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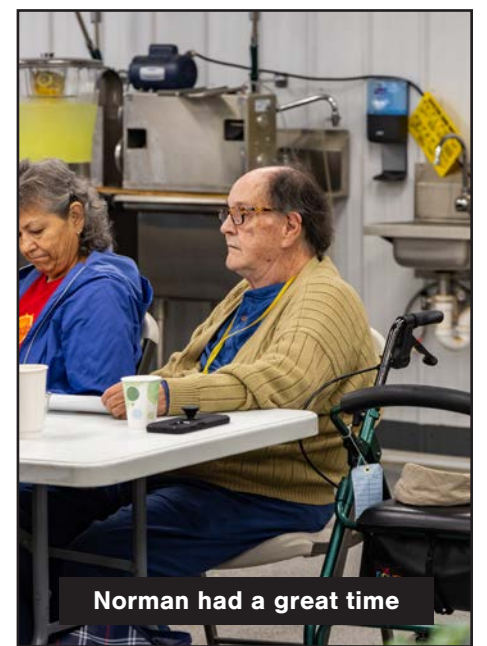
Cooking & Gardening for Elders



Making the BLT salad



The room was filled with elders



Norman had a great time

by Val Niehaus

FCP elders participated in a Cooking & Gardening for Elders workshop at the Bodwëwadmi Ktëgan on June 15, 2024.

The first order of business was Food Preservation and Production Specialist Wenona (Nona) Siggelkow demonstrated of how to make a BLT salad using all fresh ingredients from the farm, even down to the bacon. She tossed together the fresh lettuce, tomatoes, bacon, homemade croutons, and a homemade dressing. It was a super simple, delicious, filling salad.

Next, Siggelkow showed the main dish, a grilled chicken Greek gyro with homemade tzatziki sauce. Demonstrating from start-to-finish she made the tzatziki sauce. She showed the elders how to grate the cucumber with a box grater and then use a thin cloth or cheesecloth

to wring out the moisture from the cucumbers. She then added Greek yogurt, lemon juice, garlic, dill, and sea salt for a refreshing sauce/dip to use on the gyros, or just as a vegetable dip.

Once everything was made and put together, it was time for everyone to eat the delicious and fresh food that the farm provided.

For the second part of the workshop, Aquaponics/Farm Technician Stephanie Rosio talked with the elders about planting, tips for producing a great crop, and how to store plants over the winter to plant again in the spring. She answered many questions the elders had about their own gardens; elders found this part very helpful.

Once the event was over, elders were able to take home a raised garden bed, gardening tools, and freshly-made compost, which is available right at the farm.

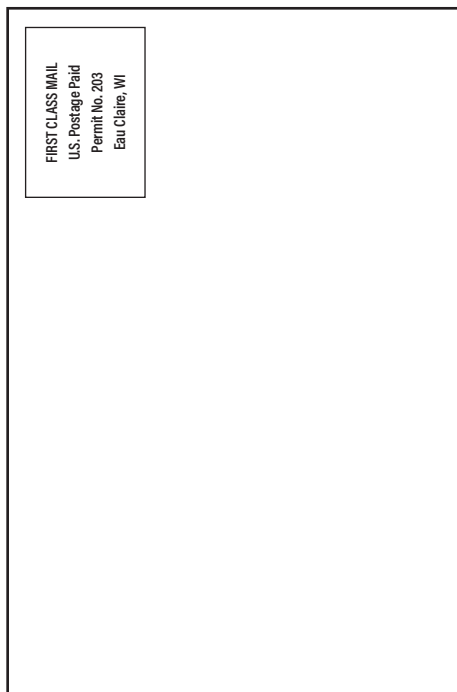
This was a fun and informative event with delicious food. It is amazing that our elders can go to the farm and partake in an event like this on a beautiful day.



Stephanie explaining how far the plant should be in the soil



Choosing from the list of plants to take home



Hazel and Peggy enjoyed their time



Nona showing Cindy the tzatziki sauce

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FCP Up & Coming

by Amber Haseaman

Rock & Brews: The Grand Opening of Rock & Brews restaurant at the Carter Casino is July 2, 2024. The restaurant is open to the public at 2 p.m. This is the 25th Rock & Brew's location and will feature a rock-inspired menu of Rock'n Hot Wings, the Alice Cooper Poison Burger, and the Demon Chicken Sandwich.

Forest County Festival: The 7th annual Forest County Festival is scheduled for July 5-7, 2024. There is a \$5 parking fee each day you visit.

July 5: Free carnival rides are from 4-10 p.m. Township and cultural day exhibits are on display from 5-6 p.m.

July 6: The Crandon Fire Department will have their parade in downtown Crandon on Main Street. Free carnival rides are available from noon to 10 p.m. Kids games begin at 3 p.m. Truck pulls and burnout competitions start at 4 p.m. From 7-11 p.m. there will be live music. At 10 p.m. the Crandon Fire Department will display their fireworks at the racetracks.

July 7: The free carnival rides are available from noon to 5 p.m.

Birch Bark Canoe: Ke Wigwas Thimankemen – Let's build a Birch Bark Canoe. Join Lawrence Mann Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the Potawatomi Community Center. Open to everyone! For more information, contact Lawrence Mann at (715) 889-9816.

Farm to Table Class: Join for the second Farm to Table Cooking Class on July 23 at 5:30 p.m. This month will feature a meal of stuffed zucchini boats and rhubarb crisp. The class is open to the public. Registration is required. Please contact Tricia Thorbahn at (715) 478-4162 to register.

All-In Summer Series: This year's All-In Summer Concert Series event at the Carter Casino will begin July 25 at 6 p.m. and will feature Love & Theft. July 26th is Uptown Funk and July 27 is Son of a Gun. There's an entry fee of \$20 for a Day Pass. Doors Open at 6 p.m. There will be live music, food and drinks and fun contests available.

Battle of the Bands: As part of the All-In Summer Series, Battle of the Bands takes place on Aug. 3, 2024. "If you've got bumping beats, here's your chance to share it!" Submit your battle of the band's entry online by July 7. The top three applicants will be chosen to participate in Battle of the Bands. Rules are as follows: There must be at least two band members; no solo acts. All members must be 21 years of age. Bands must play live – no prerecorded material. Bands can play originals or covers. You are given 15 minutes for set-up/take down and 30 minutes of performance time. Judging will be based on audience selection with applause decibel level. Visit and enter your band at cartercasino.com/botb.

Swearing In Board Members



Kathy Jacobson being sworn in on the Health Advisory Board



Mabel Schingeck beign sworn in on the Elder Board
photos by Helena Murphy



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Wednesday
July 17
2024

Carter We Care Building
10am - 12pm

Stone Lake Land & Natural Resources
2pm - 4pm

Rabies vaccine is for dogs 4 months and older. The 5-way shot will be given to dogs 8 weeks and older.

Please keep your pet restrained on a leash, or remain in your vehicle and you will be helped.



SYE Visit Emergency Management

by Summer Youth Employee Bryson Daniels

The 2024 Summer Youth Employment (SYE) group visited FCP Emergency Management services. While there, the kids were able to practice using a fire extinguisher with a digital fire. Once they completed the practice, they were granted a certificate saying they had learned how to use a fire extinguisher.

In the last moments of their visit, FCP Security Director Jordan Keeble shared personal stories to reach the kids to help them understand that safety is very important. Keeble shared a story about his experiences with ATVs and how one small decision could be harmful.



Farm to Table Cooking Class

by Amber Haseman, photos submitted by Summer Youth Employee Owen Christensen

The first Farm to Table class of the season took place June 18, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Bodwéwadmí Ktëgan (Potawatomi Farm). The classes are free and open to everyone. Registration is required prior to attending. The purpose of the Farm to Table series is to introduce the harvesting of fresh produce and learning how to prepare it into a nutritious meal.

The attendance was outstanding for the first class of the season. There were approximately 16 participants who

joined alongside Food Preservation and Production Specialist Wenona Siggelkow for her expertise. Although it was a much larger group than anticipated, it was great to see such a turn out.

The featured meal for the evening was chicken cobb salad and zucchini cake. To begin, the class whipped up the zucchini cake batter from scratch and placed it into the oven to bake while they prepared the ingredients for the salad. They began gathering

the lettuce and tomatoes from the aquaponics. With there being so many different ingredients and such a large class, everyone was able to take on a task. Some prepared the chicken while others chopped up the lettuce, tomatoes and onions. Once all the ingredients were ready, the class began layering the salad.

In a large tin pan, the class added the lettuce to the bottom, topping it with bacon, tomatoes, chicken, peas and cheese. It looked delicious. Once

they were done, the class cleaned up their areas and took a moment to enjoy their creations and all their hard work. It was a great start for the Farm to Table series.

The next Farm to Table Cooking Class is July 23 at 5:30 p.m., and will feature stuffed zucchini boats and rhubarb crisp. To register, please contact Trisha Thorbahn at (715) 478-4162.





<p>SUNDAYS 11am-2pm</p> <p>MONDAYS 9am-6pm</p> <p>Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am</p> <p>Aqua ZUMBA® 5:15pm-5:45pm</p> <p>TUESDAYS 9am-6pm</p> <p>Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am</p> <p>Aqua Jogging (Lap Pool) 10:15am-10:45am</p>	<p>WEDNESDAYS 9am-6pm</p> <p>Shallow Water Aerobics 9:15am-10am</p> <p>Aqua Sampler (7/10 & 7/24 ONLY) 10:15am-11am</p> <p>THURSDAYS 10am-5pm</p> <p>Shallow Water Aerobics 10:15am-11am</p> <p>FRIDAYS 10am-5pm</p> <p>SATURDAYS 11am-2pm</p>
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NO CLASSES JULY 4TH!

Unless otherwise specified all exercise classes are held in the Activity Pool. Therefore there is no Open Swim during those times, swimmers are still permitted to use Hot Tub and Lap Pool.

POTAWATOMI COMMUNITY CENTER

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(The Place Where Everyone Plays Road)
Crandon, Wisconsin

Color Me Crazy 5K



photos submitted by Senior Social Media Specialist Justin Piontek

by Amber Haseaman

Family and friends near and far came together to kick off summer with blasts of fun color. It was a beautiful day to gather for the annual Color Me Crazy 5K and 1 mile Family Loop event. Participants joined at the Potawatomi Community Center on June 15, 2024, from 10-11 a.m. for registration and swag pick-up. Everyone received a white T-shirt for the run.

Prior to starting, the participants joined Fitness & Wellness Manager Desiree Marten for warm-up exercises including jumping jacks, leg lunges, and stretches. The run began at 11:15 a.m. and lasted through 12:30 p.m. Upon arriving to the finish line, the

group did one last color throw before heading to lunch.

From 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., there were games and activities available to those who attended featuring bucket pong with a basketball, bean bag toss, hula hoops and more. There was also a shaved ice stand, a DJ and a photo-booth.

This year's total participants were approximately 60. It was an enjoyable time for all who attended the event. Everyone was covered in colors of pink, blue, orange, yellow, and purple, with smiles from ear-to-ear. It was the perfect day to be outside, get a little exercise, enjoy some much-needed time with family and friends, and the company of others.



Fun colors everywhere

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- Nutritional Consults
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DIABETES PROGRAM

Wisconsin Tribal-Owned Casinos

Answers will be in the next issue



ACROSS

- 2. Ho-Chunk Casino's northern area is called the _____.
- 5. It's called Oneida Casino _____ just off old Wisconsin Hwy. 29.
- 7. The Odanah Ojibwe casino name is _____.
- 8. Ho-Chunk Casino in the Dells is in the _____ location.
- 12. This casino is located in Keshena.
- 14. Ho-Chunk Casino in Nekoosa is called _____.
- 16. Forest County Bodwéwadmi has two casinos. What is the northern casino's name?
- 18. This Chippewa casino is at Red Cliff.
- 19. This is a Ho-Chunk Casino. Hint: Opposite color of white, and water rushing down.
- 20. The Mohicans Casino's name is _____.

DOWN

- 1. This Chippewa casino is close to a body of water and small flames are in the name.
- 3. What is Forest County Bodwéwadmi's second casino named in southern WI?
- 4. Oneida's second casino is located near an airport in this city.
- 6. This Chippewa casino is near a body of water, and its' namesake is a small mammal with poor eyesight.
- 9. This Chippewa casino is located next LCO Country Store.
- 10. The Oneida Casino in Green Bay is located next to Sam's Club and Walmart on this street.
- 11. St. Croix Casino _____ is near a body of water named after a reptile.
- 13. Ho-Chunk Casino is located between the Interstate highways 94 NW & 90 W in this city.
- 15. St. Croix Casino _____ is located near Wisconsin and Minnesota border.
- 17. St. Croix Casino _____ is located on state road 70.

Answers from previous issue

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**FOREST COUNTY
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Community Events JULY 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Rock & Brews Grand Opening Potawatomi Casino Hotel Carter 2 pm: Open to the Public	3 Language Class 10 am – 12 pm Wabeno School Board Meeting Wabeno High School Library 6 pm	4 Holiday Campus Closed	5 Forest County Festival Brush Run Track 4 pm – 10 pm Township/Cultural Day Exhibits (Check Presentation) 5 pm – 6 pm Holiday Campus Closed	6 Forest County Festival Brush Run Track Noon: Parade Noon – 10 pm: Free Carnival Rides 3 pm: Kids Games 4 pm: Truck Pulls/Burnout Competition 7-11 pm: Live Music 10 pm: Fireworks
7 Forest County Festival Brush Run Track Noon – 5 pm: Free Carnival Rides	8 Crandon School Board Meeting Jaegar Auditorium; 6 pm	9	10 Language Class 10 am – 12 pm Laona School Board Meeting Laona Elementary Board Room 5:30 pm	11 Gte Ga Nes Summer School FCP Youth Entering Kindergarten July 11 – July 18 Blood Drive 10 am – 4 pm	12 Gte Ga Nes Summer School FCP Youth Entering Kindergarten July 11 – July 18	13 Gte Ga Nes Summer School FCP Youth Entering Kindergarten July 11 – July 18
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21	22	23 Credit Fund/Real Estate Info. Meeting 4 pm – 7 pm Milwaukee Casino (Serenity Room) Farm to Table Cooking Class 5:30 pm (Open to Everyone)	24 Credit Fund/Real Estate Info. Meeting 4 pm – 7 pm Appleton – Double Tree by Hilton (Fox River Room) Language Class 10 am – 12 pm	25 Credit Fund/Real Estate Info. Meeting 10 am – 1 pm Carter Casino 4 pm – 7 pm Community Center (Classroom) Safety Event 12 pm – 3 pm Summer Concert Series Potawatomi Casino Hotel Carter (Country Act)	26 Credit Fund/Real Estate Info. Meeting 3 pm – 6 pm Greenfire (Wausau) Summer Concert Series PCH - Carter (Uptown Funk - A Tribute to Bruno Mars)	27 Maiden Voyage Birch Bark Canoe Summer Concert Series Potawatomi Casino Hotel Carter (Son of a Gun – The Premier Tribute to Guns & Roses)
28	29	30	31 Compliance Symposium (FCP Employees) 8 am – 4:30 pm Potawatomi Gathering Language Class 10 am – 12 pm			



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Elder Menu

JULY 1
 Breakfast: Boiled eggs, corned beef hash
 Lunch: Chicken marsala
 Dinner: Lamb

JULY 2
 Breakfast: Waffles, fresh fruit
 Lunch: BBQ pulled pork
 Dinner: Sheet pan shrimp

JULY 3
 Breakfast: Hash brown & egg casserole
 Lunch: Mushroom & Swiss burger
 Dinner: Boiled dinner

JULY 4
 Breakfast: Fried eggs, bacon
 Lunch: Baked pork chop
 Dinner: Hamburger/veggie soup

JULY 5
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs
 Lunch: Fried catfish
 Dinner: Chicken fried rice

JULY 6
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs
 Lunch: Chicken & zucchini skillet
 Dinner: Chicken/veggie soup

JULY 7
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage
 Lunch: Pan fried shrimp
 Dinner: Corned beef roast

JULY 8
 Breakfast: Eggs benedict
 Lunch: Chicken breast
 Dinner: Stuffed pork chops

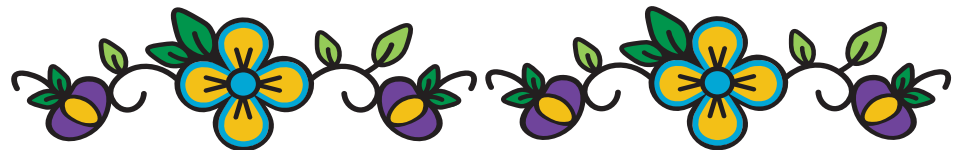
JULY 9
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs
 Lunch: Beef marsala
 Dinner: Gyro

JULY 10
 Breakfast: French toast casserole
 Lunch: Scalloped potatoes & ham
 Dinner: Roasted rabbit

JULY 11
 Breakfast: Boiled eggs
 Lunch: Chicken & wild rice soup
 Dinner: Chicken salad bowl

JULY 12
 Breakfast: Fried eggs, bacon
 Lunch: Glazed salmon fillet
 Dinner: Chicken & broccoli rice casserole

JULY 30
 Breakfast: Oatmeal, scrambled eggs
 Lunch: Italian rigatoni casserole
 Dinner: Stuffed green peppers



Summer Fishheree
 DEVIL'S LAKE
 BUG LAKE
GRAND PRIZE FOR LARGEST FISH!
 ADULT & YOUTH COMBINED
 In the event of a tie, weight will determine winner.
SATURDAY JULY 20, 2024
 OPEN TO FCP TRIBAL MEMBERS, DESCENDANTS, & THEIR FAMILIES
9am Fish Registration OPENS
11:30am-1pm BBQ Pulled Pork Lunch Provided
3pm Fish Registration CLOSSES
PRIZES AWARDED FOR 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD
ADULT & YOUTH (14 & Under) IN EACH CATEGORY:
 BASS, CRAPPIE, PAN FISH (BLUEGILL/PUMPKINSEED), PERCH, NORTHERN PIKE, & TROUT
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Class starts September 3rd, 2024

FREE ROAD CONSTRUCTION TRAINING (120/hrs)

OPEN HOUSE EVENTS:
 August 8th, 2024 12pm-4pm
 August 13th, 2024 12pm-4pm

LOCATION:
 Potawatomi Community Center
 5471 The Place Where Everyone Comes
 To Play Rd.
 Crandon, WI 54520

Qualifications:

- Be 18 years of age
- Must have valid Driver License
- NO: OWI/DUI's within the last three years, excessive speeding (20 +MPH over), or Leaving the Scene
- Ability to pass a Drug Screen
- Ability to perform manual labor and physically demanding work
- Ability to pass general aptitude test at min. 6th grade level
- Willingness to travel statewide & work hard
- HS Diploma or GED/HSED Preferred

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Wisconsin Is First In The Nation To Award EV Funding To A Tribal Nation

Last month, the state of Wisconsin made history by becoming the first state to award funding to Tribal nations of the development of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations (Lewis, 2024)

One of the recipients of this groundbreaking initiative is fireside MARKET of Stone Lake, which has been selected as a Wisconsin NEVI (National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure) site. With an anticipated completion date of Nov. 2024, fireside MARKET hopes to be one of the first NEVI sites to be operational in the state. Refer to the site map in reference to the NEVI site location.

These charging stations' availability will benefit residents of the Northwoods area and travelers passing through. As more people adopt electric vehicles, the need for a reliable charging network becomes increasingly crucial. Fireside MARKET's NEVI site will help fill this gap and contribute to the broader goal of building a sustainable transportation future.

Here are the key informative points

about frequently asked questions on EVs:

- Cost to charge vs. gas is approximately 1/3 the cost per mile for EV vs. fossil fuel vehicles.

- The cost to replace an EV battery is not as expensive as the rumors suggest, and battery life has shown minimal degradation over the typical vehicle lifespan.

- Freezing weather can impact EV battery range, reducing it by up to 20 percent, but hot weather does not have a significant effect in Wisconsin.

- The fireside MARKET chargers will have the CCS1 standard, which is the North American standard, and will also support Tesla vehicles. EV drivers will be able to use the Tesla Supercharger network, which has recently been opened to the public.

- While revenue generation may be limited initially given the small number of EVs in the Forest County area, the availability of chargers at fireside MARKET is expected to increase as more people become aware they can charge there.



What's New For Fireside Market Guests



Ease into July with naps under an old oak, s'mores by the campfire, and oohs and aahs between fireworks. Regardless of what your calendar holds, stop by fireside MARKET for all your summer supplies. Here's what you'll find special this month:

New smiling faces

You'll find six new team members have been brought on to elevate your guest experience. Watch for new people in both locations, Stone Lake and Carter, to help with greeting, stocking, cooking, cleaning, and assisting you find what you need.

New salads

Summer is a wonderful time to try light and healthy food options. For a limited time through August, the Stone Lake store offers two new salads. A berry salad, featuring strawberries, blueberries, mandarin oranges, almonds, and feta cheese over a crisp mixed blend of Lettuce. The other new favorite is a grilled chicken salad with shaved parmesan cheese. Ready for grab-and-go, our salads are made fresh

in the morning at our on-site kitchen.

Special offers

Look for new ways to save this month. You will find one low price when you buy any cup of our rich and delicious coffee and a tempting donut (coffee/donut \$2.50). Stock up on soda with Coke brands on sale (three 12-packs for \$16). Plus, satisfy that sweet tooth with king-size candy deals (two for \$2.99). Watch for current sales monthly.

Summer items

Back for easy grab-and-go shopping, a refrigerated display holds fishing bait for those heading to the water. You'll find Canadian Crawlers, Beaver Tail, and Leaf Worms near the entry doors at both Stone Lake and Carter markets. More summer supplies include sunscreen, bug repellent, s'more provisions, charcoal, lighter fluid, and more. Stop by the Stone Lake or Carter stores to fill up your vehicle with fuel, gather shopping items, fill your belly, or enjoy our warm smiles.

Data Center Makes An Appearance At Biz Expo '24



Ian Favill answering questions

Data Holdings showcased its cutting-edge solutions at BizExpo 2024, at the Brookfield Conference Center. Their booth attracted significant attention, with visitors impressed by our private cloud, colocation, and disaster recovery services.

We highlighted our state-of-the-art facility, emphasizing our impressive rack density capability for power-hungry AI solutions and our flawless 100 percent uptime since opening. These features particularly impressed attendees.

The event provided valuable opportunities for networking and building connections with business leaders,

decision-makers, and tech enthusiasts. We engaged in meaningful discussions, resulting in solid leads that promise to turn into revenue opportunities.

BizExpo 2024, was a great success for Data Holdings, and we look forward to continuing the conversations started at the event.

If you have questions or would like to learn more about the Data Center, please visit the website. Data Holdings - Milwaukee Data Center or reach out to Alex McCorkle, at alexandria.mccorkle@potawatomi ventures.com

EVENTS

POTAWATOMI VENTURES INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

Potawatomi Ventures Credit Fund & Sagewind Real Estate Development

	Date	Time	Location	Room
TUES	7/23/2024	4-7pm	Milwaukee Casino Potawatomi Casino Hotel 1721 W Canal St, Milwaukee, WI 53233	Serenity
WED	7/24/2024	4-7pm	Appleton Double Tree by Hilton 150 S Nicolet Rd, Appleton, WI 54914	Fox River Room
THUR	7/25/2024	10am-1pm	Carter – Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel 618 State Highway 32 Wabeno, WI 54566	Kisheck room.
		4pm-7pm	Potawatomi Community Center 5471 Thayek Ethe Dnekmegzek Myew Crandon, WI 54520	Classroom
FRI	7/26/2024	3-6pm	Wausau Greenfire 301 N 17th Ave Suite 100, Wausau, WI 54401	Greenfire Building



Attention - Tribal Members

If you have questions, concerns, or ideas you would like to share with Potawatomi Ventures, please contact Alex McCorkle, the Tribal Relations Coordinator. She has an office located at the FCP Communication/Property Management Building (5442 Everybody's Rd., Crandon, WI 54520)

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The SBA 8(a) Program for Indian Tribes

submitted by Kevin Allis (Tribal Member, Grandson of Harry Ritchie), President of Thunderbird Strategic LLC, Former CEO of the National Congress of American Indians

Introduction

The U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) 8(a) Business Development Program is a crucial federal initiative designed to assist small businesses owned by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. Among the most significant beneficiaries of this program are Indian tribes, which have historically faced numerous barriers to economic development and business success. The 8(a) program offers a pathway for these tribes to build sustainable economic enterprises, promote self-sufficiency, and enhance community welfare.

Historical Context

Indian tribes have long faced systemic challenges, including limited access to capital, educational disparities, and geographical isolation, which have hindered their economic progress. The federal government has recognized these challenges and, through various legislative measures, has sought to support tribal economic development. The SBA 8(a) program is one such measure, specifically designed to provide disadvantaged groups, including Indian tribes, with opportunities to

compete in the mainstream economy.

Key Features of the SBA 8(a) Program

The 8(a) program offers a range of benefits that are particularly advantageous for Indian tribes:

i. Sole-Source Contracts: One of the most significant benefits of the 8(a) program is the ability for participants to receive sole-source contracts. This means that federal agencies can award contracts directly to 8(a) businesses without the need for competitive bidding. This provision is crucial for Indian tribes as it provides a steady stream of revenue and opportunities for business growth.

ii. Business Development Assistance: The program offers comprehensive business development support, including mentoring, procurement assistance, business counseling, and training. These resources help Indian tribes to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to compete successfully in the federal marketplace.

iii. Access to Capital: The 8(a) program facilitates access to capital by providing loans and financial assistance to participating businesses. This support is vital for Indian tribes, which often face significant challenges in securing financing from traditional sources.

iv. Mentor-Protégé Program:

The 8(a) program includes a Mentor-Protégé Program that allows established businesses to mentor 8(a) participants. This relationship helps Indian tribes to gain insights, improve business practices, and build capacity for larger and more complex projects.

Economic Impact on Indian Tribes

Participation in the 8(a) program has a profound impact on the economic development of Indian tribes. The program helps to:

i. Create Jobs: By establishing successful businesses, Indian tribes can create employment opportunities for their members, reducing poverty and improving living standards.

ii. Generate Revenue: Tribal businesses participating in the 8(a) program can secure lucrative government contracts, which generate significant revenue for tribal communities. This revenue can be reinvested into community projects, infrastructure, education, and healthcare.

iii. Foster Self-Sufficiency: The economic benefits derived from the 8(a) program enable Indian tribes to move towards self-sufficiency, reducing dependence on federal assistance and promoting economic independence.

iv. Promote Cultural Preservation: Economic stability allows Indian tribes to invest in the preservation

of their cultural heritage, including language revitalization, traditional arts, and cultural events.

Success Stories

There are numerous success stories of Indian tribes that have leveraged the 8(a) program to achieve economic success. For example:

i. The Chugach Alaska Corporation: This corporation has successfully utilized the 8(a) program to grow into a multi-million dollar enterprise, providing a wide range of services from logistics to construction.

ii. The Navajo Nation: The Navajo Nation has established several 8(a) certified businesses that have secured substantial federal contracts, significantly boosting the tribe's economy.

Conclusion

The SBA 8(a) program is an invaluable tool for Indian tribes, offering opportunities for economic growth, self-sufficiency, and community development. By providing access to federal contracts, business development resources, and financial assistance, the 8(a) program helps to level the playing field for Indian tribes, enabling them to overcome historical challenges and build prosperous futures. The continued support and enhancement of this program are essential for the sustained economic development of Indian tribes across the U.S.



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- 4-10 pm: FREE Carnival Rides
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Saturday, July 6

- Noon: Crandon Fire Department Parade (Downtown Main Street)
- Noon-10 pm: FREE Carnival Rides
- 3 pm: Kids Games
- 4 pm: Truck Pulls / Burnout Competition - CASH PRIZES
- 7-11 pm: Live Music
- 10 pm: Crandon Fire Department Fireworks (Race Track)

SUNDAY, July 7

- Noon-5 pm: FREE Carnival Rides

JULY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 READY TO LEVEL UP? VISIT GUEST SERVICES FOR YOUR NEW CARD TODAY!	2 BLAZE	3 50 CLUB	4 FREE GIFT	5 <i>Summer Nights</i>	6 \$60K CASH EXPLOSION	
7 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	8 BLAZE	9 BLAZE	10 50 CLUB	11 <i>Fiesta Fever</i> WHEEL SPIN	12 <i>Summer Nights</i>	13 \$60K CASH EXPLOSION
14 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	15 BLAZE	16 BLAZE	17 50 CLUB	18 <i>Fiesta Fever</i> WHEEL SPIN	19 <i>Summer Nights</i>	20 \$60K CASH EXPLOSION
21 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	22 BLAZE	23 BLAZE	24 50 CLUB	25 LOVE & THEFT	26 UPTOWN FUNK	27 SON OF A GUN
28 BINGO's INTERMISSION DRAWINGS	29 BLAZE	30 BLAZE	31 50 CLUB	POTAWATOMI CARTER ALL-IN SUMMER SERIES \$20 DAY PASS DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M. LIVE MUSIC FOOD & DRINKS FUN CONTESTS		

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