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President Biden Announces Dr. Jolene Bowman Included Among Key Appointments to Boards and Commissions

WASHINGTON – President Biden announced his intent to appoint nine individuals to serve in key roles. Among those being appointed is Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal member Dr. Jolene Bowman. Dr. Bowman has been appointed to the National Advisory Council on Indian Education.

Dr. Jolene Bowman's strong allegiance for equity in Native education is what drives her compassion to work collaboratively at removing barriers and improving the education experience. Her grandparents, mother, and aunts unknowingly served as change agents by supporting active thoughts, ideas, and dreams, which

Economic Support Department

(L to R): Crystal Malone, Rolanda Bierman, and Rose Strege

University of Minnesota Twin Cities junior Joleece Pecore is among the 62 Truman Scholars announced by the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. The Truman Scholarship is a prestigious award for undergraduate students who demonstrate a commitment to leadership and public service.

“We are proud to have excellent students in our College of Liberal Arts representing the University of Minnesota as 2023 Truman Scholars,” said University President Joan Pecore

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Athletes are as follows:

Coral Cook is playing Volleyball and her parents are Chris and Misti Cook. Bertina Dodge is playing Softball and Wylee Dodge playing boys Volleyball. They are the children of Kylee and Stormie Dodge. Conner Kaquatosh is another athlete playing boys Volleyball and is the son of Shelly Davids. Also in boys volleyball, Ashwuut Mohawk is the son of Jeremy and Roxanne Mohawk. Weengeelah Mohawk is playing Softball and is the daughter of Jermy and Roxanne Mohawk. Delvin Vele will compete in Wrestling, he is the son of Trestarska Vele. Arvina Martin will be playing Volleyball and her grandmother is Karen Martin.

50/50 raffles, gift drawings and selling concessions out of the family center all in an effort to raise money for travel expenses and food for our athletes. Next fundraiser is Father Day Baskets on May 15 and drawing on June 14, 2023.

The North American Indigenous Games start July 17 and go to July 21 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Our community has several youth attending. The Mohican Family Center has been hosting and holding fundraisers for the children. Athletic Director is Crystal Malone, Rolanda Bierman and Rose Strege are Economic Support Specialists. They manage cases for all Income Maintenance programs (FS, BCP, Affordable Care Act, elderly, Blind, and Disabled Medical Assistance, Caretaker Supplement, MA, FSET, WI CC, Provider Certification, Medicare Premium Assistance, Family Planning Waiver) and all Economic Support programs (TANF, CCDF, GA, TTC, WHEAP, KWWF).
Bowman cont from One: in turn motivated her passion to serve others in the capacity of cultivating academic and career mindsets for a sustainable future from Pre-K through Higher Education. As our ancestors taught us so that we would teach the future, Bowman is committed to service in leadership that encompasses respecting elders and veterans. As such, employing this guidance to build self-awareness within our youth so they can be the future we want to see in the world. She is a citizen of Stockbridge-Munsee Community with over 30 years of tribal work experience including being the Director of Education and Career Services for the past sixteen years. In addition, she is currently serving a second term on the National Indian Education Assoc. Board of Directors while also serving on the Wi. Indian Education Association as an alternate for the Central Region, the Wi. Tribal Education Directors Assoc., and Governors appointment as a Public Member of the Wi. Women’s Council. In March of 2020, Bowman was featured by Madison 365 as one of Wisconsin’s 38 Most Influential Native Americans in a five-part series. Her former leadership positions include 2018 NIEA President and the 2015-2017 and 2019-2020 Stockbridge-Munsee Vice President. Bowman believes that as a collective voice we can build, support, and believe in the dreams of others to encourage success for a better world. Dr. Jolene Bowman said, “This appointment is shared with everyone who has influenced me along the way. We did it and are doing it for the greater good of all”.

Support cont from One: Provides assistance with client applications, and client registration. Performs varied and complex work to determine initial and continuing eligibility, case management, and front-end verification.

Crystal Malone is the Human Service Area Manager position is responsible to directly manage the Economic Support Service direct supervision of the Mohican Family Manager, Family Services Manager, ICW Manager, Food Distribution Manager, Child Support Manager, and the Economic Support Specialists. Coordinate appropriate utilization of staff to achieve maximum service delivery and career growth of team members. Develop collaborative working relationships with community groups, inter-tribal staff, and other programs for the efficient and effective delivery of services, eliminate gaps in services and reduce duplication of offered services.

Spring Breakup restrictions on forest roads are lifted.

Please Use Discretion

Heavy Rains are expected over the weekend and some areas are still very wet and will cause travel limitations or damage that may limit use later in the year. Heavily shaded areas like those covered by hemlock may still have frost and will take longer to dry.

For more information on the forest road system, see section ENV.02.12 of the Tribal Ordinances.

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Banning Lead Ammunition for Deer and Bear

The Bald Eagle has no natural predators. The bald eagle is an opportunistic feeder which subsists mainly on fish. Their biggest enemy is humans. Some of the causes of Bald Eagle mortality include collisions with cars and power lines, electrocution, gunshot wounds and chemical poisoning. Poisoning can be anything from mercury, phenobarbital (vets use for euthanizing pets), lead, and copper. All can be found in the environment. Bald eagles are opportunistic foragers but prefer fish as their primary food and are found in great densities where fish are abundant. They also eat sea birds and ducks or hunt over grasslands and marshes for small mammals such as rabbits, and squirrels. Bald Eagles nest near water to hunt fish and water birds. And their nesting territories range from 2 and ½ square miles to as large as 15 square miles, depending on how much food there is. Behind fish, the next most significant prey base for bald eagles are other water fowl. The contribution of such birds to the eagle’s diet is variable, depending on the quantity and availability of fish near the water’s surface. Water fowl can seasonally comprise from 7% to 80% of the prey selection for eagles in certain localities that have large bodies of water. Mammal preys are generally less frequently taken than fish or water fowl. However, in some regions, such as landlocked areas of North America, wintering bald eagles may become habitual predators of medium-sized mammals. Bald eagles often hunt in pairs to catch rabbits. They can attack and prey on rabbits and hares of nearly any size. My question has always been where are the numbers that support a ban on lead? Do eagles found dead on the reservation only live and forage here? How can we tell if they are poisoned on the reservation or on land bordering the reservation? Is the state looking to ban lead ammunition for deer and bear hunting? Wouldn’t they decide based on statistical information? I believe we need to protect wildlife, but I want to see the numbers and facts before backing any decision that affects our community. Alphia Creapeau

Happy birthday Leikyn Vele on May 22!

Love, Your Family

The Staff at Ella Besaw would like to wish Janet Martin a very Happy Birthday on May 29th

Pam Huck celebrates her retirement after 17 years with the IT Department. Pam Started as the MIS Intern in 2006 She then was hired on as the computer support specialist 2008. Moved up to tech lead and then systems administrator in 2017.

NTC’s manufacturing programs like Welding, Electromechanical or Wood Science can put you on the path to an exciting career in one of these fields. Attend in-person classes with flexible open labs at the NTC Antigo Campus.

Registration is underway! Call 715.623.7601 or visit www.ntc.edu to start your journey today.
Dewey Bruce Church I
Dewey Bruce Church I, age 74, of Bowler, passed away on Thursday, May 4, 2023 in Neenah. He was born on October 7, 1948 in Shawano, to the late Dewey W. Church and Colleen I. (Huff) Bailey. Dewey Graduated from Thunderbird Academy. Dewey served two tours in Vietnam while in the United States Army. He further attended and graduated from Lomalinda University and Northwestern Michigan College. Dewey was united in marriage to Jacqueline Hoadley on April 9, 1973, in Menominee, MI. He worked for many years at Pine Hills until retiring. Dewey was an avid outdoorsman and was a very humble and loving man. He will be dearly missed.

Dewey is survived by: his children Ted Fraly, Traci Eickenroth, Sonya Church, and Dewey B. Church II; his grandchildren Malachi, Jessica, Cody (Paris), Dillon, Griffon, and Dustin; 2 great-grandchildren; his siblings, Jeaneen (Ron) Brown, Mary Webster, Faron Bailey, Emerson Bailey Jr., Jeffery Bailey, Terrance Bailey, Dawn Bailey, Sterling (Dora) Bailey, Roni Bailey, Lizette (Basil) Bailey, and Clifford Church. He is further survived by a nation full of numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by: his wife Jacqueline Church; his parents Dewey and Colleen; his sisters Bridgette Bailey and Rene J. Bailey.

Funeral services were held for Dewey on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham. Military Honors were conducted by the Gresham American Legion and the Mohican Veterans following the service. Visitation was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham and again on Wednesday until the time of service. Burial will be held in Tustin, Michigan.

Ernest Gene Vogelsang
Ernest Gene “Sonny” Vogelsang, age 87, passed away on Tuesday May 2, 2023, in Shawano. Sonny was born on March 30, 1936, to the late Otto and Erma (Seeger) Vogelsang in Visalia, California. He served his country proudly. On July 15, 1961, Sonny was united in marriage to Marie Peters, in Morgan Siding. Maria preceded him in death in 2018. Sonny had lived in California for over 40 years, before moving to Gresham in 2002.

Sonny is survived by his children, Brian (Peggy) Vogelsang, Toni (Kevin) Henderson and Bradley Vogelsang; 6 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; his sister, Emily Adair, of California. He is further survived by many other relatives and friends.

Sonny is preceded in death by his wife, Marie, a son, Paul, great-granddaughter, Kylee and a brother, Clarence.

A funeral service for Sonny was held on Saturday May 6, 2023, at Old Stockbridge Presbyterian Church, with Pastor Gordon Oliver officiating. Visitation was until the time of service at church. Burial will be at the church cemetery at a later date. Military Honors will be conducted by Gresham American Legion Post 390 and the Mohican Veterans at the church.

The Gresham Lions – Facilities Improvement
The Gresham Lions Club has recently upgraded their landing on the Upper Red Lake, located north of Gresham on Upper Red Lake Road. The dock has been busy enough to justify upgrading to a new larger dock for the 2023 boating & fishing season.

Fund-raising through the local community has been successful and with the cooperation of All Season Repair of Shawano, a new aluminum dock has been installed.

The older dock was about half the new dock’s length of twenty-four feet.

Future upgrades depend on the support of the community and, of course, users of the facilities.

Donations can be sent to: Gresham Lions Club PO Box 242 Gresham, WI 54128.

Thank you!!
How to apply for VA health care

Find out how to apply for VA health care benefits as a Veteran or service member.

How do I prepare before I start my application?
- Find out if you’re eligible for VA health care benefits.
- Gather the information listed below that you’ll need to fill out an Application for Health Benefits (VA Form 10-10EZ).

You’ll need this information:
- Social Security numbers for you, your spouse, and your qualified dependents.
- Your military discharge papers (DD214 or other separation documents).
- Insurance card information for all insurance companies that cover you, including any coverage provided through a spouse or significant other. This includes Medicare, private insurance, or insurance from your employer.
- Gross household income from the previous calendar year for you, your spouse, and your dependents. This includes income from a job and any other sources. Gross household income is your income before taxes and any other deductions.
- Your deductible expenses for the past year. These include certain health care and education costs.

Note: You don’t have to tell us about your income and expenses when you apply. But if you’re not eligible based on other factors, we’ll need this information to decide on your application.

Eligibility for VA health care
Find out if you can get VA health care as a Veteran. Am I eligible for VA health care benefits?

You may be eligible for VA health care benefits if you served in the active military, naval, or air service and didn’t receive a dishonorable discharge. If you enlisted after September 7, 1980, or entered active duty after October 16, 1981, you must have served 24 continuous months or the full period for which you were called to active duty, unless any of the descriptions below are true for you.

This minimum duty requirement may not apply if any of these are true:
- You were discharged for a disability that was caused—or made worse—by your active-duty service, or
- You were discharged for a hardship or “early out,” or
- You served prior to September 7, 1980, if you’re a current or former member of the Reserves or National Guard. You must have been called to active duty by a federal order and completed the full period for which you were called or ordered to active duty. If you had or have active-duty status for training purposes only, you don’t qualify for VA health care.
- If you served in certain locations and time periods during the Vietnam War era, you’re eligible for VA health care.

Keep reading to learn more. Is there anything that will make me more likely to get these benefits?

Yes. You may qualify for enhanced eligibility status if you meet at least one of these requirements. Enhanced eligibility means that we’ll place you in a higher priority group. This makes you more likely to get benefits. At least one of these must be true:

- You receive financial compensation (payments) from VA for a service-connected disability.
Pecore cont from One: Gabel. “Their initiative and dedication to the greater good continue the tradition of student empowerment at the University, reflecting our values and commitment to inspire every student to meet the great challenges facing our state, our nation and our society.” Joleece has been awarded a Udall Scholarship by the Udall Foundation, an elite nationally competitive award for students committed to public service in either Environmental or Native American affairs. The U of M-Twin Cities campus has had ten Udall Scholars, the most recent four all being Native American students.

Joleece Pecore is an Art and American Indian Studies major from Stevens Point, Wisconsin. She is a member of the Ho Chunk Nation and also has heritage in the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans. Former president of the Ho-Chunk Nation, Jon Greendeer, credits her with a long record of unconditional volunteerism, devoting her wide range of talents to a variety of causes across Indian Country, including rallies in support of the Indian Child Welfare Act and public service media regarding pandemic health protocols.

As an artist and organizer, Pecore has orchestrated cultural events within and across Native communities. On campus she has been a leader of the American Indian Cultural Center and Circle of Indigenous Nations, working with Dakota and Ojibwe students to organize the Spring Powwow and creating communications systems to maintain and build community during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pecore plans to complete a law degree with a concentration in Indian Law and represent the interests of Indigenous communities, especially around issues of natural resources, legal jurisdiction, and historic rights and treaties. In researching information about Joleece, we found the following article written by Laura Johnson from: https://cla.umn.edu/news-events/profile/joleece-pecore-artist-scholar-advocate

What inspired you to pursue art and American Indian studies majors?

I knew that I wanted to major in American Indian studies in high school. I knew that I wanted to learn more about American Indian history and how that history shapes contemporary issues for Natives. But art has always been a big part of my life, too. I have artists on both sides of my family. So I considered minor- ing in art, but just knowing that I was going to be taking a lot of those classes, it made sense to become an art major. I don’t consider myself very outspoken or extroverted, so I use my art to advocate for myself.

Before coming to the U, I did mostly traditional paintings and drawings. Through the art department, I’ve learned about digital drawing, different ways to make paintings, and how to make films. A film course inspired me to make films that were centered around Natives—to create films from a Native perspective and show contemporary and authentic representations of us. My film Reel NDNS won me second place at the University of Minnesota Film Festival and recognition in a couple other film festivals. The first half of the film is about what I believe non-Natives see: a connection to nature, stereotypical images of dreamcatchers and hunting, seeing us as forms of entertainment and almost mythical. The second half is about authentic and contemporary images of Natives through my family: we’re humans, we’re people. I filmed it during hunting season in Wisconsin, and one of my favorite parts shows my brother’s learning to cut up a deer but just standing and looking at it for a while. It shows that we’re not mythical, we’re just people operating within this society. We adapt, we’re contemporary. We’re not just an old black-and-white image. My art is fueled by Native issues and my identity. I see that there are inaccurate representations of Natives and I’m trying to change that narrative.

What activities are you involved in?

I came to the U in 2020 so my first year was entirely online and I didn’t get to be as involved that much, but I did live in the American Indian Culture House and through that opportunity, met a couple of other first-year Native students.

Since then, I’ve become involved working as an intern with the Circle of Indigenous Nations and serving as a co-president of the American Indian Student Cultural Center. These organizations are really about building community—welcoming newly admitted and transfer Native students to campus and helping them feel more acclimated right away, hosting cultural and community events including weekly study nights and monthly Frybread Fridays. In the fall, the AISCC hosted a round dance and we just wrapped up with our spring powwow held at Maturi Pavilion.

Talk about the Truman Scholar application process.

I learned about the process from Timothy Jones, associate director of national and international scholarships, as I was applying for a Udall Scholarship. I had to write several essays about myself, where I want to go for graduate school, what I intend to study, and what I plan to do in the future after earning my graduate degree. I also had to ask people for letters of recommendation that spoke to my capabilities as a leader. And I had to be nominated by the University.

When I found out I was selected for the final interview process, I participated in an all-day interview event in St. Paul. One thing that I try to do is show my pride for my identity and show that Native Americans are still here, Native people are still thriving. So as part of my attire, I Indigenized my clothing and dressed in a ribbon skirt and beaded necklaces.

Afterward, I was so self-conscious of how I did and spent a week or two just analyzing my responses. But then Timothy Jones contacted me and said, “You’re going to get a call later today from a phone number you don’t know, you should answer it.” And President Joan Gabel called to deliver the good news. I was in shock, my mind was in so many different places, but I was really happy and told all of my friends and family right away.

When did you become interested in public service?

My family has shaped me a lot. My dad is a historian and I have a couple of family members who were a part of the tribal council for the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans. My uncle used to be a tribal judge for that nation, and when I really started thinking about what more I could do with my degree, he told me that the best thing I could do for Indian Country is become a lawyer. Originally, I didn’t really see myself as a lawyer, but over time, I’ve learned that I am capable of being more...

Pecore cont on page 15:
Who Is Onesimus?

BY Kimberlee Wyche Etheridge

An enslaved African, Onesimus helped to save hundreds of Bostonians from smallpox in 1721. Left out of the history books, he taught others about the practice of inoculation, which was common in Africa and Asia long before vaccines were established. He explained that taking the pus from an infected individual’s pustule and inserting it into the broken skin of a healthy person, led to that person being immune from future infections—a true public health breakthrough in containing a ravenous infectious disease. Cotton Mather, Onesimus’s enslaver, and Zabdiel Boylston, a physician, got the credit and have been cited in history as bringing the lifesaving technique to the American colonies. We have come a long way with immunizations. Now universal in the United States, all children regardless of their family’s ability to pay, have access to the lifesaving shots that are based on this little-known historical figure, Onesimus.

Our logo. Terri has been creating art for our family for many years that includes a painting of our family’s journey and designing an inspired Mohican Tattoo on my left arm. Her husband even helped tweak our name to what it is today.

What is Cold Process Soap

Cold process soap making allows the soap to produce exceptional scents and high performance. The longer period required for the soap to dry out allows the pH to slowly decrease as it hardens and as soap crystals form.

Cold process soap is better for the environment

Cold process soap is minimally processed, meaning there is no need to crank up the temperature to cook out water and release unnecessary carbon dioxide. Cold process soap making aligns with Tribal Sun Soaps commitment to reducing Carbon emissions.

Our Commitment to helping other Indigenous Causes

It was important for our family to help give back to Indigenous causes. A portion of sales goes to these causes.

Currently we are partnered with Waking Women Healing Institute WWW.Wakingwomenhealingint.org and later this Summer will be working with Bree’s Closet brees_closet@yahoo.com Facebook page: Bree’s Closet.

Our family has really enjoyed working on the business, our 10 year old helps with imaging and graphics, our 6 year old tells us the soaps he likes and does not! Kids are always honest. My wife Michelle helps with budgets and other financials. Our nephew Marcus has been a huge help with his sales background, he is always available as a sounding board and is not afraid to get “clean” and help package and ship soap out for bigger orders, and we all enjoy working on the different scents and names of our soaps.

We are very excited to offer a first time ever Pop-Up Sale Event in Shawano Friday May 26 and Saturday May 27 at 1013 East Robin Lane, close to the High School. We are selling One off scents, retiring scents and new scents being tested and even a few from our website at lower cost. We will even have some bath bombs for sale.

The choices are diverse with scents and exfoliation levels to meet every ones needs. New scents will rotate, and favorites will stay.

Our family loves working on Tribal Sun Soap and we hope you enjoy it as much as we do!

Tribal Sun Soap - Indigenous Soap made with things mother earth provides
AAW’s mission is to provide outdoor recreational opportunities for people with temporary or permanent mobility challenges (such as injuries resulting in paralysis) promoting access, inclusion, equity, and healthy living.

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“Without AAW I would not be able to enjoy my hobbies or do what I love most!”
Joshua M. - Winter 2021

Calvin is excited to be actively participating in outdoor activities with his peers!
@Upham Woods – Fall 2022

COLOR WALK 2023

WHEN: SATURDAY JUNE 10TH
TIME: 10:00 AM TO NOON

COLOR POWDER WILL BE TOSSED FROM EVERY STATION AT YOU AND YOU WILL BE COVERED FROM HEAD TO TOE BY THE END OF THE WALK. THE COLOR IS MADE OF CORNSTARCH, BAKING SODA, AND COSMETIC DYE. IT IS SAFE, NON-TOXIC AND BIODEGRADABLE

Register by May 5th, because the first 50 Families to signup will Receive a T-Shirt for the Walk.

To register contact: LISA VELE @ 715-793-4042 or lisa.vele@mohican-run.gov.
Make sure to leave your name and T-Shirt size(s) in your message.

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JUN. 22

2023 Annual Scrabble Fun Run / Walk
Date: June 22, 2023
Time: 4:45PM-6:00PM
Location: Many Trails Pow Wow Grounds

Join the Community Health Department for our Scrabble Fun Run/Walk event and learn more about how to stay healthy, fit more activity into your daily life and check out some of our upcoming projects and events. The event begins at 4:45 PM and goes until 6:00 PM. You can start anytime and complete the course at your own pace as long as you finish by 6:00 PM.

Collect your Scrabble letters at the information tables throughout the course and place your letters on the giant board at the finish line. Prizes will be awarded to those with the highest points! This is a family-fun event and everyone is encouraged to come.

To go meal will be provided, please RSVP to Anita Mhtukwsun by June 16, 2023.
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who we are

Access Ability Wisconsin, Inc. (AAW) is a grassroots 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to facilitating and providing the means for individuals with mobility challenges to access and enjoy Wisconsin’s natural resources.

1. Awareness & Volunteering
AAW encourages awareness and volunteering. AAW’s strategic plan is to increase exponentially the community’s right to access the great outdoors!

AAW accomplishes its mission by purchasing and making available at no cost outdoor wheelchairs with enclosed trailers. AAW’s fleet includes event trailers that hold multiple chairs.

2. Our Goals
AAW’s goals consist of providing increased opportunities for those with physical disabilities to participate in outdoor activities with family and improving access to our equipment by establishing more host locations.

With Family!
**Education and Career Services**

**College Internship**

**What:** The College Internship program gives undergraduate students practical work experience while gaining skills and building networks with potential employers and professionals in their fields. The College Intern is paid $20 hourly for a maximum of 200 hours. This College Internship is available because Mr. Richard Edward Dwyer donated funds from his Living Trust to the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. On June 17th, 2014, the Tribal Council adopted a Proclamation in his honor to celebrate a man who understood our history and to honor the memory of Mr. Dwyer, the Tribal Council proclaimed the funds to be used for Education.

**When:** Internship Program will start **June 7th** and end **August 20th, 2021**.

**Where:** Stockbridge-Munsee Community

**Eligibility:** Stockbridge-Munsee enrolled members who are enrolled full-time in an accredited/certified institution are eligible to apply for an internship placement. The earliest a student may intern is after completing at least 12 credits with a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.0. All applicants MUST submit proof of Stockbridge-Munsee enrollment, proof they are enrolled in classes for the upcoming semester, and provide a grade report from the most recent completed semester. Covid-19 vaccination is mandatory. Must be two weeks post-final dose of vaccination to start.

**Applications available:** Stockbridge-Munsee Education Office (located at Konkapot) or online: [https://mohican.com/ecs-applications-forms-policies/](https://mohican.com/ecs-applications-forms-policies/)

**Deadline to Enroll:** Completed applications must be dated as received by Education and Career Services staff no later than **Thursday, MAY 27th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**. No exceptions will be made for late applications. The internship placements are limited and held on a first come first serve basis. Any applications missing required materials WILL NOT be considered if the deadline has passed.

**Contact information:**
- Vaughn Miller, Career Services Specialist
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- W12635 County Rd A
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- Bowler, WI 54416

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**Mental Health Awareness Month**

**May 18th, 2023 12:00-1:00pm**

**Lunch & Learn**

Join us as Jeff Langlois, M.S., L.P.C., Mental Health Therapist at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center shares his knowledge on mental health to help you gain a better understanding of anxiety and depression.

The Lunch & Learn will take place in the lower level conference room of the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center.

Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by May 12th by contacting Anita Mihktukwusun at (715)793-3018.

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**2023 Bowler Spring Pow Wow**

**Friday, May 19th**

**1pm-3pm**

**Bowler Panthers**

- Head Female Dancer- Weengeetah Mohawk
- Head Male Dancer- Tully Kroening
- MC & Arena Director- Harold Katchenago
- Drums- Medicine Bear, Cub Nation
- Color Guard- Mohican Veterans Association

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**About Hepatitis Infections**

**Hepatitis A:** this is spread by the "fecal-oral route." That means somebody or something contaminated by feces contaminating food. It can also be spread sexually. Cleanliness is important in preventing its spread. There is a vaccine available.

**Hepatitis B:** this is spread by blood contact. It can be spread through sharing of needles (such as for illegal drugs or diabetes medicines) or razors. It can also be spread sexually. Avoiding drugs, using only clean needles if you do use drugs, and hygiene are important in preventing its spread. There is a vaccine available.

**Hepatitis C:** This is spread in ways similar to hepatitis B. There is no vaccine available.

**Hepatitis Vaccines**

Certain people are at higher risk and providers will be more likely to urge these patients to get hepatitis vaccines, but anybody can get a hepatitis A or B vaccine if they are interested. Children are routinely vaccinated against both A and B. We recommend everyone get vaccinated against both hepatitis A and B. You never know when there can be an outbreak, and also it’s important if you like to travel. In other countries, hepatitis B is more common than in the United States and it is actually the number one cause of liver cancer abroad.
On Tuesday, April 12th, 2023, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

**Roll Call:** Shannon Holsey Present, Craig Kroening, Jr. Present, Sara Putnam Absent, Joe Miller Absent, Jeremy Mohawk Present, Terrie K. Terrio Absent, Randall Wollenhaup Present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA-ADD:** RFP for Mohican Family Center Expansion Project

Owners Rep for RFP for Mohican Family Center Expansion Project

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to approve the RFP for the Mohican Family Center Expansion Project. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

**OWNERS REP RFP FOR MOHICAN FAMILY CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT- Allen Quinney, Executive Director**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the RFP for Family Center Expansion Project. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: Fish & Wildlife Ordinance-**

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to extend the comment period for 30 days. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

**REORGANIZATION HEAD START-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator, Jolene Bowman, Director of Education & Career Services and Stacie Bowman, HR Executive Director**

No action taken at this time.

**DIVISION REORGANIZATION-Stacie Bowman, HR Executive Director**

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to approve the Division Reorganization of Finance as presented. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 9:38 AM.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 9:38 AM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a Legal Matter, a Service Agreement, and a Personnel Matter.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go along with the recommendation involving an employment matter as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

**Roll Call:** Jeremy yes, Randall abstains and Craig yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go along with a Staff Agreement as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to adopt resolution #029-23, NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby approves and authorizes the Tribal President or, in his/her absence the Vice President, to sign the Agreement as stipulated, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Agreement shall be forwarded to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for approval as required under Article VII Section (1)(b) of the Stockbridge-Munsee Constitution. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go along with the Professional Services Agreement as recommended in Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to adjourn. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 11:16 AM.

On Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, 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, Craig Kroening, Jr. Absent, Sara Putnam Present, Joe Miller Present, Jeremy Mohawk Present, Terrie K. Terrio Absent, Randall Wollenhaup Present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA-ADD:** Replacement of Fire Suppression Standpipes Revised DreamUp Goals

**MOVE:** Lions Club Request to the top of the agenda

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, Regular Tribal Council Meeting Agenda as amended. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

**OPEN AGENDA-**

**MEETING MINUTES-**

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, April 4th. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

**Roll Call:** Jeremy abstains, Randall yes, Sara yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, April 12th, 2023. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

**Roll Call:** Joe abstains, Sara abstains, Randall yes, and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

**REQUEST PERMISSION TO MAKE MANY TRAILS JEWELRY-Karen Martin and Vicki Dalve**

Motion by Joe Miller to extend respect and authorization for Karen and the family to continue the Many Trails symbol through their jewelry. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

**LIONS CLUB REQUEST-Ray Riggsby, Lions Club Member, Dan Huntington, Lions Club Member and Chad Miller, Land Management**

Motion by Joe Miller to authorize Gresham Lions Club use of tribal lands for their Spring horse ride. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion maker amends

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motion to add: the equipment that is brought on for maintenance be washed prior to coming on the reservation. Second concurs. Motion carried.

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL EVAL. -Paul Koll, Tribal Forester 
Tabled
TIME EXTENSION TO VERTNEMA MOA- Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve President or Vice President to sign the Amendment for the Tribe’s existing Vermont FEMA MOA. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

REPATRIATION GRANT SUPPORT LETTER- Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve Historic Preservation to submit a repatriation grant proposal from National Park Service and authorize the President to sign the grants support letter. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

FQHC FY 2019 CLOSOUT-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept the FY 2019 FQHC audited results from Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

TIPCAP GRANT BUDGET MOD-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the TIPCAP Grant budget modification. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

NARCAN VENDING MACHINE GRANT-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve a letter of support from Tribal Council and approval and apply for the State grant to purchase a Narcan and fentanyl testing strip vending machine using the funds. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

APEXUS CONTRACT FOR 340B-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the contract with Apexus for implementing the 340b program in Pharmacy. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

CARDINAL HEALTH 340B CONTRACT-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the contract with Cardinal Health for purchasing 340B medications and supplies with the amended language to reflect the 95% of purchases requirement is limited to 340B eligible prescriptions and items opposed to all prescriptions and items. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

QUIDEL ORTHO CONTRACT FOR LAB-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director 
Tabled

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES- Land Committee- Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Land Committee Meeting Minutes March 16th, and approve the recommendations contained within. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

Forestry Committee- Motion by Joe Millerto accept the Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes April 5, 2023, and approve the recommendations contained within. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

REPLACEMENT OF FIRE SUPPRESSION STANDPIPES- Tony Granquist, Interim GM 
Motion by Sara Putnam to proceed with the replacement of fire suppression standpipes that was already budgeted in FY 2023 as a capital expenditure request and the difference over the CAP Ex request. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

REVISED DREAMUP GOALS-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator 
Motion by Sara Putnam to approve mod #1 changes to the DreamUp goals by removing steps 7, 9 & 10 and shifting monies for step 6, for a total saved earmarked of monies in relief from tuition payments for families. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

Motion maker amends motion to include: Revise language in Goal 3-Step 6 to include “Secure daycare spots at certified daycare providers and center” to expand to other daycare facilities. Second concurs. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- 
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. 
Motion carried at 5:45 PM.

Motion by Joe Miller to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. 
Motion carried at 6:18 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a Tribal Member Request and Personnel Matter.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to go ahead and approve the waiting period as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. 
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT- 
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adjourn. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. 
Motion carried at 6:18 PM.

On Monday, April 24th, 2023, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call: Shannon Holsey Present Craig Kroening, Jr.Present VP Kroening left early 
Sara Putnam Absent Joe Miller Present 
Jeremy Mohawk; Absent Terrie K. Terrio Present Terrie arrived late 
Randall Wollenhaup Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-STRIKE: Forestry Department Organizational Eval.

ADD: TVSO Budget Mod #1 Contract in Executive Session

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Monday, April 24th, 2023, Special Council Meeting agenda as amended. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

TVSO BUDGET MOD #1-Gregg W. Duffek, TVSO

Motion by Randall Wollenhaup to accept budget mod #1 for the Tribal Veterans Service Office. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

Motion by Randall Wollenhaup to go with Option #1 from the Tribal Veterans Service Office for advertisement on local radio stations. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr.

Motion maker amends motion to add: with the total cost and to authorize for President’s signature. Second concurs.

MVP GRANT-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs and Bridget Swanke, Senior Counsel 
Motion by Joe Miller to authorize submittal FY24 Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Grant and to adopt resolution #030-23. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes the Fenn Farm-Monument Mountain Land Acquisition Project and the submittal

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of the MVP grant with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal President or, if unavailable, the Vice-President, to execute documents associated with the MVP grant in order to accept grant funds, execute contracts, and any amendments thereto, and in order to carry out the terms, purposes, and conditions of EEA MVP Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby grants and approves a limited waiver of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community’s sovereign immunity solely for the limited purpose of enforcement of the MVP grant requirements, including the resolution of disputes and the enforcement of determinations of awards, against the Stockbridge-Munsee Community; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the waiver of sovereign immunity granted and approved through this Resolution does not waive the sovereign immunity of any official, employee, member or agent of the Tribe.

1. The limited waiver of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community’s sovereign immunity is granted only to and for the benefit of the parties identified as part the agreement(s) that the Tribe has executed and shall not extend to any other entity or person.

2. The limited waiver of the Tribe’s sovereign immunity contained in this Resolution shall be effective only after the parties’ officially designated representatives have executed the agreement(s) and shall be only for the terms of the agreement(s).

3. Nothing contained in this Resolution shall be deemed consent to levy of any judgment, lien, or attachment upon any property or interest in property of the Tribe.

4. The limited waiver of sovereign immunity granted and approved through this Resolution does not waive the sovereign immunity of any official, employee, member or agent of the Tribe.

5. Any dispute resolution action against the Tribe, as consented to through this limited waiver of sovereign immunity, shall be brought in the form and venue identified in the agreement(s).

On Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023, 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
Craig Kroening, Jr. Present
Sara Putnam Present
Joe Miller Present
Jeremy Mohawk; Present
Terrie K. Terrio Present
Randall Wollenhaup Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
- WDNR Summer Tribal Youth Program
- Big Lake Boat Launch Request
- BIA Issue in Executive Session
- Personnel Matter in Executive Session
- STRIKE: Lead Economic Support & VITA Coordinator
- Job Description
- Cook Job Descriptions

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Tuesday, May 2, 2023, Regular Tribal Council Meeting agenda as amended. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-

Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of April 18th, 2023. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

Roll Call:
Joe yes, Terrie abstains, Sara yes, Craig abstains, Randall yes and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST:
- Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation

Motion by Joe Miller to support the Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation with the donation amount requested. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

BUDGET MODIFICATION:
- Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve budget modification #6 to Fund 205-ICW. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT PURCHASE:
- Maria Duits, Ag Manager

No action required because the request is not a capital expense.

PLUM TREE CARETAKER POSITION:
- Maria Duits, Ag Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to grant the request to approve the Tree Caretaker position for the Fruit Consortium Project to work with us. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS & POSITION REQUESTS:
- Paul Koll, Tribal Forester

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the four Forestry Department job description revisions of the Forest Manager, Field Forester, Forestry Technician and Forestry Aide as presented. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion maker amends motion to add: contingent upon further HR review to clarify whether or not there is an actual requirement and then to take the language out with regards to COVID 19. Second concurs.

Motion maker withdraws motion. Second concurs. Motion withdrawn.

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JOB DESCRIPTION:
Medicaid and Grants Manager-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director
Motion by Joe Miller to approve and post to hire for a new position Medicaid and Grants Manager as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.
Motion maker withdraws motion. Second concurs. Motion withdrawn.

JOB DESCRIPTION:
Front Office Manager revised to Hotel Manager-Regina Williams, HR Manager NSMCR and Tony Granquist, Interim GM
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve Hotel Manager job description, replacing Front Office Manager. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

MARCH2023GMREPORT WITH FINANCIALS-Tony Granquist, Interim GM
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve March 2023 GM Report with Financials. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

DANCE FLOOR-Tony Granquist, Interim GM
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the GM's request to replace the dance floor and two carts. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

MAIN ENTRANCE RENOVATIONS-Tony Granquist, Interim GM
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve GM’s request to approve the Automatic Entrances of WI, Inc. to expand the width of the front entrance.
Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

NEW CRM SYSTEM "SG HOST"-Tony Granquist, Interim GM
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve GM's recommendation to purchase the Light and Wonder Customer Relationship Management. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

HOMEOWNERS BUDGET MODIFICATION-Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve budget modification #2 and approval to submit a budget revision to the U.S. Treasury portal with additional funds. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

NAIG FUNDRAISING-LaKeisha Williams, SMC Representative and Bertina Dodge, Participating Athlete
Motion by Joe Miller to honor the request for a donation to Indigenous Games. Seconded by Craig Kroening. Motion maker amends motion to add: to come out of Unallocated. Second concurs. Motion carried.

HEAD START 2023 STATE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT APPLICATION-Delores Castellanos, Lead Teacher
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the grant application for submission to the State of Wisconsin. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

NYU LOCAL CONTEXTS SUMMIT PRESENTATION-Monique Tyndall, Cultural Affairs Director
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Director of Cultural Affairs to represent the Tribe at the Local Contexts Summit. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: FY2023-2027 TTIP-William Miller, Roads Manager
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt resolution #031-23 and that is adding Healing Way (clinic road) to the TTIP for a resurfacing project for this year. Seconded by Joe Miller. Resolution adopted.

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Fish & Wildlife Committee-
Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Fish & Wildlife Board Minutes of April 12, 2023, as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

WDNR SUMMER TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAM-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Department Manager
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept the 2023 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Summer Tribal Youth Program Grant. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

BIG LAKE BOAT LAUNCH REQUEST-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Department Manager
Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Big Lake Property Owner’s Association for the limited purpose to use the boat launch to access the lake for aquatic invasive species treatment. Seconded Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-
Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 5:44 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a Tribal Member Request, a BIA Issue and Personnel Matters. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 6:10 PM.

On Monday, May 8th, 2023, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:
Shannon Holsey
Present
Craig Kroening, Jr.
Present
Sara Putnam
Absent
Joe Miller
Present
Jeremy Mohawk; Absent
Terrie K. Terrio
Present
Randall Wollenhaup Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-ADD:
Tribal Member Request in Executive Session

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Revised and Rescheduled Special Tribal Council Meeting Agenda of May 8th. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS & POSITION REQUESTS-Paul Koll, Tribal Forester and Stacie Bowman, HR Executive Director
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the revised job descriptions for the Forest Manager, Field Forester, Forstry Technician and Forestry Aide. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion maker amends motion to add: must demonstrate the ability to complete their degree within 1 year. Second concurs. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-
Motion by Craig Kroening Jr., to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 8:45 AM.
Motion by Joe Miller to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 9:17 AM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Personnel Matter.

ADJOURNMENT-
Motion by Joe Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried at 9:17 AM.
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