



## Paul Koll Hired as New Tribal Forester

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor



Paul Koll has been hired as the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Forester. His duties will include forestry activities on all fee lands, forest ecology, sale administration, plan writing, marking timber sales, invasive weed control, and collaborating with other members of the environmental department when projects require.

Paul grew up in Merrill and his parents, who live in Eau Claire, WI include his father John, who is an accountant, and his mother Julie, who works as a blood technician in a hospital. Paul said his mother grew up just south of Mole Lake. Koll also has two sisters; Becky Koll, who is a Paleobotanist working at the Smithsonian Museum in Washington, D.C. and Jenny Koll, who works in Environmental Education in Portland Oregon. His paternal grandparents live in Merrill and his maternal grandfather lives south of Mole Lake.

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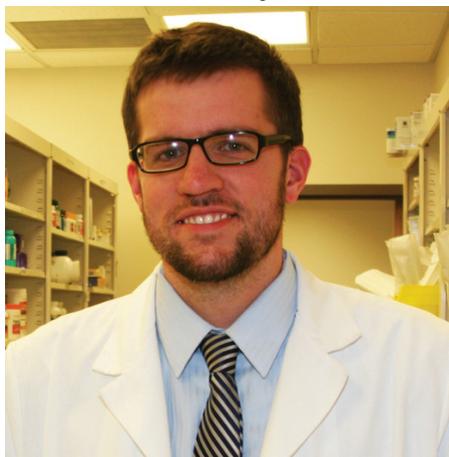
## Jayci Malone Hired as Family Services Manager

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

Jayci Malone is the new Family Services Manager. Some of her job duties include supervising and managing the implementation of the Family Services Plan and staff. She will also be assessing needs of community members and making proper referrals and working with Human Service agencies, Social Services and the courts to develop appropriate coordinated services to families.

Jayci currently lives on the reservation with her significant **Malone continued on page Ten:**

## New Pharmacy Student



Matthew Malooly was born and raised in Wisconsin Rapids with two brothers. His mother was a nurse and encouraged Matthew and his brothers to get into the health profession. Matthew said, "At first, I chose pharmacy simply because pharmacists were in demand and I thought I could do it, but as I get closer to graduation in May, I am seeing more and more how I have a real opportunity to serve people with the skills I've been given."

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## Mohican Nation Wetland Restoration and Rail Bed Removal

By Angela Loudbear - Wetland Specialist



Miller Creek/Camp 1 site is described in detail at the end of the story.

Mohican Nation Wetland Restoration and Rail Bed Removal is a proposed project facilitated by the Stockbridge-Munsee Community (SMC) Environmental Department that will restore and enhance regionally valuable aquatic habitat through removal of rail bed material that has fragmented and impaired 250 acres of wetland and two miles of Miller Creek.

The rail bed acquired by SMC in 2011 is currently 60.6 acres, ranges from 6-17 feet high and 20-30 feet wide. This seven mile barricade has altered the

ecological function of an entire line of wetlands along the rail bed. This project will focus on four sites in which the remaining rail bed materials will be removed and long term management strategies will be put in place that will allow for the wetlands that can again support an abundance and variety of plants, recreate critical habitat for feeding, breeding, resting, nesting, escape cover or travel corridors for fish, ducklings, shorebirds and songbirds and lifelong habitat for certain frogs and turtles. These proposed restorable wetlands **Wetland continued on page Six:**



Law Student Lena Qiu assists Lisa Blom to make out a will

## 2012 Indian Wills Caravan Held at North Star

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

While many people do not look into the issue of a will either because they do not think they own anything of value or do not want to look at their eventual death it may be a very important step to take. On March 14, 2012 people gathered together their identification documents such as

driver's license, enrollment card, birth certificate, etc. and made their way to the Mohican North Star Resort Casino to make out a will at an event sponsored by Wisconsin Judicare.

What a person received for **Wills continued on page Ten:**

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## 2012 Sacred Water Walk

Starting at Co M/HWY 55 Wolf River Bridge-Ending at the Sturgeon Feast Pow wow, MIHS  
**\*This is a Drug & Alcohol-Free Event\***

### Why Should I Participate?

Most may be familiar with the annual Sturgeon Feast and our neighbor's cultural connection to the sturgeon, but did you know that Mohicans & Munsee also share the same ancestral connection to this ancient fish? This is true. Sturgeon scutes (plates) found at one archeological site from the late 1500's on Papscaanee Island, south of later Albany, in Mohican territory. Today, they still spawn in the Susquehanna & Delaware Rivers, in Munsee territory. The water walk is an intertribal event.

### Schedule April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012

**5:30 AM** Meet at Keshena Falls Bridge to park extra vehicles & drive up together to Co M/HWY 55 Wolf River Bridge (north 5 Islands Area)

**6:00 AM** Water Ceremony

**7:00 AM** Water, Staff, Walkers, & Safety Escorts (provided by Menominee Police Department) will depart from Co M/HWY 55 Wolf River Bridge (north 5 Islands Area)

**10:00/10:30 AM** Ceremony at Keshena Falls

**11:30 AM** Arrive at Sturgeon Feast Pow Wow

**1:30 PM** Reunion of Water with River & Closing of Water Walk

### What Walkers Need to Know

Women carry the water, pregnant women do not need to carry the water as they are already carrying water and bringing life forward. All women wear long skirts (can be worn over shorts or pants).

Women on their moon-time... We encourage women on their moon-time to be present if they so wish can participate by witnessing ceremonies & helping with driving walkers that need to rest and elders that may not want to walk but want to be present to witness this intertribal effort to acknowledge the importance of water & its spirit. The water walk begins with ceremony which continues when the water & staff are being walked. Due to ceremonial protocol, we ask that women on their time refrain from carrying the water or staff out of respect for themselves as they are in their own sacred time of cleansing & out of respect for the spirit of the water as it is doing its work to bring healing during this walk.

Men are encouraged to carry the Water Walk Eagle staff to help with that balance. It is important that they are present to support the women in their responsibilities to the water (which gives life & sustenance to all). It is also important for men to

## Cultural Center Ad Hoc Planning:

This is an open invitation to all who are interested to attend the next planning meeting for a new tribal Cultural Center. This meeting will be held on April 19th at 10am at the Library/Museum. There were eight in attendance at the first meeting on March 29. It was discussed that maybe we should plan to have some evening meetings for those who can't attend during the day. The general discussion centered on these questions: What is a Cultural Center? Who should have offices there? What amenities should

be included? How big should it be? How should it be designed? Where should it be located? How will it be financed? Some very good ideas were brought up and discussed. A conceptual design proposed about 10 years ago by a consultant was shared and at the next meeting this design will be further discussed. If anyone would like a copy please ask someone at the Library-Museum. Stop in or call, the number is 715-793-4270. And it is hoped that more will join us at the next meeting.

assist in the walk since they (and not women alone) are responsible for bringing life forward and being the caretakers of that life. If no men are present to carry this particular Eagle staff, a woman may volunteer to do so.

Elders are welcome to join us whether they prefer to drive, ride in one of the cars provided, or walk.

Children accompanied by an adult are also encouraged to participate & can walk the water & staff with the assistance of fellow walkers.

The water and staff are walked for short distances (about 500 feet) before they are handed off to another set of walkers that have either driven ahead and are parked waiting to receive the

water & staff or are walking behind the two individuals with the water & staff. Walkers are encouraged to rest, and may do so by riding in one of the cars that drive ahead of the walk. Each car will be stocked with fresh drinking water and snacks. If any of those planning to participate, you are more than welcome to bring healthy snacks to share with others.

**AND...Most Important, HAVE FUN! Laughing is essential to the journey!!**

**Questions or More Info?** E-mail or call Monique Tyndall (1<sup>st</sup> Degree Midewiwin) at [monique.waterwalk@gmail.com](mailto:monique.waterwalk@gmail.com) or 715-326-1756

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

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## Quality of County Road Projects is a Concern

The Stockbridge-Munsee tribe is allowed to use monies from the BIA to improve roads that are off reservation, if the roads are in the corridor that benefits the tribal community and business (casino). In the past the tribe was given this money to Shawano County to help with the road projects, without the work being let out on the bids. Recent projects have been plagued by (settling) problems. The most recent being County G by Elias Church. The settling on these roads create an unsafe condition for all travelers. Not to mention the reconstruction of portions of these roads. We are sure that engineering companies have been consulted in the progress, it's the recurring settling problem on roads constructed by Shawano County Highway Department that is being questioned. My concerns are public safety and the wise use of tribal money.  
Brian Coyhis

## The Community Action Team would like to thank the following individuals and families for their generous donations for the Easter Dinner Raffle!

Rachel Semrow and family  
Matthew Church  
Lorraine Welch  
Lloyd Young/ Pine Hills  
Honoring Our Children  
Karmen Mason  
Peggy Lemke  
Dr. Benn and family  
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Lenore Shepard  
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Lynne Miller

**Tonya Rosenow**  
**AODA Prevention Specialist**

## ATTENTION ALL ARTISTS

The Health Center in the interest of promoting the health and wellbeing of its patients would like to present patients with a medication bag to bring their medications to each visit. This will help our providers gain a better knowledge of the medications you are prescribed and help us to serve you better.

We are asking for your input for the design logo on the medication bags. The logo must be no larger than 6 inches by 6 inches and can utilize no more than three (3) colors in its design. Deadline to turn in logo to Health Center is

Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>. A PRIZE FOR CHOSEN LOGO WILL BE GIVEN.

Once the bags have been printed with the logo, the bags will be shipped to the Family Center to allow the children to do some free style stamping to personalize the bags for our patients. We hope to promote Community involvement and awareness through this project. Let's all get healthy!

**STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE HEALTH CENTER**  
**TELEPHONE 715/793-4144**

The 2012 Little League season will be starting soon. Those interested in coaching this season please contact Karmen Mason, Mohican Family Center Manager for details. Below is a list of some of the details the coaches need to

be aware of this season. Karmen Mason contact information is (715) 793-4807 or (715)793-4800.

More information of the upcoming season will be on the Tribe's website.



## Stockbridge-Munsee Constitution Meeting, February 11, 2012

Attendance: Wayne Malone Sr., Chairman, Bob Little, Vice Chairman, Elaine Jacobi, Secretary, Yvonne Gleason, JoAnn Schedler (Tribal Council Liason), Attorney Paul Stenzel.

Meeting called to order at 10:00  
MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman thanked all for coming and thankful for contributing added information, and asked for as moment of silence.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Approve Minutes  
Motion by Yvonne to approve minutes from January 7, 2012 meeting, 2nd by Bob, all in favor, motion carried.

2. Approve Informational Flyer-Petition Distribution

Committee redrafted Information Flyer and Petition and worked on a draft ordinance which will establish tribal law for amending the Constitution.

Changes made in Amendments Article IV, Sec.5, and Article VIII Amendments allows all tribal members, regardless of residency, to vote on a proposed amendment and revises Article IV by allowing tribal members 18 years or older to vote in all tribal elections. Amendments also change the amount of signatures needed on a

petition and the number of voters needed for a valid election from 25 % of those entitled to vote upon the receipt of a petition signed by not less than 20% of the voters of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.

### NEW BUSINESS:

3. Work on Draft Constitution /Paul Stenzel

Changes updated to January 7 Meeting in chart form presented to Committee with BIA technical \ comments and pending comments from Committee./Committee addressed their comments where pending. Committee also addressed Membership Article by redrafting article and simplifying wording.

### 4. Budget Considerations:

Committee was informed that there are 8-12 hours left regarding budget. Committee discussed what it would take to complete project. Attorney Paul Stenzel assured Committee that he could complete document and help draft ordinance for amendment. Next meeting will be an organizational meeting to make plans for educating people. Next meeting possible in March. Meeting adjourned at 3:30p.m.

Elaine Jacobi, Secretary

## Lost Mocs at Pow Wow?

My name is Debra Fabian and I am an Oneida tribal member living in Milwaukee. I am writing this in the hopes of righting a wrong from the past.

About 10 years ago, my family visited the Stockbridge Munsee pow wow site during a warm summer day.

While my daughters were playing on the climbing structure, they uncovered a pair of children's moccasin's, buried in the dirt. We took them home, cleaned them up and they have been sitting in a basket all these years.

Long story short, I want these to go back to their rightful owner and am asking for your assistance in getting the word out.

I am asking people to describe them to the Mohican News at (715) 793-4388 so we know the rightful owners will be getting them back.

Yaw^ko

Debra

## Free Workshop

Tribal Permits Required  
And Steps to Build

Wednesday  
April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
4:45 PM

5:00 PM Speaker  
Housing Office  
N8618 Oak Street

Chad Miller, Land Management and Bert Davids, Forestry, will provide information about the types of permits you will need in order to build on the reservation and Bob Vele will discuss some of the basic steps to complete before you start building.

It helps us if you pre-register so we can provide enough refreshments and seating.

Workshops are fee and open to the Public.

No attendee gifts this year. Instead, for each session you attend, your name will be placed into a drawing for a patio set or grill at the end of the workshop season.

**Mohican Little League Coaches orientation**

- Set up a meeting with Family Center manager
  - Coach, Assist Coach, and book keeper
- Elder/Youth licensing
- Driver acceptability guidelines and approval
- Fund raising
- Equipment and uniforms
- Purchase order system and reconciliation process

**Mohicans**



# Elder Wisdom

## Attention Elders

“Do you receive any home services?”

“Do you use any community resources?”

”Do you have a caseworker?”

These are questions asked by nurses on hospital admission forms. They are meant to allow for a smooth transition of care once you are discharged from the hospital to return home. It may seem unclear what they mean when they ask these questions, but if you tell them to call the Community Health Nurse (CHN) at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center, it allows them to notify us of your hospitalization so that we may check on you at your home when you are discharged, if you desire. Our CHN, Sharon can be reached at (715) 793-5014.

This notice is meant to keep you informed of the services we offer and to improve your transition from hospital to home. If you have any questions, please call Elena, RN at (715) 793-5060.

\*patients must meet eligibility for services from the Community Health Outreach Program.



The public is invited to a free talk on the use of native plants in residential yards.

Come here the Executive Director of Wild Ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes, Donna VanBuecken talk on “The Practicality of Using Native Plants in Landscaping.”

Location: Shawano City Hall Date: April 18<sup>th</sup> Time:6:30

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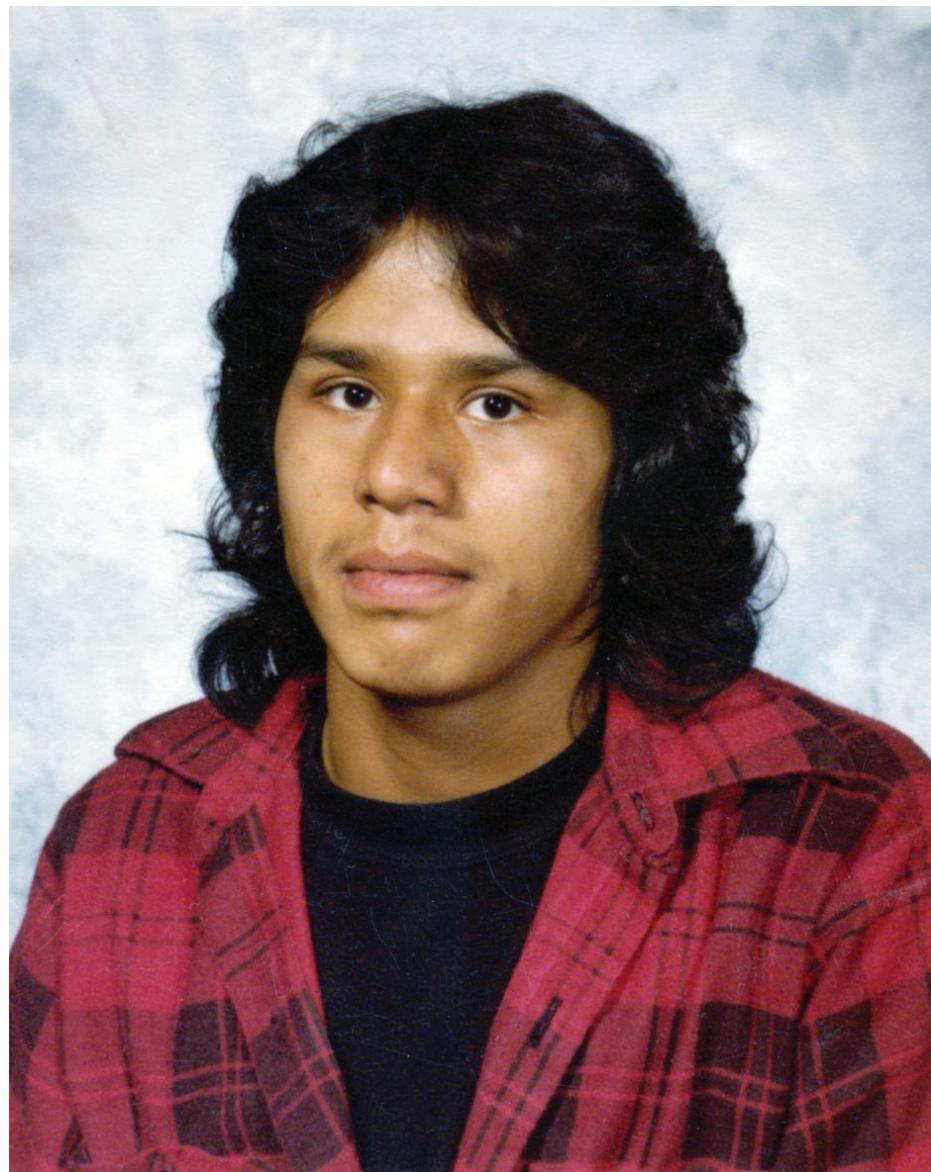
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A variety of Wisconsin native wildflowers available in 4” pots at \$4.25 each

# On the Trail Home



## Brook Gardner

Brook Gardner, age 49 of Green Bay, passed away Friday, March 30, 2012 in Madison. Born on January 12, 1963 in Tigerton, he was the son of Ralph and Lena (Besaw) Gardner. Brook worked as a roofer and was a member of the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness. In his free time he enjoyed spending time with his family, hunting and fishing.

Brook is survived by: his significant other, Diane Doxtator; his son, Brandon (Laura Bartels) Gardner of Kewaunee; 4 grandchildren, Ethan, Adrian, Jada, Griffin; his parents, Ralph and Lena Gardner of Bowler; a sister, Karleen (Michael) Gumm of Plymouth; 3 nephews, Wayne

Doxtator of Green Bay, Cody and Devin Gumm of Plymouth; and numerous nieces, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Brook was preceded in death by his brother and best friend, Adrian “Kenny” Gardner.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness in Bowler with the Rev. Melinda Shriner officiating. Burial is in the Stockbridge Indian Burial Grounds in the Town of Bartelme. Visitation was held at the Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham on Monday and at the church on Tuesday until the time of the service. [www.swedbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.swedbergfuneralhome.com)

## Scam Alert

Notice of a scam which occurs when someone, who claims to be a jury duty coordinator, calls a person to verify they received a summons for jury duty, and that a warrant had been issued for their arrest. If the person states they never received a summons, the scammer asks for their Social Security number and date of birth so he or she can verify the information and cancel the arrest warrant. The person’s identity may be compromised by providing this information.

The fraud has been reported so far in 11 states, including Oklahoma, Illinois, Colorado, and Arizona. This scam is particularly insidious because intimidation is used to obtain information from callers pretending to be with the court system.

The FBI and the federal court system have issued nationwide alerts on their websites warning consumers about the fraud.

## 2012 Housing Workshops

Dates	Subject	Speaker
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	Permits & Steps to Build on Rez	Multiple Speakers
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Budgets	Linda Olson, UW EXT
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Your Credit Report	Ryan Alexander/Co-Vantage
(Must register by May 17 <sup>th</sup> for Housing to receive your sealed credit report 10-Only)		
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Debt/Credit Cards/Build a Credit History	Linda Olson
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year-round Home Maintenance	Bob Vele, Housing
July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mold & Cleaning	Bob Vele, Housing
August 15 <sup>th</sup>	Home Repair Demo	Bob Vele, Housing
August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Saving Energy/Saving Money	Linda Olson
Sept 19 <sup>th</sup>	Section 184 Indian Loan	Bay Bank Representatives
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Safety Parade/open House	At Fire Department

If no one has registered for any workshop 2 days before the date, the workshop will be cancelled.

Call our office with any questions:

Division of Community Housing  
 715-793-4219

Some think it is holding on that makes one strong;  
 sometimes it’s letting go. Sylvia Robinson

# Rambling through history...

## ...with Dot Davids



### THOUGHT PROVOKING?



What are you reading these days? As one rides up or down the roads one reads "Vote for Bert Huntington, or Judge Winter, or Judge William Kassel, or What's His Name."

This reminds us that this is an election year. It may also be a dis-election year if a "recall" action takes place. Elections can be very exciting times locally (as our last tribal election), statewide, when we wonder if we, the Democrats, Republicans, or Independents will win, or nationally, when we wonder if Wisconsin will swing the vote one way or the other.

I do remember, back in the '50s, staying awake all night and finally hearing that Harry S. Truman was our new President. The Chicago Tribune had jumped the gun and already headlined John Dewey the winner!!!

What are you reading these days? A couple of years ago I received a "sample" copy of a newspaper called **The Progressive POPULIST**: A *Journal From America's Heartland*. Now the word "Progressive" always grabs my attention. Back in the 1930s, when I was a young teenager, my father was a staunch Progressive, rather than be a Democrat or a Republican. He told us that the Progressives cared about people. The "progressive movement" was a brainchild of Robert LaFollette and was carried on by his brother or son Phillip, both of whom were later Governors of Wisconsin. Now, I'll have to do some research again, but it seems the LaFollette's had some new ideas about leadership and made Wisconsin famous . . . but to get back to the **The Progressive POPULIST** which is an "employee owned, independent journal that believes in the Bill of Rights and that the truth shall make us free."

While **The Progressive POPULIST** is produced by the Cullen family in Storm Lake, Iowa,

the paper may contain forty or more articles by various authors such as: Jim Hightower, Dave Zweifel, Arianna Huffington, Jesse Jackson, Robert Reich, Will Durst, Ralph Nader, Amy Goodwin, and James M.Cullen, editor, etc. The writers are responsible for their own work, but in publishing, the editors may not necessarily agree with them, but think their point of view is worth sharing. Of course, I subscribed.

And what do they write about? In one issue, Jim Hightower, always with a Hightower twist, writes about Woodie Guthrie, who came out of the Oklahoma dust bowl to fight, with song, against the "elites" who were knocking them down. In another issue, Hightower writes about the Iowa caucus, and in another about Newt Gingrich, and one about how money governs America. Robert Reich writes that factory jobs are not coming back, but how Americans can share in the economy; Amy Goodman writes about pro-choice and health care plans. A recent issue has a front page story about Corrections Corporations of America running prisons in exchange for state money by Chris Kirkam. (Did you know the corporation buys up state prisons?)

**The Progressive POPULIST** doesn't seem to miss any important issue. As they say in their promotions: "The Progressive Populist believes that people are more important than corporations, and that government should be **of** the people, **by** the people, and **for** the people." The PP speaks for those Americans who want to reclaim our nation from those who would take power from the people and reserve it for an elite few.

Connie Schultz writes about the relationship of her father's old wrench and Clint Eastwood's Chrysler Ad that offended Karl Rove. And who in the devil is Karl Rove?

John Nichols, a correspondent for **The Nation** and associate editor of **The Capital Times** of Madison, Wi, does a piece on Scott Walker. It begins, "In February 2011, Scott Walker was just another Republican Governor. A favorite of Newt Gingrich, billionaire tea partisans Charles and David Koch, and wealthy advocates for privatization of education, the Wisconsinite had his national fans on the conservative circuit . . . and so on. Most of the articles are a

half page or less, but the January 1, 2012 carries a rather long article by Hal Crowther titled: "**Otherwise Occupied: what Price Revolution?**" with a Sub-title "The Occupy movement is challenging a Goliath that has crushed a thousand Davids. Will this come out differently?" This is a thought provoking article about fearful reactions in America to real or imagined protest movements. The involvement of law enforcement groups to supposed "protests" is sometimes violent. And what does the unequal distribution of wealth have to do with this fear, violence, and weaponry? Thought provoking! Wow!

And then Ronnie Cummins, International Director of the Organic Consumers Association, has this to say: Our trillion-dollar food and farming system has been corrupted and manipulated by Wall Street, Corporate Agribusiness and Big Food, Inc. into what can only be described

as a weapon of mass destruction, severely damaging public health, the environment, and the climate; torturing animals in filthy disease-ridden factory farms; exploiting immigrant farmers and food industry workers, and destroying the livelihoods of small farmers and rural communities.

**The Progressive POPULIST** gives ample space to Letters to the Editors which sometimes gives us another view of America.

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We have a couple of elections coming up. I think the human beings whose writings are in the Progressive POPULIST give us much to think about.

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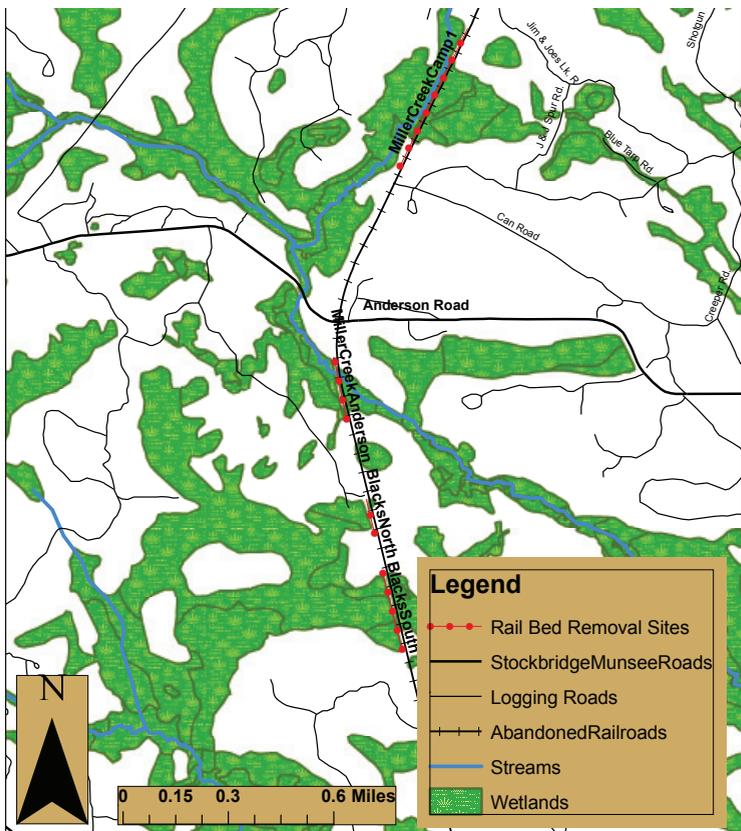
### Community Recycling - Large item pick-up for the reservation will be on May 16.

Large item pick-up for the reservation will be on May 16.

Due to a number of Wisconsin state laws, there are many items that must be recycled, and not placed into landfills. What you should know for large item pick up day is that a number of landfill banned items can be picked up, some for a fee. Anything with Freon in it (refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners) will be charged at \$35. Other large appliances are \$15. A TV, with less than a 17 inch screen (measured diagonal) will be charged at \$15, greater than a 17 inch screen will be charged \$25. Microwaves and computer monitors will be charged at \$15.

Furniture and old mattresses will be picked up on this day at no charge. Appliances which Harter's charges a fee to pick up will probably be picked up by tribal folks who run small side businesses and sell them for scrap at the local junk yards. No tires or car batteries will be picked up.

If you have an item which needs to be paid for pick-up, call Harter's Fox Valley Disposal at 715-253-2619 to schedule a pick-up. Call the number to pay by credit/debit card over the phone the day before pick-up. If you want to pay by check, call the number a week in advance and they will tell you the address to send payment.



**Wetland cont from page One:**

and each of the wetlands present within our reservation provide several benefits to the natural resources of our community; these benefits include;

- Stormwater retention from rain and melting snow rushing toward rivers and lakes, water quality protection
- Wetland plants and soils have the ability to store and filter pollutants ranging from pesticides to animal wastes
- Groundwater discharge is a more common wetland function and can be important for stabilizing stream flows, especially during dry months, as well as enhance the aquatic life of communities in downstream areas.

These four sites; Miller Creek/Camp 1, Miller Creek /Anderson Road, Blacks North and South equal a combined 0.94 mi, just under one mile of rail bed to be removed from the total seven miles. Each of these sites are not only heavily degraded, but have been selected because the location will maintain adequate assessability for tribal forestry activities, recreational opportunities, in addition to increasing the aesthetics of our tribal land. At this time the Mohican Nation Wetland Restoration and Rail Bed Removal Project has gained approval and support from SMC Forestry Committee, Fish and Game Board, SMC Tribal Council Members and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource Personnel. As the SMC Environmental Department proceeds with this project we would like tribal and community members to partake in this projects completion.

Should you want any additional information, or would like to share your concerns or comments please feel free to contact:

Stockbridge-Munsee Community

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**Miller Creek/Camp 1 Site**

Miller Creek Camp 1 Site: Once The Miller Creek Camp 1 site is currently a 90 acre palustrine system comprised of sedge-shrub vegetation with a patchy distribution of swamp conifers. Conifer stumps and coarse woody debris are common and distributed throughout the wetland suggesting that the site was historically entirely composed of northern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*) and mixed with black spruce (*Picea mariana*), white pine (*Pinus strobus*) and eastern hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*). Alterations in wetland hydrology from the railroad bed transformed the site to nearly a continuous bed of sedges and tag alder (*Alnus incana*).

Miller Creek's previous stream bed has a natural meandering stream habitat, which occurs throughout the wetland on the east side of the tracks. Construction of the rail bed reassigned Miller Creek to a restricted channel flowing along the west side of the rail bed. Removal of the rail bed will allow Miller Creek to reclaim the original stream bed currently on the east side of the tracks, and will recreate a stable habitat for native cool and cold water species and initiate the return of historical hydrological regime and species composition to the surrounding wetland community.

**President Verna Fowler Receives Tribal College President Award**



"Way back in 1912 the Menominee sent a letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs asking for a tribal college. It was finally these two organizations that came along and brought it to fruition."

Dr. Fowler established the College of Menominee Nation in 1993. CMN's flagship campus in Keshena and an urban campus in Green Bay, currently serve more than 700 students in Bachelor's and Associate degree academic programs, and in technical and trades diploma program.

The College, which is open to all, is chartered by the Menominee people and accredited by

Dr. Verna Fowler, founding president of the College of Menominee Nation, Keshena, has been chosen for the Tribal College President Award in recognition of her contributions to American Indian education during her career.

The President Award was announced at the American Indian Higher Education Consortium's student conference held in March in Rapid City, SD, and presented by American Indian College Fund President and CEO Richard B. Williams.

Dr. Fowler said, "I am extremely grateful to the American Indian College Fund and the American Indian Higher Education Consortium. If it were not for those two organizations that were the pioneers that had the initiative and the drive, and the determination... none of us would be here today. I also owe a lot to the tribal college presidents, both the current and the past, who set a path and called us all to a higher excellence in education."

the Higher Learning Commission, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

An enrolled member of the Menominee Tribe, Dr. Fowler earned a master's degree in 1986 and a doctorate in 1992, both in education administration from the University of North Dakota.

In 1999, she was appointed by President Bill Clinton to the White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities and was reappointed by President George W. Bush in 2006. In 2010, she was chosen for the George Washington Carver Agricultural Excellence Award by the U.S. Agency for International Development for work connecting indigenous peoples in the USA to peer groups in Latin American through sustainable forestry and agriculture based on indigenous perspectives. (Photo by D.Kakkak, College of Menominee Nation).

**Koll cont from page One:**

Paul graduated from high school at Eau Claire Memorial in 2001. He went on to graduate from UW-Stevens Point in 2005 with Bachelor of Science majoring in Forest Ecosystem Restoration and Management with a minor in Conservation Biology. He also graduated from Michigan Technological University in 2009 with Master of Science in Forest Ecology and Management.

Paul's work history includes work as an Ecologist for Indiana Dunes Research Project in 2003; Habitat Typist for Lumberjack RC&D in Northeastern WI in 2004; Research Botanist for UW-Madison and the

Flambeau Forestry Gap Project in 2005; Biological Tech Seasonal or USFS JW Toumey Nursery in Watersmeet MI from 2006-2011; and prior to working for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community he was a Forestry Tech Volunteer for Chippewa County, WI in 2010.

Koll is an avid outdoorsman focusing on deer hunting and duck hunting mostly. He enjoys fishing, and non-timber forest product collection, which includes mushroom picking, berry picking, wild rice harvesting, etc. Paul said, "I enjoy racing, including driving a VW rally car in rallies across the Midwest since 2004."



Lai Lonnie Kosowski, Youth Activities Supervisor provides info

## “Making It Easy To Get Tested” Community Event

By Mark Shaw - Contributing Reporter

There has never been an event that combined 1970's nostalgia, winter sports, and community prevention awareness until now. Through a grant from the “HIV/AIDS Project,” Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services and the After School Prevention Program were able to sponsor a community event called, “Making It Easy to Get Tested.” It was held on February 26, 2012 from 1 PM – 5 PM at Annie's Campground, a nearby getaway offering lakes, forests, and wilderness activities to families and outdoor enthusiasts. The 102 people who attended were encouraged to bring their own equipment for sledding, skating, broom hockey, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, ice fishing and snowshoeing.

Participants who donated a canned or box good to the tribe's local shelter had a chance to win door prizes and T-shirts give away bags. Twenty-one people received a free, private HIV test from the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. Those who signed-up were also given a \$10 coupon to the Little Star Convenience Store. Other “funky” incentives included stickers, pins, wash-off tattoos, 70's sunglasses, informational leaflets and DVD's on HIV/AIDS, etc.

Since the theme of the party

was the 1970's, DJ Antoine spun popular disco music, and many participants dressed in 70's attire for the costume contest.

Later on in the afternoon, a dancing competition was held and through audience approval three individuals were chosen to compete in a “dance-off.” For the contest, Lane Schultz, Joe Espinoza, and Hayden Williams had to perform a five second dance move after they had executed each of their opponents' five second dance moves first. When each dancer had shown-off their moves, the cycle repeated and new moves had to be performed until the end of the song, “Play That Funky Music White Boy.” The three performers wowed and entertained the crowd with dances moves inspired by “Saturday Night Fever,” Hip Hop music videos, and popular break dancers. Everyone in attendance cheered and laughed out loud. Tonya Rosenow, AODA Specialist, said, “I was pretty impressed with their dance moves. I was laughing (too).” The audience chose Hayden Williams as the winner and when asked why people cheered for him, one audience member said, “Hayden's got some moves.” The other dance finalists, Lane Schultz—who was dressed in bell-bottoms and an Afro wig—said he learned how to dance from Peaches, whereas Joe Espinoza—whose

Testing continued on page Ten:



## BIRTHING EXPENSES

The Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Economic Support Department began receiving federal start-up funding to develop a Tribal Child Support Agency.

In Wisconsin there are currently three Tribes operating comprehensive Tribal IV-D programs and three Tribes (including Stockbridge-Munsee) receiving federal start-up funds.

As part of developing the program, research has been conducted on how the State of Wisconsin establishes various child support obligations, including birthing expenses.

The State of Wisconsin is one of a minority of states who have chosen to establish a medical support order for the repayment of birthing expenses if a mother utilized Medicaid benefits for pre-natal and post-natal care. Following the birth of the child the State of Wisconsin will establish an order for the repayment of birthing expenses against the father of the child.

The State enforces these orders by intercepting a father's wages, income tax returns, unemployment compensation and any other source of income that is available for interception.

In 2008 the State of Wisconsin began working with Wisconsin Tribes with child support agencies to cease the establishment and enforcement of the collection of birthing expenses if a case involved a father who was an enrolled member of the Tribe.

The Stockbridge-Munsee tribal child support group is hopeful that the State will agree to extend the same courtesy to those enrolled

fathers of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe. We have contacted the State to confirm an agreement. Although the State of Wisconsin will not reimburse birthing expenses already paid to the state, we are hopeful they will agree to cease the establishment of birthing expenses against tribal members in the future and will expunge any birthing expenses currently on the state records at the time a final agreement can be reached if the father is an enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee tribal member.

In anticipation of a potential agreement, the tribal child support agency would like to develop a list of enrolled tribal members who that currently have a birthing expense debt owed to the State of Wisconsin. Once an agreement is reached, we will share this list with the State of WI and will notify the tribal members of any updates to their birthing expense accounts. Please note that this agreement will not cover reimbursement of expenses already paid to the State of Wisconsin.

If you are an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe and have a birthing expense debt owed to the State of WI, please contact:

Crystal Malone  
Phone: 715-793-4032  
E-mail: crystal.malone@mohican-nsn.gov

Address: P.O. Box 70  
Bowler, WI 54416



## Mohican Family Center After School Program

APRIL 2012	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Sat
22	23 Juice/ Grm Crkr	24 Fruit/PB Toast	25 Cottage Cheese Peaches	26 Milk/Cereal	27 Juice/Popcorn	28
<b>ASP ROOM *SNACK MENU</b>	Reading/Bd.Games	Trails-Mary, R.D.	Huffing Talking Circle	Misti-Medicine Plants Language	Choose: Movie Fitness Craft Day	
<i>No More Suppers</i>			7:30-3 PM Training Youth Worker Coalition Jess and Tonya			
9	30 Juice/Cracker					
	HIV/AIDS Edu. 3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> gr.					



# Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly Services

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## National Minority Health Month Diabetes Program

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Statistically, certain population groups are more prone to decreased physical activity, poor nutrition, and high obesity rates for a variety of reasons, including a lack of education, access, and resource availability.

Adults in lower-income families are less likely to engage in physical activity than adults in families with incomes twice the poverty line

American Indian and Alaska Natives are 1.6 times as likely to be obese than non-Hispanic whites.

This month, let's work together to overcome these hurdles and improve the nation's health and well-being.

Go to [fitness.gov](http://fitness.gov) for more information.

Contact Mary Murray-Dietitian 715-793-5006 about any nutrition question you may have.

Contact Sera Jagemann- CHR 715-793-5064 for information on the Many Trails Walking Club.

Contact Mohican Family Center 715-793-5064 for information on the center and all of the activities they have to offer.



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# Community

## Sustainable Living in April: "Compost"

College of Menominee Nation Sustainable Development Institute

KESHENA – WI – As the air begins to warm and outside time becomes a little more enjoyable, consider incorporating a great sustainable living habit into your life: composting.

Compost is decomposed organic material and it is easy to "make" in your own backyard. "Composting" includes throwing yard waste and kitchen vegetable scraps into a pile and tending to it to provide better conditions in which nature can break down the materials into organic soil. Not only is the end result great to have for your garden, it reduces the amount of waste thrown into landfills, and is a fun hands-on learning project for young children.

### How it works:

According to composting101.com, the "decomposition process is fueled by millions of microscopic organisms (bacteria, fungi) that take up residence inside your compost pile, continuously devouring and recycling it to produce a rich organic fertilizer and valuable soil amendment." Good compost piles are a mix of "green" and "brown" materials. The green materials provide the compost pile with nitrogen and consist of lawn clippings or vegetable scraps. The brown materials provide the carbon for the pile and can be dead leaves or shredded paper. The best compost piles provide a balance of the two which allows the pile to naturally heat up and break down the materials and is kept moist, but not dripping wet.

It is easy and free to do!

[www.sustainabledevelopmentinstitute.org](http://www.sustainabledevelopmentinstitute.org)

### Testing cont from page Seven:

70's sunglasses matched his naturally-grown Afro—explained how his moves were all self-taught.

Everyone at the After School Program as well as the employee's of Annie's Campground worked hard to bring "Making It Easy" together. The building that held the event was generously decorated and the options for food were large. The menu included hot cider, hot chocolate, coffee, chili, fry bread, caramel apples, corn dogs, and s'mores. Lai Lonnie Kosowski, the Youth Activities Supervisor for the After School Program, wanted to show particular appreciation to Tribal Americorps member, Lynn Miller. "When Lynn does stuff, she just steps up and gets it done. I

The only thing you need is a location to compost. Avid composters have bins that rotate and provide the materials with lots of oxygen and the ability to be easily rotated. An easy way to compost is to build a simple wooden encasement made of pallets or enclose chicken wire to ensure all the compost that gets thrown in gets lots of oxygen. It is important to keep turning the pile so the organisms get oxygen to keep breaking down the material.

It is good for the world.

According to [howtocompost.org](http://howtocompost.org), composting can reduce the amount of garbage thrown out by a third. Walking your scraps to a compost pile or bin can be a rewarding way to reduce the amount of garbage put onto the curb.

It is good for gardens and plants. Compost piles take about 3 months to break down, depending on the moisture content, carbon/nitrogen mix, and oxygen you provide it. When the process is done, you have amazing natural fertilizer for your vegetable gardens or plants. Start composting now and share your pictures with us on the "Sustainable Development Institute" facebook page! We put up photos online for you to see our compost piles at College of Menominee Nation and some home-projects by our staff. Have fun with it! Feel free to contact the Sustainable Development Institute by calling 715-799-6226 ext 3244 or e-mailing [jedler@menominee.edu](mailto:jedler@menominee.edu) with questions or suggestions. Begin a journey to living a more sustainable life. It is exciting and rewarding!

would like to give her a big thank you." She then commented on the event's success: "A lot of people said, 'That was fun. That was fun. That was fun!'"

For more information on HIV testing and available resources, contact James Brunner at this toll-free number: 1-800-675-9400. Mr. Brunner administered the HIV tests and was enthusiastic that 21 people registered. He said he often spends an entire day at a bar or a local business and only gets four people willing to be tested.

March 20 is National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, and Linda Rudesill, the Youth Activities Worker, will be visiting local offices that week offering community outreach for HIV/AIDS awareness.

### Malone cont from page One:

other George, her son Aweh'la paew aka "Wekah" and she has a baby on the way who is due in June.

Malone received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the UW-Oshkosh in 2009. Since she worked as a staff RN at a rehabilitation facility in Antigo. Before that she worked as staff RN at St. Lukes Medical Center in Milwaukee on a general medical telemetry unit. She also completed an internship with the State of Wisconsin at Winnebago Mental Health Institute where she

developed her interest working in the social service/human service aspect of nursing. Malone said, "This is why I was interested in fulfilling the position of Family Service Manager with the tribe." Jayci also worked for many years at the North Star casino as a table games dealer and also in various positions with the tribe.

When not working Jayci's hobbies and interests include hanging out with her family, shopping, going to the movies, sewing/making regalia for her family, and playing on the craps table at the casino.

### Student cont from page One:

Some of his favorite things are having meals with family and friends, studying the Bible, and challenging himself with new piano pieces. Matthew is getting married on August 4<sup>th</sup> so his future wife, Jocelyn and he are very busy planning for that exciting day!

"I chose the clinic as a rotation

site because I've heard great things from other students and pharmacy school faculty about the quality of the educational experience and of the healthcare delivered here. I know I'll get a lot out of it, but hopefully I'll be able to give something as well," ended Malooly.

### Wills cont from page One:

showing up at the will preparation event was a one on one session with Columbia law students and Judicare representatives to customize a Will and Power of Attorney to fit your needs. Each session took about 60-75 minutes to complete a Will and Power of Attorney documents. Other documents needed for the will preparation was information on land holdings i.e. land assignment contract, deed to home, etc.

Judicare staff and Students from Columbia Law School were at Oneida Reservation, Norbert Hill Center on March 12<sup>th</sup>, Forest County Potawatomi Community, Tribal Offices, Crandon, WI on March 13<sup>th</sup>, Mohican North Star Casino Resort Poker Room on March 14<sup>th</sup>, Black River Falls, WI. Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Office Building on March 15<sup>th</sup>, and at the Wisconsin Dells, House of

Wellness on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

According to one person who attended the event, "These young people from Columbia Law School were very thorough. They went over each step of the process carefully and asked questions of Attorney David Armstrong of Judicare to make sure they were addressing issues specific to living in a Tribal community."

The program was available to any person regardless of Tribal affiliation who wanted to draft a will, powers of attorney, and other basic estate planning services for free. Many people left the event with a sense of satisfaction that decisions are made about who inherits their property, who will care for their minor children, what will happen if they become incapacitated, who administers their will and what gets donated to charity.



Tasty Day is an event that food distribution has to let people know what kind of food they have and what nutritious tasty recipes can be made from the items on hand. Jill Duffek (pictured on right) and Mary Murray (left) prepared the meal. We had a record number of people that participated in the event. We look forward to doing again very soon. Seralee J Jagemann - Community Health Representative



(Dog Tick)



(Deer Tick)

## Tick Bite

### What are ticks?

Ticks are small wingless bugs that feed on the blood of animals, birds, and people. They have 8 legs and are related to spiders and mites. There are many different kinds of ticks. Black-legged ticks, or deer ticks, are usually tiny, no bigger than the head of a pin. Wood and dog ticks are usually much larger.

### How do tick bites occur?

Tick bites occur most often during early spring to late summer. Ticks are found among plants and on animals in low-lying brush in woodlands, grasslands, and marshlands and at the seashore. Wild birds and animals, as well as domestic animals and pets such as dogs, horses, and cows, can carry ticks. Ticks may climb on humans from animals, leaf litter, or low-lying brush. Ticks wait in the underbrush for an animal or human to walk by, and then grasp the fur or skin and crawl up the leg. Ticks cannot jump or fly. They wander the body for 30 minutes to an hour before inserting their feeding parts into the skin.

### Can I get sick from a tick bite?

Most ticks do not carry diseases, and most tick bites do not cause serious health problems. But it is important to remove a tick as soon as you find it. Rarely are the diseases transmitted if the tick is removed within the first 24 hours after it attaches. Removing the tick's body helps you avoid diseases the tick may pass on during feeding.

However, some ticks carry infections that can be passed to people. For example, deer tick bites may cause Lyme disease. The early symptoms of Lyme disease occur within the first week to months after being bitten by an infected tick. These include flu-like symptoms and a rash that resembles a bulls-eye or target located on one area of the skin. A bite from other ticks such as the wood tick or dog tick may cause Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF). RMSF may first cause flu-like symptoms and then a pink or red spotted rash.

### How are tick bites treated?

If you find a tick attached to your body, you need to remove it. You can remove it yourself or get help from your healthcare provider. To remove an attached tick:

- Grasp the tick with tweezers as close to the skin as possible.
- Gently pull the tick straight away from you until it releases its hold. Pulling the tick out too quickly may tear the body from the mouth, leaving the mouth still in the skin. If you are unable to remove the tick completely, you may need to see your healthcare provider.

- Do not twist the tick as you pull, and try not to squeeze its body. Squeezing or crushing the tick could force infected fluids from the tick into the site of the bite.

After you have removed the tick, thoroughly wash your hands and the bite area with soap and water. Put an antiseptic such as rubbing alcohol where you were bitten.

Save the tick in case you later start having symptoms of disease and need to know what kind of tick bit you. Put the tick in a clean dry jar, small plastic bag, or other sealed container and keep it in the freezer. Identification of the tick may help your provider diagnose and treat your symptoms. If you do not have any symptoms of disease after 1 month, you can discard the tick.

If you do develop symptoms seek medical attention. Lyme disease is treated with antibiotics. Early treatment can help prevent possible complications.

### How can I take care of myself?

If you find a tick on your body, remove it right away. Check for a rash and other symptoms for about 4 weeks after the bite.

Call your healthcare provider if:

- A tick has bitten you and you think the tick may be a deer tick.
- You develop a bulls-eye rash or a rash with tiny purple or red spots.
- The area of the bite becomes more swollen or painful or drains pus, or you see red streaks spreading from the wound.
- You have flu-like symptoms after a bite such as fever, headache, muscle aches, joint pain or swelling, and a general feeling of illness.

### How can I prevent tick bites?

- Be aware of the areas where ticks live. Do not walk, camp, or hunt in the woods of tick-infested areas without precautions.
- In areas of thick underbrush, try



## Stockbridge-Munsee Community Temporary Food Handlers Training Schedule for Year 2012

DATE	TIME	LOCATON
Wed May 16	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Center
Wed June 13	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Center
Thurs Aug 9	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	S-M Health & Wellness Center
Fri Aug 10	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Center
Wed Oct 17	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Center

Per Tribal Code, Food Handler's Training and a Food Sales Permit is a requirement prior to selling food products within the Stockbridge Munsee Community. Food Handler's training is made available six different times a year. Training is for anyone interested in safe food handling or planning to work a future food sale. This requirement does not apply to pot lucks or other events where food products are not being sold.

For first time Food Handler's as well as the experienced Food Handler's that need to renew their training (*which is every 2-years*) must register to attend one of the above listed trainings.

For more information, to register for training or request a Food Sale Permit please contact Gregg Duffek, Health Director, Mary Murray or Julie Casper at the S-M Health & Wellness Center at 715-793-4144.

to stay near the center of trails.

- When you are outdoors, wear long-sleeved shirts tucked into your pants. Wear your pants tucked into your socks or boot tops if possible. A hat may help, too. Wearing light-colored clothing may make it easier to spot the small tick before it reaches your skin and bites.

- Use approved tick repellents on exposed skin and clothing. Do not use more than recommended in the repellent directions. Do not put repellent on open wounds or rashes. Wash the spray off your hands. Be careful with children because the repellents can make them ill.

DEET is a very effective repellent, but adults should use products with no more than 35% DEET. Children should use repellents with no more than 10% DEET. DEET should be washed off your body when you go back indoors.

- Treat household pets for ticks and fleas. Check pets after they have been outdoors.
- Brush off clothing and pets before entering the house.
- After kids play outside, check their skin – especially the scalp, behind the ears, the neck, under the arms, and the groin.
- After you have been outdoors, undress and check your body for ticks. Check your clothes. Wash them to remove any ticks.
- Shower and shampoo after your outing.
- Inspect any gear you have carried outdoors.

Submitted by the medical department at the Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center.

Resources:

<http://www.intelihealth.com/IH/ih/IH/WSIHW000/9339/31360.html>

[http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/firstaid\\_safe/sheets/tick\\_bites\\_sheet.html](http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/firstaid_safe/sheets/tick_bites_sheet.html)

### Treatment of Lyme Disease

Most tick bites are not due to deer ticks, and most deer ticks don't carry Lyme disease, so it isn't necessary to treat every tick bite with antibiotics, which may have side effects, such as increased chance of sunburn.

A single dose of the antibiotic doxycycline taken within 48 hours after a tick bite reduces the chance of catching Lyme disease by about 70%.

Antibodies against the bacteria that causes Lyme disease doesn't show up in the blood until about 3 weeks after catching the infection. If a full 10 to 21 day course of antibiotics is started before antibodies are present, the antibodies may never appear, so it will never be certain if Lyme disease was caught.

The symptoms of early Lyme disease, including flu type symptoms and the bull's eye rash, clear up whether or not antibiotics are taken then. Those symptoms don't clear up any faster if antibiotics are prescribed immediately after the tick bite.

The reason for starting antibiotics, after Lyme disease is confirmed by the presence of antibodies, is to prevent the heart, brain and arthritis problems that are caused by long term Lyme disease. There is no advantage in starting antibiotics before the antibodies are present, they work just as well if delayed until antibodies are detected and the infection is confirmed.

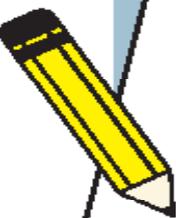


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# Tribal Council Directives

**On Friday, February 24, 2012, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following motions were made and carried:**

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting of Friday, February 24, 2012, and add Second Floor Discussion in Executive Session, as presented. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

### BUDGET MODIFICATION: Environmental-Randall/Luke

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the request of Luke Hennigan and Randall Wollenhaup of Environmental Office for the Environmental Tribal Contribution Budget Modification and the redistribution of Environmental Tribal Contribution Wage/Fringe funds to Contractual and Equipment line items as outlined in the attached request form. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

### TACONIC & KOAN TUK STORMWATER PLAN AND PERMIT-Luke H.

No action taken at this time, will work with Roads & Others and come back.

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS: Reporter-**  
No action taken at this time, a working meeting will be scheduled for further discussion.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Wallace A. Miller to go into Executive Session. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried

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at 2:00 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried at 2:54 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held a Human Resource Matter and the Second Floor Hotel Construction.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to extend the contract of Starlyn for an additional one month, from March 1, 2012 so the Tribe may be able further prepare for negotiations if needed. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize the legal to prepare an RFP, a request for proposal for an Owner’s Rep to lead and assist in the completion of the second floor of the North Star Casino Resort. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize legal to work with the Tribal Council and Casino Management to prepare an RFP, request for proposal to hire a contractor to finish the second floor of the North Star Casino Resort, and if needed we are waiving any portion of the Bid Policy that would prohibit the expedited schedule. Seconded by Douglas William Huck.

Motion maker amends motion: to eliminate after expedited to eliminate schedule and put in completion of the second floor. Second concurs. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize the Casino Management to waive the bid process for

FF&E purchases and this motion allows the Casino Management to start making those orders and purchases with the understanding that all vendors will need to work with the building schedule for delivering storage. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

### ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to adjourn. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried at 2:58 PM.

**On Tuesday, March 20, 2012, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following motions were made and carried:**

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Add: Emergency Request from Shawano County and Minor’s Trust Request (Executive) Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting of Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012, with the two additions. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

### MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Monday, January 30, 2012, the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, February 7, 2012 and the Special Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

### TRIBAL FINANCIALS FOR DECEMBER 2011 AND JANUARY 2012-Amanda Stevens

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Tribal Financials for December 2011 as previously posted. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to post the Tribal Financials for January 2012. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION: 477

### Reprogramming-Amanda Stevens

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve for the President’s signature resolution number 025-12 to reprogram the 477 program funds, therefore be it resolved, that they Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs 1) Reprogram FY12 fund from (9040) Johnson O’Malley and (C9110) Economic Development to Consolidated Tribal Government Program (T9130) and 2) Also upon request transfer FY12 funds from CTCP Program to the 477 Program. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

### DONATION REQUESTS- 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional Candidate

**Jamie Wall-Scott R. Vele**  
Motion by Scott R. Vele to donate out of donations to Jamie Wall for US Congress. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler.

**Roll Call:** Scott yes, JoAnn yes,  
**Directives cont on pg Thirteen:**

**Directives cont from pg Twelve:**  
Shan yes, Wally yes, Doug no and Joe no. Motion carried.

**Gresham Dollars for Scholars-John Bauman**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request for donation from the Gresham Dollars for Scholars, from John Bauman and that the Tribe pay monies for table sponsorship for the Gresham Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Banquet. Seconded by Douglas William Huck.

Motion maker amends motion changing the dollar amount. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS-**

**Administrative Assistant-Fire/Police Program-James Hoffman/Dudley Welch**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the administrative assistant fire/police program coordinator with revisions and to incorporate into number three Must obtain within six month period of hire Fire Fighter Training Level I. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

**CAPITAL PURCHASE REQUEST-Gregg Duffek/Dave Axt**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request from the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Clinical Director and Director of Pharmacy David Axt for the capital purchase of a one tablet/capsule counting machine icon model 9400. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

Motion maker amends motion to incorporate: to go along with the request of budget modification number of the pharmaceutical budget as presented by Dave Axt and Mr. Duffek, which is shifting funds from the pharmaceutical supplies, telephone and claim submissions to accommodate the purchase of this icon 9400, as outlined and presented to the Council. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**FY2012 EPA CLEAN WATER BUDGET ADDITION/GRANT MODIFICATION-Luke H**

Motion by Joe Miller to accept \$2900.00 of Environmental Protection Agency Clean Water Act section 106 funds, for addition to the approved FY2012 Clean Water Act budget and to provide \$152.00 of tribal match to meet 5% matching funds requirements. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

**CHILD SUPPORT 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR PROGRESS REPORT AND BUDGET REQUEST-CSW**

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Year Two Start Up Plan Stockbridge-Munsee Child Support Agency as presented. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. (including budget request) Motion carried.

**EXPUNGING & CEASING BIRTH COST EXPENSES-Child Support Workgroup**

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to send a letter to the State of Wisconsin on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community requesting that they State cease establishing birthing expenses and expunge any birthing expense debt if the father is an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

**IRR DIRECT SERVICES AGREEMENT-Willy Miller**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve for President's signature the resolution 026-12 and the Direct Services Agreement for the Transportation Improvement Program, therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community have recognized these proposed construction priorities and TIP within the I.R.R. Inventory as being BIA/Tribal needs, requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs to immediately incorporate these road construction priorities into the planning and administration of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Program for budgeting, engineering/design, construction and maintenance assistance. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

**EMERGENCY REQUEST FROM SHAWANO COUNTY-Willy Miller**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the request of the Roads Manager, William Miller to have the Road's Manager and Legal prepare a one page agreement that they Tribe would allow the Shawano County Highway Department to utilize the Tribe's land by County G and the culvert work that they are planning to do on 03-21-12. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

**UPDATE ORGANIZATION CHART-Linda Mohawk Katchenago**

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to approve the Organizational Chart structure for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community as presented. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

Motion by maker amends motion adding: a connecting line from the Tribal Council to the Tribal Court. Second concurs.

**Roll Call:** Scott no, JoAnn yes, Shan yes, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

**SELECTION OF (1) ARDC GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER-**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to appoint Wayne Malone to the board and JoAnn Schedler from the Tribal Council to the ARDC Governing Board. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: Increase UBS Line of Credit-Douglas William Huck**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve for the President's signature resolution 027-12, which is a motion to authorize an increase in the line of credit with UBS. Seconded by Joe Miller.

**Roll Call:** Scott abstain, JoAnn yes, Shan yes, Wally no, Doug yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

**GRESHAM LIONS REQUEST-Joe Miller**

Motion by Joe Miller to grant permission to the Gresham Lions for the use of the 40 acres immediately north of the Upper Red Lake boat landing and for the use of the trail system for their annual horse ride event on Memorial Day. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

Motion maker amends motion to include: to work with Legal for the waiver for the use of said lands. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go into Executive Session. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried at 5:51 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried at 6:59 PM.

The Council will be returning to Executive Session after the conclusion of Open Agenda.

**-OPEN AGENDA-**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION CONTINUED-**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go back into Executive Session. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried at 7:16 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried at 8:15 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a business loan issue, a couple of attorney contracts, a Land to Trust matter, a Minor's Trust request and some legal issues.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to have legal draft a letter to a business loan spouse and carry out the agreed upon direction. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller.

**Roll Call:** Scott yes, JoAnn abstain, Shan yes, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to release a young adults minor's trust account four months early and that all policies have been followed and as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve resolution 028-12 for the President's signature, whereas, Attorney Bridget Swanke has submitted and agreed to conditions of the Staff Attorney Agreement for a period of four years beginning on August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012, and effective upon approval by the Secretary of Interior or his/her authorized representative, now therefore be it resolved, the Stockbridge Tribal Council hereby approves and authorizes the Tribal President and in his absence the Vice President to sign a Staff Attorney Agreement as stipulated. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve resolution 029-12 for the President's signature, whereas, Attorney Starlyn Tourtillott has submitted and agreed to conditions of the Staff Attorney Agreement dated March 1 to counter this agreement to March 1, 2012, for a period of four years beginning and effective upon approval by the Secretary of Interior or his/her authorized representative, now therefore be it resolved, the Stockbridge Tribal Council hereby approves and authorizes the Tribal President and in his absence the Vice President to sign a Staff Attorney Agreement as stipulated and mentally recorded by the President for his signature. Seconded by Douglas William Huck.

**Roll Call:** Scott yes, JoAnn yes, Shan abstain, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Scott R. Vele to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried at 8:20 PM.

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