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## 20th Anniversary of the Crandon Mine Purchase Celebration



Guests standing for the honor song

by Amber Haseman

Twenty years ago on Oct. 28, 2003, history was made for the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) and Sokaogon Chippewa Communities. A fight that had lasted decades finally came to an end. Two communities came together and purchased the Crandon Mine. Looking ahead 20 years, the land remains the same as it was when it was purchased. Together, the communities continue to share the responsibility of protecting this sacred land and keeping it safe for generations to come. While it's been 20 years, the fight isn't over and it's important to raise awareness for future generations.

On Oct. 28, 2023, the communities came together in celebration of their 20-year anniversary since the purchase. The celebration began at the Mole Lake Casino and Lodge Conference Center. Visitors within and outside the community joined together in good company, enjoying snacks and

beverages. The festivities began at 9 a.m. with an opening song by the Sokaogon singers. The Sokaogon Veteran's entered during the second song for the posting of the flags.

Sokaogon Chippewa Community Environmental Director Tina Van Zile introduced Sokaogon Chairman Robert Van Zile Jr. to present his welcome speech. Chairman Van Zile welcomed the audience with open arms telling everyone to make themselves at home because today, this is your home. He continued to welcome FCP Chairman, James A. Crawford who spoke on the importance of the day and how much he was looking forward to celebrating the day with the community.

Chairman Van Zile honored those



(l) Sokaogon Chippewa Chairman Robert Van Zile Jr. with (r) FCP Chairman James A. Crawford

who passed on and looks toward the future of the next generation. He shares, "They are the ones who will take our position and our seats." He continued to thank the Sokaogon singers and offered the opening prayer before he continued with his story.

He began sharing his past and decision of either going to college or joining the military. Before he could decide, he no longer had to wor-

ry about it as the Vietnam war had ended. Shortly after, the Crandon Mine issues arose and the fight for their connection and responsibility to Grandmother Earth, the land, and the water began. During this time, four tribes came together and continued to get others involved. Eventually everyone was talking about the same thing, they were opposed to mining.

After shutting down the project, the group started becoming more resilient, stronger and made more descriptive decisions. The FCP and Sokaogon tribes bought the property and split it in half, so neither tribe could ever think to mine it. They would continue to keep each other in check for the many years to come.

Chairman Van Zile finished up his story expressing the honor and pleasure he had of taking this time to be with everyone. He shared that everyone has their own piece of the story and can add to it, making it more profound. "It is important to continue to fight this battle, continue to hang onto the language, culture and sovereignty. It is important we speak for water, for land, the animals, and for all things that are on this earth. You must speak for them because they cannot speak for themselves."

Tina Van Zile proceeded to introduce the speakers for the day including: Sokaogon Tribal Member Frances VanZile, Menominee Nation Tribal Member Ken Fish, Former Coordinator for Midwest Treaty Networks Zoltan and Debi Grossman, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission John Coleman, Former Sokaogon Tribal Attorney Glen Reynolds, Former Sokaogon

Tribal Hydrogeologist Roman Ferdinand, Indigenous Environmental Network (IEN) and Western Mining Action Networks' (WMAN) Sayokla Kindness-Williams and Justice Pesche, Wisconsin Resource Protection Council Al Gedicks, Sierra Club – Wisconsin Chapter Dave Blouin, Wolf River Education Project Member George Rock, and River Alliance of Wisconsin Allison Werner.

Frances Van Zile shared her heartfelt message of the day and continued with a water ceremony with tobacco ties. Family and friends came together and the Crandon Mine President at the time asked, "Do you really think tobacco ties are going to stop this mine?" She replied, "Yes, I do! And here we are today!"



Frances Van Zile sharing her emotional story

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# Obituary

## Rose Mary (Thunder) Sadowski



Rose Mary (Thunder) Sadowski (Nov. 11, 1946 - Oct. 17, 2023)  
In loving memory and with heavy hearts, we are announcing the passing of Rose Mary (Thunder) Sadowski, leaving behind cherished memories that will forever be in our hearts and NEVER FORGOTTEN.

She was the daughter of Peter Smith and Grace Thunder born in Sawyer County (Hayward Indian Hospital).

She married David L. Sadowski on Feb. 9, 1985 and she lost him on June 27, 1998.

Rose Mary was a loving, thoughtful, caring, funny, beautiful person inside and out, loved to travel, ride her bike and at times she could be very stubborn. She will be deeply missed.

She is survived by sister Carol L. (Smith) Gorham, many nieces and nephews and extended family and friends.

Rose Mary was preceded in death by her parents, brothers: Victor D. Smith, Evan Smith, Eli Smith, Donald Smith; and sister Vernadine G. Longtail.

The family of Rose Mary would like to express heartfelt appreciation to the FCP Caring Place Staff. They

took loving care of our Rose Mary and made her feel at home.

The family of Rose Mary's loved ones would also like to express their sincere appreciation to the Compassus Hospice for making her as comfortable, and as peaceful, as possible during her transition from this life to the next.

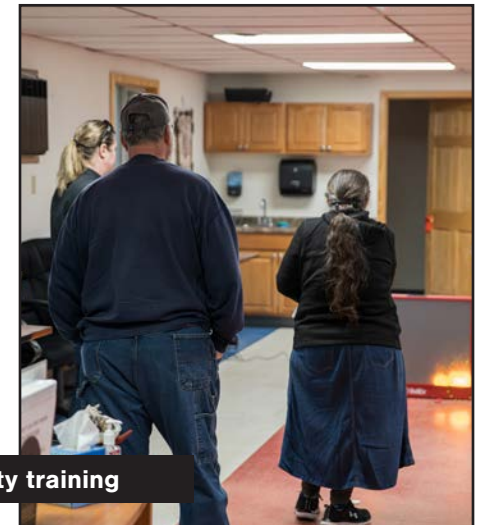
The family of Rose Mary would like to express their sincere appreciation to the Weber-Hill Funeral Home for all their help in this time of need.

Visitation and services were held at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home 302 S. Lake Avenue, Crandon, Wis., on Wednesday Oct. 25, 2023. She will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband David L Sadowski at the Crandon Lakeside Cemetery.

# Fire Preparedness Event



Fire safety training



by Amber Haseman

The FCP Emergency Management team hosted a Fire Preparedness Event for the FCP Tribal Members, their families, and descendants. The event was held at the Emergency Management building Oct. 25, 2023, from 12-3 p.m.

Upon arrival, visitors were asked to sign in and begin their fire safety training with FCP Emergency Management Program Director Bobbie Irocky. Once completed with their training, they received a certificate of completion.

Visitors who attended signed up for a chance to win a generator. Water and snack cups with cheese curds and meat sticks from the Bodwéwadmī Ktēgan were provided. Emergency Management Administrative Assistant Lindsey Retzlaff distributed items to members for all their preparedness needs. Items included a fireproof safe, fire extinguishers, smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, and emergency escape ladders for two- or three-story homes.



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# Winter Preparedness Event

by Amber Haseman

With winter well on its way, now is the time to prepare for the cold months ahead. FCP Emergency Management hosted another preparedness event, to ensure the community is ready for the upcoming winter months. The event was open to FCP Tribal Members, their families and descendants. It was held at the Emergency Management building Nov. 2, 2023, from 12-3 p.m.

Visitors who attended the event could sign up to win a Champion

generator. Snacks cups with meat sticks and cheese curds were provided as well as bottled water. FCP Emergency Management Program Director Bobbie Irocky and Emergency Management Assistant Lindsey Retzlaff distributed items to members for their winter preparedness needs. Items featured during this event included jumper cables, a jump starter and a winter drive kit equipped with a fleece blanket, flashlight, foldable shovel, a winter warmup kit, and a light stick.



Community members preparing for winter



# Hunting Moon Powwow

by Val Niehaus

The Hunting Moon Powwow was held the weekend of Oct. 20-22, 2023, at the Potawatomi Casino Hotel (PCH) in Milwaukee, Wis.

The number of dancers, drums and spectators at this year's Hunting Moon was outstanding! With over 700 registered dancers and 22 drums from all over the U.S. and Canada, there was a good reason for the floor to be shaking.

Master of ceremonies this year were John Teller Jr. and Artley Skeandore, who are known throughout the powwow circuit. They kept the spectators and dancers informed and made the weekend roll smoothly with the different dance competitions.

The drum competition was a big battle to watch, with the prize money for first place being \$25,000. The top five are:

- 1st The Boyz
  - 2nd Descendants
  - 3rd Bear Creek
  - 4th Black Lodge
  - 5th Mo Town
- Congratulations to all!

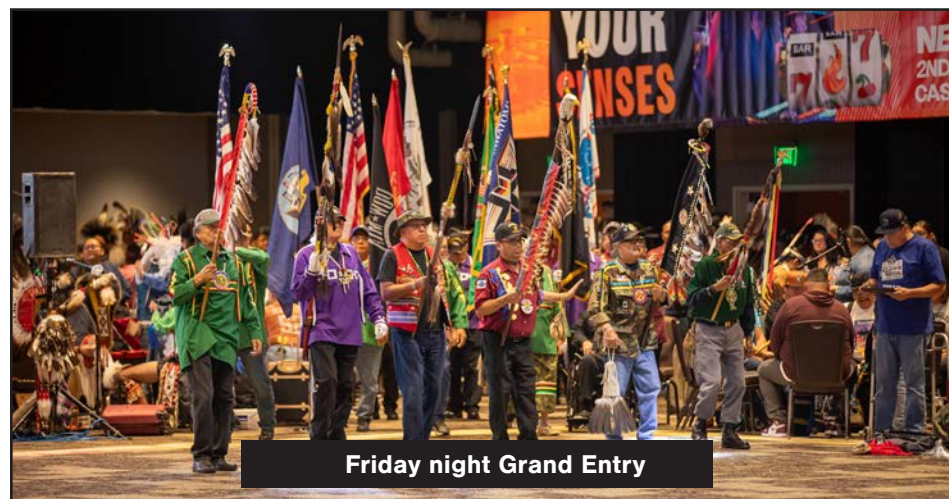
Not only do people compete for prize money in singing, but they compete in dancing. Men, women and children competed in their dance categories that shared prize money of over \$150K.

Even though space was tight, it was great having this held at PCH. To be able to have the restaurants, shops and entertainment all under one roof it made it very easy for families to sit back and enjoy.

Many thanks to all involved who made the weekend what it was and keep an eye out for next year's Hunting Moon Powwow information.



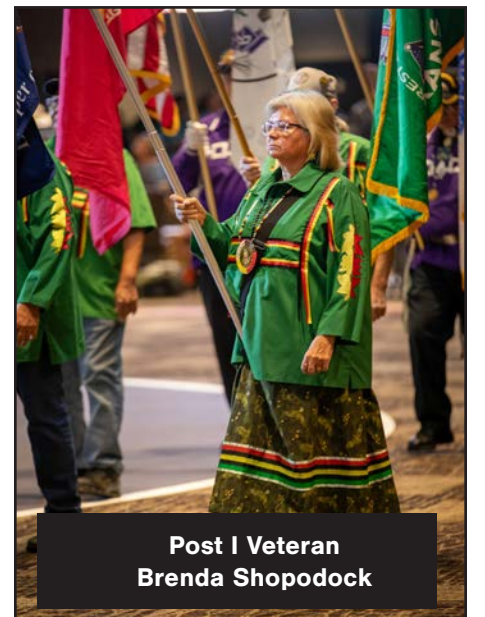
(l) FCP Chairman James A. Crawford and (r) FCP Council Member Brooks Boyd welcoming the crowd



Friday night Grand Entry



Malahki VanZile and daughter enjoying the powwow together



Post I Veteran Brenda Shopodock



Redmen Lemieux



Nick Shepard



Ira Frank



Penelope Peters



Head dancers Friday night



Janiece Brown



Brevin Boyd Sr.



# Black Ash Basket Making

by Amber Haseman

The FCP Cultural Center, Library & Museum hosted a Black Ash Basket Making Workshop with instructor Nancy Krogmann. The workshop was held in the lower level on Oct. 23-25, 2023. Krogmann shared her skills, knowledge, and expertise in basket weaving. She has been creating baskets for 20 years and enjoys teaching others and inspiring younger generations to learn.

Those who attended the class had the opportunity of participating in the preparation process. Although it sounds like a simple task, there is much more work behind the scenes than one would think. It starts with finding the right type of wood. Black Ash trees grow in wetlands, swamps, and other low wetland areas. Once a tree is found, it is recommended to notch the tree to check the thickness of the growth rings prior to cutting it. If the growth rings are as wide as a nickel, this is perfect for weaving. Anything smaller is not ideal and should be left as found.

The next step is to peel the bark and begin pounding the ash logs to separate each growth ring. Once each growth ring is loosened, the strips are tied together so they do not split. After the strips are peeled from the log, they are brought inside to be-

gin the splitting process. Volunteers helped with cutting the incisions for the split. The growth ring is then split into two splints. Others began shaving the rough sides of the pieces until they are smooth. After these steps are complete and there's enough materials to work with, it's time to start making the baskets.

Participants began grabbing two pieces of hardwood, two pieces of softwood, and a few colored pieces to add into their basket. Their first step was to cut the hardwood into six pieces measuring 15" long and a half inch wide. They also cut a long thin piece to weave the structure together. Each of the six pieces were placed in an over and under pattern creating a circle or a flower pattern. The long thin piece was used to weave over and under around the circle until the basket starts forming its shape. They continued to add different thickness of strips and colors to their basket until it is complete.

No two baskets were the same. Each had their own unique style and technique. Whether you were observing or getting hands on experience, it was a great workshop to be a part of. The amount of work behind the baskets, the craftsmanship and the stories they have to tell is something that can be handed down for generations to come.



Separating the growth rings



Cutting the incision to split



(l) Jessica Jacobson and (r) Justin Piontek weaving their baskets



A close-up of the work

# Community Halloween Party 2023

by Val Niehaus

The FCP Annual Community Halloween party was held on Oct. 27, 2023, at the Potawatomi Community Center. This was open to FCP tribal members, descendants and their families.

A feast started the party that was followed by a Halloween Dance complete with a DJ, lights and fog.

The annual costume contest was held, too, but with a few things changing this year, it was difficult to get photos of all the winners. The following is a list of who won. Hopefully, next year we will have the photos again. Thank you to the staff and to all of those who dressed up to make this year's party something fun and entertaining to be at.

**Age 0-3**

1. Mkowin Doud
2. Houston Shepard Jr.
3. Howard Lemieux

**Age 4-6**

1. Kai Leach
2. Elsie Leach
3. Jaylen Thunder

**Age 7-9**

1. Jayla Frank
2. Karsen McCorkle
3. Mercedes Schultz

**Age 10-13**

1. Shyla Queen
2. Haylee Halverson
3. Jayden Tuckwab

**Age 14-17**

1. Zurielle VanZile
2. Montrell Shelly
3. Deleyna Caldwell

**Age 18+**

1. Ned Daniels and Aiyana VanZile
2. Caleb and Alyza Leach
3. Ira and Jessica Frank

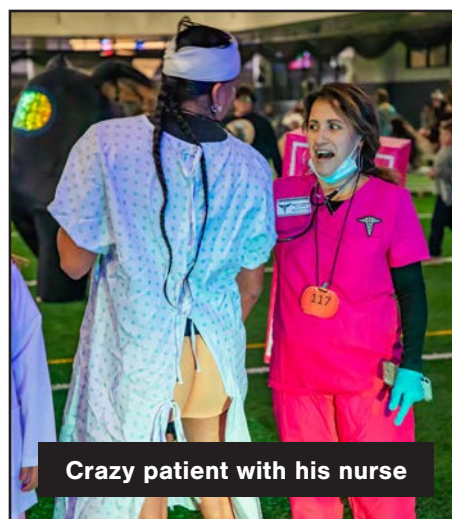
**Homemade Costumes**

1. Jayden Tuckwab
2. Mayzee Kerr
3. Kenneth Weso Jr.

**Family Costumes**

1. Hocus Pocus-Dion Daniels and ladies
2. Dino Family-Adam and Robin Spencer
3. Adams Family- Joey Daniels and family

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Crazy patient with his nurse



Bless you



This young man played his role very well



Who knew a dead bride and Barbie were best friends



...continued from pg. 1 **Crandon Mine**

Sayokla Kindness-Williams with Western Mining Action Network (WMAN) began sharing a story of a meeting that was held in British Columbia and how Sokaogon had sent Tina Van Zile to represent the Crandon Mine fight. She states, "She got a standing ovation for what she said and for how she shared the story of the community and I want to tell you guys about that because it touched everyone in the whole room. I looked around me and there were people crying. I'm still crying thinking about it." A gift was presented to Van Zile for going above and beyond. Kindness-Williams shares, "In the final slide of her presentation that day, she reminded us all why she does this work and why she's committed. It was a slide of her grandchildren. She continues to be involved with the Western Mining Action Network so Sokaogon can continue to share this powerful story." Van Zile graciously accepted the gift as an acknowledgment of her beauty and her story.

Al Gedicks shared stories, history

and wisdom with the audience of the mining events and how it has developed his life. He proceeds to state how thankful he is for the relationships he's developed with many people over the years and the pleasure he has connecting with people over a long period of time. He's proud of the heritage of this struggle and how it's being passed on from elders to their children.

At approximately 12:30 p.m., everyone joined for lunch to enjoy chili, vegetables, meat, cheese and crackers as well as fresh fruit. Once finished, many started heading over to the Potawatomi Community Center for the remaining day of events. Upon arrival, Joey Awonohopay welcomed guests to fire nation. The grand entry began with the Potawatomi Veterans, this year's royalty and dancers to follow.

Four different groups of drummers participated at the event including Sokaogon Chippewa's Sokaogon Singers, FCP's Fire Nation, Menominee Nation's Smokey Town Singers, and Lac Du Flambeau's Tomahawk Circle.

Sokaogon Chairman Robert Van Zile, Jr. acknowledged and introduced eagle staff and flag holders to their posts. This year's royalty introduced themselves in the Potawatomi language as well as English. Chairman Crawford welcomed guests and shared a story of his past. He continued to thank his leaders before him and reminded the audience that the fight is not over and it's never going to be over. He thanked his elders, Mole Lake for helping put on this event, and everyone including outside communities for joining the celebration.

Festivities continued throughout the afternoon with a mini powwow featuring head dancers Corral Pecore and Ira Frank. Twenty dollar gift cards were distributed to the best dancers. Each drum group performed their own songs while the dancers showcased their dance. The evening continued with more speeches, a traditional feast featuring venison with carrots and celery, grass fed beef tips in gravy, baby red potatoes, plain wild rice, wild rice casserole, walleye, frybread, green

beans, homemade biscuits with strawberries, blackberries and raspberries with cool whip.

As the day ended, many reflected on the memories they shared, the emotions they felt, and the battles faced throughout the years of this fight. Younger generations learned about the past and the importance of this day. It is a day that will never be forgotten thanks to the many stories, the pain that was felt, and the memories shared. It is important for the younger generations to continue this fight and bring one another together on this impactful day. It is their responsibility to Grandmother Earth, to their elders, their leaders before them, themselves, and those of future generations. Despite the pain many had felt throughout the years of this fight and the memories that were brought up, there were many hugs, much reminiscing, and many smiles shared throughout the day. It was a good day to bring everyone together on this celebration of 20 years since the Crandon Mining Purchase.



Checking out the displays of memorabilia



The audience enjoying the stories shared by the speakers



Fire Nation



Tina Van Zile receiving her gift



Sokaogon Chippewa Chairman Robert Van Zile Jr.



Some of the dancers for the mini powwow



# Employment Skills, Tribal Talent and Learning Programs Available for FCP Members



Tribal Talent Program Coordinator (left) Lindsey Bertrand with TTP Participant (right) Kathy Jacobson

submitted by Mariane White

Have you been thinking about starting your career or want to find out what career path is right for you? Or do you want to learn how to advance or grow your current career to the next level?

Whether you're just starting out or have been working for a while, FCP government has a program for you!

As a tribal member, it's important that you take advantage of these programs. FCP Human Resources (HR) Director Levi O'Kimosh believes in the FCP Vision: "We have a vision, and that vision is to build FCP Tribal Members to become the future leaders of the FCP Government. Building our future leaders will create a succession plan for the next seven generations to come and keep the tribe alive to carry on for its people."

Our programs are available to all enrolled adult tribal members.

### Just Starting Out on Your Career?

The FCP Tribal Employment Skills Program (TESP) offered through FCP Family Services provides employment services, work experience and support services to overcome barriers to employment. FCP Case Manager Kathy Tupper works one-

on-one to customize a path to employment including, but not limited to: attainment of a driver's license, job seeking and retention skills, GED/HSED preparation, resume development and on-the-job training through a paid work experience. Contact Tupper at Family Services at 715-478-4433 for more information or to apply for TESP.

The Tribal Talent Program (miktthéwiwen ashtongéwen) is a paid job rotation program to gain knowledge and work experience in a variety of different areas of the government, such

as: Potawatomi Community Center, IT, Bodwéwadmí Ktégan, Finance, Communications, Cultural Center, Court, Family Services, Health just to name a few. The program is a great opportunity if you aren't quite sure what you want to do with your career. It is also great if you do have a specific career goal, as we are able to build a program with specific work experience to help you achieve your objectives. If interested, you can apply online at FCPJobs. Our Program Coordinator Lindsey Bertrand will meet with you to determine the best areas of focus and length for each job rotation. Positions exist in nearly all levels of tribal government. There are currently seven tribal members in the program. Contact Bertrand in the HR department if you have any questions.

### Enjoying your Career but Looking to Learn and Grow?

FCPC University (Ksenyaniyek éje gekéndaswat) in the Human Resources department is the place to find a variety of learning classes and programs focused on your success in the workplace.

There are several learning opportunities for leadership development

(niganzewen éje géknewabdemwat) such as the Nicolet Inside Leadership program, The Nicolet Tribal Business Management Program, and the FCPC Leader Development Certificate Program. Each of these multi-session programs is focused on learning leadership skills and best practices for leadership success. Tribal members do not have to be leaders to participate in these programs – just the desire to learn.

The FCPC University also offers a variety of individual employee development (Miktthéwiwen éje kenomagék) classes such as Career Success, Exceptional Experiences, Personal Finance, Computer Skills and Respectful Workplace to name a few.

Whether you are interested in the leadership or individual development programs, O'Kimosh encourages you to enroll and attend. Per O'Kimosh, "This development is vital for the future of the tribe."

Interested in learning more about the FCPC University programs? Contact Mariane White in the HR Department.

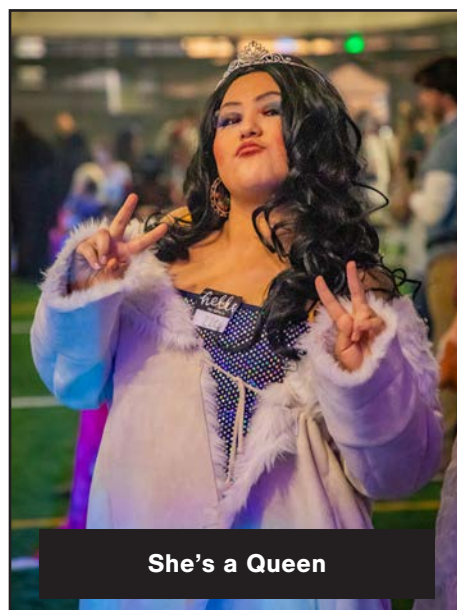


Inside leadership class (l-r) Marcus Daniels, Calli Victor, Stephany Daniels, Sheenah Frank, Courtney Alloway, Owen Shepard, Sonya Milham, David VanZile and Justin Shawano

## ... Halloween *continued from pg. 4*



It's the Sanderson Sisters and Billy Butcherson



She's a Queen



So many Barbies in the house that night



# Elder Menu

**NOV. 18**  
 Breakfast: Hash brown and egg casserole  
 Lunch: Macaroni and cheese with chicken  
 Dinner: Beef barley soup

**NOV. 19**  
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast  
 Lunch: Butternut squash casserole  
 Dinner: Chili

**NOV. 20**  
 Breakfast: Banana split yogurt parfait  
 Lunch: Tuna melts on English muffins  
 Dinner: Balsamic steak

**NOV. 21**  
 Breakfast: Pancakes, ham  
 Lunch: Shrimp and pheasant sausage boil  
 Dinner: Taco pasta casserole

**NOV. 22**  
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs w/ sausage  
 Lunch: Beef stroganoff over noodles  
 Dinner: Honey brined roasted pheasant

**NOV. 23**  
 Breakfast: Oatmeal w/ chocolate chips  
 Lunch: Glazed salmon fillets  
 Dinner: Shredded pork street tacos

**NOV. 24**  
 Breakfast: Fried eggs, corned beef hash  
 Lunch: Chicken breast, mashed potatoes  
 Dinner: Chicken Roman noodle bowls

**NOV. 25**  
 Breakfast: French toast casserole

Lunch: Elk tenderloin w/ oyster mushrooms  
 Dinner: Cold tuna salad casseroles

**NOV. 26**  
 Breakfast: Grits, bacon  
 Lunch: Hibachi chicken, fried rice  
 Dinner: Pan-seared duck breast

**NOV. 27**  
 Breakfast: Fried eggs, sausage patty  
 Lunch: Sweet and sour meatballs over rice  
 Dinner: Ravioli in marinara sauce

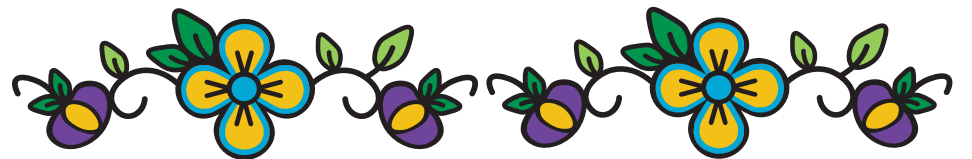
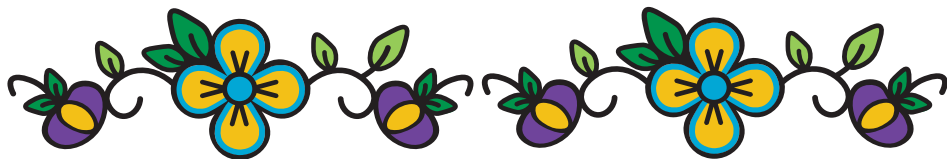
**NOV. 28**  
 Breakfast: Sausage, bacon, cheese over hash browns  
 Lunch: Baked chicken breast  
 Dinner: Philly Swiss sandwich

**NOV. 29**  
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, ham  
 Lunch: Chef salad  
 Dinner: Cilantro lime chicken

**NOV. 30**  
 Breakfast: Country breakfast skillet  
 Lunch: Boiled dinner  
 Dinner: Chicken salad

**Dec. 1**  
 Breakfast: Cream of Wheat  
 Lunch: Fish fillet w/ sweet potato salad  
 Dinner: Three sister soup

**Dec. 2**  
 Breakfast: Waffles, sausage  
 Lunch: Mexican zucchini & beef skillet  
 Dinner: Chicken and brown rice soup



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# NOVEMBER 2023 AQUATIC SCHEDULE

	SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
<b>Yard Pool</b>	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 10am-1pm 2pm-5pm	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 7am-3pm 4pm-7pm	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 7am-3pm 4pm-7pm (LL) Aqua Jogging 10:15am-10:45am (LL)	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 7am-3pm 4pm-7pm (LL)	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 8am-3pm 4pm-7pm	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 10am-3pm 4pm-7pm	Lap Swim & Adult Swim 11am-2pm 3pm-6pm
<b>Activity Pool &amp; Hot Tub</b>	Family Swim 10am-1pm 2pm-5pm	Open Swim 7am-8:15am 10am-3pm 6:15pm-7pm Water Walking 8:15am-8:45am Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Swim Lessons 4pm-5:30pm Aqua ZUMBA® 5:30pm-6:15pm	Open Swim 7am-9am 11am-3pm 6:15pm-7pm Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Swim Lessons 4pm-6pm Deep Water Aerobics 5:30pm-6:15pm (begins 11/28)	Open Swim 7am-8:15am 11am-3pm 5:15pm-7pm Water Walking 8:15am-8:45am Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua HIIT 10:15am-11am Swim Lessons 4pm-5:15pm	Open Swim 8am-9am 10am-3pm 4pm-7pm Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am	Open Swim 10am-3pm 4pm-7pm	Open Swim 11am-2pm 3pm-6pm
<b>Slide &amp; Features</b>	Slide & Features 10am-1pm 2pm-4pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Slide & Features 4pm-7pm	Slide & Features 11am-2pm 3pm-5pm

FALL SESSION 2  
**GROUP SWIM LESSONS**

Nov. 13  
thru Dec. 20,  
**2023**

Registration **OPENS**  
10/23/23

Registration **CLOSES**  
11/12/23



To register for classes visit our front desk or online at: [PotawatomiCC.recdesk.com](http://PotawatomiCC.recdesk.com)  
For info contact Aquatics Manager Kimberly Shawano: 715-478-6513 • [Kimberly.Shawano@FCP-nsn.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Shawano@FCP-nsn.gov)  
All classes subject to change.

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Crandon, Wisconsin



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

## «Fall Session» Group Exercise Schedule September 10 - December 16, 2023

*Class Location Key*

- AQUATIC CENTER
- GROUP EXERCISE ROOM
- COMBATIVE ROOM
- TURF FIELDHOUSE

### «Land Classes»

SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
NO CLASSES	Senior Fit 9am-9:45am Lunch Crunch 12pm-12:20pm Bodyweight Blast 5:30pm-6pm	Circuits 5:45am-6:15am Strength & Stretch 5:30pm-6pm (offered 10/3 thru 11/7)	Full-Body Fitness 8:30am-9:15am ZUMBA® Toning 5:30pm-6:30pm Boxing Club 5:30pm-6:30pm	HIIT + Core 5:45am-6:30am Golden Gloves 9am-10am Mobility & Core 9am-9:30am Yoga 5:30pm-6:15pm	Tabata 8:30am-9am Tai Chi 9:30am-10am (offered thru 10/20) ZUMBA® Fitness 10am-11am	NO CLASSES

**ATTENTION**  
NO CLASSES  
December 17<sup>th</sup>  
through January 1<sup>st</sup>

### «Aquatic Classes»

SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
NO CLASSES	Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua ZUMBA® 5:30pm-6:15pm	Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am Aqua Jogging 10:15am-11am	ELDERS ONLY Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15-10am Aqua HIIT 10:15am-11am	NO CLASSES	NO CLASSES	NO CLASSES

### «Fitness Promotions»

**FIT PASS**

Members = \$35  
Non-Members = \$50

Includes access to 20 Group Exercise Classes of your choice, as well as 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](mailto:Abigail.Messing@FCP-nsn.gov).  
All classes and prices subject to change. Specialty Classes require separate fees.



- General Information
- Community Center
- Powwow Grounds
- The Farm
- Health & Wellness
- Museum
- Local Schools



FOREST COUNTY  
**POTAWATOMI**  
*Keeper of the Fire*

# November 2023

## Upcoming Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH</b>                      “The month is a time to celebrate rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people.”                      (<a href="https://www.ncai.org/initiatives/native-american-heritage-month">https://www.ncai.org/initiatives/native-american-heritage-month</a>)</p>			1	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Dementia Caregiver Skill Fair 9 am – 3 pm</p> <p>Winter Preparedness Event (Emergency Management Building) 12 pm – 3 pm</p>	3	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>CoEd Volleyball Tournament 10 am</p> <p>Tribal Elections 8 am – 7 pm Executive Building</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>End of Daylight Savings Time (2 am) Fall Back</p>	<p>Swearing In Tribal Court (9 am)</p>	<p>Farm to Table 5:30 pm</p> <p>Zumba Kids Jr. (4-6 Years) 4:30 pm</p> <p>Language Class 10 am – 12 pm</p>	<p>Doula Training (We Care) Sign up @ The Museum</p>	<p>Health &amp; Wellness Open House 2 pm – 6 pm</p> <p>Doula Training</p>	<p>Crandon School End of 1st Trimester for Elementary</p> <p>Parent &amp; Me Zumbini (0-4 Years) 9 am</p> <p>Doula Training</p>	<p>Veterans Day</p> <p>General Council 1 pm Booths at 11 am – 3 pm</p> <p>Doula Training</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>Doula Training (We Care) Sign up @ The Museum</p>		<p>Zumba Kids Jr. (4-6 Years) 4:30 pm</p> <p>Language Class 10 am – 12 pm</p>	<p>Community Sobriety Feast 6 pm</p>	<p>Crandon School Teacher Conference 11 am – 7 pm (No School)</p> <p>Diabetes Lunch 12 pm – 1:30 pm</p>	<p>Wabeno School Early Release (1:15 pm)</p> <p>Laona School Staff Development (No School)</p> <p>Crandon School Professional Development (No School) Virtual Learning Day</p>	<p>Holiday Craft Fair 9 am – 2 pm Open to the Public</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<p>Wabeno School Thanksgiving Break November 20 – 24</p> <p>Laona School Thanksgiving Break November 20 – 24</p> <p>Crandon School Thanksgiving Break November 20 – 24</p>	<p>Zumba Kids Jr. (4-6 Years) 4:30 pm</p> <p>Language Class 10 am – 12 pm</p>	<p>Community Feast Noon – 3 pm</p>	<p>Campus Closed (Thanksgiving)</p>	<p>Campus Closed (Thanksgiving)</p>	
26	27	28	29	30	<p><b>Diabetes Month</b> <a href="https://www2.diabetes.org/">https://www2.diabetes.org/</a></p> <p>Parent &amp; Me Zumbini November 10 &amp; 17th (0-4 Years) 9 am</p> <p>Holiday Craft Fair November 18 9 am – 2 pm Open to the Public</p>	
		<p>Zumba Kids Jr. (4-6 Years) 4:30 pm</p> <p>Language Class 10 am – 12 pm</p>				



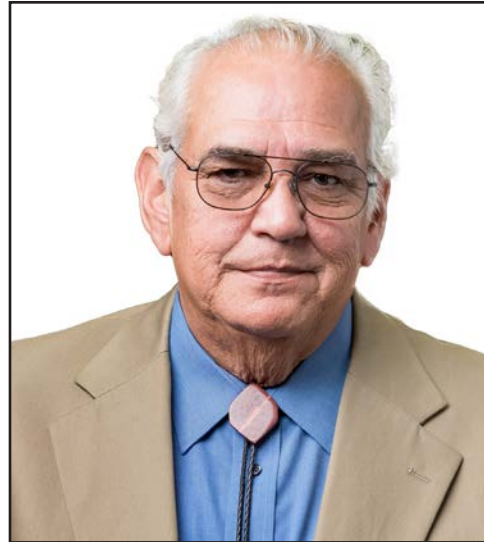


# New PBDC Board Member: Alexis Harris



PBDC would like to extend a warm welcome to our newly-appointed board member: Alexis Harris. “We’re thrilled to have Alexis join the board and help shape the future of this great organization,” said Tom Boelter, PBDC board chairman. “Alexis is a FCP tribal member and brings a wealth of experience including indigenous legal studies, talent recruiting, and diversity and inclusion strategy.”

# PBDC Board Member Retirement: Phil Shopodock



this position at the end of October. “Phil has been a PBDC board member since 2011 and served with passion and dedication. He is also a Forest County Potawatomi member and brought a wealth of knowledge about FCP culture, history, and community. He will remain committed to supporting the FCP community and its organizations, like PBDC,” said Tom Boelter, PBDC board chairman.

“Phil is a committed leader in the FCP community,” said Kip Ritchie, PBDC CEO. “We’re grateful for his leadership and guidance at PBDC over the years. His voice and wisdom have guided us to where we are today. We wish him all the best in his retirement.”

PBDC would like to take the time to thank Phil Shopodock for his years of dedication while serving on our board of directors. He retired from



## WE ARE HIRING

**Tribal Relations Coordinator**

**Requirements:**

- Must be a registered FCP Tribal member.
- Working understanding of marketing elements: communications, social media, and PR.
- Exceptional communication skills.
- Collaborative and creative.

The Tribal Relations Coordinator will maintain positive relationships with FCP community members, partner organizations, PBDC and its subsidiaries to cultivate communication channels, feedback, and promote a positive working relationship.

Please send resume to:  
HR@potawatomibc.com

for more information visit: [www.potawatomibdc.com/careers](http://www.potawatomibdc.com/careers)

## ... Halloween *continued from pg. 4*



**That's a lot of cute and scary kids**



**The Spencer Dino Family**



**DJ Bunny did a great job**



**Pooh and Tiger, cute as can be**



# BIG BUCK CONTEST

**OPEN TO  
FCP TRIBAL MEMBERS,  
DESCENDANTS, AND FAMILY**



**DID YOU  
SHOOT A BUCK  
THIS SEASON?**

BRING IT IN TO  
LNR TO HAVE IT  
MEASURED AND  
WEIGHED FOR YOUR  
CHANCE AT PRIZES.

Must be a fair chase harvest.

**OPEN FROM SEPT 16, 2023  
THROUGH JAN 7, 2024**

Assessments can be done during normal  
business hours: 7am - 5pm / M-TH at  
5320 Wensaut Lane, PO Box 340,  
Crandon, WI 54520

**QUESTIONS? Contact Leah Bell @  
715.478.4458 / leah.bell@fcp-nsn.gov**

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
LAND & NATURAL  
RESOURCES DIVISION

**SAVE THE DATE** **2ND ANNUAL POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER** **SAVE THE DATE**

# HOLIDAY Craft Fair

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023**  
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER  
5471 Thayék Èthë Dnèkmëgzék Myéw • Crandon, Wisconsin

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

LOCAL VENDORS & CRAFTERS • BAKED GOODS  
JEWELRY • HOME DECOR • HOLIDAY GIFTS  
& MUCH MORE!

FOOD CONCESSION STAND AVAILABLE



Interested in being a vendor?  
Send an email to: Trisha.Thorbahn@FCP-nsn.gov  
or Stephany.Daniels@FCP-nsn.gov  
VENDOR FEE = \$50/table



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
NATURAL  
RESOURCES

# FALL PHOTO CONTEST

Submit your best fall photos!  
Snap pictures of the leaves turning  
and all the fun autumn offers. Gift card  
prizes for contest winners!

**To enter scan this code!**

[LNR.FCPotawatomi.com/ninja-forms/17aa08/](http://LNR.FCPotawatomi.com/ninja-forms/17aa08/)



# FCPC EMERGENCY ALERTS

If you would like to receive FCPC Emergency Alerts for Forest County, please scan the code below:



Users can also subscribe by texting #FCPEmergencyAlerts to (844) 755-3710 or (715) 350-2316.



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT

Contact: Bobbie Irocky:  
715-478-4428  
Bobbie.Irocky@fcp-nsn.gov



WIN YOUR SHARE OF OVER  
**\$15,000 CASH & PRIZES**



# DEER CAMP

2023

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

Win a big prize, \$750—\$1,500 cash  
 and a \$500 Cabela's gift card!



Actual prizes may vary from images shown.

# Food Drive

**SUN-WED  
 IN NOVEMBER  
 10 AM-9 PM**

Bring in **FIVE** non-perishable, non-expired food items in, original packaging & receive **\$10 REWARD PLAY!**




**THE SPRINGS RESTAURANT & LOUNGE**    **THE FLAMES SPORTS BAR & GRILL**

## — TURKEY DINNER —

Three Course Turkey Dinner \$24  
 Soup or Salad

Main Course  
 Sliced turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, green beans & cranberry sauce

Pumpkin or Apple Pie

GET YOUR TURKEY DINNER THURSDAY, NOV. 23 AT...  
 The Springs 11 am-2 pm | The Flames 2-10 pm

THANKSGIVING HOURS	The Springs	The Flames
Casino open all day & night. Bingo will be closed.	Breakfast: 7-11 am Lunch: 11 am-2 pm	Bar: 11 am-Midnight Restaurant: 2-10 pm



We will be **OPEN** all day  
**THANKSGIVING DAY**

Bingo is Closed




# NYE Bingo Bash

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31**

ADMISSIONS: 4 PM GAMES BEGIN: 7:30 PM	REGULAR GAMES PAY \$300 FOUR SPECIALS PAY \$500 THREE SPECIALS PAY \$1,000 LAST GAME PAYS \$5,000 IN 50 OR LESS — CONSOLATION \$1,199
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\$50 ADMISSIONS  
 \$25 EXTRA PACKS

— LIMITED MACHINES AVAILABLE —

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