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154th Annual WE Celebration & Pow Wow



The 154th Annual White Earth Reservation Treaty Day Celebration and Pow Wow was held June 10-12.

More than 800 dancers and over 30 drums registered for the event.

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PINE POINT TRADITIONAL Pow-Wow

August 13 & 14, 2022

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All Family Flags are Welcome

Friday - Aug. 12

Demolition Derby - TBD

Saturday - Aug. 13

Joe Bush Memorial 5K Walk/Run - 8:30 a.m.

Flag Raising - 10 a.m.

Grand Entry - 1 & 7 p.m.

Feast 5 p.m.

Sunday - Aug. 14

Rez Car Parade - 10:30 a.m.

Grand Entry - 1 p.m.

The votes are in! LaRoque, Fox & Sommers come out on top

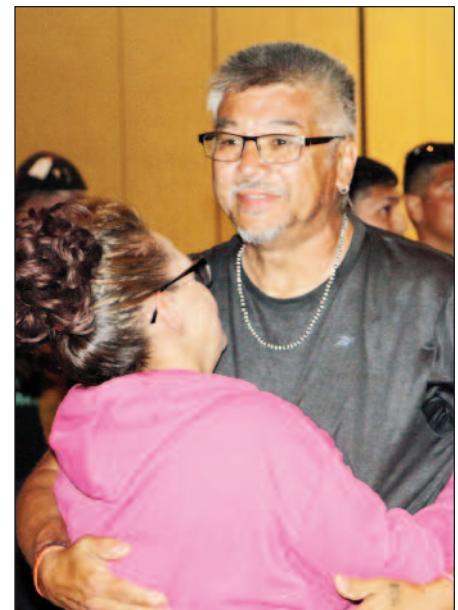
The tension was mounting as the last of the absentee ballots were being counted during the White Earth General Election held June 14 at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomen.

When the final votes were tabulated, Michael "Mike" LaRoque, Henry George Fox and Eugene Sommers won the battle to serve four-year terms on the White Earth Reservation Business Committee.

In the District II race, Sommers received 389 (58.06%) votes and Tara Mason garnered 281 (41.94%).

Incumbent District I Representative Raymond J. Auginaush Sr. lost his seat in the closest competition of the night. Fox defeated Auginaush by 26 votes, 194 (53.59%) to 168 (46.41%).

In the most anticipated match up of



the election, LaRoque bested Eugene "Umsy" Tibbetts for the Secretary-Treasurer position. LaRoque received 886 (51.90%) votes and Tibbetts followed up with 821 (48.10%), a difference of 65 votes.

After the election, Auginaush filed a Notice of Contest citing violations of the election Ordinance.

Auginaush's main objection was that the Pine Bend polling place location was moved on the day of the election, violating MCT Election Ordinance 1.4(B) and (D). Citing unexpected internet connection issues, the White Earth General Election Board (WEGEB) made the

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Photos by Gary W. Padra

The White Earth Reservation General Election returns were held June 14 at the Shooting Star Casino. **Bottom:** Winners from left are Mike LaRoque - Secretary-Treasurer, Eugene Sommers - District II Rep., and Henry Fox - District I Rep.

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Let's stop the loss here and now, Anishinaabeg

By Carson Gardner, MD
Medical Director
White Earth Nation Tribal Health Department

A June 2022 mathematical modeling study, published in a respected international medical journal, estimates that if there had been no COVID vaccine whatsoever in the past year and a half, the worldwide COVID death rate would have been 20 million deaths higher than it has been. Having lost some dear friends to COVID here on White Earth lands, I feel that every single life lost to COVID is one life too many lost. You may or may not agree. But it is hard to walk away from the fact that it is likely 20 million human beings are alive in the world today who would have required funerals—whether they got them or not—in the absence of COVID vaccine.

Each one of us can choose to believe that modeling study or to call it “fake news.” The world’s scientists, from all nations and languages, are believing it. On top of that, several previous valid research data studies have concluded that the true death rate from COVID in the past couple of years is in reality much higher than the count on the Public Health record books worldwide. If you add 20 million to that higher actual death count, then the worldwide deaths from COVID so far may actually approach the number of deaths from the 1918-19 influenza pandemic. There’s at least one difference, though. The 1918-19 influenza pandemic ended. The COVID pandemic has not ended yet.

A recent scientific opinion article suggested that we can’t consider the USA COVID pandemic to really be over

until the daily USA deaths from COVID are no worse than the average daily USA deaths from influenza in the middle of an average flu season. The reasoning is that if we can accept that daily death rate from influenza as “business as usual” in the USA than we can do the same for COVID. That comes out to about 100-150 deaths a day in a six-month USA influenza season. The current USA daily COVID death rate is around 250 deaths a day—about the lowest daily death rate of the pandemic; with the high for the pandemic being well over 3,000 deaths a day. Remember that respected scientists believe this data to be a significant undercount of COVID deaths.

My point? Vaccination and transmission-prevention practices have saved a lot of lives from COVID worldwide, across Turtle Island, and on Gaa-waababiganikaag. Our central rez County could have seen as many as 70-140 COVID deaths if we had done nothing. We have so far seen only 18 confirmed COVID deaths in that County. That’s 18 too many, no matter the infection cause, but still a victory. No matter our differences, we agree that every life saved is a life worth saving.

So, daga—please—get vaccinated, and also wear a mask when you are at high risk of either getting or giving COVID. Don’t become one of those “business as usual” 150 deaths a day the USA will consider an “acceptable” post-COVID-pandemic death rate. A reliable traditional-spiritual source estimates Anishinaabeg have lost over 25% of fluent Anishinaabemowin/Ojibwemowin speakers to COVID. Let’s stop that loss here and now, Anishinaabeg. Aaniin Danaa! Why the heck not? Miigwech. Mii i iw.

First Indigenous woman crowned Miss Minnesota

By Hana Ikramuddin
Star Tribune

Before Rachel Evangelisto took the stage at the Miss Minnesota pageant on June 17, she decided to smudge.

Evangelisto uses the practice of smudging, which is taking the smoke from Indigenous-grown burnt sage and leaves and running it over herself and others, to center her mind. It is an important part of her Indigenous heritage and culture, she said, typically used to cleanse the soul.

So Evangelisto, the first Indigenous woman to hold the title of Miss Winona, gathered with Lori Martin-Kingbird, another Indigenous competitor, to perform the prayer.

“We sat down,” Evangelisto said. “We just prayed with one another and said like, if it’s not me, I hope you so that we can see the representation that we know our people need.”

When Evangelisto’s name was announced as the winner at the end of the evening amid fireworks, she cried. She had become the first Indigenous woman to be crowned Miss Minnesota in the state pageant’s history.

“It was incredible, and overwhelming and just I started sobbing because I realized, like, this was so hard to get here. I cannot believe this has happened.”

Embracing her Indigenous heritage wasn’t always easy. As a child, Evangelisto often told people that she was Italian to avoid backlash from her peers.

It was not until she began school at the University of Minnesota, Morris, for her undergraduate degree, she said, that she started to see more Indigenous representation and felt more confident discussing her identity.

Evangelisto, who is Húŋkpapȟa Lakota and an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, hopes to use her role as Miss Minnesota to empower young Native Americans.

She works as an Indian Child Welfare Act guardian, where she is a court-appointed advocate for Indigenous children involved in foster care and child protection. She plans to attend Mitchell Hamline School of Law in the fall



Michael Haug Photography

Rachel Evangelisto is the first Indigenous woman to be Miss Minnesota in the state pageant’s history.

and said she hopes to represent Indigenous children as an attorney.

Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan tweeted her congratulations, saying it’s “so exciting to have a Native woman representing our state!”

Upper Sioux Community tribal secretary Adam Savariego, who is Evangelisto’s friend, said he hopes that eventually, Indigenous success will not be viewed as radical.

“It’s almost [like] a barrier was removed, because now it is shown as possible,” he said. “Showing up in places particularly in the public view — unapologetically of who you are — is probably the most important idea of the representation itself.”

Evangelisto, 25, has enrolled in pageants since she was a child in Aberdeen, S.D. When she started, she said, she did not have a lot of support, but that motivated her to work harder.

“I wanted to prove to people that I was capable of

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The Boys & Girls Club of the White Earth Reservation is participating in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals will be provided to all children without charge. Meals will be provided, on a first come, first serve basis, at the following sites, times, and dates/days during the summer as follows:

Site Name	Site Address	Dates and Days of Operation	Meals with Service Times
Mahnomen Boys & Girls Club	416 S Hwy 59 Mahnomen, MN	June 1 st -August 31, 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30
Naytahwaush Boys & Girls Club	2531 310 th Ave Naytahwaush, MN	June 1 st -August 31, 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30
Pine Point Boys & Girls Club	48580 Pow Wow Hwy Ponsford, MN	June 15 th -July 28 th , 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30
Rice Lake Boys & Girls Club	13830 Community Loop Rd Rice Lake, MN	June 1 st -August 31, 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30
Waubun Boys & Girls Club	1041 Dutch St Waubun, MN	June 1 st -August 31, 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30
White Earth Boys & Girls Club	26310 Crane Road White Earth, MN	June 1 st -August 31, 2022 Mon - Thurs	Breakfast 8:30-9:30 Lunch 12:30-1:30

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News From Chairman Michael Fairbanks

Aaniin Boozhoo Gaa-waababiganikaag Niminwendam Waabaminaan!

Aabitina-niibino-giizis.

Aaniish inaa akawe ninga-gaagiizomaag aadi-zookaanag.

Greetings White Earth Nation I am happy to see you!

It is July the Halfway Summer Moon.

I would like to welcome our newly elected Gaawaabaabiganikaag White Earth Nation Tribal Council members: Secretary-Treasurer Mike LaRoque, District I Representative Henry George Fox and District II Representative Eugene Sommers.

Our 154th Treaty Days Celebration was phenomenal, the White Earth Nation Powwow Committee and all the people involved did an amazing job! This year was the first time in more than 50 years our Dakota relatives from Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Nation traveled to our powwow.

Historically this was an annual event taking place between our ancestors and theirs. Our Anishinaabe Nations would meet each other halfway and as it was our celebration our Gaawaabaabiganikaag ancestors would escort them back here to our celebration powwow grounds for trading, exchanging various stories, knowledge, traditional medicines, goods, horses and even intermarriages.

I wanted to express my deep gratitude to Seth Eastman, his sister, LeeAnn Eastman along with their nephew, Inkpa Mani the Sisseton Wahpeton relatives who orchestrated on their end traveling with the horses from Sisitonwan Wahpetonwan Little Thunder Allotment to White Earth Territory. This was a historical "reenactment" of meeting the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Anishinaabe which was the opening for our 154th Annual Treaty Day Celebration, by riding into the ring blessing the grounds with the horses.

They came in and we exchanged traditional gifts as we discussed the actual historical events and what they meant to us by reviving our once lost tradition back to life. Historically this event would bring peace and minobimaadiziwin to our nations as it did that day. We are looking forward to next year and making



it a historical educational opportunity for everyone.

With our beautiful historical 154th Annual Treaty Days Celebration came a story from Niizhingwokokaang, A Pine Tree That Splits In Two Points, or Pine Point.

An elder named Dr. Ken Norcross Litzau Sr. said this brought to mind an old family story of his great-grandmother's sister, his great-aunt who was captured by the Bwaan, Sisseton Dakota people way back in the day. Not by any means am I downplaying this story but back in those days it was a different era in time and it wasn't that uncommon for Ojibwe and Dakota tribes to do this to each other once in a while.

The women who were brought into the tribes were intermarried and had families with them. Ken said his great-aunt was brought into the Sisseton tribe and married. She eventually had children there. One thing about her though, she was always lonesome for her Niizhingwokokaang, Pine Point family. One day she began collaborating with one of her good friends who was a Sisseton Dakota woman in preparing for a trip home. So they made her new traveling moccasins, clothes, along other things like food, pemmican and other traveling necessities.

So she left her family there and started her long hike back to Pine Point and made it all the way home back to the area they lived by Rush Lake. Upon arriving home she told everyone about her kids she had and other things in Sisseton. So that year after rising all of her family at Pine Point processed a whole bunch of wild rice with the plan to go down to Sisseton to meet her children and family over there. So the family packed up for the journey and traveled over to Sisseton to meet them. After they got there they began a good relationship with them by trading horses and many other things for their wildrice. It went so good that pretty soon they began doing this every year. They came up to our powwows and vice versa. Ken said there are so many people here on White Earth who have Dakota lineage many do not even realize it all the way to Rice Lake they do.

Ken explained another great historical fact about the place where the Pine Point Demolition Derby is. The area used to be a ball field and before that way back in the day, that particular area was huge event and ceremonial grounds. It was where many Dakota and Ojibwe people came from miles away and would actually camp out all around there with their horses and tents to prepare for various events and ceremonies. The camp was so long and massive every morning there was an Ojibwe man and a Dakota man

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White Earth Coordination Assessment Resources & Education

Do you have needs in Housing, Food Support, Employment, Mental Health, Early Childhood, Etc.?

Contact a WECARE Navigator to complete an assessment to get you connected to services!

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Ask to speak to WECARE

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Photo by Becky Howard

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Join program to help overcome diabetes on Rez

Do you have type 2 diabetes and want to learn more about how to manage it? Do you live with a youth age 10-16 who is ready to learn about living a healthy life? Join the Together Overcoming Diabetes (TOD) study, a fun, flexible home visiting program for Native people living in or near the White Earth community!

Participants in TOD meet with family health coaches to learn about nutrition, exercise, stress, and setting goals, and work on making healthy changes. The TOD team also collects health information through finger sticks and surveys, to see if the program is working.

Because TOD is a research study, participants are randomly assigned to one of two groups.

Everyone is able to complete the TOD program, but one group starts right away, and the other group waits 24 months.

Interested in helping us make TOD successful in White Earth? We are also hiring for evaluators to enroll new participants and collect data! Positions are part-time and pay \$15.50/hour.

Call us at 218-724-1622 or visit our website at bit.ly/TOD_JHUCAIH to learn more about TOD, including how to enroll as a participant and how to apply to work with our team!

TOD is a partnership between the White Earth Nation and the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health and is supported by Tribal Council resolution 064-16-017.

A message from the White Earth Pesticide Coordinator

By Renee Keezer
White Earth Natural Resources
Pesticide Coordinator

Monkeypox is a virus that has come up in the news that past few months. It has recently been confirmed in Minnesota. So, what is monkeypox? Monkeypox is a disease caused by the orthopoxvirus, the same genus as the virus that causes smallpox, however it is less severe. Monkeypox can be transmitted from animals to humans. The illness sometimes begins with a fever, headache, muscle aches and fatigue. Some people do not have symptoms before a rash. The rash begins as a flat rash, then progresses to raised bumps which become filled with fluid (poxes). Eventually the rash crust over and scabs develop.

A person is infectious from symptom onset until scabs fall off and a fresh layer of healthy skin has formed. The illness can last as long as 3-4 weeks. Most people do not have serious complications from monkeypox but will need to stay home until they are no longer infectious.

Monkeypox is spread through direct and indirect contact with the virus.

Human-to-human transmission

- Direct contact with body fluids or skin lesions (ie., skin to skin contact) is the most common mode of human-to-human transmission.

- Transmission via respiratory particles can also occur but usually require prolonged face-to-face contact.

Clothing, bedding, and other objects:

- Transmission can occur from contact with contaminated clothing/bedding/towels or other objects used by a person with monkeypox.

Animal-to-human transmission:

- Animal-to-human transmission may occur through a bite or scratch, preparation of wild game, and direct or indirect contact with body fluids or rash material (not a mode of transmission in the U.S.).

Symptoms develop approximately 12 days after a person has been exposed but may be as early as five days and as late as 21 days.

On May 23, EPA triggered its emerging viral pathogen (EVP) guidance in response to recent cases of monkeypox in the United States. EPA expects products on its list of disinfectants for emerging viral pathogens to kill monkeypox when used according to label directions.

When rare or novel viruses cause outbreaks of disease, there may be few if any disinfectants that have been tested and registered for use against that

specific pathogen. To prepare for situations like these, EPA created the EVP guidance, which allows disinfectant manufacturers to submit data to EPA demonstrating a product's efficacy against difficult-to-inactivate viruses.

Monkeypox belongs to a group of viruses that is more susceptible to disinfectants than other types of viruses. While there are no disinfectants registered for use against monkeypox, all products with EVP claims have been tested against viruses that are more difficult to kill than monkeypox.

Some viruses are more difficult to kill than others, and a disinfectant's effectiveness can change based on how you use it. Monkeypox virus falls in the Tier 1 (enveloped virus) classification. Enveloped viruses are the easiest to inactivate. When disinfectants damage their lipid envelope, the virus is no longer infectious. SARS-CoV-2 and its variants fall under the Tier 1 (enveloped virus) category as well. At this time, it is recommended to use disinfectants that have been found to be effective against SARS-CoV-2 and its variants for the monkeypox virus.

The use of products with EVP claims supplements but does not replace other infection control practices. Individuals should follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), state, and local public health guidelines. The information provided above was from the Minnesota Department of Health and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Pesticides are any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest. This includes disinfectants and sanitizers. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please reach out to me.

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White Earth Nation Members

"I would like to thank everyone who came out and voted on election day for me. I really appreciate it, and now it is time to move forward towards the future amongst the White Earth Nation."

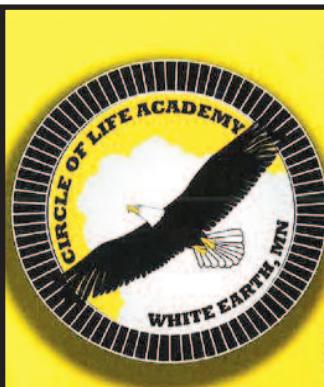
Michael LaRoque and family

WHITE EARTH NATION
PICNICS 2022

JUNE 30	MAHNOMEN, 5-7PM FAIR GROUNDS
JULY 14	RICE LAKE, 5-7PM COMMUNITY CENTER
JULY 28	NAYTAHWAUSH, 5-7PM SPORTS COMPLEX
AUG 11	PINE POINT, 5-7PM COMMUNITY CENTER
AUG 25	WHITE EARTH, 5-7PM COMMUNITY CENTER

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We Want YOU at Circle Of Life Academy!



Circle of Life Academy is now accepting enrollment applications for the upcoming school year!

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The Circle of Life Academy is a Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) grant school operated by the White Earth Reservation Tribal Council. The school offers a comprehensive Kindergarten-12th Grade culturally based education program to Native American students residing on or near the White Earth Reservation. All teachers and school staff members are licensed and highly qualified. Along with all basic educational subjects, all students are provided daily Ojibwe culture classes. All interested families/students must complete the following items by July 29th, 2022.

Students must be enrolled or a descendent of a federally recognized tribe.

A copy of the child's Certificate of Indian Blood (C.I.B.)

A certified copy of the child's birth certificate

A completed application for each child

Questions or application requests please call Circle of Life Academy at 218-983-4180 or email our Office Coordinator at Heidi.harstad@colo.pvt.k12.mn.us

White Earth Nation has a Facebook page!
www.facebook.com/WhiteEarthNation

Glycemic Index

What is it and how does it affect my blood sugar?

By Lisa Braun, RN
White Earth Public Health

Glycemic index (GI) is a measure of how quickly a food can make your blood sugar rise. Only foods that contain carbohydrates have a GI. Foods like oils/fats and meat, don't have a GI, but can affect your blood sugar levels.

Insulin allows our bodies to use glucose as energy. Our food is broken down to make glucose for energy. When the food is sugary, it is more readily available to our body, this will cause a spike in blood sugar. When the food is less sugary, it takes more time to digest and convert into glucose, this causes a more stable blood sugar.

Common foods and what category their glycemic index is in:

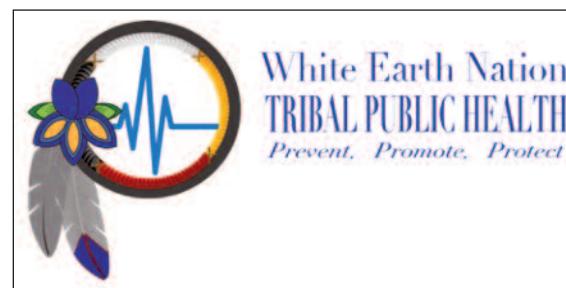
High (70 & up): White bread, watermelon, baked potatoes, baked sweet potatoes

Medium (56-69): Boiled sweet potato, pineapple, cantaloupe, ice cream

Low (55 & below): Hardboiled egg, celery, grapefruit, blueberries

Something to think about:

- Generally, the more processed the food, the higher the GI. Apple juice is higher than applesauce and applesauce higher than an apple; instant /mashed



potatoes are higher than a baked/boiled potato, etc.

- Cooking influences it as well, pasta cooked al dente is lower than pasta that is cooked until soft. So hotdish with pasta rewarmed will have a higher glycemic index.
- Foods higher in fiber and/or fat have lower GI.
- Keep in mind the nutrition of the entire meal, choose a variety of foods.
- The riper the fruit or vegetable, the higher the GI.
- Fermenting foods will lower their GI. Sauerkraut, kimchee.
- Both protein and fat help to keep your food in your digestive system longer, in turn this leads to a slower, more steady release of glucose into your system.
- Protein also stimulates insulin production.

Rez students share their views about Earth Day

In celebration of Earth Day on April 22, White Earth Natural Resources along with White Earth Public Health and White Earth Tribal and Community College asked kids from local schools to submit essays detailing what Earth Day means to them. There were 66 essays submitted by fifth and sixth graders from Mahnomen, Bagley, St. Michaels, and Pine Point schools.

Prizes including skateboards and beach toys were randomly drawn from all the submissions. There were so many wonderful essays that demonstrate how our future generation is invested in taking care of our Mother Earth. Here are a few examples of the wisdom our youth has to offer:

On Earth Day I will clean outside and get a big bag to pick up garbage on the road and in the ditches. This will help the earth feel fresh, clean, free & healthy. – 6th grade Pine Point student

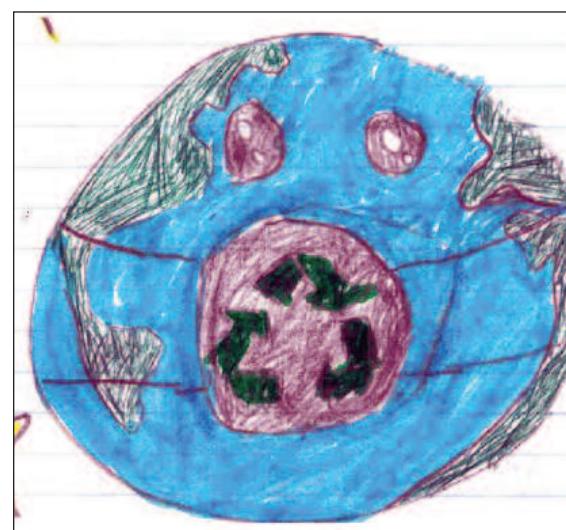
I want to clean the earth so our next generation and our animals can live in a clean environment. – 6th grade Pine Point student

Even picking up an empty McDonalds cup off the side of the road helps a lot... If you leave trash on the side of the road it's going to keep piling up. – 5th grade Bagley student

We can help the planet by planting trees, using reusable resources, recycling and not littering. – 5th grade Bagley student

We walk the lake shore and pick up trash in the spring and summer and clean the garbage off the lake when there is ice. We also take trips in the woods and pick up trash there as well. – 5th grade Mahnomen student

Somethings you can do to help the earth is recycle, plant trees, clean up your local parks and use less electricity! – 5th grade Mahnomen student



Art work - 5th grade Mahnomen student



Art work - 5th grade Mahnomen student

The Pine Point Traditional Pow-Wow is Aug. 13-14

Rez Briefs

White Earth RBC closed July 15

White Earth tribal offices will be close on July 15 for the annual RBC Employee Picnic. Tribal offices will reopen on July 18 at 8 a.m.

Please contact White Earth Child Support

Any Child Support custodial parent who previously had a White Earth Federal Credit Union account please contact the Child Support Office as soon as possible at 218-983-4641 Ext 5760. Thank you!

Building Supplies, LLC (summer hours)

Building Supplies, LLC have announced new summer hours. They will be open Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Saturday: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. They have your home improvement needs, building material, appliances, plus more! Located at 3282 US Hwy 59 in Waubun.

Business Products, LLC business hours

Business Products, LLC is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. They offer heat transfers and embroidery, office supplies, promotional, plus more.

Facebook: @Business.Products04

Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm. Located at 3282 US Hwy 59 in Waubun.

Ogema VFW 9880 Auxiliary news

Ogema VFW Post 9880 Auxiliary will meet on Monday, July 11 at 8 a.m. in the VFW Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in joining please contact Carol Fabre, President, at 218-983-3443 or 218-401-1219.

Thank you from the Niibii Center

The Niibi Center would like to offer sincere gratitude to the White Earth Tribal Council and Shooting Star Casino for supporting our work around Historical Trauma Healing. Chi miigwech. We look forward to continuing these conversations around healing.

Iron Range Area Community Council

The Iron Range Area Community Council holds a meeting on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Greenway Township Hall in Marble, Minn. The Council encourages everyone to attend.

Anishinaabeg Today Readers

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Searching for Elder Cultural teachings

Looking for elders to teach their cultural knowledge in group settings in the villages on the White Earth Reservation. These chosen helpers will be on a contract under White Earth Public Health for a limited amount of sessions.

The teachings can be; Ribbon Skirts, beading, fishing skills, wild rice knockers and poles and harvesting knowledge.

Elders will be teaching cultural skills that will last a lifetime.

For more information please contact Eva Brakefield at 218-983-3286 Ext 1249 or Eva.Bracefield@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Will need your name, contact information and skill you want to provide.

WE looking for pre-diabetic people for new program

The Prevent Type 2 Diabetes program, part of the White Earth Health Division continues to look for pre-diabetic or people who are predisposed to getting type 2 diabetes to take part in the launch of the new Type II Diabetes Prevention Program.

This is a lifestyle change program, developed by the (CDC) Center for Disease Control and Prevention. It requires a one-year commitment. For the first six months we will meet weekly, for the next two months we will meet every other week, and for the last four months we will meet monthly.

The goal of this program is to change the trajectory of people with pre-diabetes by helping guide them to make better eating choices, increase their activity level, and manage stress more effectively

which all help prevent the onset of Type II diabetes.

With the Prevent Type II Diabetes Program you get trained by certified lifestyle coaches to guide and encourage you along the journey, skills needed to lose weight, be more physically active, and manage stress, support from other participants with the same goals as you, and regular meetings to help encourage and teach you. This program helps you make modest lifestyle changes that can cut your risk of getting Type II diabetes in half.

If you have been diagnosed with pre-diabetes or believe you are at-risk for pre-diabetes, please call Deb Killian at 218-401-0550 to complete an over-the phone assessment.



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Working Together With IHS

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in a community near you: July 13th at the Naytahwaush Sports Complex

July 21st at the Rice Lake Community Center

July 25th at the White Earth ENP site

July 27th at the Tribal College in Mahnomen

"You Care: Diabetes Clinic"

- ✓ Start by checking in with the RN when you arrive.
- ✓ Join in the talking circle for discussion on topics of your interest.
- ✓ Meet with the Provider as available.
- ✓ Enjoy the cooking demonstration, food tasting, and go home with the recipe and groceries to make a healthy dish at home.
- ✓ **For Appointment or Transportation** call: 218-983-3286 ext: 1372 or 1251

Faucet snails confirmed in George Lake on White Earth Rez

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has confirmed a report of faucet snails in George Lake, located entirely within the White Earth Reservation in Mahnomen County.

A White Earth Nation official who is also a member of the State Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Committee, Will Bement, contacted the DNR with faucet snail samples collected by a bait harvester trapping leeches on George Lake. A DNR research scientist confirmed that the samples were faucet snails.

Faucet snails are much less prevalent than zebra mussels in Minnesota and they have very different impacts on habitats. While ingesting them is not harmful to humans, faucet snails can be fatal to waterfowl. The snail is an intermediate host for three intestinal trematodes, or flukes, that can cause mortality in ducks and coots. When waterfowl consume the infested snails, the adult trematodes attack the internal organs and cause lesions and hemorrhage. The trematodes contributed to the deaths of about 9,000 scaup and coots in 2007 and 2008 on Lake Winnibigoshish, where faucet snails were first confirmed in inland Minnesota waters.

Faucet snails also compete with native snails for food and habitat. They may clog water intake pipes and other submerged equipment. Currently, there is no known effective population control for faucet

snails in natural water bodies.

Faucet snails are small animals with coiled spiral shells. They grow up to a half inch long and are longer than they are wide. They are light brown to black, with four to five coils (whorls) on the shell. Faucet snails can be difficult for non-specialists to identify conclusively, as they look similar to native snail species found in Minnesota.

People spread faucet snails primarily through the movement of water-related equipment. The snails can attach to boats, docks, swim rafts and boat lifts, as well as scuba, fishing and hunting gear. Faucet snails can close their shells and survive out of water for multiple days.

Whether or not a lake has any invasive species, Minnesota law requires people to:

- Clean watercraft, trailers and equipment to remove aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species.
- Drain all water and leave drain plugs out during transport.
- Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.
- Never release bait, plants or aquarium pets into Minnesota waters.
- Dry docks, lifts and rafts for 21 days before moving them from one water body to another.

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Tammy Bellanger
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Three tips to healthier summer celebrations

By Katie Hoban, RDN, LD
Registered Dietitian
White Earth Public Health

Celebrations often are exciting and memorable times filled with family, friends and food. Nourish your body every time you eat, whether you are celebrating a birthday, graduation, wedding shower, holiday or every day. Try these three tips:

1. Incorporate at least three different food groups into celebration foods.

MyPlate includes five food groups: grains, vegetables, fruits, protein and dairy. When deciding on the menu, think how you can incorporate at least three of these food groups. Here are some ways to add nutrition and variety to your menu.

- Make sandwiches with whole grain breads or use whole-grain pasta in salads.
- Include a colorful vegetable tray on the menu.
- Try fruit parfaits instead of cake as a sweet treat.
- Use lean or extra-lean beef and poultry in sandwiches and casseroles, or serve hummus (made from protein-rich chickpeas) as a tasty dip with pita chips.
- Replace higher-fat sour cream with plain yogurt in dips.

2. Explore ingredient substitutions

Trim calories and/or add fiber, vitamins and minerals with these healthier swaps. See the NDSU Extension publication, "Now Serving: Recipe Makeovers" for many ideas.

Ingredient

Healthier Swap

- | |
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| 1 cup sour cream = 1 cup nonfat yogurt |
| 1 cup mayonnaise = 1 cup nonfat yogurt |
| 1 cup all-purpose flour = ½ cup flour plus ½ cup whole-wheat flour |
| ½ cup oil = ¼ cup oil plus ¼ cup applesauce |

3. Make food fun

Get kids (and adults) involved in food preparation. Have a food activity, such as making "bugs on a log" (celery, nut butter and raisins). Or, create a picture on your plate with healthful foods – make and "American Flag out of fruit" to serve over Greek yogurt.

These tips were shared from NDSU Extension.

Check out a delicious Apple Wild Rice Salad to try at your next summer event found below.

Wild Rice Apple Salad

Ingredients

1 cup wild rice (will make 3½ cups cooked)
3 cups chopped apples (3 - 4 med. apples)
1 cup chopped celery (2 lg.)
1 cup chopped dried fruit and nut mix (raisins, craisins, dried blueberries or apricots, almonds, walnuts, pecans)
1 tsp cinnamon (or ½ teas. cinnamon + ¼ teas. nutmeg, + ¼ teas. cloves)
¼ tsp salt (optional, eliminate if the lemon pepper used in the dressing contains salt)

Dressing

¼ cup apple cider vinegar or lemon juice
¼ cup of apple juice
2 tbsp. maple syrup
½ teas. lemon pepper (salt-free and no MSG)
1 tbsp. prepared mustard (stone ground or dijon-style)
¼ cup of vegetable oil

Instructions

1. Rinse wild rice in a strainer until water runs clear. Add rinsed wild rice to a heavy pan, cover with 3½ cups of water. Bring to a boil; reduce to a low simmer and continue simmering about 30 – 40 minutes until all the water is absorbed. Cool the cooked rice in the refrigerator at least an hour or make a day ahead and keep in fridge until ready.
2. Rinse and core apples and rinse celery; chop. Put the dried fruit and nut mix in a cup and cut into small pieces with scissors. After the rice is chilled, add the apples, celery, dried fruit and nut mix, spices, and salt (optional). Add the dressing and chill another hour before serving.
3. For the dressing: Add all of the ingredients to a jar with a tight-fitting lid and shake well. You may also use a blender and pulse a few times until well mixed.

Yield: 8-10 servings

Substitutions: You may replace the maple syrup with pancake syrup or honey. You may use a bought low fat vinaigrette, such as raspberry vinaigrette, in place of the apple vinaigrette.

White Earth Council of Elders

By Lucille Silk, Chairperson
White Earth Nation Council of Elders

Summer is here with the warm temps and the storms that go with it. Even the loss of power and leaves with branches all over cannot deter us after the harsh winter we just went through. The warm sun and gentle breezes seem to perk us all up so that we can do the things we need to. For example, this Council had a stand at our White Earth Powwow on June 11-12 with a raffle and ½ take money jar. The total sum for this fundraiser was \$238 and the winner was Laurie York who received \$119. We sold baked goods, drinks, popcorn and cheese with chips.

The raffle prize winners were: Barbecue grill – Raymond Auginaush, star quilt - Lucille Silk, 10 lbs. wild rice – Angela Vig, End of Trail picture – D. Wolff, game camera – Coleen Blattenbauer, ice cream maker – David Glass, hand-carved wooden bowl with sage and tobacco - Cory Berry, panini press – Michelle R., coffee mug and warmer - Patti Vizenor, fishing tackle - Tim Rindahl, toaster – Patti Vizenor, 5 lbs. cheese – Cristal S., and a blender – John Vitsky. Ms. Dawn Adams drew the winners and she is blind. Thank you to all that purchased tickets or supported the Elders in other ways. All winners have been contacted!

The winds were so strong on Friday night that they completely destroyed our tent, but with perseverance and so many people that came to our rescue, we were able to get through the weekend. It would be difficult to list all those that helped in some way, so we will simply say Thank You to All of you. Each one will be remembered in our prayers! To name just a few, the maintenance crew, police department, and Laurie York whom I called all during the pow wow and she answered and followed through, we are so grateful.

The Wisdom Steps Program held their annual conference June 14-17 at the Black Bear Casino on the Fond du Lac Reservation. There were 14 Elders from the White Earth Nation that were eligible to attend. There were workshops, main speakers, fun nights and a special bingo for this group. A few breakfasts were provided with a banquet night to honor the members for their achievements. Some members were awarded 20-year plaques for their commitment to this preventive health program for Elders in Minnesota. We encourage more Elders to participate by completing both a health and walk cards prior to Dec. 31, 2022 in order to be able to attend the 2023 conference. If you have any questions, contact persons are myself and Bev Karsten. My number is at the end of this article and Bev can be reached at the Rice Lake offices.

The regular monthly meeting that was held June 7 normally would have been at Naytahwaush, however since their Elder nutrition site is being remodeled we were able to have the meeting in Elbow Lake Village once again. There was a good attendance of about 30 people and we had to ask Sam Crowell to go to the Shooting Star Casino for the RBC meeting which conflicted with our date. It was estimated that only 12 people were at that meeting. We hold our meetings every first Tuesday of the month and at different Elder nutrition sites to accommodate those Elders from the particular community. Much information and issues are discussed and we try to find ways to refer to resources that can help. Many times we will have a speaker on various topics. In June, Karen Bedeau talked about Alzheimers disease and provided information on how to seek assistance and the programs available in our area.

On June 28, a follow-up meeting was held at the lower conference room at the tribal headquarters building with staff from

WE Nation Natural Resource Department Community Survey

Headwaters Regional Development Commission (HRDC) is working with White Earth Natural Resource Department to develop an Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP).

An IRMP is a tribe's strategic plan for the comprehensive management of a reservation's resources. It is a tribal policy document, based on the visions that the tribe and tribal landowners have for their reservation.

As part of the planning process, the White Earth Natural Resource Department is seeking community input from White Earth tribal members through a survey. The questions are framed around community satisfaction and usage of natural resource areas.

It also includes questions regarding changes to improving the nature areas and what would be the most effective in protecting them. The survey results will help guide the Natural Resource Department's Core Planning Team in development of goals and object to the Integrated Resource Management Plan.

Survey respondents will be entered into a random drawing for a chance to win \$100. There will

be two winners selected. To be entered in the survey, please provide your contact information. The survey can be found at:

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Election from Front Page

emergency decision to re-locate the polling location a mile away and inform the voters as soon as possible through social media and physical signage. WEGB added that the substitute Pine Bend polling location picked up five more votes than the Primary Election.

In his decision issued on June 30, Frank Bibeau, White Earth Election Judge, stated the change of the polling location was "...for good cause and the voting results do not show sufficient harm at Pine Bent to change the outcome of this election."

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His decision went on to say that, "Wherefore it is hereby ordered that Contester Auginaush's challenge of the General Election results, as described in their *Notice of Contest* dated June 21, 2022, is denied."

This paper went to press before finding out if Auginaush filed an appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.

The results of the election can be seen on page 12.



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THURSDAY JULY 21, 2022 6:00 PM GRANDSTAND PRE-FAIR KICKOFF: CHARIOT RACES
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WE Powwow 5K Walk/Run

The White Earth Powwow 5K Walk/Run was held June 11 starting at the Tribal Health building.

Here are the winners:
 Back row from left are Anna Paul (15-29): 37:41, Alan Haugo (50+): 30:45, Laverne Hoban (50+): 35:42, Tracee Omang (30-39): 23:38, and Tyler Zima (30-39) Overall winner 23:17.

Front row from left are Landon Nathe (5-14): 24:11 and Kya Jo Smith (5-14): 32:25. Not pictured: Kellie Zima (40-49) 30:45.

Photo by Julie Smith-Yliniemi

THE DOCTOR'S CORNER

New members of the IHS team

Melissa McGuinness
PT, DPT



LCDR Melissa McGuinness joined the White Earth Service Unit in May 2022 and provides physical therapy (PT) services to patients from childhood through adulthood.

She is a board-certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist (GCS) and enjoys helping medically-complex patients improve their mobility and independence.

She has been a physical therapist since 2008 and in the Commissioned Corps of the USPHS since 2013.

She completed her undergraduate studies at UC San Diego and Wheaton College (Ill.) and earned her Doctor of Physical Therapy from the University of Southern California.

She previously served at IHS and tribal health centers in Sisseton, S.D. and Sells, Ariz.

She has been married to Matt since 2005, and they are the proud parents of Gracie (11) and Paul (7).

She is grateful for the warm welcome she has received and is honored to be a part of the White Earth team!

Physical therapy services provided:

- Evaluation and treatment of patients of all ages for pain and/or impaired mobility
- Certified in Vestibular Rehab Therapy (VRT) for BPPV, concussion, and other forms of vertigo
- Dry Needling of the neck, scapula, low back, TMJ, and extremities
- Manual, IASTM, electro-, and Laser Therapy
- Fall risk testing, training, and prevention
- Custom wheelchair evaluation
- Acute, subacute, and chronic pain
- Post-operative care

Alycia Heisler
MOT, OTR/L



Alycia Heisler joined the White Earth Service Unit in February 2022.

She provides outpatient occupational therapy services for children and adults.

Alycia completed her undergraduate studies from the University of Minnesota, Morris and received her master's degree from the University of North Dakota.

Alycia has primarily worked in pediatric outpatient clinics since graduating with her OT degree in 2018.

She enjoys working with children and their family members to make daily routines easier for them at home and in the community.

Alycia enjoys traveling, spending time at the lake in the summer, and being with family and friends.

She is honored to be part of the White Earth Service Unit.

Therapy services provided:

- Infants and up
- Acute and chronic medical conditions such as:
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An EF-1 tornado tore a four-mile path through the Naytahwaush area on June 24 with winds up to 105 mph and a maximum tornado width of 400 yards.

EF-1 tornado causes damage throughout the Naytahwaush area

On the evening of Friday, June 24, an EF-1 tornado tore a four-mile path through the Naytahwaush area, with winds up to 105 mph and a maximum tornado width of 400 yards, according to the National Weather Service.

The tornado was on the ground from 9:16 p.m. to 9:23 p.m. and was "likely wrapped in downburst winds and heavy rain as it traced east-northeastward across North Twin Lake and the community of Naytahwaush, ending 1 mile east northeast of the

town," the Weather Service reported.

Nobody was injured, but the "tornado snapped or uprooted numerous pine, poplar and oak trees. It tore roughly 40% of the roof decking off of one house and shingles and roofing materials off of other buildings along its path."

White Earth Emergency Management, Forestry, Conservation, Department of Transportation, Housing, Twin Lakes Volunteer Fire Department and Red Cross were on the scene Saturday morning.

Works begins on Twin Lakes Creek bridge

DETROIT LAKES, Minn. - Crews have begun the Twin Lakes Creek bridge replacement on Highway 200. The roadway will be impassable at the bridge site to all traffic through August.

As a reminder, Highway 200 is closed between Mahnomen and Roy Lake for road construction. Traffic is being detoured to Highway 59, Highway 113 and County Road 39.

The bridge replacement was originally scheduled to start in mid-May, but was delayed due to high water levels. During the bridge replacement, local traffic – Highway 200 residents or others who have a destination within the work zone – will need to take

the detour or find an alternate route around the bridge.

In addition to the bridge replacement, the project also includes shoulder widening, pavement repairs, culvert replacements, turn lanes, and other safety and pedestrian accessibility improvements. Local traffic can expect lane closures in the areas where crews are working and reduced speeds near Roy Lake. Throughout the duration of construction, driveway access is being maintained.

For more information about the project and to sign up for project email updates, visit mndot.gov/d4/projects/hwy200.

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Lenny Fineday honored with Pendleton

Photo by Gary W. Padra

White Earth lead attorney Lenny Fineday was recently recognized for his work with the RBC. Fineday was elected the new Secretary-Treasurer at Leech Lake Reservation. Presenting Fineday with his blanket are Curtis Rogers and Laurie York.

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Home telephone number: _____	Cell #: _____	Work #: _____
Birthdate: _____	Spouse's Birthdate: _____	
Enrollment number: _____ <small>(Attach a copy if possible)</small>	Spouse's Enrollment #: _____	

Do you own your home? _____ if not list your landlord's name: _____

Do you reside in a Housing home? **Yes or No – circle one**

Which District do you reside in: **District I** _____ **District II** _____ **District III** _____

Would you consider your lawn small or a large? _____

Detailed directions to your residence: _____

Lawn mowing will be done every two weeks.

Weed cutting/whacking, bagging grass & mowing ditches **will not** be provided with this program.

No need to sign the lawn mowers log sheet currently because of the COVID – 19

White Earth Water & Sewer Department
 P.O. Box 418
 White Earth, MN 56591
 Attn: Tribal Elder Lawn Mowing Program

Phone #: 218-983-3202
 Fax #: 218-983-4350
 E-mail address: Betsy.Smith@whiteearth-nsn.gov or Cindy.Weber@whiteearth-nsn.gov

**No need to complete an Elder Lawn Mowing application
 if we mowed your lawn last year.**

WHITE EARTH RESERVATION**GENERAL ELECTION****June 14, 2022****SECRETARY/TREASURER**

	RICE LAKE	BEJOU	PINE BEND	WAUBUN	NAYTAHWAUSH	MAHNOMEN	OGEMA	WHITE EARTH	PINE POINT	ELBOW LAKE	CALLAWAY	MARBLE	MINNEAPOLIS	CASS LAKE	IN PERSON ABSENTEE	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
MICHAEL "MIKE" LAROQUE	113	11	14	40	174	62	13	77	37	7	27	2	35	49	114	111	886	51.90%
EUGENE "UMSY" TIBBETTS	77	4	8	29	91	29	18	141	49	10	31	16	26	47	72	173	821	48.10%

**DISTRICT I
COMMITTEEPERSON**

HENRY GEORGE FOX	104	13	14									0	8	9	22	24	194	53.59%
RAYMOND J. AUGINAUSH, SR.	88	2	9									1	11	11	12	34	168	46.41%

**DISTRICT II
COMMITTEEPERSON**

TARA MASON				22	136	23						2	5	21	39	33	281	41.94%
EUGENE SOMMERS				45	129	66						1	6	24	70	48	389	58.06%

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST 1713

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned Election Officials of the White Earth Reservation do hereby certify the above abstract to be a true and accurate reflection of the votes cast in the General Election held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. We further certify that said election was conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes, the White Earth Reservation, and Election Ordinance #10.

SIGNED

TEC Referendum Vote Reminder

On April 29, the Tribal Executive Committee of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe voted to hold a **non-binding** referendum vote on two questions.

The referendum questions are:

Question 1 – Should the blood quantum requirement be removed from the membership requirements of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe?

Question 2 – Should the six-member reservations (Bands) of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe be authorized to determine their own membership requirements by Band Ordinance?

Ballots were mailed out to all MCT members during the first week in June. **Members must mail the ballot back to MCT by July 15.** Just follow the instructions inside the envelope.

* For additional information visit the White Earth Constitutional Reform Facebook page and Niijii radio

White Earth Food Distribution July Store Hours**Mon-Thurs 8:30-3:30****FACE MASKS RECOMMENDED**

Office Hours M-F 8-4:30 / 218-935-2233

July 2022 Home Delivery Schedule (Subject to Change)

July 4th: ClosedJuly 8th: Bagley, Ponsford & NaytahwaushJuly 11th: Mahnomen & WaubunJuly 15th: ClosedJuly 18th: White EarthJuly 22nd: Detroit LakesJuly 29th: Closed for inventory

Highway 200 is closed at Twin Lakes Creek one mile west of the Ranch. Please use detour through Mahkonce Corner.

If you receive home delivery service and will not be home on your scheduled route, please notify us ASAP.

Tribal Canoe Drawing

Wednesday, July 27 | Noon

5 Canoes and Paddles will be given away!

Drawing will be recorded and posted to the White Earth YouTube channel and Facebook page.

Winners will be notified.

Rules and Eligibility

- One entry per person
- Enrolled White Earth Tribal members only
- 18 years of age or older
- Must have valid tribal ID to claim prize

No Exceptions!
Ages of entrants and White Earth enrollment will be verified. Double entries and entries that are illegible and/or incomplete will be discarded. Winners from the past three years are not eligible.

Gift of canoes donated by Shooting Star Casino. Drawing event sponsored by White Earth Reservation Tribal Council and White Earth Natural Resources Dept.

Must be post marked or dropped off by Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at noon.



Entry forms available in the Anishinabe Today, at Shooting Star Casino and on White Earth Facebook page.

Submit Entries:

- Anishinabe Today entry forms will be accepted, fax to 218-935-2524.
- Mail entry form to:
White Earth Natural Resources Office
Attn: Lita Doran
PO Box 393
Mahnomen, MN 56557
- Drop off at: Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen Main Entrance - Info Desk

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Entrant's Full Name (Last, First, Middle Int.)

Entrant's Full Tribal Enrollment Number (408 X 0000000)

Entrant's Birth Date (Month-Day-Year)

Phone #



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Outgoing and incoming White Earth Pow Wow royalty



Photo by Julie Smith-Yliniemi

The new 154th Annual White Earth Treaty Day Celebration and Powwow Jr. Princess Ayanna Axdahl-Zornes, left, outgoing Jr. Princess Kya Jo Smith, and new Sr. Princess Lyndsey Zornes congratulate each other. Sheldon Hanks was named the Sr. Brave and Tyrel Auginaush is the Jr. Brave.

Berry Camp 2022

July 23rd – 24th, 2022

Little Elbow Lake Tribal Park Campground, Waubun

9:00AM – 3:00PM EACH DAY

ACTIVITIES:

- BERRY PICKING
- MAKING JAM
- BASKET MAKING
- SMOKING FISH
- WILD FOOD FORAGING
- AND MUCH MORE!

To Register, Please Contact:

Jan Syverson

Email: jan.syverson@wetc.edu

Phone: (218)935-0417 Ext. 327



This Camp is Family-Based with Adults & Youth Participating Together. *Youth may NOT be dropped off and Left for the Day.

*Transportation to Camp is on your own. However, Transportation to and from Berry Picking Site(s) on Saturday will be Provided.

*Additional Camp Information Will be Provided Upon Registration.

This Annual, Free Event is Provided in Collaboration Between White Earth Tribal And Community College-Community Extension Service Department, & University of Minnesota Extension Youth Development-White Earth 4-H Program, through Funding Obtained from the USDA, NIFA & White Earth Public Health with funding through the MN State Health Improvement (SHIP) Program. Chi-Miigwech to the White Earth Natural Resources Department for the use of the Little Elbow Lake Tribal Park Campground!



United States Department of Agriculture
National Institute of Food and Agriculture





Submitted photo

Lew Murray of the Maanomin Singers talks with the MMCDC Board of Directors, President Julia Nelmark and guest Carson Ouellette from U.S. Sen. Tina Smith's office prior to the board meeting June 16 at Shooting Star Casino, Hotel and Event Center in Mahnomen.

MMCDC celebrates the success of WE Investment Initiative

A 20th anniversary celebration of the White Earth Investment Initiative was held June 16, at Midwest Minnesota Community Development Corporation's annual meeting held at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomen.

The Maanomin Singers drum group kicked off the evening with an Opening Song. Guest speaker Carson Ouellette, Moorhead-based Outreach Director for U.S. Sen. Tina Smith (D-Minn.), highlighted Sen. Smith's work to support quality affordable housing and agriculture, her membership on the Indian Affairs committee, and other issues impacting rural Minnesotans.

MMCDC President and WEII CEO Julia Nelmark recognized Audra Tonihka, WEII Vice President of Lending, for her contributions to the success of WEII, which now exceeds \$10 million in assets. Also recognized were longtime WEII tax site volunteers Dorothy Heisler, Emma King, and Doug and Carol Fabre; and board members Dan Stevens, Dean Johnson, Doug Fabre, Jessica Tolifson, and Arlen Kangas, Ph.D. Stevens and Kangas are founding members of the WEII board.

MMCDC Chairman Paul Ihle thanked Kangas, who retired from MMCDC in 2022, for crafting MMCDC into a unique organization among its peers during his time as president. This includes the founding of WEII, a company subsidiary.

Other special guests included former board members Charlene Olson (Clearwater County) and Judy Quam (Becker County), retired staff members Doris Kohler and Ida McDougall, Minnesota Housing Community Development Manager Tal Anderson, and Red Lake Falls Mayor Allen Bertilrud.

Executive Administrative Assistant Heather Hamlin announced the reelection of Lester Liljedahl

(Clearwater County), Treasurer Jeff Haukebo (Hubbard County), Lorna LaGue (Mahnomen County), and Vice Chairman Gary Thibert (Red Lake County) to MMCDC's Board of Directors. Election occurs by a vote of the membership via mailed ballots.

You can reach the AT at 218-983-3285 Ext. 5903 or today@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Hunter Education/Firearms

Safety Certification Mahnomen, August 9, 2022 - 1:00 PM

Hybrid Option

- Students age 11 and older may complete their online hunter safety course then attend an in-person classroom review and firearms fundamentals session.
- Students will finish with the field day portion.

Online hunter safety course \$24.95.

Please visit MN DNR website: Education and Safety for more information & link to online safety course.
<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/firearms/index.html>

YOUTH SAFETY CLASSES

White Earth Natural Resources

Contact: Ashley Zurn (218)850-0242 call or text
ashley.zurn@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Required information: Name, Birth date, Address, Age
Must have completed online safety course voucher to attend.

ATV Safety Hands-On Class

Mahnomen, August 2, 2022- 1:00 PM

Ages 10-15:

- Youth ages 10-15 first complete the ATV Safety Online Course
- (Visit MN DNR website for link) Course fee \$24.95
- Next, attend the Hands-on Safety class.

Students must arrive prepared for skills training with personal protective wear (helmet, goggles, appropriate apparel)

Sponsored by WE Natural Resources, WE Public Safety, WE Public Health



Gaawaabaabiganikaag White Earth Nation

Two-Year Access to Rosetta Stone
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Developed by the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe

Native languages and cultures are at a critical point in their existence...
We know our language is a core part of who we are.

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~Improve your pronunciation using our exclusive speech recognition technology~
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Applicants Must:

- Be 13 years of age or older
- Have a current email and access to a computer or smart phone
- Provide proof of enrollment in any federally recognized tribe or First Nations, proof of descent, or proof of employment at WERBC or Shooting Star Casino

How to Apply:

Go to: <https://whiteearth.com/community/ojibwe-language>

Or scan the QR Code to be directed to the website →



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All applicants must apply via the online application.

Please allow 7-10 business days to receive your login information.

Priority will be given to enrolled members.

Applications will be accepted until funding is depleted.

Licenses are non-transferable.



for more information on the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Rosetta Stone Project,
go to <https://www.culture.aanji.org/language/ojibwe-rosetta-stone/>

Made possible by White Earth Education Division and
Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC) grant funding.
Funding comes from the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council's
Language Revitalization grants which originate from the
Arts and Cultural Heritage fund
that is part of the Legacy amendment.

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White Earth Pow Wow weekend kicks off with parade



The annual White Earth Recovery and Hope Parade was held June 9 in White Earth Village. The top three float winners in the parade were: 1st place - Dove (Care Bears), 2nd - MOMS (Blooming into Recovery) and 3rd - Aanji'bimaadizi/Access to Recovery (Aunties and Uncles).

After the parade, community members were treated to picnic lunch and door prizes at the powwow grounds.

Photos by Gary W. Padra



KSTP screen shot

White Earth Police Sergeant Erik Jax carries three of 35 AEDs that were awarded to the White Earth Reservation. This will increase life-saving equipment for cardiac arrest patients.

White Earth Police awarded live-saving equipment

KSTP.com
Eyewitness News

Recently, the University of Minnesota Medical School announced it received a multi-million dollar grant to increase access to life-saving equipment for cardiac arrest patients.

The Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust's \$18.8 million grant will provide law enforcement officers and first responders across Minnesota with automated external defibrillators (AEDs).

"When a person has a cardiac arrest, oftentimes it's the law enforcement officer out on patrol who will be arriving the soonest," said Walter Panzirer, a Helmsley trustee. "Every law enforcement agency will have the opportunity, if they wish, to have an AED for their front-line patrol cars."

He explained the Helmsley Charitable Trust has already provided AEDs to law enforcement agencies across six states.

Through the partnership with the U of M Medical School, more than 8,300 AEDs will be distributed to federal, state and local agencies in Minnesota.

Agencies that already use AEDs will receive an equipment upgrade.

"The old AEDs will get resurfaced," Panzirer said. "If they're still serviceable, they'll be placed out in the community. So we're getting more AEDs out in the community so this is really a win-win for Minnesota."

Roseville Police, Metro Transit Police and White Earth Nation Tribal Police were all in attendance at Tuesday's event at the McNamara Alumni Center. Following the announcement, police officers wheeled carts of AEDs out to their squads to bring back to their respective agencies.

"This is very important and it's going to help save lives," White Earth Tribal Police Patrol Sgt. Erik Jax said. "Everyone knows time is the crucial thing when it comes to getting that first shock, when it comes to getting that CPR started, so this is going to be absolutely a positive impact when it comes to cardiac arrest on the reservation."

AEDs are easy-to-use devices that help the heart reestablish a rhythm during a cardiac arrest.

Jax told 5 EYEWITNESS NEWS his department will receive 35 AEDs through this program, which will equip each squad with

See AEDs Page 30

WE Elders and leaders gather at interfaith prayer gathering at Mississippi Headwaters

By Amy Myszko
Program Manager
Niibi Center

Almost exactly a year to the day after the history-making Treaty People's Gathering, a large interfaith group returned to the Mississippi headwaters to pray and remember.

The 4th Annual Water is Sacred: A Gathering at the Headwaters event took place during the weekend of June 3-5. Elders and leaders from White Earth gathered at Itasca State Park with interfaith and intergenerational allies to honor the life-giving waters, affirm Indigenous sovereignty, and nurture their connections with one another and the land.

This event built on the multifaith tradition of hosting prayer at the river and was brought together by the Niibi Center, Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light, RISE Coalition, Indigenous Environmental Network, 8th Fire Solar, Honor the Earth, and Minnesota Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Alliance (MUUSJA). Activities on Saturday included fieldtrips to the Firelight Encampment site at the La Salle Valley Mississippi river crossing, 8th Fire Solar and Winona LaDuke's Akiing Farm.

On Saturday evening, the Niibi Center, a Native-led non-profit on White Earth, had the opportunity to share information about their work in the community, particularly their Rights of Nature and Water Protector Support Network programs.

The featured key note speaker was Terry Janis, a Lakota from Pine Ridge reservation who is on the board for the Niibi Center and is well respected lawyer who specializes Indian Sovereignty, Rights of Nature and Treaty Law. Janis has been heading up the Niibi Center's Rights of Nature Program, funded in part by a grant from the Bush Foundation, which is actively working with the White Earth tribe to institute policies that protect manoomin (wild rice) as a living entity with inherent rights.

Along with Indigenous wisdom and traditions, Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light helped create space for mainstream traditions to connect their practices to the call to protect and honor water. The weekend included Shabbat and Shuvuot in the Jewish tradition as well as Pentecost in the Christian tradition. The organizers worked with faith leaders and community members to ensure there were meaningful

opportunities for observance of these traditions.

The gathering centered on uplifting and honoring different spiritual paths in a collaborative effort to protect the waters and the planet. The participation of the Pine Point singers was deeply appreciated throughout the weekend.

The culmination of the gathering on Sunday was a large prayer circle at the Mississippi headwaters at Itasca State Park. With drumming, song, and prayer, the group held an hour-long vigil amidst the hubbub of late spring tourists. The organizers and participants were able to model community through holding space in collaboration and participating in cultural sharing and exchange. Many of those involved reported a positive sense of reconnection to community and to the earth at the end of the gathering and plan to attend next year. All are welcome!



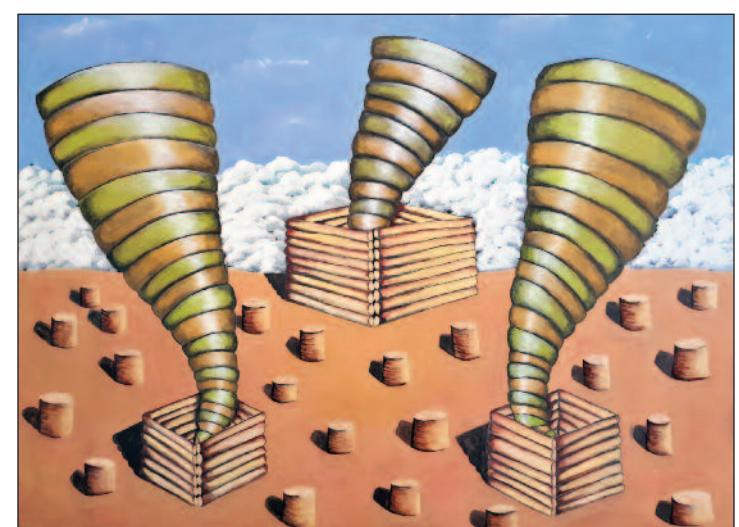
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Sam Crowell was one of several White Earth Elders attending the 4th Annual Water is Sacred: A Gathering at the Headwaters event.



Photo by Julia Nerbonne

Interfaith participants gather for a prayer circle at Itasca State Park.



Courtesy photos

White Earth enrollee Tom Antell will have several of his paintings featured in an exhibit at the Museum of Wisconsin Art (MOWA) from July 16 - Oct. 23.

Tom Antell will be featured in an exhibit at Museum of Wisconsin Art

Tom Antell's paintings delve into cartoon imagery and dark humor, playing out absurd, colorful allegories on the blasted agrarian landscapes of corporate farms and colonized fields. Antell is Ojibwe, a member of the White Earth Reservation who lives on the Lac Court Oreilles Reservation in Wisconsin.

A pair of hapless, sad sack sailors encounter the New World, careering across sea, sky, and land. They are colonizers, unwitting witnesses to clear-cut forests and the advent of unwanted technology and progress. The sightless figures are disturbing and clownish, eliciting uncomfortable empathy and laughter. But they are agents of chaos nonetheless, sowing confusion and destruction on everything they touch.

Antell will have several of his paintings featured in an exhibit from July 16 to Oct. 23 at the Museum of Wisconsin Art (MOWA). His painting are all on paper that measures 22 x 30 inches.

Antell manipulates traditional symbols of American exceptionalism and bounty. The cornucopia, or "horn of plenty," evokes the peaceable kingdom of American mythology, the emblem of a Happy Thanksgiving. In Antell's depiction, this Seussian object becomes a dunce's cap, a tornado, or offerings more dismal signaled by despair and darkness on the horizon's edge.

Generational trauma related to disease and illness also emerge in Antell's paintings, inscribed on the skin in works containing figures. Antell compares the legacy of the AIDS epidemic that has affected his personal community and life with the new reality of the Covid pandemic. Lesions, sores, and calligraphic depictions of viral organisms betray an anxiety that sits abstractly on the very surface of characters in Antell's universe.

Though his themes and imagery express his deeply held affinity with the Indigenous community, Antell reminds us of the universal experience of longing and loss, and of laughter in the face of longing and loss. Strange Lands is the first exhibition of Antell's career.



Ojibwemodaa.2! Lets all speak Ojibwe!

Aaniin, Boozhoo.; Greetings.
Ojibwemowin involves 4 communication skills; speaking, listening, reading and writing.
This is the Double Vowel writing system. Refer to The Concise Dictionary of MN Ojibwe, by John Nichols & Earl Nyholm. Respectfully ask an elder, family and friends to speak Ojibwe within your circle.

Abinoojiwin•Infancy Bilingual: To speak two languages-Give their gift of Ojibwemowin. Speak daily to our Nation's youngest. Birth to age five best promotes bilingualism!
Pronounce by syllables: Boo zhoo! Aa niin e zhi -a yaa yan. - Greetings! How are you? Nimino-ayaa, giin dash?. I am well, you also?
•“Giwaabamaag ina waabigwaniin idash aamoo imaa?”

“Do you see them ? flowers and a bee there?”
•“Eya! Ninwaabamaag! Aamoo ikido BZZZZ.”
“Yes! I see them! Bee he says BZZZZ.”
•“Ayaangwaamizin! Gijiiswiig gemaa.”
“Be careful. S/he stings you maybe.”
•“Noongom izhaadaa gitigaaning!”
“Now let's all go in the garden!”
•“Gitigaanensag minogiwag.”
“Vegetables they grow well.”
•“Ningitigaan(an).”
“My garden/field/farm(s).”

Okosimaan(an)-Squash(s)
Pumpkin, Melon, Cucumber
Mandaamin(ag) - Corn(s)
Mashkodesimin-Bean
Miskojiisimin(ag)-Bean(s)



Find ten (10) underlined Ojibwe words in the wordfind.

Nitaawigiwin •Grownup

Noongom mazina'iganing.
Today/now in the paper...
Niimi'idiwining-At a Powwow...
>>>>-=====>>>>
ina giyii-waabamin?

niwii-gichi-niimimin.

niwii-gaganoonaag imaa.

niwii-ikwe-nuum.

niwii-waabamaa nookomis.

niwii-waabamaa nimishoomis.

gichi-apiiendaagwad.

Key: At the Powwow/Dance...
...? I will see you?
...we will dance good.
...I want to talk to people there.
...I'll dance a woman's-dance.
...I will see her my grandma.
...I'll see him my grandfather.
...it is important/respected.

Who, What, Where-type questions:
•Awenen -Who? •Aaniin -How or in what way? •Aaniindi/Aandi -Where? •Aaniin apii -When? •Aniishwiin -Why? •Apeghish -I wish/hope... First vowel sound changes. The verb is spoken in b-form for desired person(s).

VAI B-form Endings: for -I: -yaan, -aan.
You: -yan, -an. S/he: -d, -g.
We: -yaang, -aang. We all: -yang, -ang.
You all: -yeg, -eg. They: -waad, -owaad.
Awenen waa-wiisiniyeg?
Who of you all will be eating?
Aaniindi waa-nagamowaad?
Where will they be singing?
Aaniin apii?-When?
Mii'iw.

Gabe-niibin... - All-summer...
Niibinong... - Last summer...
Endaso-niibin... - Every summer... Niibin.-It is summer.

•WE Resources
<https://whiteearth.com/divisions/culture/services>
 •Use the Ojibwe People's Dictionary
<http://ojibwe.lib.umn.edu>
 •Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Comm.
<http://www.glfwc.org/>
 •Clipart: wpclipart.com

Ojibwemowin/Anishinaabemowin is an “indigenous language”; meaning it is native to a region, is spoken by the region’s original groups and has minority language status. “Dialect” is region-specific unique speech patterns or word use within the same language. “Orthography” is a standardized way of writing the language. The Double Vowel orthography is commonly used in teaching Ojibwe in MN & WI circles.

MIIGWECH! Share your Ojibwemowin successes, knowledge, resources, how you learn, and help others!

Oshki-nitaawigiwin•Young Adult•Teen

The Great Lakes woodlands and waters support Ojibwe hunters and gatherers who speak “Chi-miigwech, Gichi-Manidoo.”: Great-thanks, Great-Spirit. Thanks for natures’ gifts Akiing-on Earth. From the cradle board to the fourth phase of life as an elder, seasonal food gathering supports family and community lifestyle. Traditional teaching in stories, spirituality, music and dance continues. Howah!

Wiigwaasi Jiimaan(an) - Birchbark Canoe(s)
Maniwiigwaase.- S/he collects birchbark.
Wiigwaasike.- S/he removes bark. (If forcibly taken at the wrong time you will kill the tree. It is their protective skin.)
Wiigob - Inner bark of the basswood tree for tieing things, sewing
Wiigwaasi-makakoon-Birchbark baskets & Wiigwaasi-jiimaanan-Birchbark-canoes.
*Longer voiced vowels:
AA (baa), E (cafe'), II (teen), OO (moo)
*Short voiced vowels
A (about), I (tin), O (only)
A glottal stop ‘ is a voiceless nasal hesitation as in: oh-oh

Gichi-aya'aa•Elder

Aaniin ezhinikaazod wa'rw giizis? What/how is s/he called this moon/month? Izhinikaazo Niibino-giizis wa'rw giizis. His/her name Halfway Summer Moon (July) this moon. • “Anami’aa keyaa.../OR Nindanami’aa keyaa.... Mino-giizhigad! —Waabanong..., Zhaawanong..., Ningaabii-anong..., Giwedinenong.... Akiing, idash Ishpeming. • Gichi-Manidoo nindanami’aa...” Apane chi-miigwech. “S/he asks in each direction .../OR I pray/ask to each direction... Good-day! —to the East..., to the South..., to the West..., to North... to Earth, and to Sky above.(6). “Great Spirit I ask/pray... (add own words). Always great thanks. Mino-giizhigad!”

1. Ningii-ikid “ _____, chi-miigwech.” I said, **to the Earth**, “great-thank you.”
2. _____, ningii-ikid, “Miigwech.” **To the East**, I said, “Thank you.”
3. Miigwech. _____-niibin nindayaanan onow wiisiniwinan omaa. Thank you. **All**-summer I have them these foods here.
4. _____ gaa-ojibwemoyeg? Giigidowining ningii-ojibwem. **Where** did-you all speak Ojibwe? On the phone I did-speak Ojibwe.
5. Giminwendam ina ojibwemo____? Ninjiikendam ojibwemoyaan. Are you happy? **when** you speak Ojibwe? I feel happy when I speak.

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**White Earth
INVESTMENT INITIATIVE**

Home Stretch

Homebuyer Education Class

Attend both sessions to receive your Homebuyer Education certificate

July 11 & 18
3pm to 7pm

at Boys & Girls Club of Detroit Lakes
150 Richwood Road
Detroit Lakes MN

Register online at weii.website

White Earth Investment Initiative is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Flags receive last salute in retirement ceremony

To honorably dispose of worn US flags, Ogema VFW Post 9880 & auxiliary Post 9880 held a US Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Ogema Park on June 14. The ceremony, open to the public, was held with the assistance of Mahnomen American Legion Post 31 and the Ogema Fire Department.

Prior to the event US Flag distribution boxes were designated in three areas with a total of 78 flags collected. These boxes

remain year around at Ogema Community Development Bank, Midwest Bank in Waubun and tribal headquarters in White Earth for year-around drop off.

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Obituaries

Wilma "Bobbie" Joyce (Hanks) McGregor

Wilma "Bobbie" Joyce (Hanks) McGregor was born Jan. 24, 1939, in White Earth to Reverend Bill Hanks and Mary (Roy) Hanks. The second of seven siblings, Bobbie grew up in Ponsford and graduated from Park Rapids High School in 1957. The family moved to Fort Yates, N.D., on the Standing Rock Reservation where her father preached for many years for the Episcopal Church Diocese. While living in Fort Yates, she met her late ex-husband Leon "Scotty" McGregor.

They married in 1957, had seven children and were married for 32 years.



Bobbie grew up in a musical family. Taught to play instruments by their father the siblings later formed the band called the "Hanks Band." Over the years they would play for different events around Minnesota and in North Dakota for which they became well known totaling more than 50 years together. Scotty was also musical. He remembered when he first laid eyes on her in Fort Yates, ND. He said "I saw the two most beautiful girls (her and her sister) and guitars laying all around the house."

That passion for music they both shared created a "dynamic duo" of musical talent. They passed on the talent of singing and playing instruments to their children. As their children grew the family band transformed many times as each child found their place on stage down to the youngest. The "Bobbie and Leon Show," with its many variations, became a very popular regional band. Bobbie's musical legacy is truly the end of an Era. Bobbie worked diligently for her kid's success in the music industry even moving to Nashville, Tenn., to further their love of country music. Off the road, Bobbie worked for IHS and several positions at the White Earth RTC including as an Alcohol and Substance Abuse Intake Worker. She was most proud of that position because of her own 42 years of sobriety.

She loved staying connected and socializing with family and friends by attending powwows, Facebook, and through her music. Bobbie will be most remembered for her infectious and most incredible laugh. She continued to play music with brothers right up until the end of her journey.

Bobbie is survived by her daughters: Lola (Freddy), Shirley, Dianne (Gary) and Kandi McGregor; son, Dustin "Bud" (Roxy) McGregor; grandchildren: Marla, Arlene (Nick), Ryder (Brittney), Jordan, Breck, Leon "Buck" (April), Haley, Nikolette, Sky, Zach, Harmony, Hannah and Maximus "Max;" great grandchildren: Tristan, Justis, Alexandria "Alex," Adam (Josie), Avery, Dylon, Ambria, Sydney, Jordan Jr., Jace, Charlotte, Raven, Maleigha, Morgan, Wyatt, Kelsey, Jameson, Ember, Niimi Giizis, Ningozis and Dream; great-great grandchild, Giovanni; wife-in-law, Julie McGregor; brothers: Bill "Beeker" Hanks, Tom Hanks and Sherald "Jitterbug" Hanks; sisters, Mildred "Judy" Thomas and Betty "Bebes" Redhorse. She also leaves many beloved nieces and nephews behind.

Preceding Wilma in death are her parents, William and Mary; daughters, Rhonda and Marla Jean; brother, Francis "Jonesey" Hanks; sister-in-law, Doretta Hanks; and niece, Donna "Niche" Redhorse.

Arrangements: David-Donehower Funeral Home of Detroit Lakes.

Online: www.daviddonehower.com

Eugene "Huck" Fairbanks

Eugene "Huck" Fairbanks, 78, of Elbow Lake Village, died June 25 at the Mahnomen Health Center Nursing Home.

A graveside service was held June 29 at the Vernon Anderson Memorial Cemetery in rural Waubun.

Huck's service was recorded and is available for viewing at www.andersonfamilyfh.com. Please feel free to sign the guestbook, send condolences and view other opportunities available on the website.

Arrangements: Anderson Family Funeral Home of Mahnomen.

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Kimberly Patrice Turner

Kimberly Turner, 55, of Mahnomen, died May 30 surrounded by her loving family.

Kimberly Patrice Anderson was born Sept. 29, 1966, in Park Rapids, Minn., to Vernon and LaVonne (Colemer) Anderson. She grew up with her brother and sister on the family's home on Tulaby Lake.

Kim attended school in Waubun and graduated with the Class of 1985. Following high school, she attended the Detroit Lakes Vo-Tech, where she earned her LPN Degree. On Aug. 23, 1986, Kimberly was united in marriage to Craig Turner. The young couple made their home in Mahnomen and raised two boys, Michal and Cody. Kim began her nursing career working in Mahnomen for Dr. Ed LaDue, followed by several years at the Mahnomen Hospital. She then went to work at Dakota Clinic in Detroit Lakes. After 12 years there, Kim left the clinic to work for White Earth Nation as a health educator. Most recently Kim had been working as the Community Education Coordinator for the White Earth Tribal College. Kim worked for the White Earth Nation for over 15 years.

Kim was a fun loving, spunky gal with a great sense of humor. She enjoyed her bulldogs, quilting, gardening, spending time at the lake, sitting around a bonfire and all the good times spent with her girlfriends, especially the shopping trips with her family! In 2007, Craig and Kim began raising and showing Bulldogs. They would often travel all over to attend dog shows and even brought home two Grand Champions Ribbons! Over the years, they met and made many lifelong friends they could share their love of their Bulldogs with. Above all, family was the most important part of her life. She loved them all and cherished the times spent with them especially her granddaughters; Emri, Aubri, and Camri and nieces; Grace and Josie, she treated like her own. Although gone from this life to soon, she will live on forever in the hearts of all who were lucky enough to know and love her.

Kim leaves behind her husband, Craig of Mahnomen; sons, Michal and Cody (Traci) both of Mahnomen; grandchildren: Emri, Aubri and Camri Turner; parents, Vern (LaVonne) Anderson of Tulaby Lake; brother, Chuck (Neily) Anderson of Twin Valley, Minn.; sister, Jennifer (Vance) Stevens of Mahnomen; mother-in-law, Beverly Turner of Naytahwaush; brother-in-law, Edward E. Turner; sister-in-law, Shirlee Turner all of Naytahwaush; honorary sister, Jennifer (Randy) Bartos of Waubun; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents; father-in-law, Edward "Sandy" Turner; and sister-in-law, Sheri Turner.

A funeral service was held June 2 at the Naytahwaush Sports Complex.

Interment: Vernon Anderson Cemetery, rural Waubun.

Arrangements: Anderson Family Funeral Home of Mahnomen.

Online: www.andersonfamilyfh.com

Daniel Wade Leu

Daniel Wade Leu passed away June 3 at his home in Callaway. Daniel was born March 4, 1959, to Evelyn (Cogger) Leu and Floyd Leu in Detroit Lakes.

He was part of a baker's dozen family who was raised in the Strawberry Lake area. In his younger years Dan attended the White Earth Mission, Strawberry Lake County School and later attending Detroit Lakes High School, receiving his diploma in 1979. Dan also attended the Detroit Lakes Vocational Tech College for Carpentry. Most of Dan's working career was in carpentry.

His passions were hunting, fishing, trapping, working in the garden, and finding value in old junk to take in for scrap. One man's junk is another man's treasure. Daniel enjoyed playing cards with friends and family over a cup of coffee and crumpets, he loved to read, and trying his luck with a few scratch-offs.

Dan was united in marriage to Avis Kellerhuis on Nov. 3, 1991, in Puyallup, Wash., and later divorced. Dan also welcomed two children into his life: Tyler in 1987 and Melissa in 1992. Dan and Avis made their home in rural Richwood. Daniel had many dogs throughout his life, and they all loved him.

Daniel is survived by his children: Melissa and Tyler (Amanda), grandchildren: Wade, Alexander, Benjamin and Theodore; siblings: Beverly (Bud) Carlson, Darlene (Curt) Ballard, Evelyn Moore, Patti (Phil) Stalberger, Terry (Ellen) Leu, Pamela Lehmann and Michael (Lucille) Leu.

Proceeding Daniel in death are his parents, Evelyn and Floyd; siblings: Ronnie, Carol, Sharon, Kenny and Dean; and special cousins, Pete Lasker and Dennis Carlson.

Arrangements: West-Kjos Funeral Home of Detroit Lakes.

Online: www.westkjos.com



Obituaries

LeRoy Alvin Sutherland

LeRoy Alvin Sutherland, 72, passed away June 15 at Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji, Minn. Lee had suffered a debilitating stroke that rendered his speech difficult for many years and this condition continued to decline his heart health.

Lee was born April 12, 1950, in Bagley, Minn., to Mary (Neeland) and Ivan Sutherland. He attended high school in Bagley and graduated in 1968. He married Linda Edevold of Gonvick in 1968 and had a daughter, Angela Sutherland (53) in 1969. Lee lost his wife in 1969 in an auto accident. He married Brenda Madden of Bagley and had a son, David L. Sutherland (48) in 1972.

Lee enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed at Vandenburg AFB in California. Lee loved the California lifestyle. Lee was a talented carpenter who was skilled and patient at woodworking. He was an expert at genealogy and historical studies. He once said he should have been a history teacher! Anyone who knew Lee, knew his passion was music. He started a band in his youth and never stopped playing guitar even after his stroke and speech loss. His best times were the many years playing in the professional band "The Shadows" with his best friends. Lee loved the Rock n' Roll of his youth but also had a deep appreciation for jazz guitar. Music identified who he was better than anything else. Lee was a hopeless romantic and music and life made him very sentimental and nostalgic.

He is survived by his children, Angela Sutherland of Waxhaw, N.C., and David Sutherland of Blaine, Minn. Lee's grandsons: Ethan Julson (30), Luke Julson (28), Garrett Waldman (17) all of Charlotte, N.C., and Ivan Sutherland (23) of Minneapolis, have carried on the tradition of playing guitar which made him very proud. Lee was most proud of his grandchildren. He also had four amazing granddaughters: Lindsey Endres (30), Ashley DeMers (28), Megan Sutherland (25) and Marleina Sutherland (16).

Lee was a very nostalgic man and in life he greatly mourned the passing of beloved family members, friends, and his loving wife, Linda. He anticipated a reunion with them.

Lee is preceded in death by his parents, Mary and Ivan Sutherland; brother, Ivan Jr.; and sisters, Patricia Kvislen and Dianne Goodwin.

He is survived by his brother, Kenneth Sutherland; two children, eight grandchildren; and many loved nieces, nephews and extended family.

A memorial service to remember and celebrate the life of LeRoy Alvin Sutherland was held June 25 at St. Philips Episcopal Church in Rice Lake.

Interment: His remains will be interred at Rice Lake Cemetery.

Arrangements: Cease Funeral Home of Bagley.

Messages of condolence: www.ceasefuneralhome.com

Nathan Patrick Fineday

Nathan Patrick Fineday (Thatanka sa nazin hoksila - Red Buffalo Standing Boy) made his journey on May 11 in Minneapolis. Nathan was born Aug. 5, 1993, to Gloria Eagle Tail and Donovan Fineday in Minneapolis.

Nathan is Ojibwe and Lakota and is an enrolled member of White Earth. He attended school in Minnesota and Colorado Springs where he attended high school and played basketball. Nathan was a kind soul and had a very big generous heart, always laughing and in good spirits! Nathan loved the outdoors, fishing, skateboarding, basketball, camping, and he also enjoyed cooking. He was the chef of the house. He loved being with his family especially his daughter, Iline.

He is survived by his mother, Gloria Eagle Tail; sister: Cammie (Jeremiah) Joseph, Bonnie (Cirilo Meza) Eagle Tail, Ellen (Michael Holmers Jr.) Eagle Tail, Janel Fineday, Leann Fineday, Veronica Gonzales and Heather Fineday; brothers: Marlon Eagle Tail, Samuel Eagle Tail, Duane Fineday, Wakiyan Gonzales and Justin Fineday; partner, Danielle Morrison; daughter, Iline Kathleen Fineday; and grandmother, Patricia Rock-Fineday.

He was proceeded in death by his father, Donovan Fineday Sr., brother, Donovan Jr.; grandmother, Louise Eagle Tail; grandfathers, Fredrick Eagle Tail and Duane Fineday Sr.

A funeral service was held May 18 at the Church of the Blessed Kateri in Minneapolis with Virgil Blacklance and Shawn Phillips officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were Sil Little Ghost, Nick Rogers, Victor Lopez, and all aunts, uncles, grandmothers, nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Marlon, Samuel, Duane, Wakiyan, Preston, Cyris and Enrico Eagle Tail and Demond High Bear.

Interment: Hillside Cemetery in St. Anthony, Minn.



Cheryl Rae St. Claire

Cheryl St. Claire, 68, of rural Callaway, died June 15 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Cheryl Rae Demmer was born May 11, 1954, in Fergus Falls, Minn., to Orville and Winnifred (Watnaas) Demmer. She was one of eight children, grew up in Fergus Falls and graduated high school with the class of 1972. Following graduation, she fulfilled her calling of helping others and graduated with her Registered Nursing Degree from St. Lukes School of Nursing in 1981.

Cheryl was united in marriage to Rodney St. Claire on June 15, 1985, at her parent's farmstead in Fergus Falls. They later made their home in rural Callaway, where they raised their three daughters.

Cheryl worked in various healthcare settings during her nursing career and touched many lives along the way. She was very devoted to her profession, working up until her health required her to retire in May, after 41 years of service. She wore her nursing badge with pride and was even more proud that her daughters followed in her footsteps and was sure to tell everyone.

Cheryl enjoyed traveling, gardening, boating, spending time outdoors, and anything that involved spending time with family. Cheryl cherished every family celebration and was sure not to miss one, including her 37th wedding anniversary. Cheryl's grandchildren were her pride and joy and held a very special place in her heart. Cheryl had a love for her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She was a dedicated Christian and rarely missed a church event. Every summer you could find Cheryl at Lake Geneva Christian Center - a bible camp she has gone to annually since she was a child. She was a social butterfly and made friends with anyone she met. Cheryl was a beautiful person inside and out and will be greatly missed by all who were blessed enough to know her.

Cheryl is survived by her loving husband Rodney St. Claire; daughters: Jessica (Levi) Englund, Jenna (Loque) St. Claire and Jelissa (Anthony) St. Claire; grandchildren: Mason St. Claire, Brielle, Annika and Brantley Englund; sister-in-law, Ginger Demmer; brothers: Leslie (Vicki), Loyal (Maureen) and Loren (Amy) Demmer; sisters, Colleen (David) Cole and Carma (Randy) Synstielien; mother-in-law, Phyllis St. Claire; sister-in laws: Lynn (Tim) Lund, Luanne (Frank) Lottino and Laura (Vernon) St. Claire; brother-in law, Robert (Cindy) St. Claire; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cheryl is joined in heaven by her parents, Orville and Winnifred; and siblings, Claudia and Larry Demmer.

Blessed be the memory of Cheryl St. Claire

Arrangements: West-Kjos Funeral Home of Detroit Lakes.

Online: www.westkjos.com

Shannon Ray Burnette

Shannon Ray Burnette, 52, of Naytahwaush, died June 23 at his home due to natural causes.

Shannon was born as a twin, to Edward and Ada (Beaulieu) Burnette on May 23, 1970, in Mahnomen. He grew up in Naytahwaush surrounded by family, being one of the youngest of eight children. He attended grade school in Naytahwaush then later in Mahnomen. As a young man, Shannon began working and started his family. Over the years, he was blessed with six sons and a daughter.

Shannon was usually working outdoors, spending much of his time, leeching, ricing, and making birch bark crafts. He was a self-taught mechanic and enjoyed working on small engines. Shannon loved to tinker on cars and could fix nearly anything. He was also employed at the Shooting Star Casino and the Naytahwaush Sports complex.

Shannon loved to go to the casino and was always ready for a road trip. He was an avid hunter and fished in area lakes year-round. By far, Shannon was happiest when he was with his family and cherished each of his children. Even as his health failed, he remained positive and shared his smile with all those around him.

He is survived by his children: Shannon Burnette Jr., Donovan Burnette, Chad Messer, Blake Thurstin, Christie Jackson, Karl Burnette and Aidan Burnette; twin brother, Shane; brother, Terry; sister, Gina; sister-in-law, Mary; 10 grandchildren; special friend, Chris Connor; and many nieces and nephews.

Shannon was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Ada; brother, "Butchy" Edward; sisters: Cheryl, Noreen and Julie; and several extended family members.

A funeral service was held June 28 at Samuel Memorial Episcopal Church in Naytahwaush.

Interment: Samuel Memorial Episcopal Cemetery in Naytahwaush.

Arrangements: Anderson Family Funeral Home of Mahnomen.

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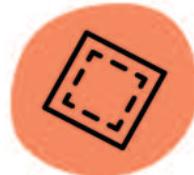
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Obituaries

Dean Paul Van Wert



Dean Paul Van Wert was a great man, a beloved son, a caring brother, a loving father, an amazing grandfather, and a cool uncle. Dean is loved by many and will be missed dearly. He loved spending time with his daughters, his family, visiting company, painting, singing, listening to music, dancing at powwow, watching movies, sitting outside, spending time with his dog Taylor, telling stories, enjoying a good smoke session, gardening, going out to eat, and going to the Shooting Star Casino.

Dean was born Dec. 11, 1959, in St Paul, Minn., where he grew up with his parents and siblings. He had also lived with his parents and siblings in White Earth for some time. In Dean's early adulthood, he had lived in Wisconsin where he had given life to his first-born Jesse Van Wert. Later in his adult life he had moved back to White Earth and had married his ex-wife Crystal and raised his stepdaughter, Tianna Jackson along with his two daughters, Genesis and Pauline Van Wert.

Dean was once an Art teacher at the Circle of Life Academy with many other jobs. His last job was working as a hotel porter for the Shooting Star Casino. Dean had spent his life loving and caring for his family. He will truly be missed by many, from family and friends alike.

Dean may no longer be with us physically but he is still here with us in spirit, heart and memory. In his last moments, Dean left the physical world at home, in peace, with his two daughters by his side. This was the way he had wished to go.

Dean had joined his deceased family members: father, Fenton Van Wert Sr.; mother, Pauline Van Wert; brother, Leonard Ambriz, in the Spirit World.

Dean is survived by his siblings: Linda Anderson, Fenton Jr., James, Monica and Jason Van Wert; children: Jesse, Genesis and Pauline Van Wert; and his only grandchild, Chakotay Johnson Jr.

Arrangements: David-Donehower Funeral Home of Detroit Lakes.

Online: www.daviddonehower.com

Cory Lee Jackson

Cory Lee Jackson, 50, of Hermantown, Minn., peacefully passed away on June 12 in Fargo, N.D., surrounded by his beloved family.

Cory was born June 17, 1971, in Minneapolis to William Oshkinowe Sr. and Juanita Neeland-Denault. He was raised in Minneapolis/Jordan, Minn., along with his three siblings. They eventually moved up north in 1984. He graduated high school in 1989 from Cass Lake, Minn. Cory then joined the Army shortly after high school. He was honorably discharged in 1992.

Cory worked various jobs throughout his life. He was a blackjack dealer at the Shooting Star Casino, worked as a mechanic in the Persian Gulf Desert Storm, and he also worked at Smuckers in Fargo. Later in life he went on to graduating from Lake Superior College in 2017 with an AAS degree in Aviation Technician.

Cory was full of life with his hearty laughs and jokes. His smile and laughter lit up any room he was in. He was filled with so much love for his family and friends. His granddaughter Ember was the light of his life. He was a generous soul that would give the shirt off his back to help anyone in need.

He had such a curious mind, which made him brilliant; he would research and study the mechanics of whatever ever needed fixing and find a way to get working. He was always fixing something from computers, cars, washers, any type of gadget he could get his hands on. His sense of adventure and meeting new people was always such an admirable quality of his. The simplest pleasures in life brought great happiness to Cory. He loved living near Lake Superior where he enjoyed exploring, hiking, biking, fishing, swimming, camping, and making new friends. Cory also had a great sense of music as well. He enjoyed all genres of music from funk, rap, classic, to European dance and pop.

Cory is survived by his sons, Austin and Allen Jackson; granddaughter, Ember Meadow Mae Jackson; parents, William Oshkinowe Sr., of Waubun and Juanita Neeland-Denault (Steve); siblings: Paula (Abdullah) Al-Mohammedawi, Billee Jo (Michael) Wenschlag and William (Karen) Oshkinowe Jr.; nieces and nephews: Ashlie Helps, Rachel Jackson, Bryce Mueller, Megan Mueller, Matthew Wenschlag, Olivia Gartner-Oshkinowe, Billy Oshkinowe, Xavier Oshkinowe; great nephews: SeQuayah, Malikai, Jayden, Finnley and Graham; and cousins, Armando Delacruz and Selena Casarez (Isadora).

Preceding Cory in death are his grandparents: George and Jenni Oshkinowe, Angela and Joseph Neeland; and numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins.

Arrangements: David-Donehower Funeral Home of Detroit Lakes.

Online: www.daviddonehower.com

John Jay Stone Jr.

John Jay Stone Jr., 72, of Faribault, Minn., passed away June 10 surrounded in love by his family at home. John was born on July 24, 1949, to Sophie and John Stone Sr. in Ponsford. He grew up in the Ponsford area with 11 siblings and graduated from Park Rapids High School.

Dad was a proud member of the White Earth Band of Ojibwe and shared many stories in the past few years about his life that we had not heard before. He told stories about his life adventures from childhood, teen and his adult life. He talked of his grandparents and being raised in the traditional Ojibwe way of life. He shared that he was baptized in the Catholic faith. He walked two roads in life with his spirituality. There is no doubt dad lived his life to the fullest.

Dad was a man full of spunk and sometimes a little spit and vinegar. He said whatever was on his mind. You never knew what off the wall remark you were going to hear. Many times, we would shake our heads and say "Dad, you can't say that." One of his greatest personality traits was his sense of humor. He could make the worst situation into one of the best with his wit and jokes. He was the best dad, who loved and cherished his family. He could talk to you for hours and tell you the greatest stories. He loved watching Law & Order, listening to 60s classic rock, fishing, and low riders. He was always scheming to get to the casino somehow. He always knew the best scenic route that just happened to go by a casino on the way home.

Dad was a hard worker who loved to travel. His greatest adventures happened while he worked as an over-the-road truck driver. He did this for many years and still talked about it until the last days of his life. His greatest treasures in life were his three girls – Josie-O, Shmodie and Baby J.

We know he is living his best ghost life, driving a big rig and eating his beloved White Castle burgers as he pulls into the next Casino looking for Lady Luck.

John is survived by his daughters: Josephine (Shawn), Jodi (Karl) and Juliette; his ex-wife/partner in crime, Jane; grandchildren: Eyshigun (Sativa), Micah, Jacob, Matthew, Mayanah, Ullr, Buggy, Skadi, Bailey, Tristan and Logan; great-granddaughter, Indika Rose and one new great-grandchild on the way; sister, Pauline (Kurt); brother, Merlin Stone; and many nieces and nephews.

Family that John joins include his parents, Sophie and John Sr.; and sisters and brothers: Geraldine, Betty, Seraphine, Darlene, Bernadine, Maxine, Irene, William and Marvin.

Dad's last advice was "never use hodge podge and never let them use that damn CPR machine on you!"

In honor and respect of John's last wishes, a service and wake will not take place.

Arrangements: Parker Kohl Funeral Home of Faribault.

Online: www.parkerkohlfuneralhome.com

Josh Neeland

Josh Neeland, 45, of Bagley, Minn., died June 9 at the Sanford Fargo Medical Center in Fargo, N.D.

He was born Oct. 20, 1976, in Bagley to George and Martha (Gedstad) Neeland. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. He attended Bagley Elementary and Bagley High School graduating in 1996. Josh married Brenna Anderson on June 10, 2006, at Itasca State Park. Josh has worked at Real Stone, NCS, several fiber optic jobs, and was a backhoe operator. He lived in Bagley his whole life and was a member of St. Philips Episcopal Church. Josh's favorite activity was attending all of his children sporting events, which made him very proud. Josh had many interests that included fishing, hunting, camping, ricing, cruising and grilling. He loved to laugh with his friends and hang out with his nieces and nephews.

He is survived by his mother, Martha "Marty" Neeland; brothers: Jacob Neeland, Jared (Angela) Neeland, Nathan Oliver, Robert Oliver and Allen Nass; sister, Chi Pedigo; children: Joshua, Breelee, George and Raider Neeland; step-children: Creedan, Teigen and Synnova; fiancé, Wendy Irwin; aunts: Wanda, Teri, Joy, Randi (Bob) and Mia (Quinn); uncles, Brian (Faye) and Aaron; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, George Neeland; wife, Brenna Neeland; grandparents: Robert and Sophie Neeland, and Don and Maxine Gedstad; and aunts; Penny and April.

Funeral services were held June 16 at the Rice Lake Community Center.

Interment: Bagley City Cemetery.

Arrangements: Cease Funeral Home of Bagley.

Online: www.ceasefuneralhome.com





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Aabita-niibino-giizis (Mid Summer Moon) -July

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	The Elders Picnic is currently being planned. Location and Date will be announced soon.			I Brunch for Lunch Chefs choice 
4 Closed for Independence Day 	5 Lemon pepper fish Cheesy rice Pea and carrot blend Wheat roll Plums	6 Chefs Choice Main Entrée Vegetable and/or salad Fruit Bread	7 BBQ chicken Cornbread Broccoli salad Berry parfait w/ granola	8 Tator tot hotdish Breadstick Garden salad Fruit salad
11 Pork tenderloin Manoomin pilaf Sweet potatoes Wheat bread Cranberries	12 Chicken sandwich w/ lettuce and tomato Pickles Mac salad Fruit cocktail	13 Chefs Choice Main Entrée Vegetable and/or salad Fruit Bread	14 Scalloped potatoes w/ ham Mixed veggies Dinner roll Orange sherbet	15 Taco salad w/ the fixings Churro Grapes
18 Alfredo pasta Sausage w/ peppers Steamed broccoli Garlic toast Applesauce	19 Beef roast w/ gravy Mashed potatoes Green beans Wheat bread Fresh fruit	20 Chefs Choice Main Entrée Vegetable and/or salad Fruit Bread	21 Birthday Lunch BLT sandwich Manoomin veggie soup Pear Birthday treat	22 Chicken & rice hotdish Roasted brussel sprouts Artisan roll Spinach salad Pineapple
25 Tuna noodle hotdish Breadstick Roasted zucchini Mandarin Oranges	26 Chicken "fried" steak Mashed potatoes Glazed carrots Wheat roll Apricots	27 Chefs Choice Main Entrée Vegetable and/or salad Fruit Bread	28 Beef stew Homemade biscuit Garden salad Bananas w/ pudding	29 Cheeseburger w/ the fixings Oven fries Coleslaw Fruit crisp



White Earth Child Care

We are making a White Earth Cookbook, if you would like to put in any simple recipe to cook or make with children in our Child Care cookbook, please email Jessica Harstad at Jessica.harstad@whiteearth-nsn.gov

1. Title. And by
2. Introduction or special instructions.
3. Equipment list.
4. Ingredients and measurements.
5. Pre-heating or preparation instructions.

White Earth WIC
July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4 CLOSED	5	6	7	8	9
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Due to COVID-19, all appointments are being completed by phone at this time. Please call [218-204-0399](tel:218-204-0399) or [218-401-4247](tel:218-401-4247) to contact our department.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Unsure if you are eligible? Please fill out the online application on the Minnesota WIC Website.

*Times and dates are subject to change
*If the RTC is closed for holidays or weather, WIC is also closed.
*White Earth WIC: 26246 Crane Rd White Earth, MN 56591

The Correct Way to Measure Blood Pressure

Before your reading

- No food or drink for 30 minutes
- Empty your bladder

During the reading

- No talking
- Arm resting at chest height
- Cuff against bare skin
- Back is supported
- Sit with feet flat on floor

Visit cdc.gov/bloodpressure for tips and resources.





Submitted photo

Front row from left (sitting) are Sarah Doerfler - volunteer preparer, Emma King - volunteer greeter, and Karen Haarstick - volunteer. Back row from left are Julia Nelmark - WEII CEO, Craig Cihlar - IRS SPEC Relationship Manager, Sue Trnka - WEII Community Services Coordinator, Heather Hamlin - MMCDC Scheduler, Paul Haarstick - WEII Tax Program Coordinator, and Vicky Williams - MMCDC Scheduler. Not pictured: Mike Swan - volunteer preparer.

White Earth Tax Assistance Program celebrates another successful season

Volunteers and staff from White Earth Investment Initiative's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program met at Hub 41 in Detroit Lakes on May 18 to celebrate a successful tax season.

"Our volunteers and staff are no strangers to facing and overcoming challenges in the filing season," said Paul Haarstick, WEII's VITA Program Coordinator. "We take it one day at a time, but the real joy is being able to help individuals and families in the community. It's a great honor to be such a trusted resource for taxpayers."

Since 2006, White Earth Investment Initiative has hosted a free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site at the Shooting Star Casino where taxpayers can have their returns prepared for free by trained community volunteers. In the past, WEII has filed between 400 and 450 federal tax returns each year – but during the 2021 filing season over 460 returns were filed. Almost \$1M in federal and state tax refunds were returned to individuals and families in the community.

Several tax law changes only affected 2021, including the Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Credit. Working elders and individuals with children who do not normally file income taxes may benefit from filing a 2021 income tax return. "It's not too late," reiterates Haarstick. "We are here all year to assist community members."

White Earth Investment Initiative operated tax sites in Mahnomen and Detroit Lakes during the tax season. WEII staff remains available to assist taxpayers throughout the year. Individuals needing tax help should call Paul Haarstick at (218) 844-7057 or send an email to phaarstick@mmedc.com.

The tax site is a service of the White Earth

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Are you interested in working with children or learning more about their development?

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Scholarships are available to cover tuition, books and computers.



Classes Start in August

Contact Carlene Hisgun 218-935-0417 ext. 8340 or by email at carlene.hisgun@wetcc.edu for more information.

This opportunity is made available through a US Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Children and Families - Office of Head Start - Tribal Colleges and Universities Head Start Partnership grant.

You can reach the *Anishinaabeg Today* at 218-983-3285 Ext. 5903 or today@whiteearth-nsn.gov

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who would ride around the whole encampment area to tell everyone what was going to take place and happen there throughout the day with ceremonies along with other things so everyone would know.

Miigwech for those stories of our Gaawaabaabiganikaag history Dr. Ken Norcross Litzau Sr.

The White Earth Agriculture Department consists of our newly hired Ag Manager as of June, Wade Jackson and Zachary Paige, Food Sovereignty Specialist.

Wade joined us from the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, where he worked as a Soil Conservationist writing conservation plans that addressed natural resource concerns, as well as surveying and engineering designs; conducted contract reviews, ecosystem evaluations, and writing environmental assessments. He received his Associate of Science degree from Leech Lake Tribal College and Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Minnesota Crookston. Wade is a Mohawk descendant and has a strong background in botany and the ecology of forests, prairies and wetlands as well as soil health and water quality. Wade is eager to start applying his experience and knowledge to the work of the White Earth Agriculture Department.

The Ag Department with assistance from the White Earth Land Office manages leases for agricultural land by tribal members. We are currently working on a bison project with tribal member Lisa Brunner. The bison project is an effort to address the food insecurity our communities face. We were awarded a High Tunnel project from NRCS in 2020 and are currently producing cherry tomatoes and have a three sisters demo plot at our office each year. This year we are growing rare Ojibwe white flour corn from the Science Museum of Minnesota as well as Mandan striped squash. In 2022, we also started our apple orchard in the north end of our field with 24 irrigated apple trees planted by the White Earth 4H program.

The Ag department has been working with the Julie Grossman Soil Health lab through the UMN and Xerces Society for the past three years on a cover crop and pollinator youth education project. We have grown a few hundred heads of lettuce and broccoli for the community and study how different cover crops may increase soil health by covering the soil and feeding soil microbes, as well as increasing pollina-

tors as they flower. Please ask us if interested in seeing the results of this study. This year we also tilled 83 gardens for tribal members with the aid of Henry Fox and his crew in Rice Lake- miigwech Henry!

Our Food Sovereignty program was recently awarded two grants in June. One grant project award is from USDA-NRCS Funding Opportunity for Native American Tribal Governments. This is a two-year project for a total amount of \$97,524 and involves creating 20 (Once a month distribution for 10 months a year for two years) distinct traditional and healthy food mealkits to be delivered to all of the White Earth communities through the White Earth Mobile Market. A group of interested Native American youth from White Earth will be trained by professional Native American chefs, The Sioux Chef non-profit Indigenous Food Lab called NATIFS for mealkit creation in Minneapolis and create mealkits for the program.

Another grant the Food Sovereignty Initiative is working on is through the Reinvestment Fund for 80,000 for a feasibility study done by a co-op development firm called Columinate. We will be traveling to all communities for input and doing surveys to determine location and focus of what a Tribal member owned fully sovereign, local food co-operative might look like. One idea that we will be asking is to create an efficient delivery route to deliver grocery foods. Another idea is to have a certified food grade kitchen open to all members to be able to butcher, preserve, can, and be able to sell your product to the food co-op as a market outlet. And keep a lookout on Facebook and notices regarding community meetings on this project as we will need lots of feedback because this will be YOUR co-op.

Please contact Wade Jackson or Zachary Paige if you have questions about the White Earth Ag Program at wade.jackson@whiteearth-nsn.gov or [Zachary.paige@whiteearth-nsn.gov](mailto>Zachary.paige@whiteearth-nsn.gov)

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Thank you for listening to me.

See you all later.

Chairman Michael Fairbanks



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WE TRAFFIC COURT

In the Matter of **Andrea June Bellanger; DOB: 01/16/1982**

Summons for Appear in Court

Court File No. T22-0236

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on July 20, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. an Order to Show Cause Hearing on the traffic citation will be held at the White Earth Tribal Court at 35500 Eagle View Road Ogema, MN 56569. You are asked to contact Court Administration at 218-983-4648, ext. 5757 to receive a copy of the citation. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and/or held in contempt of court.

Dated: June 16, 2022

WE TRAFFIC COURT

In the Matter of **Sasha Marie Barrett; DOB: 06/12/2002**

Summons for Appear in Court

Court File No. T22-0273

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on July 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. an Initial Hearing (2nd Attempt) on the traffic citation will be held at the White Earth Tribal Court at 35500 Eagle View Road Ogema, MN 56569. You are asked to contact Court Administration at 218-983-4648, ext. 5757 to receive a copy of the citation. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and/or held in contempt of court.

Dated: June 17, 2022

WE TRAFFIC COURT

In the Matter of **Trina Esperanza Wadena; DOB: 05/27/1999**

Summons for Appear in Court

Court File No. T22-0324

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on July 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. an Initial Hearing on the traffic citation will be held at the White Earth Tribal Court at 35500 Eagle View Road Ogema, MN 56569. You are asked to contact Court Administration at 218-983-4648, ext. 5757 to receive a copy of the citation. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and/or held in contempt of court.

Dated: June 17, 2022

WE TRAFFIC COURT

In the Matter of **Kenneth Lee Jackson; DOB: 03/19/1978**

Summons for Appear in Court

Court File No. T22-0200

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on July 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. an Order to Show Cause Hearing on the traffic citation will be held at the White Earth Tribal Court at 35500 Eagle View Road Ogema, MN 56569. You are asked to contact Court Administration at 218-983-4648, ext. 5757 to receive a copy of the citation. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and/or held in contempt of court.

Dated: June 29, 2022

WE CHILDREN'S COURT

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Ellen Deegan, Mother; Alberto Sandoval, Father; Regarding the child(ren): DOB 06/08/2006; 07/20/2007; 05/23/2015; and 05/30/2009

Summons of Petition and Hearing Notice

Court File No. CC20-0069-0071

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on March 22, 2022, a Petition for Suspension of Parental Rights was filed with the White Earth Tribal Court regarding your child(ren) under Court File Nos. CC21-0047 and CC21-0137. A pre-trial conference hearing on the matter is scheduled for June 28, 2022 at 9:15 a.m. before the Honorable David Degroat. You are asked to contact White Earth Tribal Court Administration located at the RTC Building, 35500 Eagleview Road, Ogema, Minnesota at 218-983-4648 for further information. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the court may proceed on the merits of the petition through a finding of default, and enter an order that may affect your parental rights to provide care, custody and control of the child(ren) subject to this petition.

Dated: June 30, 2022

Jennifer Cross,
Attorney for WE Indian Child Welfare
PO Box 238
White Earth, MN 56591

WE CHILDREN'S COURT

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Tanya Eischens, Mother; Edward Moran, Father; Regarding the child(ren): DOB 06/06/2010

Summons of Petition and Hearing Notice

Court File No. CC21-0379

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on May 3, 2022, a Petition for Suspension of Parental Rights was filed with the White Earth Tribal Court regarding your child(ren) under Court File No. CC21-0379. A continued admit/deny hearing on the matter is scheduled for September 20, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. before the Honorable Megan Treuer. You are asked to contact White Earth Tribal Court Administration located at the RTC Building, 35500 Eagleview Road, Ogema, Minnesota at 218-983-4648 for further information. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the court may proceed on the merits of the petition through a finding of default, and enter an order that may affect your parental rights to provide care, custody and control of the child(ren) subject to this petition.

Dated: June 30, 2022

Jennifer Cross,
Attorney for WE Indian Child Welfare
PO Box 238
White Earth, MN 56591

**Legal Advertisement
WE Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court**

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:
Ring Arop TP22-0296

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on May 25, 2022 a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights was filed with the White Earth Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. A Pre-Trial hearing will commence on **August 9, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.** at the White Earth Tribal Courtroom located at 35500 Eagleview Rd., Ogema, MN. The telephone number is (218) 983-4648. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding, or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning the protection of your child. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

Dated: June 29, 2022
Court Administrator

Waubun Day's Pre-Harvest Festival

July 9th 2022

**Parade and Softball Tournament**

Sponsored by: Waubun Rising Sun Community Council

Parade @ Noon

Registration Starting at 11am

Post Parade Activities

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Waubun Area Men's Organization, Mahnomen/Waubun Lions and Midwest Bank

Bean Bag Tournament**Food and Beverages****Beer Garden****Flea Market****Music in the Park****Kids Games**

*****No Outside Coolers*****

Natives living on reservations among the least counted population in the 2020 Census

Nearly six percent of Indigenous people living on reservations weren't counted in the 2020 census, according to an analysis from the U.S. Census Bureau.

The Bureau recently released results from two reports analyzing the accuracy of last year's census counts.

American Indians and Alaska Natives living on reservations were the most undercounted of all population groups, followed by African Americans undercounted by close to three percent and Hispanics or Latinos undercounted by five percent. Asians, on the other hand, were over counted by almost three percent.

Among all Americans, the 2020 Census miscounted roughly 782,000 of the country's 331 million individuals, according to the Bureau's analysis.

For American Indians and Alaska Natives living on reservations, the 2020 Census was worse than the almost five percent undercount that the Census Bureau reported 10 years earlier.

While the results from the two counts—a decade apart—are statistically the same,

the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) calls the undercounts unacceptable because undercounting American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/Ans) will result in millions of dollars in lost revenue.

"These results confirm our worst fears that the 2020 Census results would significantly undercount AI/ANs on reservation lands as it did in 2010," NCAI President Fawn Sharp of the National Congress of American Indians said in a recent statement. "Every undercounted household and individual in our communities means lost funding and resources that are desperately needed to address the disparities we face."

"Federal agencies must consult on a government-to-government basis with AI/AN Tribal Nations to find solutions to ensure that these 2020 Census undercounts do not lead to continued underfunding of our communities," said Sharp. "Despite the challenges of the 2020 Census, AI/ANs living on reservation lands deserve to be counted and to receive their fair share of federal resources as a part of the federal trust responsibility."

**Family Activity****THEATER & PARADE PUPPETRY**

**July 9 & 10
10am to 4pm**

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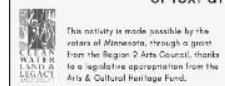


Take part in creation of a play and puppet parade for 2022 Wild Rice Festival August 27th!

Mike Swan is an actor, teacher, and elder who has worked in theatre for over 6 years. He is on the advisory boards of **Cuttlefish Theatre** (Mpls) and the Northern Lights Opera Company (Port Republic).

Register with Becca at rsdallingerg@gmail.com

or text at 218-849-1372



All articles and photos submitted to the Anishinaabeg Today will be run on a space available basis

Pine Point Summer

Youth Activities

Please join DOVE on Mondays

starting June 27th from

1:00pm – 3:00pm .

We will be at the field in the old
projects.

We will do a variety of fun
activities each week.

See you there!!!

Attention New Homeowners & Existing Homeowners

If you are in need of a Well and Sewer System for your house/ trailer home you can contact White Earth Water & Sewer for an application as we receive grants.

Requirements to qualify for the grants are:

- * Tribal Enrolled member
 - * Reside on the White Earth Reservation
 - * Show proof of land (Land Deed/Tribal Land agreement) and proof of homeownership
 - * 18 years of age or older
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- (some existing home owners grants require)

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- To enter the fitness center, you must be at least 15 years of age. Please have a parent sign our liability waiver if you are under age 18. Contact Jackie.Haugo@whiteearth-nsn.gov or Gail.Borgrud@whiteearth-nsn.gov
- Age 15 to 17 can still workout Monday-Friday 6a.m. to 10p.m. Saturday-Sunday 6a.m. to 6p.m. or after hours with a parent present.
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Wild Rice Meeting Highlights

Date: Friday, June 24, 2022

Location: Lower Rice Lake Bridge \ Bongo

Attendees:

District 1 – Donald Stevens Jr.
District 3 – Gerald Libby
Dustin Roy – Wild Rice Manager

Water Level

- Currently at 2.6 feet on ruler attached to bridge.
- Three bays in the center of the structure are open to allow abundance of water out.
- Agreed to re-assess water level and possibly begin placing planks back in the structure during the first week of July.
- In the past, begin holding water back when gauge reads 2.2 feet.
- Rice growth is variable due to a very wet spring.

Grants

- White Earth has been awarded two grants related to wild rice research.
- Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) sub award of \$35,000. Two six-week college interns have been hired to conduct wild rice stem density surveys on three-six lakes within reservation boundaries and correlate that data with aerial imagery.

- BIA Circle of Flight grant in the amount of \$90,023

- Funds will be utilized to initiate a UAV/remote sensing program. This will allow White Earth to utilize current technology to monitor wild rice beds aerially, collect data, and improve White Earth's wild rice management.

Landings

- Joe Bush and Ponsford landings are slated to receive earthen structures much like Bongo and Bigbear.

- All landings need new docks – will add to next year's budget.

Reseeding

- Committee requests reseeding efforts occur in the bare spots of Lower Rice Lake.

Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge

- Wild Rice Manager met with Refuge staff on June 23.
- Discussed water levels throughout the Ottertail River chain.
- Membership concerns with water disappearing on Rice Lake/Mitchell Dam.
- Refuge staff explained that Mitchell Bridge's control structure doesn't hold water back.
- Much of Mitchell Dam rice is growing on a mat.
- Importance of allowing a water body to flush out previous years' wild rice straw.
- Allow more of natural water level flow vs. manipulating.
- Species competition.

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a device. Previously, the department didn't use the technology in squads.

"We have long response times — 20 miles sometimes," Jax said. "Having these out in patrol vehicles with guys who are already out in the field is really going to make a big impact."

Dr. Demetris Yannopoulos, the director of the Center for Resuscitation Medicine at the U of M Medical School, explained the technology will be especially beneficial to rural populations.

"Rural populations will have top-of-the-line defibrillators that will be Wi-Fi-

connected to the police cars to our network," Yannopoulos said. "So we will always know where the defibrillator is used. At that point, they will have directions to call us and bring us into the system to guide them through the process of bringing a patient to us earlier."

The technology will also allow him to track critical data, including the location and frequency of cardiac arrest cases.

"In the future, we can have potential resources allocated to areas we've identified as being a hot spot for cardiac arrest," Yannopoulos said.

Rachel from Page 2

something," she said. "My family was not well off. ... Teachers and other adults in my life never really thought that I was going to amount to much. And that really defined my childhood and who I eventually became."

In high school, when Evangelisto did not have enough money to have someone tailor her dresses, she learned to do it herself.

She moved to Minnesota at age 18 and has earned over \$26,000 in pageant scholarships.

The Miss Minnesota organization is "thrilled to crown our first Indigenous

woman after 86 years!" spokeswoman Vicki Kueppers said in an e-mail. "Rachel will be an exemplary representative of her culture and community as she works to promote her message of celebrating culture and driving diversity."

Evangelisto will compete in the Miss America competition in Connecticut in December. Until then she will work to visit the 11 tribal nations in the state.

"To be the first Native American Miss Minnesota is a really big deal, and the pressure that comes with that is massive," she said. "I may be the first but I most certainly do not want to be the last."

Elders from Page 7

the Indian Health Service, RBC, and Elders or community people. Concerns with our health service delivery, lack of medical personnel, dental and pharmacy, and non payment of contract bills, which can create poor credit and income tax forfeiture. There will be another follow-up meeting on July 19 at 1 p.m. at the White Earth RBC. Come join if you have concerns that are affecting your health care!

Blessings and smudging to all the ones suffering with a chronic illness and to all those hurting from other serious diseases. Call or visit a Veteran or simply say Thank You!

WE Nation Council of Elders:

Lucille Silk,
Chairperson / 218-983-3768

Lawrence (Sam) Crowell,
Vice Chairperson / 218-252-9390

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These additional steps reduce the risk of spreading aquatic invasive species:

- Decontaminate watercraft and equipment – find free stations on the courtesy decontamination page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/Decon).
- Spray with high-pressure water or rinse with very hot water (120 degrees for at least two minutes or 140 degrees for at least 10 seconds).
- Dry watercraft and equipment for at

least five days before using in another water body.

People should contact a Minnesota DNR aquatic invasive species specialist (mndnr.gov/Invasives/AIS/Contacts.html) if they think they have found zebra mussels or any other invasive species.

More information is available on the aquatic invasive species page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/AIS).



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Diabetic Bingo

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July

July 5 th , 2022	Naytahwaush
July 6 th , 2022	Rice Lake
July 7 th , 2022	Shooting Star Casino Event Center & Mini Health Fair
July 14 th , 2022	White Earth

Bingo in Naytahwaush is at the Sports Complex, conference room behind the front desk at 12 Noon.
Bingo in Rice Lake is at the Rice Lake Community Center Gym after the 11:30 E.N.P meal.
Bingo at the Shooting Star Casino Event Center will be at 1:00pm
Bingo in White Earth in at the Congregate Center, dining hall after the 11:30am meal

August

Aug. 2 nd , 2022	Elbow Lake
Aug. 3 rd , 2022	Pine Point
Aug. 4 th , 2022	Shooting Star Casino Event Center & Mini Health Fair
Aug. 11 th , 2022	Valley View, Mahnomen

Bingo in Elbow Lake Village is at the E.N.P building, after the 11:30am meal
Bingo in Pine Point is on the west side of the School in E.N.P Dining Hall after the 11:30 E.N.P meal.
Bingo at the Shooting Star Casino Event Center will be at 1:00pm
Bingo at Valley View will be in the Community Room beginning at 1:00pm

September

Sept. 1 st , 2022	Shooting Star Casino Event Center & Mini Health Fair
Sept. 6 th , 2022	Naytahwaush
Sept. 7 th , 2022	Rice Lake
Sept. 8 th , 2022	White Earth

At the Mini Health Fair, you will be able to get an ABI* done, have your Blood Pressure and blood sugars checked, do a WECARE assessment, check your lungs CO2 levels, get your Covid Booster, all while enjoying a cup of coffee or bottle of water and enjoying a light snack. Topping it all off you can play Diabetic Bingo!

*ABI checks the blood flow to your legs

If the R.B.C or the E.N.P. site is closed, Bingo will be rebooked to another date, if possible.
Schedule is subject to change without notice.

Naytahwaush Talking Circle



Wednesday's @ 5 PM
For More Information Contact:
Lacy: (218) 401-4677
Amanda: (218) 401-1138
Naytahwaush Behavioral Health Building
Light Meal Served

West Central Minnesota's CLIMATE ACTION PLAN



West Central Initiative is gathering information to help create a Climate Action Plan for the region, which includes Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin Counties and White Earth Nation.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

How to get involved now:

TAKE THE CLIMATE ACTION SURVEY
Take West Central Initiative's Climate Action Survey and help shape the climate action plan for west central Minnesota. Share the survey with friends, family, and neighbors!
<https://peabluedot.lc/wci-climate-action-survey>

STAY INFORMED
Keep up to date with West Central Initiative's work by subscribing to our newsletters.
<https://wciif.org/subscribe/>



WE Reservation Council of Elders 2022 Monthly Meeting Dates

Every First Tuesday

White Earth - August 2
Mahnomen - September 6
Naytahwaush - October 4
Rice Lake - November 2
White Earth - December 6

All meetings are held at the village nutrition site after lunch

All Elders 55+ are welcome to join.
NO membership fee.

Requirements to attend bi-annual National Indian Conference on Aging (NICOA) are:

- a. Non-Indians can be non-voting members
- b. Attend scheduled meetings on a regular basis. (At least four per year)
- c. Participation in fund raisers
- d. Attend scheduled trips when registered
- e. Executive board meetings as needed only

*No meetings are held during the months of January, February or March because of the weather. We pride ourselves on safety for our elders.

Practice and maintain good health, exercise, beware of scams, and have a safety plan. Secure a Lifeline as needed. Take care of each other and honor our veterans and all spiritual choices.



Lawn Mowers Needed
White Earth Tribal Elders Program

On Call - District III

- Must be an enrolled Tribal member or descendent (18 years or older)
- Provide your own Lawn Mower (rider)
- Must complete an application
- A current Driver's license & insurance.
- Must have your own transportation to & from each site
- Knowledge of area highways & roads in your District
- Must be able to pass a criminal background check & drug screening
- Must be able to communicate with the elders
- Must sign a contract & liability form upon hire
- \$40.00 per lawn, with guidelines to follow upon hire

Deadline: Until filled
Contact: Matt or Betsy @ W&S Department @ 218-983-3202 or Betsy @ 983-3202 or 218-850-1801
Email addresses: Matt.Smith@whiteearth-nsn.gov or Betsy.Smith@whiteearth-nsn.gov

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A CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS ART
2-DAY EVENT! Begins at Noon on Friday and 10 a.m. on Saturday

HOSTED BY:
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Gizhiglin Arts Incubator
City of Bemidji

For more information visit www.4directionsdevelopment.com or call 218.679.1IDEA
www.ArtFestivalBemidji.com
 @AnishinaabeArtFestival1

*We will be following the Sanford Center COVID-19 guidelines.

Lake Grove Township Monthly Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given to the citizens of Lake Grove Township, County of Mahnomen, State of Minnesota, that the monthly Township meeting will be held **July 19**. The meeting will commence at 7:30 p.m. at the Jerome Wolbeck residence.

Lori Tibbets, Clerk - Town of Lake Grove

True Value Mahnomen

The owners of the local hardware store have decided to retire and are selling their store. This store is affiliated with a major hardware supplier. This supplier can supply most any hardware needs. The store handles all the basic hardware needs of the community and can do special orders for its customers. This store has been serving the community for many years and the owners want it to continue once they retire. For additional information contact Mike Brixey of Stillwell Financial Group.

Email: Mike.brixey@gmail.com
or call 847-308-6020

You may also contact Jim or Sharon Lee at 218-935-5148

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Help Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

To avoid spreading aquatic invasive species do the following:

BEFORE launching and **BEFORE** leaving.

- ◆ Remove aquatic plants and aquatic animals
- ◆ Drain lake/river water away from the landing
- ◆ Dispose of unwanted live bait in the trash

It's unlawful to transport aquatic plants, and zebra mussels.

Highlights of the annual White Earth Pow-Wow



Photos by Gary W. Padra

More than 800 registered dancers and more than 30 drums gathered for the 154th Annual White Earth Treaty Day Celebration and Pow Wow June 10-12. The Host Drum was Black Lodge. The 2022/23 Royalty are: Sr. Princess Lyndsey Zornes, Jr. Princess Ayanna Axdahl-Zornes, Sr. Brave Sheldon Hanks and Jr. Brave Tyrel Auginaush.

