

### Vassar College Reburial



Stockbridge-Munsee Community recently completed a reburial ceremony at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York. The reburial was a culmination of a Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) consultation the past two years for ancestors in their possession that had been taken from unknown locations. They had many years ago been part of a medical teaching collection. As Vassar College is located in Munsee territory, Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Historic Preservation Office represented the Tribe's interests throughout these consultations. The Saginaw Chippewa Tribe of Michigan also stepped up to take care and responsibility with Stockbridge-Munsee Community to see these ancestors had a dignified recommitment to the earth. Native American students at Vassar College supported

the proceedings. The College has undertaken responsibility to continue to maintain and preserve the secure burial place. Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Historic Preservation staff Bonney Hartley, Jeff Bendremer, and Sara Regensburger joined President Holsey in carrying out the responsibilities. President Holsey offered a poem and remarks on behalf of Stockbridge-Munsee Community expressing care and collective commitment for these relatives.



### Maehkīw Enāhpes-Wrap Red Around the Capitol Event



By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

On May 7<sup>th</sup> the third annual Maehkīw Enāhpes-Wrap Red Around the Capitol Event was held in Madison on the State Street side of the Capitol. This annual

event brings awareness and testimony to the truths of the violence against Native people. While simultaneously it is a healing event as attendees dressed in red stand in support of the impacted

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### New Grant Writer



Holly Voll is the new grant writer for the Community. Holly will work with department leaders to identify, write, and submit grants to various grant-making entities. She has been in the role for a short while and has been slowly meeting staff.

currently resides in Kronenwetter (near Mosinee) and has been married to husband Chris for 29 years. He is a Marathon County board member and the Kronenwetter Village President, which has been keeping them busy for the past 15 years with projects that support their community. They have two grown daughters: Jessica who lives in Milwaukee and is a childcare provider; and Heather, who lives at home and is a childcare provider in Wausau. Holly is also 'mom' to a large dog who was their family rescue seven years ago as a cute puppy and is now very spoiled.

Holly grew up in and

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### 2024 Ecology Dept. Summer Youth Program

The Ecology Department will begin accepting applications starting on May 20, 2024 for the 2024 Ecology Department Summer Youth Program. The program is designed to give community youth experience in natural resource management and to foster an appreciation for the local environment. Participants will gain experience in the fields of ecology, forestry, fisheries, hydrology, and biology. The Ecology Department will be hiring three crew workers and one crew leader for the 2024 field season. Crew workers need to be between the ages of 16-19 and will be paid at a rate of \$15.00 per hour for up to 312 hours (\$4,680.00 total). The crew leader will be paid at a rate of \$17.50 per hour for up to 312 hours (\$5,460.00 total).

**Application Period:** May 20 – May 31

**Interview Period:** June 3 – June 7

**Program Dates:** June 24 – August 16

For more information about the program contact the Ecology Department at 715-793-4044

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**Kala K. Lowery**

Kala K. Lowery, age 63, passed away on Thursday April 18, 2024, in Wausau, Wisconsin. Kala was born on April 21, 1960, in West Allis, Wisconsin to the late Robert and Lulabelle (Welch) Klemp. She enjoyed cooking, fishing, crocheting, traveling, gambling, and baking. Kala was a strong-willed nonjudgmental woman who held on until the end. She felt like she was a part of nature and free from the world's problems when camping, having fires, being outdoors and very proud of her Native American background.

Kala's family describes her as the best in the world and had a heart of gold. She loved spending time with her family especially hosting holidays and

celebrations at her home; where she would indulge in all the loved that was passed around. Kala's family and her grandchildren were everything to her. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and will be remembered fondly.

Kala is survived by her children, Chasity Navarro and Krystal Navarro; significant other, David Pranke, Jr.; grandchildren, Jose Hernandez, Ivette Hernandez, Oscar Rodrigo Hernandez, Veronica Lizett Hernandez, Ashley Alaniz, Annaliah Espinosa, Nataly Espinosa, and Kristal Miraya Espinosa; great grandchildren, Yahyr Hernandez, Cataleya Hernandez, Ricardo Hernandez, and Alejandro Hernandez; and siblings, Roberta Biga, Sue Zahn, Carol Olson, and Jeannine Simon. She is further survived by numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Kala is preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Lulabelle and a brother, Larry Klemp.

A memorial gathering for Kala was held on Saturday April 27, 2024, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham. [www.swedbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.swedbergfuneralhome.com)

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**Earl Plass**

Earl Plass, Little Chute, age 91, died in Appleton on Thursday, February 1, 2024. Earl was born on July 28, 1932, to the late James, Sr. and Clarabelle (Tousey) Plass. After graduating from Shawano High School he enlisted in the United States Navy and served in the Korean War. On September 3, 1955, Earl married Marion Rotter. Together they raised three children. Earl worked at Appleton Papers for over 30 years as a millwright in the maintenance group. He was an active member of St. Luke Lutheran

Church. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and being outdoors. Earl loved to read, and enjoyed sharing his woodworking skills. Earl is survived by his wife of 68 years, Marion; his children: Jeff (Kim) Plass, Julie Hennessey, and Greg Plass; his grandchildren: Erin (special friend John) Plass, Jason (Lara) Plass, Elizabeth and Kyle Hennessey, and Mila Plass; and his sister-in-law, Janet Rotter. In addition to his parents, Earl is preceded in death by his son-in-law, Thomas Hennessey; siblings: Gwen (Jerry) Rosnow, Juanita (Roland) Krueger, James, Jr., (Lillian) Plass, and Donald (Rose) Plass; and his siblings-in-law: George Rotter, Robert (Carol) Rotter, and Caroline (Henry) Hess. Visitation for Earl was held on Friday, February 9, 2024 until time of funeral with Rev. Ronald Szep officiating at St. Luke Lutheran Church. Military Honors were included in the service. The committal date at Highland Memorial Park is to be determined.



**Jerome J Van Deraa**  
Jerome Van Deraa, 86, of Stockbridge, passed away peacefully at King Veterans Home with his family by his side. He was born September 30, 1937,

to the late Martin and Minnie Van Deraa.

Jerome married Lorraine Doxtator on June 24, 1959. They enjoyed their 3 children and 58 years of marriage. Jerome was a member of Saint Mary's of the Seven Dolers Church in Stockbridge.

As a young man Jerome worked on the Kavanaugh farm, until joining the Army, where he served in the Berlin Conflict, until he was honorably discharged. Later he worked for Tecumseh Products until his retirement. Jerome also **Jerome cont on pg Five:**

**Jerome cont from Four:** worked side-by-side with his father-in-law John and brother-in-law Romy Doxtator in their salvage yard. To Jerome it was more of a hobby than a job. Jerome was an active member of the community; from working for the Village of Stockbridge mowing roadsides and plowing snow, to volunteering at the fire department and doing ride-alongs with our local sheriff's department. Jerome had many other hobbies such as sturgeon spearing, snowmobiling, miniature bowling, cutting wood, and gardening. He loved helping his sons with their demolition derby cars and was a regular fan at the Chilton racetrack. He enjoyed camping and traveling with Raynie. Together they enjoyed many weekends at Hodag. Jerome enjoyed Porterfield

Country Music Festival and camping with Alicia and friends. He could also be found at fairs and festivals with family and friends. Jerome loved to dance like nobody was watching, even when he was in his skid steer.

In 1993 he played a large role in the reacquisition and rebirth of the Stockbridge Munsee Indian Cemetery and aided in beautifying it for years to come.

He was a friend of Bill W. Jerome was one of the founders of Long For Moore AA group, which he was a part of for more than 40 years. He was the primary AA coordinator for Green Bay Correctional Institute and many other Wisconsin state prisons for 15 years.

Survivors include daughter Kathryn Kuhn and son Jonathon M. Van Deraa

and friends. While select scholarship awards were drawn from the fund over the years, it continued to grow to its current endowment-level through further donations from family and friends, and from Arthur Daly's estate following his death in 2009.

In a lifetime of work for the Menominee, Shirley Daly's greatest personal legacy was her service among leaders of the tribe's restoration movement and as a vocal champion of legislation to overturn federal termination of tribal and reservation status. She was elected to the Menominee Restoration Committee and Menominee Enterprises board of trustees, and served as Executive Director of the activist organization DRUMS (Determination of Rights and Unity for Menominee Stockholders). Her testimony as a minority delegate to the 1972 Democratic National Convention is remembered as a clarion call for support of American Indian self-determination. Congress signed legislation for tribal restoration in the following year. She also served on the Menominee Tribal Legislature during the restoration era. As MTL Vice Chair, Daly advocated along with Chairman Glen Miller for tribal education and facilitated establishment of the College of Menominee Nation.

Other private-money resources being moved to endowment status are an estate gift and a fund comprised of pooled gifts of various sizes.

The Melinda Anne Roberts Scholarship Endowment will support students who are enrolled members of descendants of American Indian tribes. On a rotation basis, awards from the Roberts Endowment will be named for Hjalmar Rued Holand, a historian who settled in Door County

and wrote extensively in the early-1900s, and Rosalie Marie Laborde Dousman, an

Ojibwa-descendant who taught among Northeast Wisconsin tribes, including the Menominee, in the mid-1800s.

The third new fund, known as CMN's Honor Song Endowment, will be open to all students meeting general application criteria. The endowment fund was built with individual contributions made to CMN by more than 120 donors between 2015 and 2018 and ranging from \$100 to \$10,000.

"Endowments are of significant and lasting importance to sustaining an educational institution," says President Caldwell. "CMN's scholarship endowments have benefited from several large donations, but also many smaller contributions coming from the local community and from friends of CMN all across the United States. Gifts for scholarships demonstrate the interest there is in the College of Menominee Nation's work, concern people have for our students, and the trust the College has gained in its 28 years of operation."

Previously established permanent scholarship endowments at the College were created by the national Johnson Scholarship Foundation and by Wisconsin philanthropists Francis and Barbara Stauner. Other private scholarship support comes from annual gifts given directly to CMN by foundations, families and individuals; proceeds from College's benefit golf outing, the allocations from the American Indian College Fund. Personal or organizational donations to a CMN scholarship fund may be made at any time by referring to "Giving" in the top menu of the CMN website, [www.menominee.edu](http://www.menominee.edu).

## Three New Endowments Will Support College of Menominee Nation Scholars



Keshena – Donations in memory of the late Shirley Daly and gifts from a number of other philanthropic sources have created three new scholarship endowments at the College of Menominee Nation (CMN). Together, the private-gift endowments add more than \$297,000 to permanent funds designated for the benefit CMN students. CMN Interim President Christopher Caldwell calls the new endowments a

welcome addition to the College's long-term financial stability. "These gifts increase our scholarship endowment portfolio by more than 20 percent," he says. "Each has investment guidelines that are designed to help the funds grow. This means they can provide scholarship awards for current students as well as those who will attend CMN far in the future."

The largest of the three is the Shirley Daly Scholars Endowment. The fund will provide scholarships that are open to all CMN students and support initiatives bringing American Indian scholars to the College's campuses to inspire and encourage a broader audience in academic pursuits.

The endowment is based on a memorial fund established in 2000 in Ms. Daly's name by her husband, Arthur W. Daly, relatives,



**Red cont from page One:** families and survivors in song and prayer for all our missing and murdered relatives. In addition, the event schedule consisted of invited speakers along with the opportunity for all families to speak before closing with appreciations and a sendoff song.

Building up to the event there were fundraising events. The event allies and sponsors included; Maeqtekuahkihiw Metaemohsak Inc., Woodland Women, Wisconsin Women's Council, Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center, Inc., Waking Women Healing Institute Inc., The Wisconsin MMIWR Task Force, and many others. In 2021 the Director of Education and Career Services became a Governor Evers' appointee to the Wisconsin Women's Council (WWC)

which is also one of the organizations supporting this event. As a result of this connection and encouragement from fellow WWC councilmember Rachel Fernandez to bring others; the Education and Career Services Department along with the Education Board Chair participated this year for the first time.

The Director, Jolene Bowman said, "Wearing the color red where the backdrop is a cold hard cement environment and where liberty lines the steps up into a building where Wisconsin laws are crafted; leaves a powerful message without words for all to witness and hopefully to generate change. Our ancestors did not sacrifice for us to be stagnant, but rather to use their teachings as power in our purpose."



**Holly cont from pg One:** She has a bachelor's degree in journalism from UW-Eau Claire and a master's degree in communications from UW-Stevens Point.

Holly got her start as a newspaper reporter in Minocqua and then worked for non-profit organizations and educational institutions in development, advertising, and fundraising roles. She worked for groups including the American Diabetes Association, March of Dimes and American Cancer Society in Ohio, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

"I really enjoyed learning about development and fundraising for the organizations I worked with because it allowed me to learn so many aspects to providing support to people while at the same time, I was able to be very creative in finding funds." She said, "I worked with great people as colleagues, board members and volunteers and with their help I created many fundraising events like walkathons. My favorite event was called Skywalk Golf, where we built an 18-hole mini-golf course on the Cincinnati skywalk between buildings. That was when I lived in Cincinnati and one of the event sponsors was a country music radio station who brought up and coming singers to the event, so I got to make Neal McCoy sing a song as he played a hole on the golf course."

Holly said the years she spent with non-profit organization was where she first learned about grants, which was part of her work. "Grants were always part of the fundraising work that I did but I chose to focus my career on grants full-time in the last 10 years."

She said, "While each grant is different, the need to review the instructions, write a good story, and gather facts and figures is routine and I find it fun. I really enjoy collaborating with the people who lead the work behind the grant, as everyone I have ever met has had great ideas and worked so hard in their chosen profession. Celebrating a grant award is always a highlight. I like to say grants can pay for peoples' dreams."

As a full-time grant writer, Holly has worked for UW-Platteville, the Marshfield Clinic Research Institute, and the Medical College of Wisconsin. "I have been fortunate to work with grants of all amounts from a variety of funding sources," she said. "The largest was a \$20 million state grant through the Wisconsin Governor's office to help remodel and upgrade the Park Falls hospital, which was wonderful because it directly helps so many people. I also helped get grants that gave students scholarships, helped doctors research illnesses, and provided building funding. My career has been great because the results of the work I have done has helped people in so many ways."

Holly and her family enjoy camping, fishing, boating and being outdoors in the summers, often at their campsite in Door County. She also enjoys quilting, sewing, reading, cooking, and traveling. "One of the things we love to do is visit different parts of Wisconsin," she said. "Our girls have grown up learning about our state, camping at a number of campgrounds and enjoying the scenery, businesses and history of Wisconsin."



## Education

### Tick Season is here

*Take precautions to keep yourself safe*

“The thing to keep in mind is that you can still have Lyme disease and not develop the bullseye rash.”

WOODRUFF, Wis. – Ticks are tiny, blood-sucking parasites that can pose a significant threat to human and animal health and the early spring means the arachnids are ready to catch a ride on their next human or animal.

[Ashley Johnson](#) is a Nurse Practitioner at the Aspirus Tick-Borne Illness Center in Woodruff where they provide advanced care to diagnose, control and treat tick-borne illnesses. She says there are several types of ticks in our area.

“The first one is the wood tick. Those are the larger ticks,” said Johnson. “The second one is the deer tick, which is the one that is most known for transmitting Lyme disease. And then we do have a third tick that is pretty rare, but that one is called the lone star tick. And it is starting to migrate north, but it is mainly found in the Southern States.”

Aspirus saw a four percent in Lyme disease patients throughout the Aspirus system from 2022 to 2023.

In order to prevent tick bites, you want to prevent them from getting onto your skin. Some tips include:

- Tuck your pants into your socks
- Wear tall boots if you’re going out into the woods
- Use bug sprays with at least a 30 percent Deet

- concentration
- Perform daily tick checks anytime you’re done spending time outside
- Throw your clothes in the dryer for 20 minutes on high heat which will kill any ticks that are potentially on your clothes
- Treat your pets, especially dogs that sleep in the beds, as they’re a high risk for bringing ticks into the home

Removing a tick can be challenging and there are several options to extract them. Tweezers are effective and it’s important that you don’t squeeze the body of the tick. Place the tweezers at the head of the tick perpendicular to its body and pull straight up until it releases from the skin. Tick removal tools like the tick twister and the tick key can help to remove a tick without squeezing the body or irritating the tick.

Signs and symptoms of Lyme disease would include fever, joint pain, headaches, muscle pain, brain fog, and then also the EM (erythema multiforme) rash or a bullseye rash. “The thing to keep in mind is that you can still have Lyme disease and not develop the bullseye rash,” said Johnson. “So that is a common misconception is that you have to have the bullseye rash in order to have Lyme disease.” May is National Lyme Disease Awareness Month and aims to spread awareness of how to prevent Lyme and tick-borne diseases.

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# Ella Besaw Center Construction



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July 7 2023 foundation work



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# Ella Besaw Construction



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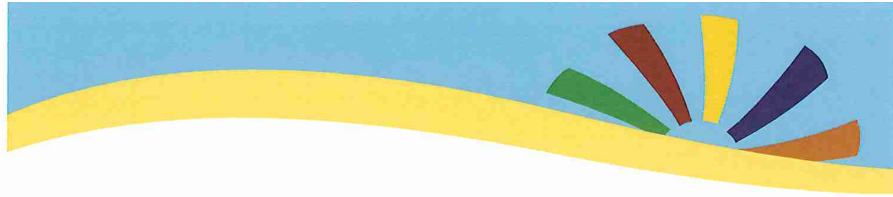
October 16 2023 roof



November 18 2023 parkinglot and Sun room



March 6 2024



## College Scholarship Opportunity

The Judith Hirt Memorial Scholarship - \$250

The Grace Meredith Yocum Shepard and Julia Sunderland Scholarship - \$1625

The Princess Daisy Malone Indigenous Support Foundation Inc. - \$300

For information contact Kim Taylor at the Education Office 715-793-4100 or [kim.taylor@mohican-nsn.gov](mailto:kim.taylor@mohican-nsn.gov)

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS  
AUGUST 16th, 2024 by 3:30 pm

\*Scholarships are open to enrolled and 1st line descendants of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.

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/>

**Deadline to Enroll:** Completed applications **must be dated** as received by Education and Career Services staff no latter than **Thursday, MAY 27th, 2021 at 3:00p.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.

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### Empowering Kids for a Healthy Future

WAUSAU, Wis. – Habits developed during childhood often shape lifelong health outcomes. Encouraging healthy habits from an early age can significantly improve children's quality of life as they grow older. Every Kid Healthy Week, observed annually during the last full week of April, serves as an initiative to empower kids to start healthy habits early in life. "Kids are growing so much in these years and we want them to build strong bones, strong muscles, and to feel good about their bodies," Lindsay Stevenson, MD, Family Medicine Resident Physician with Aspirus Wausau Family Medicine. "Forming healthy habits early on can help kids prevent or lower the risk of developing diseases and other medical conditions later in life."

With support from organizations like the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP) and Child Mind Institute (CMI), Aspirus Health offers six healthy habits for families to implement at home:

1. **Get moving:** Physical activity not only benefits physical health but also boosts energy, self-confidence, relaxation, and academic performance. Children aged six to 17 should aim for at least 60 minutes of activity daily. Family activities like bike rides or dance parties can make exercise enjoyable.

"Get outside, be physical and just enjoy being a kid and getting that energy out," encourages Dr. Stevenson.

2. **Load up on fruits and veggies:** Introducing children to a diet rich in fruits and vegetables early on sets a healthy eating routine for life. Involving children in meal preparation

and emphasizing the benefits of nutritious foods, such as strong bones and lower disease risk, fosters healthy eating habits.

3. **Swap out sugary drinks:** Limiting sugary drinks like soda and sports drinks reduces calorie intake without sacrificing essential nutrients. Encouraging water consumption and offering alternatives like low-fat milk or sparkling water promotes healthier hydration choices.

4. **Practice mindfulness:** Teaching mindfulness to children helps them manage daily challenges and emotions effectively. Breathing exercises and mindfulness practices promote emotional well-being and resilience.

5. **Limit screen time:** Excessive screen time can have adverse effects on children's health. Setting boundaries on screen use, creating screen-free zones, and engaging in non-screen activities as a family promote balanced screen habits. Dr. Stevenson recommends limiting screen time to less than two hours per day.

6. **Attend well-child checkups:** Regular visits to a primary care provider (PCP) are vital for monitoring growth, screening for health conditions, and receiving necessary vaccinations. Well-child checkups provide an opportunity for PCPs to offer guidance on healthy habit formation.

Encouraging children to make healthy choices and providing them with the resources and support they need can set them up for a healthy, long and fulfilling life. Talk to your child's PCP for more information about healthy changes your family can be making at home. To find a provider in your area, visit [www.aspirus.org/find-a-provider](http://www.aspirus.org/find-a-provider).

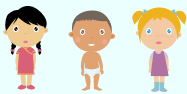


# Measles

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Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children.



## MEASLES SYMPTOMS TYPICALLY INCLUDE

- High fever (may spike to more than 104° F)
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Red, watery eyes
- Rash breaks out 3-5 days after symptoms begin



## Measles Can Be Serious



About 1 out of 4 people who get measles will be hospitalized.



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### Purchased/Referred Care

Please acknowledge that receiving a referral from a provider at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center does not conclude that it will be paid for by Purchased/Referred Care. You are required to see PRC staff to make sure you are eligible for PRC, and to sign your referral prior to your scheduled appointment. per PRC Policy #202PRC0002.

PRC Staff:

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Ronni James PRC Assistant 715-793-5010

CJ Komanekin PRC Assistant 715-793-3015

## Purchased Referred/Care

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### REFERRALS

Joan Olson- Referral Case Manager 715-793-4102

Sarah Miller-Referral Specialist 715-793-5077

### PURCHASED REFERRED/CARE (PRC)

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CJ Komanekin- PRC Assistant 715-793-3015



On Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 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
Ella Kazik	Present
Terrance Miller	Present
Willy Miller:	Present
Shawn Moede	Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA-ADD:** Elderly Hardship in Executive Session

**MOVE:** Red Springs Housing Development and Lions Club Trail Ride under Human Resource Specialist job description

Motion by Willy Miller to approve the agenda with the changes mentioned and that the Donation Request for Beaulieu Lake be brought back at the next Regular Council Meeting. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

### MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Willy Miller to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**BUDGET MODIFICATION-Natalie Minshell, ICW Manager**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve budget modifi-

cation #2 from BIA for the Indian Child Welfare Department which will then decrease the Tribal Contributions by that same amount. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**JOB DESCRIPTION: Human Resource Specialist-Stacie Bowman, HR Executive Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the revisions and posting of the Human Resource Specialist position. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**RED SPRINGS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT-Chad Miller, Land Management and MSA Engineering Representatives**

Motion by Willy Miller to approve the Subdivision Layout Concept as presented and to include a designation of 25% for use of NAHASDA. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**LIONS CLUB TRAIL-RIDE-Chad Miller, Land Management and Dave Schoenike, Gresham Lions Club President**

Motion by Terrance Miller to grant the Gresham Lions Club a Temporary Use Permit for their Annual Spring Trail Ride, license number TUL-3-2024. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

**GLNAEA REQUEST-Terrie K. Terrio, Elder-**

### ly Steering Committee Chairperson

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve the GLNAEA Conference for June 2025 for the Tribe to host it. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

**SUSTAIN OUR GREAT LAKES GRANT PROPOSAL-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology**

Motion by Willy Miller to approve to submit the grant, Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant Proposal. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**BUDGET MODIFICATION-Willy Miller, Roads Department**

Motion by Shawn Moede to accept budget mod #1 to approve money to go into wages to offset Tribal Contribution. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Shawn yes, Willy abstains, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Motion carried.

**RESIDENT HOUSE RULES-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve the Resident House Rules policy for use at the new Ella Besaw Center. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: ECP-Ella Besaw Electronic Health Record-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the contract with ECP as the electronic health record for the new Ella Besaw Center and approve the waiver of sovereign immunity. The contract for ECP is for one-year, the cost of the contract and monies a month there after, resolution #019-24. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Shawn yes, Willy opposed, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION: HIPAA Entity-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller

to approve and adopt resolution #020-24, to implement an EHR system to more accurately and efficiently track and document the care provided to residents including medication administration. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Resolution adopted.

**HIPAA POLICIES AT ELLA B-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to adopt SMHWC HIPAA policies for use at the Ella Besaw Center and for all SMHWC policies to be changed to cover both the SMHWC and Ella Besaw Center. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**JOB DESCRIPTION: Ella B Environmental Service Worker-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve and post for the Ella B Environmental Service Worker position. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

**GLITC OVERDOSE PREVENTION GRANT-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to accept the GLITC Overdose Prevention Grant and to use the funds for wage, fringe, and IDC. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**JOB DESCRIPTION: Part-time CHR-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve to hire a part-time CHR using grant funds. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**PURCHASE LAB CENTRIFUGE-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director**

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve to purchase a lab centrifuge from McKesson as the current centrifuge is not fully functional and the availability of parts is becoming harder and harder. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**Directives on page 13:**

**Directives from page 12:  
STOCKBRIDGE MO-  
HICAN COMMISSION-  
Shannon Holsey, Presi-  
dent**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to accept the Stockbridge Mohican Commission, comprised of three locals appointed by the Stockbridge Select Board and three Mohicans appointed by the Tribal Council of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans, tasked with working together to learn from and support each other. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

**BARD REQUEST TO RE-  
NAME SCHOLARSHIP  
ELECTA QUINNEY-Shan-  
non Holsey, President**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to rename a scholarship Electa Quinney for the Bard College. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

**BOARD/COMMITTEE  
MINUTES-**

**Land Committee-**

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Land Committee meeting minutes and all actions within. Seconded by Shawn Moede.

**Roll Call:** Terrance yes, Ellie abstains, Sara yes, Willy yes and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

**Forestry Committee-**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve the Forestry Committee minutes from March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024, with all actions within. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

**BOARD/COMMITTEE AP-  
POINTMENTS-**

Motion by Shawn Moede to appoint Matthew Putnam to the Constitution Committee. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Terrance yes, Ellie yes, Sara abstains, Willy yes, and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to appoint Caleah Bernade, Roberta Carrington, Dayna Shawano, and Marv Malone to the Pow-Wow

Committee. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Shawn abstains, Willy yes, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Motion carried.

**OPEN AGENDA-  
EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Willy Miller to go into Executive Session.

Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried at 6:03 PM.

Motion by Willy Miller to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 7:28 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Appeal Hearings, a Tribal Member Request, Personnel Matter, an Elderly Hardship, and a Contract.

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the Elderly Hardship request as presented for applicant EH-003-WD24. Seconded by Willy Miller.

**Roll Call:** Shawn abstains, Willy yes, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to proceed with the contract as presented regarding the health center and to go with the 5-year option. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to proceed with the personnel request that was discussed. Seconded by Willy Miller.

**Roll Call:** Shawn abstains, Willy yes, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Willy Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 7:29 PM.

**On Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 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 Absent  
Sara Putnam Absent  
Ella Kazik Present  
Terrance Miller Present  
Willy Miller: Present

**Shawn Moede Present  
APPROVAL OF AGENDA-**

**ADD:** Personnel Matter in Executive Session

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the agenda with the addition of a Personnel Matter in Executive Session. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Terrance Miller to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 10:02 AM.

Motion by Willy Miller to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 11:59 AM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Enrollment and a Personnel Matter.

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve budget mod #1 to fund 225-55304 out of Unallocated. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to adjourn. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried at 11:59 PM.

**On Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 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  
Ella Kazik Present  
Terrance Miller Present  
Willy Miller: Present  
Shawn Moede Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA-**

**ADD:** ARPA Fund Discis-  
sion in Executive Session

Motion by Terrance Miller to add for discussion the ARPA Fund. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Willy Miller to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried at 10:00 AM.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried at 12:10 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Membership Committee Meeting Minutes and ARPA Funds.

Motion by Terrance Miller to enroll Nathan John Gospodarek as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee, parent being Rosebud Marie Gospodarek. Seconded by Shawn Moede.

**Roll Call:** Terrance yes, Ellie yes, Craig abstains, Willy no and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to enroll Linda Joy Welch-Gospodarek as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee whose parent is Morris E. Welch. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Terrance yes, Ellie yes, Craig abstains, Willy no and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to enroll Russell Douglas Robertson as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee whose parent is Doreen West-Tousey. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

**Roll Call:** Terrance yes, Ellie yes, Craig abstains, Willy no and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to adjourn. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr.

Motion maker withdraws motion. Second concurs. Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Terrance Miller to designate the State ARPA money to the Tribal Elder At-Risk Program. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Ellie Kazik to adjourn. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried



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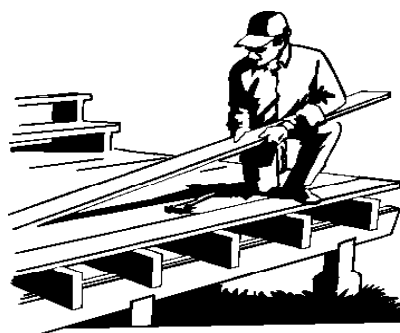
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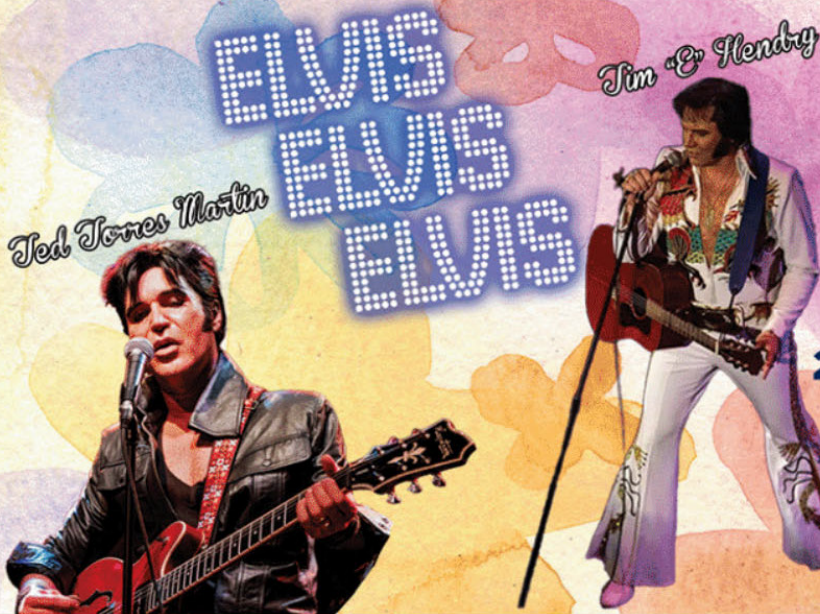
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