RED CLIFF BAND



Miisaninawiind :: Abitaaniibini-giizis :: July 6-12, 2020



Boozhoo and welcome to the Miisaninawiind weekly newsletter!

The Miisaniinawind brings you important news, announcements and updates, designed specifically for the Red Cliff community. But that's not all. The weekly eNewsletter will also provide news about neighboring tribes, communities and broader issues across Indian Country that matter to you.

If you have photos, news or information you'd like to share, please email submissions to communications@redcliff-nsn.gov.

Check our Facebook page <u>HERE</u> and our website <u>HERE</u>. We are working on a new website and can't wait to share it with you!

Want to receive the newsletter each week? Sign up HERE.

Click HERE to view this email as a webpage instead.

Red Cliff News & Updates

COVID-19 Community Updates

Various Tribal programs, services, and events have been canceled or temporarily suspended in our efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19.

An up-to-date list can be found on the Tribal Facebook page, and is updated continuously throughout each day.

You can also find a series of video updates from the Red Cliff Health Division on the Tribal Facebook page.

RED CLIFF 2020 GENERAL ELECTIONS

TUESDAY JULY 7, 2020

POLLS OPEN 8 AM - 8 PM

LEGENDARY WATERS RESORT & CASINO

VICE-CHAIR CANDIDATES

AT-LARGE CANDIDATES SECRETARY CANDIDATES

LAURA J. GORDON

TROY D. GORDON

NATHAN W. GORDON JOSEPH D. MONTANO SR. BRYAN J. BAINBRIDGE CHRISTOPHER D. BOYD MERCIE A. GORDON CHRISTOPHER HICKS MICHAEL D. SOULIER JONATHAN R. GARY JOHANNA WILSON

PLEASE CONTACT SECRETARY@REDCLIFF-NSN.GOV WITH ANY QUESTIONS





COVID-19 Testing Results From June 11 Testing Event at Legendary Waters

At the June 11, 2020 testing event held at the Legendary waters parking lot, 352 total tests were taken. All returned tests were negative.

Red Cliff residents accounted for 205 of the tests taken.

Over 750 masks were given as part of the testing event.

Miigwech to Red Cliff employees and volunteers, the Bayfield County Health Department, and Wisconsin National Guard for contributing to a safe and successful testing event.

The Red Cliff Community Health Center continues to encourage all patients with acute viral symptoms (cough, congestion, sore throat, body aches, headaches and/or shortness of breath) to call ahead for an appointment and come to the clinic to get tested.

Please call the clinic with any questions at 715-779-3707.



Greg Biskakone Johnson & John Johnson Waawaashkeshii-wiiyaas Deer Preparation





RED CLIFF TRIBAL COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO INVITE RED CLIFF TRIBAL MEMBERS TO ATTEND

CARES ACT FUNDING COMMUNITY FORUM

Red Cliff Tribal Council will provide information regarding funding through the CARES Act in an executive session for community members only.

Social Distancing will be followed and masks are required. Masks will be provided as needed.

THURSDAY JULY 9, 2020 4:30 PM Legendary waters resort & casino

Red Cliff IAS Partners with Bayfield Students to Create Weather Station

From the Red Cliff Indigenous Arts and Sciences Program

This winter, a new project came together at Bayfield High School's Alternative Education class, taught by Rick Erickson and Tony Thier. One day, Alex Breslav (Red Cliff's Indigenous Arts and Sciences – IAS - Coordinator), who has been working with the class through the year, brought a stack of large cardboard boxes labeled "Davis Instruments." Inside those boxes was an unassembled weather station – the result of NOAA's SeaGrant that was awarded to Red Cliff's IAS program through the efforts of University of Wisconsin's Earth Partnership team and Chad Abel, administrator of Red Cliff's Treatv Natural Resources department.



The kids were impressed, and immediately set about figuring out how to put it together. All that Lego training was not for naught! However, along the way many questions had to be answered. How its unique design was supposed to fit together and function. How to make the station's radio signal reach the Wi-Fi connected receiver. How to install it in a level way while there is over a foot of snow on the ground. And last but not least, how to connect it to the world-wide Weather Underground network so that its data could be available to the public and the scientific community.



In the end, the class triumphed over the challenges, while learning many lessons about technology and meteorology along the way. The station now proudly stands on the grounds of Bayfield School, making it possible for students to engage in the climate monitoring of their watershed first hand – as well as enriching the local community and the world. It provides read-outs of temperature, humidity, wind direction and speed, wind gusts, dewpoint, precipitation rate and accumulation, atmospheric pressure, and even has a UV reading. It's possible to view the data as graph and tables, as well as view it historically.

Chi-migwech to all the students, teachers, and everyone else involved. This station is bound to serve the school, Red Cliff, Bayfield, and the world for years to come!



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Temperature	73.8 °F	56.1 °F	63.4 °F	Wind Speed	9.0 mph	0.0 mph	2.3 mph
Dew Point	57.0 °F	49.0 °F	52.6 °F	Wind Gust	10.0 mph	-	5.4 mph
Humidity	81 %	44 %	70 %	Wind Direction	-	-	NW
Precipitation	0.00 in			Pressure	29.82 in	29.78 in	

Graph Table



Here are the several ways to look up this station:

1. <u>Go to the Weather Underground website (www.weatherunderground.com</u>) and enter "Bayfield, WI" in the website's search bar. Next, to access detailed information of this station, click on the blue "Bayfield Station" wording that is seen in the top left of the screen.

2. Go to the Weather Underground website (<u>www.weatherunderground.com</u>) and enter "KWIBAYFI20" in the website's search bar. (<u>KWIBAYFI20</u> is the station's ID name.)

3. Directly type in the Weather Underground link to the station in your browser's search bar: https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/KWIBAYFI20

4. Download the free "Weather Underground" smartphone app and use the designation KWIBAYFI20 to look up the station.

5. Go to the WeatherLink web-page (<u>www.weatherlink.com</u>), register, and look up "Bayfield school."

6. Download the free "Davis WeatherLink" smartphone app (you will need to register), and look up "Bayfield school".

Council Meeting July 6

The Red Cliff Tribal Council will have its regularly scheduled meeting on July 6.

Community members are welcome to attend the Regular Session beginning at 4:30 PM at Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom.

Click <u>HERE</u> for the meeting agenda.

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Names New CEO *Former Red Cliff Chairman Bainbridge to head organization*

The Great Lakes Inter Tribal Council (GLITC) is pleased to announce Bryan Bainbridge as the organization's new Chief Executive Officer. Bainbridge, an enrolled tribal member of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, currently serves as an At-Large council member on the Red Cliff tribal council. Bainbridge brings years of administrative and business leadership experience to GLITC, having previously served as both chairman and vice chairman of his tribe, as well as an entrepreneurial perspective through the operation of his commercial fishing business.



In 2016, Bainbridge was awarded the prestigious 40 Under 40 Award from the Native American Center for Economic Development (NACED) for his work and leadership in bringing economic opportunities to American Indians in Wisconsin. Bainbridge looks to boost the morale and strengthen the integrity

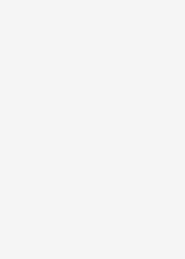
of the organization through empowerment of the department heads and staff. He also will focus on the true needs of all the tribal communities that GLITC represents so that they make the most positive of impacts on the ones they serve.

"I'm both humbled and grateful for the opportunity to lead such a great organization," said Bainbridge. "I look forward to helping GLITC continue its long history of providing resources and much needed services to tribal communities and tribal people across Wisconsin and a portion of Michigan." As a leader my focus is on the people, the most vulnerable and never on myself."

"It's great to see the GLITC organization move forward in a great positive direction for the tribal nations of Wisconsin," said Nathan Gordon, Red Cliff Vice-Chairman. "Bryan [Bainbridge] is a great fit and is passionate in helping others succeed and will do great in his new position as CEO of GLITC. Creating a team atmosphere is key in moving any organization forward and Mr. Bainbridge has great leadership, management and organizational skills that will help him in his new role." About GLITC

The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. (GLITC) is a consortium of federally recognized Indian tribes in Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The organization was chartered in 1965 as a nonprofit, non-stock corporation under Wisconsin law, and is recognized as a tax-exempt organization under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Originally founded in 1963 as the Wisconsin Tribal Chairman's Association, GLITC's purpose was to provide a means by which member tribes could unite against the threat of termination and act as a mechanism for tribes to work through the challenges of governance and services for their communities.

GLITC member tribes include: Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Ho-Chunk Nation, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Oneida Nation, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, Sokaogon Chippewa Community, and Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Organizational goals and objectives are established by our Board of Directors, which is composed of the tribal chairperson or president (or his/her delegate) of each member tribe. Each board member speaks for the interests of his or her tribe. The member tribes represent communities of five Indian Nations on 11 reservations, a combined American Indian population of 40,026 (US Census 2010), and a land base of about 500,000 acres spanning 31 counties.



BACK TO WORK

SAFETY KITS



CALL FOR YOUR SAFETY KIT

(715)779-3707 ASK FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

AVAILABLE TO ANYONE RETURNING TO WORK IN THE RED CLIFF/BAYFIELD AREA

THE RED CLIFF COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER IS WORKING TO KEEPING OUR COMMUITY SAFE AS THE BUSINESSES OPEN UP AND CALL OUR COMMUNITY BACK TO WORK

Masks







NO ELIGIBLITY REQUIREMENTS

Community Input Request



At the onset of the COVID-19 Health Pandemic, it was the primary goal of Health services to ensure the Emergency Medical Services be operating at its best to better the response time to any health emergencies. It has been identified that the two ambulances need to be replaced due to their age, condition and size. The new ambulances would be too large for the current ambulance bays and it's been determined not feasible to remodel the existing space.

Red Cliff has sought financial assistance through the CARES Act Indian Community Development Block Grant Imminent Threat to replace two ambulances and build a new EMS hall at the Health Services Campus in the amount of \$900,000. The new hall would provide training space, overflow exam space, emergency response headquarters, and an on-site isolation space.

Due to the Health Pandemic we are unable to host in-person gatherings and are seeking feedback via email to <u>planning@redcliff-nsn.gov</u> or by calling (715) 779-3700. The Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa appreciates your feedback on this project.



For the first time ever we are gearing a course just for youth ages 12-17! This course will develop valuable skills to build self-confidence and help better prepare for emergencies while babysitting or at home. The Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED course incorporates the latest science and teaches students to

recognize and care for a variety of first aid emergencies such as burns, cuts, scrapes, sudden illnesses, head, neck, back injuries, heat and cold emergencies and how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies to help victims of any age adults (about 12 years and older) and children (up to 12 years of age). Students who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED valid for two years.

REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL TO RÉSERVE A SPOT!

Family Human Services Advisory Board Openings

The Red Cliff Tribal Council is seeking two (2) individuals interested in serving on the Family and Human Services Advisory Board.

For further information please contact Rebecca Benton at 715-779-3706.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please pick up an application at the front desk of the administration building.

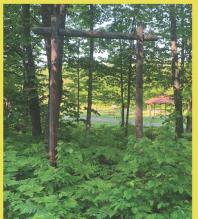
Please return your application to the receptionist at the administration building.

The deadline to return your application is July 15, 2020 at 4:00 PM.



Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians





The Ishpiming Akiin Ad Hoc Cemetery Committee is looking for an artist to design a sign that will be displayed at the entrance of the cemetery. The committee is asking for color designs. The approximate size of the sign will be 8x4 or 8x6.

Pictured: Sign holder at Ishpiming Akiin One entry per person Cemetery.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: July 10, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m. Please email entries to: Julie.Gordon@redcliff-nsn.gov



Any questions contact: Marvin Defoe, marvin.defoe@redcliff-nsn.gov or Edwina Buffalo, Edwina.Buffalo-Reyes@redcliff-nsn.gov

GLITC Job Opening Aging and Disability Services Director

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council is a non-profit organization formed by the Native American Tribes of Wisconsin. We serve all WI tribes by providing administration of grant-funded programs either directly or with sub grants. Programs serve a range of functions from Children to Elders. Our Mission is: To Enhance the quality of life for all Native People.

Aging and Disability Services Director

The Aging and Disability Services (ADS) Director will manage and direct the Tribal Aging and Disability Benefits Program and associated staff. This position will work in partnership with tribal health and human services agencies and Aging and Disability Resources Centers (ADRCs) in the tribes' service area to ensure that tribal members receive culturally appropriate information about ADRC services and are able to comfortably and effectively access long term care services.

This position assists tribes in researching and developing tribal capacity to provide multiple aging and disability programming. The ADS Director oversees, directs and supports assigned staff in individual and organizational advocacy, planning for new services, promotion of existing services and assurance of service quality. Daily attendance is an essential function of this position. Frequent travel is required to fulfill the duties of this job.

Compensation is set between \$60K - \$70K annually. Applications are due by July 10, 2020.

Click HERE to learn more about the position and to apply.

GLIFWC Job Opening Outreach Coordinator

This is a 1-year full time position that may be renewed with continued funding through the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission's (GLIFWC's) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grants.

GLIFWC is located on the Bad River Indian Reservation in Odanah, Wisconsin.

Under the direction of the Director of the Public Information Office, the Wildlife Section Leader, the Environmental Biologist and the Great Lakes Program Coordinator and the supervision of the Great Lakes Program Coordinator, the Outreach Coordinator will perform duties in a manner consistent with Commission policies and procedures.

Compensation is set between \$32,805 - \$36,564. Applications are due by August 7, 2020.

Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about the position and for details on how to apply.

Health & Wellness



Red Cliff Community Health Center

36745 Aiken Road, Bayfield, WI 54814 Phone: (715) 779-3707 Fax: (715) 779-3362

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Serious Adverse Health Events Associated with Methanol-based Hand Sanitizers

Summarv Summary Most commercially available alcohol-based hand sanitizers or rubs (ABHSR) contain either ethanol or isopropanol as active ingredients. On June 19, 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advised consumers not to use any hand sanitizer manufactured by "Eskibichem SA de CV" in Mexico, due to the potential presence of methanol, a "roxia alcohol", as an active ingredient, which can cause bildness and/or detait when absorbed through the skin or when swallowed. Since then, FDA has identified additional ABHSR products that contain methanol and is working with manufacturers and distributors on a voluntary recall of these products (https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safetyand-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitzers-methanol).

Hand hygiene is an important part of the response to the emergence of COVID-19 in the United States. Practicing hand hygiene, which includes using ABHSR, is a simple and effective way to decrease the spread of pathogens and infections. Commercially available ABHSR usually contain either ethanol or isopropanol. However, some ABHSR that were manufactured in Mexico (https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitzersmethanol) have been found to contain a significant amount of methanol. Repeated use of these products on the skin may result in methanol poisoning. However, the highest risk for methanol poisoning is by swallowing ABHSR products containing methanol.

Recommendations for the Public

- Seek immediate medical attention if you have swallowed alcohol-based hand sanitizer or rub or are 1. experiencing symptoms from repeated use of these products on your skin and contact your poison center (1-800-222-1222) for advice. Signs and symptoms include headache, blurred vision or blindness, nausea, vomiting, addominal pain, loss of coordination, and decreased alertness. Do not swallow any alcohol-based hand sanitizers or rubs. These chemicals are not intended for human
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- consumption and can lead to serious health issues, including death. Only use alcohol-based hand sanitizers or rubs for their intended purpose to clean hands. Keep alcohol-based hand sanitizers or rubs out of reach of children and supervise their use
 - Check your hand sanitizer products against the "FDA's testing and manufacturer's recalls" list (https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitzers-methanol). If your product is on this list, stop using the product and dispose of it immediately in appropriate hazardous waste
 - containers; do not flush or pour them down the drain.

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Bryon Daley Environmental Health Specialist Red Cliff Community Health Center 36745 Aiken Road Bayfield, WI 54814 (715) 779-3707 Ext 2228 bdaley@redcliffhealth.org





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Nooji Center Online Recovery Meetings

Monday-Nooji Back to Basics (of recovery) Group, 3:00PM

CLICK HERE

Meeting ID: 895 5518 5791 Password: 986872 By Phone: +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 895 5518 5791 Password: 986872

Tuesday-Nooji Alanon Group, 6:00PM

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Friday-Nooji Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:00PM

CLICK HERE Meeting ID:326 283 9434 Password: REDCLIFF By Phone: +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 326 283 9434 Password: 836811

Nooji Center Tour and Services Offered

Noojimo'iwewin Project Coordinator Cassie McCrow shows us the Nooji Center amenities and discusses the services available to the community.



Benefits are available for those interested in purchasing food at local farmers' markets.

Please note you must be a WIC participant to qualify.

For more information contact Heidi Livingston at 715-779-3707 ext. 2261 or Amaris Andrews-DePerry at 715-779-3707 ext. 2307







If you are interested in buying fresh fruits and vegetables at your local farmers' market, ask about receiving additional benefits.



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July WIC Pick up days

Monday July 6th, 13th Tuesday July 7th, or 14th

Please call Amaris 715-779-3707 ext. 2307 or Heidi 715-779-3707 ext. 2261



For other Health Center information or general questions call: 715-779-3707 or Email RCHealthCenter@redcliffhealth.org

Click HERE to visit the Red Cliff Community Health Center website

Family & Human Services

Food Boxes Available July 9

The Red Cliff Food Distribution Program in collaboration with the Hunger Relief Federation is providing a semi-truck with food boxes available to the community on *Thursday July 9, 2020 at*the Red Cliff Community Health Clinic parking lot (36745 Aiken Road). Please follow signs.

Supplies will be available around 9:00 AM or once the truck is unloaded.

There will be two different types of produce boxes, milk, and Spicy Frozen Chunk Chicken.

People will be limited to 4 items per household.

For more information call: 715-779-3740 Contact Community Health for delivery options: 715-779-3707

Various Family and Human Services offerings have unique guidelines and hours in response to COVID-19.

See the Notices section toward the top of this newsletter for more information. You can also call the Family Human Services Division at 715-779-3706.

Education



Indigenous Arts & Sciences Summer Youth Program: A four-day experience with youth from Bad River, Red Cliff, Ho-Chunk and LDF. In the morning, we will have online workshops with Tribal & UW-Madison instructors.

In the afternoons, youth will be on their own doing environmental and cultural activities. There will be incentives for each youth that joins and completes each day.

Any youth interested can sign up via email: alex.breslav@redcliff-nsn.gov



Summer Youth Program

Indigenous Arts and Sciences is going InterTribal and Online for summer 2020!

Join this four-day experience with youth from Red Cliff, Bad River, Lac du Flambeau and Ho-Chunk! Learning will be a combination of online and individual activities in your home and outdoors in your community.

This summer's lineup is **Healthy Water**, **Air**, **Land and People**, taught by Tribal and UW-Madison instructors.



Interested? Sign up today! Contact local partners for more info: Stephanie Julian (Bad River IAS): EducationDirector@badriver-nsn.gov Alex Breslav (Red Cliff IAS): Alex.Breslav@redcliff-nsn.gov Celeste Hockings (Lac du Flambeau IAS): chockings@dftribe.com Bethany Redbird (Ho-Chunk IAS): Bethany.Redbird@ho-chunk.com

Boys and Girls Club of Gitchigami

SAVE THE DATE!





Join Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Native Services team as they host their first ever Virtual Teen Summit. This 3-day conference will unite Native Club members across the Nation by providing a space for teens to be present and <u>BE THERE</u> for each other.

Clubs are the light that shines through the darkness for teens especially during this pandemic. Even though the world feels dark right now – the Club offers light, hope and opportunity still. To turn on and shine our light is to be present… and to <u>BE THERE</u>.



#NativeClubsTeenSummit2020



Registration for this free event will open June 19, 2020

www.naclubs.org/2020-virtual-teen-summit/

GREAT FUTURES START HERE.



Treaty Natural Resources

TNR Summer Ganawenjigaade Newsletter

The Treaty Natural Resources Department has released its Summer 2020 Ganawenjigaade newsletter.

Click <u>HERE</u> to view!





To ensure the public health and safety at the Red Cliff Transfer Station, please review the following:

- <u>ALL BAGS MUST BE TAGGED</u>. Tags can be purchased at
- the Tribal Administration, Peterson's Store, and Buffalo Bay Gas Station.
- If you are able, please dispose of <u>tagged bags</u> directly into the compactor. See red arrow in photo.
- If you are unable to throw <u>tagged bags</u>, please leave your <u>tagged bags</u> by the compactor. See red box outlining drop off area in photo.



Please contact 715-779-3650 or 715-779-0171, if there are any questions. Miigwech!

Red Cliff Environmental Department

Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority

RED CLIFF CHIPPEWA HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON

> Friday July 10 From 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM For Staff In-Service

Please plan accordingly. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Legendary Waters Resort & Casino

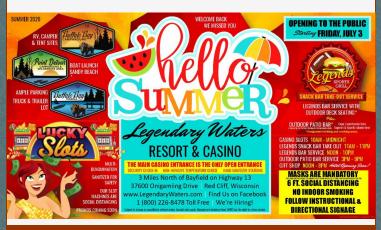
Legendary Waters in next phase of reopening Slot Floor and Patio Bar open, Snack Bar continues takeout

On Friday July 3, 2020 Legendary Waters Resort and Casino entered Phase 3 of its reopening plan and opened to the public. Masks are mandatory, and no smoking will be allowed indoors.

The Slot Floor is open with social distancing measures in place, and the Outdoor Patio Bar along with the Gift Shop are open for service with altered hours. The Snack Bar will continue to offer take-out service. The hotel will remain closed until further notice.

Patrons are asked to enter through the main casino entrance for a brief non-invasive temperature check and hand sanitizer stations.

Please contact Legendary Waters Resort & Casino with any questions at 800-226-8478, or visit their website at <u>www.legendarywaters.com</u>



News Across Indian Country

Companies Remove Indigenous Names and Images From Branding

FROM WPR By Hope Kirwan

As Black Lives Matter protests spark a national reckoning about racial justice, a Wisconsin business is finally ending the use of an Indigenous name over concerns about cultural appropriation.

Kickapoo Coffee announced last April that they planned to change their name after recognizing they were appropriating it from a tribal nation.

Founder TJ Semanchin said the company's plans for rebranding and marketing were set back by the COVID-19 pandemic, with employees working from home and delays for packaging printed in Asia.

But Semanchin said they decided to go forward with their new name, Wonderstate Coffee, in June after receiving pushback from the public.

"Our company was publicly offering solidarity and our voice of support for the Black Lives Matter movement. But in so doing, we were doing that while we still had the Kickapoo name. So we recognized the hypocrisy of that thanks to somewhat being called out," Semanchin said. "We decided that in this moment, with us trying to be a good ally to the Black Lives Matter movement, to be consistent with our voice of solidarity, where we could take action was to immediately do what we could to stop using the Kickapoo name, to stop the appropriation."

Wonderstate Coffee isn't alone in removing Indigenous names or images from their branding. An event venue in Madison formerly called the Winnebago also announced their new name, the Bur Oak, in June. When announcing the intent to change the name last October, the venue's owners published a letter saying they recognized the use of Winnebago furthered appropriation of Indigenous cultures.

On a national level, dairy company Land O'Lakes announced earlier this year that it was removing an image of an Indigenous woman from their logo as part of a rebranding effort.

Semanchin said he knew his business's decision would "stir the pot" in Viroqua and the Coulee Region, where many businesses use the name in reference to the Kickapoo River.

He said the change has also sparked local conversation, especially when his company hosted the chair of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma for a presentation last fall.

"Even more to the time we are in right now is those of us who are white business owners to really take a moment to reflect on listening to the issues that are being raised within the Black Lives Matter movement and with these protests and to look at where we are perpetuating harm," Semanchin said. "There's just a lot of awareness around this issue right now, of appropriation. So I invite anyone who might be in that position to just reflect on that."

Daniel Green, a lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, said he agrees the current Black Lives Matter movement has sparked wider conversations about racism and appropriation. And he hopes the awareness will bring about other changes, like removing antiquated or objectifying images of Native Americans used in logos, mascots and statues.

"It's opened up the talks again without the push from Native America, coming from another avenue. And so the timing is right," Green said.

Green said he thinks the name changes will have an impact on the business community, but one that will likely be short term.

"What interests me is that those two, Kickapoo Coffee and Winnebago ... on a continuum, are probably the lesser offensive and, for lack of a better word, causing harm out there. As opposed to the ones that may never change or are going to resist strongly: the Cleveland Indians, the Washington Redskins, etc.," Green said. "Those are the ones that will not change and the ones that need to change the most."

Green said it will take education and awareness beyond the current moment for people to change the way they view and treat Native Americans.

Task Force Created To Investigate Missing, Murdered Indigenous Women In Wisconsin

FROM WPR

By Danielle Kaeding

A task force has been formed to investigate missing and murdered tribal women in Wisconsin.

Attorney General Josh Kaul created the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) Task Force on Thursday to combat trafficking, abduction and murder of Native women statewide.

"Effectively addressing the problem of missing and murdered Indigenous women in Wisconsin will require law enforcement, tribal leaders, victim advocates, and others to work collaboratively to collect data and identify solutions," said Attorney General Kaul in a release.

The move comes after state lawmakers failed to pass legislation that would have created a task force to examine the issue. A bipartisan group of lawmakers introduced a bill in September, but the measure wasn't brought to the floor for a vote before the session ended.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice and tribal communities will examine issues that play a role in the disappearance or murder of Native women, as well as ways to improve data collection and reporting on the scope of the problem.

Addressing the MMIW crisis requires acknowledging that the crisis exists, understanding the deep"

and intricate roots underlying the crisis, providing justice to the missing and murdered and to protecting Native women and girls," said Shannon Holsey, president of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community and Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council in a statement.

The extent of the problem in Wisconsin and across the country is not well known due to gaps in reporting and data collection.

In 2016, the National Crime Information Center discovered 5,712 reports of missing American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls. The U.S. Department of Justice had logged only a fraction of those cases in its missing persons database.

A 2018 report found there have been at least six cases of missing and murdered tribal women and girls in Wisconsin, according to the Urban Indian Health Institute . The organization noted reports are likely an underestimate of actual cases. Research shows Native women are three times more likely to be murdered than white women.

Wisconsin State Park Group Camping For 50 People Or Less Starts July 13

From dnr.wi.gov

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will begin to allow group camping for groups of 50 or less with reservations on Monday, July 13. The DNR will also begin placing camp hosts at state park campgrounds, and firewood is now available at select state parks. Special park operation conditions remain in place to ensure the safety of staff and visitors.

Some changes campers and park visitors will experience beginning July 13 include:

- Group camping allowed at outdoor sites with a capacity of 50 people or less, with reservations.
 - Limited special events permitted with up to 50 people.
- Unreserved use of open-air shelters with capacity limits and provisions for social distancing.

RESERVATIONS

- Shelter, amphitheater and group camping reservations, as well as special events through July 12 will be canceled and refunded.
- Reservations for a longer stay at outdoor group camp sites with a capacity of 50 people or less that begin before July 13 and extend beyond July 13 will automatically be adjusted to begin July 13.
- Camping reservations are required before setting up camp and are accepted by phone (1-888-947-2757) and online only.
- Same-day camping reservations are available by phone (1-888-947-2757) and the online reservation system.
- Check-in is not necessary at the office or visitor station when coming to a property with an
 existing camping reservation. Please proceed directly to your campsite and begin setup.

RESPONSIBLE RECREATION

- Capacity limits remain in effect. Due to high demand, many properties will likely reach their
 pre-determined capacity limits. When this happens, properties will close until existing visitors
 leave.
- Open facilities like bathrooms and open-air shelters will have posted capacity limits.
- Properties will have provisions for social distancing such as picnic tables placed 6 feet apart in open air shelters.
- Indoor group camps remain closed at this time.
- Enclosed shelters and amphitheaters remain closed at this time.

The DNR urges state park and forest visitors to do their part when visiting DNR properties. Visitors are reminded to practice social distancing of 6 feet, refrain from congregating in large groups, travel only within your home communities and follow all existing state park rules and guidelines. Visitors are also encouraged to wear face coverings in situations where social distancing is difficult.

Most Wisconsin state parks, forests and other day-use areas do not have garbage or recycling bins. When visiting, please take your garbage and recyclables home with you. We all play a vital role in taking care of our natural resources. Following Leave No Trace principles helps protect the land for generations to come.

Fight the Bite! Ticks are out, and visitors should take precautions to prevent Lyme Disease.

The DNR continues to receive the most up-to-date information and will adjust operations as conditions change. We will also continue to monitor on-the-ground circumstances each day to determine additional conditions that may become necessary. Before visiting other properties, please check with individual properties regarding changes to property operations.

For specific information regarding COVID-19 we encourage the public to frequently monitor the DHS website for updates, and to follow @DHSWI on Facebook and Twitter, or dhs.wi on Instagram. Additional information can be found on the CDC website.



Community Updates

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