping begins Friday morning

starting & ending at 12pm

**FREE
RAFFLE**
FOR ALL ATTENDEES!



Friday, Aug 18

Speaker **Tony Hoffman** • Time TBA

Saturday, Aug 19

Cornhole Tournament • 12pm

Comedy Show • starting @ 7pm

Featuring **Ron Kanutski & Howie Miller**

Recovery Panel Presentation / Q & A

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For info contact Wellness Court Coordinator Anthony John at 715-839-2668, or Anthony.John@FCP-nsn.gov



Community Coalition of Forest County
working together to identify and address community goals

THIS IS AN ALCOHOL & DRUG FREE EVENT



EVENT CALENDAR

Community Sobriety Feast

Aug. 16, 2023

6 p.m.

FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum - Lower Level
8130 Mish Ko Swen Drive
Crandon, WI

End of Summer Recovery Bash

Aug. 18-20, 2023

starting at 12 p.m.

Carter Powwow Grounds
3912 Ferry Ranch Ln.
Wabeno, WI
Open to everyone

Family Brewers Gameday

Aug. 23, 2023

1:10 p.m.

American Family Field
1Brewers Way, Milwaukee, WI
Open to FCP tribal members, descendants, and their families

Meno Keno Ma Ge Wen Powwow

Aug. 25-27, 2023

Grand Entry: Friday 7 PM / Saturday

1 PM & 7 PM / Sunday 12 PM

Ka kēw sē gathering Grounds
3912 Ferry Ranch Ln.
Wabeno, WI 54566
Open to everyone

Farm to Table Cooking Class

Aug. 29, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Bodwéwadmī Ktēgan
3389 Cty. Hwy. H, Laona, WI 54541
Open to everyone

Informational Budget Meetings:

Sept. 6, 2023

6 p.m.

Comfort Suites, Appleton Airport
3809 West Wisconsin Ave.

Appleton, WI 54914

Sept. 7, 2023

1 p.m.

FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum

5460 Everybody's Rd.

Crandon, WI 54520

&

6 p.m.

Forest County Potawatomi

We Care

612 Daycare Rd. (St. Hwy. 32)

Wabeno, WI 54566

Sept. 13, 2023

6 p.m.

Fairfield Inn

& Suites

by Marriott

7100 Stone Ridge Dr.

Weston, WI 54476

All budget meetings open to FCP tribal members only

NOTICES

SERVICES OFFERED

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

- Forest County Potawatomi Community Advocacy (715) 478-7201
- Tri-County on DV and SA 1 (800) 236-1222
- National Domestic Violence Hotline 1 (800) 799-7233

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Ernie Wensaut Grand Entry FCP Post 1



Nick Shepard



Richard Gougé & Jordan Gomez



JR Holmes



Mike Konaha & Greg Miller



Brody White

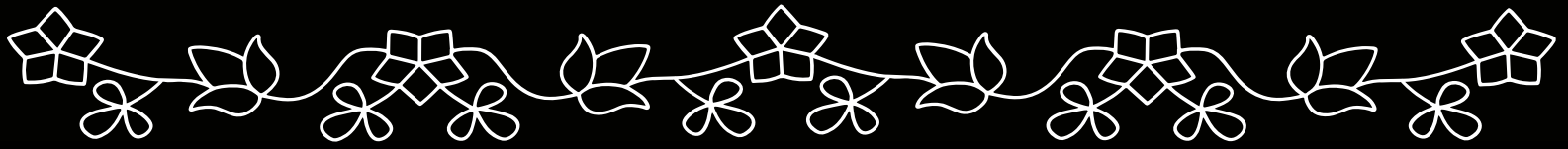


Royal Pemma



Stetson, Matthias and Fletcher

Home of the Woodland World Championship



MENOKENOKENO

MAGEWENPOWOW



KA KĒW SĒ GATHERING GROUNDS

3912 FERRY RANCH LN / WABENO, WI 54566

Grand Entry

FRIDAY 7 PM / SATURDAY 1 PM & 7 PM / SUNDAY 12 PM

MC

ARTLEY SKENANDORE / JOEY AWOHONOWAY

Arena Director

LITTLE MAN / RON GOODEAGLE

Host Drum

BAD RIVER

Co-Host Drum

LITTLE SOLDIER

Youth-Host Drum

YOUNG NATION

Head Dancers

IRA FRANK / PENELOPE PETERS

Head Veteran

BRIAN JACKSON

Saturday Feast 5 PM

Sunday Breakfast 8 AM

Sunday Lite Travel Meal

Dancer Honorariums

WOODLAND CHAMPIONSHIP SPECIAL

ADULTS (18+ ID REQUIRED):

1ST - \$2,500, 2ND - \$2,000, 3RD - \$1,500, 4TH - \$1,000

GOLDEN (55+):

1ST - \$2,500, 2ND - \$2,000, 3RD - \$1,500, 4TH - \$1,000

TEENS (13-17):

1ST - \$1,000, 2ND - \$800, 3RD - \$600, 4TH - \$400

JUNIORS (6-12):

1ST - \$500, 2ND - \$400, 3RD - \$300, 4TH - \$200

COMMITTEE SPECIAL- ADULTS ONLY

OLD STYLE JINGLE:

1ST - \$1,000, 2ND - \$800, 3RD - \$600, 4TH - \$400

OLD STYLE GRASS:

1ST - \$1,000, 2ND - \$800, 3RD - \$600, 4TH - \$400

SINGING CONTEST

1ST - \$5,000, 2ND - \$4,000, 3RD - \$3,000, 4TH - \$2,000

Royalty Contest

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

ROYALTY CONTACT - LISA MILLIGAN: 715-889-9102



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI Keeper of the Fire

HOTEL CONTACTS: POTAWATOMI CARTER CASINO HOTEL: 715-473-2021 / GRANDON INN & SUITES: 715-478-4000 / MOLE LAKE CASINO & LODGE: 715-478-3200

CAMPING AVAILABLE ON GROUNDS / RV SITES AVAILABLE BY CASINO (SHOWERS AVAILABLE ON GROUNDS)

No Drugs/Alcohol Allowed on Powwow Grounds / Not Responsible for Lost or Stolen Goods

VENDOR INFO: LISA MILLIGAN: 715-889-9102 / LISA.MILLIGAN@FCP-NSN.GOV

OR COURTNEY WHITE: 715-478-7269 / COURTNEYWHITE@FCP-NSN.GOV / PRE-VENDOR REGISTRATION - DEADLINE: AUGUST 18, 2023

