



Semi-Annual Meeting

Saturday, May 4, 2013

2:00 PM

Tribal Headquarters Community Meeting

There will be a Community Meeting held on Tuesday, April 30th, 2013, at 6:00 PM in the Bingo Hall to discuss the Wetland Restoration Railway Bed Removal Project.

Mohican History in Stockbridge, Massachusetts Seminar

Hosted by

The Native American Institute of the Hudson River Valley

May 11th, 2013 from 9 am – 5 pm
Stockbridge Town Offices
6 E. Main St., Stockbridge, MA
01262

Join us for a unique day of historical discussions about the history and presence of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe in Stockbridge, MA. A morning of informational talks will be followed by a guided walking tour of the town to sites of the historical importance to the Stockbridge-Munsee Band.

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Tribe Takes Measures to Educate Youth on Trust Finances

By Mark Shaw – Mohican News Reporter

The youth of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Nation are growing up in a different era than their parents, grandparents, and ancestors before them. Before the North Star Mohican Casino Resort, the community struggled economically. Along with government funding, the gaming industry has helped the Tribe with healthcare, infrastructure, land, business ventures, and providing for their Elders, youth, and families. Since 1994, tribal members have typically received yearly per capita payments, which essentially come out of the casino's net profits after the Tribal Council budgets for the next fiscal year. Minors do not start receiving this money until they are at least 18 years old. From the time they are born until the tribal member becomes an adult their annual per capita payments are put into a trust fund and it accumulates every year.

Ordinances have been put in place that state young men and women will receive their per capita payments in four disbursements when they are 18, 19, 20, and 21 years old. Their first disbursement, however, will not be allotted until they meet the following three criteria: (1) they reach 18 years of age, (2) they earn their high school diploma or G.E.D. equivalent, and (3) they have some sort of financial training course.

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community now provides the financial training requirement for the youth who live on or near the reservation. This year's consultation was held on Saturday, April 6, from 10 am to 2 pm. Eight minors, ages 15 to 21 years old, attended. A few of the youth traveled from the Milwaukee area and the Green Bay area to attend the session. Those who live farther away are able to set up a meeting with a BMO bank in their region.

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Staff attending the event include L to R: Kim Pecore, Case Specialist; Jeremy Pieper, Financial Specialist; and Reggie Putnam, Case Specialist; Crystal Malone, Assistant Dir of Economic Support; Tammy Pecore, Manager and Steven Davids, Dir of Economic Support.

Tribal Child Support Agency Opens

By Mark Shaw — Mohican News Reporter

On April 18, 2013, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Child Support Agency [SM-TCSA] held an open house from 8 am to 4:30 pm for their facility located inside the former Associated Bank of Bowler. The office building has recently undergone a renovation with new flooring, furniture, walls, and interior decorations. The open house included hourly tours and informational presentations on the agency as well as food catered by North Star Mohican Casino Resort and door prizes from the Pine Hills Golf Course and Supper Club, the Arvid E. Miller Library/Museum, Little Star C-Store and Headquarters General Store.

Overseeing the program is Crystal Malone, Assistant Director of Economic Support. Tammy Pecore is the Child Support Manager, Jeremy Pieper is the Financial Specialist, and Kim Pecore and Reggie Putnam are Case Specialists. Steven Davids supervises the department as the Director of Economic Support.

Tammy Pecore said, "We wanted to really thank P & E [Property and Equipment] and our maintenance crew because they've been working really hard for us for the last three or four months. Walk through and you'll see how nice

the building looks."

At the beginning of the open house at 8 am, the Elders of the Tribe came a for blessing ceremony. Pecore said, "We had a special presentation for the Elders. [Tribal members] Jeremy Mohawk and Lenore Shepard came in and they did a prayer. We smudged and did a blessing of the building so that everything we work on here will have a positive impact. We want to work for the betterment of the children of the community. So, that's what our prayers were for."

In February of 2011, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe applied for federal funding and on April 1, 2011, they were approved for funding to begin to establish the laws, procedures, and a plan to operate a comprehensive child support agency. The Tribal Child Support Agency's Mission Statement states: "The Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Council finds that the Tribe needs a defined process to establish, modify and enforce child support orders involving members of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, parties residing on the Stockbridge-Munsee reservation and trust lands and employees of the Stockbridge-Munsee

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Stockbridge-Munsee Community
Recall Election
OFFICIAL BALLOT
April 27, 2013

To vote, **darken** or fill in the square box next to your choice.

NOTICE TO ELECTORS: THE BALLOT MAY BE INVALID UNLESS INITIALED BY THE ELECTION JUDGE, TWO TELLERS, AND TWO CLERKS.

Pursuant to Article V, Section 2 of the Constitution and By-laws of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, should Robert A. Chicks be removed from the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council?

Yes
 No

SAMPLE

Election Bd. Initials
____ Clerk
____ Clerk
____ Teller
____ Teller
____ Judge

Alternative Energy Sources

By Greg Bunker Environmental Dept.

We have become accustomed to a society which is dependent almost wholly upon fossil fuels. All of these fuels are composed of carbon, thus the amount of fuel you are responsible for using in your energy needs is known as your "carbon footprint." Coal is burned for the generation of electric, propane and natural gas is burned for home heat, and gasoline is burned for our transportation. The various fuels that the human race depended upon for thousands of years are now known as "alternative" fuel! What could be "alternative" about the sunlight? Why is a tree and the wood it gives us considered an "alternative"? Most wood stoves now rely on electricity to operate, and how will these serve us in a severe winter storm?

One thing is certain. The burning of fossil fuels is contributing to the rapid changing of the earth and how the atmosphere, suns' energy, the land and the oceans interact.

Ultimately we will need to live on the land using no more energy than these "alternative" energies can supply. The major energy source is that of the sun. The simple way the sun can be used

is to get heat directly from it. In the case of the solar collectors on the apartments across from the clinic, we can collect the heat energy of the sun and transport it to a storage tank for later use. This solar energy used at the apartments has displaced a large amount of the bottle gas that would have been used for the heating of the domestic hot water.

If you are considering how you can reduce your carbon footprint and use less fossil fuel, you should take three steps in this order:

First; reduce your consumption of gas and electric, such as combine car trips, turn off lights, turn down the thermostat in your house.

Second; do not waste the fuel you use by driving slower, insulating your home, using energy efficient lights and appliances, etc.

Third; after fuel reduction and conservation methods are used, investigate alternative fuel sources which you could use in your home, workplace and in transportation.

There is no point in adding solar heating if your home is not insulated and that heat will only escape anyway.

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

Community Voices

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

Mohican News

N8480 Moh He Con Nuck Road
PO Box 70
Bowler, WI 54416
e-mail: mohican.news@mohican.com

Please type your letters or print clearly and include your signature, address, and daytime phone number. Letters must be 500 words or less. All letters are subject to editing and may require confirmation. Some may be rejected due to inappropriate content as deemed by our editorial board. The views of our readers are not necessarily the views of the Mohican News, its staff, or the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe.

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Dear Editor:
Your editorial letter published on page 2, of the April 1, 2013 issue of our Tribal newspaper, prompts me to share my opinion with our readers. Regardless of wherever you acquired your "personal ethics", or how you allow them to control your behavior, do you truly believe YOU were hired to edit our paper because of your "ethics"?

The purpose of a Tribal newspaper is to print the news of general interest to the public-in this instance, the voting members of the SM Community-in a newsworthy time segment. YOU are not being asked to "TRY" any cases, or anything else. Any "bad Rap" has been brought about by individuals themselves-not the Mohican News!

You write that the 'purpose' of "letters to the editor" is to start action or make 'change', do you support the violations published by "Other members of the media", even though the individual has admitted to the violation, and a conviction is pending?

Mr. Editor, I do not believe censorship, or the suppression of information to our members, or

even sending us to another source of "good reliable information" is the answer to your issue with ethics of other journalists; and I hope you will understand that your paper is more of a shoppers guide, or picture album, than a part of the NEWS media.

Respectfully;
Eleanor R. Martin

(Editor's Note: The following is two additional emails associated with the original message which should be included for clarification):

Eleanor,
Thanks for your letter to the editor. Your opinion is appreciated and will be in the next paper. I want you to know that I have edited your letter for grammar and punctuation.

Thank you, Jeff. You are the man with the high IQ, and I appreciate your editorial skills. All I do is write what is of interest to my friends-they understand my bad grammar, and poor punctuation abilities. Besides, isn't editing a part of your job description? You go for it, boy!

NOTICE

From the Forestry Department

All logging roads on the reservation are closed to vehicle traffic due to wet road condition associated with spring breakup. This closure is to protect this important road network from rutting and damage.

As always, if anyone is caught causing excessive damage to any logging road, a citation can be issued. Watch for a future posting when the roads will be re-opened once they dry out. If anyone needs a permit to use any road for maple syrup collection, please inquire with the Forestry Department.

Thank You!

I would like to thank my family members that decided to throw me a surprise 60th birthday on April 6 at Annie's Camp Grounds. They all knew I hated surprises yet they did it anyway and I want to thank them because it was the best time I have ever had. I have always loved the "disco" era and music and it was wonderful to see everyone that dressed up for the occasion. Tashina took some great pictures!

I also want to thank all of my relatives and friends for just "being there" although the thoughtful gifts and cash are very much appreciated. I have truly been blessed with great family, relatives and friends.

Thanks to each and every one of you!

Lorraine Welch



The Arvid E Miller Memorial Library/Museum **CLOSED**

The Arvid E Miller Memorial Library/Museum is closing Thursday, May 2 and Friday, May 3, 2013 to attend training, sorry for any inconvenience.



STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE CONSTITUTION MEETING MARCH 13, 2013, Tribal Office Bldg - 5:00pm.

Attendance: Wayne Malone Sr, Chairman, Bob Little, Vice Chairman, Elaine Jacobi, Secretary, Eleanor Martin, Toni Tourtillott, Kim Vele, JoAnn Schedler, Donna Church, Betty Schiel.

1. Approve Minutes: Motion by JoAnn to approve minutes from February 27, 2013 meeting, motion 2nd by Bob, four in favor, four abstained (not attending meeting), motion carried
2. Letter to Community: Committee reviewed letter previously written, suggested updates because of extensive changes needed. Committee members will finalize brief letter tonight to be ready for deadline tomorrow in "Mohican News". Plans are to have a brief letter and update to "Mohican news" for every newspaper published and inform members of public meetings to understand Secretarial Election Process.
3. Comments from members: Need ordinance written by people directed to governing body and specific language in Constitution giving power to the people. Need for checks and balances in governing body. A resolution and

ordinance previously worked on will be brought to next meeting for review.

4. Plan for Promoting and Informing: Committee member brought attention to # 6 of plan "How to go Public" which we are reminded: REMEMBER: Tribal members are the source of power-not the elected governing body, or BIA! Ask members FIRST! There is a need to give the power back to the people!

Date for meeting at Elderly Center was arranged for April 12 but will have to be rescheduled for another time to include Power Point Presentation.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 10TH AT TRIBAL OFFICE, 5:00 pm . All TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND! HOPE TO SEE MORE OF YOU THERE!

Elaine Jacobi, Secretary

The 2013 MOHICAN POW WOW COMMITTEE is

1. Accepting CLOSED BIDS for the SATURDAY NIGHT FEAST meal must include Meat, Potato, Veggie, Side Dish, Bread, dessert, drink & utensils for 300 people.
2. Accepting ART SUBMISSIONS for this year's t-shirt design. Mohican Veteran theme.
3. Accepting names for the WORKERS LIST. You can be added to the list by calling 715-793-4111.

Please send all closed bids for the feast and art submissions by **JUNE 1st 2013** to:

Mohican Pow Wow Committee
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PO Box 70
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Department of Health Services Tribal Affairs Office

The Tribal Affairs Office within the Department of Health Services (DHS) is recruiting for a Human Services Program Coordinator-Senior/Fiscal and Consultation Administrator. The position reports directly to the Tribal Affairs Director who reports to the Executive Staff within the DHS Secretary's Office.

This position is responsible for developing and implementing the Department and WI Tribe's contracting process; developing contract language, program allocations, tribal work plans, reporting formats, and fiscal documents; maintaining accurate records, monitoring reports and conducting on-site visits to provide technical assistance; providing leadership in developing and implementing activities aimed at enhancing the Department's employees' knowledge of the requirements of a government-to-government relationship with Wisconsin's Indian governments; and coordinating the development of government-to-government educational sessions for DHS staff. For additional information and to apply for this position, please go to our website at:

http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=65818&jobid=65333&org=435&class=07572&index=true

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Elder Wisdom

Weather Spotters play key role when severe weather strikes

Emergency Management of Shawano County and the National Weather Service announce Weather Spotter classes, open to the public.

Shawano County, April 19, 2013: Shawano County Emergency Management, in coordination with the National Weather Service, announces numerous offerings and locations for weather spotter classes. Weather Spotters provide critical information for all types of hazards in support of the *National Weather Service Warning Program*. This 2-hour class will allow participants to differentiate between a weather watch and weather warning. Participants will learn how to spot a wall cloud, a funnel cloud and the difference between a funnel cloud and a tornado. Participants receive an unlisted hotline number from the *National Weather Service* to report observations of severe weather. As a participant, you will learn **how** to report information and more

specifically, **what** needs to be reported. Ann DeMeuse, Shawano County Emergency Management Director said, "Weather Spotters play an integral role in completing the weather forecasting loop that provides information to the general public". DeMeuse encourages anyone interested to call 715-526-6774 to receive additional information.

Dates and locations are listed below:

April 30 7:00pm CDT UW-Green Bay, Union-Christie Theatre

May 6 6:00pm CDT Hortonville high School, Room G-150

May 13 6:00pm CDT Clintonville, public library

May 14 6:00pm CDT Antigo, high school, Volm Theater

Additional dates can be found at: <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/grb/?n=spotterschedule>

On the Trail Home

Mildred Virginia Blazer

Mildred Virginia Blazer, 91, passed away peacefully at Pinecrest Nursing Home in Powers, Michigan, on April 8, 2013.

She was born on February 28, 1922 in Red Springs, Wisconsin to Joseph S. Martin II and Florence A. (Miller) Martin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Allen O. Blazer in 1988. She was also preceded in death by eight brothers and sisters: Ann, Edwin, Adelaide, Little Joe, Victor, Olga, Henry and Harvey.

Mildred is survived by two sons, Hal and his wife Laura, and Gary and his wife Mary; two grandchildren, Jesse and Megan, and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness, Bowler, Wisconsin with Pastor Melinda Shriner officiating.

Interment was at the Stockbridge-

Munsee Burial Grounds in Bowler, Wisconsin.

Funeral arrangements were provided by the Jacobs Funeral Home of Iron River, Michigan.

Poem in memory of Mildred:

"God looked around His garden,
And He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth,
And saw your tired face.
He put His arm around you,
And lifted you to rest;
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,
He knew you were in pain,
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
So He closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone;
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home."

Stockbridge-Munsee Community Residents And Harter's Fox Valley Disposal

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community has negotiated with Harter's Fox Valley Disposal to improve our Community's Trash and Recycling Programs. Harter's will be delivering trash totes to each residence in Bartleme Township in early April. In May, Harter's will begin using a new garbage truck and the weekly trash and recycling pick up day will change to Monday.

April and May Trash and Recycling Schedule:

Wednesday, May 1
• The **last Wednesday** of Trash and Recycling pickup for Bartleme Township.

Monday, May 6
• The **first day of Monday** Trash and Recycling pickup for Bartleme Township.
• Garbage/recycling needs to be **curbside no later than 5:00 am** on scheduled pickup day to guarantee pickup.
• Monday pickup will then continue on a weekly basis for both Bartleme and Red Springs Townships.

Monday, May 20
• Spring Cleanup
• Fall and Spring Cleanup will be on the third Monday of May and the third Monday of October. There will be a \$25 fee for large items (including

electronics, tires and appliances) and a \$50 fee for items with Freon.

Other Pickup Dates

Large Items
• Large Items (i.e. Furniture, Appliances, and Electronics etc.) can also be collected on the 3rd Thursday of every month. Please call in advance to schedule pickup and for pricing information. The cut off for scheduling a pickup will be 2:00 p.m. on the Wednesday immediately before pickup day.

Holidays
• Holiday collection will be delayed one day, if the Holiday is on a weekday, for the following Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

Totes and Bins
Trash Tote (95 Gallon)
Residents will be provided with (1) 95 gallon trash tote for garbage (this is the very common, large trash can with two wheels that can be rolled to the curb). All residential trash must be bagged, tied, and fit in the tote provided.

Recyclable Bins
Recycling bins are not provided. Residents are to provide their own containers for recyclables. An option is to use your old trash cans to put recyclables in. **Do not mix recyclables with garbage.**

- Additional garbage totes and recycling totes are available for rent for a fee of \$75.00 per year.
- For tote repair or rental of additional totes please call Harter's at (715) 253-2619 or (888)804-8556.

Know Recycling!

What does it mean to Co-Mingle Recyclables?

It means recyclables are mingled (mixed) together (co-mingled) in a single compartment (single stream) in the collection truck. These trucks have two compacting compartments, one for recyclables and the other for solid waste. The two are not mixed together in the truck. The recyclables are taken to a Material Recovery Facility (MRF) and separated there. Co-mingling refers only to the mixing of recyclable materials (paper, plastic, tin and so on) into one storage container or truck. (Wikipedia. *Single-stream recycling*. Internet. March 2013.)

- If your intent is to recycle, do not put recyclables in the same container as you do trash. Doing so will result in the trash and recyclables being thrown away.

Recyclable Items

The following items may be mixed together (co-mingled).

- **Plastics:** #1 thru #7 soft drink and water bottles, beer bottles, mouthwash, milk, water and juice containers, trash and retail

bags, liquid detergent bottles, yogurt and margarine tubs, cereal box liners. All containers must be rinsed out and caps removed.

- **Glass:** Any food or beverage type glass container is 100% recyclable. Wash out the container; remove (if possible) the metal or plastic caps and rings.

- **Steel Cans:** All metal food cans are recyclable. Rinse containers.
- Aluminum:** All beverage cans are recyclable. Do not crush cans. Clean aluminum trays and foil wraps are recyclable.

- **Cardboard:** All non-waxed cardboard is recyclable. Flatten all boxes to 3x3 or smaller and bind them together.

- **Paper:** All types of dry clean paper are accepted. Bundle all types of paper together or place them in grocery bags, blue or clear plastic bags, or cardboard boxes.

- **Recyclable paper includes:** Newspaper, Magazines, Telephone books, Catalogs, Office paper, Junk mail, Cereal boxes, other paper board boxes and waxed paperboard boxes.

- **Unacceptable paper includes:** Paper Towels, Tissue paper, Waxed paper, and any other paper contaminated with food, grease or oil.



interviewing family relatives and doing all kinds of research. I have been doing research for 24 years.

So what I am offering the opportunity to come benefit from the genealogy and Mahican and Munsee language research I have already begun and will continue in the archives in Washington D.C. I am inviting anyone who wants to be involved with the Breath of Life project to come join me at Mohican-8 on Facebook. Let me know you are interested in working on Breath of Life with me. I will be posting search results from the archives in Washington DC and journal entries of the research progress I will be making.

I envision Breath of Life to be a Community project on Mahican and Munsee language and genealogy that can potentially benefit the whole Stockbridge-Munsee band of Mohican Nation.

Anushiik,

Wenona Morning Star Gardner
S t o c k b r i d g e - M u n s e e
band of Mohican Nation
Leader of Mohican-8
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Mohican7>

My name is Wenona Morning Star Gardner and my Indian name is Waapan Alaangweew. I am an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee band of Mohican Nation. Recently, I was accepted into the Breath of Life Archival Institute of Indigenous Languages where I get to go to Washington DC to search through the Library of Congress archives and the Smithsonian Institute archives searching for Mahican and Munsee language. I am scheduled to be in Washington DC in June so from now until then I will be doing research to prepare for my trip. In addition, I am told I can also search for genealogy while I am there. I have been doing research since I was 15 years old on my own. I love

Public Hearing At Admin Building

Child Care Development Fund

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Plan

Public input requested

May 22, 2013
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**For any questions please contact
Elizabeth McDowell @ (715) 793-4885**



Arvid E. Miller Memorial Library/Museum is offering to the public access to view or you can take it out

“Dakota 38”

a film of the journey of a group of men riding
horseback from lower Brule,
South Dakota to Mankato, Minnesota.
on Dec. 26, 1862, in Mankato, Minnesota
38 Dakota Indians were hung, by the order of
Abraham Lincoln

A film created in line with native healing practices.

Upcoming Events

May 3

After School Program:
Comic Book Party, 6-9 pm

Coordinated Truancy Program:
Family Center Lock-In, 9 pm-8am

May 4

5K Walk & Run
7 am Registration

Tribal Headquarters
Semi-Annual Meeting, 2 pm

May 7

Mohican Family Center:
Family Fun Night, 5 pm

May 8

Division of Community Housing:
“Permits to Build/Steps to Build”
Workshop

Family Services:
Milwaukee Brewer’s Vs Texas
Rangers trip

May 9

Headstart:
Mother’s Day Breakfast, 9 am

May 11

Mohican Family Center
Boy’s Basketball Lock-In 7th-12th
grade, Midnight-8am

Mohican History Seminar in Stockbridge, MA

May 15

Health & Wellness Center:
Food Handlers Training, 10 am

May 20

Spring Cleanup, see page 4

May 22

Administration Building:
Child Care Development Fund
Fiscal Year 2014-15 Plan, 2-4 pm

Division of Community Housing
“Year Round Home Maintenance”
workshop

May 23

Headstart
Father’s Day Breakfast, 9 am

Mohican Family Center
Families For Education, 5 pm

May 24

Sexual Assault Awareness Walk
Noon-3pm

May 31

Mohican Family Center
Health Fair for Elders, 10am-2pm

June 6

Headstart Graduation

Division of Community Housing presents
“Permits to Build/Steps to Build” workshop

Wednesday, May 8, 2013
4:45 pm -- light meal
5:00 pm -- speaker
At the Housing Office

Speaker: Housing/Land/
Forestry

Registering assists us with
having enough seating and
food. Thanks!

If you attended the workshop on
“Buying a Trailer Home,” this will
include the same information.
Call our office if you have any
questions.

“Year Round Home
Maintenance” workshop

Wednesday, May 22, 2013
4:45 pm – light meal
5:00 pm – speakers
At the Housing Office

Speaker: Bob Vele, Housing
Inspector

Registering assists us with
having enough seating and
food. Thanks!

Call our office if you have any
questions.

Trust cont from page One:

Amanda Stevens, the Administrator of Finance, said, "Up until four years ago we relied on M & I Bank [now BMO] to do the training for us, and it was on a case by case basis. So when a kid turned 18 and they got their diploma, they'd go to BMO in Shawano. And, they'd sit down with the guy that sets up 401K accounts. He'd say, 'You know it would be important for you to save your money. You shouldn't spend it all.' And, they'd shake his hand and say, 'Yeah, thanks,' and they'd leave'."

Starting in 2011, the Tribe began to work with BMO to improve the financial training courses for their soon-to-be adult tribal members. BMO's community education department came up with a Power Point presentation to help teach them about basic financial planning. The presentation included topics on how to balance a check book, what a savings account was, how to budget, compounding, what a credit report says, why it was important to be careful with one's credit, and how a credit report will affect someone for the rest of their life.

In 2011 and 2012 someone from the bank presented this material at Pine Hills Golf Course and Supper Club. "This year we choose not to have M&I or BMO staff do it. We used our investment committee," Stevens said. "We decided that it would mean more to the kids if we had someone from here have that conversation with them, wearing a pair of jeans and a sweatshirt than someone from BMO with their suit and tie," Stevens laughed. The youth "could relate to it better and [I could see] they were a little bit more open to the training." Some of the employees who came to help educate the youth included Jeff Bowman, Head of the Investment Committee; Doug Huck, Tribal Council Treasurer; Greg Duffek, Investment committee member; and Amanda Stevens. Several of the youth's parents, grandparents, or guardians were in attendance as well.

"We're not trying to sell a BMO product," Stevens said. "We just want them to make good choices. Not every choice is going to be good, you know, but we want them to know they have choices. They don't just have to put [the] cash in their pocket and walk around Shawano."

Candi Miller was one of the mothers who attended the meeting. She said, "I know some people who get their first disbursement and within weeks it's gone." Her daughter Ally will be 17 this summer and she hopes her daughter will make wise decisions with her tribal trust

fund. Candi Miller said, "Because my daughter has had friends and family members before her and has seen or heard what they have done with their money, I hope that she sees the bigger picture. I hope she took everything in and when she makes purchases, whether big or small, she realizes that the money isn't going to last forever. [I hope] she'll be willing to put money aside and keep it there because it could turn into a lot more money."

After the training session, her daughter Ally Miller said, "I'm afraid of losing all my money and not having it anymore or doing something to screw it up." When asked if she thought the meeting was helpful, she said, "Yeah, it helped me think about my future more and how I'm going to use my money in better ways."

Like many other teenagers her age Ally has never held a job. At the training session, Treasurer Doug Huck took a poll. "I said 'how many have jobs' and I don't think one hand went up. I said, 'How many of you have checking or savings accounts' and not one hand went up. So here you have young people who are going to be getting a nice amount of money who, seemingly, do not have experience in dealing with money," Doug Huck said.

Amanda Stevens agreed saying, "To them it's just this huge number, but it doesn't take long to spend. I think that's one of the most important things for people to understand. I just can't take this distribution when I'm 18 and 19 and 20 and not get a job because it's not enough. You're going to end up on a program for assistance for food or TANF. If you think you're going to get this check and move into an apartment and live like a queen, it's not going to happen."

This was why the investment committee had Jeff Bowman provide the youth with tools on how to manage their money. He discussed with them the differences between "wants" and "needs" while purchasing items. He told the young adults that BMO takes out the minimal federal tax that is required. He said some of them could end up owing money in taxes if they had part-time jobs. He also discussed how many of them would receive pressure from friends or family members to spend their tribal trust fund. Their so-called friends might say, "You owe me money."

Notwithstanding the education provided at the training session, the presenters recognized these teenagers were turning into adults and would soon be in charge of making their own choices. "There's

Support cont from page One:

Community. The Tribal Council finds that the children of the Community are among the most valuable resources and their financial needs must be met to ensure their success in the future." The jurisdiction of the Tribal Child Support Agency is as follows: one or more of the parties is a Stockbridge-Munsee enrolled member, the child is residing within the territory of the Stockbridge-Munsee reservation, and one or more of the parties has submitted to the jurisdiction of the Tribe by submitting an answer, counterclaim or appearance in tribal court. According to the information presentation during the open house, "Stockbridge-Munsee can manage child support and paternity cases involving children and families in their Tribe. They can also establish, monitor, and modify laws related to the establishment

History cont from page One: Mohican History Seminar

May 11th, Program Agenda:
8:30 – 9:00 Registration at the Stockbridge Town Offices, 6 E Main Street
9:00 – 9:30 Introduction and Welcome from Town and Tribal Officials
9:30 – 10:00 Speaker Bernie Drew: *French and Indian Wars, Jeffrey Amherst, Captain Jacob and the role of Mohicans with Roger Rangers*
10:00 – 10:30 Speaker Gary Leveille: *Shawenon and the Egremont Connection*
10:30 – 10:45 Break
10:45 – 11:15 Speaker Stan Joseph: *Ninety Acres: In Consideration of Services to the Stockbridge Indians*
11:15 – 11:45 Speaker Lion Miles: *The Mohican Indians in History*
11:45 – 12:15 Remarks from the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Officials
12:15 – 1:30 Catered hot lunch, featuring selections of specialty foods of game and traditional

a fine line we walk with providing information and being paternalistic by saying, 'You have to do this or you should do that,' Huck said. "This is probably the largest payment that most of them will see in their life in one lump sum. It's a good opportunity and if my grandparents were alive I would say to them, 'The youth today are getting X-thousands of dollars when they turn 18, 19, 20, and 21.' They could have never imagined that scenario. Ever! So, that's why I feel somewhat of a responsibility when I think of our Elders and ancestors who had to suffer. We have these opportunities and I think it's our responsibility to get the information to our youth and hope they make good decisions for themselves and their families."

of paternity and child support and the modification and enforcement of the same actions."

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Child Support Agency hours of operation are Monday - Friday from 8 am – 4:30 pm. The agency's address is P.O. Box 70, N8476 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI 54416. Below is the S-M Tribal Child Support Agency contact information:
Assistant Director of Economic Support, Crystal Malone: 715-793-4032
Child Support Manager, Tammy Pecore: 715-793-4036
Child Support Financial Specialist, Jeremy Pieper: 715-793-4042
Child Support Specialist, Kim Pecore: 715-793-4038
Child Support Specialist, Regina Putnam: 715-793-4043
Fax: 715-793-4039

dishes
1:30 – 4:00 Walking tour of Historic Stockbridge to include stops with historical experts providing information at: Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives; Town Cemetery; Indian Burying Grounds; Mission House/ Edwards House
4:00 – 5:00 Closing Ceremony and Reception at the First Congregational Church

Registration Cost:
The prices listed below include participation in the morning's talks, the afternoon walking tour of Stockbridge and a catered hot lunch.
Early-Bird Registration, before May 1 - \$35 per person; \$65 per couple
Registration after May 1 - \$40 per person; \$75 per couple
Daytime: (715) 793-3970
Evening: (518) 369-8116
Make checks payable to: Native American Institute
228 Spring Lake Road
Red Hook, NY 12571

The Arvid E. Miller Memorial Library-Museum is on Facebook.

On our page you will find notices of our new exhibits, new acquisitions, tribal historical facts and tidbits, and old photographs.

We will also post photographs for help with identification.

We welcome you to "follow" us Facebook!



Front row L to R: Ray Fish, Wekah Malone, Kamille Davids, LeShon Grignon, Cam Johnson, Kayla Pecore Second Row L to R: Ramsey Price, Victoria Attocknie, JaNi Webster, Joleece Pecore. Back Row L to R Coaches Chad Paiser, Andrew Meverden, Clifton Pecore, Joseph Pecore and Joseph Pecore II.

Family Services

On December 29th and 30th the Family Services Program held a "Be Substance Free and Hang With Me, Living Life Mini Basketball Camp" at the Mohican Family Center for grades 5-12. We had 21 kids sign up and 12 kids show up for the weekend event. The kids who participated learned different techniques and strategies to improve their game in passing, shooting, dribbling, defense tactics, offense tactics and sportsmanship. The kids were coached by Chad Paiser, Andrew Meverden, Taylor Burr, Clifton

Pecore and Joseph Pecore. Meals were catered by Pine Hills. This event was held to encourage active lifestyles for our youth and was chosen based on recent statistics that suggest "kids who play sports are less likely to do drugs," (Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine Sep. 2000). Meals were catered by Pine Hills and each participant received a free t-shirt. We hope to be able to offer this on an annual basis and look forward to an increase in participation next year. Thanks to all the coaches and youth who participated in this event and MFC staff for their help!



MOHICAN FAMILY CENTER HONOR OUR YOUTH POW WOV T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST 2013



EVERY YOUTH IS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT A DRAWING TO THE COORDINATED TRUANCY PREVENTION PROGRAM.

THE WINNER WILL BE SELECTED BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS/STAFF AND ANNOUNCED JUNE 7TH 2013. PLEASE DO NOT SIGN YOUR PICTURE.

CALL RON BLUM @ (715) 793-4080

~ May 2013 ~ Mohican Family Center # 793-4080 After School & Teen prevention Program #793-4085						
	Monday-Friday	Tue 5 th & 6 th gr. Youth	Wed 3 / 4 th gr Pride n Courage	Thu 7 / 8 th gr. Tween Night	Fri Free Fitness / Reading Popcorn / Movie	Sat
 Noon B Ball Mon-Thurs. unless otherwise noted	Fitness 3:30-4 PM Snack 4 - 4:10 PM Tutoring 4:10-6:30	Coordinated Truancy Program Homework Tutoring # 793-4085 	1 4:10-4:35 Pride n Courage 5 Belly Off (BO) 5:30 Tai Chi 6 PM Tweens n Teens Night Meal & Craft 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	2 ASP Tween Night 5:30-7:30 PM Drug free world video 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	3 Free Fitness/Reading Movie/Pop Corn 5 Belly Off ASP & CTP Comic Book Party 6 - 9 PM K-12 th gr. CTP LOCK-IN 9 PM-8AM	4 5K Walk & Run 7 AM Registration Open 2:30-7:00 PM
5 Weekly Prevention Themes drugfreeworld.org 5 th -12 th grade "The Truth About our Drug Culture" week	6 ASP Pictograph Sand Art 5 PM BELLY OFF EXERCISE 6 PM White Bison Talking Circle Whispering Pines Youth *	7 ASP Water Color Art MFC Family Fun Night 5:00 PM ASP Youth Night supports MFC	8 BREWER'S GAME DAY ASP, MFC & Diabetes Program 5:30 PM - 12:30 AM 4:10-4:35 Pride n Courage 5 Tai Chi 5:30 BELLY OFF EXERCISE	9 ASP Tween Night 5:30-7:30 PM	10 Bowler Group 11:30 + Free Fitness/Reading Movie/Pop Corn 5 PM BELLY OFF EXERCISE BB LOCK-IN 7 th -12 th gr.	11 Midnight-8:00 AM BB LOCK-IN w/Tony Open 2:30-7:00 PM
12 "The Truth About Marijuana" week <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>	13 5 PM BELLY OFF (BO) 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	14 ASP Ella B Reading 3:35-4:35 5 PM MFC 3 rd -5 th gr Game, Meal & Craft YOUTH NIGHT ASP Youth Night 5:30-7:30 PM 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	15 3:35-4:35 pm ASP Cooking w/Mary n Jill 4:10-4:35 Pride n Courage 5 Tai Chi 5:30 BELLY OFF EXERCISE 6 PM MFC Cooking Class 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	16 ASP Tween Night 5:30-7:30 PM 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	17 5 PM BELLY OFF EXERCISE Free Fitness/Reading Movie/Pop Corn Girls night 5-MIDNIGHT 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	18 Open 2:30-7:00 PM
19 "The Truth About Inhalants" week	20 5 PM BELLY OFF ASP Pow Wow Dancing	21 ASP -Use the camera, print a picture & frame it ASP Youth Night 5:30-7:30 PM	22 <u>Tai Chi & B.O. Cancelled tonite</u> 4:10-4:35 Pride n Courage 5 PM SWIM TRIP 3 rd Up 12th 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	23 CTP Families 4 Education 5:00 P.M Meal and Guest Speaker ASP Tween Night support CTP 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	24 Bowler Group 11:30 + <u>NO NOON BALL</u> Sexual Assault Awareness Walk Noon-3PM 5 PM BELLY OFF EXERCISE 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM Free Fitness/Reading Movie/Pop Corn	25 Open 2:30-7:00 PM
26 "The Truth About Painkiller" week	27 CLOSED HOLIDAY	28 ASP Continue Photo Shop 5 & 6 th gr ASP SWIM TRIP 5:30-9:30 PM 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	29 4:10-4:35 Pride n Courage 5 Tai Chi 5:30 BELLY OFF EXERCISE 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	30 ASP Tween Night 5:30-7:30 PM MFC/ASP 7-12 th gr.MOVIE TRIP	31 S-M Elderly Program's Sr. Health Fair 9 am- 3 pm Free Fitness/Reading Movie/Pop Corn 5 PM BELLY OFF EXERCISE 7-9 BB JUMP PROGRAM	1 JUNE Open 2:30-7 PM

Subject to Change

The Education Department sends out a big THANK YOU!

National Teacher Appreciation Day • Tuesday, May 7, 2013

“We appreciate our teachers and we want to say Thank You for all you do!”



Traci (Miller) Aragon

High School Computer Applications and Yearbook Teacher at Evangelical Christian Academy in Colorado Springs, Denver. She has four years in education.



Theresa (Miller) Beaulieu

Education Librarian/Adjunct Instructor at University of Wisconsin Milwaukee in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She has nineteen years in education.



Leslie Bowman

4-5 year olds Head Start Classroom Teacher at Oneida Head Start. She is in her first year in education (graduated from UW-Madison in May 2012)



Diane M. Burr

Second Grade Teacher at Menominee Tribal School in Neopit, Wisconsin. She has seven years in education.



Alpha M. (Rudesill) Creapeau, Doctoral Candidate

Department Chair in Early Childhood Elementary Education at College of Menominee Nation in Keshena, Wisconsin. She has twenty-four years in education.



SoHappy Davids

Math and Reading (grades 1-5), SAGE (grades 1-3) and Gifted and Talented Reading (grades 4 and 5) Teacher including Elementary Drama Club (grades 3-5) and Jr. High Volleyball Coach at Gresham Community School in Gresham, Wisconsin. She has seven years in education.



Karleen (Gardner) Gumm

Fifth - Seventh Grade Reading/Language Arts Teacher at Northern Ozaukee School District (Middle School) in Fredonia, Wisconsin. She has eighteen years in education.



Katie (Burr) Hietpas

Third Grade Teacher at Menominee Indian School District in Keshena, Wisconsin. She has eighteen years in education.



Janet (Henning) Kalpinski

Special Education Teacher at Wauwatosa School District in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. She has been in education for seventeen years.



Brigetta Miller

Associate Professor in Music Education at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin. She has 24 (17 university & 7 public school) years in education.

“A teacher affects eternity, they can never tell where their influence stops”

-By Henry B. Adams

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Valerie Miller
 8th grade Language Arts and Robotics Teacher at Kuna Middle School in Kuna, Idaho. She has nine years in Education.



Beth (Davids) Stawaski
 First Grade Elementary Teacher at the Indian Community School in Franklin, Wisconsin. She has seventeen years in education.



Shawn Allen Vele
 Sixth Grade Math Teacher at Rufus King International School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He has sixteen years in education.

Patricia (Metzger) Wickert
 Title-One High School Reading Teacher at Learning Exchange at Atlas Preparatory Academy in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She has thirteen years in education.



“Teaching is the profession that teaches all the other professions.”
 -Unknown author

GET UP, GET MOVING!

5K Run/Walk

Saturday, May 4th

Start and Finish @ Mohican Family Center

Registration begins @ 7am

Race begins @ 8am

Join us for prizes and snacks!

Medals will be awarded for run and walk categories.



Shorter routes will be available
 For event details please contact:
Brock Schreiber 715-793-5107
Amanda Miller-Kitson 715-793-5064

Many Trails Travelers Walking Club

Prizes!!



Sign Up Now!

The Stockbridge-Munsee Many Trails Travelers Walking Club Is a culturally based program courtesy of the Diabetes Grant.

Rules & Qualifications: You must be **ONE** of the following to participate in this program:

- Stockbridge-Munsee Enrolled or Descendent
- Live with-in Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation Boundaries

Some Parents involve their children in walks as a family activity. Therefore we allow children age 6 & older to participate.

For More Info: Call Amanda Miller-Kitson @ 715-793-5064

This program & incentives are to help encourage a healthier lifestyle & the prize is a healthier You!



Community

Before You Rent, Do Your Homework

By Jason Alderman

Maybe you're a college student looking to rent your first apartment; or a downsizing homeowner reentering the rental market for the first time in decades. Whatever your situation, there are many precautions you should take before renting any property. The last thing you want is to be saddled with a 12-month lease you can't afford or to be stuck in a neighborhood you've come to detest.

As one who's been there, let me share a few tips for renting a home:

Before you even start looking, know how much you can afford to spend. Housing is the biggest monthly expense for most people so if you miscalculate what rent is affordable, your budget will suffer from the get-go. Besides rent, don't forget such additional expenses as a security deposit, utilities, cable/satellite, Internet access, renters insurance, parking and laundry facilities and one-time move-in expenses like window treatments, appliances or rugs.

Scope out the neighborhood. Determine how safe you feel walking around, especially if you'll be parking on the street. Come back to see if the neighborhood's character changes at night or on the weekend. Also note the proximity to parks, schools, grocery stores, public transportation and busy commuter routes.

Thoroughly inspect each potential rental:

- Consider total useable space – sometimes a smaller unit with a well-designed floor plan is more desirable than a larger space with a poor layout.
- Use a tape measure to measure each room to determine whether your furniture will fit. Ensure there's sufficient closet, cupboard and storage space.
- Look for safety features like deadbolts and peepholes on exterior doors, well-lit corridors, stairwells and parking structures, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and bars or other security features on first-floor windows.

- In multi-unit buildings, note the condition of common areas – that's a clue how

attentive the owner/manager is regarding upkeep.

- Note the condition of appliances, plumbing fixtures, floors/carpeting, electrical outlets and switches, light fixtures, walls and windows. If you spot damaged or worn items, ask whether they'll be replaced. If not, make sure they're noted in the rental agreement.
- Check the water pressure and hot water quality.
- Check seals around doors, windows and vents; if leaky, they can boost utility bills.
- Look for evidence of previous water leaks and mold.
- Check for soundproofing, especially if there are adjoining apartments.

Once you find a suitable place, read the rental agreement carefully. Don't hesitate to ask a lawyer or more experienced friend to review it. If not spelled out in the lease you may want to ask the landlord:

- How much is the security deposit and what are the requirements for getting a full refund?
- How are rent increases determined?
- What happens after the lease term ends? Often, it'll convert to a month-to-month rental agreement where you can leave anytime with proper notice (usually 30 days).
- How many tenants are allowed?
- What are building policies for things like houseguests, noise curfews, maintenance and repairs, pest control, smoking, lost keys and pets?
- Can you sublet the unit before your lease expires?

And finally, be aware that many landlords check credit reports of potential tenants. Before you start looking, check your own credit report so there are no surprises. You can order one free report per year from each of the three major credit bureaus – Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. (Order through www.annualcreditreport.com.)

Finance and Investment Challenge Bowl



Pictured above is the championship team along with FICB Advisor, Bill Hahn. Left to right: Melanie Everson, Brittany Int-Hout, Matt Falk, & Josef Hynes.

Bowler High School Math Teacher Mr. Hahn leads his students to another Finance and Investment Challenge Bowl (FICB) Regional Championship

Once again, Mr. Hahn's Business Math students brought home the Championship Trophy for the fifth straight year! The Finance and Investment Challenge Bowl competition was held in Keshena on April 8th. Schools competing were Wittenberg-Birnamwood, Gresham, and of course Bowler. Wittenberg had six teams, Bowler had four, and Gresham had one team.

Bowler's "Mathletes" team consisting of Brittany Int-Hout, Josef Hynes, Matt Falk, and Melanie Everson were Champions! This is the fifth straight year that Bowler has won the Regional

Championship. The team called "Finance Farmers" consisting of Blade Cameron, Carli Peters, Travis Sprague, and Rachel Voelz took 2nd place. These two teams will compete for the State FICB Championship on May 2nd in Madison!!!

The team called "The Studs" consisting of Trace Miller, Aaron Bestul, and Tyler Stewart were Consolation Champions!

The other team that competed for us was the "Wit Brothers" consisting of Parker Kessel, Jay Onesti, Tyler Thiex, and Beau Brady. They lost in the semi-finals by a mere 10 points.

As Mr. Hahn declared "It was a great day!"

Congratulations to all of our students and "Good Luck" at state!!

NO COST SUMMER CLASSES!

College of Menominee Nation Technical Education Department will be running NO COST Summer classes starting June 2nd, 2013.

The classes being held are MATH WITH BUSINESS APPLICATIONS, MICROSOFT WORD (WITH BUSINESS WRITING), MICROSOFT EXCEL, SAFETY & MATERIAL HANDLING-JOB SITE, SITE LAYOUT/FRAMING & CONSTRUCTION, CONSUMER ECONOMICS and HOME HEALTH AIDE.

The classes are 8 weeks long. Must be High School Junior or older to begin! If you would like to sign up or have questions please contact Mary Windmiller at 1-800-567-2344 ext 3281. Remember everyone is welcome at the College Of Menominee Nation!

NOTICE

If you are aware of someone who is job hunting. The Education Office posts all S/M tribal postings. My office receives postings from other Tribes and I search the WI Job Center site for local postings. Please have interested job seekers call me or come in and I will share what I have. My office hours are: Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thank you,

Tanya Malone

Education and Employment & Training Program Specialist
P.O. Box 70
W13447 Camp 14 Road
Bowler WI 54416
Office: 715-793-4582 Fax: 715-793-4830
tanya.malone@mohican-nsn.gov

Stroke Awareness Month

May is National Stroke Awareness month. According to GLITC Epi-Center data, in the S-M Community stroke is the fifth leading cause of death behind heart disease, cancer, diabetes, and unintentional injuries.

A stroke occurs when blood flow to the brain is interrupted. Brain cells in the immediate area begin to die because they are not getting the oxygen and nutrients they need to function.

Because a stroke injures the brain, you may not realize you are having a stroke.

To a bystander, someone having a stroke may just look unaware or confused.

Stroke victims have the best chance if someone around them recognizes the symptoms and acts quickly.

The symptoms of stroke are distinct because they happen quickly:

Use FAST to remember the warning signs:

F Face

Ask the person to smile. Does one side droop?



A Arms

Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one side



drift downward?

S Speech

Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Is their speech slurred or strange?



T Time

If you observe any of these signs call 9-1-1 immediately!



The window of opportunity to start treating the most common type of stroke is three hours, but to be evaluated and receive treatment, the patient must get to the hospital within 60 minutes.

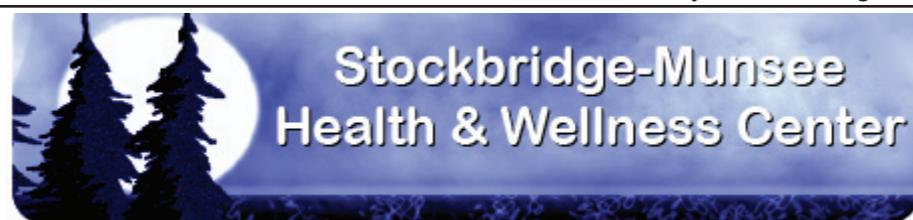
The best treatment for stroke is prevention. There are several risk factors that increase your chances of having a stroke: high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease, high cholesterol, and smoking. Please get these under control or quit smoking to reduce your chances. More information can be found at the National Stroke Association at www.stroke.org or www.ninds.nih.gov

You are invited to a luncheon on stroke awareness

Where: Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center Conference Room

When: Noon – 1 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Katie Spiegel, RN
RSVP: Amanda Miller-Kitson 715 793-5064



National Healthy Start Conference 2013

From April 5, 2013 through April 10, 2013, some participants from the Stockbridge-Munsee Honoring Our Children program got the opportunity to attend the National Healthy Start Conference at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill, in Washington, D.C.

The conference was titled, "Moving Forward, Community Advocacy in an Era of Health Reform". During the conference, a typical day consisted of having exhibitors in their booths at 7:30 AM, speakers starting at 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM, and then breakout workshops in the afternoon until 4:00 PM.

One of the speakers was Derek Bailey, a Past Tribal Chairman from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in Michigan. He spoke on the Social Determinants, Equity and the Impact of Health Reform on Healthy Start Communities. He discussed how Native Americans have come a long way in the battle of becoming self-sufficient within their own communities and are currently working to improve the living standards of all members.

Some of the workshops that we attended were: "Using Media to Tell Your Story, Inter-conception Care and Show Your Love Campaign, Workforce Development: A public health strategy for poverty reduction, and Consumer Advocacy". We spent Tuesday, April 9, 2013, visiting with Wisconsin representatives on Capitol Hill from the following offices: Reid Ribble

(Congressman), Sean Duffey (Congressman), and Tammy Baldwin (U.S. Senator).

Some of the places of interest we visited on the Washington, D.C. trip include: Union Station, U.S. Capitol, White House, National Aquarium, National World War II Memorial, Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Cherry Blossoms in the Tidal Basin, National Air and Space Museum, National Museum of the American Indian, National Mall, Smithsonian, Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown, and the National Zoological Park.

Feel free to ask us to share our stories regarding the following: how to use the Metro (there are special gates to push strollers through), we're reminded how old firehouse doors look, how to hail a taxi, what to do when you lose your keys at an airport and how to use Fed Ex to retrieve them from Lost & Found, found out that there is more than one Hyatt Hotel in Washington, D.C., learned the proper fork to use for your salad when there are 3 to pick from, and last but not least, found out that a 40 minute layover at the Detroit airport is not enough time to walk and catch your next flight.

We'd like to thank Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council for selecting us to represent the Healthy Start Program in our region. It was a once in a lifetime experience for us and we hope we did a great job. We also hope everyone likes the pictures that we are share.

of dementia add a complication that should be addressed early. Most advance directives take effect if a person is terminally ill

or unconscious, and people who suffer from dementia may be neither, but still unable to make medical decisions.

Today Is Healthcare Decision Day

Tim Morrissey

MADISON, Wis. - Today is National Healthcare Decision Day. It's a reminder to let loved ones and doctors know how you might want sudden or end-of-life medical events handled, if you're unable to make that call.

According to Dr. Will Kennedy, medical director for hospice and palliative care at Adventist Health, having a living will is a good start, but this is about more than medical details.

"What are the things that you as a person value, and that is, what is quality of life to you?", he asked. "What are different types of circumstances in which you might make different decisions? And helping them understand what you would want."

Kennedy said it's important to put your wishes in writing in the form of advance directives. Whatever your preferences, he said, it's important that your doctor also has a record of them. You can download the

necessary forms at the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website, at dhs.wisconsin.gov.

Kennedy remarked that the discussion doesn't have to happen all at once. It can be handled in stages and documents updated over time, with greater detail necessary for a person facing a chronic illness. For those who don't want to talk about it, he suggested framing the conversation not about failing health, but about peace of mind for family members and friends.

"When these issues are not clarified, they can create a tremendous legacy of grief and distress, because they did not know what to do when someone had some type of dramatic medical event," the doctor cautioned. "And they're left with the uncertainty, and sometimes guilt, about making decisions on what they thought that person would have wanted."

According to the group "Compassion and Choices," Alzheimer's and related forms



Education

Gresham Honor Roll

- Seniors**
High Honors
 Brady Hoffman, Darci Huntington, Keria Moreno, Shianne Welk
- Honors**
 Violet Gardner, Jaz Mohawk, Alexandria Ninham, Fancy Vele
- Juniors**
 *Lindsay Anderson, Scott Cerveny, Tana Jensen, Kyle Miller
- Honors**
 Brittny Andrews, Ally Miller, Austin Olsen
- Sophomores**
High Honors
 Nande Carroll, Leah Gebert, *Michael Grice, *Christian Haffner, Kevin Ile, Tyli Lau
- Honors**
 James Kazik, Shyann Moreno, Brianna Stehberger
- Freshman**
 *Tatelyn Ferguson, *Beau Hoffman, Taylor Hoffman, *Emma Lau, Levi Ludvigsen, *River Otradovec
- Honors**
 Johnnie Surprise, Raven Webster
- Grade Eight**
High Honors
 Makena Ardnt, Nathaniel Bowman, Neal Cerveny, Raymond Creapeau, *Sydney Jensen, Diego Moreno, *Kayli Posselt,
- Alyssa Roe, Eric Schmidt, Calynn Schroeder, Zachary Simonsen
- Honors**
 Arthur Boucher, Caitlin Kopplinger, Kayla Londre, Legacy Skenandore, Austin Welk
- Grade Seven**
High Honors
 Kamille Davids, Kiersten Fischer, *Drew Haffner, Victoria Hartline, *Hailey Hoffman, *Mackenzie Hoffman, Dani Huntington, Kalisa Jones, Elizabeth Ketchum, Madisyn Ludvigsen, Emily Munoz, Todd Otradovec, Thomes Seidler, Leslie Verstoppen, Kaeleigh Waupoose, Kaci Wendorff
- Honors**
 Marcus Grice, Anton Miller, Hunter Peterson, Ryan Schroeder
- Grade Six**
High Honors
 Melissa Anderson, *Aurora Arce, Kristen Bowman, *Tiana Ferguson, Megan Gebert, Kennedy Hoffman, Nathaniel Juga, *Savana Olsen, Benjamin Page, Justice Paizer, Meckenzie Roe, Anna Smith, Kayla Vetter, Katherine Wetzel, Tristan Wilber
- Honors**
 Bryce Bohl, Aaron Ewen, Johnathon Kerry, Sydney Mohawk, April Sanapaw, Aryanna Simonsen, Shirley Thome
- *4.00=Straight A

Semi-Annual Meeting

Saturday, May 4, 2013

2:00 PM

Tribal Headquarters



Tribal Council Directives

On Tuesday, April 2, 2013, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following motions were made, carried, defeated or died:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Add: HOC Budget Modification, Historic Preservation Mohican Conference Travel Request, Roads Resolution, Education Board Request to Regular Session and Hurtado Contract, Owner's Representative Proposals and Walsh Bishop Scope of Services to Executive Session

Withdraw: Council Member Request

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

DONATION(S)-Bowler Chemical Free Graduation Party-Officer Scott Brown and Thunder Smith, Student

Motion by Joe Miller to donate to Bowler School Chemical Free Graduation Party for 2013. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

WDVA 2-13 AMERICAN INDIAN VETERAN'S GRANT-Robert Little, Mohican Vets

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize the President to sign the grant agreement between the State of Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs and Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Veteran's Services. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller.

Roll Call: Scott yes, Terrie abstain, Shannon yes, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes.

Motion carried. *Terrie abstained because she was uncomfortable as she feels like we are not applying for what we should be.*

CASINO GM'S REPORT, CASINO FINANCIALS & BINGO FINANCIALS-

Terrance Miller & Tammy Wyrobeck, Interim Co-GMs of North Star Casino

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the Casino Monthly GMs report for February 2013, Casino Financials for February 2013 and Bingo Financials for 2013, as presented by Co-General Managers Tammy Wyrobeck and Terrance Miller. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

REVISION OF CHS PRIORITY GUIDELINES-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Rita Kopitzke, Accreditation Coordinator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Health Center guidelines for Contract Health Priorities. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

POLICY ON RADIOLOGY EQUIPMENT-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Rita Kopitzke, Accreditation Coordinator

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve policy number 202RAD0006, Maintenance of Radiology Equipment as presented by Delwar Mian, Director of Health Services and Rita Kopitzke. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

ORTHODONTIC PRORAM-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Rita Kopitzke, Accreditation Coordinator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the revised policy and financial agreement for the Orthodontic Program, number 202DENT0006 and the Orthodontic Financial Agreement. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Rita Kopitzke, Accreditation Coordinator

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve the request of Delwar Mian, Director of Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness, which is the budget mod number two for payment for medical services for the contracted physician as outlined in the budget mod two sheet. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of Delwar Mian, Director of Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center, which is a budget mod for the Emergency Management Performance Grant, redistribution of funds, in the amount as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to along with the request of Delwar Mian, Director of Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center, which is budget mod number on Honoring Our Children budget, which is an addition as outlined in his budget mod sheet. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION-Sherry White

No action necessary, this request will be handled through the finance office.

MOHICAN CONFERENCE TRAVEL-

Motion by Joe Miller to authorize Council participation for the Mohican Conference on the weekend of May 11th, in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

WETLAND RESTORATION AND RAILWAY BED REMOVAL PROJECT-

Angela Waupochick, Wetland Specialist & Luke Hennigan, Hydrologist

Motion by Douglas William Huck to go with option two, to resume the project only completing the most northern section Miller Creek, Camp 1 Project will also include addition of boardwalk. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Roll Call: Scott no, Terrie no, Shannon no, Wally no, Doug yes and Joe yes. Motion defeated.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to have the Tribal Council Secretary set up a Community Meeting to discuss the removal of the rail bed and have appropriate staff present alternative concepts within two weeks and the meeting should take place by May 3, 2013. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Approval of Employee Gaming License Revisions-Compliance Officers

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio, whereas, the Stockbridge-Munsee Compliance Department needs a revised and updated application for Employee Gaming License, **Directives cont on pg Thirteen:**

Directives cont from pg Twelve:
now therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby approves the Mohican Gaming Commission's revised Employee Gaming Licenses Application, to approve resolution 036-13. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Approval of Gaming License Renewal Application-Compliance Officers

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve resolution 037-13 for President's signature, which is the Gaming License Renewal Application as presented by the Gaming Compliance and reviewed by Tribal Council, now therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby approves the Mohican Gaming revised Gaming License Renewal Application. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Revisions to Class II MICS-Gaming Commissioners

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve resolution number 038-13, which is the adoption of Class II MICS, now therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council upon recommendation by the Mohican Gaming Commission, hereby adopt the Class II Minimum Internal Control Standards and Minimum Technical Standards for Class II Gaming Systems and Equipment, and any subsequent amendments thereto. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Revisions to Class III MICS-Gaming Commissioners

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve resolution number 039-13, which is the revisions to Class III MICS, now therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, upon recommendation by the Mohican Gaming Commission, hereby adopt the revisions to sections 542.41 for Drop and Count for Tier C Gaming Operations, 542.13 for Gaming Machines, and the removal of sections 542.7 for Bingo and 542.8 for Pull Tabs, and any subsequent amendments thereto. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

LIBRARY/MUSEUM ROOF BIDS-Roberta Carrington, Assets Department

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the recommendation of William Terrio and Linda Mohawk-Katchenago and as presented by Roberta Carrington, to award and authorize the President to sign a contract with Nordin Design Group, not to exceed a set amount, which is for the Arvid E. Miller Library Museum roof work. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried.

EDUCATION BOARD REQUEST-Roberta Carrington

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of the

Education Board Chair Roberta Carrington, to remove Dawn Espinoza from the Ed Board and to repost and that that proper posting should be noted and that the Ed Board should bring back the By-Laws and Education Chapter 45, to work with legal for revisions. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

FEDERAL TITLE VI PART A AND C-Kristy Malone, Elderly Services Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of Kristy Malone, the Manager of Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly Services, to accept the spreadsheets and the budget presentation fo the Native Americans Older Americans Act Part A and Part C, for Native Americans Caregiver Support Programs. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller.

Motion maker amends motion to include: Title VI. Second concurs. Motion carried.

WTCAC AWARD ACCEPTANCE-Randall Wollenhaup, Wildlife Biologist

Motion by Douglas William Huck to accept the WTCAC Grant, to treat non-native invasive species on the Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation in 2013 and 2014, with a Tribal Contribution for Indirect Cost coming out of the Tribal Council Travel budget for 2013 and for Natural Resources to budget the Indirect Cost for 2014 and with the change in qualifications to the job description number two; to delete in forestry, biology, botany or related natural resources management program. Seconded by Scott R. Vele. Motion carried.

FORESTRY MEETING MINUTES-Randall Wollenhaup, Committee Member

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the recommendation of Randall Wollenhaup from the Forestry Committee minutes to add New Page to the approved logger's list. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Regular Forestry Committee meeting minutes, April 3, 2013, as presented. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

LAND COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-Mary Miller, Committee Member

Motion by Scott R. Vele to accept the recommendation of the Land Committee for the Application and Grant changes as presented by Mary Miller, for the approval of the application changes and as reviewed by legal. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Land Committee's recommendation as presented by Mary Miller for the approval and the revision of the Grant of Standard Assignment changes, and as reviewed by legal. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

ROADS RESOLUTION-Willy

Miller, Roads Manager

Motion by Scott R. Vele to approve for President's signature resolution number 040-13, which is a resolution for right away and easement for the County A project, now therefore be it resolved, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby approves the requested easement for highway purposes from Shawano County and requests that it be approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as presented by Willy Miller, for the President's signature. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

NATOW BOARD REPRESENTATIVE-Scott R. Vele, Tribal Council Member

Motion by Scott R. Vele to appoint Joe Miller to represent the Stockbridge-Munsee Community on the NATOW Board and that he attend all meetings. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

CHAPTER 53, EMPLOYEE RIGHTS ORDINANCE-Douglas William Huck, Treasurer

Motion by Douglas William Huck to post for 30-days, proposed amendment to Chapter 53, the Employee Rights Ordinance. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Roll Call: Scott no, Terrie no, Shannon yes, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes.

Motion carried. *Terrie voted no, as she believes that when changing Tribal Law all Council Members should be involved in a working meeting before it is posted.*

CHAPTER 54, EMPLOYEE PREFERENCE ORDINANCE-Douglas W. Huck, Treasurer

Motion by Douglas William Huck to post for 30-days, proposed amendments to Chapter 54, the Employee Preference Ordinance. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Roll Call: Scott no, Terrie no, Shannon yes, Wally yes, Doug yes and Joe yes.

Motion carried. *Terrie voted no, as she believes that when changing Tribal Law all Council Members should be involved in a working meeting before it is posted.*

WAGE SCALE/JOB DESCRIPTION-Douglas William Huck, Treasurer

Motion by Douglas William Huck to direct Tribal Government Managers and Enterprise Managers to review all the job descriptions within their department, with proposed revisions to the duties, responsibilities and wage classification and present back to Human Resources by May 30th. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Douglas William Huck. Motion carried at 7:22 PM.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried at 8:48 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on the membership minutes, hiring recommendation, home foreclosure, discussion about the recall, employment case, personnel issue, audit report and a couple tribal member requests.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to enroll Trevor John Bessette. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to enroll Wa Tlu Nikawai Lake Cornelius as reviewed by Tribal Council and recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to enroll Alex Conrad Cornelius as reviewed by Tribal Council and recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to go along with the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to enroll Meeka B. Pamonicutt as reviewed by Tribal Council and recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to have HR negotiate with the person discussed in Executive Session, for the hire of General Manager at North Star Casino. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller.

Roll Call: Scott yes, Terrie no, Shannon abstain, Wally yes, Doug no and Joe no. Motion defeated.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to authorize legal to carry out the action in the EM home foreclosure as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller.

Roll Call: Scott yes, Terrie yes, Shannon yes, Wally yes, Doug no and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott R. Vele to have legal carry out the direction as discussed in case number 2013AA002. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to direct all tribal staff to follow all election procedures with the upcoming Special Election on April 27th. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion maker withdraws motion. Second concurs. Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Douglas William Huck to allow the Tribal Departments, who normally provide services for a Tribal Election to perform such services as they normally would for the April 27th Election. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Motion maker withdraws motion. Second concurs. Motion withdrawn.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Scott R. Vele to adjourn. Seconded by Wallace A. Miller. Motion carried at 9:00 PM.

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