



## Special Election Announcement Call for Nominations

From the Desk of Vice-President, Wallace Miller

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community will hold a special election for the officer position of President for the remaining term of the seat. The election board from the 2012 election has been established to still have control over the election process and will hold the special election if all members are able to fulfill their duties and once a new request for additional alternate members to fill out the election board is posted and appointed by Tribal Council at the next regular scheduled Tribal Council Meeting May 21, 2013. The Stockbridge-Munsee Election Board will then set a date for a special election for President-elect which will take place once the caucus and election date can be set.

The position of President was recently vacated by Robert Chicks; Wallace Miller will serve as the interim President until such time the vacancy is filled. Wallace states it is the Tribal Council's desire "to move forward in a positive direction and conduct business as usual."

Because this is a special election, the elected candidate will fill a partial term of office which will commence at the conclusion and swearing-in until the next regular election being held in October, 2013.

## Stockbridge-Munsee Community Members Vote Out Chicks

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

Stockbridge-Munsee Community Members voted Saturday, April 27 to remove President Robert Chicks from office. The official count from the recall election was 224 votes to remove and 128 votes to not remove.

There were a total of 352 voters who participated in the special recall election. A group formed to recall Chicks had gathered 197 valid signatures to initiate the recall.

This is the first time the recall election is being utilized. After the unrest in 1994 the tribe amended the constitution allowing tribal members to petition and have recall elections holding tribal council members accountable for violations of tribal law. Chicks is due in court on May 6 for charges resulting from a traffic stop in Langlade County.

Tribal Vice President Wallace Miller will serve as the interim president until the vacancy is filled.

According to Tribal Council's decision at the May 7, 2013 Tribal Council meeting the special election will occur according to regular procedures since the 2012 election board is already in place.

According to the Tribal Election Ordinance (49.3), "...A notice of the caucus shall be posted by the council secretary at least ten (10) days prior to the caucus. Copies of the notice shall be posted prominently within the community and the council secretary shall otherwise provide for its publication in the tribal newspaper, and other newspapers as may be necessary."

The request for new alternate board members will be posted after the next regular scheduled Tribal Council Meeting on May 21, 2013 and appointed by Tribal Council.

## Eldest Member and Last Full Blood on the Trail Home

By Mark Shaw – Mohican News Reporter

In a moving ceremony attended by well over one hundred people Virginia "Gin" A. Johnson, 99, was laid to rest in the Stockbridge Burial Grounds on Monday May 6, 2013. Gin of Bowler, Wisconsin was called home on May 3, 2013 at the Ella Besaw Center with her family at her side. Johnson was the last full blooded tribal member and the eldest tribal member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. "Our community has suffered a great loss and our thoughts and prayers go out to her loved ones," stated Vice-President Wallace Miller who closed all non-essential tribal offices and had the flags in the community lowered to half-mast in observance of the passing of one of the matriarchs of the Tribe.



Virginia was born to the late George Mohawk and Laura Gardner Mohawk on January 3, 1914 in the town of Red Springs. On August 10, 1935, **Gin continued on page Four:**



Jan RedCloud, Client Service Advocate and Jayci Malone, Family Service Manager of the Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services

## Sexual Assault Awareness Walk Held

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

Jayci Malone, Family Service Manager and Jan RedCloud, Client Service Advocate of the Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services, Domestic Violence, and Sexual Assault Program held a sexual assault awareness walk on April 24<sup>th</sup> in the Mohican Housing area and Mohican Family Center.

Signs were put up to mark the course for walkers in the event. These signs asked blunt questions and provided graphic answers:

What is Sexual Assault? Rape and sexual assault are never the victim's fault-No matter where or how it happens. Sexual violence is an affront to human dignity and a crime no matter where it occurs. Nearly one in five women will be a victim of sexual assault during college. Sexual assault can be inappropriate touching, vaginal, anal, or oral penetration, sexual intercourse that you say no to, rape, attempted rape, or child **Walk continued on page Five:**

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# Activist LaDuke Speaks on Food Sovereignty

By Mark Shaw — Mohican News Reporter

Winona LaDuke, founding director of the White Earth Recovery Project, gave a presentation on food sovereignty at the University of Wisconsin—Green Bay on April 15. LaDuke, an activist, author, economist, environmentalist, and politician, is an enrolled member of the Mississippi Band of Anishinaabe and lives with her family on the White Earth Reservation in northern Minnesota.



The White Earth Recovery Project is a reservation-based nonprofit devoted to restoring the land base and culture of the reservation. LaDuke helped found the Honor the Earth organization in 1993 and has served in a leadership position since its inception. She is a graduate of Harvard and Antioch universities with advanced degrees in rural economic development. She has devoted her life to protecting the lands and life ways of Native communities.

LaDuke began the presentation by speaking in her Native tongue and listing the names of the 13 seasonal moons in her Anishinaabe language. "Notice none of those moons were named after a Roman Empire," she said. She went on to explain that if she had wanted to study European art at Harvard,

then she would have had to apply to their art department. If she had decided to study Native American art however, she would have had to apply to their anthropology department. Since the majority culture rarely recognizes Native America culture as important, Indigenous peoples have to fight for their customs, rights, and ways of life. LaDuke listed many of the political stances she has participated in throughout the years, including the ongoing "Idle No More" protest movements.

After graduating from Harvard with a degree in Economics, she

remembers her father telling her, "I know you're smart, but I don't want to hear your philosophy if you don't know how to grow corn." She still continues to lead the White Earth Recovery Project by example.

For a couple of decades now, she has grown her own food, including all kinds of Native corn. She explained how there were over 8000 varieties of Native corn and they were all tastier and more nutritious than the inorganic corn sold at grocery stores.

LaDuke said, "I'm privileged to harvest wild rice in the same place my great, great, great, great, great, great, great, great grandfather harvested wild rice and had ceremonies." She thought it was important for American Indians to harvest their own food because farming is deeply imbedded into their culture. "I think it reaffirms who we are, our relationship to the Creator, [and] our relatives who have roots because we are not the people who are intended to shop. We're the people who were intended to harvest, to make maple syrup, to live on our land

and grow food," LaDuke said. Then she added with a laugh, "Not that I heard it directly from Creator but I'm pretty sure."

During her presentation, she argued that the American food system was fossil fuel dependent in part because of how far food has to travel to someone's dinner plate. LaDuke proposed that the American government have a freeze on new fossil fuel investments. She explained how climate change disasters were coming and they had already impacted Alaskan Native villages.

Speaking to the Stockbridge-Munsee Nation, LaDuke said, "I hope you guys are all farming out there. If you want to be able to eat 20 years from now you better start farming. I don't know what our plan is otherwise."

LaDuke's presentation was sponsored by the UW-Green Bay Education Center for First Nations Studies, Environmental Management and Business Institute, and First Nations Studies and Women's and Gender Studies.

## Brat Fry for Bowler Chem-Free Party

On Saturday May 18th 2013, The Bowler Senior class is having a Brat Fry at the C-store. They are trying to raise more money for this year's chem free party on May 31st. It will start around 11 am, and end around 1 pm, or until the food runs out. Come help support Bowlers senior class.

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

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## Upcoming Events

- May 15**  
Health & Wellness Center:  
Food Handlers Training, 10am
- May 17**  
Bowler School  
Annual Spring Pow Wow 1pm-3pm
- May 20**  
Spring Cleanup
- May 22**  
Administration Building:  
Child Care Development Fund  
Fiscal Year 2014-15 Plan, 2-4pm
- Division of Community Housing,  
4:45pm  
"Year Round Home Maintenance"  
workshop
- Bowler High School Panther Cafe  
All-Sports Banquet, 5:30pm
- May 23**  
Headstart  
Father's Day Breakfast, 9am
- Mohican Family Center  
Families For Education, 5pm
- May 27**  
Memorial Day, Tribal Offices are closed
- May 31**  
Mohican Family Center  
Health Fair for Elders, 10am-2pm
- Bowler High School Gymnasium  
Senior Graduation, 7pm
- Gresham High School  
Senior Graduation, 7pm-9:30pm

- June 1**  
Deadline to send bids to Pow  
Wow Committee
- June 5**  
Stockbridge-Munsee 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
Senior Banquet  
at Pine Hills, 6pm
- June 6**  
Headstart Graduation, Time TBA

## Pow-Wow Info

The Mohican Pow-Wow Committee is looking for contestants for the 2013 Royalty Competition.

Miss Moheconneew age 15-19yrs  
Jr Miss Moheconneew 9-14yrs  
Lil Miss Moheconneew 5-8yrs  
Brave 8-19yrs

For Applications contact  
Amanda@715-881-1231  
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at the Library Museum. All  
applications must be turned  
in before Friday, June  
28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

The 2013 MOHICAN POW  
WOW COMMITTEE is

1. Accepting SEALED 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 for the 37th annual pow wow and no more than 4 colors should be used when submitting pictures for the art/t-shirt contest
3. Accepting names for the WORKERS LIST. You can be added to the list by calling 715-793-4111. Please send all sealed bids for the feast and art submissions by JUNE 1st 2013 to:  
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PO Box 70  
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715-793-4111

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## Division of Community Housing

### 2013 Annual Workshop/Informational Sessions

Date	Session Title	Speaker(s)
May 8, 2013	Permits to Build/Steps to Build	Housing/land/forestry
May 22, 2013	Year Around Home Maintenance	Bob Vele

All sessions begin at 4:45 pm at the Housing Office with a light supper provided UNLESS a different time or place is posted above. The speaker will begin right around 5:00 pm.

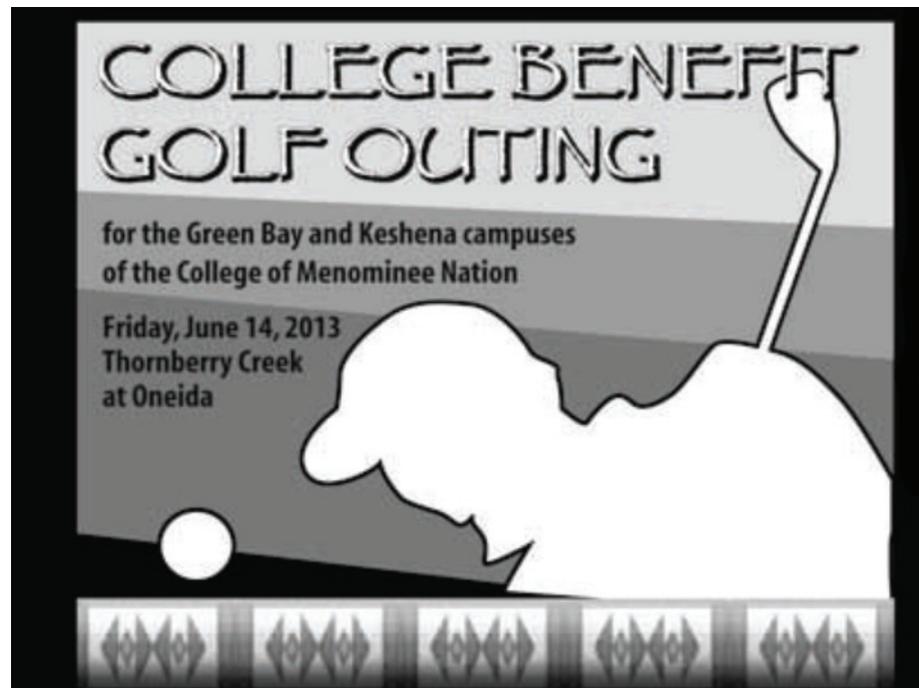
Pre-registering helps us in providing food and seating.

Two extra sessions titled Handling Debt, Credit Cards and Building a Credit History and; Saving Energy Saving Money are still in the planning stages and may or may not be added to the list in the future.

You can contact our office with any question on these sessions.

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# On the Trail Home

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she was united in marriage with Leonard A. Johnson in the town of Red Springs. Together they raised a family which included George, Verna, Bonnie (Les Slater) Mary, Leonard Jr. (Roxanne), Marvin, Chauncey, and George C.

Throughout the years, Gin worked with various tribal youth programs, served as a grandparent for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Head Start program, and was involved with the Ladies Red Hat Society.

She was honored for her contributions to the community in 1996. Johnson was named Elder of the Year in 1998 by the Education Program for her work with the youth, the Elderly Steering Committee, and the Historical Committee.

For her 98 birthday in 2012, the Tribal Council wrote the following proclamation: **"NOW THEREFORE,** in recognition of Ms. Johnson's birthday and in appreciation of her sharing her life and experience with the Tribe, **BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, on behalf of itself and the tribal community, hereby extends its congratulations and wishes a happy birthday to Ms. Johnson."

Johnson was an excellent cook and was well known for her ability to make the most delicious homemade bread. Gin and her late husband Leonard enjoyed spending time gardening. She enjoyed being a wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and great-great grandmother and cherished the time spent with her family. She loved telling stories and those who knew her well were delighted by her humorous personality. She loved everything about music and especially loved to dance. She had a unique ability of raising everyone's spirits no matter who they were. She was loved by many friends and family, but to her they were all family.

Dan Terrio, the great grandson of Johnson, posted on a social media site, "My amazing Leadership Green Bay group surprised me and planted a spring snow crab tree in honor of my Grandma Gin this morning during the Garden of Hope raised garden build. The tree will be a permanent fixture in the garden and it is along my walking route! Grandma loved to garden and most of all, loved

to help people; serving as a foster parent to several kids and remaining active with various youth programs in our community. She was instrumental in my life specifically through my work with youth. It is fitting that her legacy will live on in this garden. To my Leadership Green Bay team, I have never been more touched in my entire life till now. Anii Shiik!"

Virginia is survived by seven children, Verna Johnson Miller, Bonnie (Les Slater) Mary Cotton, Leonard Johnson Jr. (Roxanne), Marvin Denny, Chauncey Skenadore, and George Cooper; 26 grandchildren; 49 great grandchildren; 40 great-great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents George and Laura Mohawk, her husband Leonard A. Johnson, her son George Johnson, her two grandsons George Fredrick and Leonard B. Johnson, and a son-in-law Arvid "Babe" Miller.

Visitation was held Sunday, May 05, 2013 from 4 pm to 8 pm at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham, WI and on Monday, May 06, 2013 from 10 am to 11 am at the Church of the Wilderness. The funeral service began at 11 am with Rev. Melinda Shriner officiating, Elsie Utke playing the organ for the hymn "On Eagle's Wings," and Johnny Doxtator performing songs "She's An Angel," and "Just A Rose Will Do."

Terrie Terrio shared a story she had written about her grandparents, Gin and Leonard, in 1983. Attendees were then encouraged to share memories of Gin and almost everyone who spoke shared humorous stories about Johnson. Shirley Metoxen, Ella Besaw Center Manager, said that when their department would go shopping for Gin at Wal-mart, she liked to joke: "Can you buy me a man?"

Following the Committal at the cemetery, attendees were invited by Gin's family to a luncheon at the Many Trails Banquet Hall located at the Pine Hills Golf Course and Supper Club.

The following is the story Terrio shared at the funeral service, entitled, "1983: Bitter Sweet Memory of Love." Terrio wrote: "I am awakened by the smell of bacon cooking, the smell of homemade bread toasting, and the sound of the lo-

## Gresham Lions Club Community Fish Fry



The public is invited to drive around the horse camp areas to see the sites, visit with the horse owners, and shop for horse related items that many of the campers may have for sale or trade. 5 PM - 7 PM on both May 24th & May 25th.

### Fish Fry & Trail Ride

- Deep Fried Cod, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Bread
- Refreshments at bar
- Adults - \$9.00
- 12 & under - \$6.00
- 5 & under - \$2.00

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Contact person: Tom Mehlberg (715) 853-1701

Time: 4:00 - 9:00 PM

Date: May 24, 2013

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cal radio station. I don't have to open my eyes to know that I am in one of my favorite places; my grandparents' house.

As I get up before seven o'clock in the morning, I can hear the deep voice of my grandfather who hasn't left for work yet. Grandma starts laughing. Grandpa joins her. This is their time.

Listening to the birds sing I am drifting deeper into sleep. Feeling secure and warm under the homemade patch work quilt, I can picture my grandparents, in my sleepy mind, sitting at the dining room table drinking coffee.

Seeing the knife laying across his empty plate, I know Grandpa has finished his breakfast. Pushing back his chair to get a better view of his beloved birds and lighting a cigarette, I can see he is dressed for work in his usual bib-overalls. He is a big man who is over six feet tall and 250 pounds. With his steel gray eyes, high cheek bones, prominent straight nose and pencil thin lips, I notice he is a very handsome man. His hair is a mixture of the black it once was and the gray that comes to some with age. As he looks out the window you can see the satisfaction and pride on his face, over the lawn and bird-feeders he has worked hard to create.

Next to him sits my grandmother buttering a half a piece of homemade bread to eat while drinking the last of her tea. She is almost a head shorter than Grandpa and I can hardly see any gray in her short, curly black hair. When she is laughing her small, brown eyes light up and make me want to hug her. I think I will go downstairs and give them both a hug and kiss and tell them that I love them.

Someone is shaking me, so I open my eyes. It's my son. It was only a dream made up of childhood memories. My grandfather died five years ago; five months after being diagnosed as having kidney cancer. My grandmother is older now and her handshakes when she picks up her tea cup. I think I will go over to Grandma's house and give her a hug and kiss and tell her that I love her, after toasting the bread and frying the bacon for my son."

Virginia Johnson's family would like to express their sincere gratitude to all their friends and community members for their love, prayers, and support shown to Gin throughout her life and to her family during this difficult time.

(Mohican News Editor Jeff Vele contributed to this article).



People from many age groups walked in the event. Sexual Assault is a crime that transcends all age group and nationalities although statistics say more than six in ten Indian women will be physically assaulted,

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molestation. Sexual assault can be verbal, visual, or anything that forces a person to join in unwanted sexual contact or attention. Native American Women are More Than Twice as Likely to Experiences Sex assault;

What do I do if I've been sexually assaulted? Get away from the attacker to a safe place as fast as you can! Call 911 or the Police. Call a friend or family member you trust. You also call a crisis center or hotline to talk with a counselor Hotline is the National Sexual Assault 800-656-Hope (4673). Do not wash, comb or clean any part of your body. Do not change clothes if possible, so the hospital staff can collect evidence. Do not touch or change anything at the scene of the assault;

How do you Lower Your Risk of Sexual Assault? Walk aware of your Surrounding-whose and what's going on. Walk with Confidence. The more confident you look, the stronger you appear. Be assertive-don't let anyone violate your space. Know your limits when it comes to using alcohol. Be wary of isolated spots, like underground garages, offices after business hours, and apartment laundry rooms.

RedCloud said, "It was brought to my attention in the news from Peshtigo, WI about Patricia Waschbisch, a domestic abuse advocate, who was murdered. Patricia was serving as interim director of Rainbow House in Marinette where she helped victims of domestic violence. It is so sad something like this happened, and we wonder how could this have happened to her?"

RedCloud added that domestic violence is about power and control. It includes emotional, mental, spiritual, and physical abuse. "Sometimes, we as women don't want to believe that we are being abused, or believe 'he loves

me and that's why he wants to know where I'm at all the time,' or 'he is smarter than me,' 'he makes me feel that I need him,' or 'I can't do anything by myself or anything right.' These are just some of the warning signs. Even if we know all know the warning signs, that does not guarantee we are protected against abuse. Just like a disease domestic abuse shows no logic, no color preference and no discretion against age," said ReCloud.

On behalf on the Family Services, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program Jayci Malone and Jan RedCloud would like to give a big thanks to all community members and employees that came and walked on April 24<sup>th</sup> for the Sexual Assault Prevention Walk. Forty-nine walkers showed up and had a light lunch and enjoyed the weather along with a 30 dollar Wal-Mart card going to the first 30 walkers that wore teal.

The winners were Helen Beyer for the \$25.00 Wal-Mart Card, Maggie Bennett for the North Star cup and key chain with bag, Debbie John won a Toaster, Linda Katchenago won the slow cooker, Dawn Welch won the North Star cup and key chain with bag, Doug Miller won the Sandwichera, Stacy Attocknie and Fran LittleWolf each won a \$10.00 free play for North Star, Chenda Miller and Jill Tiegs each won a one-half hour treatment at Terradea. Jayci offered a big thanks to the North Star Casino and Resort for the prizes donated.

RedCloud ended by saying, "We really don't know what human nature can do, or know when someone will turn on us without any warning but we each can take action by breaking the silence and reporting it and getting help. More than six in ten Indian women will be physically assaulted, but when it does happen there are a lot of good programs out there to help us to become whole again."



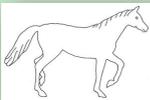
Several walkers head off from the Mohican Family Center to follow the path marked by signs to highlight awareness and care.

Some local programs are: Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services (Domestic Abuse Program) 715-793-4863 or 715-793-4780, Cell phone: 715-881-0488 or 715-881-0812; Maehnowesekiyah Domestic Abuse Shelter 715-799-3835 ext 167; Safe Haven-Domestic Abuse support Center 715-526-3421.

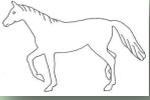
Always remember to dial 911 first in an emergency!



Antoinette Davids, Career Placement Coordinator of the College of the Menominee Nation was on hand with door prizes and career info.



**THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!**



**GRESHAM LIONS CLUB**  
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4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TRAIL RIDE  
**MAY 24 - 27, 2013**

UPPER RED LAKE ROAD  
GRESHAM, WI

**FRIDAY - MAY 24**

- ❖ GATES OPEN AT 12 NOON
- ❖ SHORT TRAIL OPENS
- ❖ FISH FRY: 4 TO 9 PM
- ❖ DJ WITH MUSIC UNTIL 11 PM

**SATURDAY - MAY 25**

- ❖ REGISTRATION STARTING AT 7 AM
- ❖ TRAIL RIDE STARTING AT 10 AM THRU 12 PM
- ❖ FOOD & REFRESHMENTS SERVED AT HALFWAY POINT AND ALL DAY AND EVENING AT THE LIONS STAND
- ❖ DJ WITH MUSIC UNTIL 11 PM

**SUNDAY - MAY 26**

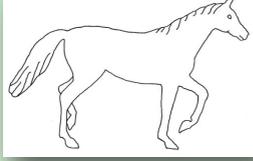
- ❖ REGISTRATION STARTING AT 7 AM
- ❖ TRAIL RIDE STARTING AT 9 AM THRU 12 PM
- ❖ LUNCH & REFRESHMENTS SERVED AT HALFWAY POINT

**MONDAY - MAY 27**

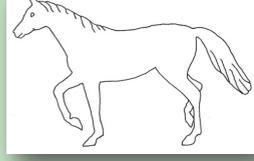
- ❖ RIDE THE SHORT TRAIL ANY TIME
- ❖ CHECK OUT BY 1 PM

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**THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!**



# Stockbridge-Munsee Community says "THANK YOU"!

## National Nurses Week • May 6-12, 2013

"We appreciate our nurses and we want to say Thank You for all you do!"



**Verna Johnson Miller**

Verna was born to Leonard and Virginia (Mohawk) Johnson and lived most of her life on the reservation. After being married 18 years and having six children; Terrie, Bonnie, Charles III, William, David, and Verna and having lived in Tigerton and Embarrass, she worked at Pine Manor as a nurse's aide and took courses through Antigo Tech and received a diploma for accounting and office.

She moved back home to the Reservation and worked at both a nursing home and as the tribal secretary. In those days the tribal secretary was an unpaid position. While secretary, she had occasion to speak with the Superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) when he was visiting and she spoke to him of her dream to go to school and be a nurse. He told her to go ahead and apply for school. She did so and she was surprised and excited to receive the monies to pay for schooling.

Verna attended North West Technical College (NWTC) and graduated as a Practical Nurse in 1973/74. She received an Outstanding Student Award while a student there. The only day she missed in school was the day after her children had used her car. In the morning as Verna went to leave for school she found the interior of the vehicle filled with smoke. Apparently, someone who had used the vehicle the night before threw a cigarette out the window and it must have gone into the back seat and smoldered the entire night. For many months to come the smell of smoke was pervasive and at times overpowering. Her children sure knew how to leave a lasting impression.

Verna worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) at Shawano Hospital, Homme Home in Wittenberg and the Stockbridge-



**Patricia A. Burr, R.N., B.S.N., C.D.E.**

Patricia Burr is the daughter of the late Ralph "Doc" and Joyce Burr. She is an enrolled member of the Band of the Mohicans, Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe. She graduated with an Associate Degree in Nursing from NWTC in 1993 and then went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Marian University in 2000. She has also started a Master's Degree in Nursing Education at Bellin College of Nursing.

Patricia has worked as a charge nurse at Manor Care, a triage nurse at Menominee Tribal Clinic, a staff nurse at Stockbridge-Munsee Health Center and is currently a Diabetes Educator at Menominee Tribal Clinic.

Besides being a State of Wisconsin licensed Registered Nurse, Patricia is also a Certified Diabetes Educator, a Certified "Healthy Behaviors" Coach and a Certified Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Instructor. She is a past member of the American Diabetes Association "Awakening the Spirit" Project Team and a member of the National Wellness Association.

Munsee Tribal Clinic during the its first year of operations. On clinic days Verna explains the tribal secretary could not do any work because the desk was covered with a piece of plywood and became an examine table. Her memories of that first clinic are filled with humorous, humble beginnings. The clinic was in a trailer and there was not any indoor plumbing. One had to send patients to the outhouse to fill their specimen cups. "The heat was the



**Jo Ann (Gardner) Schedler, BSN, MSM, RN**

I received a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Marquette University in 1982, and I completed a Master of Science in Management (MSM) from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI, in 2006. I worked as a Medical/Surgical staff nurse, Clinician RN II at Milwaukee County Jail and Clinical Nurse Supervisor of the Physical Medicine Brain Injury and Rehabilitation Unit and an Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Detoxification and Rehabilitation Unit for Milwaukee County Medical Complex.

I retired and moved home in 1995 and worked for our tribe in several positions, but I missed health care, so in 1999-2003 I worked as the Director of the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center. I was commissioned an officer in the US Army Nurse Corps Reserves in 1984 and served over twenty years with the 452 Combat Support Hospital (CSH). I retired as a Major from the Army Reserve in 2004. Finally, I worked part-time as a Nursing Instructor in the Associate Degree Nursing Program at the College of Menominee Nation 2008/ 2009 and spring 2013.

I hope my children and grandchildren find as rich and fulfilling careers as I had in my lifetime. My dream was that they would seek an education and enjoy their lives. It is with great satisfaction to see that they are

fire you had to build yourself. Until the fire heated up everything was frozen, even the pens would not work," she said.

Verna worked at the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Clinic for over 28 years. She has watched it grow and gain new facilities.

She is proud of what this Tribe has accomplished in the new Clinic and she should be proud of her part in it as well.



**Elana Cox R.N., B.S.N.**

I've been a nurse for eight years. After high school I went to school at UW-Stevens Point and, after a few semesters abroad, earned a biology degree.

From there I worked in an environmental lab as a chemist but found working on instrumentation all day long testing soils, waters, and sludges was not enough interaction with people for me.

I also worked at the Mohican Family Center for eight years. During this time I gave birth to a daughter with disabilities.

My husband, Bill, and I have four kids between the ages of 7-17. It was because of all of my daughter's medical appointments that I started to consider a career in the health field.

I want to mention that when I was in high school I took a test to determine which career matched my interests. Nursing was the career that came up first and I thought "No way! I do not want to be a nurse!" Being a nurse to me at that time, I pictured a stereotypical nurse who "waited" on sick patients in a hospital. Now I understand that being a nurse has many areas of specialties and is a great background for other careers.

I am waiting for my oldest son and daughter to graduate from high school to go on to further my education in the nursing field.

Currently, I work at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center as the Community Health Director. I really like it!

There is a lot of administrative work but I also still get to interact with patients and make home visits. It's a perfect mix for me.



# Stockbridge-Munsee Community says "THANK YOU"!

## National Nurses Week • May 6-12, 2013

"We appreciate our nurses and we want to say Thank You for all you do!"



**Betty Schiel, BS, MS (Putnam)**  
I am Stockbridge-Munsee born and raised. I graduated from Bowler High School in 1948 at age 16 and entered "nurses training" at Misericordia School of Nursing in Milwaukee, WI (A catholic hospital managed by French Nuns-currently Elm Brook Hospital).

We attended classes at the hospital, except for the required college credits like chemistry and biology which were attended at Alverno College in Milwaukee. The program required three full years of study and "floor duty" consisting of 44 hour weeks. We did have two weeks vacation per year. I received my R.N.(Registered Nurse) license and then worked in various areas of nursing because of a wide interest and types of care. I did two years of Medical/Surgical first, and then moved to geriatrics, surgery, obstetrics and outpatient clinics. I worked at De Paul Rehabilitation Hospital for chemical abuse and sexual assault with the Aurora program of Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Before I retired in 1998 I earned my BS and MS degrees. In 1998 we moved to Arkansas but eight years later I returned to Wisconsin. I decided to renew my license again; this was possible through an accepted R.N. refresher course at Waukesha Technical College. After classroom, practical experience and an internship (I chose public health) I received my R.N. license again. I worked in the state supported Prenatal Care Program, specifically with drug addicted women. My last "paid position" was with the VNA (Visiting Nurses Association).

When my license renewal notice came in the mail in 2012, I paused just a bit, but filed it in the "circular" file. No regrets, it was a marvelous career.



**Whitney (Miller) Schreiber, RN**  
I have been a nurse for almost two years. Growing up, I loved hearing stories from my grandparents Doug and Chenda Miller about their adventures as Emergency Medical Technicians. This is what initially sparked my interest in healthcare. Then during high school, I worked for the Community Health Department at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center. Following high school, I went to UW-Stevens Point with the intention of becoming a physical therapist. While taking the classes, however, I realized that I loved learning about diseases and medical disorders rather than just bones, joints, and muscles. So, I changed my major to nursing and took classes and clinicals at St Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield (a program though UW-Eau Claire).

After graduation, I worked for about a year at St. Vincent's Hospital in Green Bay on the inpatient surgical floor. There I took care of people that had all kinds of surgeries, from their eyes to their toes and for all different reasons (car accidents, cancer, joint problems, etc). I was very grateful for the experience and enjoyed my time there, but knew that hospital nursing was not for me.

Last summer, I married Brock Schreiber and then in the fall I took the job I am currently in as the Diabetes Nurse Educator for the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center. I really enjoy the variety that this job has because I get to interact with patients by providing education, help plan and carry out community events, practice my nursing skills (checking blood pressure/blood sugar), and much more. This is one of the best things about nursing; it is such a broad field that you can try out many different specialties until you find your niche!



**Jayci Malone, RN**  
I have been an RN for three years. I started out in college not knowing what I wanted to be when I grew up, and hoped it would eventually "come to me." After seven years and eight different majors I decided I wanted to be a nurse. I chose this path after spending a lot of time with different family members in hospitals and also taking a turn caring for my grandma at the end of her life. I thought getting an education in healthcare would be the best way to help my family in the future because unfortunately we all get old! So, my son and I moved to Oshkosh where I earned my Bachelor's degree in Nursing from UWO-College of Nursing in December of 2009. It was pretty much the hardest thing I ever did; nursing school is tough! One of my biggest challenges was to stop making grossed out faces when dealing with the bad wounds and smells that come along with the job!

I started my career at St. Luke's Medical Center in Milwaukee, WI where I worked on a surgical orthopedic unit and then moved to a brand new general medical unit with telemetry. I learned A LOT in a small amount of time and was pretty much known as the girl who always got some sort of bodily fluids splashed, spilled or wiped on her scrubs every day, which is probably why to this day I hate to see nurses in stores or restaurants wearing their scrubs! Wanting to move closer to him I accepted a job at Eastview Medical and Rehab in Antigo, WI. This job was a big change coming from a big city hospital with all the latest technology to a small long-term facility with no technology at all. I had to learn to do a lot more for myself because of the small staff. I gained some valuable experience but, I was eager to leave. I am currently not working

in the nursing field because of this and also because I recently had another child and did not want to continue working odd hours and shifts. I currently work as the Tribe's Family Service Manager and find that a lot of what I learned in nursing school can be applied in this setting as well, minus the bodily fluids getting spilled on my clothes! Being a nurse is physically and emotionally exhausting and rewarding at the same time. I enjoy the challenges of being a nurse and never knowing what you are going to deal with from one day to the next. I especially enjoy seeing people get better and in some cases have their suffering come to an end. It is a very rewarding field and I hope to return to it again at some point when my baby is older or on a call-in basis so I can continue working in my current position. You will see and experience a lot of crazy, painful, gory, goopy and smelly things as a nurse but you will also see and experience a lot of miracles. That is my favorite thing about being a nurse.

**(Editor's Note: There are more Stockbridge-Munsee Nurses who are not included in this "Thank You." To be part of "2014 Nurses Week," please submit your headshot and biography to the Mohican News next year.)**

### Did You Participate in the Escrow Agreement?

#### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE AGREEMENT?

IF YES, PLEASE CONTACT RENE MONTEZ AT:

715-881-1299  
Or at  
rmontez@frontiernet.net

Members of the escrow agreement are requesting an independent investigation be conducted to gather information as to why the State of Wisconsin did not honor the stipulations of the agreement.

Forty-four members participated in the agreement. If you would like to join in the group seeking answers please contact Rene Montez. Your name will be added to the list requesting the investigation.

And if you can or would like to show your support by attending the Tribal Council meeting on MAY 15, 2013 Rene will submit the formal request.

# Gresham School PowWow April 12, 2013



Circle Dance



Veterans during the Grand Entry



Ryan Haswood, Jason Rosario



Students thank Veterans



Shirley Thome, Scott Vele



Ron DeNasha



Head Dancers Waylon Welch, Kamille Davids lead Couple's Dance



Breeze Guthrie



Bob Little, Vet's Princess Arell Miller



Emcee Harold Katchenago



Tiger Smith, Travis Spice, Thunder Smith



Jake Hoffman



Killian Eggert, Trey Moede, Cole Hoffman (background), James Kazik



Taylor Hoffman, River Otradovec, SoHappy Davids distribute gifts to veterans



Royalty: Katie Welch, Waylon Welch, LaKeisha Williams



William Doxtator, Darrel Everson, Melanie Everson

Special thanks goes to Emcee: Harold Stenago; Arena Director: Jeff Vele; Drums: Color Guard; Color Guard: Mohican Veterans and Veterans of Menominee Nation; Head Dancers: Waylon Welch and Kamille Davids; Royalty: Mohican Veteran's Princess Arell Miller, Miss Moheconneew LaKeisha Williams, Maskaniiteheew Waylon Welch, Junior Miss Moheconneew Katie Welch, Miss Menominee Chelsea Rae Dodge, Junior Miss Menominee Lauren Putnam; Faculty SoHappy Davids; and everyone who helped to make the event a success!



Fancy Shawl Dancers wait for the PowWow to begin



Audience applauds after an honor song



Neil Cornelius, Akasha Skenandore



Roger Miller, Took Moede prepare Eagle Staff



Molly Miller, Lloyd Fredenberg



Miss Menominee Chelsea Rae Dodge; Saychia Wayka; Jr. Miss Menominee Lauren Putnam



Sage Mauritsen



Youth enjoy Couple's Dance



Devlin Vele, Trestarska Vele, Damian Terrio, Jeff Vele



Employees of the Month for the month of February at the North Star Mohican Casino Resort are Rosalinda Martin (Left), Food & Beverage Department and Barbara Beckingham (Right), Count Team Department



Delwar Mian (Center), Director of the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center, awards Jeremy Mohawk (Left) and Milford "Pooter" Mohawk III (Right) as Employees of the Month for the month of March. Both men are Housekeepers/Custodians for the Clinic.



# Community

## Onaben and Menominee Business Center Offer FREE Business Training in Keshena, WI

KESHENA, WI – ONABEN - A Native American Business Network is excited to travel to Keshena, Wisconsin to present a small business development workshop at the Menominee Business Center, N 559 Library Rd. on Thursday, June 13 (9pm-4pm) and Friday, June 14 (9am-4pm).

ONABEN will offer a FREE two-day course for small business development. All entrepreneurs are invited to attend and strongly encouraged to register. The training workshop will benefit anyone who operates or is considering operating a small business.

This workshop, one of 23 ONABEN will hold this year, will cover business concepts indispensable for anyone starting up or running a small business. Instructors will also identify and help participants avoid common pitfalls.

The training will provide comprehensive information on topics important to aspiring entrepreneurs and small business owners related to business planning, access to capital, basic bookkeeping, human resources, problem solving and marketing a small business.

The event will be presented by ONABEN, RedWind Consulting and the Menominee Business

Center, owned and operated by the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, and is sponsored by the SBA's Office of Native Affairs. The event is open to the public and there is no cost to attend. All class materials and food will be provided to participants free of charge.

"I am so excited about this training because it fits perfectly with the scope of work planned for the 2013 Menominee Business Centers' Mentoring Program - to comprehensively assist existing area small rural and Tribal businesses that are underperforming or need help to grow in an effort to provide the assistance they need to be more successful and profitable," said Renee Maktimetas, Research Specialist at Menominee Business Center." Veronica Hix, Executive Director of ONABEN is also excited and "eager to assist small rural and Tribal businesses in the area and provide tools and training to help them succeed."

To reserve a space at the workshop, contact Renee Mahkimetas at (715) 799.5720. Registration information is needed by June 6th to ensure enough class materials for all participants.

For more information about ONABEN, please visit [www.ONABEN.org](http://www.ONABEN.org).

## Synthetic Marijuana & Bath Salts

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 DeAnna DeNasha, Elderly Benefit Specialist/ I & A Specialist for the ADRC of the Wolf River Region sat in on a presentation by Richard Nacotee, Detective for Menominee Tribal Police, regarding Synthetic Marijuana & Bath Salts.

It was during this presentation at the Wolf River ADRC in Shawano that she learned how these drugs are manufactured and why they are so deadly, the street names, the packaging they come in, how it affects the people who use this and where these items are available and how law enforcement is trying everything in their power to stay ahead of this horrible epidemic.

DeNasha said, "The most frightening thing to me is how they are targeting the children in primary schools with the promise to 'see into the spirit world'. When in reality, that might not be far from

the truth as it may take only one time of use to lay a child to rest... FOREVER."

DeNasha said this was a very informative presentation and "one that needs to come to our community so that we can be educated on these new street drugs and how to keep our community children safe."

The presenter, Richard Nacotee, said he is willing to give presentations in our community because he is passionate about making the public aware of these issues. Richard can be contacted at 715-799-5808 or [rnacotee@mitw.org](mailto:rnacotee@mitw.org)

DeNasha ended by saying, "The best way to prevention is to be educated, aware, and proactive. I believe our community children are worth all the effort we put forth to protect them."

## Wisconsin Tourism Experiences Growth in 2012

Shawano County Visitor Spending is Up 3.7%

SHAWANO, Wis. (May 7, 2013) - For the nearly 97 million travelers that visited Wisconsin it's all about the fun and memories, but for the state's taxpayers and residents, it's all about the jobs and tax revenue those travelers support. A study conducted by Tourism Economics shows that impact of tourism on the state's economy was \$16.8 billion in 2012, up 5% from the previous year.

Locally, travelers to Shawano County spent \$54.7 million in 2012, an increase of 3.7% over the previous year. Among the contributing factors for local tourism growth was a long summer season as well as continued growth of a county-wide attraction and event both coordinated by Shawano County Tourism-a division of the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce. According to Nancy Smith, executive director of the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, the Shawano Country Barn Quilt Program and Miles of Art have generated much interest from visitors. "The Shawano Country Miles of Art weekend event alone created an economic impact of \$178,000 for our area." said Smith.

According to state figures traveler spending in Shawano County supports at least 864 jobs. "Tourism plays a critical role in Shawano and Menominee Counties and continues to grow, and from an economic standpoint, the numbers reflect that," said Smith. "Last year's numbers are very encouraging and we hope to capitalize on this momentum in the coming summer season by promoting all the fun activities, attractions, and natural resources

### NO COST SUMMER CLASSES!

College of Menominee Nation Technical Education Department will be running NO COST Summer classes starting June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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!

of our Wisconsin's Playground."

Statewide, traveler spending generated \$1.3 billion in state and local revenue and \$977 million in federal taxes." The past two years have been outstanding for Wisconsin's tourism industry and the two-year \$2 billion growth that is reported in the research confirms what we hear from businesses and destinations as I travel the state," said Secretary Klett. "Investing in tourism promotion and marketing at both the state and local level is an effective way to attract visitors, enhance the state's image and keep the economy growing."

The Department of Tourism has focused their marketing efforts on promoting Wisconsin as a fun place to travel. Their summer TV ad "The Lake" has generated much attention. The Huffington Post called it "the world's greatest tourism ad." It was created by Hollywood director and Wisconsin native David Zucker and stars actor Robert Hays. Their summer campaign launches the week of May 20. Marketing efforts for Shawano County also focus on fun. "Our Wisconsin's Playground brand for Shawano and Menominee Counties dovetails nicely with the Department of Tourism's focus on fun." added Smith.

The Department of Tourism worked with a national research firm Longwoods International and Tourism Economics to produce the economic impact reports.

## 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



## Failed/Late Arrival of Scheduled Dental Appointments

**Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to maximize the availability and improve access of appointments, improve patient/department communication and hold patients accountable for failed appointments. The intent is to reduce the number of *failed appointments that* negatively impact the availability of care that can be offered to other community members at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center (SMHWC).

**Policy:** It is the policy of the dental department at the SMHWC that patients who fail two (2) times in one twelve (12) month period will forfeit the privilege of scheduling appointments in advance for a period of one (1) year. Patients seeking emergency care services will be triaged. Any patient with true emergent needs will be scheduled to receive treatment for that need. The failure of one (1) preparation appointment for specialized care is considered the rejection of that care for a period of one (1) year. The failure of three (3) delivery appointments for specialized care or the refusal to schedule a delivery appointment within 120 days of the preparation appointment is considered the rejection of the specialized care and will result in the patient being liable for lab costs associated with such care.

**Definitions:** Failed Appointment can be any one of the following:

- Failing to show up for a scheduled appointment in the Dental Department;
- Failing to show up for a referred appointment with an outside provider;
- Arriving more than 10 minutes late for an appointment without notifying the department.

### Procedure:

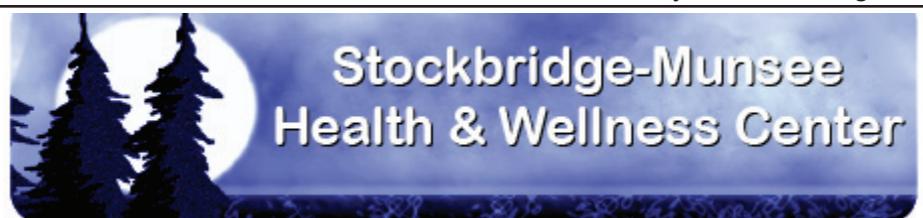
- The dental department will place confirmation phone calls to all scheduled patients. At the confirmation call the staff will confirm the appointment (if possible), inform the patient of the existence of a failed appointment policy that could restrict their ability to schedule appointments in the future.
- After the first failed appointment, the patient will be sent notification of their failed appointment and a copy of the policy. They will also be given a courtesy call to remind them of the policy and the consequences of failing a second appointment.
- The failed appointment and subsequent communications will be documented in the patient's electronic dental record.
- After the second failed

appointment, a certified letter will be mailed to the patient to inform them that they have failed two appointments in the last 12 months and their scheduling privileges are being revoked for a period of one year from the date of the second failed appointment.

- The dental department will maintain a list of patients who are revoked from scheduling advance appointments and the date the patients scheduling privileges can be resumed.
- Crowns, and bridges, and full and partial dentures are specialized care. The time taken to prepare for a crown, bridge, or denture could be used to provide basic care to a different patient. Therefore, a failure of one crown/bridge preparation (initial impressions for dentures) appointment is considered a rejection of the specialized care. Patients who fail these preparation/initial appointments are considered to have rejected the treatment and will give up the privilege of receiving a crown/bridge/denture for one year. After failing three appointments for the delivery of a crown, bridge, or denture, or the refusal to schedule an appointment for delivery in a 3 month period will result in the patient being responsible for the lab fees associated with their crowns, bridges, or dentures.

### Implementation:

- No advance scheduled appointments for one year after the second failed appointment.
- To protect patients from acquiring a second inadvertent failed appointment, any series of previously scheduled appointments will be cancelled after the first failed appointment.*
- Revoked patients will be placed on a "short call" list and offered short notice appointments when they become available.
- If you notify us that you are running late and we are able to accommodate your late arrival you will not be charged with a failed appointment.
- A dental emergency is defined as a tooth or mouth condition in which there is pain and/or swelling. Patients with dental emergencies should call 715-793-5019 to be given a timely triage appointment. This appointment time is designated for triage and emergency care. Routine treatment, such as permanent fillings, cannot be expected during this time.*



## STOCKBRIDGE MUNSEE COMMUNITY TEMPORARY FOOD HANDLERS TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR YEAR 2013

DATE	TIME	LOCATON
Wednesday May 15	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Cntr
Wednesday July 31	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Cntr
Thursday Aug 8	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	S-M Health & Wellness Cntr
Friday Aug 9	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Cntr
Wednesday Oct 16	10 a.m. to Noon	S-M Health & Wellness Cntr

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*) you 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 Delwar Mian, Health Director, or Mary Murray or Julie Casper at the S-M Health & Wellness Center at 715-793-4144.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### NOTICE TO ALL SECOND GENERATION DESCENDANTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

**At this time, we must inform all Second Generation Descendants that as of April 1, 2013 you will not be eligible for Contract Health Services for the remainder of the 2013 Fiscal Year.**

**The fiscal year runs from October 1 thru Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.**

As we have announced in the past, Contract Health Services funds, which are federal funds used to pay for medical services that cannot be provided at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center, are limited. CHS funds usually deplete within the first few months of each fiscal year.

Enrolled, First Generation and Second Generation Descendants of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe are eligible for **CHS** funds.

Once the CHS funds are depleted we continue to pay for medical expenses using **Tribal Funds**.

**Second Generation Descendants are not eligible for payment using Tribal Funds.**



June WIC  
4<sup>th</sup> - Cert day  
5<sup>th</sup> - Check day  
13<sup>th</sup> - Back-up day  
If you have any questions please call Mary Murray 793-5006 or Julie Casper 793-5013.

**Payments for authorized referrals for dates of service prior to April 1, 2013 will still be covered by CHS, only if the services were authorized for payment.**

**If you receive bills after April 1, 2013 and if they are for services prior to April 1, 2013 they will still be eligible for payment by Contract Health, if they have been authorized for payment.**

**Please make sure to submit ALL your bills to the CHS staff at the SMHWC for review.**

Contact Guida Welch (715-793-5011) or Delwar Mian (715-793-5055) with concerns or questions related to this subject.



# Education

## **33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Stockbridge-Munsee Graduation Banquet Wednesday, June 5, 2013**

The Stockbridge-Munsee Education Board will be honoring the graduating seniors at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Stockbridge-Munsee Graduation Banquet, Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013, starting at 6:00 p.m. The banquet will be held at The Many Trails Banquet Hall.

Seniors will be honored with plaques and special gifts. Also on the evenings agenda will be an Elder recognition segment, entertainment and a guest speaker. This year's speaker is Mr. Dan Terrio, youth Development Coordinator for the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce.

If interested in attending please make reservations by calling the Education Office by **May 23, 2013**. The cost of the meal will be provided for the graduating seniors and four of their guests. Additional reservations will be \$10.00 per person. In honor of our seniors the banquet will be smoke and alcohol free. RSVP to [chris.miller@mohican-nsn.gov](mailto:chris.miller@mohican-nsn.gov) or by calling 715-793-4100 or 4060.

**2013 Seniors: Kathi Arnold, Cierra Bernarde, Sahara Burr, Cody Church, Violet Gardner, Breeze Guthrie, Darci Huntington, Cheyenne Kroening, Jaz Mohawk, Xavier Montez, Anthony Sanapaw, Diondre Shawano, Thunder Smith, Martin Stevens, Fancy Vele, Arianna Welch and Kylene Welch.**



*Bowler SMV first lap ever*

## **Supermileage Vehicle Club has its First Competition**

Submitted by Mr. Ploeger

Did you ever have to take a test without getting a chance to study for it? That's what it felt like for members of the Supermileage Vehicle Team this past weekend as they traveled to UW-Stout for their first competition. The team made an extensive list of tools, materials and miscellaneous items to bring along with us. There was an air of excitement as the team pulled out of the school parking lot at 6:45 AM on a cold and snowy Friday morning.

We arrived at the competition with plenty of time to register; after that we observed a few other cars go through safety inspections. Finally, it was our turn to put the Bowler car through the inspections. The first was to make sure that the car had all the safety devices installed and that the driver could exit the vehicle

in 15 seconds; no problems were discovered in the first station. At the second station, the cars have 350 pounds placed on top of the cockpit and less than 1" deflection can occur or without the cab collapsing, again the team's car passed without issues. At the third station, the cars have to turn and keep the entire car within a 20 foot radius circle making a complete circle both to the left and to the right. Once again, the Bowler car performed without a concern. The braking station was next; teams have to accelerate to 15 MPH and then come to a complete stop within 25 feet. This time our car performed well above the teams expectations. Tyler Stewart was our driver and he brought the car up to speed and was able to stop within about 10 feet. Several vehicles from other schools had issues at this station and blew thru the allotted distance, then had to make adjustments before



attempting the braking station again. The last station was the maneuverability course; 5 cones are set up 25 feet apart and cars are required to slalom through it 3 times and given 45 seconds on each pass.

The first is practice and second and third count for time. On Stewart's first required run, he completed the course in 30 seconds and on the second he improved to 28 seconds. The team passed all stations and was good to go for Saturday's main event, the mileage competition.

On Saturday morning, we were all anxious, nervous and excited as Stewart took to the track for the first time ever. As he drove around the track all the other members had suggestions on what he could do better (kind of like building a campfire, someone else can always do it better). But as he came across the finish line and the team pushed him back into the pit area, we all waited for the results. After a very long minute, we found that our car was getting 113 MPG. I think that we were expecting to do better and after much discussion over lunch, the only change made was the driver. Tyler Thiex took the reins on the second run, and he did a little better at about 119 MPG. Before the team's final run, changes were made to the carburetor and Stewart went back to driving. The car improved again by moving up to 130 MPG. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> run, the team had to return to Bowler to get ready for prom.

At the time of this writing, I don't have any final results about how the team did against other schools. Although it is a competition, teams worked together or helped each other out when asked. Due to the late spring, we were never able to check our mileage before the competition. Hopefully, we can use this weekend's experience to continue to improve our mileage. Team members who attended the competition were Tyler Thiex, Tyler Stewart, Parker Kessel, Austin Trinko, Jacob Diestler, and Quentin Rondeau. I will post the results on our website when I get them, please visit it and look at our sponsors and be sure to thank them for their support of SMV when you visit them.

## **Welcome !!!**

## **2013 Gresham Lions Club 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Weekend Trail Ride**

### **Trails:**

1. **Blue Trail** is open from 12:00 noon on Friday to 12:00 noon on Monday, from sun-up to sun-down. The Blue Trail is about 3 miles long.
2. **Orange Trail** is open only on Saturday. The ride starts between 10:00 AM and 12:00 noon. This trail will be closed for the weekend by 7:00 PM or when the last rider returns. The Orange Trail is about 16 miles long.
3. **Pink Trail** is open only on Sunday. The trail is open to start riding between 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. This trail will be closed for the weekend by 7:00 PM or when the last rider returns. The Pink Trail is about 9 miles long.

### **Food:**

1. Breakfast is served daily at the Pioneer Restaurant (North Main Street – Gresham) AND at the Whistle Stop Restaurant (South Main Street – Gresham) all day long. Saturday and Sunday mornings visit our Lions Club Building for coffee and donuts in the AM.
2. On Saturday and Sunday food and drink will be served at our half-way points along the trail.
3. Friday night is our outstanding Gresham Lions Club Fish Fry, starting at 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
4. Saturday and Sunday visit our Lions Club Building for burgers, and hot dogs from noon till 9:00 PM.

### **Entertainment:**

Friday and Saturday evening we will have DJ music until 11 PM in the Lions Club Building.

### **Other:**

- Friday and Saturday please visit other campsites that have tables of used tack for sale between 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The public is invited to tour the campsites during those times only.
- Check out time by 1:00 PM on Monday.
- Thank you for coming, be safe, have fun and come again!
- Please let us know what we can do to make your visit more enjoyable next year.

## 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. In May, Harter's will begin using a new garbage truck and the weekly trash and recycling pick up day will change to **Monday**.

### May Trash Recycling Schedule

#### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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?

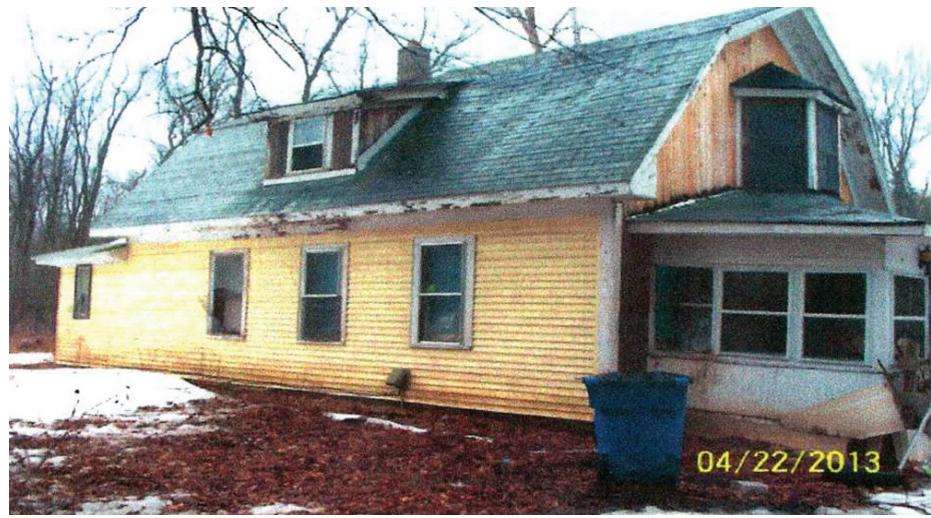
It means recyclables are mingled (mixed) together (co-mingled) in a single compartment (single stream) in the collection truck. These trucks have two compacting compartments, one for recyclables and the other for solid waste. The two are not mixed together in the truck. The recyclables are taken to a 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.



The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is accepting bids from tribal members on a 1.11 acre parcel containing a house located at W10466 Pine Drive, Gresham Wisconsin.

#### Minimum Bid \$18,000

#### Sale Information:

Approximately 1.1 acres of land. Over \$4,600 in back real estate taxes owed on property.

**If 2008/2009 taxes remain unpaid as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, property will be sold by Shawano County in sale for back taxes.**

Home in need of repairs.

Well, septic and electricity located on site.

This property and Home is being sold in "AS IS CONDITION."

This property will be sold as a cash sale. The Tribe will not provide financing for the purchase of this property. Bidders must be able to pay the accepted bid amount in full within 45 days of bid acceptance.

The purchaser will be responsible for payment of back taxes.

For more information or to view the property please contact the Division of Community Housing at 715-793-4219.

All bids must be sealed and presented to:

Tribal Secretary  
Tribal Office  
P.O. Box 70  
Bowler, WI 54416

The sealed bid should be clearly marked on outside of envelope "BID FOR HOME AT W10466 PINE DRIVE."

Bids will be accepted until: Friday May 31, 2013, 4:30 pm.



**On Wednesday, April 24, 2013, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following motions were made, carried, defeated or died:**

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

**Add:** Election Board Legal Council Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the agenda as revised. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

#### PURCHASE OF USED VEHICLE- Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Joe Miller to authorize staff to purchase the 2009 Dodge Grand Caravan SE to replace the vehicle that was totaled, using the money received from the insurance claim. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion maker amends motion to include: authorizing the Chairman to sign the necessary agreement for the purchase. Second concurs. Motion carried.

#### WALSH BISHOP SCOPE OF

#### SERVICES-Wallace A. Miller, Vice President

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the contract with Walsh Bishop for North Star Casino Entertainment Center project. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

#### OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE

**Wallace A. Miller, Vice President** Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to select as Owner's Rep, Trinity Mechanical Services. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

#### LEGAL COUNSEL/OUTSIDE COUNCIL-Wallace A. Miller, Vice President

If the need arises for the Recall Election Board to have legal counsel for the recently filed petition, the Recall Election Board Judge Robert Doxtater recommended the use of in-house legal counsel.

#### ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adjourn. Seconded By Shan. Motion carried at 6:15 PM.

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- \* Refinancing available
- \* Purchase and rehabs
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- \* Low down payment
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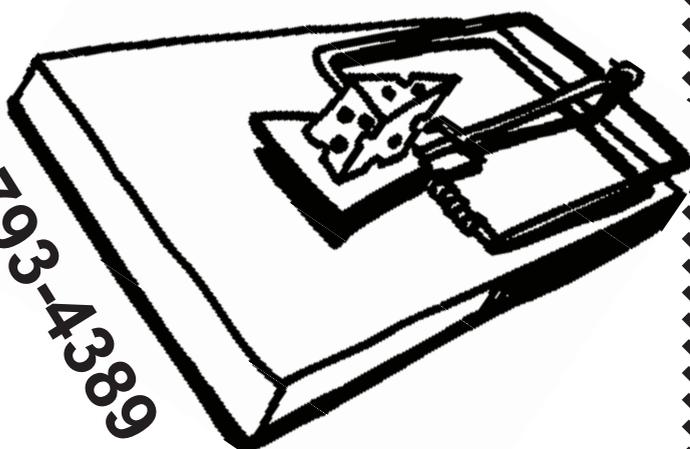
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**WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$12,500**  
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**25¢ THURSDAY WINGS IN THE GROOVE 11AM-9PM**

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**WIN UP TO \$1,000 IN FREE PLAY**  
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One prize per Thursday.

**\$12 FRIDAY AROUND THE WORLD BUFFET 4PM-10PM**

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS



**21<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

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