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Indigenous Peoples' Day



Indigenous seeds



Honoring traditional regalia and dance



Traditional hand drum

by Amber Chitko

Indigenous Peoples' Day is a federally-recognized holiday throughout the U.S. This year, the holiday is observed on Oct. 12, 2026. It was initiated to honor strength and resilience within Indigenous communities, celebrating culture, tradition, art, language, and contributions of Native nations today.

While many other states recognized the day, Wisconsin didn't formally recognize it until 2019, when Gov. Tony Evers and then Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes signed Executive Order #50 during a visit to Franklin, Wis., officially declaring the second Monday in October as Indigenous

Peoples' Day. This year marks the eighth consecutive year of honoring Indigenous people in Wisconsin.

In *Potawatomi Traveling Times* (PTT) Volume 25, Issue 9, Article: "Executive Order Declaring Indigenous Peoples' Day Signed," Gov. Evers recognized the importance of Native Nations to Wisconsin and the significance of their sovereignty, culture, and history. He states, "Native Americans in Wisconsin and throughout our country have suffered unjust treatment often at the hands of our government, and today is about recognizing that Wisconsin would not be all that it is without Indigenous people." Lt. Gov. Barnes follows with sharing, "Today we seek to recognize and honor our state Indigenous communities while moving beyond a dated practice that perpetrates inaccurate teachings and honors genocide."

In honor of Indigenous Peoples' Day, Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Chairman Brooks Boyd reflects on the day and the historic impact that makes it important today. He shares,

"Each October, Indigenous Peoples' Day gives us an opportunity to recognize the first peoples of this land and reflect on the histories, cultures, and

contributions that continue to shape our nation. For Native communities, it is a day of remembrance, resilience, and renewal.

Native history did not begin with European settlement, nor did it end with removal. Indigenous peoples have lived, governed, raised families, traded, and cared for these lands for thousands of years. Our story is not simply part of Wisconsin history. It is Wisconsin history.

For the Potawatomi, that history includes tremendous hardship. Treaties forced the loss of millions of acres of our ancestral homelands, and many Potawatomi were removed during the 1830's, including on the tragic Potawatomi Trail of Death. Others resisted removal and remained in Wisconsin, preserving their families, culture, and connection to the land. The hardship continued during the federal Indian boarding school era, when Native children were separated from their families and communities in an effort to erase our languages, cultures, and identities. Many endured abuse, neglect, and lasting trauma. Yet our people endured. Our languages survived. Our traditions survived. Our communities survived.

Today, Native nations remain

strong, living sovereign communities. We continue to contribute through our cultures, governments, businesses, military service, environmental stewardship, and commitment to future generations. Indigenous Peoples' Day encourages a fuller and more honest understanding of our shared history. It reminds us to honor what Native people endured, recognize what Native nations contribute today, and ensure our cultures and communities remain strong for generations to come. We are still here, and our story continues."

In observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day, government offices will be closed on Oct. 12, 2026, allowing time for reflection and honoring the traditions, cultures, history, and contributions of Indigenous peoples.



Honoring those who've served

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Obituary

Carey Valentine Tribbett

Carey V. Tribbett, age 73, passed away peacefully on Sept. 4, 2026, at his home, with his beloved wife by his side.

Carey was born on Oct. 25, 1952, in Hayward, Wis., to Verol (Ritchie/Tribbett) Tyler and Norman Tribbett. In 1961, his family moved to Milwaukee, where he would later meet the love of his life, Barbara, in junior high school. Though life took them on separate paths and previous marriages, destiny brought them back together, and they "tied the knot" 25 years later.

A dedicated and hardworking man, Carey was a proud boiler-maker out of Local 647 in Ramsey, Minn., dedicating 32 years to his trade. Outside of work, Carey was a true outdoorsman. He was an avid, "overtime" deer slayer and possessed a legendary love for his gill net. Carey had a truly unique way with words — a sharp, colorful wit that his family and friends fondly came to know and love as "Careyisms."

Carey's legacy lives on through his large and loving family. He is survived by his caring wife, Barbara; his son, Carey R. Tribbett; and his daughters, Wenona Siggelkow (Rob Fettig) and Yvonne (Valerie Scorsese). He is also survived by his three stepchildren, Angela Chirafisi, Thomas (Jessica) Chirafisi, and Amy Chirafisi.



He was a proud brother to Mary Ritchie, Paul (Pat) Tribbett, Norman Tribbett, Wes (Terry) Tribbett, and Kim (S/O Lupe Garza) Tribbett. His memory will also be cherished by his grandchildren, Shane Siggelkow, Ryan (Lynsey) Siggelkow, Samara Scorsese, Austin (Jessica) Holman, and Alexandra (Mark) Erdmann, as well as his nine great-grandchildren and many beloved nieces and nephews.

I would like acknowledge the ever lasting friendships between Carey and Bob, Louie, and Rolf. It meant more to him than you know.

Thank you to both Carl and Roy Wilson for their help and support the last several weeks. Also thank you to Compassus Hospice for their compassionate care.

In respect of Carey's explicit wishes, he will be cremated, and there will be no funeral or memorial services.

Obituary

Marie Gilligan

Marie Gilligan (Gigyagos - "Little Girl") was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend whose warmth, kindness, and joyful spirit brought happiness to everyone around her. She had a gift for making people feel welcome and loved, and her presence could brighten any room.

She was born Sept. 2, 1943, in Hayward, Wis. to the late Harry Mann and Susan Alloway.

Marie was married to her beloved husband, Donald J. Gilligan on April 8, 1961, and together raised seven children. Together, they built a life filled with family, love, laughter, and countless cherished memories.

Marie was a happy, fun-loving woman who was truly full of life. She was always busy, always smiling, and never seemed to meet a stranger. A true social butterfly, she loved visiting with people, sharing stories, and making those around her feel at home. Her generous heart and infectious personality touched the lives of countless people throughout her life.

Marie was also a woman of many talents who loved keeping busy with her hands. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, beadwork, traveling, diamond art, UTV adventures, camping, bowling, attending powwows, and anything that involved being with her family, especially baking. She found great joy in sharing the things she loved with others. She was particularly well-known for her fry bread and was always happy to teach others how to make it, passing along not only her recipe and knowledge, but also a little piece of herself.

Marie was a lifelong member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Her faith, generosity, and willingness to connect with others were an important part of who she was.

Marie will be deeply missed by her children, Angela (Mike) Moe, Donald (fiancé, Sami VanZile) Gilligan, Lori (Scott) Cleereman,



Mary (Chuck) Simono, and Anna (Terry) Spencer; her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and the many friends and extended family members who were blessed to know and love her. She is further survived by her sister, Val Nah-Bah-Kah, and dear friend, Norman Tribbett.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald J. Gilligan; her daughters, Danette and Genevieve Gilligan; her grandson, Chance Harcus; her parents, Harry and Susan; and her brothers, Frank, Johnny and Larry Mann, sisters, Mary Mann and Eleanor Shawano, great granddaughter, Kaydence Tucker (Wagnitz).

Marie's smile, laughter, generosity, and love of life and of others will remain in the hearts of all who knew her. The memories she created, the traditions she shared, and the love she gave so freely will continue through her family and all those whose lives she touched.

She will be dearly missed, lovingly remembered, and forever cherished.

Visitation was held on Sept. 17, 2026, with funeral services to follow. Reverend Jamie D. Bauknecht will preside over services. Burial will follow at the Town of Laona Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the staff at The Caring Place for taking such good care of Mom and the family.

In Lieu of flowers, donations may be given to St. John's Lutheran Church of Laona.

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New Newspaper Name

Starting with this issue, *Potawatomi Times Newspaper* has been changed to its retrospective name — *Potawatomi Traveling Times*. The decision was made by the FCP Executive Council.

Nothing else about us has changed. We hope you continue to enjoy the news, culture and events that we bring to you twice a month with a new, but old, name!

Forest Whales



Taking a look inside Clara

by Amber Chitko

The Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Education Division and Family Services Department of Human Services (DHS) Program welcomed Forest Whales of Wausau, Wis., to the Potawatomi Community Center on Sept. 9, 2026, from 1 to 6 p.m. The organization brought their life-size, 56-foot-long inflatable gray whale, Clara, offering visitors an interactive experience and a unique opportunity for hands-on learning.

Guests of all ages gathered to explore the life-size whale and learn more about the species. Visitors could walk inside Clara and discover facts about gray whales and visualize just how big they are. At 56 feet long, a gray whale is longer than a school bus and can weigh up to 90,000 pounds. Inside the inflatable whale, visitors could view her ribs, lungs, heart, and brain, although a gray whale's actual brain is much smaller than displayed.

Participants learned that gray whales can hold their breath for approximately 20 minutes, allowing

them to dive to 300-400 feet in search of food. They are also very smart. A mother whale is approximately 45 tons and can support a one-ton calf. After birth, calves can drink up to 500 gallons of milk each day, helping them gain about 60 pounds daily.

Gray Whales live in the Pacific Ocean. They once lived on the Atlantic side, but these populations disappeared due to extensive whaling during the 17th and 18th centuries. Today, gray whales are protected, with an estimated population of 13,000. While that may seem like a large number, it is relatively small compared to the world's population of eight billion people.

After touring the whale display, visitors could explore an artifact display featuring informative, historically-rich presentations on marine mammals, dinosaurs, and other prehistoric creatures. The display featured skulls from an orca, a bottlenose dolphin, and the extinct Zygorhiza, along with teeth from a variety of extinct, endangered, and protected species. Visitors could also view dinosaur artifacts from species such as a Tyrannosaurus Rex and Tarbosaurus.

The event provided an engaging and educational experience for all ages, from learning about extinct and living species to understanding the true size of a gray whale and the factors affecting their lives. Visitors left with new knowledge and an eye-opening experience to take home with them and share with family and friends.



Caring Place residents visiting Forest Whales



Clara the life-size, 56-foot-long inflatable gray whale

FCP Up & Coming

by Amber Chitko

Swine, Dine, & Dash: FCP tribal members, descendants, FCP employees, and their families are welcome to join for Swine, Dine & Dash. Join Oct. 3, 2026, at Bodwéwadmī Ktēgan for a fun 5k around the farm. Enjoy a hearty meal afterward, with music, games, and giveaways to follow. Dash registration begins at 9 a.m., with the Dash to follow at 10 a.m. and a meal at 11:30 a.m. Enjoy farm activities until 2 p.m. For more information, call (715) 478-7222.

Community Advocacy Pop-Up Booths: Find Community Advocacy's traveling pop-up booth on Oct. 3, 2026, at 1 p.m. at the Potawatomi Community Center, to be informed about Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Healthy Relationships, and Prevention. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Community Advocate and Resource Specialist Laura Godin at (715) 478-4539 or laural.godin@fcp-nsn.gov.

Parent & Child Playshop: Open to all children ages 1-3, this six-week program provides interactive play in a safe environment to foster positive bonding and healthy communication between parents and their children. Join every Tuesday from Oct. 6 through Nov. 10, 2026, from 4-5 p.m. at Gte Ga Nēs. To register, contact Mary Thornton at (715) 478-4503 or Makayla Lanaville at (715) 478-4433.

Elders Day Trips: Elders are invited to join Elder Services on fun, adventurous day trips. Enjoy a fall leaves chair lift ride at Granite Peak in Wausau on Oct. 6, 2026. Lunch will be provided. Depart from

fireside MARKET in Stone Lake at 9 a.m. Enjoy a trip to Bond Falls and Northern Waters Casino on Oct. 27, 2026, in Bruce Crossing, Mich. Depart from fireside MARKET in Stone Lake at 9 a.m. Enjoy BINGO at the North Star Casino in Bowler, Wis. Depart from fireside MARKET in Stone Lake at 10 a.m. Doors open at 12 p.m. Early Birds at 1:30 p.m., with the Regular Session at 2 p.m. The day includes a standard BINGO package with machine and lunch. To sign up or for more information, call Jenna Paradies at (715) 478-4892 or Taylor Saari at (715) 478-4341. You are not signed up until you have a confirmation number. All guests must be accompanied by an FCP elder to attend. If you need assistance, you must bring a caregiver.

Campus Closures: Campus will be closed on Oct. 12, 2026, in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day (neshnabé gizhêk). Campus will also be closed Nov. 11, 2026, in observance of Veterans' Day (gété zhēmāg-neshi gizhêk).

Crandon Mine Purchase Anniversary: The 23rd Anniversary of the Crandon Mine Purchase is Oct. 28, 2026, at the former mine property off Sand Lake Rd. in Mole Lake. Everyone is welcome to join from 3 to 5 p.m. The inclement-weather location will be at the FCP Community Center. Bring a dish to pass for the potluck meal. There will be a self-guided walking tour at 2:30 p.m., an opening ceremony at 3 p.m., and Open Discussions and Remembering the Fight will follow at 3:30 p.m., with a meal at 4 p.m.



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Tribal Trades Program



submitted by Vocational Career Coach **Matthew D. DeLeeuw**

Over the course of the summer, the Tribal Trades Program (TTP), a program under FCP Education, had the opportunity to take on a variety of projects, both large and small. Our team was proud to assist several departments with last-minute projects while continuing to provide valuable hands-on learning experiences for our students.

One of our largest ongoing projects is the warming shack. After months of progress, a concrete slab installation date was scheduled for Sept. 21. After the slab was completed, we transported the structure to its permanent location at the bottom of the Sledding Hill on Fire Tower Ln., Crandon, and began the final stages of construction.

Earlier this spring, students participated in a 20-hour Introduction to Electricity course through Nicolet College. This training proved invaluable, providing both classroom

instruction and hands-on experience. As a result, students were able to complete approximately 90 percent of the wiring and electrical fixture installation for the warming shack. In addition, students gained experience painting and installing exterior siding and trim.

Beyond the warming shack project, students contributed to several meaningful community initiatives, including:

- A life jacket information rack for the boat launch at Devil's Lake in collaboration with the Land & Natural Resources Department and the Potawatomi Community Center (PCC).
- A lemonade stand for the PCC to support Summer Youth Employment fundraising efforts
- A pallet backdrop for the Education Banquet
- Bird-watching benches that will

be delivered to surrounding schools.

- Assisted The Caring Place with the assembly of a carport to help protect vehicles from the elements
- End walls for the farm's hoop houses to help prevent wildlife damage to crops and provide protection from winter frost

• A flower garden for the preschool
Students also had opportunities to explore future career pathways and partnerships. TTP traveled to Blackwell to meet with Job Corps representatives and discuss opportunities for future collaboration. As part of their professional development, students attended important trainings provided by FCP, including Stop the Bleed and OSHA 30 certification courses.

Looking ahead, TTP is exploring a partnership with Job Corps in Blackwell on the potential construction of a playground for a local community.

We are proud to report that the

program has reached maximum enrollment capacity for the first time since its inception. In addition, there is a growing waiting list of students eager to join TTP. This continued interest reflects the value and impact of the program throughout the community.

To support future growth, TTP recently received a generous grant that will allow us to plan, design, and build our own dedicated training facility. This new space will increase our capacity, provide a permanent home for the program, and help ensure long-term sustainability and success.

Needless to say, the TTP is growing in every way. We are excited about what the future holds and remain grateful for the support, encouragement, and opportunities we receive from our community each day. Check back for more updates as we continue to grow our program.

Metonga Media Launches New Business

submitted **Metonga Media**

CRANDON, Wis. — Metonga Media, a new Indigenous-owned, full-service media and marketing company founded by Justin Piontek and Stacey White, has officially launched to help businesses and organizations throughout northern Wisconsin strengthen their marketing needs.

Metonga Media provides social media management, professional photography and video production, graphic design, digital advertising, website design and other marketing services. The company works with both businesses looking for help with individual projects and organizations that need ongoing marketing support.

Piontek and White bring complementary backgrounds in marketing, communications, graphic design, digital media and business management.

Piontek has spent more than a decade working in marketing, graphic design, social media and digital content creation. His experience includes developing marketing campaigns, managing social media platforms, producing photography and video, building websites and creating digital content for businesses and organizations.

White's background combines creative, marketing and executive leadership experience. She began her career in graphic design and marketing and went on to serve as General Manager of Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel and as Communications Division Administrator for the Forest County Potawatomi community. Her experience includes leading teams, overseeing operations, developing marketing and communication strategies.

"We've both spent a large part of our careers helping organizations communicate what they do and reach the people they serve," Piontek said. "Metonga Media gives us the opportunity to take everything we've learned and use it to help businesses and organizations throughout northern Wisconsin."

Metonga Media was created to bring the level of marketing, creative services and strategic support often found within larger organizations to businesses throughout northern Wisconsin.

"Good marketing isn't just about posting more often or creating better-looking content," White said. "It starts with understanding the business, where it wants to go and who it needs to reach. We want to bring that bigger-picture approach to our clients

and give businesses in northern Wisconsin access to the kind of marketing support and strategy that isn't always available locally."

Metonga Media is designed to be more than a company businesses call when they need a single photo shoot or video. For ongoing clients, the goal is to become an extension of their team.

Based in northern Wisconsin, Metonga Media serves businesses, organizations, tourism groups, nonprofits and events throughout the region and beyond.

Metonga Media is currently accepting new clients for ongoing marketing services as well as photography, video, website, graphic design and content-production projects.

For more information, visit metongamedia.com.



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Potawatomi Ventures Named One Of Milwaukee's "Best Places To Work"

On Sept. 16, 2026, Potawatomi Ventures (PV) attended the *Milwaukee Business Journal's* Best Places to Work awards ceremony at the Brookfield Conference Center. This annual recognition celebrates 75 local companies committed to creating outstanding workplaces for their employees. Results are determined by Quantum Workplace through confidential employee surveys that measure key areas such as workplace culture, team relationships, leadership effectiveness, communication, and more. The highest-ranked organizations are recognized among the region's Best Places to Work.

- Winners are divided into five categories based on employee count:
- Micro: 10-24 employees
 - Small: 25-49 employees
 - Medium: 50-99 employees

- Large: 100-199 employees
 - Extra Large: 200+ employees
- PV ranked eighth place in the small-sized category. This marks the third consecutive year PV has been recognized as a Best Place to Work, having previously ranked in the medium-sized category at ninth place in 2025 and fourth place in 2024.

"Receiving this recognition for the third year in a row is particularly special because it reflects the experiences of our employees. At Potawatomi Ventures, we are committed to creating an environment where employees feel valued, supported, and empowered to



make an impact. This award is a testament to the culture we've built and the strong relationships we've fostered throughout our organization," said CEO of Potawatomi Ventures Kip Ritchie.

Greenfire - Project Spotlight: Camp Chi

As summer winds down, Camp Chi is looking back on its first season with a new dining hall and commercial kitchen. The completed facility gave campers and staff an expanded, modern space for daily meals and activities at the camp's Lake Delton, Wisconsin location.

Operated by the Jewish United Fund/JCC Chicago, Camp Chi has provided overnight camp experiences for Jewish children and teens from across the Midwest for more than a century. Its programs center on community, personal growth and Jewish identity, with the Lake Delton campus welcoming hundreds of campers each summer.

Greenfire managed construction of the new 15,700 SF dining and kitchen facility, replacing aging spaces that no longer met the camp's operational needs. The project includes approximately 9,500 SF of dining space, a 6,000 SF commercial kitchen and

a new concrete patio. The upgraded building provides additional capacity, improves meal preparation and service, and creates a more flexible gathering place for the Camp Chi community.

Greenfire worked closely with JCC Chicago, Amstadter Architects, MSA and Moshe Calamaro & Associates throughout preconstruction and construction. Early planning aligned the project's design, budget and schedule while addressing long-lead materials, commercial kitchen systems and work on an active, seasonal camp.

Construction continued through Wisconsin's winter, requiring careful coordination of structural work, concrete placement, temporary heat and building enclosure. Greenfire also coordinated the specialized equipment and building systems needed to support a high-volume commercial kitchen. Careful sequencing allowed the facility to be completed in time for the upcoming camp season.

From cultural and recreational facilities to hospitality and commercial kitchens, Greenfire brings proven construction management to project types with specialized operational needs.

At Camp Chi, that experience helped deliver a central gathering space built to serve campers, staff and future generations each summer.



Potawatomi Ventures Career Exploration Autumn Summit

Potawatomi Ventures is excited to host the Autumn Career Exploration Summit on Nov. 3-4, 2026, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. This event provides

tribal members with an opportunity to explore career pathways, build professional skills, and connect with team members from across Potawatomi

entities. Participants will enjoy soft skills training, networking opportunities, and a chance to enter raffle prize drawings.

Additional venue details will be announced soon.



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Tribal Leadership Investing in Housing



submitted by Capital Projects Division

Tribal leaders are taking action to address the housing needs of Forest County Potawatomi membership beginning with an accelerated two-year housing initiative. As part of this effort, two new 12-unit apartment buildings will be constructed in the Carter and Stone Lake communities, with completion anticipated by December 2027.

To further reduce housing wait lists and support future community

growth, an additional 21 single-family homes are being developed in the Stone Lake, Blackwell, and Carter communities. These investments reflect tribal leadership's commitment to expanding access to safe, affordable housing and enhancing the quality of life for current and future generations.

Questions? Contact Capital Projects Division, via email Michelle.Berdan@fcp-nsn.gov, or phone number is 715-889-0186.

Emergency Management Roadside Safety Event



by Val Niehaus

Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Emergency Management recently hosted a Roadside Safety Event to help tribal members and descendants prepare for roadside emergencies.

The event was held Sept. 15, 2026, at the FCP Emergency Management office.

During the event, participants could pick up free roadside safety supplies, including portable air compressors, LED road flares, jump starters, and LifeStraws. Items were available while supplies lasted.

The event was designed to provide community members with practical tools they can keep in their vehicles to use if they experience a breakdown,

an emergency, or another unexpected situation while traveling.

Attendees also had the opportunity to enter a drawing to win a generator, with the winners being Monique Tuckwab & Emily Soman. Congratulations to them!

FCP Emergency Management works to help the community prepare for and respond to emergencies by providing resources, information, and preparedness opportunities.

For more information about emergency preparedness programs and resources, contact Emergency Management Director Bobbie Irocky at 715-478-4428 or Bobbie.Irocky@FCP-nsn.gov.

Coming Up at PCC

submitted by PCC Media/Event Coordinator Leah Palubicki

Thank you for celebrating five years of community with us! The Potawatomi Community Center (PCC) recognized its 5th Anniversary on Sept. 8-12, 2026, with five themed days showcasing the programs, services, and spaces that make PCC special.

Join us for the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) community "Haunted Hollywood" Halloween Party on Oct. 30, 2026, from 4-8 p.m. tribal members, descendants, and their families are invited for an evening of costumes, games, prizes, and family fun. Trunk-or-Treat and turf games begin at 4 p.m., followed by a feast at 5 p.m., the costume contest, and a Halloween dance. Don't forget to

bring a decorated or carved pumpkin for the Pumpkin Contest!

Looking ahead, the Holiday Craft Fair will be held on Nov. 28 2026, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Stop by to shop local vendors or reserve a booth and join us as a vendor.

Save the Date: The FCP Community Christmas Party will take place on Dec. 18. 2026.

Visit Waséya Wellness Lounge to enjoy services including Red Light Therapy, Infrared Sauna, Halotherapy, PEMF Therapy, and a Sound Lounge experience.

For more information on programs and events, visit fcplinks.com/cctr or follow the Potawatomi Community Center on social media.

Attend The Pink Pumpkin Event at PCC



submitted by Training Specialist Lindsay Joerns

Community members are invited to attend the upcoming Pink Pumpkin Women's Wellness Event on Oct. 14, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The event will provide attendees with opportunities to learn about the importance of mammograms, women's

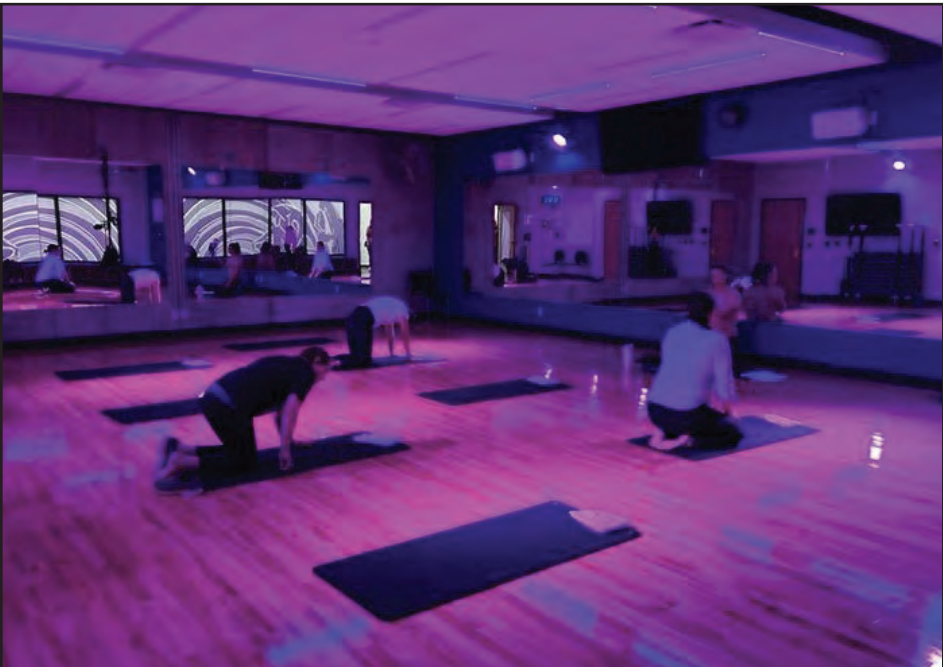
wellness, and other important health topics.

Participants can connect with Health & Wellness staff and Potawatomi Community Center staff, to take part in a luminary walk around the track, decorate their own pumpkin, enjoy grab a light snack.

The event will feature educational information, interactive activities, and opportunities for attendees to ask questions and receive support from staff. Organizers hope the event will encourage healthy lifestyle choices and increase awareness of the importance of early screenings, preventive care, and routine health exams.

Our goal is to provide education, support, and a welcoming environment for everyone.

The event is open to tribal members, their families and the public. For more information, contact: Amy Sheedy Community Health Nurse Educator: 715-478-4927.



Coffee Talk



Coffee Talk on Sept. 15, 2026, with guest Martina Falke (FCP Tribal Elder) whom taught a watercolor painting class submitted by Elder Activities Aide Taylor Saari



Elder Meal Route Menu - October 2026						
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				1 Beef pepper steak, baked potato, carrots, garlic cheddar biscuit, fruit salad	2 Sub Sandwich	THE DAILY MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE DUE, TO INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS, FACILITY CLOSURES AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND OUR CONTROL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION. - FCP SUSTAINABLE FOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT
4	5 Ham & cheese quiche, hashbrowns, asparagus, melon	6 Chicken broccoli rice, salad, dinner roll, apple cobbler	7 Pork roast, roasted potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit salad	8 Chili, cornbread, crackers & cheese, brownie	9 Chef Salad	
11 12th meal will go out on the 8 th with Friday's meal	12 Tribal Offices Closed - Indigenous People's Day	13 Chicken Dumpling Soup, Slider sandwich, crackers, pudding cup	14 Pork chop, mashed potatoes & gravy, brussel sprouts, roll, cake	15 Lemon pepper fish, cheesy hashbrowns, coleslaw, roll, jello	16 Chicken salad wrap	
18	19 Ham & potato augratin, mixed veggies, roll, fruit	20 Taco bake, salad, chips, lemon bar	21 Savory roasted veggie soup, grilled cheese, crackers, yogurt parfait	22 Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, corn, garlic toast pumpkin bar	23 Spinach salad w/ chicken	
25	26 Baked chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, roasted veggies, roll	27 Shredded beef on bun, pasta salad, tomato & cuke salad, chocolate chip cookie	28 Pork roast w/ cabbage, baby red potatoes, roll, cranberry relish	29 Chicken wild rice soup, roll, side salad, fruit	30 Sub Sandwich	
						31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Community Events
OCTOBER 2026

SUNDAYMONDAYTUESDAYWEDNESDAYTHURSDAYFRIDAYSATURDAY

Recurring Weekly Events

Mondays:
10am - NA Meeting at Recovery Resource Center
12pm - 3pm - Social Club at Museum Lower Level

Tuesdays:
4pm - After School Language Program (Crandon & Laona)
4pm - After School Cooking Club at PCC
4:30pm - 5:30pm - Powwow Club at PCC

Wednesdays:
10am - 12pm - Language Class at Museum Lower Level
10:30am - 11:30am - Walking the Spectrum Support Group at PCC
4pm - After School Language Program (Wabeno)

Thursdays:
10am - Cradled Connections at PCC
12pm - 1pm - Support Group at PCC
4pm - After School Cooking Club at We Care
4:30pm - 5:30pm - Powwow Club at PCC

Fridays:
9am - Mens Smudge Talk at Recovery Resource Center
2pm - AA Meeting at Recovery Resource Center

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Judicare Wills Event
9am - 5pm

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Wisconsin Native
Vote Powwow
1pm - 6pm

9am - 2pm

4

11am - 3pm

Meets Every Sunday
Recovery Resource Center - 10am - 12pm

5

Elders Coffee Talk
Turtle House
12pm - 2pm

Veterans Post 1 (VP1)
Monthly Meeting
Open to all
Tribal Veterans
Old Tribal Hall - 3pm

6

Elders Day Trip
Fall Color
Chair Lift Ride
Granite Peak

Parent & Child
Playshop
4pm - 5pm

7

Diva Dance
First Class
Hip Hop 1: 5:15 - 6pm
Hip Hop 2: 6pm - 6:50pm

8

Tribal Elder Food
Box Distribution
12pm

9

10

11am - 3pm

11

11am - 3pm

12

INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES DAY

Campus Closed

13

Community Advocacy
Pop-up Booth
1pm - 3pm

Parent & Child
Playshop
4pm - 5pm

Farm to Table
Food Preservationist
Wenona Siggelkow
5:30pm

14

11:30am - 1:30pm

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16

DANCE • SING • COMPETE
HUNTING
MOON
POW WOW
GI WSE GISES
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11am - 3pm

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18

Fall Fun
at the Farm
11am - 3pm

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Domestic Violence
Support Circle
Waseya Lounge
Every 3rd Tuesday at 11am

Special Election Issue
& Campaign Materials
Deadline
5pm SHARP

Parent & Child
Playshop
4pm - 5pm

21

Ready, Set, Grow!
Rising Sun Daycare
3pm - 6pm

22

Tribal Elder Food
Box Distribution
12pm

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11am - 3pm

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11am - 3pm

26

Elders Coffee Talk
Turtle House
12pm - 2pm

27

Elders Day Trip
Bond Falls &
Casino

Parent & Child
Playshop
4pm - 5pm

28

Crandon Mine
Purchase
Anniversary
11am - 2pm

Nutrition Taste Test
H&W Test Kitchen
10am - 11:30am

29

Diabetes Luncheon
H&W Lower Conference
12pm - 1:30pm

Museum Lower Level
5pm - 7pm

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FCP Community
Halloween Party
4pm - 8pm

31

Fall Fun
at the Farm
11am - 3pm

HALLOWEEN

GENERAL INFORMATION

COMMUNITY CENTER

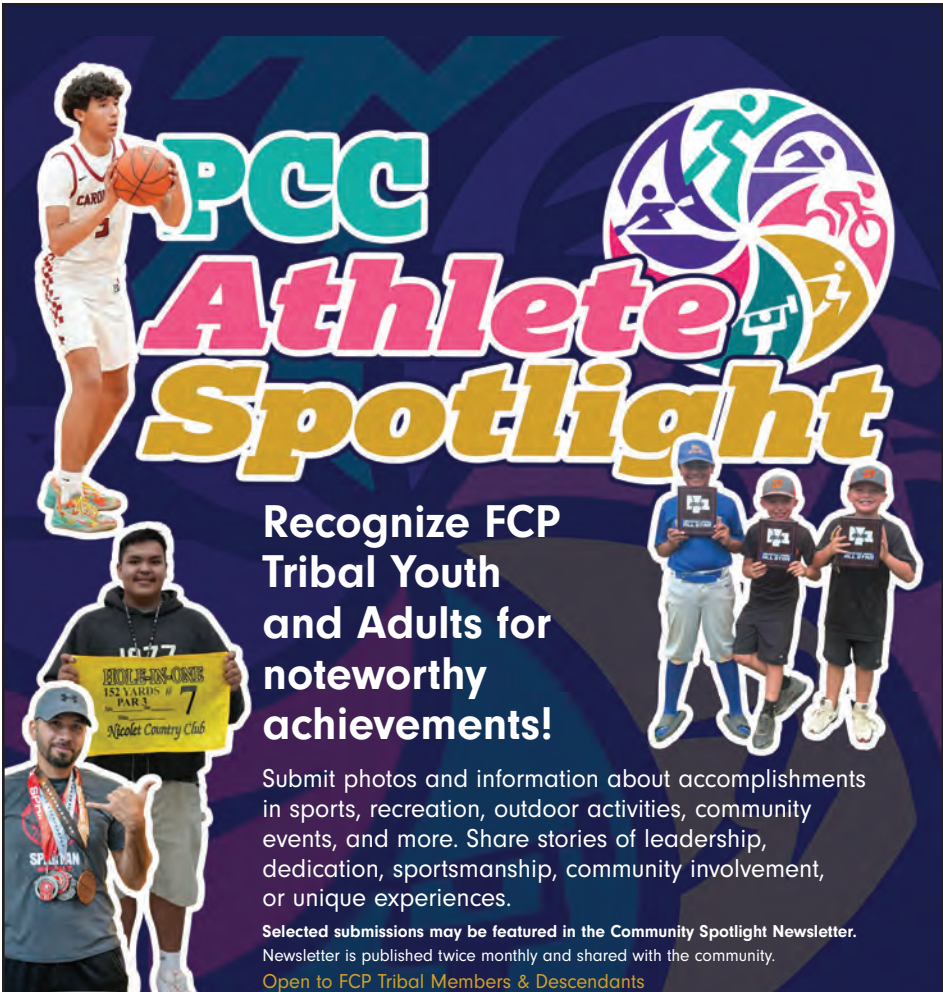
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HEALTH & WELLNESS

MUSEUM

09/17/2025



PCC Athlete Spotlight

Recognize FCP Tribal Youth and Adults for noteworthy achievements!

Submit photos and information about accomplishments in sports, recreation, outdoor activities, community events, and more. Share stories of leadership, dedication, sportsmanship, community involvement, or unique experiences.

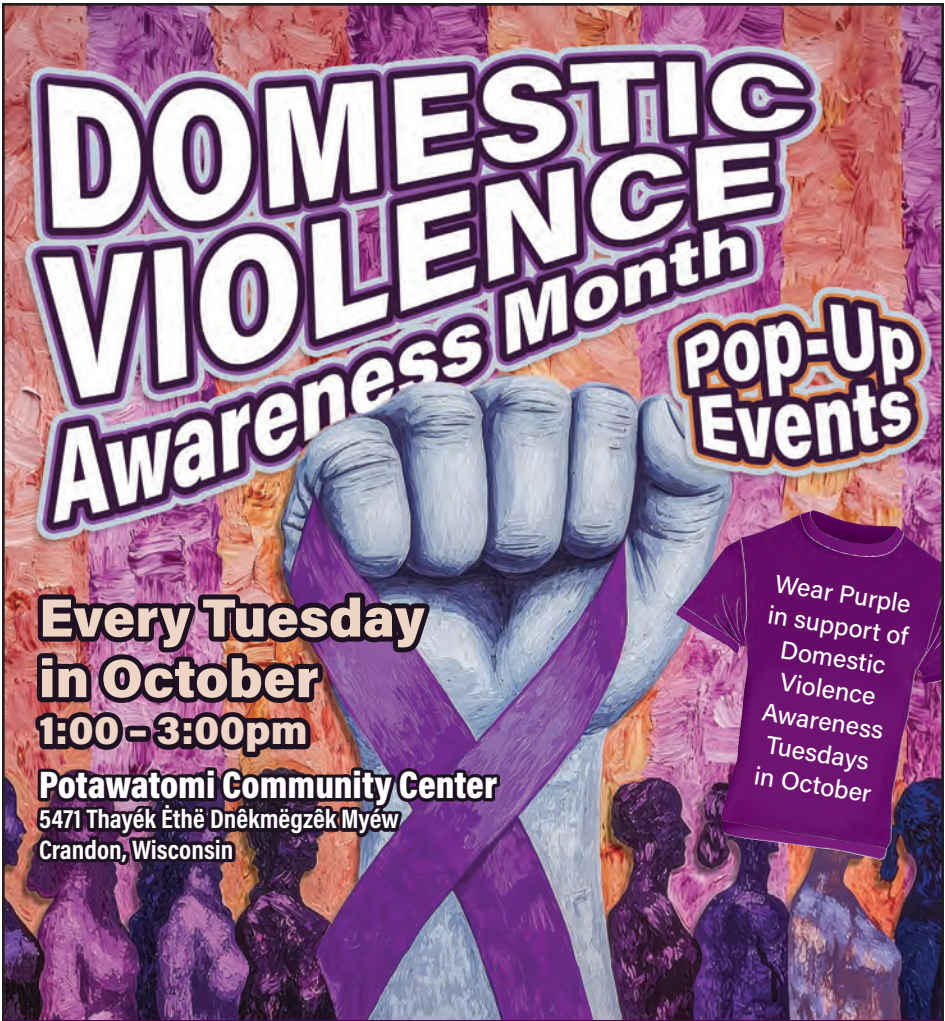
Selected submissions may be featured in the Community Spotlight Newsletter. Newsletter is published twice monthly and shared with the community.

Open to FCP Tribal Members & Descendants



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(The Place Where Everyone Plays Road)
Crandon, Wisconsin

For more information call
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Awareness Month

Pop-Up Events

Every Tuesday in October
1:00 – 3:00pm

Potawatomi Community Center
5471 Thayék Êthë Dnèkmègzèk Myéw
Crandon, Wisconsin

Wear Purple in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Tuesdays in October

The last Tuesday we will hand out Hope Bags on a first-come, first-served basis.

OPEN TO EVERYONE



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY ADVOCACY
For more info contact Community Advocate & Resource Specialist Laura Godin:
715-478-4539 • Laura.L.Godin@FCP-nsn.gov



READY, SET, GROW!

OPEN TO FCP TRIBAL MEMBERS & FAMILIES

WEDNESDAY OCT 21 2026 3-6 PM

RISING SUN DAYCARE

7699 LOIS CROWE DR
CRANDON, WI 54520

For more information please call
Deb Tetting: 715-478-7350.

SUPPORTING HEALTHY GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR CHILDREN BIRTH TO 5

INFORMATIONAL & INTERACTIVE BOOTHS

HEALTH SCREENINGS

TAKE-HOME PUMPKIN FACE PIZZA KITS

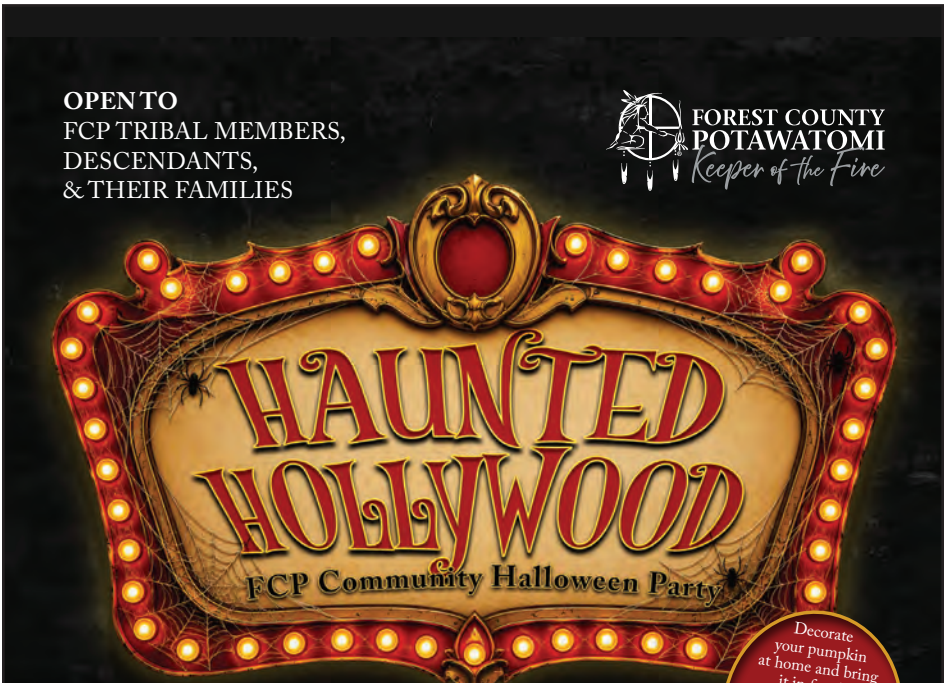
BASKET RAFFLE



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI RISING SUN DAYCARE



FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER COMMUNITY HEALTH



HAUNTED HOLLYWOOD

FCP Community Halloween Party

Decorate your pumpkin at home and bring it in for the **DECORATED PUMPKIN CONTEST**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2026

- Prizes • Games
- DJ • Photobooth
- Costume Red Carpet Runway
- Costume Contests

Categories for Kids, Teens, Adults, & Group Costumes

NEW "Best of Show" Award for best overall costume!

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4-5pm Trunk or Treat

5-6pm Feast

6-7pm Costume Contest

7-8pm Halloween Dance

OCT. 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

FRIDAYS IN OCTOBER

WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$30,000 CASH

MONSTROUS ROLLOVER DRAWINGS

One electronic entry for every 25 tier credits earned using your Potawatomi Rewards card Oct. 1-30.

One win per person, per day of promotion.

10 WINNERS EACH WEEK!

All your entries also count toward the Monster Win Madness Finale drawings on December 19!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$5,000 CASH

REGISTER AT GUEST SERVICES: 5-9 P.M.

ALL COSTUME PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE \$10 REWARD PLAY.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

Entries earned Oct. thru Dec. roll over as entries into the MONSTER WIN MADNESS FINALE DRAWINGS on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19.

One electronic entry for every 25 points.

4 \$5,000 CASH WINNERS!

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