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## Forest County Potawatomi Leaders XIV

*In collaboration with the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Cultural Center, Library & Museum archives and Potawatomi Traveling Times (PTT) this is the next addition to the leader series.*

**Steven Daniels** was born Sept. 28, 1952, in Keshena to Ned Daniels Sr. and Josephine Daniels.

He married Addie “Debbie” Robinette Jan. 6, 1973, in Milwaukee.

Daniels worked as a Federal Warden for the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC) for a number of years. He also served as a first responder when working with GLIFWC.

During his lifetime, and in addition to their own children Stephanie, Dootz and Teetz, Daniels and his wife were foster parents through the years to a few special children: Loreen and Anthony Alloway and Jamie Tuckwab. This was something they both enjoyed doing together.

Daniels’ hobbies included fishing, hunting and shooting pool, and these activities were something he taught his own children along with his foster children. Special bonds were formed by the simplicity of the things he loved to do.

Throughout his life, Daniels served the tribe on many different levels. He was on the enrollment committee for many years and served as an AODA counselor.

Daniels was an ear and voice to listen to when people had any confusion about politics concerning the tribe. He was always there to listen and lend an expla-

nation to those who may not have understood things. Daniels also followed the tribal constitution and had the utmost respect for this document when dealing with anything political. In April and May of 1987, he served as tribal chairman, succeeding Leroy Shockto. Hartford Shegonee then succeeded Daniels as tribal chairman.

Steven Daniels passed away May 4, 2017. He was survived by his wife and three daughters, as well as several siblings, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and his foster children.

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**Hartford Wabsi Shegonee** served as FCP tribal chairman twice: His first term was 1987-90; his second term was 1992-93. He did serve another term as well, but dates are not noted. In total, he served for about five years.

According to an interview that appeared in the Oct. 15, 2001 edition of the *Potawatomi Traveling Times*, Shegonee was born Oct. 27, 1943, in Hayward to Mavis Shegonee and Frances Biddell. He was raised in Blackwell and attended Lincoln Grade School in Soperton. Shegonee attended Wabeno High School and earned his GED from the Army Education Center, Fort Riley, Kansas.

In that interview, Shegonee noted that when he decided to enter the service in the early 1960s, he went to the courthouse in Crandon not knowing which

branch of the military he would sign up for. He recalled that he decided to sign with the first recruiter to walk in, which is how he ended up enlisting in the Air Force. He served as Hospital Corpsman in the US Air Force and his permanent station was at Schilling AFB, Kansas.

According to the same interview, he went to Chicago in 1964. He worked in factories and at other jobs, and later learned about auto mechanics. Eventually, he returned to Forest County and worked for the tribe at various jobs, among them a position as tribal property manager. He was also a member of the FCP Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

He became tribal chairman in 1987.

In 1986, the Forest County Potawatomi General Council had passed a resolution to try to take the Concordia College campus and Menominee Valley land in Milwaukee into trust. In the *PTT* interview, Shegonee said that he resolved to reach that goal as tribal chairman.

After a long process, the land in the Milwaukee area was put into trust in 1990 [*PTT*, March 15, 2012, page 2, “Historical Timeline of Concordia Trust Property.”]

In addition to his duties as tribal chairman, Shegonee served as secretary-treasurer of the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council board of directors.

James Crawford Sr. succeeded Hartford Shegonee as tribal chairman in 1990.



**Steven Daniels**



**Hartford Shegonee**

## Brooks Boyd Receives 40 Under 40 Award

by Val Niehaus

Being recognized for his leadership and resilience - especially during this past year with the pandemic - Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Council Member Brooks Boyd was awarded the Native American 40 Under 40 Award on Nov. 10, 2020.

Here is a bit of background of this award and why someone would be considered for it. (Excerpt from the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED):

“The Native American 40 Under 40 recognizes 40 emerging American Indian and Alaska Native leaders under the age of 40 from across the country. Nominated by their peers, the 2020 40 Under 40 winners have exemplified leadership, initiative, and, especially during COVID-19, resiliency and dedication towards their communities and businesses. This year’s 40 Under 40 represent the

best from academia, the medical field, government, non-profits, the legal field, and more.”

However, due to the pandemic, Boyd was not able to receive this honor in person until July 2021 in Las Vegas.

Boyd responded to this honor with saying, “I am extremely humbled and honored to be included among this amazing group of Native professionals. I also want to acknowledge the reason why this has come to be in the first place. The reason is simple: the People. If the people had not invested their trust in me, this simply could not be possible.”

It is a great feeling when your hard work, dedication and energy are recognized at such a prestigious level from your peers. It makes one feel like they aren’t just doing this because it’s their job; they are doing it because of the love they have in it.

Congratulations to Boyd on this success!



(l-r) Executive Council Member Brooks Boyd and Tribal Member and NCAIED Board Secretary Kip Ritchie

## Summer Youth Employment



Aiden Alloway - IT submitted photo



Nate Gilpin - IT submitted photo

## FCP Community Facebook Live Session Recap - August 18, 2021

### Ned Daniels Jr., FCP Chairman

Good morning, Forest County Potawatomi and happy Wednesday. I hope you are all doing well. My name is Ned Daniels Jr., Chairman of the Forest County Potawatomi and I'm very glad to be here with you today.

It's hard to believe that it's the middle of August, but you know what they say – time flies when you're having fun. And I have to say, your tribal leadership has been having fun. We are happy. We are getting things done for our tribe. We've come a long way in the last one year, and it's only going to get better. We truly have some great things for you to see in the next few weeks.

But there are always bumps in the road. As you may have read or seen on the news, Potawatomi experienced some COVID-related issues at our last Powwow. We announced this last week on Facebook live as well. Individuals who attended our recent Powwow have tested positive for COVID-19. All participants at this outdoor event were encouraged to wear masks and follow all CDC recommended guidelines.

The tribe took this news seriously and notified area health departments, as well as other tribes who participated in the event, to ensure that anyone who attended is aware of the possible exposure to COVID-19. This news is unfortunate, but not entirely unexpected, as many regions across Wisconsin continue to see increases in the amount of positive COVID-19 cases. But we will continue to do our part to help minimize the spread of this virus.

Out of an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our tribal members and employees, the tribe took the following additional steps: All large gatherings and other events planned on the Forest County Potawatomi reservation are postponed until Aug. 30. In addition, all tribal government employees working in Forest County are remote until Aug. 30.

The health and safety of our tribal members and employees remain our top priority, and we will continue to take appropriate steps to maximize their health and minimize their exposure to COVID-19. If you are feeling any illness, please do not hesitate to contact the Health & Wellness Center to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19. And if you haven't yet received your vaccine please reach out to the Health & Wellness Center to set something up. Ensuring your health and safety will help the entire community.

In light of this news, we've had to reschedule a few things. So, make sure you mark your calendars for these rescheduled events:

- The date for the Fisherees at Devil's Lake and Bug Lake originally scheduled for this Saturday, Aug. 21, has been changed to Saturday, Sept. 11. Be sure to spread the word to those who may not use social media.

- The youth hunter safety course has been rescheduled to Sept. 18 and 19 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Land & Natural Resources building. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited and you can register or ask

questions by calling (715) 478-4507.

- The Sweetgrass 101 Wishkbemishkos event originally scheduled for tomorrow, Aug. 19, has been rescheduled to Thursday, Sept. 9. It will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Museum's community hall. Guest speaker Donna VanZile will share her experiences and traditions with sweetgrass. Please check FCP's Facebook page for more details.

- And lastly, a reminder that there will be a special General Council Meeting on Saturday, Sept. 18, in conjunction with the soft opening of the new Community Center. Also on the agenda will be approval of the budget request for fiscal year 2022. Stay tuned to FCP's Facebook page for details concerning this event as well as upcoming budget review opportunities.

This is YOUR building and I'm very excited for all of you to see it! So please plan to come and join us on Saturday, Sept. 18, for the next General Council meeting and soft opening of the new Community Center.

I want to end by saying "migwetch" to those of you who have been using some of our natural treasures. We have been seeing a large increase in the use of our lakes this summer. I'm glad that you and your families are getting outside to enjoy what Mother Earth has provided us. But I was really impressed with how well EVERYONE has been taking care of them! Even with the increased use, they look fantastic. So, migwetch to everyone for the great work you are doing in keeping these lakes and areas around them clean.

And speaking of lakes, the handicap accessible dock at Bug Lake has been repaired! Thank you to the staff from Land & Natural Resources department for their hard work to get this done and to make it safe for everyone to use again. Many apologies for how long it took to fix the dock, but your patience is appreciated.

### Abbey Dall, FSD Administrator

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

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

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

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

Ready to work? The Family Services

Division has some great job openings.

Contact Human Resources to apply and discuss if you might be a good fit. They can be reached at (715) 478-7200.

For non-emergency service requests, our business hours are Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., and we can be reached at 715-478-4433. If you should call outside of these hours, please leave a message with your full name and a working phone number so that we may return your call.

Assistance is available for qualifying applicants for food, medical, and child-care expenses. We'd invite you to apply at <https://access.wisconsin.gov>. We know that filling out large applications can be overwhelming. Please call us at (715) 478-4433 to schedule an appointment to receive assistance.

Wishing you a great summer.

### Jacee Shepard, Community Health

We continue to see an increase in COVID-19 cases across the state and within our community. Forest County's community transmission level is currently high per CDC. This increase is driven by the highly infectious Delta variant, which is now widespread in all parts of Wisconsin, as it is across the country. The Delta variant is much more contagious than the original strain of COVID-19. With the original strain, an infected person was likely to infect two other people who are likely to infect two additional people for a total of six cases from one infection. With the Delta variant, an infected person is likely to infect five people who are likely to infect 25 people for a total of 30 cases from one infection.

As the spread increases, so does the risk that new, potentially more dangerous variants will develop.

This is why we continue to urge everyone to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Getting vaccinated prevents severe illness, hospitalization and death; it also helps reduce the spread of the virus in communities.

The FCP Health & Wellness Center has vaccines available for anyone 12 years and older. You can call (715) 478-4450 to schedule an appointment; otherwise, walk-ins are also accepted. You can also call Community Health at (715) 478-4355 to request a home visit to receive the vaccine.

Is your child due for any childhood vaccinations? Recommended childhood vaccinations are an important part of your child's safe return to school. Call the Health & Wellness at (715) 478-4300 or Community Health at (715) 478-4355 to schedule those shots and get them up-to-date before the start of the school year.

August is National Breastfeeding Month. Most mothers want to breastfeed but stop early due to a lack of ongoing support. Breastfed babies have a reduced risk of asthma, obesity, type 1 diabetes, ear infections, SIDS, and respiratory illnesses. Please call Jodie, Hope or Yvonne in Community Health at (715) 478-4355 if you have questions or need support with breastfeeding, and to learn more about our breastfeeding program.

As the summer is winding down, we encourage you to get outside with your fami-

lies and enjoy the beautiful weather. Take a walk, go explore some of the walking trails in our community, take a bike ride, play catch or go swimming.

### Brian Tupper, Community Center Director

Gte Ga Nēs Preschool classes start on Tuesday, Sept. 7. Since we are avoiding large crowds at this time, there will NOT be an open house this year. Teachers are doing orientations with families over the phone or setting up individual meetings with them to come into the school to meet the teachers. Masks will be provided and there will be social distancing. If you choose not to come in, a school schedule and parent handbook will be sent home on the first day of school. Make sure your child brings a backpack each day and a change of clothes, which will be left at the school for emergencies. If you haven't done so already, please let the staff now if your child will be taking the bus, coming over from daycare, or if you are self-transporting. Any questions, please contact Deb Tetting at (715) 478-7350.

We are currently taking receipts for clothing and school supplies for enrolled tribal member youth. The last day we can accept receipts is Sept. 16. If you have any questions, you can call the Education Department at (715) 889-7355.

This year, the schools are planning on doing an open house as shown below:

- Laona, Aug. 25, 4-6 p.m.
- Wabeno, Aug. 25, 3-6 p.m.
- Crandon, Aug. 26, 3-6 p.m.

Each school is working with a different company for virtual learning; please make sure to connect with your school if you are planning to do virtual this year. If your child goes to Crandon, they are doing registration online again this year through skyward. If you have questions, please reach out directly to your child's school:

- Laona (715) 674-2143
- Crandon 715-478-3339
- Wabeno (715) 473-2592

Higher Education has three additional graduates to announce. Mason with a degree in Criminal Justice, Chelsie with her degree in Business Management, and Forrest with his degree in Health Promotion and Wellness. We commend you on your hard work and dedication to your Education. Congratulations again graduates!

Community Center is planning to open at 7 a.m. on Aug. 30, through Sept. 24, to tribal members and descendants only. We are excited to give FCP tribal membership and their families this exclusive time to get to know their new building and all that it offers. We will be pushing a lot of information out to the community in the next few weeks, so please keep an eye out for updates and any changes as this could change due to COVID.

Friday night, Sept. 3, we are planning to have a Back-to-School Family Night for tribal members and descendants with food, games, tournaments, open swim, movies and door prizes.

For more information about the Community Center, please call Brian Tupper at (715) 478-7420.

### Raymond E. Williams



Raymond E. Williams, age 75 of Crandon, Wis., passed away peacefully Aug. 13, 2021, at The Caring Place in Crandon. Raymond was born to Susan Williams in Blackwell on Oct. 28, 1945.

As a child, Raymond was an avid horse enthusiast, spending countless hours riding in the woods and exploring nature. His love of nature prompted him to become a boy scout.

Life eventually led him to Milwaukee where he lived with foster parents on 10th and Manky. In high school, he was on the football and basketball teams where he learned to master his hook shot. As he learned the city, he met inspirational friends and learned to play the bass guitar, which enabled him to play in a band with noteworthy musicians.

Following high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy from 1967-68 and was stationed in Pensacola, Fla. Upon his discharge, he moved back to northern Wisconsin where he married the love of his life, Bonnie May Daniels. The couple was blessed with two children: Dominic and Raymond Jr.

Raymond continued to work in the forest industry. He later worked as security guard for the Forest County Potawatomi Community.

Raymond is survived by his son: Raymond Jr., of Crandon, as well as many extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, wife Bonnie, and son Dominic.

Visitation was held Aug. 16. Native American services were held Aug. 17, with Jim Thunder officiating. Both events took place at the Potawatomi Cultural Center, Crandon. Burial followed at the Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisted the family with the arrangements. On-line condolences for the family may be directed to [www.weberhillfuneralhome.com](http://www.weberhillfuneralhome.com).

### Bug Lake Pier Repaired

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

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

Deadline for the September 15, 2021 issue of the *Traveling Times* is Wednesday, September 1, 2021.

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### SPECIAL GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

Saturday **September 18** 2021 **1:00 P.M.**  
 Meal Served | **Noon**  
**\$200 CASH MEETING STIPEND**

You are required to bring your Tribal ID  
 Second meeting if quorum isn't met – **September 25, 2021 / Same time & location**



**NEW LOCATION**  
**POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER**  
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**SEPTEMBER 18 — JOIN US FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER SOFT OPENING**

### INFORMATIONAL BUDGET MEETINGS



The Forest County Potawatomi Executive Council and the 2022 Budget Panel members: Richard Gouge, Stephanie Barea, and Celeste Schuppler, cordially invite you to the following 2022 Informational Budget Meetings:

Wednesday, Sept. 1 2021	Wednesday, Sept. 8 2021	Wednesday, Sept. 15 2021
6 p.m.	1 p.m.	6 p.m.
Comfort Suites Appleton Airport 3809 West Wisconsin Ave. Appleton, WI 54914 For directions, call 920-730-3800	Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center, Library & Museum 5460 Everybody's Rd. Crandon, WI 54520	Weston Inn & Suites 5810 Schofield Ave. Schofield, WI 54476 For directions, call 715-355-9955
Detailed budget available for viewing in Finance	6 p.m.	
Refreshments provided at all meetings	Forest County Potawatomi We Care 612 Daycare Rd. (St. Hwy. 32) Wobeno, WI 54566	Please direct any questions to FCP Finance at 715-478-7257

*Sweetgrass 101*  
**Wishkebemishkos**

**NEW DATE!**

Thursday  
**September 9**  
 2021 | 2-4 pm  
 Community Hall  
 Museum

Learn sweetgrass identification, the habitat it lives in and harvesting tips. You'll have an opportunity to share your stories about sweetgrass, too!

Guest speaker and tribal member **Donna VanZile** will share some of her experiences and traditions she has with sweetgrass.

**RAFFLE PRIZE DRAWING**  
 MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

*Snacks & Refreshments Provided*

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
 OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

**devil's lake**  
 BUG LAKE

**New Date!**  
 SATURDAY  
**SEPTEMBER 11**  
 2021

**Summer Fisheries**

**9 am**  
 Fish registration opens

**11:30 am - 1 pm**  
 Sub lunches available

**3pm**  
 Fish registration closes

Sponsored by  
 FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
**LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION**

**PRIZES AWARDED FOR 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD IN EACH CATEGORY FOR BOTH ADULTS (15 and older) AND YOUTH.**

**GRAND PRIZE** WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE LONGEST FISH CAUGHT, ADULT AND YOUTH COMBINED. (weight will be used in the event of a tie)

*Open to all Tribal Members & Families  
 Lunch & beverages will be provided*

**Categories:** Bass | Trout | Perch | Panfish | Northern Pike

FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
 Keeper of the Fire

**YOUTH HUNTER SAFETY COURSE**

**NEW DATE**

**SEPTEMBER 18 & 19, 2021**

**8AM-5PM**

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

FCP LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES  
 5320 Wensaut Lane, Crandon

Space is limited.  
 Register by calling  
**FCP Land & Natural Resources at 715-478-4507.**

Students who successfully complete this course will receive their Wisconsin State Hunter Safety Certificate.

## Potawatomi Hotel & Casino Expands Hiring Bonus to all Positions

submitted by Ryan Amundson, Public Relations Manager

MILWAUKEE (Aug. 16, 2021) – As Potawatomi Hotel & Casino (PHC) continues to re-open its amenities and expand its operations, it's also ramping up recruitment and hiring. The property will expand its \$1,000 hiring bonus program to all new hires. The program, in place for several months, was limited to positions in Food & Beverage and Hotel Operations.

Additionally, two job fairs will be held on-site from 3-7 p.m. on Aug. 31 and Sept. 14. Those wishing to attend the job fair can expedite the process by applying online at [paysbig.com/careers](https://paysbig.com/careers).

"This is a pivotal time at our property," said PHC CEO and General Manager Dominic Ortiz. "We need hundreds of employees to not only open our amenities, but deliver an experience that's better and more exciting than anything our guests have come to expect from us."

PHC will be hiring for hundreds of positions spanning departments throughout the property, including Food & Beverage, Slots, Housekeeping, Security,

Cage Operations and more.

PHC offers a robust benefits package, including its newest offering: a \$200 vaccination incentive. Other benefits include:

- Medical, dental, and vision insurance
- Prescription drug coverage
- Flexible spending account
- Employee assistance program
- Retirement program with company match
- Paid time off
- Free parking
- Free uniforms

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

## GMS Construction Update: FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER

The Forest County Potawatomi Community Center is in the last few weeks of construction. The project is nearly complete as the team puts on the finishing touches. Final landscaping work wraps up next week along with majority of bleacher installation. The team expects the letter of substantial completion by mid-August with turnover to follow shortly after. The team maintained the original schedule, which is a testament to the leadership, coordination, and resolve of the project team especially with the majority of construction complete during the COVID pandemic. As an expression of appreciation and gratitude from the Forest County Potawatomi, a subcontractor open house is scheduled for the end of August.

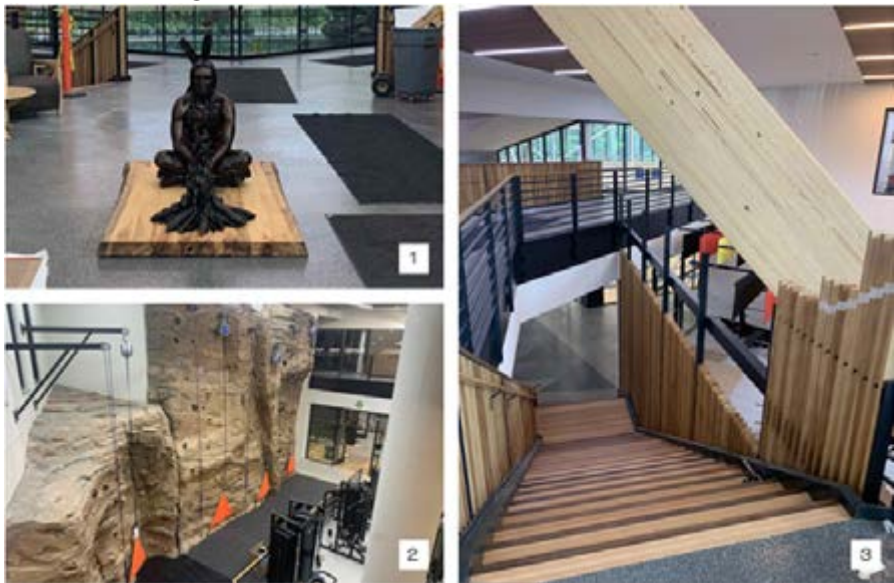


Photo: (1) Firekeeper and base installed. (2) Climbing wall complete. (3) Tall slat wall complete at monumental stairs.

## Daughters of Tradition: SAFE SPACE FOR INDIGENOUS GIRLS

Article/Photos by: Ana Martinez-Ortiz, Milwaukee Neighborhood News Service

When Danii Delgado, 13, feels stressed, she does meditation exercises such as flower hands and square breathing. She learned the practices last spring after joining Daughters of Tradition.

"My mom had been looking for us to do after-school activities and she found Daughters of Tradition," Danii said. "She said, 'This will be good for you and your sisters.'"

Daughters of Tradition began in 2017 under the HIR Wellness Institute, 3136 W. Kilbourn Ave. The intergenerational group is a sacred space for Indigenous girls ages 3 to 18 where they can share their stories, learn about their cultures and create lasting bonds while promoting social justice.

Through conversation, beading, painting, storytelling and more, participants learn the Ojibwe Grandfather Seven Sacred Teachings of love, respect, humility, honesty, truth, wisdom and courage.

Currently, Daughters of Tradition has 25 members. It consists of little sisters, big sisters, mentors and ambassadors. During the school year, the group meets on Mondays after school, but during the summer it meets during the day.

Lea Denny, the CEO, founder and clinical director of HIR Wellness Institute, wanted to give Indigenous girls a seat at the table, where they could advocate for themselves and feel empowered.

"When you offer the medicine that is within you to others, it is a gift," Denny said.



(L) Daughters of Tradition gather weekly at the HIR Wellness Institute. This summer, the girls are working on a podcast. (R) Lea Denny, CEO and founder of HIR Wellness Institute.

Everybody has the skills and capacity to take care of each other when the community prioritizes the individual, she said. The group's healing circles offer an opportunity for participants to express themselves and for the others to show support.

The intergenerational model is key to the group's success. People learn through mentorship and modeling, Denny said. The little ones go from running around to joining the circle and eventually leading it, she said, while the older ones realize the responsibility they have to the younger ones.

"We work with the girls on building their voice and their empowerment," Denny said. "The girls learn that their decisions matter; that their ability to make decisions for the whole and to do it collectively starts when they're three, when they start talking."

Asia Banda, 11, joined the group for the sisterhood aspect.

"My dad thought it was good for us because I'm the only girl in the house," Asia said.

"Sisterhood is key in building those positive relationships and for building ourselves," Malia Chow, a community healer and advocate, said.

Chow officially joined the HIR Wellness Institute two years ago after being a longtime volunteer.

"I think the group is mandatory for the community for Indigenous survival," Chow said. "I think for all people to survive and thrive, we are going to have to mainstream Indigenous principles and norms."

Children will make more of an impact than adults, she said.

Elena Romo, 14, who has been with the group since it started, enjoys the traditional activities such as beading and making dreamcatchers. Her mom thought it would be good for Elena to join the Daughters of Tradition and learn more about her tribe, the Menominee.

"This group helps me a lot," Elena said. "Even though I'm going through hard times, sometimes, when I come to this group it helps me to forget about the hard times and make good times."

"Any of the activities we do, we will bring in a cultural piece," Chow said. "We've done corn husk dolls, which you find that throughout many First Nations tribes and groups of people, and we've done lei making, which has a lot of cultural implications in Hawaiian cultures."

In June, the girls painted rainbows. Rainbows represent Pride Month, Chow said, and in Native Hawaiian culture, they are viewed as pathways to divine spiritual or ancestral guardians.

The group recently started a podcast, "N8V-T," to help raise funds for a trip to Washington D.C., where the girls hope to meet with national leaders and advocacy groups.

This summer, the girls are interviewing community leaders, and the episodes will air this fall. The outcome is multifold: The girls connect with community advocates and learn the history and tradition of their ancestors while memorializing it.

"If we think about the whole," Denny said. "And we come together, and we hold space together, and we know it's not just about me and my story, but it's about our story. Then we start to take care of each other differently and see each other differently."

# SEP 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Tanks for Playing</b> EARN & REDEEM POINTS FOR C-STORE VOUCHERS EVERY DAY! 500 points = \$10 voucher    1,000 points = \$20 voucher    2,000 points = \$50 voucher    4,000 points = \$100 voucher			1 UP YOUR Gleeve	2 UP YOUR Gleeve	3 GOT YOU COVERED	4 GOT YOU COVERED
5 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	6 club 50	7 \$100 Windfall	8 UP YOUR Gleeve	9 UP YOUR Gleeve	10 Next Round	11 Carter Cash Harvest
12 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	13 club 50	14 \$100 Windfall	15 UP YOUR Gleeve	16 UP YOUR Gleeve	17 GOT YOU COVERED	18 GOT YOU COVERED
19 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	20 club 50	21 \$100 Windfall	22 UP YOUR Gleeve	23 UP YOUR Gleeve	24 finally \$500 FRIDAY	25 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS
26 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	27 club 50	28 \$100 Windfall	29 UP YOUR Gleeve	30 UP YOUR Gleeve	<b>QUADS &amp; CASH</b> START EARNING ENTRIES OCTOBER 1	

WIN YOUR SHARE OF **\$25,000**

Carter Cash **Harvest**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

TWO WINNERS OF UP TO **\$2,000** HOURLY FROM 5 - 10 PM

TWO WINNERS OF **\$5,000** DRAWN AT 11 PM!

OVER \$16,000 IS UP YOUR Gleeve

**WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS IN SEPTEMBER WIN A HOODIE AND CASH!**

**\$100 Windfall**

TUESDAYS IN SEPTEMBER WIN YOUR SHARE OF **\$3,200**

One \$100 cash winner every hour!  
DRAWINGS: 12 PM - 7 PM

Earn points for a free hoodie!

**GOT YOU COVERED**

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS  
SEPTEMBER 3 - 4 & SEPTEMBER 17 - 18

Just earn 550 same day points!

**club 50**

ARE YOU AGE 50+?

Guests age 50+ who earn 250 same day points get their choice of:

**\$20 POTAWATOMI PLAY -OR- \$10 POTAWATOMI PLAY + \$10 FOOD VOUCHER**

**WE CELEBRATE OUR SENIORS - EVERY MONDAY -**

**Next Round**

EARN 1,000 SAME DAY POINTS & SELECT A GIFT SET OF LIQUOR & GLASSES!

Visit Guest Services between 12 pm - 10 pm  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

bingo's **finally \$500 FRIDAY**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

TEN GAMES PAYING \$500  
FIVE GAMES PAYING \$250 | SPECIALS PAYING \$150 | BUY IN FOR \$35