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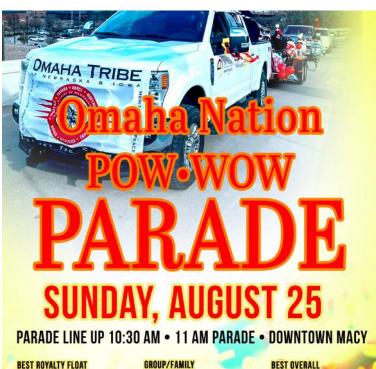
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HONORING OUR ELDERS

Greetings! Udoⁿ woⁿgithe that^hi te (It is good you are all here).

Umoⁿhoⁿ Niashiⁿga Oⁿmoⁿthiⁿoⁿ (We are Omaha People). We would like to personally welcome each of you to the 220th Annual Hede' wachi (Harvest Celebration). It is hosted every full moon in August. This is the time of year when the people come together to share blessings, cultural activities, featherings, dancing and singing in the Umoⁿhoⁿ way. The Umoⁿhoⁿ people came from the Ohio Valley. With them, they brought the Hethúshka also known as the Warrior Dance. A whip man who is like a headman dancer, and his tail dancers tell stories of successful buffalo hunts and acts of valor through dancing.

This year's theme is "Honoring Our Elders". The Umoⁿhoⁿ people have a deep respect for our elders because they taught us about these Umoⁿhoⁿ ways of life. For example, when the community has an event or doings, we are taught to bring our dish bundle. This is a great teaching because today the human population is expanding more than ever. When we bring our dish bundle to events, this alleviates unnecessary waste such a one-time use of paper plates, plastic cups/ bottles, etc. Dish bundles are safer for the environment and community as well as something our elders taught us.

The Umoⁿhoⁿ elders also taught us Hand game. Which is an event where the community plays a guessing game. The head singer brings his crew together to sing hand game songs while players take turns guessing what hand someone is hiding the bone. In between games the head singer sings round dance songs for everyone to come out and dance. First group to reach four wins the game. This is a Umoⁿhoⁿ culture event that is still played to this day.

We thank each of you for bringing you positive energy, thoughts and smiles by attending the 220th Annual Hede'wachi. When we have visitors from another land, it is believed that they bring blessings with them, for what we are honored to host your presence.

Ewi'tha'woⁿgithe (All my relations)





2024 COMMI



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2024 HEAD STAFF



WHIPMAN ERWIN MORRIS

Aho!! My name is Erwin Morris, an enrolled member of the UmoNhoN Nation. I come from the Inke'sabe (Black-Shoulder) clan. My UmoNhoN name is Utha'xadoNgthe. An old Buffalo Clan name. My parents are Leonard Springer Jr. and Sharon "Moose" Morris (Hallowell). I am a member of the UmoNhoN Hethushka Society and hold the position of our Iyékithé (Camp-Crier/Herald). I am currently employed with the Omaha Tribe Head Start/ Early Head Start as the Cultural teacher. I am honored to be selected to serve as this years 220th+ Annual UmoNhoN Hede'wachi Whipman. I welcome each and everyone of you, to our humble homelands. I pray you have a wonderful experience this wknd, and you return to your homes the way you have left them. "EwithéwoNgithé shéna égipé!": All my relations, that's all I have to say.

TAIL DANCERS







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Calvin Harlan

Calvin is an enrolled member of the Omaha Tribe that can trace his roots back to Yellowsmoke, the historic keeper of the Sacred Pole, Calvin is a fluent speaker of the Omaha language and is considered a prayer leader amongst the tribe.

Calvin has been employed with tribes across the country and currently serves on the Omaha Tribal Council.

His efforts are always centered on his people so that they may have a better future.

Mitch "Big Redd" Sheridan

Member of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, I reside in Walthill, NE with my wife MerryAnn Sheridan and my two youngest children, Matilda and Nicholas Sheridan. My parents are the late Lillian (Saunsoci) & Clyde Sheridan Jr. I'm a retired Fancy War Dancer and lifelong singer and composer. I now serve as the Chief for the Omaha Tia-Piah Society.



John Morris sr aka Johnny Mo is an enrolled member of the Omaha tribe, he belongs to the Honga clan. John is a member of the Native American Church but also a lifelong powwow singer. He has sang with many groups but his most memorable times have been with Eyabay and most recently he has started a group with his sons, nephews, grandsons and brothers, The Motown singers John is a proud father, husband, brother, uncle and grandfather.

He is honored to be asked to serve in this position for the people and thanks the committee, wholeheartedly.



Andre Saunsoci

Andre Saunsoci is an enrolled member of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska. His Umonhon Waxe Hebe name is Pasonthon Nonzhin (White Hair). Born to Frank Saunsoci and Alice Freemont Saunsoci. His paternal grandparents were Oliver Saunsoci, Sr. and Mae Blackbird Saunsoci and his maternal grandparents were Edward Freemont and Nellie Morris. Andre has been Cultural Enrichment Teacher for 20 years, as well as a Language and Culture Teacher for the Omaha Tribe, and an Adjunct Instructor for the Nebraska Indian Community College. He has spent 34 years in the powwow arena as a singer, traveling throughout Turtle Island. He began his Powwow MC career in 2017. This year will be his 6th year serving as MC for the Omaha Tribe's Hedewachi.



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HEAD STAFF



SR. MISS TAVEY SHERIDAN

Welcome my fellow relatives near and far. I would like to say Thank you for attending our 220th Annual UmoNhoN HEDEWACHI. My name is Tavey Sheridan. My Umohon' name is MoNshiNazhi meaning ' Standing Feather. I come from the Tha tada People (left of the HoNga). This is my Second title of Sr. Miss Omaha due to Covid-19. I am the daughter of Lorna Porter- Sheridan and Frederick Whitebear

Sr. I am a high school graduate of Omaha Nation School and I am currently employed at Carl T Curtis Nursing Home as a Certified Nursing Assistant/Medication aide. I will begin school at Haskell Indian University spring semester 2025. I would like to say Wiblaha to the Omaha Tribal Council, Powwow Committee, and the Omaha Community for all the support and encouraging words throughout my reign.



JR. MISS Lorien Grant

My mom and dad is Tyrissa MacCauley and Idell Grant Sr. I'm from Macy Nebraska. I'm the Jr.miss UMÓⁿHOⁿ Nation powwow princess. I go to UMÓⁿHOⁿ nation school, I love school, my favorite subjects are math and science. When I grow up I want to be a pediatric doctor for child care in Omaha Nebraska that's what I want to be when I grow up.

I like to play basketball and softball as well as other sports. I love to go to hand games and ground dances and also love our native American church. I been dancing since I was 3 years old, I dance jingle and traditional. My favorite powwow was going too gathering of nations in New Mexico it was so fun to attend! I love to travel with my friends and family to powwow's. Have a great time at our annual powwow.

Please travel home safely and God Bless you.

• HEAD JUDGES •

Jason "Boscoe" Sheridan Head Drum Judge



Neal Sheridan Jr. Co-Head Drum Judge



Lance Saunsoci Head Male Dance Judge



Tashina Red Hawk Head Female Dance Judge



220th Annual UmoNHor Hedewachi SCHEDUCE THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2024

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Thursday "Omaha Day" 6:00 am: Flag Raising 1:00 pm: Starting Song & Tail Dance Songs 1:30pm: General Dancing 2pm: Omaha Tribe & CTCHEC Employee's Song 6:00 pm: Elder Song 7:00 pm: Starting Song & Tail Dance Songs General Dancing Conclude for the day

220th Annual Umo^sHo^s Hedewachi AUGUST23

DAY SESSION

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6:00 am - Flag Raising 11:30am - 12pm - Gourd Daance 1:00 pm - Starting Song & Tail Dance Songs 1:30 pm - General Dancing 5:30-6:30 pm - Gourd Dance **EVENING SESSION * CONTEST POINTS START** 6:45 pm - Drum Roll Call 7:00 pm - Grand Entry 7:30 pm - Tail Dance Songs 8:00 pm - Tiny Tot's 8:30 pm - Johns Pott's 3rd Memorial Men's Traditional 9:00 pm - First Round All contest, Golden Age, Jr's, Teens, Sr. Adults, Jr Adults 10:15 pm - 1st Round Tribal Council Special Grass Dance 10:30 pm - Jr Miss Lorien Grant Special & Contest 11:00 pm - 1st Round Tribal Council Special Men's Traditional 11:15 pm - Close Out Exit Points. 12:00 am - Hand Drum Contest (Lucky 77 Casino Walthill, Ne)

220th Annual Umo[®]Ho[®] Hedewachi SCHOOLED SAURDA, AUGUST24, 2024

DAY SESSION

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6:00 am: Flag Raising - Clementine 11:30 am - 12:30pm: Gourd Dance

1:00 pm: Grand Entry Omaha Tail Dance Songs 1:45 pm: Tiny Tot's 2:00 pm: Jr's and Teens Contest 3:00 pm: Sr Miss & Jr Miss Dance Contest 3:30 pm: Sr. Miss Family Special & Contest 4:00 pm: Intertribal Singing 5:30-6:30 pm: Gourd Dance Supper Break

EVENING SESSION

6:45 pm: Drum Roll Call 7:00 pm: Grand Entry 7:30 pm: Tail Dance Songs 8:00 pm: Tiny Tot's 8:30 pm: 2nd Round Tribal Council Grass 9:00 pm: 2nd round All contest, Golden Age, Jr's, Teens, Sr. Adults, Jr Adults 10:30 pm: 2nd round Tribal Council Traditional 11:00 pm: John Pott's 4th Memorial Men's Traditional Special 11:15 pm: Veterans All Dance Categories 11:30 pm: Old Style Jingle vs **Contemporary** Jingle 12:00 am: Midnight Special Men's Ga'xe Special Conclude for the evening

220th Annual Umo^NHo^N Hedewachi SCHEDUCE SUDAL, AUGUST25, 2024

DAY SESSION

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6:00 am: Flag Raising Clyde Sheridan Jr. 10:30 am: Parade Lineup 11:00 am: Parade 11:30 am-1230pm: Gourd Dance 1:00 pm: Grand Entry 1:45 pm: Tiny Tot's 2:00 pm: All Adult Dance Categories Jr Adults and Sr Adults 3:00 pm: Orange Dress Special "Children Family Services" 4:00 pm: Whipman Erwin Morris Special 5:00 pm: Head Singer Special

EVENING SESSION

7:00 pm: Final Grand Entry
7:30 pm: Traveling Trophy
Men's Grass Special
8:00 pm: Traveling Trophy
Men's Traditional Special
8:30 pm: Clown Contest
9:00 pm: Announcing of Winners



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other dancers that are ready and prepared to dance. This includes head attire, bustles, ect.

You must be in FULL REGALIA to receive retreat points.

Please wear your dance number at all times to receive points. (No number, No points)

Rules may be subject to change at the hedewachi committee discretion.

All decisions are final.

Please be respectful of our Omaha Traditions, All dancers are to enter and exit the arena thru the EAST ENTRANCE at all times, and be aware of Arena Directions instructions.

Drum Contest Rules

Limit 10 Singers, 5 must remain at the drum at all times. (Unless excused) All drums need to be present at time of drum roll call 4 lead contest (4 pushups during inter-tribals) • 4 different leads Make sure drum beat on que. • Sing Appropriate Songs • Drum Area is clean at all times.

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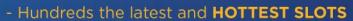




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