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our Country to Serving our Community



When it comes to putting on a uniform Quinn Miller is ready to go. Quinn is our new Stockbridge Munsee Community Police Officer. His job will be to protect and serve this community, which has been his home for his entire life.

Quinn graduated from the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Police Academy on June 1st and is currently in the training process. Miller also holds an Associate degree in communication from Orange Coast College. Prior work history includes Arrowhead Log Homes and the Stockbridge Munsee Pharmacy. After graduating high school, Quinn also spent four years, from 2008 to 2012, defending our country.

He is the son of Joe and Jackie Miller and brother to Jon. Quinn is a local boy and Bowler class of 2008 alumni. During his time at Bowler High, Quinn tallied up five school records in track and field: 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter run, 800-meter run, and 300-meter hurdles. Quinn has traveled around the world and has seen many things. Some of his hobbies include photography,

Quinn cont on page Seven: I outside after people call.



Thomas Kazik II – News reporter When the Stockbridge Munsee Community opened back up you may have noticed each building has a piece of paper on the door. This is a preventative management plan which gives you things each tribal department are following during this COVID-19 pandemic. Some buildings are isolated from the public; working via phone or email, while others are taking appointments to see visitors. In the morning all employees have their temperatures taken and are asked if they have any symptoms like headaches, muscle pain or loss of breath. Hand sanitizer is also offered at every tribal building. Precautions on this list are just added safety measures for everyone to follow. All visitors are required to wear a mask when entering a building. Visitors are also required to sign in and wait for the person they have made the appointment with. All doors are locked, and visitors need to knock or call ahead of time to verify an appointment. Buildings are asking visitors to self-disinfect, washing their hands thoroughly. The offices also have the right to refuse entry if someone appears sick or refuses to cooperate.

Guests who have appointments at the Tribal office and administration will get their temperature taken upon entering the building. Food Distribution is following a no contact order by having appointments made and then opening either your trunk or door to get the goods. The housing building is bringing the documents or paperwork visitors may need

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#### Daily Tribal Operations | Stockbridge-Munsee President Shannon Holsey on Juneteenth

Juneteenth isn't just a celebration of emancipation—it's a celebration we need to make as a nation of our commitment to make it real. Put another way, it's difficult to celebrate freedom when your life is defined by oppression on all sides.

Juneteenth is a celebration of human dignity and freedom, but it's also a reminder of the dark and irrevocable original sin of this nation, the structural and social effects of which we are sadly still grappling with today.

It is important to understand that privilege is experienced differently by people all over this country. Careful examination of our lived experiences, biases, privileges, prejudices and their relationship to race, power, economics and justice/injustice are critical to unraveling and rebuilding an equitable and just society. Then true emancipation and equity can be truly experienced.

Juneteenth, Jamelle Bouie reminds us that it is a celebration of emancipationbutalsoa "celebration of the commitment" to "liberty and equality." This idea—that the day's significance lies in our stated "commitment," not necessarily our accomplishments—should be key to our celebration.

We must organize.. strategize ..mobilize .. vote .. for social reform and judicial equality #all oppression is connected#

Until justice is blind to color, until education is unaware of race, until opportunity is unconcerned with the color of men's skins, emancipation will be a proclamation but not a fact.

...with liberty and justice for a11.



#### Virtual Family Center



The Mohican Family Center is very excited to roll out their virtual services to the community's youth and families. A trial run of services began the last full week of June and will continue until such time the COVID-19 guidelines are relaxed enough to gradually begin to offer on-site ser-vices again. If you are a social media user, please checkout the Mohican Family Center's (MFC) new Facebook age, if you are not then please look for the link on the Community's Offi-cial Website www.mohican.

com under Services, click on Family Center. The MFC staff are working collaboratively to create family friendly activities that promote health, safety and wellness.

The trial week of activities included designing a Stockbridge Stone, which was either painted or modge podged with a positive message on it, to be left in a location for others to find. An array of coloring sneets for all ages, mind games (word search, sudoku,

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In the 06-15-20 issue of the Mohican News, we asked if anyone could help identify the children in this photo. Low and behold, one of the children in the picture responded and graciously provided us the names.



We want to thank Elaine Jacobi for helping us identify the people in the picture we shared in the last paper. Listed from left to right they are: Chester Welch, Keith Raasch, Yvonne Gleason, Elaine Jacobi, Zelda Zak, Lee Miller, and Jayne Pecore.

Express your thoughts and opinions. Let your voice be heard. We welcome your letters to the Editor and the Community.

#### **Community Voices**

Letters of opinion can be dropped of at Mohican News in the Tribal Offices or can be mailed to:

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#### Language Classes to Resume

Heather Bruegl, Director of Cultural Affairs

As we are trying to get back to a new sense of normal, we are finding ways to bring back some activities and continue to practice social distancing guidelines. We are excited to announce that we will be bringing back our Mohican and Munsee language classes and they will be taking place entirely online.

Munsee classes will take place on Monday's at 5:30 pm CST. They will be taught by Nikole Webster. Nikole originally started out with us earlier this year teaching Mohican, but after an instructor change, she will be taking over the Munsee classes.

Mohican classes will take place on Wednesday's at 5:30 pm CST. These classes will be taught by Brock Schreiber. Brock is taking over the Mohican classes that were first taught by Nikole earlier this year.

So how do you join the classes? It is super easy! Simply follow these steps:

- 1. Provide your email address to Language Manager Molly Miller or Director of Cultural Affairs Heather Bruegl
  - a. Molly.miller@mohican-nsn.gov
  - b. Heather.bruegl@mohican-nsn.gov
- 2. Download the Google Meet App to whatever device you are using
- 3. Log into your email at least 5 minutes before class starts
- 4. Open the Google Meet Email and then click Join Meeting

That's it! Super easy! Each class will be recorded and then later uploaded to the Arvid E. Miller Library Museum and Cultural Affairs Department Facebook page as well as our website. We are really excited to be able to bring the classes back to you in a safe and socially distance way!

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#### A Very Special Thank You



In these trying times it is always nice to see and feel the care, compassion and generosity of others. On Tuesday, June 9, 2020, the Mohican Family Center received a package of facemasks, tailored to fit the youth of our community. If and when we are able to offer in-person services, the Mohican Family Center and Family Services programs will have the cutest masks to equip our youth with.

These masks were made by Natani Hildebrand and donated in honor of her grandparents George and Priscila Church. We here at the Mohican Family Center would like to thank Mrs. Hildebrand for her amazing craftsmanship and thoughtful donation.

Jerilyn Johnson

Family Center Manager

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**GLITC** Mission: enhance of life for all Native quality people. GLITC Vision: The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. (GLITC) shall be a diligent advocate for the advancement and promotion of tribal nations and communities by honoring the seventh-generation perspective.

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs are working diligently to find the "New Way" to be able to come back to work within each of our Tribal Communities. You many have recently been a recipient of our Care Packaged delivered through your Tribal Elder programs in some fashion.

During this time of Pandemic dealing with Covid-19, we have continued to reach out to each of our existing volunteers, staying connected and checking in to ensure everyone is staving safe and healthy. We encourage each one of our Elder Volunteers to follow their respective Tribal Community's recommendations for safety.

Moving forward, we will be doing an extensive Recruitment push to encourage our Elders to continue sharing their knowledge, strength and resilience with our youth through the Foster Grandparent Program. We are searching for the best way for our Senior Companion Volunteers to be able to continue being of service to their fellow Seniors as companions in the new way each Tribal Nation establishes.

Please, do not hesitate to contact us for any information regarding joining the Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs through GLITC.

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#### Stockbridge - Munsee Community BAND OF MOHICAN INDIANS

#### **Mohican Loan Department**

(715)793-4861 and Fax (715)793-4889

To all Mohican Loan Clients,

As of Friday, June 19th, Premier Community Bank will no longer be accepting payments for any type of loan with the Mohican Loan Department. We are migrating to a new loan software system and payments will be taken at the Mohican Loan Department beginning Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

This will be a time of transition, but I will be here to assist you all I can. Payroll deduction will still be available for those that work for the Tribe and if you are currently on payroll deduction there is nothing more you need to do.

Eventually you will have the opportunity to make payments online through your checking account only. There will be \$1.50

fee for doing so. If you do not have this capability you will need to mail or drop off your payment at the loan payment location that will be announced later.

Please feel free to contact me anytime Monday-Friday from 7:30am-4:30pm at (715)-793-4861 with any questions or concerns you may have. I am available via email at tanya.miller@mohicannsn.gov as well.

Payments can be mailed to:

Stockbridge-Munsee Community Mohican Loan Department PO Box 47 Bowler, WI 54416

Sincerely, Tanya Miller, Loan Manager Mohican Loan Department

#### NOTICE TO DESCENDANTS

Purchased/Referred Care Service Funding has nearly been exhausted for the 2020 Fiscal year. As announced in the past, Purchased/ Referred Care funds, which are federal funds used to pay for medical services that cannot be provided at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center, are limited. PRC funds usually deplete within the first half of each fiscal year, then funding is provided by the tribe using Tribally Funded Referral Service funds.

The date for the transfer of funds will be June 1st, 2020, all referrals made for after this date will follow the TFRS rules. If you have any questions, please call the PRC staff at 715-793-4144.

Enrolled, first generation and second-generation descendants of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe are eligible for PRC funds. Once these funds are exhausted the TFRS funds cover enrolled, first generation are on a priority system and second generation are no longer covered.

All first generation are now on medical priority level one, per the Stockbridge-Munsee Purchased/ Referred Care Medical Priority Guidelines, priority one means Emergency, threat to life, limb, senses (diagnosis and treatment of injuries or conditions that, if left untreated, result in uncertain/potentially grave outcome.

If you have any questions, please call, the Purchased/Referred Care manager, Kasha Coyhis or Health Center Director, Andrew Miller at 715-793-4144.

The upcoming elections are going to be very important. Everyone needs to make sure their friends and family are pre-registered to vote in the November election. In Wisconsin identifications cards for voting are free.





#### **Greetings Elders!**

I hope you are all well and having many good days!

All Elderly Services staff members are back at work, as of Tuesday, May 26th, and are busy catching up!

Entry doors will remain locked and staff will receive visitors by appointment only. Please call the main line at 715-793-4236 to make appointments, this is for your safety and ours.

Re-opening will be done in phases and a begin date has not been set yet.

lockdown staff During the members, Roger, DeAnna, Jamie and Bill began delivering meals to community members who requested them, as the congregate meals site was closed for the safety of the general public. During this time, staff members began driving three routes and delivering nearly 100 meals! Home delivered meals remain available and for those of you who went back to work you can pick up a "meal to go" if you would like to. Please call 715-793-4236 and let us know if this is what you want to do so we have a Carry-Out meal ready for you. Pull up to the kitchen door at NOON for pick-up.

Unfortunately, at this time, we are not yet ready to begin serving meals or hosting activities (bingo, card and board games) at the elderly center. Entry doors will remain locked, staff will receive visitors by appointment only, as we continue to use precautionary measures when creating a safe re-opening plan. To make an appointment with a staff member, please call the main line at 715-793-4236.

There is a lot of thought going into the decisions and time to acquire needed supplies to begin our "new normal" for the elderly program.

Wearing of masks, taking temperatures, social distancing and washing your hands & using hand sanitizer will be a required practice for your safety and ours.

Meals will be served "cafeteria style", place settings will be marked for safe distancing and you can choose your beverage, Staff will assist those in need. There will most likely be two mealtimes so that diners can safely eat at the site. Cleaning and sanitizing will be done before each meal service. Reserving your mealtime will be "crucial" as we will be limited to the number of elders who can safely be seated at one setting. Carryout meals will be given to those who did not reserve a spot.

When it is safe to provide, transportation will also change. "Social distancing" (staying six feet away from others) will be followed giving room for six elders on the white bus and 3 people per van.

All riders will be required to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and social distance while in stores, banks, laundromat and post office. I hope this information has helped you, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me or any staff member at (715) 793-4236. If we cannot answer your questions, we will find out who can.

Kindest regards and until we meet again, take care.

Kristy

Kristy Malone, Manager SM Elderly Services

## on the Trail Home



Bernard Jacobi

Bernard Jacobi, age 85, of Bowler, passed away on Friday, November 15, 2019. Born on March 14, 1934 in Electra, Texas, Bernard is the son of the late Aloysius and Marie (Miles) Jacobi. After losing his parents at the age of 12, Bernard was raised by his grandparents, Mamie and George Miles and also lived with his best friend from a Comanche family in Gladewater, Texas.

Bernard finished school in Oklahoma City and worked and played with many friends of the Great Chief Quanna Parker descendants. Bernard worked in the oil fields in West Texas and New Mexico and was known to make the comment that he "went from a red neck to a rough neck and to a leather neck" when he joined the United States Marine Corps in 1954. While in the Marines he was stationed in Korea, Japan, and Hawaii. He received an honorable discharge and was awarded various medals including: the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the Republic of Korea War Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal and an MI Rifle Badge.

After serving in the Marine Corps, Bernard worked for Conveyor Air Craft in San Diego and later for Douglas Air Craft in Lakewood, California. He also worked for a railroad construction company in Knoxen, Montana as a gandie dancer (driving spikes for the railroad). In 1962 Bernard relocated to St. Paul, Minnesota where he worked for Whirlpool Corporation and Gould Batteries.

St. Paul is also where Bernard met his wife, Elaine (Welch) Jacobi. The two were married on May 1, 1965 at the Lutheran Church of

the Wilderness in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Bowler, Wisconsin. Bernard fulfilled a promise to Elaine when they traveled to California. They traveled to Texas to visit his family and they lived in Banning, California in the late 1960's. Bernard worked at Deutsch Electronics in Banning. After becoming homesick Bernard moved his family back to St. Paul, Minnesota, and eventually to the Stockbridge-Munsee community near Elaine's parents, Miles and Zena Welch where he enjoyed driving country roads and fishing Shawano Lake. Bernard attended Antigo Technical School and worked as a welder at Atlas Conveyor in Clintonville. Bernard was of great support to his wife in her many tribal projects, putting up with numerous meetings and piles of paperwork. He loved to cook and work in the garden. He had a love nature and a love for animals, especially his buddy, J.J., a little white Shitzu. Bernard and J.J. loved to go for rides in his Toyota truck. Bernard also loved rides with his daughter and son to the casino and to visit friends.

Bernard is survived by: his "beautiful wife" of 54 years, Elaine; a daughter Leah "Dolly Dumplin" (Ken) Winkler of Stevens Point; six grandchildren, Shane Pecore-Jacobi, Cory Winkler, Dylan Winkler, Cody Jacobi, Joshua Jacobi, and Ashley (Tim) Tuttle; 11 great grandchildren; sisters, Theresa (Floyd) Jacobi, Delores (Joseph) Caruana, and Pam (Allen) Lancello; brothers, Robert "Mickey" Jacobi and Mark (Becky) Stevens; special sister and brother in law, Yvonne and Bill Gleason; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; special friends, Larry Klemp, Jerry Young, Jim Schultz, Melinda "Preacher Lady", Rev. Ernie Geeting and Roxy, and Rev. Paul John-

He was preceded in death by: a son, Shannon; his parents; grand-parents, Mamie and George Miles; a sister, Joanne Tallent; and a sister-in-law, Patsy Jacobi.

A memorial service for Bernard is being planned for this summer and will be held at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness.

Bernard's family would like to extend special thanks to the Stockbridge-Munsee community, the Stockbridge-Munsee Clinic, ThedaCare Hospital and at Home Hospice, and to Evergreen Nursing Home and the special angels that gave enlightening and compassionate care to him.

#### The Stockbridge Militia

The concept of a militia and its use represented by history books and popular media has its roots during the Renaissance period. Once upon a time monarchies and lesser nobility relied upon seasonal military support provided by vassals and their tenant farmers contracted under the feudal system. As early modern states formed under centralized governments so too did the need for standing professional armies to protect their new-found borders. Colonial endeavors stretched imperial powers and with it, resources and ability to manage far flung locales across the globe. By the early seventeenth-century European colonists were founding settlements for their crown along the eastern coast of North America. Removed from the protection of its professional military, growing colonies formed standing militias in order to provide defensive support for communities. Militias were called upon by the nation state or in the case of colonial North America, the colonial legislators, provide military service. Individuals forming militias were unpaid and untrained in military tactics and firearms. They were community members, farmers and craftsmen, fathers and sons. This differentiation, professional paid state military vs. non-professional unpaid and on-call fighting force, is at the heart of the concept of our modern sense of militia. This was the social practice that existed through the colonial period and the context for the foundation of the Stockbridge militia in the mid-

By the 1770s tensions were rising in Britain's thirteen North American colonies, particularly Massachusetts. Among number of complaints fueling the atmosphere was a lack of colonial representation and unfair taxation on goods. A series of incidents further pushed hostilities between Crown and colony. The Boston Massacre of 1770 and the rejection on the reliance of imperial goods fomented into acts of rebellion such as the Boston Tea Party in 1773. In response the British Parliament instituted the Massachusetts Government Act to reorganize the colonial government and punish the colony. The Colonial Assembly, what would be known as the First Continental Congress, passed the Suffolk Resolves in 1774. Among a number of resolutions, the Resolve formed the Massachusetts Provincial Congress, subsequently requesting communities outside of British controlled Boston to form and train militias in preparation for potential conflict with Britain. Prominent leaders of the Stockbridge-Munsee located in Stockbridge, Massachusetts met at the historic Red Lion Inn to discuss and form its own militia. Undoubtedly, the Stockbridge-Munsee would have passionately discussed the benefits, if any from participating in a standing militia and what that might mean for them in the future (a topic for later discussion). Within months of the Stockbridge militia forming, the first shots of the American Revolutionary War were fired at the Battle of Lexington in spring 1775. Armed conflict ensued over the next eight years intertwining the lives of all in the fight for colonial independence from the British Empire.

The Stockbridge militia for its part participated in a number of historic and decisive battles throughout the Revolutionary War. Soon after the Battles of Lexington and Concord, local militias including the Stockbridge militia, laid siege against British controlled Boston for nearly a year, 1775-1776. At the Battle of Bunker Hill the newly formed colonial forces saw a major defeat against British troops, however, a victory at Fort Ticonderoga in upstate NY would soon help the Stockbridge militia aid in a devastating blow to Britain. The Stockbridge militia had participated in the capture and surrender of the British garrison at Fort Ticonderoga in May of 1775. Nearly 60 tons of ordinance and artillery including a number of British cannons had been captured. For nearly five months colonial forces transported the artillery and supplies through what was then wooded and mountainous snow-covered terrain from the fort to the sieged city. Reaching fortifications on the hills outside of Boston by early March of 1776, the Stockbridge militia helped bombard the city and its British troops within. On March 17<sup>th</sup>, the British troops withdrew from Boston surrendering to the colonial forces.



Pictured here is an example of a British 6 pounder, the type of cannon ball that would have been used during the fighting in the Siege of Boston.



By 1777 the Stockbridge militia had been reorganized and subsumed into the newly formed Continental Army under command Jehojaikim Mtohksin and Abraham Nimham. Those Stockbridge-Munsee members served on the Saratoga Campaign, fighting at the Siege of Ticonderoga and the Battle(s) of Saratoga. Under command of General John Burgoyne nearly 8,000 British troops aimed at regaining their strategic stronghold laid siege to Fort Ticonderoga. Without fight the British army overwhelmed the stationed Continental Army troops and took possession of the fort. Hoping to converge with two contingencies of British troops and cutoff New England from the southern colonies in the fall of 1777, Burgoyne led his army south to the area outside of Saratoga, New York. Burgoyne quickly found his army cutoff and outnumbered by Continental Army forces which included members of the original Stockbridge militia, by that time noted for their battle tactics and bravery. Burgoyne's reinforcements failed to show up. After two battles, General Burgoyne surrendered the British forces to the Continental Army. Burgoyne's efforts to cutoff New England from the southern colonies failed. Success by the Continental Army during the Saratoga Campaign largely concluded fighting in the Northern Theater for the remainder of the war. The Stockbridge militia went on to see fighting at the Battle of Monmouth in New Jersey. While stationed outside of Yonkers, New York in August 1778, the Stockbridge-Munsee suffered heavy losses in a small battle against the Loyalists, Hessian troops, and British Dragoons. In a contemporary account of the fighting that day, Hessian captain



Here an example of a .69 caliber musket ball used in the types of firearms the Stockbridge militia members likely would have been using in battle.

Johann Von Ewald remarked on the weapons the Stockbridge-Munsee militia members carried into battle, a musket, short ax, and quiver of arrows.

The Stockbridge militia retired its unit after loss of its respected members and returned to Massachusetts. It continued to defend Stockbridge from hostility throughout the war and after. The Stockbridge-Munsee members who fought for independence from the British during the Revolutionary War were paid for their services and honored in a great feast by Commander-in-Chief, later president George Washington. Subsequently the subject of this feast and its location is associated with an ongoing archaeological research and field project being conducted by the Stockbridge-Community Munsee Historic Preservation Office. The Stockbridge militia was certainly a product of the culture of the 1700s, however, it represents more. The militia's participation in the war speaks to the nuances between the fight for independence that held different meaning for the Stockbridge-Munsee and white colonists of the period.

**Chiropractors** are commonly known to help patients with back problems. While many clients of chiropractors are people with back problems, chiropractors claim to be able to ease all kind of health conditions. They do this by manipulating and adjusting the spine. Chiropractors believe that if the spinal column is in the correct position and moving freely, then the nerves in the spine may function at their best, which in turn allows other bodily systems to function at their best.

Therefore, chiropractors may treat a variety of conditions, including: neck-shoulder-arm and wrist pain, sciatica, hip-leg-ankle and foot pain. Patients are also seen on a preventive maintenance basis, pain control for chronic back problems, and stress relief. Children also treat with chiropractors to help with ear infections and colic, as a few examples. Chiropractors do not prescribe drugs or do surgery – they work with the bodies healing potential that is in each and every one of us. More on Chiropractic in future articles.

If you have any questions on how Chiropractic can help you – please call the clinic for an appointment – Dr. Tom Wargo

## Molly Miller Interview With Mrs. Mueller's Fourth Grade Bowler Class on April 7, 2020



Introductions... Koolamalsi, (Are you well? )noolamalsi (I am well, doing good). Libby Carrington, Junior Miss Mahiikaniiw did a great job of sharing her introduction in the Munsee Language with Mrs. Mueller's class. Molly explained that Libby shared her name, her parents' name, and where she was from.

Molly said she lives on the Rez. She also said she went to Bowler School, and so did her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She graduated from Bowler High School, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, and Lakeland University. She has a Master's Degree. She is currently the Language Manager for the Tribe.

She explained that she would be talking about family relationships, respect, listening, history, and boarding schools, specifically Indian boarding schools. She said she wants "kids to understand that they can go to college, or tech school too. There's lots of things they can do." There was a short discussion with the children about how they are feeling now, with all that is happening in our world. Molly explained that she is a Clan Mother to her clan; she is Turtle Clan. There is a link entitled "Clan Mother" on a website: TheWays.

Students each had the opportunity to question Molly. Questions were provided to her in advance of being interviewed by the students. Derick asked: What's it like to be a Clan Mother? "Family, kids, and others come to me and ask about cultural things, values, and language." Molly is also a counselor; people want to talk to her. "We're all in this, one day at a time" she said. "As long as we wake up today, we can do something, like clean our room, study, or play." She said "I would like to reach out and give you a hug." She said there are things going on in the world around us. "It's gonna be alright. It's gonna go back to a new way of life."

Molly also talked about ways to be safe during this time of change.

Emma's question: How long have you been a Clan Mother? Ten or twelve years, since older people are asked about life.

Question from the class: <u>How did you become a Clan Mother?</u> "I was on the Language and Culture Committee. They wanted to be more traditional. I became a Clan Mother or "Head Woman."

Molly's niece Eva had a question about cousins. Molly explained that there aren't first-third cousins. She said first cousins "were like brothers and sisters." "Anybody after that is a cousin."

Libby asked: What does a sweat lodge feel like? "A little wigwam, a little hut, is built. They dig a fire pit outside of it. They have a fire going with the "grandfathers" (rocks). They're put in the fire outside and heated up for hours. When we get inside a sweat lodge, we go from left and to the right. The first one in goes all the way around, and we sit in there. We wear simple clothes. We go in, sit crosslegged, put our legs to the side. Then they talk, a teaching is given by whoever is in charge. They sing some songs, do a prayer... before we begin the firekeeper brings in some hot hot rocks on a shovel. The shovel comes in the door of the sweat lodge in there, and it's dark, because they closed it. They come in with those hot hot rocks, and put it in the middle in the hole. Then the one who is leading, pours some water, sprinkles water, and oh it gets steamy hot in there! But they do that four times. Then the songs will go around again, and they'll sing songs, or talk, pray, and then the leader will say "Ho!" And they'll open the door and bring some more rocks in, and put some more water on it, and some cedar, maybe. And it gets hotter yet. Then they do it again. They go around the circle, and do some prayers, do some singing, and then when it gets back to the leader, he says "Ho!", and they open the door, and they bring some more rocks in, and they're red hot. Did you ever see a redhot rock? So they put that in there, and then put water on there, and it gets really hot! Well what it is, is sort of like going to church. We're praying for everybody in there and the whole community.. In the olden days, women did not go to the sweats. It was just for men. But nowadays, women sometimes need to go in and pray for others , or they need to go in to cleanse themselves. It's like a sauna too, only there's order to things and prayers

Question from Bert: How hot does a sweat lodge get, and why does it get hot?

"It's because we're sprinkling water on those hot hot rocks. That's what makes the steam, and that's what makes it hot."

Molly begins a discussion about boarding schools.

"Now we're gonna talk a little bit about boarding schools, in the 1800s and 1900s. Children were literally picked up in their villages, stolen. You had to go with this guy in the wagon. From tribes all over the country. Couldn't hide out. Couldn't argue. You had to go. And they took you to a boarding school. The first thing they did was cut your hair off. If you had long hair, yup, they cut your hair. And then they put that medicine in there to make sure you didn't have lice. And then they put you in a uniform. So now, back then, you would have had your powwow dress on, your buckskins . . . They could have taken that all away from you. And you'd never see it again. They put you in a uniform. And then you had to go to school. So what did you learn in school? You learned to read, and you learned to write, and you learned arithmetic, math and religion. And as you got older, then you were taught a trade. You had to work in the washroom, or the kitchen, or help out on the farms. You could stay there and graduate. Some kids ran away. And because they didn't know where they were going, or because of the weather, they didn't make it. They died out there. Some kids, if they got picked up, they had to come back, and go through all this again. It was a very very bad experience for most kids that went to boarding schools back in those days. Can you imagine being stolen out of your yard? You don't even get to tell your mom and dad or family goodbye. You just disappear, and they took you to school, and they change you. Now when you come back to the village, you don't know how to live like an Indian anymore.

There was a general, General Pratt, of the Carlisle Indian School in Pennsylvania. That's where a lot of our people went. He said, "Kill the Indian, save the man." What do you think that meant? It's to take your culture away from you. You didn't have any buckskins. You didn't know how to live off the land with the people anymore. You didn't know your powwow, how to be a good parent, you didn't know anything about being Indian anymore."

Students in Mrs. Mueller's class reacted to Molly's words by putting themselves in the place of the children who were forced to go to Indian boarding schools long ago. One student said "I would stop them." Students said they would fight to stay.

Molly continued . . . "This is how

we talk about trauma, because all these things happened to the great grandparents, and great=great grandparents. "

Question from the class: What were boarding schools like?

"They had to be really clean. They were taught religion, not their religion, a new religion. They were disciplined."

There was a discussion about discipline. Molly asked "What is discipline?"

One student said it had consequences. Another said it was something that has consequences. Someone else said it is when you do something against the rules. Another student said there has to be a reason for discipline. Another student said it's what happens when people don't follow directions. said," In boarding school, you certainly couldn't do that (not follow directions).

Question from the class: <u>Do we have boarding schools now?</u>

'Yes we do. Some kids around here do go to boarding schools. They are schools that are all Native. Wahpeton ND is for grade school, and Flandreau SD is for high school." Molly went on to explain how today's boarding schools are different than those of the past. She said, "They don't take their ways of life away. They even have culture club. You just go there to learn. There's still curfews. I know they do lots of cleaning. My girl went there. She said all they did was clean. It was the cleanest school they'd ever been to. Because that's how you make money to buy the shoes you want or something like that. So there are schools out there."

Students explored a Mohican Language website: mohicanlanguage.com. It had a voice dictionary, which was amazing. Students could see the translation of each word and phrase, along with the correct pronunciation. Students enjoyed trying the new words, and learning about the Mohican Language. We have plans to continue to learn more about the language and culture from Molly.

After Molly's interview was done, students took an online quiz on Kahoot! Molly had a chance to try it for herself before meeting with Mrs. Mueller's students. She had a chance to observe them take the test during our virtual class. The Bluejeans app is what most students at Bowler are using with the teaching staff there.

This was a great learning experience for the students and everyone involved!

Anushiik Molly!

#### Family cont from page One:

etc.), a post card containing a positive message, as well as, an educational piece on the mon-arch butterfly and milkweed. Families if you have any ideas or suggestions for activities or crafts, please call the MFC to let them know, 715-793-4080, the staff would greatly appreciate it.

The monthly family challenge was a Minute to Win It Challenge, which allowed families to time and record themselves performing tasks and uploading their videos to the new MFC Facebook Page. The MFC Staff then viewed the videos and determine which family was the fastest at each activity, tallied points and awarded the two fastest families with prizes. Family Bingo was conducted for the remainder of June, families that performed the tasks on the MFC bingo card could upload a picture of their card to the new MFC Facebook page, email it to one of the staff members or put it in the drop box outside of the MFC. Families names were placed in a bucket and a drawing was held among the families that earned at least two bingos and prizes were awarded.

Instructional videos will be created weekly to demonstrate exercises individuals can do from home, games to get the youth moving, craft activities that youth and/ or families can do at home and monthly cooking class demonstration and family challenges/games with an opportunity to win prizes. Monthly cooking class demonstrations will be centered around the Farm to Family produce/meat boxes being handed out on Fridays at the Tribal Office, families can work together to create a meal. Activity

#### Mascot Issue

NCAI Commends DC Mayor Bowser's Call for Washington NFL Team to Change Its Name and Mascot, Appeals to State and Local Officials and Corporations to Do the Same

WASHINGTON, D.C. | The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) commends the <u>public statement</u> of Washington, D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser, who declared Friday in referring to the "R\*dskins" name and mascot of the Washington NFL team that "it's past time for the team to deal with what offends so many people."

"Mayor Bowser's statement represents a huge development in Indian Country's decades-long struggle to remove this and the other offensive and degrading Native 'themed' mascots from sports and popular culture," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp. "In this historic moment for racial justice, Mayor Bowser's

bags will also include recipes and other meal ideas on a weekly basis.

Activity and Fitness videos will be shared via the MFC's new Facebook page, using a link under Family Center on the Tribe's official website, and for those that may not have access to Facebook or the internet, the staff has the instructional videos loaded on a flash drive. If you are in-terested in receiving a flash drive, please call the MFC to request one, 715-793-4080.

As we all get used to the "new" normal, the staff asks that clients and families please be patient, as there will be a learning curve involved in the first few weeks of virtual services. The plan is to have the weekly activity bags ready for pick up on Fridays, families are asked to have their initial activity bags on hand when they drive thru to pick up the following weeks activities. Families are encouraged to comment on the MFC Facebook page or call the center if they are interested in picking up an activity bag. Please watch the Mohican Family Center's new Facebook page or webpage at www.mohican.com for more information and updates

#### Quinn cont from page One:

kayaking and wrestling wild bear. Quinn's favorite color is green, and he only hunts the largest bucks in all the land. Often Quinn spends his nights reading leather-bound books smelling of rich mahogany whilst drinking a large class of chocolate milk. In the end, Quinn is interested in world peace and hopes one day he can ride off stoically into the sunset on a majestic steed from the pow-wow.

declaration reflects the growing tide among all Americans to choose respect for Native people and all other people of color by ridding our country of the symbols of racism and intolerance that have long marginalized and dehumanized us."

NCAI calls upon the leaders of professional sports leagues, school systems, and state and local governments across the country to condemn and abolish these mascots, which cause profound and well-documented harms to Native people, in particular Native youth.

NCAI is the oldest, largest, and most representative national organization serving American Indian and Alaska Native tribal nations and their citizens, and has been leading Indian Country's movement to eradicate offensive Native "themed" mascots from sports and popular culture for more than 50 years.

# Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and Native Organizations Encouraged by Recent Decision in Mashpee v. Bernhardt and Now Call on DOI for Recommitment to Tribal Sovereignty

Yesterday, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia rendered a decision in favor of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe in the case of Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe v. Bernhardt. In its opinion, Judge Paul L. Friedman ruled:

The Court will grant the Mashpee Tribe's motion for summary judgment and deny the federal defendants' and defendantintervenors' motions for summary judgment. Furthermore, because the Secretary of the Interior's September 7, 2018 Record of Decision is arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, and contrary to law, the Court remands the matter to the Secretary of the Interior for a thorough reconsideration and re-evaluation of the evidence before him consistent with this Opinion, the 2014 M-Opinion, M-37209 - its standard and the evidence permitted therein - and the Department's prior decisions applying the M-Opinion's two-part test.

For the first time since the termination era, the Department of the Interior (DOI) attempted to disestablish a Tribal reservation, ordering the homelands of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe to be taken out of trust. The order from DOI Secretary David Bernhardt came on March 27, 2020, as the Tribal Nation worked to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, during active litigation on the status of the land, and following the rescission of the 2014 Carcieri M-Opinion and the issuance of a new 4-part test to qualify under the first definition of "Indian" in the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA). On March 30, 2020, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe asked the Court to issue an emergency restraining order to prevent DOI from taking immediate action to disestablish its reservation.

"The DC District Court righted what would have been a terrible and historic injustice by finding that the Department of the Interior broke the law in attempting to take our land out of trust," said Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Chairman, Cedric Cromwell. "We will continue to work with the Department of the Interior — and fight them if necessary — to ensure our land remains in trust."

The Court ruled DOI's 2018 decision that the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe did not prove it was "under federal jurisdiction" in

1934, and therefore did not meet the first definition of "Indian" under the IRA—making the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe ineligible to acquire land in trust—was arbitrary and capricious. It remanded the decision to DOI with clear direction to issue a decision consistent with the 2014 M-Opinion's standard and the evidence permitted therein, as well as DOI's prior decisions applying the 2014 M-Opinion test. The Court further directed DOI to properly address each piece of evidence, give a reasoned analysis as to whether it is probative, explain any departure from past DOI precedent, and view all probative evidence in concert rather than in isolation. And importantly, the Court's decision also mandates that DOI maintain the land in trust pending DOI's new determination and prevents DOI from applying its new 4-part test in this case.

"USET SPF is pleased that the Court acted swiftly and justly provide necessary certainty to the Mashpee Wampanoag in these uncertain times," said USET SPF President, Francis. "The Department of the Interior was under no order to take the land out of trust, and so to attempt to rob the Mashpee of their homelands is nothing short of shameful. The Department should be assisting Tribal Nations as we work to reestablish our homelands after centuries of federal action designed to assimilate and terminate. Instead, actions by this Administration are aimed at perpetuating antiquated and regressive federal policies, resulting in the destabilization of our governments. While we celebrate this victory with Mashpee and all of Indian Country today, the centuries-long fight to protect and restore Tribal homelands is ongoing and we must remain steadfast in our vigilance. We continue to stand with Mashpee as the Department reexamines its evidence on remand."

"On behalf of the National Congress of American Indians, we congratulate the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe on their historic victory. We consider this a win for all of Indian Country," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp. "The Mashpee Wampanoag relationship with the United States is one of political equality, derived from their inherent sovereignty, powers, and authority that long predates the United States. No federal agency or civil servant

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Sandy Johnson



Sandy Johnson



Sandy Johnson



Sandy Johnson



Sherrie Newman



Sandy Johnson

Editor's Note: It is not always the easiest to come up with interesting pictures for the center pages of the Mohican News. Especially so in these COVID-19 times here in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, where the self-isolation order has been extended through June 30, 2020!

We get our pictures from gatherings of people and sadly, those are being cancelled left and right. Beginning with graduations in June, the Fourth of July will be tampered down in some respects in cities across the country; here at home we will miss the Chemon Fishing Derby this year; and for the first time, the 44th Annual Mohican Pow Wow has been cancelled.

So, as I was perusing Facebook, I came across some beautiful pictures of flowers posted by my cousin, Sandy Johnson. I looked out of the window at home and could only see some Trilliums in the woods and the rest of the area was just greening up. I wondered how she had such beautiful flowers and one thing lead to another and I realized there is quite the distance from her home area to mine. It is four hours and fortythree minutes from Bowler, WI (where I live) to Waterman, IL (where my cousin, Sandy Johnson lives) via highway 41. It is also 260 actual miles from one place to the other so Sandy would, no doubt, get there a lot faster than I, based on driving speed!

To make a long story short(er), we are including flower pictures sent by Sandy and other friends of hers from her area of the country. We also have some pictures from a wizard here in Wisconsin, Clorissa Vele. And of course, we had to include pictures from a cousin here in Wisconsin; thanks Angie Williams but I do not think that picture is going to do well in the county fair! Until we can all get back together outside, enjoy!

Jeff Vele, Editor



Sherrie Newman



Sandy Johnson



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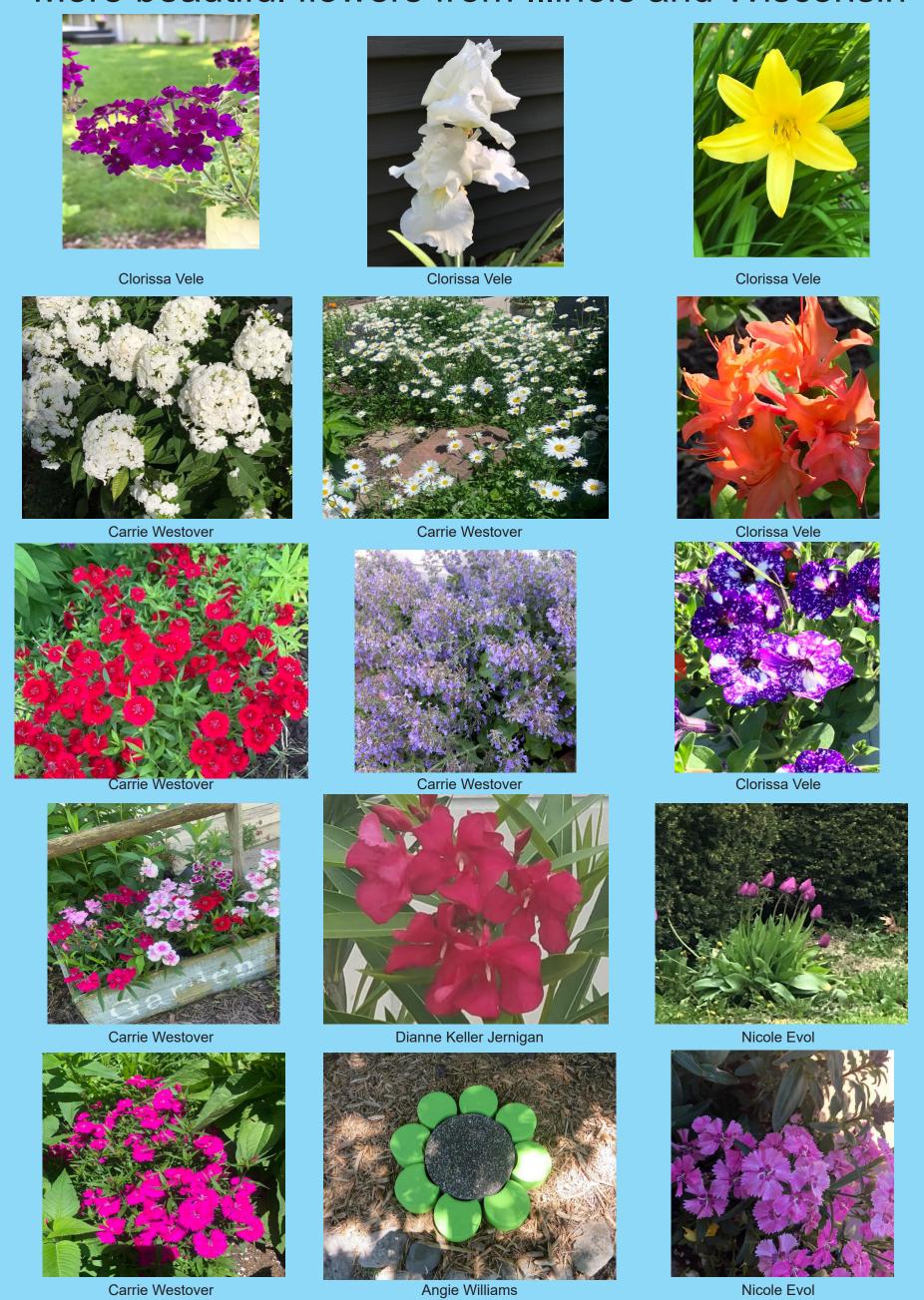


Sandy Johnson



Sherrie Newman

## More beautiful flowers from Illinois and Wisconsin





#### Leadership Shawano Co. Celebrates 20 Years

Program Thinks Big when it comes to community projects

(SHAWANO-WI)—Leadership Shawano County (LSC) is celebrating its 20th year of growing leaders. LSC is a communitybased leadership development program operated by the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the University of Wisconsin Extension-Shawano County. With 327 graduates to date, the program has facilitated 47 community services projects since 2000. Each year class members identify needs in the community or gaps in services to address these needs. They then split into groups and address those needs through a service project. Most projects are completed during the nine months of programming and results of these projects are announced during the graduation ceremony. Class 20 has ended, but Due to Covid-19, their graduation has been postponed for July 2020, pending the ability to meet in person.

Some projects in recent years have been multiple year, multiple phase processes. For example, after hearing about the need for a Boys and Girls Club (BGC) in Shawano for many years; curiosity had program coordinator Wendy Crawford wondering how LSC could help. She asked "What if LSC would use their class project time to handle one phase of a multiple year project? They could move the project as far as they can take in nine months, then turn it over to the next class to work on the following nine months." With this approach in mind, Crawford began researching what it would take to open a Boys and Girls Club in Shawano.

Phase one involved a community assessment in order to demonstrate the need for a BGC in Shawano. LSC Class 14 (2014) created and conducted the needs assessment which consisted of several surveys conducted by students and parents from the Shawano School District along with interviewing 30 community stakeholders.

Phase two was handled by LSC class 15 (2015) which required the creation of an advisory board and arranging a charter agreement with an existing Boys and Girls Club. Luckily, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Green Bay offered to take Shawano under their wing. They also needed and received approval from the Shawano School Board to create a school-based

site at Olga Brener Intermediate. In the third-year, LSC developed a capital campaign to raise the first year of funding (\$100,000), while obtaining pledges for the second and third year. Alumni from LSC class 14 and 15 assisted with this. along with members of University Wisconsin Extension-Shawano County and other dedicated board advisory members. "Fundraising is not easy, but our community saw the need for a club and thanks to the generosity of many individuals, foundations and organizations, the funding goal was met," Crawford shared.

LSC was very happy to announce the opening of the Boys and Girls Club of Shawano at Olga Brener Intermediate School on January 23, 2017. "We proved that when a dedicated group of people, with the right skills and connections join forces, and commit to the process, big things can be accomplished." Crawford remarked.

With the Boys and Girls Club success under their belt LSC decided to tackle idea of creating a signature event in Shawano. This large event remained an ongoing conversation within the community and presented a daunting challenge. Any time this idea was brought up in the past, it was dismissed because of the sheer volume of work and time needed to properly plan a large-scale event.

When identifying what makes their community unique and creating a festival around it, this group chose Sundrop soda, a local Shawano favorite. Twig's Beverage in Shawano operates the only remaining plant bottling Sundrop in reusable bottles. Using the multiple year approach, LSC Class 16 (2016) created the concept of Sundrop Dayz. What came next, still surprises all involved. "Our community fully endorsed the concept of Sundrop Dayz. The City of Shawano, area businesses. media outlets, corporate sponsors organizations nonprofit unanimously supported project and helped us every step of the way," said Crawford. LSC class 17 (2017) worked on logistics, while the members of class 16 continued to work on the other aspects of planning. After 20 months of planning meetings, the First Annual SunDrop Dayz took place Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2, 2017. SunDrop Dayz now attracts thousands and officially kicks off summer for the community and visitors. Sundrop

## Sparks Hired as Leadership Shawano County Program Coordinator

(SHAWANO-WI)— The Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce announces the hiring of Marla Sparks for their Leadership Shawano County Program Coordinator. In this part-time position, Spark's responsibilities include marketing, fund-raising, public relations, recruitment, and session coordination. "We are excited that Marla has joined us. The Leadership Shawano County program will benefit from her impressive marketing experience, organizational and communication skills and her intimate knowledge of Shawano County," says Nancy Smith, Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce Executive Director.

Sparks has worked in the sales and marketing industry for over 20 years, having gained experience in a variety of organizations including retail, hospitality, advertising, healthcare, insurance and non-profits.

For the past 25 years, Sparks has called Shawano home with her husband Manny and their two children, Madelyn and Mason. For recreation, Sparks enjoys snowmobiling, boating, cheering on her children at their volleyball and basketball games, volunteering and raising their family.

Dayz features well-known regional and local bands on 2 stages throughout the 2-days. The fest starts with Friday night fish fry. Saturday offers a flea market and 5K, followed by music on the main and small stages, a craft show, kid's inflatables, magic show, face painting, local food favorites and of course plenty of cold Sundrop Nonprofit agencies volunteer in many areas and sell concessions which gives them an opportunity to share the profits and earn money for their programs. The SunDrop Dayz Board was extremely sad to have canceled SunDrop Dayz 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Everything is in place for SunDrop Dayz on June 4th and June 5th, 2021

Impactful projects continued with this year's class. Class 20 developed a "Friends of Mountain Bay Trail Shawano County." The purpose of this group is to maintain, promote and sustain the trail for current and future generations, promote healthy activities, share cultural and ecological knowledge, and enhance local economies along the trail. The process included developing bylaws, forming a board, creating contacts and resources for future board activities, and applying for 501c3 nonprofit status. When nonprofit status is obtained, this entity can



Sparks puts a priority on her family and community Many organizations have benefited from her passion and skills including Safe Haven, 100+Women Who Care Shawano County, Thrivent Financial-Wolf River Associates, and St. James Lutheran Church & School, to name a few.

Participation in LSC is open to the general public living and working in and around Shawano County. For more information visit <a href="www.leadershipshawanocounty.com">www.leadershipshawanocounty.com</a> or contact Marla Sparks at 715-851-1412, <a href="marla.leadershipsc@gmail.com">marla.leadershipsc@gmail.com</a>.

qualify for state funding which will help in maintaining the trail.

Leadership Shawano County proved again, that with a dedicated group of individuals, who have the right skills, connections, tenacity and vision, big things can happen. Leadership Shawano County Program Coordinator Wendy Crawford recently retired after 15 years with the program. "I am very proud of the accomplishments, and grateful to have found such meaningful and impactful work over the last 15 years. The people I've met and worked with, the connections made and service projects completed have led to a very rewarding career." Crawford shared she will not be retiring from her involvement in the community and plans to remain active. The program coordinator duties will be handed over to newly hired Marla Sparks whose vast experience in marketing, public relations, event coordination, fundraising organizational skills will allow LSC to continue to grow and do big things. For more information on how you or your organization can help make an impact on our community for Leadership Shawano County and Class 21, please visit www. leadershipshawanocounty.com or email Marla Sparks at marla. leadershipsc@gmail.com.

## CMN Names Sanapaw and Edler For Academic, Institute Offices





Ms. Sanapaw is the daughter of Alphia and Raymond Creapeau and the late Lyle Welch and Rebecca is the fiance of Mohican News Editor Jeff Vele.

KESHENA – College of Menominee Nation staff members Geraldine Sanapaw and Rebecca Edler have assumed additional leadership responsibilities at CMN under the direction of Interim President Christopher Caldwell.

In making the appointments, Caldwell noted that both women have substantial administrative experience in their respective areas and will move into their new roles seamlessly.

"We begin a new fiscal year at the College in July and a new fall semester in August," Caldwell says. "As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are also beginning many new operational changes in the way we serve our students and other stakeholders. The timing seemed right to enlist these two seasoned managers at this pivotal point."

Sanapaw, a 15-year employee of CMN, moves from the title Registrar to Interim Chief of Academic Affairs. Her priorities will include the 2020-2021 implementation of COVID-19 responses within the academic program. Also on the docket will be planning and preparation for CMN's 2021-2020 budget and continuing the College's work with other local education agencies. Sanapaw, is the daughter of Alphia and Raymond Creapeau and the late Lyle Welch.

Sanapaw began her higher education with an Associate Degree from CMN. She also holds a Bachelor of Science from Silver Lake College, MBA from Lakeland College, and is currently pursuing a doctoral degree from Concordia University Wisconsin in Leading Innovation and Continuous Improvement.



of As the new Acting Director of CMN's Sustainable Development Institute, Edler is adding Institutelevel responsibilities for plan and budget development, grant administration, and supervision to her previous role as Sustainability Coordinator. Prior to being named Sustainability Coordinator in 2013, Edler worked for several years as a CMN Admissions and Recruiting Specialist and Academic Advisor. She holds a Master of Arts in Counseling/Higher Education from Lakeland, B.A. in Social Science from Silver Lake, and Associate Degree in Applied Science in Supervisory Management. Edler worked for the Kimberly-Clark Corporation and as Program Director of the American Indian Center of the Fox Valley, a program of Goodwill Industries, before joining the CMN staff.

> The assignments are interim, but Caldwell adds, appointments come with full authority and confidence. While courses, initiatives, and services may look different, access, continuity and the quality expected at CMN won't change: "We've just graduated the CMN Class of 2020. Our summer classes are already in session. And a few weeks from now we are going to start our fall semester courses with a rigorous sanitation schedule and as many health precautions as possible. Faculty and staff are continuing to adapt coursework and services so that students can be served either in person or online, as circumstances demand. We are hoping for the best and preparing for whatever might come."

> The College of Menominee Nation is an accredited baccalaureate-level institution offering open enrollment for academic degrees and technical diplomas on campuses in Keshena and Green Bay. Classes for fall semester begin the week of August 16. Applications for fall semester are open through August 7.

#### **Stockbridge Munsee Community**

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## NCAI Statement on the Removal of Christopher Columbus Statues

WASHINGTON, DC | The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), the largest and most representative American Indian and Alaska Native organization in the country, does not acknowledge Christopher Columbus as a hero. To Indigenous peoples, he was the opposite:

[O]ut of timbers for the Santa Maria, . . . Columbus built a fort [on Hispaniola], the first European military base in the Western Hemisphere. . . . He took . . . Indian prisoners and put them aboard his two remaining ships. . . . [H]e got into a fight with Indians who refused to trade as many bows and arrows as he and his men wanted. Two were run through with swords and bled to death. Then the Nina and the Pinta set sail. . . . When the weather turned cold, the Indian prisoners began to die. . . .

In the year 1495, they went on a great slave raid, rounded up fifteen hundred Arawak men, women, and children, put them in pens guarded by Spaniards and dogs, then picked the five hundred best specimens to load onto ships. Of those five hundred, two hundred died en route. The rest arrived alive in Spain and were put up for sale. . . . Howard Zinn, A People's History of the United States, 3-4 (1980 Ed.).



"This growing movement across the country to rid our shared spaces of symbols that represent hate, genocide, and bigotry illustrates that it is past time for all cities to stand on the right side of history moving forward," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp.

NCAI also strongly supports the recent actions taken by United States citizens and the international community calling for proper law enforcement reforms and the recognition of basic human rights for the African American community and all communities of color. We are humbled that these voices are including Indian Country's perspectives. NCAI encourages local governments and their citizens to seek mutual understandings of their diverse perspectives and to develop peaceful solutions that are mindful of all human beings and our rich distinct and shared histories. Together we can build the tomorrow our children deserve to lead.



College of Menominee Nation Dean's List for 2020 Spring Semester

## Highest Honors (GPA 4.0)

Cox, James
Dehne, Brandon
Denny, Jeffery
Esch, Sara
Goldsberry, Melissa
Kaquatosh, Linda
Kuhn, Jennifer
Nino De Guzman, Helena
Peters, Matilda
Powers, Michelle
Shawanokasic, Joshua
Tourtillott, Bernadette

## High Honors (GPA 2.75-3.99)

Fish, Carol Haessly, Amber James, Mary J. Johnson, Brooke Kitson, Franny
Kraft, Nicole
Kuchta, Chantelle
McArthur, Virginia
Neosh, Jasmine
Pamonicutt, Shawn
Tyler, Meagan
Vele, Marissa
Waupekenay, Jordynee

#### Honors (GPA 3.50-3.74)

Greengrass, Kelly Grignon, Evelynn James-Koch, Mercedes Kitson Jr, David Melotte, Keshia Pamonicutt, Nanette Rabitoy, Amber Track, Rose Walter, Catherine

#### Congratulations to our Menominee Graduates!

#### College of Menominee Nation

James Cox, Welding Tasheena Newton, Business Office Technician Brandon Boyd, AAS Natural Resources Brooke Caldwell, AAS Liberal Studies Social Science Emily Smith, AAS Liberal Studies Social Science Megan Smith, AAS Liberal Studies Social Science Rachel Corn, AAS Business Administration Daynell Grignon, AAS Business Administration Evelynn Grignon, AAS Business Administration Kimberly Oshkeshequoam, AAS Business Administration Ashley Peters, AAS Business Administration Desiray Draghi, AAS Early Childhood Education April Tucker, AAS Early Childhood Education Debra McPherson, BA Education Matilda Peters, BS Early Childhood/Middle Childhood Education Bernadette Tourtillott, BS Early Childhood/Middle Childhood Education Linda Delgado, BS Early Childhood/Middle Childhood Education Linda Kaquatosh, BS Business Administration Monica Pamaska, BS Business Administration Christalee Waupoose, BS Business Administration

## Christa Lyons, BS Business Administration/AAS Public Administration Haskell Indian Nations University

Marina Frechette, Associate's degree in Liberal Arts

#### Northeast Wisconsin Technical College

Shawn Boyd, Associate's degree in Business Management Evan Matchopatow, Associate's degree in Supply Chain Management Myrtle Ponfil, Associate's degree in Human Services

#### Milwaukee Area Technical College

Holly Moore, Associate's degree in Human Services

#### University of Wisconsin – Green Bay

Jennifer Barnes, Bachelor's degree in Social Work Rebecca McCann, Bachelor's degree in First Nations Studies/History Kayshia Wayka, Bachelor's degree in Social Work

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# Menominee Vocational Rehabilitation Program

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Stop in and see us at CMN or any of our off-site locations (Stockbridge-Education Department 1st Monday of the month, Shawano; 2nd Monday of the month, Maehnowesekiyah; 3rd Monday of the month, and Neopit- Menominee Tribal Enterprises; 3rd Tuesday of the month).

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

#### Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey; Present
Jolene Bowman; Present
Terrie Terrio; Present
Jeremy Mohawk: Absent
Martin Welch; Present
Marv Malone; Present
Craig Kroening Jr. Present

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Add: Camping Request
ANA Grant Application
Strike: Enrollment Meeting
Minutes

Capital Expenditure Request Motion by Martin Welch to approve the agenda for Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Seconded by Marv Malone. Motion carried.

#### OPEN AGENDA-MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Martin Welch to approve the meeting minutes of

June 2, 2020. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

FINANCIALS: December 31, 2019 and January 31, 2020 (for approval)-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the December 2019 and January 2020 financial reports. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

### FY2019 AUDIT-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve and accept the 2019 audit. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

#### JOB DESCRIPTIONS: Training Coordinator and Accountant-Todd VanDen Heuvel, Executive Director of HR

Motion by Jolene Bowman that job descriptions no longer need to come to Tribal Council for approval unless the job description is new. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Training Coordinator position job description for posting. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion

carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Accountant position for posting. Seconded by Marv Malone. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF NEW DETECTIVE SQUAD TRUCK-Jim Hoffman, Chief of Police and Allen Quinney, Executive Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the purchase of the new detective squad truck. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr.

Roll Call: Marv opposed, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Martin opposed and Craig yes. Motion carried.

## CAPITAL EXPENDITURE REQUEST-Ray S. Bowman, Surveillance Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to require an RFP for the request of the Surveillance Camera Upgrade project. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Dept. Manger

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to grant permission to post an RFP. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

## WDNR SUMMER TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAM-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Dept. Manager

Consensus that Randall is to use the suggestions he provided and the guidelines to come up with a plan.

## INVASIVE SPECIES TECHNICIAN JOB POSTING-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Dept. Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the posting of the Invasive Species Technician. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

#### CARES ACT GRANT AWARD-Kristy Malone, Elderly Services Manager

Motion by Jolene Bowman to approve the grant award in the budget mod #9 with a Fiscal Year of 04/01/2020-12/31/2020. Seconded by Marv Malone. Motion carried.

## HEATING/COOLING DESIGN CONTRACT-Andrew Clinic Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the expanded HGA system as identified by the Director. Seconded by Jolene Bowman. Motion carried.

#### ENROLLMENT OFFICE-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the extended closure of the Enrollment Offices until August 28, 2020. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr.

Motion maker amends motion to add: and that Tribal Council would like to see an update by the end of July. Second concurs. Motion carried.

P.L. 102-477 THREE YEAR PLAN-Jolene Bowman, Vice

#### President

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the 477-plan striking final authority on page 17 and from the grievance process. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Vice President Bowman wanted it noted that this motion does not change the handbook at this time that is on record.

## FOLLOW UP REQUEST ON EIGHT ORDINANCES-Jolene Bowman, Vice President

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Vice President's recommendation for Legal to draft letter for the President's signature asking the status from the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the eight ordinances that we are waiting a response from and they include Chapters; 57-Tax from 3/6/18; 56-Food from 4/17/18; 13-Truancy from 8/6/18; 70-Flag from 8/20/19; 5-Civil Procedure from 11/5/19; 5A-Appellate Procedure 11/5/19; 44-Membership from 12/3/19; and 54-Employment Preference 1/21/20. from Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

### CAMPING REQUEST-Walking Eagle Burr

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve Walking Eagle Burr's request to camp in the park. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

#### ANA GRANT APPLICATION-Heather Bruegl, Cultural Affairs Director

Motion by Jolene Bowman to adopt resolution 052-20, Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council does approve this application to the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Administration Families, Native Americans to support the proposed Stockbridge-Munsee Community "Mohican Language Revitalization Project". Seconded by Marv Malone.

Motion maker amends motion to add: Be It Further Resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council commits monies over the three-year project period in in-kind match pursuant to the award by the Administration for Native Americans for the three-year project period spanning from 2020-2023. Second concurs. Motion carried.

#### **SUMMER YOUTH-**

Motion by Terrie K Terrio to allocate what has been identified by the Director as the additional amount needed to take care of the remaining applicants for the Summer Youth Program. Seconded by Marv Malone.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Martin abstain and Craig yes. Motion carried.

#### ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Jolene Bowman to adjourn. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 6:12 PM.

Mashpee cont from page Seven: has the authority to diminish or in any way undermine that unique political relationship and standing. We will remain vigilant and stand united with Mashpee who have shaped and supported this country from the arrival of the first European settlers and will coexist as sovereign equals for generations to come."

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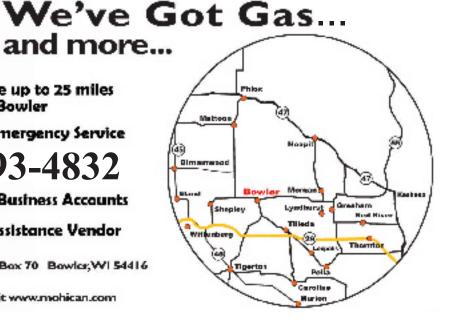
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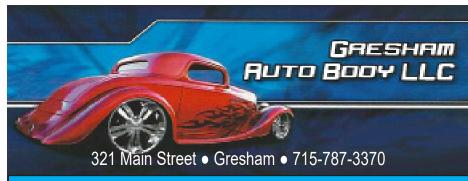
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