

# MOHICAN NEWS

*The people of the waters that are never still*

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## 2017 Indigenous Games



The "Odd Couple" lives on in Biggie-Smalls, as these two were jokingly called all week due to their inseparable nature and unique sizes. Brie Gauthier is 5'10" and Tynea Johnson is 5' and the two were seen everywhere together during the Indigenous Games.

By Aurora Arce – Summer Youth Reporter

During the week of July 15-23, over 5,000 athletes from all over Northern America gathered in Toronto, Ontario to compete in the 2017 Indigenous Games. Starting on Sunday, July 15, many athletes and family members crowded York University to take their seats for Opening Ceremony. The ceremony concluded of drummers welcoming guests, the entrance of athletes presenting their tribal flags, singing of both Canadian and American national anthems, a performance by Taboo of the Black Eyed Peas, introducing the meaning of Team 88, and many inspirational speeches from tribal leaders.

Team 88 is a call upon all levels of government to enforce long term indigenous athlete development and growth. By answering the call, the 2017 NAIG (Northern American Indigenous Games), created Team 88 to promote positive impacts on the participating youth. They hope to leave a legacy within indigenous communities for future generations.

Chief Stacey Laforme, of the Mississaugas of the New Credit

First Nation gave a very touching speech to the youth at the opening ceremony Sunday night. In his speech, he welcomed the athletes to Toronto also stating that "Surely the creator favors us today, this is the way our people should always be. Happy, proud, and ready for the future." He then went on to say that "We must remember that we don't have to change to fit into society, the world has to change to accept our uniqueness."

Chief Perry Bellegarde of the Assembly of First Nations National also gave a very motivating speech to all saying, "As indigenous peoples, and first nations peoples, we go across Canada. We have 634 first nations, 1.5 million people and we always say this. Canada just finished acknowledging a birthdate of 150 years, and a lot of us said "you know, we aren't really going to celebrate, but we will participate because we are going to acknowledge this thing", that in spite of 150 years of colonization, in spite of the genocide from residential schools, and in spite of the controlling Indian Act, we are still here as indigenous peoples! And it's you young men and

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## 2017 Mohican Strong: Summer Wellness Camp



Summer camp is a staple summer memory of many children. This year, new memories were made by 31 Stockbridge-Munsee youth, ages 5-13, at the Mohican Strong Summer Wellness Camp. This day camp was hosted by Whitney Schreiber, Stockbridge-Munsee Diabetes Nurse Educator, and Casey Rosenberg, Stockbridge-Munsee Dietician. They were assisted by the entire Community Health Department through presentations, cooking, cleaning, and supervising the youth. The many youth in attendance enjoyed the amenities of Annie's Campground in Gresham, Wisconsin, while also learning

about things that affect their health as Native Americans. Diabetes science activities taught the children about the amount of sugar they may be consuming and what that looks like in real life. The youth also played diabetes bingo and The Game of Life with Diabetes, made bracelets with various beads representing the food groups, and had a second-hand smoke demonstration. Each youth received a Mohican Strong t-shirt and had the opportunity to tie-dye it. The kids were able to try some new healthy meal and snack ideas, such as "ice cream sandwiches" made with frozen

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## More About Cancer

By Susan Savetwith  
Mohican News Reporter

The final phase of the three-part series of workshops, Cancer Clear and Simple, that offered meaningful information regarding cancer was recently held at the Eunice Stick Gathering Place. Again, this series workshops were put on with Stockbridge-Munsee's Health and Wellness Center's Community Health Department along with UW Carbone Cancer Center's Cancer Health Disparities Initiative (CHDI) and UW-Extension. Part three was conducted with Judy Heubel, Director of Community Health and Community Health Department Summer Interns, Kaitlin Weissappel and Erin Loughney. Part three was about early detection and screening.



Weissappel explained that early detection means cancer found in

its early stage before it has time to spread beyond the organ where it first started to grow. According

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## NOTICE - Building Use Policy

The Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council approved, on July 25, 2017 the Eunice Stick Gathering Place (a.k.a. SM Elderly Center)

Effective, October 1, 2017, there will be a charge of \$75.00 to hold your event at the Eunice Stick Gathering Place. This includes a deposit of \$25 to reserve the building and a user fee of \$50 to cover the cost of opening the center (electricity, water, gas). Please see detailed policy attached to this notice.

Please contact Kristy Malone, Manager or Nikki Bowman, Assistant Manager at (715) 793-4236 to reserve the building.

**POLICY:** It is the policy of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community that community members may rent the Eunice Stick Gathering Place as a space to hold events during times when the facility is not being used by the Tribe's Elderly Services program.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Eunice Stick Gathering Place is used appropriately by the community and there are appropriate measures in place to cover the cost of running the building after hours and to protect the condition of the Center. For any event, a person will be required to sign a Use Form and pay a user fee and deposit to ensure responsibility. Costs have been kept at an affordable amount so that community members can utilize the facility, but provide a

payment to help cover some of our costs.

**PAYMENT:** Persons who wish to rent the Eunice Stick Gathering Place are required to pay \$75.00 for the use of the building. A deposit portion (\$25) is refundable so long as the Center and its contents are left in good condition. The remainder (\$50) is the non-refundable fee for the use of the building. This payment may be made by cash or check payable to Stockbridge-Munsee Community. The refundable deposit will be returned following inspection after the event, so long as the building is in good condition. The Tribe reserves the right to keep the total deposit if the building is not cleaned after or is damaged by an event. In addition, the person can be held liable for costs to clean, repair or replace damaged items.

**PAPERWORK:** All persons who wish to receive permission to use the Eunice Stick Gathering Place are required to complete all paperwork, such as a use form, as required by the Tribe.

### STANDARDS FOR USE:

1. Reservations must be scheduled through the managers of the Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly Services. Requests to reserve the building are made by completing all required paperwork (such as the use form) please see attached and making required payments.



2. If possible, reservations must be made at least 2 weeks in advance of the requested date.
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7. The Tribe is not responsible for any private event, the actions or omissions of participants or for articles left behind, lost or stolen from the Eunice Stick Gathering Place.
8. People who violate any of the conditions of use will forfeit any deposit paid for the use of the facility and be barred from using the facility for a period of one (1) year.

If you have any questions please call SM Elderly Services at (715) 793-4236 for more information.

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### Mohican News

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## Headquarters General Store Notice:

Headquarters General Store LLC will be closed from Sunday, August 20 through Monday, August 28.

When Reopening on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, the new hours of operation will be:

Tuesday through Friday 7 am to 6 pm

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The store will be closed on Sundays and Mondays effective August 20, 2017

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Patricia Miller

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If you have any questions or want to find out more, please stop by the Education Building or call 715-793-4582 OR 715-793-3019. (**Editor's Note: Please see the flyer on page Twelve of this issue of the Mohican News.**)

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**Thursday, August 17, 2017 4:30-8:00**

### Menominee Casino Convention Center

#### What is Wisconsin Act 31?

Wisconsin Act 31 is a state law requiring all public school districts and pre-service teacher programs to provide instruction on the history, culture, and tribal sovereignty of the American Indian nations and tribal communities in the state of Wisconsin.

#### THIS EVENT IS FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

#### Agenda

4:30 Welcome by Legislator Myrna Warrington, WIEA Board Chairman Brian Jackson, and Wisconsin State Superintendent Dr. Tony Evers

5:15 Feast & WBGC Dance Perf.  
6:00 Act 31 & Honoring Alan Caldwell

6:30 Presentations: Gary Pyawasay, Early Childhood Services, Joey Awonohopay, Language Immersion Classroom, Lori Corn, Menominee Tribal School, Wendell Waukau, Menominee Indian School District, Maria Escalante, College of Menominee Nation  
8:00 Closing remarks & Traveling Song

If you are planning to attend, please contact Shannon Chapman at Menominee Tribal Education: 715.799.5110 or [smchapman@mitw.org](mailto:smchapman@mitw.org)

#### CORRECTION:

It has been brought to my attention that the Stockbridge-Munsee Community did not host the Little League Tournament on its own. The event was co-hosted with several games being played at Bowler and several at our field. I apologize for not covering the games played at Bowler.  
Jeff Vele, Mohican News Editor

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Speaker: Tanya Krueger Bay Bank

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to Weissappel, survival rates improve if cancer is found and treated early. She said the goal of early detection is to find and remove or destroy cancer before it grows and spreads. "This means finding the cancer before a patient starts to have pain or other symptoms," Weissappel explained. She said if cancer is found early, it can be treated more effectively and the patient has a better chance for a good outcome. Weissappel said there are a few basic things you can do to detect cancer early; do monthly self-exams, have recommended screening exams, and recognize warning signs and see your health care provider.

Heubel indicated that not every cancer can be detected at its earliest stage by a screening exam right now, but there are several screening exams and procedures developed for some of the most common cancers. She said when screening exams are done as recommended, cancer can often be found early before pain or symptoms occur and recommendations for screening exams are based on a person's age, risk factors and family history. "By having the proper screenings as recommended, you actively take care of your health, you feel a sense of relief, and are positive example for family and friends," Heubel said. Heubel indicated that many screening exams are covered by insurance or, if you don't have insurance, there are local programs and resources available. In addition, she said often there are low-cost and no-cost screenings available.

Loughney talked about cancer warning signs. She suggested using "CAUTION." C = Change in bowel or bladder habits, changes in bowel function include diarrhea, constipation, size of stool or blood in stool and bladder changes include having trouble urinating and urinating more often than usual; A = A sore throat that does not heal, this includes any open sore wounds or irritation of the skin anywhere on the body or sores that heal and then break down again. Cracks in and around the mouth which do not heal persistent white patches in the mouth; U = Unusual bleeding or discharge, unusual menstrual bleeding, any bleeding between menstrual periods, post-menopausal bleeding, blood or bleeding from the rectum or anus (may look black or red); T = Thickening, lump, or swelling in the breast or any other part of the body, persistence of swollen lumps or lymph nodes after several weeks; I = Indigestion or difficulty swallowing, any pain of difficulty in swallowing, a feeling of fullness or persistent nausea and vomiting;

O = Obvious change in a wart or mole, change in size, shape, thickness, or color of a mole or wart. Moles and freckles should not bleed or drain; N = Nagging cough or hoarseness, any new hoarseness or cough which does not go away or any change in a "smokers cough."

Heubel talked about the difficulty navigating what kinds of cancer screenings and when they should be done. She said informed decision making is the process of gathering information about your health and a specific health issues like cancer. "By gathering this information, you can make the best decision for you, this process can be broken down into small steps," Heubel explained.

Step one, define the health concern and the questions you have; for example, cancer. Questions could include; should I get screened for cancer?, what type of cancer screening(s) should I get?, and at what age should I get screened? Step two, gather information like your age, family history, diet, exercise habits, tobacco use, etc. "You can use the "CC&S Cancer Risk Factor Checklist" below:

**Cancer Risk Factor Checklist**

The following statements relate to the factors that can put you at an increased risk for cancer. To identify your risk factors, check any statements that are true for you.

- I consume fewer than two to two and a half cups of fruits and vegetables every day
- I eat a diet that is rich in red meat and high in fat overall.
- I eat a diet that is low in fiber overall.
- I am overweight or obese.
- I am physically active less than 30 minutes every day.
- I use tobacco (any form).
- I am exposed to tobacco smoke at work or at home.
- I drink more than one (women) or two (men) alcoholic beverages per day.
- I rarely use sunscreen.
- I am frequently exposed to sunlight and get tan whenever possible.
- I go to tanning salons or use a tanning lamp.
- I have been exposed to the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV).

I have a family history of cancer. In addition, gather information about the type of cancer, the type of cancer screening test available and the risks and benefits of cancer screening. Step three, talk to your doctor about the information you gathered. Your doctor will be familiar with current screening guidelines. Ask your doctor any questions you still have. You can use the "Questions to Ask Your Doctor" which will follow the information on each type

of screening test covered as we list them below. Step four, make a decision when you're ready. If you still need time to decide after talking to your doctor, share this with them. If you need more information or still have questions, follow-up with your doctor. You may decide that you want your doctor to make the decision for you. It is okay to let your doctor know this, too. Step 5, schedule your screening. When you've made your decision, share this information with your provider, who will be able to assist in scheduling a screening.

To find out about insurance coverage for various cancer screenings Heubel explained that Health Care Law requires all health insurance plans to cover essential benefits including cancer screening, treatment and follow-up care. She said it is important to call note that if a screening test results in a biopsy or removal of an abnormal growth, the procedure can be considered diagnostic and you may have to pay coinsurance or a copayment. "To find out what screenings are covered, you should contact your health insurance provider; they will be able to tell where to go to get cancer screenings and will also be able to tell you if you need a referral from your primary care doctor," Heubel said. She indicated the phone number for the benefits department can usually be found on the back of your health insurance card.

Some of the most common cancer screenings are; skin, colorectal, prostate, testicular, breast, and cervical.

Heubel talked about skin cancer. She indicated it is a cancer that forms in the tissues of the skin and said there are several types of skin cancer, including: basal cell, squamous cell and melanoma. Heubel indicated skin cancers vary in severity from the relatively minor basal cell to the potentially fatal melanoma. She said it is the most common cancer in the United States and the main cause is ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. She said there are two types of harmful UV radiation, UV-A, and UV-B.

To protect skin from the sun's harmful rays, protective clothing, hats, sunglasses and sunscreen with an SPF (sun protection factor) of at least 30 should be used. "Sunscreen and eyewear should block out both UV-A and UV-B radiation and the use of tanning booths is not recommended," Heubel said.

When it comes to your health and skin cancer, it's a good idea to be proactive and keep an eye out for

suspicious abnormal or changing moles. For concerns about a mole use the ABCDE method regularly to help decide if it needs to be checked by a health provider. If you can answer yes to the following questions, have the mole checked by a provider: A = asymmetry, does the mole look different on either side?; B = border, is the border jagged or uneven?; C = color, are there varied colors in the same mole?; D = diameter, is the mole larger than a pencil's eraser?; and E = evolution, has the mole been changing in any way?

Colorectal cancer means cancer of the colon or cancer of the rectum. The colon, also called the large intestine, removes water and nutrients from partially digested food and the rectum is the lowest end of the colon. The colon and rectum act as the body's trash compactor. There are NO early warning signs for colorectal cancer. However, late signs in the cancer's development may include a change in bowel habits, change in the shape of stool, blood in the stool or a constant feeling like you have to go to the bathroom. Screening for colorectal cancer is important because polyps can be found and removed before they become cancerous, or if there is already cancer, it can be found early when it can be best treated. Screenings for colorectal cancer can include: fecal occult blood testing (FOBT or fecal immunochemical test (FIT) every year, or sigmoidoscopy every five years, or colonoscopy every ten years to examine the entire colon.

Men's cancer concerns include prostate cancer and testicular cancer. The prostate is a gland that surrounds the neck of the bladder and the urethra. The urethra is a tube that carries urine from the bladder to the outside. The prostate gland adds fluid to sperm. A man of any age should tell his health care provider if he has any of the following symptoms: trouble urinating, blood in the urine stream, or weaker stream when urinating. These symptoms may be caused by something other than cancer. The only way to know what the cause may be is by talking to your healthcare provider. A man's risk of developing prostate cancer increases with age. Just being a man and getting older are the two biggest risk factors for development of prostate cancer. There are two main tests for prostate cancer a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test and a digital rectal exam (DRE). PSA is elevated in men who may have prostate cancer, an enlarged prostate, or an infection in the prostate. A DRE is done to feel for abnormal lumps in the prostate.

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**Camp cont from page One:**  
yogurt and graham crackers.

Mrs. Schreiber commented, "The goal of the camp was heavily focused on diabetes prevention. We wanted to get the kids learning about diabetes and what they can do to prevent or delay the disease. We also wanted to stress to the youth that health/wellness includes not only taking care of our body physically, but our mind and spirit too, so we brought in speakers from other departments at the Health Center too. We know that children can be the catalyst for change in their family, so our ultimate goal was to show the kids

ways they can encourage their whole family be healthy."

The Community Health Department would like to thank Annie's Campground, Dr. Todd Herpy and Jessica Lipke from SMHWC dental department, LaiLonnie Kosowski and Monique Tyndall from the After School Program, Jeff Langlois from Behavioral Health, Erin Loughney and Katie Weissappel-Community Health Interns, and Brock Schreiber (volunteer/group fitness instructor) for their hospitality, time, and sharing of their individual expertise, rounding out the wellness experience for our youth.



Fall is a special time in the Northwoods of Wisconsin, when the trees are alive with red, orange and gold. Nature puts on this beautiful display as a symbol of appreciation for the generosity of our spirits and our labor.

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**Bruce J. Davids**

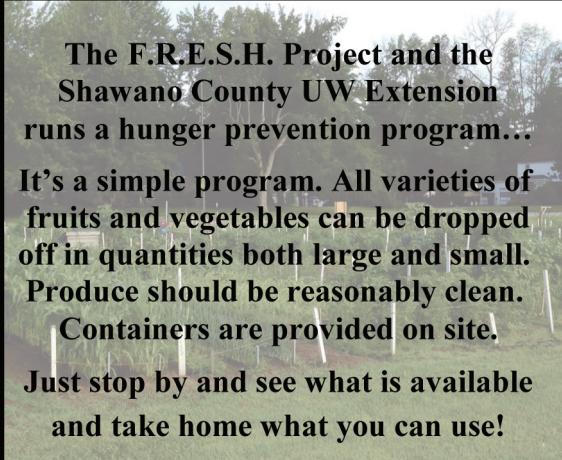
was a member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe and attended Lutheran Church of the Wilderness. Bruce is survived by: his wife, Joann; children, Kenneth (Kathy), Susan, Karrie (Jeff), Elmer (Jenny), Greg (Linda), Carrie (Gary) and Robb; grandchildren, Erin, Aimee, Katelyn, Ethan, Jordan, Matt, Mike, Casey, Kendal, April and Isabella; great-grandchildren, Aaron, Johnny, Riley, Shyanne, Hudson and Vivian; and siblings, Marion (Robert), Elmer (Donna) and Corrine. Bruce is further survived by Glenda Sue, as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and six brothers and sisters, Bernice, Margaret, Dorothy, Lois, Glenn and David.

Funeral services were on Friday, August 11, 2017 at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness. Burial is in the Stockbridge Burial Grounds. Visitation was held at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham on Thursday, August 10, 2017 and again at the church on Friday until the time of the service.

Bruce is remembered for his love of painting, ragtime piano playing, excellence as a golfer and long, I o n g... looooong stories.  
[www.swedbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.swedbergfuneralhome.com)

## SHARE THE BOUNTY



Following are the sites for Shawano County:

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9 – 11:30 am, Mon.-Fri.

**Goodwill** – 300 Lakeland Road  
9 am to 9 pm, Mon.-Sat.  
9 am to 7 pm – Sun.

**Culligan of Shawano**  
430 S Main Street  
8 am to 5 pm, Mon.-Fri.

**Cecil**  
St. Martin's Catholic Church  
407 S Worthington Avenue  
Drop off 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 9 – 1 pm  
Pickup 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 1 – 4 pm

**Keshena**  
St. Michael's Catholic Church  
N816 Highway 47/55  
Drop off is 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday – 11 am to 1 pm  
and  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 11 am to 2 pm  
Pick up is 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 1 – 3 pm

**Bonduel**  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
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Drop off 2<sup>nd</sup> M.T.W. 8 – 3 am at Church Office  
Pickup 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month, 4 – 6 pm

**Wittenberg** Community Center  
208 W. Vinal Street  
Drop off and pick-up is  
Monday—Thursday  
From 9 to 5 or when center is open

**Bowler**  
Mohican Family Center  
Camp 14 Road  
Drop off and Pick up from 10 am to 4 pm

## 2017 Stockbridge-Munsee Summer Youth

By Kayla Pecore - Summer Youth Reporter and Tashina Williams

Each summer the Stockbridge-Munsee Education Department facilitates a program called Summer Youth. Summer Youth is a short-term program that includes skill-building workshops and work experience within tribal department for tribally enrolled and direct descendants ages 14-18.



### Aurora Arce

Aurora worked with Susan Savetwith as a youth worker at the Mohican News for the summer. Aurora said, "I picked this job because I thought that I could benefit by improving my writing skills." She is the daughter of Angel Miller.



### Maquaw Brisk

Maquaw worked with Melanie Miller at the Stockbridge-Munsee Dental department. He is the son of Michelle Miller and Awaseah Brisk.



### Liani Coon

Liani worked with Melissa Penass in the Human Resource department. She learned organizational filing and data entry. She is the daughter of Amanda Bowman.



### Dayon Doxtator

Dayon worked under Monique Tyndall with the After School Program. Job skills she learned include responsibility, time management, and communication skills. "I get to do something new every day, and not constantly doing the same thing." She picked this job because she likes to work with kids. "Yeah, I would pick this job again because it's fun, and I really enjoy it!" She is the daughter of Anthony Doxtator Sr. and Serenna Webster.



### Jade Espinoza

Jade worked with Melissa Penass in the Human Resource department. Jade learned how to organize, file, and enter data into the computer. She enjoyed the role, "I went in not really knowing what HR did, so I learned a lot." She is the daughter of Dawn Espinoza.



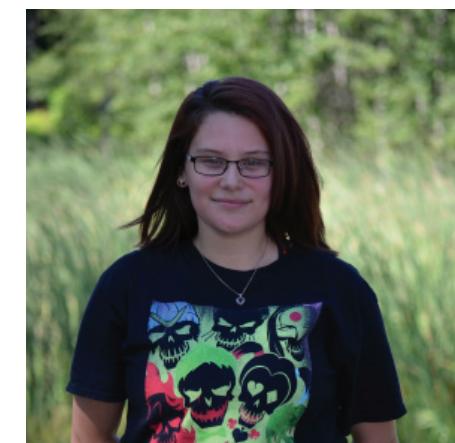
### Joe Espinoza

Joe worked with Joe Miller at the Mohican Family Center this summer. Joe helped with the garden saying, "I liked that it was different every day." He is the son of Dawn Espinoza.



### Evan Fox

Evan worked with Lai Lonnie Kosowski for the After School Program. He said that he learned responsibility from this job. "I like this job because I get to go places and help out." He picked the After School Program because he gets to work with the younger children and mentioned that he'd probably do the job again but would like to explore other options as well. He is the son of Jamie and Jason Rosario.



### Natalee Gardner

Natalie worked within three youth positions this summer. Her supervisor was Diane Burr, with whom she worked with at the SMHWC to learn about the role of a Community Health Representative. She also spent time working in the MFC garden learning from the Agriculture Agent. Finally, she spent some time at the Education Department learning about the Resource Room Specialist role. She enjoyed the various job experiences, mostly because, as she stated, "I got to help the people in my community." Natalee's parents are Dawn Jacobs and Edgar "Mort" Gardner, Jr.



### Tatum Kallies

Tatum worked at the Mohican Family Center with Lai Lonnie Kosowski for the After School Program at the Mohican Family Center. "I like doing activities with the kids." She is the daughter of Donald Kallies and Megan Zelten.



### Cassandra Komanekin

Cassandra spent her summer working under Nikki Moede at the Elderly Center. She had chosen to work at the Elderly Center specifically to communicate with the elders about historical events, things that have happened in their lives in the past, and learn from their stories. Cassandra is the daughter of Carol and Jeremy Komanekin.



### LeeAllen Malone

LeeAllen worked with Bob Vele at the Mohican Housing Authority. LeeAllen is the son of Crystal Malone.



### Wekah Malone

Aweh'La paew (Wekah) worked under Joe Miller at the MFC Garden. "I like that I get to spend time outside on sunny days and help the MFC look good inside and out." He is the son of Jayci Malone.



### Todd Otradovec, Jr.

Todd's summer youth job was at the Mohican Housing Authority under Bob Vele in the maintenance department. "I did [this job] the past two or three years and I really liked it a lot," he said. Todd is the son of SoHappy Davids and Todd Otradovec, Sr.



### Alexandria Vele

Alexandria worked with Lloyd Young at Pine Hills. Alexandria learned job skills such as working with people and how to effectively communicate with others. She said, "I liked how [this job] made me go outside my comfort zone and try new things." She is the daughter of Scott Vele and Rebecca Hack.



### Heavyn Williams

Heavyn worked with Nathalee Kristiansen at the Museum/Library. She said that the biggest thing that she learned was about the filling and digitalization of books and documents that take place there. She enjoyed her job very much, "It was interesting to look on the people files and learn about the elders." She was able to help by change mannequins, helping with scanning, and other office tasks. Heavyn is the daughter of Regina and Guy Williams.



### Isley Welch

Isley spent his summer working under Bill Terrio at the Ella Besaw Cetner. "I got to learn the essentials, and a little of the elderly's back stories," he said. He said that he would definitely do the job again because of the great time he had getting to know the elders. Isley is the son of Martin and Casey Welch.



### Kayla J. Pecore

Kayla worked with Susan Savethwith for the Mohican News. "I've learned how to use new and different programs that I never really knew about." She is the daughter of Clifton Pecore.



### Kayla Vetter

Kayla worked under Lloyd Young at Pine Hills this summer. She got to work in both the clubhouse and on the green. Kayla said that she learned problem-solving skills. She chose the job because it seemed fun. She is the daughter of Kim and Jodi Vetter.



### Ramsey Price

Ramsey spent his summer working with Family Services under Monique Tyndall. When asked about the main thing he learned he said, "Be responsible. Be respectful." He is the son of Steve and Kori Price.



### Jani Webster

Jani worked with Kori Price in the After School Program. She learned how to keep a positive attitude, problem-solving skills, and self-confidence. "I like this job because I get to be on my feet and not just sitting around all day." Jani picked this job to learn more about culture, and life skills. "I would do this job again because it's fun and a great learning experience." She is the daughter of Nikole and Nathan Webster.



### Lane Schultz

Lane worked with Kelli Malone in Mohican Insurance for the summer. "I like learning new things and meeting new people." He is the son of Rolanda Bierman and Danny Shultz.

### Games cont from page One:

women, and your children and your grandchildren, who are going to rewrite the next story over the next 150 years, and it's going to be bright, and you are going to do it in a great way!" The athletes stayed amongst several college campuses and were provided with a breakfast, lunch, and dinner each day. Throughout the days, students walked the campuses, made new friends, went sightseeing, spent time bonding with their teammates and coaches, and had fun competing against other Native American teams.

Each sports team from Team Wisconsin was comprised of athletes from all over the state. They then joined together to compete against other states from Northern America. Once a month they would meet in a central location in Wisconsin to practice for the upcoming games. It was very special for the athletes to place and win either gold, silver, or bronze being that the players had little experience playing with each other.

Jamie Loudbear Wayka and her husband Gerald "Pappy" Wayka, Jr. traveled to the games. Jamie said, "Pappy and I really enjoyed ourselves this week at 2017 Indigenous Games. We loved watching Team Wisconsin play. I must say that the athletes and coaches conducted themselves with honor and should be commended on their effort. I saw so many happy faces on our youth. It was such a positive experience for them. Congrats athletes and coaches!"

Over all, Team Wisconsin and athletes from the Stockbridge-Munsee bid their farewells and final congratulations to each other and went their separate ways (Jeff Vele contributed to this article).

Munsee Tribe did very well. Sienna Stevens competed in long jump for the track and field event held Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, at the York University track. Kamille Davids and her softball team brought home bronze metals after their win against British Columbia with the score resulting in 3-2. This game was also held on Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, at Turner Park near McMaster University. Belasaire Vele and his basketball team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> on Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, also bringing home bronze metals with a score of 58-40 against Alberta. Odesa Arce and her basketball team fished the game against British Columbia, on Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, with a score of 54-31, bringing home gold metals. Congratulations to all of the athletes for your athletic achievements!

Athletes from the Stockbridge Munsee Tribe also received a donation from the Tribal Council to contribute to the cost of their travel. In exchange for the donation, athletes will be required to volunteer four hours of their time at the powwow in August.

Team Wisconsin made a stop in Oneida to drop off members from the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin and then made a final stop at the Menominee Indian High School to drop off the remaining team members. The Menominee Tribe made the return home a grand affair by providing a cavalcade of police, fire, and other public vehicles to escort the team into and through Keshena as people lined the streets to cheer the team and welcome them home. There the Wisconsin team members from Menominee and several from the surrounding area, including Stockbridge-Munsee bid their farewells and final congratulations to each other and went their separate ways (Jeff Vele contributed to this article).

# 2017 NAIG Opening Ceremony



Tribal Cheifs from the Ontario Area

Belasaire Vele & Kamille Davids bringing in our Tribal Flag

Menominee Flag

Potowatomi Flag



NAIG Dancer

Mary Nahwegahbow  
National Anthem

Taboo of the Black Eyed Peas & Dancers

Team Wisconsin  
athlete bringing in  
Wisconsin Sign

Tyne Johnson



Taboo of the Black Eyed Peas & Dancers

Athletes from Oneida, Ho-Chunk, & Menominee

Team Wisconsin athletes presenting their Tribal Flags



Team Wisconsin

Team Wisconsin  
Celebrating

Sienna Stevens

John Miller

Team Wisconsin



Sienna Stevens, Kamille Davids, Shane Dixon, Crimsen Powless, Nathan Frechette, & Jacob Kakkak

NAIG Drummers

Glen Fowler & Justice Paiser

Sienna Stevens & Kamille Davids

# Welcome Home Team Wisconsin!



Taylyn & Jameson Paiser



Athletes wave as they pass by



Fire trucks escorting athletes



Athletes enjoy the welcoming



Busses were escorted by Fire Dept



Justice Paiser & family



Way to go Wisconsin!



Tyne & Jerolyn Johnson



Athletes greet family



Exciting homecoming



Family members of Team Wisconsin athletes



Riley Mohawk



Family welcoming athletes home



Roxanne Mohawk



Sienna Stevens



Kamille Davids



Tyne was emotional leaving her  
newly made friends



Justice & Chad Paiser

**Cancer cont from page One:**

to Weissappel, survival rates improve if cancer is found and treated early. She said the goal of early detection is to find and remove or destroy cancer before it grows and spreads. "This means finding the cancer before a patient starts to have pain or other symptoms," Weissappel explained. She said if cancer is found early, it can be treated more effectively and the patient has a better chance for a good outcome. Weissappel said there are a few basic things you can do to detect cancer early; do monthly self-exams, have recommended screening exams, and recognize warning signs and see your health care provider.

Heubel indicated that not every cancer can be detected at its earliest stage by a screening exam right now, but there are several screening exams and procedures developed for some of the most common cancers. She said when screening exams are done as recommended, cancer can often be found early before pain or symptoms occur and recommendations for screening exams are based on a person's age, risk factors and family history. "By having the proper screenings as recommended, you actively take care of your health, you feel a sense of relief, and are positive example for family and friends," Heubel said. Heubel indicated that many screening exams are covered by insurance or, if you don't have insurance, there are local programs and resources available. In addition, she said often there are low-cost and no-cost screenings available.

Loughney talked about cancer warning signs. She suggested using "CAUTION." C = Change in bowel or bladder habits, changes in bowel function include diarrhea, constipation, size of stool or blood in stool and bladder changes include having trouble urinating and urinating more often than usual; A = A sore throat that does not heal, this includes any open sore wounds or irritation of the skin anywhere on the body or sores that heal and then break down again. Cracks in and around the mouth which do not heal persistent white patches in the mouth; U = Unusual bleeding or discharge, unusual menstrual bleeding, any bleeding between menstrual periods, post-menopausal bleeding, blood or bleeding from the rectum or anus (may look black or red); T = Thickening, lump, or swelling in the breast or any other part of the body, persistence of swollen lumps or lymph nodes after several weeks; I = Indigestion or difficulty swallowing, any pain of difficulty in swallowing, a feeling of fullness or persistent nausea and vomiting;

O = Obvious change in a wart or mole, change in size, shape, thickness, or color of a mole or wart. Moles and freckles should not bleed or drain; N = Nagging cough or hoarseness, any new hoarseness or cough which does not go away or any change in a "smokers cough."

Heubel talked about the difficulty navigating what kinds of cancer screenings and when they should be done. She said informed decision making is the process of gathering information about your health and a specific health issues like cancer. "By gathering this information, you can make the best decision for you, this process can be broken down into small steps," Heubel explained.

Step one, define the health concern and the questions you have; for example, cancer. Questions could include; should I get screened for cancer?, what type of cancer screening(s) should I get?, and at what age should I get screened? Step two, gather information like your age, family history, diet, exercise habits, tobacco use, etc. "You can use the "CC&S Cancer Risk Factor Checklist" below:

**Cancer Risk Factor Checklist**

The following statements relate to the factors that can put you at an increased risk for cancer. To identify your risk factors, check any statements that are true for you.

- I consume fewer than two to two and a half cups of fruits and vegetables every day
- I eat a diet that is rich in red meat and high in fat overall.
- I eat a diet that is low in fiber overall.
- I am overweight or obese.
- I am physically active less than 30 minutes every day.
- I use tobacco (any form).
- I am exposed to tobacco smoke at work or at home.
- I drink more than one (women) or two (men) alcoholic beverages per day.
- I rarely use sunscreen.
- I am frequently exposed to sunlight and get tan whenever possible.
- I go to tanning salons or use a tanning lamp.
- I have been exposed to the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV).

I have a family history of cancer. In addition, gather information about the type of cancer, the type of cancer screening test available and the risks and benefits of cancer screening. Step three, talk to your doctor about the information you gathered. Your doctor will be familiar with current screening guidelines. Ask your doctor any questions you still have. You can use the "Questions to Ask Your Doctor" which will follow the information on each type

of screening test covered as we list them below. Step four, make a decision when you're ready. If you still need time to decide after talking to your doctor, share this with them. If you need more information or still have questions, follow-up with your doctor. You may decide that you want your doctor to make the decision for you. It is okay to let your doctor know this, too. Step 5, schedule your screening. When you've made your decision, share this information with your provider, who will be able to assist in scheduling a screening.

To find out about insurance coverage for various cancer screenings Heubel explained that Health Care Law requires all health insurance plans to cover essential benefits including cancer screening, treatment and follow-up care. She said it is important to call note that if a screening test results in a biopsy or removal of an abnormal growth, the procedure can be considered diagnostic and you may have to pay coinsurance or a copayment. "To find out what screenings are covered, you should contact your health insurance provider; they will be able to tell where to go to get cancer screenings and will also be able to tell you if you need a referral from your primary care doctor," Heubel said. She indicated the phone number for the benefits department can usually be found on the back of your health insurance card.

Some of the most common cancer screenings are; skin, colorectal, prostate, testicular, breast, and cervical.

Heubel talked about skin cancer. She indicated it is a cancer that forms in the tissues of the skin and said there are several types of skin cancer, including: basal cell, squamous cell and melanoma. Heubel indicated skin cancers vary in severity from the relatively minor basal cell to the potentially fatal melanoma. She said it is the most common cancer in the United States and the main cause is ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. She said there are two types of harmful UV radiation, UV-A, and UV-B.

To protect skin from the sun's harmful rays, protective clothing, hats, sunglasses and sunscreen with an SPF (sun protection factor) of at least 30 should be used. "Sunscreen and eyewear should block out both UV-A and UV-B radiation and the use of tanning booths is not recommended," Heubel said.

When it comes to your health and skin cancer, it's a good idea to be proactive and keep an eye out for

suspicious abnormal or changing moles. For concerns about a mole use the ABCDE method regularly to help decide if it needs to be checked by a health provider. If you can answer yes to the following questions, have the mole checked by a provider: A = asymmetry, does the mole look different on either side?; B = border, is the border jagged or uneven?; C = color, are there varied colors in the same mole?; D = diameter, is the mole larger than a pencil's eraser?; and E = evolution, has the mole been changing in any way?

Colorectal cancer means cancer of the colon or cancer of the rectum. The colon, also called the large intestine, removes water and nutrients from partially digested food and the rectum is the lowest end of the colon. The colon and rectum act as the body's trash compactor. There are NO early warning signs for colorectal cancer. However, late signs in the cancer's development may include a change in bowel habits, change in the shape of stool, blood in the stool or a constant feeling like you have to go to the bathroom. Screening for colorectal cancer is important because polyps can be found and removed before they become cancerous, or if there is already cancer, it can be found early when it can be best treated. Screenings for colorectal cancer can include: fecal occult blood testing (FOBT or fecal immunochemical test (FIT) every year, or sigmoidoscopy every five years, or colonoscopy every ten years to examine the entire colon.

Men's cancer concerns include prostate cancer and testicular cancer. The prostate is a gland that surrounds the neck of the bladder and the urethra. The urethra is a tube that carries urine from the bladder to the outside. The prostate gland adds fluid to sperm. A man of any age should tell his health care provider if he has any of the following symptoms: trouble urinating, blood in the urine stream, or weaker stream when urinating. These symptoms may be caused by something other than cancer. The only way to know what the cause may be is by talking to your healthcare provider. A man's risk of developing prostate cancer increases with age. Just being a man and getting older are the two biggest risk factors for development of prostate cancer. There are two main tests for prostate cancer a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test and a digital rectal exam (DRE). PSA is elevated in men who may have prostate cancer, an enlarged prostate, or an infection in the prostate. A DRE is done to feel for abnormal lumps in the prostate.

**Cancer cont on page Eleven:**

# Breastfeeding It's only natural

More and more moms  
are breastfeeding...



**77%**  
of all babies born  
in 2010<sup>1</sup> were **ever**  
**breastfed**—up from  
70% in 2000<sup>2</sup>



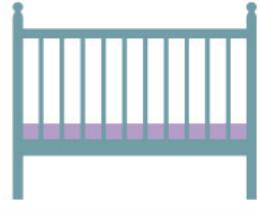
of  
**African-American**  
babies born in  
2010<sup>1</sup> were  
**ever breastfed**—  
up from 47% in 2000<sup>2</sup>



**49%**  
of all babies born in 2010<sup>1</sup>  
were **breastfed at 6**  
**months**—up from  
35% in 2000<sup>2</sup>



of  
**African-American**  
babies born in 2010<sup>1</sup>  
were **breastfed at 6 months**—up  
from 18% in 2000<sup>2</sup>



...saving lives...

Breastfeeding can **reduce the odds**  
of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome by **36%**<sup>3</sup>

...and saving money.

Families who follow optimal breastfeeding practices can **save** between

**\$1,200 and \$1,500**

on infant formula<sup>4</sup>



**Help for moms:** The Affordable Care Act requires breastfeeding support and equipment coverage without copays.

Learn more about the law at [HHS.gov/HealthCare](http://HHS.gov/HealthCare)

Get ready for the Health Insurance Marketplace at [HealthCare.gov](http://HealthCare.gov)

Learn more about breastfeeding at [womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding](http://womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding)

Get help with breastfeeding by calling 800-994-9662



1. [www.cdc.gov/nchs/nis/data\\_files.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nis/data_files.htm)

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2. [www.cdc.gov/nchs/nis/data\\_files\\_09\\_prior.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nis/data_files_09_prior.htm)

4. [www.surgeongeneral.gov/library/calls/breastfeeding/factsheet.html](http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/library/calls/breastfeeding/factsheet.html)

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Testicular cancer is rare but it is the most common cancer in men ages 15 to 35. Risk factors are: having been born with an undescended testicle, family history of testicular cancer, and having had testicular cancer previously. Signs or symptoms of testicular cancer may include: a painless lump or irregularity in either testicle, a change in the size or shape of a testicle, swelling or feeling of heaviness in the testicle, pain or discomfort in the testicle, or pain or discomfort in the lower abdomen or groin.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women during their lives. It also affects men, but that number is very low. Over half of all women diagnosed with breast cancer are over age 50. Just being a woman and getting older are the two biggest risk factors for developing breast cancer. Other risk factors include: an

immediate family member who has been diagnosed with breast cancer, a personal history of breast cancer, having no children or giving birth after the age of 30, or not breast feeding. In addition, late menopause, being overweight, eating a high fat diet, drinking alcohol and using tobacco also increase a person's risk of developing breast cancer.

Cervical cancer can be prevented by finding and treating abnormal cervical cells early. A sample of cells is collected from the cervix and examined under a microscope for cancer or other abnormal cells and a human papilloma virus (HPV) test checks for the presence of HPV. During the exam, the provider also feels for any change in the size or shape of the uterus, vagina, ovaries, fallopian tubes, and bladder. The "Cancer Clear and Simple" workshop will be held again, so keep on the lookout for postings.

# Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center

## Immunizations/Well Child Visits

We know as parents that your mission in life is to promote the health, education, and well-being of your children. Our goal at the Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center is to help you with your mission.

Well-child exam appointments are key in helping the doctor know you and your child and forming a reliable and trustworthy relationship. The continuity of regular physical exams is invaluable. Having a long-term history with a child or adolescent gives the doctor the awareness of the child's progress and development over time. This helps the doctor detect emerging problems. Taking your child to doctor when they are not feeling well is simply not enough. There are key points of development that the physician is checking with each well child visit.

The well-child exam gives you the opportunity to raise general questions you have about your child's development, behavior, and general well-being. Recommended well-child appointments often coincide with recommended immunizations.

- 1 - 2 weeks – well child appointment
- 1 month – well child appointment
- 2 months – immunizations and well child appointment
- 4 months – immunizations and well child appointment
- 6 months – immunizations and

- well child appointment
- 9 months – well child appointment
- 12 months – immunizations and well child appointment
- 15 months – immunizations and well child appointment
- 18 months – immunizations and well child appointment
- 24 months (2 years) – well child appointment
- 30 months – well child appointment
- 36 months (3 years) – well child appointment
- 48 months (4 years) – immunizations and well child appointment
- Yearly after 48 months (4 years)

The goal of giving immunizations on a set schedule is to protect your baby as soon as it is safe and effective to do so. Many doctors, scientists, and researchers work together with the Center for Disease Control to decide what is the best timing to give shots. Delaying immunizations is like playing Russian roulette with your child's health leaving them unprotected at a time when they are most vulnerable.

You can call the medical receptionist at 715-793-5000 to schedule a well-child exam and immunizations with a medical provider or if your child only needs immunizations you can schedule an appointment with the nursing staff.

If you are unable to come to the clinic but would like your child to receive his/her immunizations in the home please call the maternal child health nurse at 715-793-5018 to make arrangements.

## Indian Health Service (IHS)

### Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) Changing the Course of Diabetes

Established in 1997 by Congress to address the diabetes epidemic in Native Americans

**301**  
Grantees  
252 Tribal  
20 IHS  
29 Urban  
in 35 States

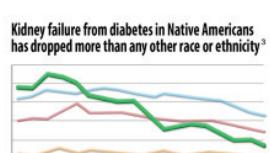
**\$150 million**  
Per year since 2004

**780,000**  
People served each year

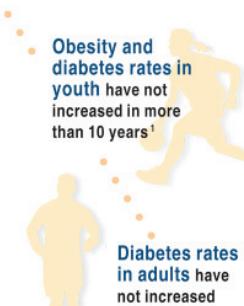
### Diabetes and Costly Complications Reduced



Diabetic eye disease rates **decreased 50%** reducing vision loss and blindness<sup>2</sup>



Kidney failure rates **decreased 54%** reducing the need for dialysis<sup>3</sup>



SDPI will expire in September 2017, unless reauthorized by Congress



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Indian Health Service  
July 2017

\*SDPI is the most effective federal initiative for combating diabetes in our AI/AN communities. Thanks to SDPI, our people are healthier - now and in future generations. \*\*IHS National Data Warehouse | \*IHS Teleophthalmology Program Data | <sup>1</sup>IHS Vital Signs <https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/ai-an-diabetes/index.html>

Lincoln Bean (Tlingit)  
Alaska Area Representative  
Tribe Leaders Diabetes Committee



# Education

## Menominee Vocational Rehabilitation Program

Are You Ready to Find a Job, Keep a Job, and/or Get a Better Job?

### What is Vocational Rehabilitation Program?

College of Menominee Nation (CMN) Menominee Vocational Rehabilitation Program (MVR) is located in Keshena, WI. The program provides services to Native Americans with disabilities in order to obtain or retain employment. Success in the program involves partnership and commitment between the Vocational Rehabilitation counselor and consumer. Services provided to Vocational Rehabilitation Program consumers are custom designed to fit each individual's needs and employment goal.

**What is considered a disability?** A disability is a physical, mental, or emotional condition that limits a person's movements, senses, or activities that can be seen and unseen.

### Eligibility Determination:

- Be a member of a federally or state recognized tribe
- Have a physical or mental impairment that results in a substantial impediment to employment
- Reside on the Menominee reservation or within a 30 mile radius of the reservation boundaries
- Must require services to prepare for, secure, retain, or regain employment

The College of Menominee Nation Vocational Rehabilitation Program can assist you in these ways:

- Employment preparation
- Employment preparation for self-employment
- Career counseling
- Job search activities
- Work Experience
- Vocational/Technical training
- GED/HSED
- Class or training needs
- Workplace needs



Department of Vocational Rehabilitation will be at the following locations:

**Stockbridge – Education Department** 1st Monday of each month  
W13447 Camp 14 Road 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
PO Box 70 Bowler, WI 54416 Phone: 715-793-4100

**Shawano – Job Center** 2nd Monday of each month  
707 E. Elizabeth St Shawano, WI 54166 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Phone: 715-524-2511

**Maehnowesekiyah-Middle Village** 3rd Monday of each month  
N2150 Kesaehkahtek Gresham, Wisconsin 54128 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Phone: 715-799-3835

**Neopit – Menominee Tribal Enterprises** 3rd Tuesday of each month  
Hwy 47 North, N3522 Cottage Ave. Neopit, WI 54150 8:30 – 11:30 am  
Phone: 715-756-2311

Information provided by: [http://www.menominee.edu/COM\\_Ser/aspx?od=647](http://www.menominee.edu/COM_Ser/aspx?od=647)

**present:** Shannon Holsey, Jolene Bowman, Janet Miller, Chad Miller, Jeremy Mohawk, Sterling Schreiber and Scott R. Vele

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the rescheduled and revised Tuesday, July 25, 2017, Tribal Council agenda with the addition of the revisions to the education handbook presented by the Vice President, to add a Head Start discussion in Executive and to take Chapter 28 out of Executive, and place on the regular agenda for consideration of posting. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

### MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, Wednesday, July 5, 2017, as presented. Seconded by Chad Miller.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Chad yes, Jolene yes, Janet abstain, Jeremy abstain and Scott yes. Motion carried.

### DONATION REQUEST: Bowler/Gresham Music Departments-Jolene Bowman, Vice President

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to donate to Bowler School and Gresham School Music Departments. Seconded by Janet Miller.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Chad yes, Jolene yes, Janet yes, Jeremy yes and Scott abstain.

### TITLE VI GRANTS PARTS A&C-Kristy Malone, Elderly Services Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of Elderly Services Manager, Kristy Malone, to approve the two budget modifications for Title VI, Parts A and C, as outlined and presented. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried.

### BUILDING USE POLICY-Kristy Malone, Elderly Services Manager

Motion by Sterling Schreiber to approve the Building Use Policy for the Eunice Stick Gathering Place as presented. Seconded by Scott R. Vele.

Motion maker amends motion to include: striking as it is a brand-new building under purpose, and the typo on the same page. Second concurs. Motion carried.

### 2018 HIV/AIDS GRANT APPLICATION-Kori Price, Family Services Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request of Kori Price, Family Services Manager for the approval of the 2018 HIV/AIDS grant application as presented. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

### 2018 DCTS GRANT APPLICATION- Kori Malone, Family Services Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request of Kori Price, Family

Services Manager for the approval of the 2018 DCTS grant application, as outlined. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

### 2018 DCF GRANT APPLICATION-Kori Price, Family Services Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request of Kori Price, Family Services Manager for the approval of the 2018 Department of Child and Families grant application, as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

### TEMPORARY USE PERMIT REQUEST-Chad Miller, Land Use Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to deny the request of Chad Miller for approval of the Temporary Use License for the Charlie Black request. Motion died for a lack of second.

Motion by Janet Miller to grant the Temporary Use Land 4-2017 for Charlie Black family friend request. Seconded by Jolene Bowman.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Chad yes, Jolene yes, Janet yes, Jeremy abstain and Scott no.

### MOTION CARRIED

### BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-

No action taken at this time, no one from the Forestry Committee was present.

### REVISIONS TO EDUCATION HANDBOOK-Jolene Bowman, Vice President

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the revisions to the handbook, it was posted for 30-days with no comments. Seconded by Janet Miller.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Chad yes, Jolene yes, Janet yes, Jeremy yes and Scott no.

Council Member Vele did not have a chance to read the posted document. Motion carried.

### CHAPTER 28, CHILD SUPPORT ORDINANCE-Laura Vedder, Tribal Prosecutor

Motion by Scott R. Vele to post Chapter 28, the Child Support Ordinance for comment. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Janet Miller to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried at 5:24 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 6:38 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on an audit report, settlement offer, loan department and land acquisition. Motion by Scott R. Vele to reject the settlement offer and counter offer in case number 2017-AA-0002. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to write-off the recommended in loans, as deceased

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# Tribal Council Directives

On Tuesday, July 5, 2017, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Council Meeting and at the time the following motion were made:

**Directives cont from pg Twelve:**  
 tribal members as recommended by Loan Manager. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize legal to negotiate the purchase of parcel identification number MW-03-17, with the parameters as discussed in executive. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Chad yes, Jolene no, Janet no, Jeremy no and Scott yes.

*President Holsey votes no to break the tie.* Motion defeated.

#### -OPEN AGENDA- ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to adjourn. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 7:17 PM.

**On Wednesday, July 26, 2017, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at the time the following motion were made:**

**Tribal Council Members present:** Shannon Holsey, Jolene Bowman, Janet Miller, Chad Miller, Sterling Schreiber, Jeremy Mohawk and Scott R. Vele

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Special Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council Budget Meeting as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 2:35 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried at 3:53 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on the FY2018 budgets.

#### FY2018 CASINO BUDGET- Michael Bonakdar, GM and Tammy Wyrobeck, CFO

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the General Manager and CFO of North Star Casino Resort's FY2018 transfer and, additionally monies in property development and a capital of amount and that any and all capital expenditures will need to be devised with a plan and brought back for final approval to a regularly or special council meeting for final approval of capitals. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### Bingo-

Motion by Janet Miller to approve the Mohican Bingo FY2018 budget with a disposable income. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. (Improvement plan to come forward). Motion carried.

#### Tribal Government-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the CFO, Amanda Stevens recommendation to set the FY2018 total tribal contribution. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion

carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the FY2018 capital budgets, which incorporates the Boss V Plow, the cell phone booster, the casino cell phone booster, the Library/Museum Exhibition Case, the replacement storage server and blade center for all the tribe, the rerouting of the HVAC unit and the Admin parking lot, for a total dollar amount. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize the CFO, Amanda Stevens, to initiation and distribute a 2018 Per Capita. Seconded by Jolene Bowman. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the total unallocated FY2018 dollar amount. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### LEGAL MODIFICATION-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Jolene Bowman to approve modification#1 for Fund 100, to shore up the line item to employment contracts, which is reducing consulting and increasing in salary and fringe. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Jolene Bowman to adjourn. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

**On Tuesday, August 1, 2017, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Council Meeting and at the time the following motion were made:**

**Tribal Council Members present:** Shannon Holsey, Jolene Bowman, Janet Miller, Chad Miller, Sterling Schreiber, Jeremy Mohawk and Scott R. Vele.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Adding:** Resolution: Reprogramming

**Striking:** Budget Modification: Assets Department

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting agenda with the revisions as stated for Tuesday, August 1, 2017. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the rescheduled Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, July 25, 2017, with the one correction. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

#### FY2018 INDIRECT COST POOL BUDGETS-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Scott R. Vele to take the direction of the CFO, to approve FY2018 Indirect Cost Pool budgets, as proposed and presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

#### TRIBAL FINANCIALS FOR APRIL 2017-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Jolene Bowman to approve the seven months

ending Sunday, April 30 financial statements that were posted June 7 to July 7, 2017 with no comments. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

#### MENOMINEE POW-WOW-Gunner Peters, Pow-Wow Committee

Motion by Jolene Bowman to donate which is the remaining balance of the Battle of the Bowl for the teen boys and teen girls, that would be partially sponsored by the Menominee Indian School District and to advise the committee to approach the casino for any additional funds. Seconded by Janet Miller.

Motion maker amends motion to include any recognition or advertisement associated with this sponsorship be given to North Star Mohican Casino Resort. Second concurs.

Motion maker amends motion increasing the donation under the auspices of North Star. Second concurs.

**Roll Call:** Sterling no, Chad yes, Jolene yes, Janet yes, Jeremy yes, and Scott yes. Motion carried.

#### GM'S MONTHLY REPORT & FINANCIALS FOR APRIL/MAY 2017-Michael Bonakdar, GM

Motion by Janet Miller to accept the GM's Monthly Report and financials for April 2017 and May 2017. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

Motion by Janet Miller to accept the financial reports for Bingo for April and May 2017. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

#### ENHANCEMENT to Leave of absence without pay-Bev Miller, HR Manager and Michael Miller, Talent Manager

No action taken at this time, a working meeting will be schedule late this week or early next week.

#### REQUEST TO WAIVE POLICY FOR TRAILER MOUNTED PRESSURE WASHER-Linda Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology and Linda Katchenago, Tribal Administrator to waive the bid policy and allow them to purchase the trailer mounted pressure washer as presented. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### BUDGET MODIFICATION AND BID AWARD-Stacey Schreiber, Public Works Director

Motion by Janet Miller to go along with the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation as presented by Stacey Schreiber, Public Works Director. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

#### BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-

##### Forestry-Stacey Schreiber, Committee Member

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept the Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2017. Seconded by Scott R. Vele.

Motion carried.

#### Land-Stacey Schreiber, Committee Member

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Land Committee's recommendation for approval of the application for assignment of tribal land for Travis Miller, which reads: N1/2 SE1/2 NE1/4 of Section 15 T28N R13E Bartelme, approximately 5 acres. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Land Committee's recommendation for approval of the application for assignment of tribal land for Kristi Arnold, which reads: E1/2 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section 23 T28N R13E, Bartelme, approximately 2.5 acres. Seconded by Janet Miller. Motion carried.

#### RESOLUTION: 477 Reprogramming-Janet Miller, Tribal Treasurer

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of the Tribal Treasurer for approval of the resolution 041-17, for the president's signature, therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs: 1) Reprogram FY17 final TPA base allocations funds from Economic Development to Consolidated Tribal Government Program, 2) Also upon request transfer FY17 funds from CTGP Program to the 477 program (A15AV00129). Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 5:53 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 6:59 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on an audit report and personnel issues.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to remove all supervision duties, responsibilities, and budgets from the Executive Director of Human Resources over the gaming human resources department employees and also to create a separation of IT with gaming and government, which includes budgets of IT and that all gaming human resource department employees will report directly to their organizational chart of General Manager of the North Star Casino Resort and that the Executive Director of Human Resources will ensure that all position descriptions and policies should be revised to say exactly what the actions of this motion should state, by September 30, 2017. Seconded by Jeremy. Motion carried.

#### -OPEN AGENDA- ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to adjourn. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 8:04 PM.

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